



THE PLUME

THE BARONY OF NAMRON • AUGUST 2023

Cover Photo taken by Milo Swanson. Middle Eastern Dance is the 4th Tuesday of every month.



The SCA is a 501(c)(3) educational non-profit organization, and we love talking about what we do!

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NEWS FROM BARON YANCY AND HERSIRKONA KOLFINNA

Greetings, one and all!

Despite the rising heat, July has been a fantastic month for being Namronian! The Summer Swap at Pop was a great way to kick things off. We were thrilled to see so many of you at King's College, too!

The highlight of the month for us was the Baronial Garage Sale, though. It was so nice to spend time with everyone who volunteered and who came by to shop. The weather was very cooperative for mid-summer, and we met quite a few people who were interested in the SCA.

Our two largest pavilions sustained significant damage earlier this year and the sale was intended to raise a few dollars to help with repair costs. Thanks to your unending generosity, we raised \$1023!! We will schedule indoor workdays in late August, and hope that many of you will be available to assist.

We hope that everyone who attends the 50th Pennsic War has safe travels and a marvelous time! For the Homeguard, Water Wars is happening at Twin Lakes in Shawnee, on August 12, and is co-sponsored by the Baronies of Namron and Wiesenfeuer. Come out and have some fun! We will have games and a lunchtime potluck, with burgers, hot dogs, and buns provided by the Baronies.

Stay cool and hydrated as we move through the peak of summer. Protectorate is just over the horizon!

In Service,
Baron Yancy and Hersirkona Kolfinna

Photo by
Kolfinna.
"Baroness
Gwyneth and
Baroness
Annabelle, with
the the first sale
at the Baronial
Garage Sale."



HERSIRKONA KOLFINNA'S SUMMER CHALLENGES

Hersirkona Kolfinna's Summer Award Recommendation Challenge

Recommend one person for an award for each of the following. (Please reach out to Valencia, the Namron Chronicler for the list. I would be happy to provide it.) Try not to duplicate. Email me (baroness@namron.ansteorra.org (<mailto:baroness@namron.ansteorra.org>)) the list of submissions you made and I will make you a gift. Yes, this is flagrant bribery.

The second challenge is a paid membership challenge. We have a TOP SECRET target number to reach by August 31. If that number is met, we have offered to bring a dunk tank to the September Populace Meeting and let you dunk us as many times as you like. Or something similar, probably involving water because Her Excellency doesn't like it.

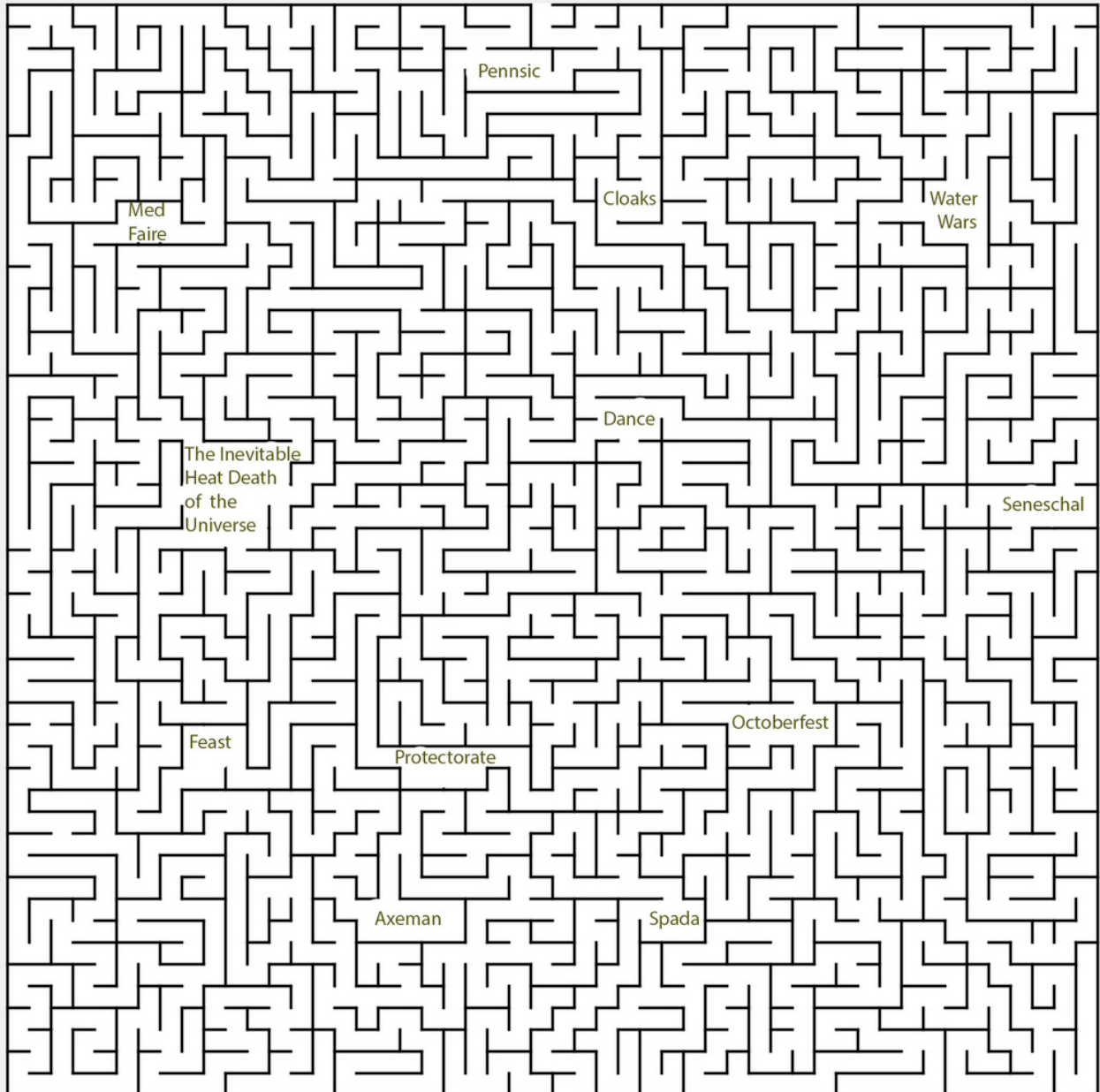
Why should you have a paid membership? Paid Memberships help sustain the SCA as a whole. They also open opportunities for service as Officers, Landed Nobility, and Royalty. And, don't forget that you get discounted gate registration!

For information on memberships, please visit <https://www.sca.org/member-services/> (<https://www.sca.org/member-services/>)



OFFICER NEWS

Oh no! Cornelius is overheating and his thoughts are scattered! Help him make his way through the maze of his mind and collect his thoughts so that he can try to present them to the Populace. Beware, not all thoughts will guide you through the proper path...



Yours In Service,
Don Cornelius Meriläinen
Seneschal, Barony of Namron

OFFICER NEWS

FROM THE TARGET ARCHERY MARSHAL

Greetings Namron from the Archery Marshal,
Sadly, we were not able to hold practice this month due to extreme temperatures and the field, which has overgrown beyond a mower's capability. We are looking for an alternate site or equipment capable of getting the site back in order. We hope to be back out shooting as soon as possible,

Isabeau Wynter

Namron Archery Marshal

"So long as the new moon returns in heaven a bent, beautiful bow,
so long will the fascination of archery keep hold in the hearts of
man."

— Maurice Thompson

OFFICER NEWS

FROM THE MINISTER OF CHILDREN

Greetings to our Stormy Populous!

I hope you're doing well. It seems amazing that we are already halfway through the year! The Fall event season will be here before we know it and we are currently planning for Protectorate and Axeman and finding lots of inspiration for some fun activities. However, I'd very much like to hear from our families and learn what your children are most interested in. I've created a short survey here:

<https://forms.gle/Wd1wNv7WFwcNWiR37>

to collect some information to help us plan for the future. Please take a few minutes to give us your feedback.

I can't wait to see you all at our future meetings and events! Take care of yourselves in this heat, stay cool and hydrated, and enjoy the rest of your summer!

Yours in Service,
Lady Emma O'Ruairc
Namron Minister of Children



OFFICER NEWS

FROM THE HOSPITALER

Greetings Namron!

I am Kyna Terricsdottir, your new Baronial Hospitaler! What is the hospitaler? I'm glad you asked. The Hospitaler is the Baronial Newcomer Welcome Wagon. I am here to help any newcomers with whatever they need, whether it's garb, locating events or meetings, finding classes, or finding the SCA. I am here to help the Barony find demo opportunities within our lands and to help other groups if and when they need it. I am also here to help those members that are no longer around as much, who may need a reintroduction to the Society.

I am also looking for a deputy Hospitaler. Anyone who may be interested in helping the barony grow. Someone who will be on the lookout for new opportunities to show off the SCA to the local cities and towns. Please let me know if you are interested.

The Barony of Namron is so very special to me, having literally grown up in the Society. I want to take my time as the hospitaler to help the Barony grow and be bigger and better than ever before. Well, I'm off to Pennsic. I hope to see many of you there! If you come across any opportunities for the SCA to host a demo please let me know.

YiS

Kyna Terricsdottir



OFFICER NEWS

FROM THE MINISTER OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Greetings good gentles all!

This month we will have arts and sciences meetings every Monday. The first Monday of the month will be an illumination and scribal night hosted by Heirsirkona Kolfinna. We will be having open a&s every week, typically in the Norman Central Library from 6-8:30 pm. Look out for any updates on the Barony of Namron facebook and the baronial website.

If you are interested in sharing your passion with our populace, send an email to moas@namron.ansteorra.org (mailto:moas@namron.ansteorra.org) with your information and what you'd like to show everyone!

Yours in
service,

HL Halldóra Hrafnisdóttir



OFFICER NEWS

FROM THE THROWN WEAPONS MARSHALL

Hello and Salutations from the office of The Throwing Weapons Marshall. First order of business, currently we have had no practices due to weather. I'm very hopeful that we will be able to get back to normal once the weather cooperates.

I'm going to try something different and start adding history into this.

This month is the Javelin.

Prehistory-There is archaeological evidence that javelins and throwing sticks were already in use by the last phase of the Lower Paleolithic. Seven spear-like objects were found in a coal mine in the city of Schöningen, Germany. Stratigraphic dating

indicates that the weapons are about 400,000 years old!!!

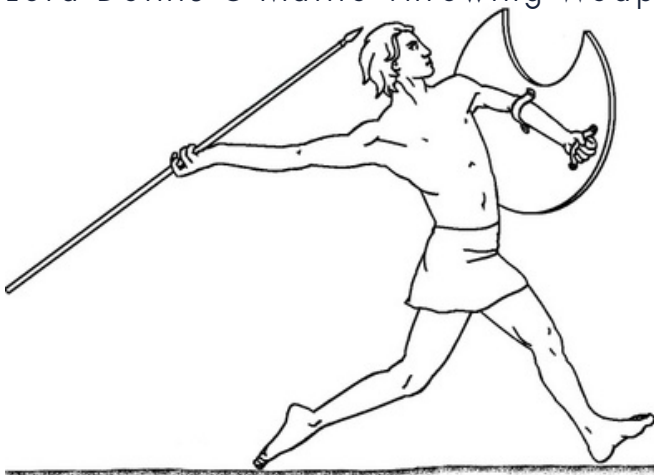
What it is-A javelin is a light spear designed primarily to be thrown, historically as a ranged weapon, but today predominantly for sport. The javelin is almost always thrown by hand, unlike the sling, bow, and crossbow, which launch projectiles with the aid of a hand-held mechanism. However, devices do exist to assist the javelin thrower in achieving greater distance, such as spear-throwers or the amentum.

A warrior or soldier armed primarily with one or more javelins is a javelineer.

The word javelin comes from Middle English and it derives from Old French javelin, a diminutive of javelot, which meant spear.

Hopefully this was insightful!

Lord Deinis O'Maille Throwing Weapons Marshall



AUGUST CALENDAR

Activities

Middle Eastern Drumming.

August class canceled. Next class September 12, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Class/practice is held in Blanchard. All experience levels are welcome! Please contact Baroness Dominique for address and additional details:

thunderdomi.as@gmail.com

Middle Eastern Dance Class

September 5, 7pm-8:30pm. 2275 E. Sooner Rd. Blanchard, OK

Middle Eastern Dance class/Practice is held in Blanchard. All experience levels are welcome!

Please contact Baroness Dominique for additional details:

thunderdomi.as@gmail.com

Youth Rapier Practice

Wednesdays, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Southern Oaks Recreation Center, 6818 S Walker Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73109, USA

Steel weapons combat is an SCA form of combat used toward the end of the Middle Ages. Loaner gear is available and youth ages 6-17 may attend. Possible changes and cancellations may happen due to severe weather. Updates are announced on the Baronial mailing list.

Rapier (Fencing) Practice

Wednesdays, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Southern Oaks Recreation Center, 6818 S Walker Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73109, USA

Joint, indoor practice with the Barony of Wiesenfeuer.

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AUGUST CALENDAR

Activities

Possible changes and cancellations may happen due to severe weather. Updates are announced on the Baronial mailing list (<http://lists.ansteorra.org/listinfo.cgi/namron-ansteorra.org>). Combat scenarios range from 1:1 tourney style up to 600 vs 600 war melees! Check out the event ad and/or website to see what type of fighting scenarios are being done at the event so you are ready. (Typically is 1:1 tourney style unless it is a war or melee event) For more information, contact the Baronial Rapier officer, whose information can be found on the officers page



Armored (Rattan) Combat Practice

Wednesdays, 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Mayfair Event Center, 3200 NW
48th St, OKC, OK 73112, USA
Armored (Rattan) Combat practice is held indoors every Wednesday, combined with the Barony of Wiesenfeuer.

Updates are announced on the Baronial mailing list (<http://lists.ansteorra.org/listinfo.cgi/namron-ansteorra.org>). For more information, contact the Baronial Knight's Marshal (Armored Combat) officer, whose information can be found on the officers page (<https://ansteorra.org/namron/officers/>).



AUGUST CALENDAR

Activities

Monthly Populace Meeting.

August 3, 2023 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM The Depot, 200 S Jones Ave, Norman, OK 73069.

July Populace Meeting: Summer Swap at Pop!

Come take part in the business of the Barony of Namron and then have some fun at our Summer Swap! Bring your unused SCA garb or other items that are in good repair to exchange with others for things you need. No sales transactions, just good old fashioned barter and exchange!

Please remember to inspect items for unintended passengers, especially if the items have been stored in your garage or attic.

If you have items leftover at the end of the swap that have no need for, consider bringing them to the Namron Garage Sale later in the month. We will discuss that in more depth at the Populace Meeting, too.

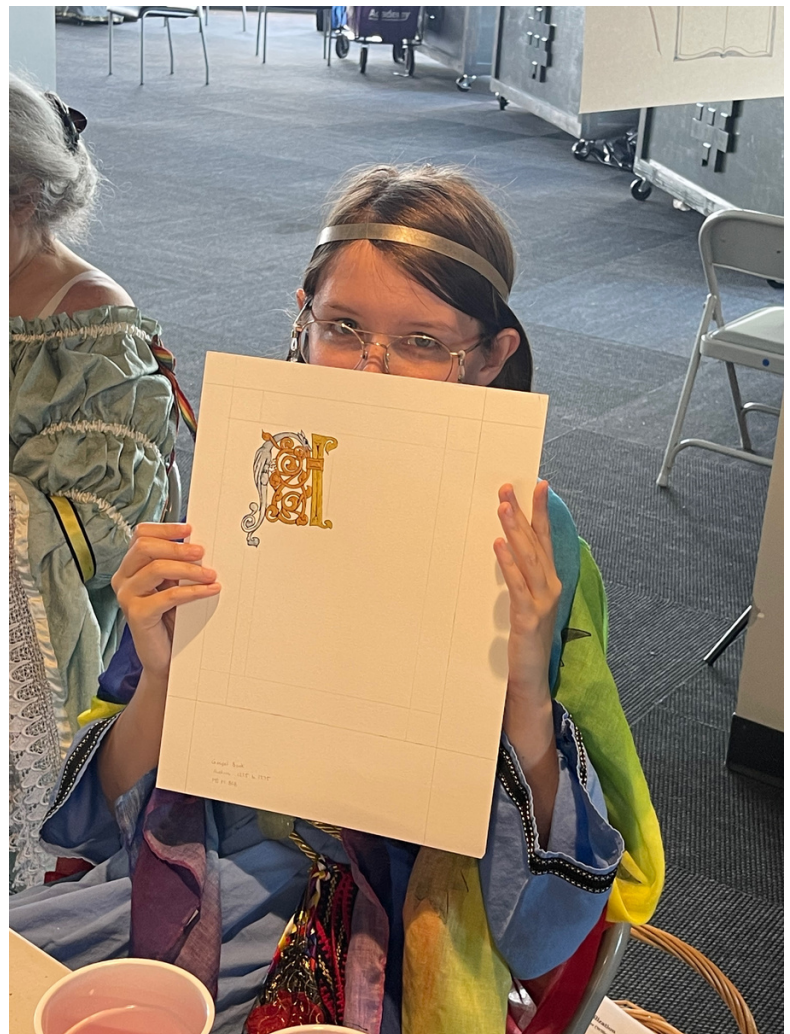
See you there!

Target Archery & Thrown Weapons Practice

August 27 (Cancelled) 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM 4200 E Franklin Rd, Norman, OK 73026, USA

Target Archery and Thrown Weapons Practice is BACK!! With the busy December schedule, this will be the only practice date this month, so don't miss it!

We have loaner equipment available, and trained Marshals to teach you if you're new! Please wear closed toe shoes, and tie back long hair. Youth ages 6+ are welcome to participate with a parent or guardian present. Please check the Barony of Namron Facebook Group for updates in the event of inclement weather



JULY CALENDAR



Activities

Arts and Science Class

August 14, 21, 28. 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM 103 W Acres St, Norman, OK 73069, USA, Lowery Room in the Central Library

Open A&S will be held weekly on Mondays (except for holidays and immediately before and after any holidays) alongside any planned classes. Expect 1 class per month and 1 scribal night per month within these Mondays. Specific schedule pending. There will always be room for open A&S work alongside any planned classes and scribal nights. Come by and check it out. Find more up to date information on the class for this month on the Facebook page.

Calligraphy and Illumination

August 15, 22, 29, . 6:45 PM - 8:15 PM

Firestorm Ink (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/116467718388381>) is a Scribal Guild made up of members from both the Barony of Namron and the Barony of Wiesenfeuer who focus on creating the best quality of workmanship when it comes to Baronial, Principality and Kingdom wide scrolls and charters. Members participate in various levels of painting, design, white-working, and creating originals that are awarded to deserving participants within the SCA. All works are historically based and researched to assure their accuracy in not only the style, but the colors utilized to create such a beautiful document.

Meetings are held virtually except the first Tuesday of the month. Firestorm Ink meets on the first Tuesday of the month at Natural Grocers: 2120 SW 89th St, Oklahoma City, OK 73159 from 6:45 to 8:15pm

Monthly Business Meeting August

17, 2023 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Natural Grocers, 1918 W Main St,
Norman, OK 73069, USA

The Barony of Namron Business Meeting will be held in the conference room at the rear of Natural Grocers in Norman. All members of the populace are welcome.



JULY CALENDAR

Activities

Advanced Fighter Practice

August 20. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Surrey Hills Lions Club Park in Yukon.

For July, we will focus on MADU!

As this is an outdoor practice if there is severe weather I will cancel the event.

Namron Hosted Dance Classes

August 10, 31. 6:30 - 8:30 PM. Southwest Oklahoma City Library 2201 SW 134th St, OKC, OK 73170

The first class will be focused on circle dances, primarily bransles, since they typically allow for any number of people. The 31st will focus on English Country dances. From there I'll be branching out to others. Would love to have live musicians as well if any are interested in playing.



AUGUST CALENDAR

Kingdom Events

MONTHLY HOSPITALER SYNC AND OFFICE HOURSEVERY MEMBER A HOSPITALER!

128 N Roberts Rd, Cedar Hill, TX 75104, USA

August 17, 2023. 7PM - 8:30 PM. Online event. Opportunity for hospitalers (both official and unofficial) to collaborate, plan, and celebrate successes. Any monthly focuses for the meetings to be announced via the kingdom page.

SERPENT'S SYMPOSIUM V AN NON-WESTERN EUROPEAN SYMPOSIUM

August 19

Join the Barony of Loch Soilleir as we choose our bardic and A&S champions, as well as host a day of non-Western European classes! All things outside of Europe are welcomed at this one day collegium event.

GLASYN ARTISAN OF THE FLAME

Aug 26. 8:30 - 7PM

633 Hobson Lane, Denton, TX 75205

TAMU HOWDY WEEK DEMO

August 20, 2023. The Shire of the Shadowlands will be doing an SCA Recruitment Demo in College Station, TX at Texas A&M University Howdy Week! We will be showcasing the wonders of SCA to the students at Texas A&M. We are planning on holding a chiv and rapier demo (possibly a tournament if enough people sign up), as well as an A&S competition where students vote on which project they like best.





BIDS AND REGISTRATIONS



Throne Bids: The Barony of Namron is accepting bids for a matching pair of Baronial thrones. The thrones should pack flat for transport, be unique in design, and have some sort of visual representation of Namron.

Please send your bids, with design proposal and cost estimate, to the following:

treasurer@namron.ansteorra.org
seneschal@namron.ansteorra.org
baron@namron.ansteorra.org
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Thank you!



BARONIAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



Social Media Officer

Youth Armored
Combat Marshal



Diversity, Equity, and
Inclusion Officer

Youth Rapier Marshal



Historian

Siege Weapons Marshal



Silent Heraldry
Coordinator

Equestrian Marshal



The above officer positions are available. If you would like to take the lead in promoting these activities in our Barony, please complete the application at:

<https://ansteorra.org/seneschal/apply-for-an-office/>

BARONIAL WISH LIST



Simple drawstring bags for storing rolled banners, black or gold (2) 10"x54"; (3) 10"x24"; (1) 8"x45" when laid flat

Painted PVC tubes for banner transport

Namron belt sashes

Feast gear for newcomers (dinner plates, bowls, utensils, mugs/goblets; break-resistant materials are welcomed for our younger members)

Table runners to hang from back to front at Their Excellencies' place settings; gold with baronial arms on the front section preferred (Don't sew, but would like to help with this? Donations of durable and washable fabric would be a great boon!)

Hard-shell knee and elbow pads for Youth Armored Combat

Four embroidered napkins for baronial feast gear

Largesse (matching sets of 12 are especially useful, but all largesse is wonderful)

Embroidered Memorial Banner Project

We have a list of names. Next, we need someone/s to research devices. This is a daunting task, so multiple participants would be ideal. Once that is completed (as much as it's possible), we will be in need of artisans to embroider the devices.

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