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Dear Northshield,

Here is our plan for the remainder of 2020 and January 2021. If you have questions about meetings or other gatherings, please email Baroness Alinore at seneschal@northshield.org and I will do my best to answer you. If you have questions about martial activities, please email Duke Vlad at kem@northshield.org.

Northshield Guidelines for September 2020 - January 31, 2021

Per the announcement from the Board of Directors, all SCA in-person events in North America have been suspended until January 31st, 2021. Small local gatherings including, but not limited to, archery practice, guild meetings, and officer meetings, are allowed.

1. All groups will follow federal (including CDC), province, state and local mandates, recommendations, and guidelines regarding meeting sizes and emergency measures.
2. Please follow your local government guidelines for group gatherings. Masks for all attendees are highly recommended. They should be worn properly and cover the nose and mouth. It is the attendee's responsibility to provide their own mask. Anyone who has an underlying condition that may increase risk should not attend an event until the CDC has deemed it appropriate, please use your best judgement in these matters. Please practice social distancing and remain the suggested distance (6 ft) from one another when gathering.
3. Archery, Thrown Weapons, and Equestrian activities can resume as long as they meet the requirements of items 1 & 2. Armored, Rapier and Boffer combat as they do not allow maintaining a 6' distance shall continue to be prohibited at official activities. This will be revisited as CDC guidelines and as other similar activities change their recommendations.
4. Groups may hold practices and meetings as listed in points 1-3; however, they are limited to the local group only.

Thank you,
Baroness Alinore Wyndover
Northshield Kingdom Seneschal

Duke Vladimir Radescu
Northshield Kingdom Earl Marshal

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Greetings, Caer Anterthians!

Welcome to September! The pandemic continues to rage. We hope you are all staying safe, wearing masks, and washing your hands. As per instructions from Society, we won't be having armored, rapier, or youth fighter's practice for a while, and in-person meetings are limited to whatever size your county allows (between 10 and 50, depending on where in our lands you reside).



No fighter's practices until February doesn't mean we can't do anything. The archers and thrown weapon throwers have been meeting and doing their thing. In mid-September when the sun sets by 7:30 they will switch from evenings to weekends - Arnbjorn will have more information, likely elsewhere in this edition of the Tower.

Speaking of missile weapons: At the mid-August weekend archery practice, our archery captain organized our Social Distancing Shoot. The winner, hitting the target at 50 yards, is The Honorable Lord Arnbjorn Karlsson. Congratulations to him!

It is our pleasure to announce that we will be holding a virtual ("ethereal") court on September 26, likely at 5 PM. Their Majesties will also be holding court later that evening; if they change the time of their court we will change the time of ours accordingly. More information will come out in the next few weeks.

In service, we remain,

ABELARD AND YSOLT

Baron and Baroness Caer Anterth Mawr



Seneschal

Greetings all,

As summer closes and fall fast approaches so does the end of my term in office as seneschal of the Barony. I would like to thank you all for being an awesome group and letting me be your seneschal. His Lordship Randall will be stepping up as your new seneschal at the next curia in September.



This last year in office has been in many ways harder than the office would have been normally since we could not speak in person and had to 'speak' electronically, which creates its own set of unique issues. Thank you all for stepping up and attending our online curia sessions and participating. Events in the SCA are cancelled until after January 31, 2021 per SCA corporate directive. So Boar's Head has been cancelled and the Baronial moot, scheduled for the end of September, has also been cancelled. Their Excellencies Abelard and Ysolt are planning on having a virtual

curia in September so please keep your eyes open for the posting of when that will be. The Barony is still holding properly social distanced archery and thrown weapons practices so if you are interested please come out.

The SCA has seen a drastic decline in membership renewals during this time of COVID. If your membership needs renewing or is due in the next year or so and you have the resources to renew for the full 3 years (or less) it would be great if you could do so. This will help support the business side of the SCA so that we will still have access to all the real-life aspects, such as insurance, that we need to run events when we can start to have them again.

Whether I am seneschal or not I am always happy to help people and answer questions so please contact me if you need help.

Take care and stay safe.

In Service,

Lariana



Chronicler

Greetings to one and all.

My office will be open at the end of the year. Would you like to contribute to a document that has a forty-two year history? Please consider applying for the position. It's not that hard, and the sooner you apply, the sooner I can give you some tips for getting the job done.



And meanwhile, please don't forget to contribute reports and articles by the 25th of the month.

In service,

Donia



Herald

Greetings,

Welcome month seventh of *Anno Plaga*, September by the common reckoning. This month marks the 45th year of Caer Anterth, 41st of the Barony.

The submissions for the baronial award names and badges have completed the external commenting stage and are awaiting a final ruling from the Laurel Sovereign of Arms. I suspect we will hear by December or January. I am working with Their Excellencies on a replacement name for the Award of the Zenith's Guardians.

Their Majesties will hold Their next Ethereal Court on

September 26, 2020. They are seeking award recommendations. Please send award recommendations to Their Majesties at

<http://northshield.org/OrderOfPrecedence/Recommendation.aspx?who>

The courts can be live streamed, or watched later, on the Northshield YouTube channel at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU3tGV18QKVnunc1qxxMMDw>

Send award recommendations to the Crown at via the kingdom website at:

<http://northshield.org/OrderOfPrecedence/Recommendation.aspx?who>

Their Excellencies will also be holding court at in September, tentatively also on September 26th. Finalized details will be posted on the baronial website and electronic media. Please send award recommendations to Their Excellencies via the baronial website at:

<https://www.caeranterth.org/baronial-award-recommendations>

My term of office expires this December. I am now officially calling for letters of intent, to be due by the September Curia meeting. I am not planning on applying for a third-year extension. If you are interested in learning more about the office, please feel free to ask me any questions. Like all the officers, I am also willing to take on deputies.

If anyone needs assistance with registering their name and/or armory (device or badges), please let me know. My schedule is pretty flexible.

In Service,

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Tri-City National Bank

Income:

Fighter fund donation - \$375.00

Boar's Head Pre-Reg. - \$65.00

Expenditures:

Redeemer Lutheran (July fighting space) - \$375.00

Wesley Adams (gen. supplies) - \$96.05

Redeemer Lutheran (Aug. fighting space/check on hold) - \$300.00

Balance 7/31/20: \$ 12,719.34

Fighter's Fund Balance 7/31/20: \$(78.28)

Yours in service,

Arthur Angus



Boar's Head Steward

Save the date!

Feast of Boar's Head 2021
"Winter Solstice: Light in the Dark"

Saturday, December 4, 2021

Washington County Fair Park & Conference Center
3000 County Hwy PV—West Bend, WI 53095

Event Steward:

The Hon. Lady Asabella of Caer Anterth Mawr
Elizabeth Johnson Asabella69 at yahoo dot com
414-418-1206 boarshead at caeranterth dot org

asabella



Archery Captain and Thrown Weapons Marshal

Archers and Throwers to the Line! Per Society and kingdom, we can continue official target archery and thrown weapons practices, in accordance with local restrictions, through the end of January 2021. As archery captain and the thrown weapons group marshal, I will **require all participants to wear masks or face covering, and to maintain social distancing on the range.**

For the outdoor archery practices, until September 16th, we are holding twice weekly archery practices. Monday practices are at 7 pm at Kinnickinnic River Parkway (North of 20th and Oklahoma Ave, on KK River Parkway). Wednesday practices are at 7 pm at Menomonee Park (W220 N7884 Town Line Rd, Menomonee Falls)- \$5/car entrance fee. Sadly, the days are growing ever shorter quickly this time of year and sunsets will be before 7 pm after that week.

The remaining September archery practices will be on Sunday, September 20th and 27th, at 10 am, at Menomonee Park. We will continue to have weekend outdoor archery practices through at least October. While shooting indoors at West Town Archery is an option, with COVID-19 continuing to be a major threat, we do not feel comfortable shooting indoors at this time.

On August 22nd, four archers answered the call of Their Excellencies, to accept Their Social Distance shoot, William of Mann, Rhys ap Ishmæl Llygad Odd, Karl Friedrich from Dinklesbuhl, and myself. Up to six arrows could be

loosed. As long as one had a scoring arrow in the target face, one advanced to the next stage. All four of us met the challenge, scoring at 20, 30, and even 40 yards. It was at 50 yards that nearly all hope was lost. 23 arrows were shoot by the four of us, none landing on the scoring surface. Finally, my last shot was loosed, and it landed true, securing the challenge for me.

We have had some new archers joining us this summer, Lady Adriana Karafantoni, Lady Kale Phokaina Kourkouaina, and Lady Amanda Kunchenmeister. I hope they are enjoying the sport and will continue shooting with us in the autumn.

We have started holding thrown weapons practices in August, which were well attended. I will hold a TW practice on September 10th, at 6:30 pm, east of the archery range at KK River Parkway. I will also try to schedule a TW practice after one of the Sunday afternoon practices at Menomonee Park.

The Baronial Archery and Thrown Weapons Championships may be held in September or October. Further details will be announced on the website and other baronial electronic media once we have them.

Curia has approved my third-year extension on my tenure as archery captain, so you all are stuck with me for at least another year. If any who is interested becoming an archery marshal-in-training and/or thrown weapons marshal-in-training, please let me know. William, Rhys, and I are all training marshals for archery, and I should be one for thrown weapons, once I complete the MiT process myself, hopefully next year.

Ever in Service to the Barony,

ARNBJØRN



Curia Minutes

August 18, 2020 - Present: Abelard, Ysolt, Arthur, Albrecht, Geoffrey, Tatiana, Arnbjorn, Idonia, Sofonisba, Rhys, Arabella, Kale, Armond, Merouda, Rachel, Randall.

Officer Reports:

Baron and Baroness: We intend to hold a virtual court on the 26th. Might be a royal court that day - we'll figure out and communicate the details.

Chronicler: Reports due by the 25th. Please send officer reports and articles.

Herald: Office is open. No LOI yet. Baronial awards should be at the Laurel stage of review - should hear something by December of January. Working with TE on a new name for the Zenith's Defenders. Submit award recommendations.

A&S: People are doing A&S. Albrecht is working on quiver research. Dahrien and Mysie have both written new music. Dahrien is performing all over. Cooking, sewing, scroll-making.

Exchequer: Needs the bank statement when Seneschal is back

in town. Need to return/refund a pre-reg for Boar's Head. Will void out the August check for the church because we don't have to pay them until we can have fighter's practice again. No current income, since there's no fighter's practice, Boar's Head, or Border Skirmish.

Quartermaster: Everything is fine.

Knights Marshal: Nothing to report - no practices, nothing is going on. Fix your armor! Just turned in quarterly report. It might be possible to hold "pell" practices; will look into it.

Archery: Archery on Monday and Wednesday evenings for the next 3/4 weeks. Saturday practice at 10 AM, including the social distance shoot. Discussing when to switch to indoor practices and weekend practices. Submitted group reports. Has put in a letter for a third year extension - moved to accept, voted, approved.

Thrown Weapons: Had TW last week which went well. We'll have more.

Rapier: No practices. Will get quarterly report soon.

Youth: A youth fighter has a pell. Has turned in quarterly report.

Webminister: Not much to report. Has some changes to put through - working on them.

Seneschal: SCA has cancelled all events through January 2021. Boar's Head has been cancelled and the deposit has been pushed to 2021. Baronial Champions also cancelled.

Old Business:

Boar's Head 2021: Asabella will still be autocrat for next year. Will work with Rachel to change the website. The staff positions are sort of up in the air because lots can change in 1.5 years, but the website still exists (though you'd need the actual URL for it). Volunteer for stuff next year, please consider volunteering for the same staff positions.

Border Skirmish 2021: We were refused for the second weekend in June. TE CAM have contacted TE Castel Rouge to see if they have a problem with us having the event; it will still have to be approved by Stallari. Also need to contact the site to see what else is available. Ravenslake is also waiting for this so they can schedule.

New Business:

Reports: Most officer reports are due on the 25th.

SCA Inc: Events cancelled, including regional practice.

Curia: Will continue to be on Zoom (or other remote presences).

Seneschal Position: Two candidates: Idonia and Randall. We held a Q&A, then the candidates left the meeting and we held more discussion. Ultimately, we voted. Randall is the new seneschal.

MOAS position: Three applicants. Will discuss at September Curia.

Membership: SCA membership is down. Please renew your membership. If you need a membership and can't afford it, please let Tatiana know.

Guilds: On hiatus.

Topics of Interest to One and All

Subscribe to the Caer Anterth Mawr email list!

Sign up for the CAM email list and get information delivered to your inbox daily or as a digest. It's not a super-busy list, so don't worry about getting bombed. We just want you to know what's going on!

The CAM List is on Google Groups. Anyone may subscribe with any e-mail address.

To subscribe to the CAM List with *or without* a Google account, OR to sign in with a Google account, for viewing the archives or managing subscription settings, visit <https://groups.google.com/d/forum/camlist>.

To post to the CAM List, send letters (from a subscribed e-mail address) to camlist@googlegroups.com

Facebook Pages associated with the Barony

Barony of Caer Anterth Mawr
South Eastern Wisconsin Armored Combatants
Students for Creative Anachronism at University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee

Also of interest –
SCA Kingdom of Northshield
Kingdom of Northshield Discussion Group

There are MANY Facebook groups dedicated to the SCA. You can find a SCA Facebook group on just about any topic of interest for the SCA, from fighting to cooking to leatherwork to bardic.

Get together with old and new friends at the *Online Baronial Moot*!

First Thursday of the Month: Contact Lady Belle de la Tour, our Baronial Chatelaine, for the link. All officers are listed on page 7.

*Social get-together

Because this activity is capable of being done while socially distancing,
ARCHERY PRACTICE is now active. Loaner gear is available.

Mondays: 7 p.m.-Kinnickinnic River Parkway (2050 W Kinnickinnic River Pkwy, Milwaukee, WI 53215)

Wednesdays: 7 p.m.-Menomonee Park (W220 N7884 Town Line Rd, Menomonee Falls)
\$5/car entrance fee.

Open Offices

A listing of positions that are open or coming open in the coming months:

Chronicler- Letters of Intent due by September Curia- **Required Office**

Herald- Letters of Intent due by September Curia- **Required Office**

Minister of Arts & Sciences- Letters of Intent due by September Curia- **Required Office**

Minister of Youth- Vacant- Open until filled

Submit letters of intent to the Seneschal, Their Excellencies and the incumbent officer.

Officer Regnum

Baron & Baroness

Baroness Ysolt Pais de cuer (Laura Knappenberger)
baroness at caeranterth.org

Baron Abelard die Elster, OP (Paul Knappenberger)
baron at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: December 2019-December 2022

Seneschal - Outgoing

Baroness Tatiana Marana Melville, OP (Tonia Heng)
seneschal at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: June 2018– Sept. 2020

Seneschal - Incoming

The Hon. Lord Randall
Seneschal at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: September 2020-2022

Chancellor of the Exchequer

Lord Arthur Angus (Chris Witry)
exchequer at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: April 2018-2021

Chatelaine

Lady Belle de la Tour (Belle Otte)
chatelaine at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: January 2019-2021

Chronicler

Baroness Idonia Tait, OP (Susan Tatreux)
chronicler at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: December 2018-2020

Herald

The Hon. Lord Arnbjørn Karlsson (Wesley Adams)
herald at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: December 2018-2020

Knight's Marshal

Sir Geoffrey de la Brugge (Mike Heng)
marshal at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: January 2018-2020

Minister of Arts & Sciences

The Hon. Lord Rhys ap Ishmeal Llygad Odd (Andy Kailhofer)
moas at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: December 2018-2020

Webminister

Lady Rachel Kilbourne
webminister at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: October 2019-2021

Archery Captain & Thrown Weapons Marshal

The Hon. Lord Arnbjørn Karlsson (Wesley Adams)
archery at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: AC: November 2018-2020
Term of Office: May 2017-2020

Emergency Deputy Exchequer

The Hon. Lady Asabella of Caer Anterth Mawr (Elizabeth Johnson)
exchequer at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: April 2018-2020

Minster of Youth

Vacant-Office Open
ministerofyouth at caeranterth.org

Quartermaster

Baron Armond le Charpentier, KSCA (George Gundlach)
quartermaster at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: May 2016-2019

Rapier Captain

Lord Arthur Angus (Chris Witry)
rapier at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: December 2016- 2019

Youth Combat Marshal

Master Abelard die Elster, OP (Paul Knappenberger)
youthmarshal at caeranterth.org
Term of Office: April 2017-2019

Business meetings

Caer Anterth Mawr's Curia (business) meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month (some exceptions). Currently, all Curia meetings are being held via conference call.

See www.caeranterth.org or the baronial Facebook page.

Song of the Tower

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The Champions of Caer Anterth Mawr

Armored Combat & Thrown Weapons: The Hon. Lord Lothar Von Wyrmhoudt

Archery: The Hon. Lord William of Mann

Rapier: Duke Corin du Soleil

Bardic: Mistress Prisilka the Sensible