

# THE DRAGONFLYRE

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## From the Baronage

Unto the populace of Vatavia, Greetings from Their Excellencies,

Long live TRM Hirsch and Magda! Coronation was beautiful, as usual, and we were glad to make our oath of fealty to Their Majesties. Also, congratulations are in order to Morgan Brown, Cai's daughter, who recieved the Queen's Chalice from HM Conna.

The next Vatavian event is Valor! If you want to help, please contact HE Sir Wulfric, Lord Corrigan, or Lord Ot-tar. If you don't know how to help, they can let you know what needs done. This a great event- almost a mini-Lilies, without the four-hour drive! It can only happen with the help of many, many people, however. Will you be one of them?

We are in need of a new A&S minister. We thank Lord Bri-ent for his service, and sincerely wish it could have been longer. We will conduct interviews for this position at August Officers', so please have your letters of interest in by August 1.

Don't forget about Fall RenFaire. We need an autocrat for this demo; it's a great opportunity to get your autocratting feet wet.

As always, it is an honor and a privilege to serve as your baron and baroness.

In service,  
HL Donald Macdonald, Baron  
Ly Zoe Mikre, Baronossa

# Officers' Minutes

OFFICERS' MEETING July 11, 2012, Martinson Avenue Christian Church, Wichita, Ks

24 members attended: 15 officers/deputies/champions; 4 event stewards; 5 members of the populace

It was confirmed that the dates for the Cowley County Renaissance Festival are August 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. Bear Fest will be held in Westumbria August 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>. Coronation will be in Vativia January 12, 2013. The decision on the 50Year Anniversary bids was set back a month to August. It is hoped to know by Valor if the bid from Vativia was accepted.

Final Valor preparations are starting. August 11<sup>th</sup> has been scheduled as a work day to prep the Valor site. Volunteers are needed from 9am-2pm that day. A few class times are still available. Deputies for children's activities, hall steward and kitchen clean up are needed. Prizes, signage and site tokens are being arranged and obtained. Invitations for the Guardian of Valor Tournament will be sent. Scheduling for some event activities was made. Potential new members have been invited to attend Valor free of charge to see what the group does.

Inquiries have been received about demonstration possibilities in the future. An invitation was accepted to participate in the Fall Home Show at Century II October 20<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>. This month's presentation theme at Exploration Place will be on calligraphy and illumination.

The Exchequer reported a current balance of \$10,380.34. Paperwork is being finished for the quarterly report and to redo the bank signature card. Quotes for Valor materials for signage and for designating parking are being obtained. The materials will become Baronial property for future use at events. Sung was thanked for her work on the Baronial website on staying current on activities and schedule changes.

Four individuals' heraldic proposals have gone to national level for Laurel's decision. BUSH classes have been scheduled to October. This month's class is on persona development. It was announced that the **MEWS** has extra space available and has asked that the Baronies send articles on the activities they are doing.

Archery is holding practice twice weekly, the regular Sunday practice at Goddard and Thursday nights at the Maize site. The new archery nets were picked up at the Lilies War.

Fighter practice has also gone to two weekly practices, the regular Sunday practice and Wednesday evenings. There have been several new people joining the practice with the weekday practice time. Minors can participate at age 16 with a notarized waiver on file and a parent in attendance during the time of the practice.

Recently there were two emails sent that dealt with the issue of postings on Facebook. These two posting regarding this policy were not the same. Until clarification is received, the Barony will not be using the Facebook page for any official postings. Individuals are free to give the Baronial website link information on their personal pages. Personal postings should be so as to be clear that they are personal postings. Unofficial, privately organized activities are exactly that, unofficial. Such activities will not be part of official postings or sites.

All officers were reminded that quarterly reports are due in four days. The positions of Minister of Youth and Arts and Sciences minister are open. Applications for the A and S minister will be accepted till the end of July.

The meeting adjourned.



## Loki's Song By Master Mikal the Ram

I was born in battle's fire  
Laid beside my mother's corpse  
My toys the ravens of the field  
My lullabies the screams of horse

But when that storm god you all praise  
Walks the earth and shatters trees  
You huddle close beside my gift  
And whisper prayers beside the spit  
And as the woodsmoke turns and twists  
You owe your lives to sly Loki.

Odin saw me on the field  
And recognized his bastard son  
There he claimed me for his own  
Heir to all that he had won

But when that storm god you all praise  
Walks the earth and shatters trees  
You huddle close beside my gift  
And whisper prayers beside the spit  
And as the woodsmoke turns and twists  
You owe your lives to sly Loki.

I am the slyest of the gods  
Fire is the gift I gave  
I am swifter than the wind  
And none can match the tricks I've played

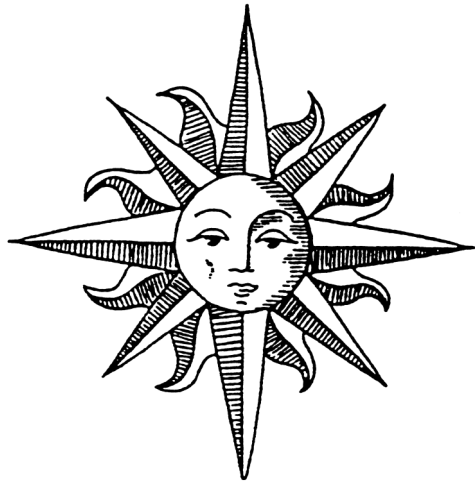


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Walks the earth and shatters trees  
You huddle close beside my gift  
And whisper prayers beside the spit  
And as the woodsmoke turns and twists  
You owe your lives to sly Loki.

What is the honor they give me?  
Denied a seat in Odin's hall  
Forbidden fruits from Idun's tree  
And cast outside of Asgard's walls

But when that storm god you all praise  
Walks the earth and shatters trees  
You huddle close beside my gift  
And whisper prayers beside the spit  
And as the woodsmoke turns and twists  
You owe your lives to sly Loki.

So sit beside the fires gleam  
And count the wrongs that I have borne  
I wait for Ragnarok and dream  
Hark! Is that the battles horn?



## **A Day of Spears and Horses: Cattle Raids 2012**

Again, the keepers of the northwestern gates invite you to The Barony of Mag Mor for a weekend of camping, fun and frolic.

Friday August 24 thru Sunday August 26 at the Cass County Fairgrounds, 8420 144<sup>th</sup> St. Weeping Water, NE 68463

**This is the same location as last year. You'll all be happy to know this is a "wet" site!**

**This is a pet friendly site with ample room to camp.**

**Site:** Cass County Fairgrounds, 8420 144th St, Weeping Water, NE 68463

**Site opens** Friday at 3:00pm. **Site closes** Sunday at 1:00pm.

**Site fee:** Adults \$10; Children 12-19 \$5; Children under 12 are free. \$5 surcharge for non-members applies.

Please make checks payable to "SCA, Inc., Barony of Mag Mor".

An Inn will be provided to feed your hunger and slack your thirst. A pork roast with all the fixings will be offered to 100 people for \$8.00. Seating will be done in traditional feast hall style.

### **Driving Directions:**

***From the South:*** I-29 N to NE Hwy 2 towards Nebraska City & follow it to Highway US-75. Go North on US-75 to Nebraska 1 W and turn left (west). Go approx. 12 miles and turn left on 144th St. Site is on Right.

***From the North:*** I-80 to Exit #452, US 75 S. Go south 22 miles, and then turn west on NE Hwy 1. Travel 11.9 miles and turn south on 144th St. Site is on the right.

**Check our website at [www.MagMor.net](http://www.MagMor.net) for a list of available motels and restaurants in the area.**

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The  
**TOURNAMENT**  
of **VALOR**  
AN AGE OF LIGHT XXXII  
**THE HIGH MIDDLE AGES**

AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 3 • A.S. XLVII

Hosted by **The Barony of Vavatia**  
Presbyterian Church Youth Camp  
9601 West 73rd Street North  
Wichita / Valley Center, Kansas 67147

**Valor**, the oldest running Tournament in the Kingdom of Calontir, is once again here ... in a time of new-found knowledge, when illumination of the shadows brought England out of the Dark Ages, a time of great kings and honorable knights... the High Middle Ages.

**Site Opens** Friday 5:00 pm

**Site Closes** Monday 12:00 Noon

**Site Fee** \$13 for adults, \$5 Adult Non-Member Surcharge. \$5 for kids 6-17. Kids 5 and under, free. Family Cap is \$41 (not including Non-Member Surcharge). Make checks payable to "SCA Inc., Barony of Vavatia".

**Site** The site includes a full hall, plenty of camping space, a nature trail, a swimming pool, showers, indoor restrooms, and fire pits. Dogs allowed if on a leash or in a run. No ground fires allowed.

**Directions** Take your best route to I-135 in Wichita, KS. Follow I-135 to the north edge of Wichita, to K-96 West. Continue on K-96 to Ridge Road. Take Ridge Road north to 73rd St. North. Turn left on 73rd St. and continue for 2 miles. The road leads right to the First Presbyterian Church Camp.

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**Fighting**

**SATURDAY** Ransom Tournament (woods tourney)  
Sword & Buckler Tourney (single elimination)  
Single Sword Tourney (single elimination)  
Pole-Arm Tourney (single elimination)

**SUNDAY** 33rd Valor Tournament, at Noon.  
Bastard Sword only, thrusting tips allowed.

Guardians Invitational Tourney, following Valor Tourney after a short break. All past winners of the Valor Tourney are eligible to participate, plus one additional fighter of their choice, per additional times they have won.

**Archery** Multiple shoots, Valor Archery Shoot on Saturday.

**Arts & Science Competitions**

"Light" in Any Medium: For the Age of Illumination, the entry could be anything from a "light" colored piece of garb to stained glass! Documentation is required.

**Children's A&S Competition:** Children 12 and under, any theme, no documentation required.

**Valor Scrolls Competition:** Any past or current scroll that was done for to be awarded for a Valor competition is eligible for entry. No documentation required. Photos or color copies allowed, if original is unavailable.

**Arts & Science Demos** There will be an A&S Area at Valor this year, just outside the hall. Classes will be held through the day Saturday, with Sunday being an Open A&S Demo day! All artisans are encouraged to contact Isabel MacDonald at [iszymac@yahoo.com](mailto:iszymac@yahoo.com) to schedule a time to teach a class and they are also encouraged to bring projects to display and work on at the Open Demo day!

**Bardic Competition** Saturday at Noon. Theme is "The Household of Henry II of England". Competitors may choose one or more persons either related to Henry, or who served him (i.e. Henry himself, Eleanor of Aquitaine, Richard the Lionheart, William Marshall, Henry the Young King, etc). Use that person or persons as your inspiration. It can be about their character, their deeds, their internal strife, what you will. Story, song, or poem are all acceptable. Entrants will prepare a preliminary piece, and a secondary piece to be used as a tie-breaker if needed.

**Equestrian** Multiple exercises, with the Valor Equestrian Tourney on Saturday.

Please remember to make copies of coggins and health certs for each horse/mule coming to site. The copies will be given to the marshal at time of arrival. Out of state MUST have current coggins and health cert. In state MUST have current coggins and health cert strongly recommended but not required.

If you are a minor 10 years or older and will be riding you must have a parent or guardian with you at the arena at all times. All minor forms must be filled out and the minor is required to have an ASTM approved helmet on at all times when on horseback, no exceptions.

**Tavern** The Blind Otter Pub will serve pub style food for breakfast, lunch and dinner, Saturday & Sunday.

**Feast** The Valor Feast returns, Sunday evening! \$10 per person, limited to 60 people. Menu to be announced.

# August 2012

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

Fighter and archery practice continue at the noted locations while the	1 Officers Meeting 7p.m at MACC	2	3	4		
5 Archery Practice **11— 1PM Fighter Practice 11AM Linwood	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Archery Practice **11— 1PM Fighter Practice 11AM Linwood	13	14	15 A&S European Dance  7Pm	16	17	18 DF submission deadline at NOON
19 Archery Practice ** 11—1PM Fighter Practice 11AM Linwood	20	21	22 *Populace 7PM Alford Branch Library 3447 S. Meridian	23  Bardic	24	25
26 Archery Practice ** 11—1PM Fighter Practice 11AM	27	28	29 A&S European Dance	30	21	



## Kingdom of Calontir Event Calendar



For additional events please consult

“The Mews” or [www.calontir.org](http://www.calontir.org)

July 2012 (A.S. XLVII)

28-29 [Feast of Eagles](#) Cúm an Iolair South Johnson County, KS

28-29 [Pennsic War 41](#) Debatable Lands Aethelmearc Cooper’s Lake,  
PA

August 2012 (A.S. XLVII)

04-05 Bear Fest Westumbria Great Bend, KS

04-05 [Pennsic War 41](#) Debatable Lands Aethelmearc Cooper’s Lake,

11-12 [Pennsic War 41](#) Debatable Lands Aethelmearc Cooper’s Lake, PA

18-19 Cross and Compass Herald’s Hill Charles City, IA

18-19 Regional Fighter Practice Amlesmore Hallsville, MO

25-26 Cattle Raids Mag Mor Lincoln, NE

September 2012 (A.S. XLVII)

01-02 [Valor XXXIII](#) Vativa Wichita, KS

01-02 [Glass and Metal Workers Symposium](#) Three Rivers St. Louis, MO

08-09 [King’s Companie of Archers](#) Crystal Mynes Lilies Site - Smithville,  
MO

15-16 Queen’s Prize Tournament Deodar Cedar Rapids, IA

22-23 Fall Harvest Event Bellewode Knox City, MO

22-23 [Harvest Raids](#) Grimfells Fayetteville, AR

29-30 Gryphon’s Fest Three Rivers St. Louis, MO

29-30 Festival of Samhain No Mountain Grinnel, IA

# Interest Gatherings

## Arts and Sciences Gathering

*1st, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 7-9 pm at MACC*

For more information, contact Lady Sorcha, 316-737-3330

## Sewing Group

*1st and 3rd Sundays , 1pm to 4pm as MACC*

For more information contact Lady Deirdre, the.ladydeirdre@gmail.com 316-648-8312

## Archery Practice

*Sundays, 11—1 PM. 5209 S 199th St W, Goddard, KS 67052*

Contact **William Douglas**,

*Jason Drago,jdrago75@gmail.com,316-259-6304*

for directions or alternate times to shoot.

## Fighter Practice/Monday Gathering

*Sundays, S. Linwood Park starting at 11:00a. We will continue to do a once a month appearance at the Exploration Place the last Sunday of the month.*

For more information, contact Lord Kagemoto

Jason Bickham, woodentiger@cox.net 316-285-4607

**Bardic** -Second Thursday of each month at 240 N. Quentin starting at 7 p.m.  
contact Lord Johann for more info 316-440-6743

## European Dance -

*Sundays, 4Pm , Riverside Park and MACC 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 7:30 PM*

Contact Baron Donald McDonald 316-371-9566

## Officers/Finance Meetings-

*First Wednesday of the month Open to the general populace 7pm to 9pm*

\*Location : MACC

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\*\*MACC = Martinson Avenue Christian Church 1653 S. Martinson Ave

\* Populace : Alford Branch Library, 3447 So. Meridian, Wichita

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