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Is that a bird? A plane? No, it's...
an IN-PERSON EVENT!

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Calling all Gentles! Do you have something you'd like to share? A photo from a fight practice, or a progress shot of an A&S project? A paper or poem you wrote? An historical book, museum exhibit, or movie review? A fond memory or story of SCA history? You can submit all this and more to the Chronicler who will publish it (with much thanks and gratitude!) in the following Ursus. These kinds of contributions and displays of community spirit make The Ursus more enjoyable for all, and highlight why the SCA is a great place in which to play.

Don't be shy, you know you want to. ;)

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Letter from Their Excellencies



Greetings unto the Barony of Septentria,

We held on to hope, we nurtured it, we made appointments, and we waited. Hoping. And here we are.

It feels much like the first glimpses of spring after a long hard winter: you open the door and peer out. Is it safe? Is it warm enough? Did we make it?

And yes, indeed we did.

We expect there will still be more defrosting. Herd immunity is a slow and steady trickle, and we are so grateful to all of you who have taken the vaccine if and as you can.

Septentria has been in hibernation, and the Great Bear is awakening.

If you can, send us a missive and tell us how you coped. What got you through.

The Kingdom Seneschal and the Privy Council have laid out what is very clear for our gathering together. Please make sure you pre-register, and plan accordingly.

As always remember to mask and wash your hands. Hand washing is going to continue to be our first line of defence.

With hope,
Sven and Kersteken
Baron and Baroness



Greetings unto the populace,

My how time flies.

My term as Septentrian Minister of Arts and Sciences should have ended months ago, but while I talked to their Excellencies about this months ago, I never got around to putting out a call for my replacement.

The job is simple: collect and summarize the quarterly reports, and do what you can to support the arts in the Barony.

All that is required is an SCA membership. If you are interested, please contact Their Excellencies at svenandkersteken@gmail.com.

Thank you in advance.

Martin Bildner



Greetings,
We are looking for a replacement for Clerk Register. The job is not too onerous and is an excellent way to serve the Barony. Inquiries and applications can be sent to Their Excellencies at baronandbaronessofseptentria@gmail.com. Thank you in advance.

Ulvar



Greetings everybear,

While many are excited to attend in-person events again, I will not be able to this fall. If any kind Gentle might send an event report to me I would happily publish it in the next *Ursus*, with much gratitude and thanks.

Along those lines, never forget that the *Ursus* is always looking for submissions. This publication is only great when Gentles such as yourself make it so. Send what you fancy to: septentrian.chronicler@gmail.com. You'll be brightening a reader's day!

Yours in service,
Rubeus



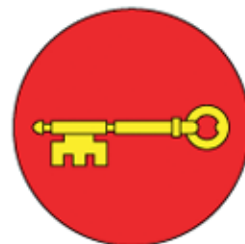
Greetings Septentria!

It is with regret that that I will be stepping down as Septentria's Baronial seneschal. I am accepting applications for a successor via email at baronyseptentriaseschal@gmail.com until October 1, 2021. Interested candidates should be an active member of the Barony, be a paid member in good standing and have some report writing knowledge and general problem solving skills. Your service is greatly appreciated!

It has been an honour to hold the office for the Barony I hold dear.

YIS

Baroness Anneke the Furious
Baronial Seneschal of Septentria



Event Report: Passion of the Cut Sleeve

“We have always been here.”

The annals of history would rebuke this claim. Indeed they often try. Yet when one digs beneath the surface narrative and explores sources often hidden and censored, there we are: not with our heads bowed low before an executioner, but held high in pride, living our period lives as our full selves.

The Passion of the Cut Sleeve broke ground by providing a space not previously given to queer medieval studies on such a scale. With over a dozen offerings from round-tables to classes, and bardic circles to reflections on our SCA history, there was something for everyone to learn.

And people were hungry to learn.

Fears of minimal attendance were unfounded: over one hundred Gentles from around the globe packed the classes full. Not a single one ran with fewer than 15 participants, and most had over 20. Discussions were open and healthy, and all felt comfortable adding their own thoughts, findings, and perspectives.

For the first time in my SCA experience, I found a place where we could be taken seriously.

With this new community came new paths for future research - not just about Europe, but from around the globe - and the affirmation that we can accurately recreate the Middle Ages without needing to sacrifice who we are. I eagerly look forward to next year's event!



Remember When...

The *Ursus* has been in print for decades now (anyone feel old yet?). A bin full of copies of old issues and editions was delivered to me a few moons ago, and it has now passed into the hands of Lord Kenneth for digitizing. It is our hope to have all of these issues up on the Septentrian website eventually, but it will take some time for him to scan all of the pages. We hope you will look forward to walking down memory lane with us!



In-person meetings have resumed in some cases. Please contact the seneschal to attend.

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
VY = Vest Yorvik (Mississauga) MN = Monadh (Orangeville) BR = Beremere (Barrie) PT = Petrea Thule (Peterborough) SG = Skeldergate (North York) AC = Ard Chreag (Pickering) EF = Eoforwic (Toronto)			1 VY 7:30pm	2	3	4
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Upcoming Events

Coronation

September 4, 2021

Hosted by the Kingdom of Ealdormere

Come and celebrate the coronation of Their Majesties Isabel and Rattanicus.

Currently the event capacity has been reached and there is a waitlist. To inquire email qpt.wrangler@gmail.com.



Stone the Crows

September 18, 2021

Hosted by the Incipient Shire of Champs des Corbeaux.

Be on the lookout for more details on Facebook and on the Kingdom Calendar!



Huntsman's Harvest

October 2, 2021

Hosted by the Barony of Ben Dunfirth.

Be on the lookout for more details on Facebook and on the Kingdom Calendar!



Pikeman's Pleasure

October 16, 2021

Hosted by the Canton of Petrea Thule.

Be on the lookout for more details on Facebook and on the Kingdom Calendar!



Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.



Grizzly Grid # 13 - Bonguard Bonanza

Bonguard Problem

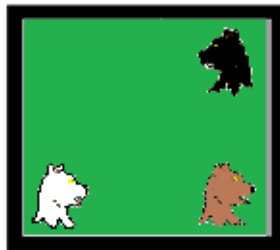
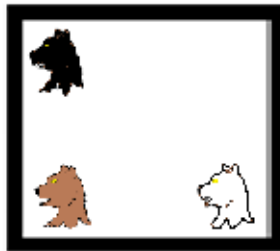
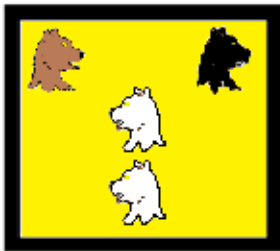
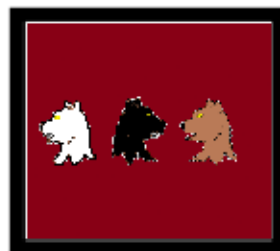
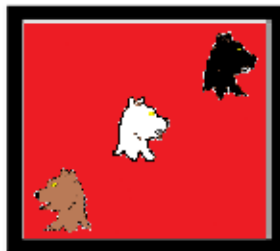
On the left are 6 instances of the rule being followed.

On the right are 6 instances of the rule being contravened.

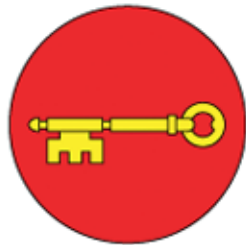
What is the rule?

Yes

No



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