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Welcome to the Current Middle Ages!

From the SCA website, found at: <http://socsen.sca.org/what-is-the-sca/>

The Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) is an international non-profit volunteer educational organization. The SCA is devoted to the research and re-creation of pre-seventeenth century skills, arts, combat, culture, and employing knowledge of history to enrich the lives of participants through events, demonstrations, and other educational presentations and activities.

Members of the SCA study and take part in a variety of activities, including combat, archery, equestrian activities, costuming, cooking, metalwork, woodworking, music, dance, calligraphy, fiber arts, and much more. If it was done in the Middle Ages or Renaissance, odds are you'll find someone in the SCA interested in recreating it.

What makes the SCA different from a Humanities 101 class is the **active** participation in the learning process. To learn about the clothing of the period, you research it, then sew and wear it yourself. To learn about combat, you put on armor (which you may have built yourself) and learn how to defeat your opponent. To learn to brew, you make (and sample!) your own wines, meads and beers.

You will frequently hear SCA participants describe the SCA as recreating the Middle Ages "as they ought to have been." In some ways this is true – we choose to use indoor plumbing, heated halls, and sewing machines. In the dead of winter, we have more to eat than King's venison, salt pork and dried tubers. However, a better description is that we *selectively recreate* the culture, choosing elements of the culture that interest and attract us.

For more information about the SCA, please go to: <http://socsen.sca.org/what-is-the-sca/>

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Please join us at any of our local events!



We would love to get to know you!



ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE SCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Resolution to Suspend In-Person SCA Activity until January 31st, 2021
JULY 29, 2020 | [KELLY MAGILL](#)

During the July 28, 2020, Ad Hoc meeting of the Board of Directors for the Society for Creative Anachronism, the following Resolution was passed by a unanimous vote and made effective immediately:

[Resolution to Suspend In-Person SCA Activity until January 31st, 2021](#)(PDF)

- I. Whereas**, the COVID-19 Global Pandemic has created an unparalleled challenge for the administration of the Society for Creative Anachronism. The Board of Directors acknowledges the health and well-being of the membership and participants of the SCA are of utmost importance;
- II. Whereas**, the Crowns of the vast majority of North American Kingdoms have petitioned the board to suspend in-person SCA events in North America until January 31st, 2021;
- III. Whereas**, following consultation with the Kingdom Seneschals of the North American Kingdoms, it appears that this petition is generally supported;
- IV. Therefore Now Be It Resolved**, The SCA Board of Directors suspends all SCA in-person events in North America until January 31st, 2021;
- V. Resolved**, Small local gatherings including, but not limited to, archery practice, guild meetings, officer meetings, and local martial activities shall remain at the discretion of the Crown and Kingdom Seneschal, in accordance with CDC, State, Provincial, and local health guidelines and recommendations. Virtual events as alternatives continue to be a viable option;
- VI. Resolved**, The SCA Board of Directors directs the Society Seneschal to grant a blanket variance to Corpora waiving any required events such as Crown List and Coronation until January 31st, 2021, as well as extending all current reigns until a royal list can be held to determine suitable Heirs;
- VII. Resolved**, If a Crown or Coronet steps down without Heirs for a Kingdom or Principality, a Regent shall be installed until such time as a royal list may be held to find suitable Heirs and a Coronation or Investiture held. This regent should be installed according to the Kingdom or Principality laws that govern the appointment of Regents, after consultation with the Society Seneschal. If the Kingdom or Principality has no such law, the Kingdom Seneschal (and Principality Seneschal when appropriate) must consult with the Society Seneschal and Society President to determine an appropriate selection method for a Regent;
- VIII. Resolved**, the SCA Board of Directors invites Kingdoms who have determined that it is safe to host in-person events before January 31st, 2021, to request a variance from the Society Seneschal to be able to do so. The Society Seneschal shall have the authority to grant or deny these requests. These requests will be reviewed by the Board using the same review method used for variances to Corpora;
- IX. Resolved**, the SCA Board of Directors commends the officers, royalty, hard-working membership, and participants who have made it possible for the SCA to continue activities during these trying times.

Any commentary regarding this matter should be addressed to sca-comments@lists.sca.org. Please use the title "**Resolution**" in the subject line.



Unto the Populace of One Thousand Eyes, do
We, Stephan and Amber, Baron and Baroness,
send Greetings and Salutations!

It is our hope that despite the challenges we all face currently in the mundane world that our message finds you well. What a year 2020 has been, a year unlike any before. Certainly not one we expected and surely not one we would have chosen.

With only the Mid-Winter Celebration in January as an event for Our Barony this year, Our hearts ache for the revelry and joyous gatherings We normally would have celebrated by this time. But even in times of isolation, there have been many bursts of brightness to carry Our Barony forward! We have been able to continue with our monthly business meetings by gathering virtually. And events in other Baronies, have trail blazed great inroads by finding ways to have court, classes, contests, and awards given out, by virtual means!

The Arts and Sciences have continued, as many of them are well supported by being virtual. Artemisia's first online Kingdom A & S on July 18, 2020, was a success! The wonderful thing about having it virtual, is you can still see the fantastic entries even now. If you haven't already seen these wonderful works, or would like to revisit them, they may still be seen on <https://arts.artemisia.sca.org/competitions/competition-2020-entries>. THL Crestina da Brescia did Our Barony proud by entering in the cooking, weaponry, and textile arts, and received her Golden Maple Leaf in Kingdom Court! Vivat! And a big thank you to Our MOAS HE Helena Boccardi for participating as a judge. Vivat!

Going forward, We would like Our Populace to know is there are big plans in the works to still have our Baronial Birthday in November. This will include court and awards and.....! Surprises! Keep tuned in, more will be revealed as we get closer to the event! (One hint...our taxes will continue to be paid. Largess will still be greatly appreciated!)

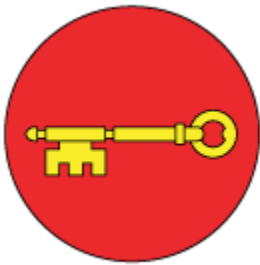
We would like to thank all of our officers for being flexible and understanding as we all try to figure out how to continue with changing formats. And a GIANT shout-out to our Web Minister Leonardo Serafino for all the great hurdles he's had to go over to bring Our webpage back from the brink of death and continues to improve. Vivat! And another round of thanks to THL Crestina for taking over as our new Chronicler! Vivat!

Please let us know if you have any ideas, or things you would like to see Our Barony do as we move forward. We think about all of you often, and do so wish we could all get together once again. Continue to be kind to one another, and stay safe and healthy as best you can. One Thousand Eyes is still the Heart of Artemisia! We will prevail!

Until we meet again, We remain most humble in service to The Dream.

Stephan
Baron

Amber
Baroness



From the Office of the Seneschal

HE SHEELAEGH MAC CATHAIL

Greetings unto the Barony,

I hope this missive finds everyone safe and healthy. Life in the current Middle Ages this past year has been so uncharacteristic of the SCA that we have grown to know and love. What is that old adage - 'you don't know what you've got till it's gone'. I very much miss my SCA family and friends as I am sure you do too.

With this new 'norm' of virtual events, things are so unfamiliar for all the powers that be. Their Majesties held a 'quarantine meeting' tonight with the B&B's and Seneschals of the Kingdom. We discussed the Kingdom calendar and how we would move forward and what we would like to see happen event wise to try and keep things as commonplace as possible.

As things move forward and a more established routine is developed for the remainder of the year's events, we will keep you, the populace, informed to the best of our ability. Please know that you are deeply missed, and I cannot wait till we are all together again. Please stay safe and healthy. Wear your masks and wash your hands. 🙏

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have. If I do not have an answer, I will do my best to find someone who does.

Respectfully in Service,
HE Sheelaegh
BOTE Seneschal

Kingdom Calendar of Events



The Barony of One Thousand Eyes proudly presents
BARONIAL BIRTHDAY AT THE WINTER OASIS
November 21, 2020

Event Steward: THL Crestina da Brescia (Vanessa Michel) crestina1120@yahoo.com
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As all of us continue to struggle and evolve to the changes required upon us due to the COVID-19 pandemic, so too must the nature of our events evolve for the time being. As such, the Barony of One Thousand Eyes will be presenting to you their annual Baronial Birthday event in a virtual and socially distanced format. It is the goal of the Event Steward and her staff to present to you as interactive, immersive and simple to use format as is possible. The Event Steward and her staff thank you sincerely for your patience and willingness to adapt in order that the Dream of the SCA may continue in some form.

In order to provide this experience, the event will be managed from this single website, in a centralized and easy to navigate format. Keep an eye on the countdown as the day and time of the event opening approaches when you will be able to click into the "virtual event site." Once into the (web)site on the

day of the event, you will be able to enjoy all of the activities with easy to understand instructions and simple clicks of buttons.

Until then, please pre-register if you plan to attend so that the staff can monitor interest and plan appropriately to handle all of the new and unprecedented challenges of preparing a virtual site in much

the same manner as a physical site must be managed. Also, please refer to this page from time to time for updates and sneak peaks into how the event is coming together.

The event staff is working hard to bring you as full a day as can be had. Places where people can gather and mingle; a room where games can be enjoyed; and perhaps even a virtual merchant or two. As with any physical event, the event staff intends to facilitate whatever the attendees would like to make this event become. Plan to come join in the fun and the camaraderie ... and become part of the tale of this event.

As the event draws closer, more details will appear on this page regarding the schedule of activities that will be occurring. In the meantime, following is a summary of the things being planned.

Festivities will begin at 10:00AM, beginning with an opening Court (if it be the desire of our attending Royals and Excellencies). After Court will begin a variety of activities intended to keep all entertained while still attempting to maintain the traditions of One Thousand Eyes' Baronial Birthday event.

Their Excellencies will be at a special place where you may come by and offer your taxes. This location will be "live streamed" throughout much of the day so that all who are attending in our virtual world may look in upon the bounty of taxes as they pour in.

Polling for Peacock's Pride will be held during the event, from 10:00AM until 5:00PM.

While we will not be able to hold our traditional Baronial Champion tournament, plans are in works for a different kind of tournament that will name the Barony's new Champion of the Chaos Plague.

A variety of classes will be held throughout the day covering many subjects of both an Arts & Sciences and Martial variety. Other topics may be given as teacher availability allows. A final schedule will be set as teacher availability is determined.

Additional Courts may be scheduled, at the whim of Our Majeties, and Excellencies.

Contests will be held throughout the day to test the creativity, skill, knowledge, determination, and perseverance of all. You will be given the rules of each contest as it begins and you will have until the deadline during the event to complete the activity.

Things will also begin to get different as we push on the veils that separate Virtual from Reality. Keep returning to the web page as the event draws closer to find out what is being planned.

While you are paying your taxes, you may take the opportunity to take a piece of the event home with you for later in the day ... partake in the first of its kind virtual feast!

That's right ... you will have the opportunity to not only enjoy still a scrumptious Turkish-inspired feast prepared by THL Reynhard von Reutte, but to also help him in the kitchen! For those who reserve a feast spot in advance, as you come to bring your taxes, you can also pick up (curbside delivery style) a feast box with all of the dishes already prepared, ready to eat ... all you will need to do is heat the items in your own kitchen.

Then at 6:00PM, all are invited to join our Zoom Feast Hall. Set your table to impress and eat your feast while talking to others at your virtual table. Entertainment and other activities are planned to happen during feast.

As the feast draws to a close ... all are invited to remain and join in our virtual Bardic circle. A virtual campfire will be provided.

You should plan to Bring Your Own Bardic Material (and BYOB, if that is your desire).

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