Missive from our Excellencies

Greetings wonderful Barony,

As always it's great to be part of The Steppes. We are so lucky to get to meet and work with so many delightful people on our journeys throughout the Barony. Thank you to everyone that came out for Steppes Artisan. It was an amazing site with amazing competitors. We can't wait to see what will happen next year! History has been made Steppes has started its first Newcomer Academy, come join this great program on the 2nd Monday of each month. See the calendar for more information.

As we look forward, August will be a very busy month in The Steppes, leading into the SCA tournament season. August 25 is Glaslyn Artisan of the Flame, This is a wonderful arts and learning event. Come out for some great classes. And speaking of great events- we have Steppes Artisan July 7th, Glaslyn Artisan coming in August and Braggarts War in September. These fun events can use your help. Please volunteer today.

Saturday August 4th is our next Populace Event. We will be going to Vetro Glass in Grapevine, then out to lunch. Friday August 31 st starts Braggarts War. This is a great multi-day event with something for everyone. This year it is Early Period vs Late Period so come support your favorite side.

Wow! What a month! All this plus our regular meetings, gatherings and practices. Come have fun!!!

Till we meet again, Peter and Sarah



OUR OAKEN EXCELLENCIES Baron Peter Rhys Connor baron@steppes.ansteorra.org

Baroness Sarah Fynn baroness@steppes.ansteorra.org

Words from our Seneschal

Greetings unto the Great Barony of the Steppes

I should begin this, my first address as Seneschal of the Steppes, by applauding and thanking Honorable Lady Aurelia Yverneau for the fine job she has done attending to the business dealings of our great barony over the past two-plus years. Her efforts have been greatly appreciated in what can sometimes be a stressful position. I am also grateful that she has agreed to remain available as my emergency replacement and my guide as I endeavor to fill her shoes.

I am humbled by the faith placed in me by our Central Regional Seneschal, Mistress Colleen O'Kelly in selecting me and am thankful to Their Excellencies, Peter and Sarah for trusting me with the duties of this office. I will endeavor to support Their Excellencies to the best of my ability as they continue to lead the great Barony of the Steppes into an ever brighter future in pursuit of the dream.

Aside from archery, we now have a full compliment of officers. I step down as Steppes Rapier Marshal knowing that the office is now even more ably filled by His Grace, Mahdi, Master of Defense. Going forward you can expect great things from our rapier program. Indeed, our joint fighter practice with both rapier and chiv has become the nucleus for a regular baronial gathering each Tuesday evening. Not only a great opportunity for fellowship, it has already grown to include dancing practice and I've seen sewing and other craftwork. Master Duncan Hepburn, our Oakenwald Pursuivant, is providing heraldic consultation on specified Tuesdays as well. If you haven't been out you should come and see what you've been missing. The park is a busy place and there have been very few Tuesdays when some passersby haven't stopped to express interest and ask how they can get involved.

I, quite unapologetically, close by plagiarizing my predecessor's words as I find them strong, proud and somewhat moving.

We are a Mighty Oakwood, We are a Barony, We are a Family, WE ARE STEPPES! Yours In Service, Ld. William Swindell Seneschal, Barony of the Steppes In short, Thank you all.





SENESCHAL Lord William Swindell seneschal@steppes.ansteorra.org

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Words from our Officers

Greetings Steppes!

Here's a quick run-down of where the Steppes stands right now. First, the Steppes accounts stood at \$24,913.51 at the end of June. The barony also voted on changes to the account signature card, which will be completed soon.

In July, we had Steppes Artisan, which was a great event. There were 73 total attendees, for a small loss of \$138.17. At the July business meeting, the Financial Committee finalized the Steppes Financial Policy for 2019 and signed the document. There were only minor changes and clarifications from the 2018 version. It will be officially published in the December or January newsletter along with the 2019 budget. We have made tentative plans to make repairs to some of the Steppes' items in storage, so keep an eye out for news on that in the future, as we may need some volunteers to help.

We are now looking for two members of the populace to be on the Financial Committee. This is a fairly simple job and a good service to the Barony. If you are interested, please fill out the standard Ansteorran Officer Application and send it to me, the Seneschal, and our Baron and Baroness. The positions are open to any populace members who are paid members of the SCA.

Finally, I have officially entered my third and final year of service to the barony as the Exchequer and need a deputy to train to take over next summer. Please let me know if you are interested. The job is not difficult, though an affinity for simple accounting and math is an asset.

In Service, Lady Cristiana d'Avranches



EXCHEQUER Lady Cristiana d'Avranches exchequer@steppes.ansteorra.org

Words from our Officers

Greetings Steppes,

The Steppes Newcomer's Academy is going well! You can read more about that in detail a few pages down. Stay tuned - even more great events and ways to help our newcomers get connected are in the near future.



In Service HL Alexandra Notte Claire

It was a great privilege to host the Children Activities at Steppes Artisan on July 7, 2018. At the first two-hour sessions we had 4 children whose ages ranged from 8 years old to 12 years old. The second two-hour session we had the same 4 children. We taught the kids embroidery and painting. We had a lot of fun. I look forward to spending more time with the youth of our kingdom.

In service; Cordeilla verch Rosser MOC at large



HOSPITALER HL Alexandra Notte-Claire hospitaler@steppes.ansteorra.org

Words from our Officers

Greetings to The Steppes,

Rapier practice continues to be at Heights Park in Richardson each Tuesday at 7:00 pm. See you there.

Yours In Service, Steppes Rapier Marshal



Hello Steppes fighters!

Well it's been another month and we've been having great turnouts at Fighter Practice. We had eleven heavy fighters turn out a couple of weeks ago. Remember though, with the heat upon us, hydrate, hydrate, hydrate. Come check out the combined fighter practice, Tuesday's at 7pm, at The Heights Park in Richardson.

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Lord Caradoc Cadwgan Douglas Steppes Chivalric Marshal



CHIVALRY MARSHAL Lord Caradoc Cadwgan Douglas marshal@steppes.ansteorra.org

Words from our Officers

# Greetings Steppes!

I am honored to take on the office of Chronicler for you. While you may not see me at many events due to my mundane schedule, I will be here in the background ready to send forth your words to our mighty barony.

A new issue of the newsletter is ready for your reading. If you have any stories that you wish to share about events, any other event, or you just want to share your knowledge, please send them my way!

As a friendly reminder, any new content for the newsletter must be submitted by our A&S meeting (2nd Thursday, 08/09) and any regular content by our business meeting (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 08/16).

In Service Lord Wladyslaw Nyílas Chronicler of the Steppes



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CHRONICLER Lord Wladyslaw Nyílas chronicler@steppes.ansteorra.org

Words from our Officers

Greetings to the populace of the Steppes, Glaslyn, and associated lands.

Many wonderful things are happening this month.

First, the first weekend of August, on the 4th, is the Ansteorran Heraldic and Scribal Symposium. Classes for all levels of interest and skill in the many different facets of heraldic activities in the SCA.

Also, I am excited to be teaching a class for the Steppes Academie this month, on the 13th, on Heraldry and Persona for newcomers. Our focus will be on the most common reasons that people choose the personal and personal heraldry that they do, with a little primer on how to make the ideas in your head workable within the structure of the SCA.

I have been watching the many submissions in process from our group, and doing my best to keep all parties informed and keep the paperwork moving in the right direction.

I have also this month pinned a tin star (would that be an estoile d'argent) on Cordeilla verch Rosser, who enthusiastically is stepping up to be a deputy, joining the ranks with Lord Dragos.

Finally, I'd like to mention that if any are interested in learning about heraldry and/or being a deputy, please let me know. No experience is necessary, just an enthusiasm for things heraldic. If anyone has any questions about registering your identity with the College of Heralds, protocols for heralding court,

I hope everyone fares well this summer, and I will see you all at Border Wars.

In service,

Duncan Hepburn Oakenwald Pursuivant





OAKENWALD PURSUIVANT HE Duncan Hepburn Herald @steppes.ansteorra.org

Words from our Officers

Greetings from the Office of Minister of Arts and Sciences!

A&S will be on August 9, 2018 @ Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1333 Belt Line Rd, Garland, TX 75040 beginning at 7 pm. This month will be a class in Viking wire weaving led by Lady Johanna. Contact moas@steppes.ansteorra.org for further information.

Scribal Arts on the last Monday of the month @ 3168 Catamore Ln Dallas 75229 - Contact Mistyhosey@gmail.com for further information.

Early Instrumental Music doesn't meet this month, but contact nyyki@gypsyheir.com for further information.

St. Romanos Chorale meets on the 3rd Sunday every month, in the afternoon. In August, that is the 19th. Contact House Gruffydd (Xene and Llywelyn) for details!

Boyarynya Kiriena Pevtsova Minister of Arts and Sciences Barony of the Steppes



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ARTS AND SCIENCES Boyarynya Kiriena Pevtsova moas@steppes.ansteorra.org

Words from our Officers

Greeting Steppes,

We always welcome youth fighters to our practice! It is in the same location as chivalric and rapier if you want to join us. Please contact me if you have any questions.

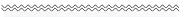
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HL Alexandra Notte Clare Central Regional Youth Boffer and Youth Rapier Marshal

Greetings to the Barony of the Steppes!

I hope everyone had a good time at Artisan, I know I did! I did my best to keep the website schedule up to date.

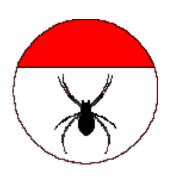
Yours in service, Hákon the Blacksmith





YOUTH MARSHAL HL Alexandra Notte-Claire hospitaler@steppes.ansteorra.org

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WEBMINISTER Hakkon the blacksmith webminister@steppes.ansteorra.org

From the Canton of Glaslyn

Greetings, Glaslyn!

The kingdom may be slowing down a bit to focus on A&S during these hot months, but we'll continue to have fighter practices as long as the weather is cooperative. Hope to see y'all out there!

Lady Alhdryð ceorlstrange

Greetings unto The Steppes!

It has been my privilege to work with and serve the Barony of The Steppes for many years.

Coming out to the practices on Tuesdays I see camaraderie filled with warmth and I am honored to be there amongst such amazing people.

People of the Steppes, you are wonderful and inspirational. As all of you continue to brave the Ansteorran Summer's heat and share each other's company, you inspire me to do so as well.

We are each of us the ambassadors of The Dream in all we say and do and The Steppes assures that The Dream shall endure.

Vivat The Steppes!

In Service, Centurion Absolon of Hereford



SENESCHAL OF THE CANTON OF GLASLYN Lady Alhdryð Ceorlestrange

seneschal@glaslyn.ansteorra.org

Words from our Non-Guilds

# **Steppes Newcomer's' Academy**

We had a fabulous turn out for the first Steppes Newcomer Academy class. There was a total of 28 attendees, 11 who identified as new and 2 transplants. Thank you to everyone who made it out.

Our next class will be Monday August 13th. The topic will be persona and heraldry taught by our very own Oakenwal Pursuivant Master Duncan Hepburn.

Even if you missed the first class you can still come join us.

The academy is a six month program with classes being held on the 2nd Monday at Fuddruckers located at 4520 Frankford Rd Dallas Tx 75287 (DNT & Frankford Rd).

Classes will start at 7pm sharp. (if you are buying food please come early)

Below are the dates and subject for each class.

Aug 13th Persona and Heraldry

Sept 10th SCA Garb

Oct 8th SCA Behaviors/courtly graces and Awards & Insignia

Nov 12th Eventing and camping in the SCA

Dec 10th How to get more involved in the SCA

Hope to see you all there.

In service Astrid Flokadottir

Words from our Non-Guilds

# **Steppes Dance non-Guild**

Vashti's Dance Guild welcomes dancers and those who are interested in learning European dance. The guild meets at 7:00pm on Tuesdays, weather permitting, alongside Chivalric and Rapier practice. Odd Tuesdays are for the easy dances, while even weeks will tackle more ambitious fare. Dance is a great way to get some nice aerobic exercise, develop balance and poise, and also to meet new people. (And unlike fighter practice, you don't have to kill them after meeting them either) So join in the fun at 950 N Floyd Rd on Tuesdays at 7:00pm.

# **Steppes Music and Vocal non-Guild**

A For those interested in period music in the north central Texas area, there are two established working groups, the Instrumental Music group that meets on the first Sunday of the month at 2421 San Paula, Dallas 75228, starting at 2:00PM, and the Vocal Music Group that meets at 302 Sweetgum Dr., Cedar Hill, TX on the third Sunday of the month also at 2:00PM. Both exclude meetings on major holidays or the weekend of local events, and will change meeting locations to Populace in the Park or other activities when applicable. Since there's a minimum number of folks needed to have an effective music group, please contact the appropriate person if interested in attending. You don't have to be a highly trained singer or instrumentalist to join us, and we welcome all skill levels. For more information about the guild as a whole contact Signora Nicola at nyyki@gypsyheir.com or Master Llywelyn at todd@twmarsh.net. For information about the specific groups, Signora Nicola is the contact for the instrumental group, while Master Llywelyn runs the vocal group. The instrumental group also tries to provide a musical presence at all Steppes events, so if you're unable to make the guild meetings but want to join in at an event contact either one of the folks referenced above to get the music sources used by the guild. And if you're interested in learning the courtly grace of music the guild has folks who teach.

Steppes Artisan Award Recap



In some ways, this movie gave me some new information; it meant that Hollywood wasn't the only film factory which was recycling old movies by creating new ones with nearly identical plots and the use of more special effects. On the flip side, it also taught me that Hollywood wasn't the only film factory to do so where the new movie doesn't quite measure up to the original, even though both movies were based on the same novel. So there's that. Still, though, I really needed to watch this one, especially since I had so much enjoyed the original, to see how it measured up. And it did okay for the most part. Naturally, the special effects were better (the technology has improved markedly in the 21 years since the original), and I don't recall the fight scenes in the original being quite so ballet-like. And yet, for all of its technical advancements, I found myself sometimes yearning for the original. (It's possible that is not based entirely on reality; it's been a while, and I may be remembering it as better than it really was.) Still, it's always nice to see a new take on a story, if only to see it

through some new director's eyes, and so it is that this month Da'ud Bob reviews for you 2014's *White Haired Witch*, or to give it its full title, *The White Haired Witch of Lunar Kingdom*.

Starring Bingbing Fan as the "witch" of the title Jade Rakshasa/Lian Nishang, Xiaoming Huang as Zhuo Yihang, Wenzhuo Zhao as Jin Duyi, Xuebing Wang as Murong Chong, Shera Li as Coral, Dahong Ni as Wei Zhongxian, Cecilia Yip as Ling Muhua (Nishang's teacher), and Yao Tong as Ting (Wei Zhongxian's daughter), the basic storyline (well, okay, storylines, since there are several interwoven stories here) is taken from the novel *Baifa Monü Zhuan* by Liang Yusheng and originally made into the movie *The Bride With White Hair* in 1993. The completely inadequate synopsis that Netflix gave for this movie was: "Framed for a murder she didn't commit, a beautiful sorceress finds herself embroiled in treachery and intrigue – and falling in love." The longer, but incomplete, synopsis on IMDb is: "In the twilight of the Ming Dynasty, the Imperial court is plagued by corruption as tyrants rule over the land. With the Manchurians preying on a weakened empire, war is imminent. To save the victims from their suffering, sorceress Jade Rakshasa fights the soldiers that oppress people for their own gain. As payback, local government officials decide to pin the murder of Governor Zhuo Zhonglian on Jade, turning her and the members of her cult into wanted fugitives for a crime they didn't commit." I'd try to give you a better, more inclusive synopsis, but we'd run out of room for the actual review if I did that.

Good points: Ballet-like fight scenes. The wire work. Lian's taking the red robe off the bride and putting it on herself in one swirling movement. The fight scene choreography. It's a very pretty movie.

Bad points: It may be pretty, but it's not quite *Crouching Tiger* pretty. The creepy, smoky, snaky stuff by the red flower pool. True love's kiss. Lian's hair turning completely white in seconds. Ridiculously big chains as fetters. (There'd be enough play in those large links for anyone to easily get out of them.) I'm not sure the "Scroll of Apathy" would really work like that.

Zero breasts. Two gallons of blood. 142 dead bodies. Sword fu. Kung fu. Spear fu. Arrow fu. Plague fu. Log fu. Metal finger dart fu. Torture fu. Pole fu. Knife fu. Horses roll. Soldiers roll. Gratuitous goldfish. Gratuitous starving peasants. Gratuitous sheep. Gratuitous bonfire. Gratuitous wolves. (They make more sense in the original.) Gratuitous cliff jumping. Gratuitous grave robbing. (They were taking a scroll, not the body.) Gratuitous head on a flagpole. Academy Award nominations to Bingbing Fan as Lian Nishang for "Love is the deadliest poison;" and to Xiaoming Huang as Zhuo Yihang for "If we can't be together, what's the point of living?" A 53 on the Vomit Meter. Like the original, 2½ stars. Da'ud Bob says, "Check it out!"

Steppes Artisan Award Recap

Greetings to the populace of the Barony of the Steppes from Oakenwald Pursuivant. I wanted to share all the accolades and awards from this past weekend at Steppes Artisan.

Abd Hafez al-Muffidal al-Sebak - Acorn of the Steppes Nicola Francesca Landini da Volpina - Acorn of the Steppes Ysabel de Picard - Acorn of the Steppes Aurelia Yverneau - Forest Light of the Steppes (Premier) Honour du Bois - Forest Light of the Steppes (Premier) Llywelyn Gruffydd - Forest Light of the Steppes (Premier) Aalina Godwin - Judges Favorite Abd Hafez al-Muffidal al-Sebak - Judges Favorite Annais Montgomerie - Judges Favorite Friduhr Haralds - Judges Favorite Megan Paget - Judges Favorite Safiya Spizega - Judges Favorite Wihtric Wihtmunding - Judges Favorite Aalina Godwin - Novice Artisan Competition Abd Hafez al-Muffidal al-Sebak - Steppes Artisan

Congratulations to all of these wonderful people!

In Service,

\*Duncan Hepburn\*

Oakenwald Pursuivant

Barony of the Steppes

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Calendar: August 2018

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Calendar: August 2018

#### Regular meetings for August 2018

- Mondays 6:45 PM— Glaslyn Chivalry Practice at North Lakes Park 2001 W. Windsor Dr. Denton, TX
- Tuesdays, 7: 00 PM Rapier Practice at 801 N Floyd Rd, Richardson, TX 75080.
- **Tuesdays, 7:00 PM** Chivalric Practice at 801 N Floyd Rd, Richardson, TX 75080.
- **Tuesdays, 7:00 PM** Dance Practice at 801 N Floyd Rd, Richardson, TX 75080.
- \* Thursday 9, 7 PM—A&S Night at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 1333 Beltline Road Garland, TX
- Thursday 16, 7 PM—Business Meeting at Half Price Books. 5803 Northwest Hwy, Dallas
- Thursday 28, 6:00 PM—Scribal Meeting at 3168 Catamore Ln, Dallas
- Sunday 5, 2 PM Instrumental guild meeting at 2421 San Paula, Dallas 75228 (CANCELLED)
- Monday 13, 7 PM Newcomers' Academy at 4520 Frankford Rd Dallas Tx 75287
- Sunday 19, 2:00 PM Vocal guild meeting at 302 Sweetgum Dr., Cedar Hill, TX

# Kingdom Events

- ◆ 08/25 Glaslyn Defender of the Flame at Denton Texas,633 Hobson Ln,Denton, TX 76205
- 08/25 Serpent's Symposium at 1511 El Dorado Blvd, Houston, Texas 77062
- 08/31 09/02 Braggart's War at Sid Richardson Boy Scout Ranch, Pvt Rd 1706, Chico, TX 76431

# Local Offices open for Applications

The current local offices are open for application. Please send a copy of your application to the current officer, Seneschal, and the Baroness. Applications can be downloaded from the Kingdom website.

Ipportunities

#### **Steppes Business Meeting**

3rd Thursday of the Month - 7 PM until 9 PM

Is held in the Half Price Book Flagship Store and open to the Populace! If you have topic to discuss and you are not able to come, please send them to our Seneschal to update the Agenda. Officers, the same goes for you.

The Financial Committee Meeting is after Business meeting

#### Chivalric and Rapier fighter practice:

Tuesdays 7:00 PM at Heights Park,801 N Floyd Rd, Richardson, TX 75080

# A&S Nights

#### 2nd Thursday of the month - 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church 1333 Beltline Road Garland, TX 75040-3267 This is on Beltline, at N Garland Rd.

You will see a large sign for a car wash. Parking is behind the church. This is a monthly meeting, held the second Thursday of each month, for sharing in our interests in the arts and sciences. There are several tables, so bring a project if you have something you want to work on.

**Early Instrumental Music Guild Meeting: Once a month**—2:00 PM at 2421 San Paula ave, 75228, Dallas. Doors open at 1:30 PM, come early if you need to tune up your instruments. Please contact <u>nyyki@gypsyheir.com</u> for more specific directions.

**Early Vocal Music Guild Meeting: Once a month**—2:00 PM at 302 Sweetgum Dr., Cedar Hill, TX. Please contact nyyki@gypsyheir.com for more specific directions.

# Scribal and Illumination Meeting: 4th Thursday of the month—6:30 PM to 9:30 PM

Hosted my Mistress Honour du Bois. Every Scribal night will have open charter painting for those who wish to paint our awesome charters as well as some structured classes ranging from beginning to advance techniques as well as original scroll work. We will be planning and working on scrolls for our baronial events too, so bring your ideas.

# <u>Glaslyn</u>

# Mondays 6:45pm – 10:00pm (Except Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve)

#### North Lakes Park 2001 W. Windsor Dr. Denton, TX

Directions: From I-35 E in Denton, Texas exit University Drive (Hwy 380). Go east on University Dr. Go north on Bonnie Brae St. Go east on Windsor Dr. Just past the baseball fields, turn left (north) into the parking lot. Continue around as if you are going to the soccer fields. Practice is in front of the basketball court on your right, soccer fields on your left

Opportunities

Sat 08/04 - Vetro Glassworks

Sun 09/23 - Populace in the Park (location to be determined)

Sun 10/21 Populace at the Museum

Wed 11/28 - Populace goes to Dinner Razzoo's Cajun Café. 13949N Central Expy Dallas, TX

December Christmas Party

All events and locations are subject to changeplease watch for announcements and information closer to each event

#### Populace goes to Dinner

Wed Nov 28- Razzoo's Cajun Cafe

#### Populace goes Out

Saturday Aug 04 Vetro Glassworks Sunday Oct 21 Museum visit Dec Christmas Party

# Populace in the Park

Sunday Sept 23

Social Media

There are many sites on the Web and Facebook for SCA interests. Below are a few. This is in no way an endorsement for any of the groups listed, or a final list. It is just a way to direct people to groups that they might not know about, that may be of interest.

#### Web:

- sca.org
- ansteorra.org
- ✤ steppes.ansteorra.org
- calendar.ansteorra.org
- hospitaler.ansteorra.org
- heraldry.ansteorra.org/honors (Awards)
- ✤ ansteorra.org

#### Facebook:

- 1. Barony of the Steppes Unofficial group for the Barony of the Steppes
- 2. Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA)- Official Facebook group for the SCA
- 3. Legion of Swashbucklers: This group is open to all rapier fighters
- 4. Steppes Cooks: This group is for those interested in cooking
- 5. Steppes Calligraphers and Illuminators Guild
- 6. Canvas Castle Showcase- https://www.facebook.com/groups/471086229603006/
- 7. Canvas Castle Showcase: Show off your tent, camping furniture, or anything that makes your camping experience more homey
- 8. Elizabethan Costume- http://www.facebook.com/groups/29374273995/

For those people fascinated with the clothing, accessories, hairstyles, cosmetics, etc. of the 16th century. Although the name says "Elizabethan," anything from the Tudor period (1485-1603) is fair game for discussion.

9. Garb for Sale - http://www.facebook.com/groups/130311470376509/

For selling clothing, camping equipment, feast gear, period books and services

10. SCA Runway - https://www.facebook.com/groups/460750480615188/?ref=ts&fref=tsA Place for showing off SCA fashion.

11. Tudor Conversations- http://www.facebook.com/groups/TudorWorld/ An on-going conversation among like-minded enthusiasts of the 16th century exploring the world of the Tudors, with occasional excursions among the early Stuarts

12. Viking Clothing https://www.facebook.com/groups/279611679205/

For all clothes Viking!

13. Vikings of the SCA - http://www.facebook.com/groups/244158265607631/ Group for those interested in all things "Viking" related in the SCA.

14. SCA Equestrian - https://www.facebook.com/groups/34623283817/

For those interested in Equestrian Arts in the SCA

15. SCA Garb - http://www.facebook.com/groups/scagarb/

A group for discussion of researching and making all types of garb for the SCA

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