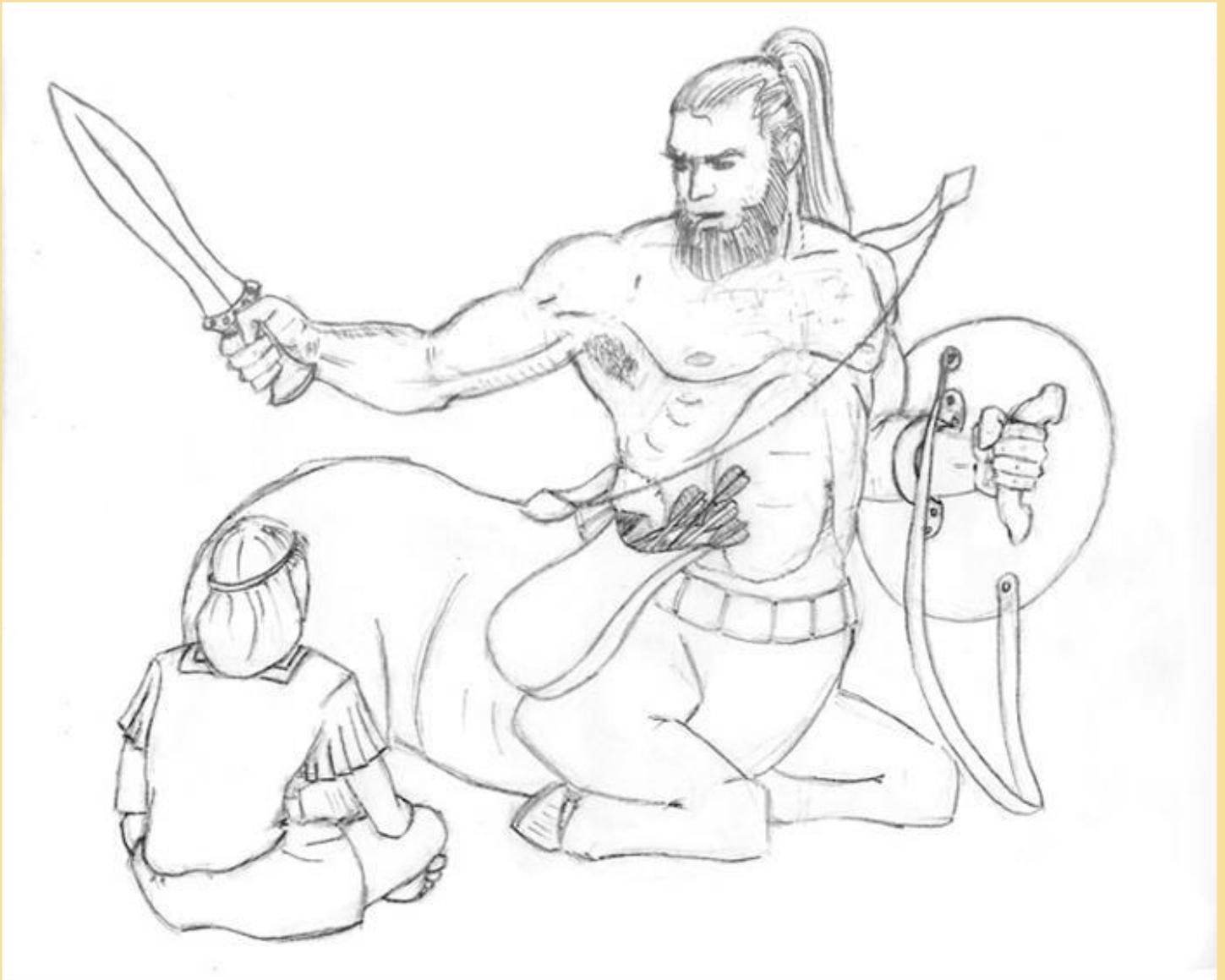


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# Baronial Calendar

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

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

Baronial Court & Potential Tournament: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at 8:00pm\*

Business Meeting: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm\*

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

## Upcoming Events

Sept 7-9 – Harvest Days (Pleasant Hill, OH)

Sept 29 – Fall Coronation (Howell, MI)

October 5-7 – Hammer and Annville Part 7 (Annville, KY)

October 13 – Red Dragon (Marysville, OH)

October 20 – Fall Crown Tourney (Ashland, OH)

October 27 – Barony of Fenix demo

November 17 – Fall RUM (Celina, OH)

December 1 – Christmas Tourney (Elizabethtown, KY)

December 15 – Grenemere Festivus (Celina, OH)

# Letter from the Baron and Baroness

Unto the noble populace of Fenix, Greetings!

As summer comes to a close, we look back on another successful war season. Once again, we are so proud of the force we were able to field at Pennsic. We had a great time out there and were glad to witness the leadership of Sir Angus as warlord and Alexander as his deputy. The mix in our Fenix Baronial camp is a little different each year, and we value all of you whom we get to spend time with.

Lord Rotbald won a Dragon's Tooth for valor on the rapier battlefield. Newly authorized in single sword, he was able to turn the flag for the Midrealm many times in the course of two separate battles. Great deeds such as his increase the renown of the Fenix – especially if those who witness them make the effort to tell their stories. This is how we help to see those who are these heroes of our society, great and small, receive their due.

Everywhere we went we could hear the praises of Fenix falling from the lips of the Dragons of Midrealm, and even our stalwart opponents from the East and their allies spoke of the fighters from Fenix with the respect gained from having faced us. It seemed everyone we ran into was almost as excited as we were about the construction of our new Baronial storage trailer and shower house. Wilhelm von Glier, zombie (Xombie) and engineer extraordinaire, along with his heroic brother Reinhold von Glier, have inspired discussions of sainthood for their labors. Our efforts both on and off the field increased the renown of Fenix and the Dragon Kingdom!

Though Pennsic is past, we need to start planning for next year. Events for the Barony need 12 to 18 months' lead time to get all the necessary things done. Not only our Baronial needs and processes, but those of our South Oaken Region and Kingdom as well as the modern concerns of site owners must be taken into account. The Society Office has specific timelines for insurance issues too. Staffing and officer Interactions are necessary, and volunteers are needed often and early.

For the last five years we have served not only as your Coronets, we have also served as the Barony's Pennsic Land Agent, Quartermaster, Teamsters and Engineers. These jobs are usually filled by many different people. While we have done this because the jobs all needed to be done, we will be stepping away from these roles. It is necessary that our Heirs have the

support they will need. Please step up and see that these roles are filled. We must again thank the von Gliers, His Excellency Christophe, His Excellency Amaranth, Lord Alanus, and Masters Uadahlrich and Peregren for their efforts in assisting us with Pennsic these last five years. Also of special note, Brandon of Fenix, called Chuck, along with Sven Karlsson, have been available when help was needed.

Thanks to Sir Angus and Her Excellency Melisande, the selection of our Champions for the arts martial has returned to its own event at this traditional time of year, and the competitions were some of the best we have seen. We are delighted to announce as our Fenix Champions for the ensuing year:

Youth: Hayley von Glier

Armored: Alexander Thorfinnson

Rapier: Reinhold von Glier

Youth Archery: Matilda Von Greiffenburg

Archery: Deor Leodegar

Thrown Weapons: Alanus de Bannockburn

As we are in our fifth year as fifth Lord and Lady Fenix, it is time to begin the process for the selection of our Heirs. We are in contact with the Transitions Deputy to set that process in motion; we intend to step down at next year's May Day in Fenix. Please join us in this last year of our reign as we make our final progress through the Kingdom and beyond, representing our noble Fenix and the Dragon of Midrealm. We plan to attend the following events:

September 7-9 – Harvest Days (Marche of Winged Hills)

September 29 – Fall Coronation (Barony of Roaring Wastes)

October 5 – 7 Horses and Hounds III (Barony of Fenix)

October 13 – Red Dragon (Marche of Tirnewydd)

October 20 – Crown Tournament (Marche of Three Towers)

October 27 – Demo – information to follow (Barony of Fenix)

November 9-11 – Winter Rose VI (Incipient Shire of Austrigatt)

November 17 – Fall RUM (Incipient Shire of Grenemere)

December 1 – Christmas Tourney & Baronial Investiture (Barony of the Flame)

December 8 – Yule Feast (Canton of Hrothgeirsfjodr)

January 12 – Twelfth Night (Barony of Fenix)

Next on our official event calendar for the Barony, we look to Horses and Hounds III, the weekend of October 5-7 at Kentucky Cowtown. Please come out and support our thriving equestrian community! Volunteers are needed in all the usual places, and volunteers for ground crew need no equestrian experience.

Also in the works for this fall, we will have opportunities to gather together less formally, whether at a Baron's Night Out or trick or treating (or holding down the fort) at our house on Halloween. Keep your eyes on the Facebook page for these announcements.

This is also storm season, and His Excellency may be called upon to respond to distant parts of the continent. He asks that everyone check their own readiness to hunker down and get through what nature may bring. To that end He also asks that you attend to Her Excellency often and early should He be called away. Also, as in years past please stock up on disaster relief items so we can take care of our own in the afflicted areas if needed.

Thank you to our populace for your friendship and support.

Ever in service to you and to our collective Dream,

Ulf and Sárnat



## Letter from the Herald

So, you want to be a herald...

No doubt you've gone to events and been to court. If you haven't you soon will! The people who boisterously and enthusiastically announce things during events and during court are usually heralds! But that's not the only thing heralds do. In fact, there are a couple different kinds of heralds. List Herald, Court Herald and Consulting heralds!

A list herald is the herald whom; during tournaments and chivalric fighting exercises will announce that someone is taking the field; or summon a fighter to the field.

A Court Herald is someone who announces the entry of the sitting body of authority; guests and nobility. They summon people to receive awards for scrolls and aid the royal body in holding the necessary script for certain ceremonies.

The Court Herald is often aided by the Signet. The Signet is the one who holds the scrolls and carries the awards. Making sure that the herald has the right scroll for the award they are supposed to be announcing at that time.

The Consulting Heralds are the ones that sit with you and talk to you about your persona; help you register your name and come up with a personal device that fits the period and place you're working in.

Here in the barony we have a Baronial Pursuivant. [ That's Me!] At the moment, I am aided by many wonderful friends to attempt to fulfill all of your heraldic needs, but many have expressed interest in getting into heraldry on their own. I am addressing in this letter the first basics you're going to want to handle.

First. Voice Heraldry can be intimidating to start off. If you're not used to speaking loudly the idea of doing it in front of a hundred people can cause some stage fright. That's okay. The way I got over it [ And maybe it will help you too.] Is to go to a fight practice and try to talk to someone over the din of fighters in the gym that we hold practice in sometimes. It's turns out not to be too easy, but you learn volume without shouting!

Second. Read the Pursuivant's handbook! <http://www.midrealm.org/heraldry/>

In this link there are a ton of documents. I would recommend to eventually glance or read through them all. It will cover a lot of design points; teach you what Midrealm expects of its heralds and all the other lovely things.

Going forwards through newsletters and events I will be breaking down some of the articles covered on the various Midrealm and SCA heralding Facebook pages and some of the documents provided in the link above.

If you are interested in doing a bit of heralding at Baronial Events; please let me know through PM on Facebook!

[ I am Rachel Blackburn on Facebook.]

Most Sincerely Yours;

Lady Frigga Viljhalmsdottir C.W.  
Fenix Pursuivant

# Letter from the Chatelaine

What a FANTASTIC year it's been. I'm so happy to have moved closer to this barony and to have had the opportunity to meet and work with all of you more closely than I have been able to. Simply going to events with you wasn't enough to sate my need for family. And you have all been more than welcoming. While I'm not new to the SCA, this feels like home.

In the spirit of things continuing to feel like home; I am in the process of resurrecting an old dream / want of a few people I have spoken to. In the next few months I hope to have started a working model of the Fenix Nest program that supports newcomers in our area; whether new to the area or new to the SCA in general.

Much of this will include helping them develop their kits, personas, ability to fight, helping them find the direction they want to pursue in the SCA and the barony and most of all to assure them that like us all; they have a warm place to come to. You may have seen on the Facebook page recently a spreadsheet going around. This sheet is filled with things that newcomers have said they would like to accomplish. Some of these things will be things they do themselves; but if you see something that you think you'd be able to help them out with; please speak up!

We all have our areas of expertise. I wholeheartedly believe that as we all grow closer as friends do, we will find better ways of working together to ensure that after their first year with us; each newcomer has a solid starting point in our great game.

After a year the Fenix nestlings will graduate [ with some pomp] to full Fenix dom. Although by no means does this mean that they aren't full members of our clutch. And we will ALWAYS be here to support them! [ Or you, if a newcomer is reading this!]

I will be looking for a deputy in this passionate movement. If you are interested, please let me know!

Most Sincerely Yours,  
Lady Frigga Viljhalmsdottir C.W. Fenix  
Chatelaine

# Letter from the Exchequer

Greetings,

We are doing well on the financial front, currently with \$5,274.05 in the bank.

Baronial Champions was pretty well attended. While probably not absolutely everyone signed in, we had 31 who did.

Recently, we were notified that Kentucky will be requiring us to collect Sales Tax at Events which charge admission. The specific rules regarding that are copied from the "State by State SCA Sales Tax Procedures" document I received in the notification are below:

#### Policy for Collecting Sales Tax in Kentucky at Events

1. Events held in Kentucky by any group will need to collect sales tax on admissions.
2. The amount of tax to be collected is 6%.
3. Kingdoms will provide a list of all events that will be held in Kentucky on a regular basis to the Corporate Office at [taxes@sca.org](mailto:taxes@sca.org). This includes local events that collect registration, feast fees, etc. that may not be listed on the kingdom calendar. For each event, the group's seneschal or exchequer contact information must be included. This is to allow the corporate office to send the required form to the group, prior to any fees being collected.
4. Groups do not need to collect sales tax on "donation only" events.
5. Groups may include the sales tax as part of the price but must provide that information on their flyers and at the door stating that tax is included in the price. Otherwise they will need to calculate the sales tax on each transaction.
6. At the end of the event, the local exchequer will fill out the required form and within ten (10) business days from the end of the event, mail the check and the form to the Corporate Office address listed.
7. A copy of the same report shall be emailed to the kingdom exchequer and [taxes@sca.org](mailto:taxes@sca.org).
8. In the case of an emergency delay in submitting, written notification must be sent to the Corporate Office. This notice must include all contact information, reason for the delay, and the guaranteed date of submission (not to exceed 30 days from the date of the event).
9. Failure to comply with the outlined procedures will result in the Kingdom being placed in Abeyance.

Yours in Service,

Alanus de Bannockburn

## Letter from the Chronicler

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,  
THL Lynne Fairchild



## Current Officer Positions Seeking Replacements:

- Seneschal
- Heavy Weapons Marshal
- Herald
- Archery Marshal
- Minister of Arts and Sciences

## Currently Vacant Officer Positions:

- Thrown Weapons Marshal

# Youth Combat at Pennsic



**By, THL Lynne Fairchild**

The Barony of Fenix was represented by our Baronial Youth Combat Champion at the Known World Baronial Champions' Tourney for Youth Combat at Pennsic this year.



The Champions were heralded in individually, escorted by a parent or whomever was their inspiration for fighting, and presented to the gathered Barons and Baronesses. It was quite similar to how fighters are presented before the beginning of a Crown Tourney. In addition to fighting, each combatant was individually asked a question for the gathered Barons and Baronesses to judge their answer. Our Champion was asked who inspires him the most. His reply was his dad because he teaches me to be more chivalrous and helps me fight better.

# Baronial Championships

By, THL Elspeth Clerk Youth:

Hayley came to battle with a  
polearm taller than she  
Jonathan came with a sword and shield  
Reigning champion was he Round  
and round the polearm flew  
blocking sword blows from her foe  
But courtesy was of import too  
And so she laid her brother low.

Congratulations to Hayley von Glier, the new Youth Combat Champion.



*Picture by THL Reinhold von Glier*

## **Rapier:**

Rapier fighters entered the fray  
Through the bear pit to make their way  
Three emerged to take the field  
None of them willing to yield  
Their Excellencies called them good  
And questioned them on where they stood  
On service to the Coronet  
And so the three were all well met.  
But one stood out, brave and bold  
The Rapier Champion shall be Reinhold.

Congratulations to THL Reinhold von Glier, the new Rapier Champion.

## **Rattan:**

Shiny helmets reflect the sun

Sword and shield fights start the fun  
Round the robin three fighters go Battling  
high and battling low.

Single offhand in turn it fell  
Followed by axes, they all did well.  
Through the heat, they battled on  
Until all three, their strength was gone.  
Then in turn, they made their way  
Their Excellencies to have Their say  
The honor can go to only one  
This year to Alexander Thorfinsson

Congratulations to Lord Alexander Thorfinsson, the new Rattan Champion.

**Archery:**

Whoosh, thwack, the arrow flew  
Hunting animals, old and new  
Archers hold and then retrieve  
Count your points and quickly leave.  
Rescue the unicorn came along  
Flying arrows play a song  
Deor is Champ, Matilda the youth  
Though Amaranth scored highest, forsooth.

Congratulations to Lady Deor Leodegar, the new Archery Champion  
Congratulations to Lady Matilda von Greiffenburg, the new Youth Archery Champion  
Honorable mention to Sir Amaranth Wolfbane (who was not competing for Champion)

**Thrown Weapons:**

Hurlbats three and call your mark  
Hit the wood and not the bark  
Lots of laughter did ensue  
As throwers came up two by two  
The Daneax was fun, though not part of the score Alanus  
threw well and came to the fore.

Congratulations to Lord Alanus de Bannockburn, the new Thrown Weapons Champion

# The Pennsic Trailer

This trailer has replaced the previous Fenix trailer at Pennsic.



At the end of Day 1.



Inside the shower stall and the outside sink.



By the end of Pennsic.

Thank you to everyone who helped with this project!