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Baronial Calendar

Rapier Practice: every Monday from 7:00-10:00pm*

Populace Gathering & Fight Practice: every Tuesday from 7:00-10:00pm*

Baronial Court & Potential Tournament: 1st Tuesday of each month at 8:00pm*

Business Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm*

** Held at Evendale Cultural Arts Center, 10500 Reading Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45241*

Upcoming Events

June 21-23 – Baron Wars (Bowling Green, OH)

July 5-7 – Push for Pennsic (Hamilton, OH)

July 26-August 11 – Pennsic War (Slippery Rock, PA)

August 29-September 2 – Mounted War Games IX (Bluffton, IN)

August 30-September 2 – Pounce XVIII (Vanlue, OH)

September 1 – Fenix Baronial Champs

September 6-8 – Harvest Days (Pleasant Hill, OH)

September 13-15 – Border Raids (Eminence, KY)

September 28 – Coronation (Pekin, IL)

Letter from the Baron and Baroness

Greetings unto the people of the Barony of Fenix from Sir Angus and Mistress Melisande, Baron and Baroness.

Summer is upon us and with that the threat of war. We encourage everyone to sharpen their swords and see to their bows and axes as we prepare to heed Their Majesties call to help defend the Dragon Realm. If you are need of a heavy fighting tabard or rapier cloak to wear on the field of combat, please see us. It is also our plan to take as many archers and throwers as we can gather to participate in the populace war points as a group. Day is still to be determined, once we have a chance to go over the full Pennsic schedule.

Pre-Registration Deadline is coming. If you are coming to Pennsic and planning to camp with the Barony, please make sure you are registered with Barony of Fenix. We are holding the Pennsic Planning Potluck on June 30 at Delhi Park (Shelter #2). We will start sometime around one or two with an informal fight practice and crafting. Bring things to throw on the grill and something to share. By then, we should have numbers of people pre-registered, and should be able to make a preliminary stab at doing the Tentriss to lay out the camp. Even if you aren't camping with us, please come and hang out for a fun afternoon.

Looking forward to our Baronial Championships. A bid is being put together and a site has been secured for the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend. We will be deciding the martial champions at this event. We look forward to seeing all those who would compete!

Yours in Service,
Angus & Melisande



Letter from the Chatelaine

Salutations! As we go into the summer season of the SCA I ask that you be mindful of those who are not in school and help to give them a hobby that will last them the whole year if they let it! I'm talking about recruitment. With a surge of efforts being directed towards recruitment society wide here are a few things that you can do to help us get more people involved.

1. Be keen about talking about your hobby [the SCA] to any mundane who might seem interested. Maybe it's the lad behind you in the craft store while you're getting fabric for a dress. Or the lady buying lumber when you're there for a new chisel for carving. Get involved in the conversation!
2. Bring a friend to fight practice or the monthly meeting who might want to learn more about what we do and get involved. Meetings are a great place to get a taste without committing to an event.
3. Wear your garb to do mundane things, like grocery shopping, bowling or just going out to dinner with your family. People see the neat things we wear, and most are going to ask questions! [We often hear the question, are you in a play? Do you work at the Ren Faire?] Be kind in answering these sorts of questions, and you'll be surprised at how quickly people latch onto the idea!

After you've made contact with someone about the idea of joining the SCA, always be sure to follow up with them. If you find yourself busy and need help in follow ups, contact me and I'll do my best to chase the leads.

As Chatelaine, our job not only includes the recruitment but also helping with the retention of members who do decide to try us out. Here are a couple things I'd ask your help within these efforts.

1. Be welcoming and patient with anyone that joins us. Getting into a new club and a new society can be daunting and intimidating. If not properly cared for, our newcomers may be inclined to give up because many see a pre-established hierarchy with no space for them.
2. Be forward in your effort to offer inclusion to any to whom the time is right for. This is not to say, throw a very new fighter who has never swung a sword into a melee in which they might seriously get hurt. But if you're running spars, set aside some time to have people run newbies through their paces. Or if you're teaching an Arts and Science

class or holding a get together, offer to show the newcomer that shows up what you're doing before they ask to learn to do it!

3. Smiling goes a long way. While it isn't 100% possible to smile all the time, giving the newcomer that walks into a meeting a smile is sure to brighten their day and make them feel at ease.
4. Introduce yourself and tell a newcomer the basics about what you prefer to do in the dream. They might not know [and probably won't] the cool things they can get into in the SCA.

In closing, more friends for our wonderful group, not just here in the barony but society wide would be splendid. It keeps the dream alive to have folks who will learn what we learn and keep the oral and physical traditions going further down the road. We are after all a group that preserves history as much as practices it. Some lost arts live within us!

Yours in service,

Lady Frigga Viljhalmsdottir C.W.
Fenix Chatelaine

Letter from the Chronicler

The quarterly report will be submitted before the end of the month. I am looking for a deputy and eventual replacement. I recently accepted the position of Chronicler for the South Oaken region. I have been the Baronial Chronicler from October 2014 to September 2016, and again from May 2017 to the present. It is time for me to pass this torch on to the next person.

Thank you to everyone who sent in submissions for this quarter's newsletter! Please keep the submissions coming for the next quarterly newsletter! Officer letters, artwork, anything of interest, pictures, etc. would be fantastic!

In Service,
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