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In memory of (clockwise):

Baron Ceanntighern Macillechallum (James Wright), Photo by Lady Niniane de L'Eau Azuree, Matthew the Confused (Matthew Albert Sohlstrom) and Lady Ellspeth Nadel (Yvonne Morrisey)

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Who are we?

The Shire of Riviere Constelle is the local chapter of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) covering Southwest Indiana (DuBois, Gibson, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick counties) with activities covering much of the region. The SCA is a world-wide, non-profit organization of history minded recreationists. In the SCA we recreate the costumes, martial traditions and many of the arts and crafts of the Middle Ages and Early Renaissance. We invite you to come join us at one of our meetings, events or classes/practices. Come and "get medieval" with us for fun!

Shire Officers*

* This is a partial officer list. These gentles will be happy to put you in touch with the appropriate officer or activity coordinator. Please see our Shire's *Domesday Book* for a complete list of officers, members and friends, or contact our Seneschal. Thank you!

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From the Seneschal:

Greetings unto the Shire of Riviere Constelle from His Excellency, Master Accolon Shadowhawk, Seneschal.

My friends, the signs of spring are everywhere. The cold of winter is being replaced by spring rains and blooming flowers.

Therefore, let us celebrate springtime with worthy endeavors. Let us unfurl our banners and practice our arms, for rumors abound that the Middle Kingdom's enemies, ever jealous of our beautiful lands and wealth, will be invading.

Also, let us practice our arts, for they add to the splendor that is the Midrealm.

I pray that you look to the noble deeds of our populace. If you see good acts, please nominate that gentle for an award from the crown!

Also, please continue to look for ways you may serve the kingdom and our shire. Thank you to our many new officers for your willingness to help, ensuring that Riviere Constelle will continue into the future.

However, before we close, let us first pause to remember three members who have died. Baron Ceanntighern MacIllechallum, James K. Wright, succumbed on December 12 after fighting a valiant and hard fought battle with his illness. Lord Matthew the Confused, Matthew Sohlstrom, died on January 24. Also, Lady Ellspeth Nadel, Yvonne Morrissey, passed on March 14. Please remember these good gentles in your prayers. And, let us enjoy each other's company as long as God allows us that blessing.

I remain yours in service, Accolon Pelican, Court Baron and Esquire



From the Exchequer:

Warm greetings,

The shire has money (Master Accolon keeps asking me that!) and we will be discussing donations to St. Mark's and Bethel as thank you's for their generous permission to meet and fight in their buildings. As anyone who has done site searches knows, finding sites to let us meet can be hard to arrange, so big thanks are due to those building owners who are welcoming to us. That being said, it is always good to keep our eyes and ears open for potential meeting and practice sites. If you know of any, please let Master Accolon know!

In Service, Kirsten



From the Rapier Marshal:

Greetings unto the Shire!

Shire rapier practices continue to be held on Sunday afternoons, with good attendance and much learning. However, now that the weather is improving, we have moved outside and practices are now—weather permitting—at Wesselman Park.

I wish to call everyone's attention to Michelangelo's new idea of small weekly competitions at the Sunday practices. This gives us all practice at getting a game face and instinct for competition at tournaments held elsewhere. They have been fun for all attendees, and a great practice for those unused to competitive environments.

I commend all to remember, now that we are outside, to bring water, bug spray and sunscreen! Let's all be safe and deadly!!!! So, to all and sundry, let us keep practicing and honing our skills. See you at practice!

I remain, in service to Shire and Kingdom, Sir Ragnarr Arnbjornsson



From the Mistress of Arts & Sciences:

Greetings all good gentles,

Riviere Constelle has been blessed with a talented populace. Every month we offer a class for the shire to benefit. This spring we are organizing some great classes, including falconry, veils and stained glass! Our shire is always seeking gifted individuals to share their abilities. Classes may be held any evening during the week or Sunday afternoon.

There are so many things to learn from the Middle Ages. Curious how they did it hundreds of years ago? Let me know if there is a period in history or a skill you would like to learn.

Yours in Service, Lady Deirdre Mael Mhoire



From the Historian

Awards received by members from November 2024 – March 2025:

- Lady Demiana da Costa received an Award of Arms at Christmas Tourney
- Lord Domingo de Volasco received an Award of Arms at Christmas Tourney
- Lord Faustus Einhorn received an Award of Arms at Christmas Tourney
- Lord Kassidon received an Award of Arms at Christmas Tourney
- Lord Alardin de Caux received an Award of Arms at Christmas Tourney
- Lady Menardi of Hecate received an Award of Arms at Better War Through Archery
- Lord Miles Leigh Hawkins received a Cavendish Knot at Better War Through Archery

Please contact Lady Thorfridhr if any names were accidentally omitted.

From the Chronicler: Greetings!

My apologies for not publishing a Q1 newsletter, but officer news seemed a bit light, so we're combining issues.

I remain yours in service, Kirsten

Hello Shire!

As many of you already know, our site for Rendezvous had to change this year due to construction at Lincoln State Park. We are still having our beloved event, but this year it will be a day event at the Bethel Church (same place where we have winter practices).

We will still have our bevy of normal activities: armored, rapier, A/S projects and classes but this year will also include Combat Archery (good chance to get authorized if one is so inclined) and possibly target archery as well. Additional activities may be added as more details are finalized.

The date for this event is October 25th and we could use your help. Volunteers are needed to help fill many roles, from helping in the kitchen, serving, aiding the fighters to everything in between. Please be willing to come out and give your local shire a hand, it will be most appreciated and extremely helpful.

YIS, Your autocrat, Oscar



The Dragon's Claw camp at Pennsic LI, 2024

Birthdays

Birthday	SCA Name	Birthday	SCA Name
01/07	Gregory Bryant	05/27	Thorfridhr Hrolfsdottir
01/09	Kaitlyn Lemon	05/27	Bran Atte Rowan
02/08	Demiana Da Costa	05/29	Bastyean Winter
02/13	Tighearnan Holedigger	05/30	Adrian Harper
02/25	Magdelena	06/03	Faolán Ó Tighearnán
03/06	Keith Artur O'Monahan	06/06	Deirdre inghean Mhaoil Mhuire
03/10	Orianna De L'Isle	06/15	Avis Wootton
03/16	Alainne Sabatier	06/15	Accolon Shadowhawk
04/18	Menardi of Hecate	06/28	Kassidon
05/08	Ragnarr Arnbjornsson		

Riviere Constelle Calendar

Please check the Riviere Constelle Facebook page for calendar changes and announcements for project days and other excuses to get together!

April 15	Business Meeting/Dinner, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6 PM dinner, 6:30 meeting
April 20	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
April 27	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
May 4	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
May 6	A&S Class St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6 PM, topic TBA
May 10	Constellation Academy of Defense, McCormick's Creek State Park
May 11	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
May 17	Tea Party at Ragnarr & Kirsten's, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM
May 18	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
May 20	Business Meeting/Dinner, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6 PM dinner, 6:30 meeting
May 25	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
May 31	Grand Tournament of the Dragon, Hamilton, Ohio
June 1	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
June 3	A&S Class St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6 PM, topic TBA
June 8	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
June 15	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
June 17	Business Meeting/Dinner, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6 PM dinner, 6:30 meeting
June 22	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
June 29	Fighting Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
July 3-6	Simple Days in the Fairgrounds, Danville, IN
July 27-Aug 8 Pennsic War LII	
Oct 25	Rendezvous at the Bridge XXXV



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