

The Higher Word

October 2015

Greetings unto the Noble Populace of Ered Sul,

A Huge Thank you to the Barony of Granite Mountain for their hospitality at Champion in the Pines! It was an honor to have it in Ered Sul lands, allowing many of our Populace to attend.

October 3rd is Kingdom A&S. Then on October 10th we are having a scribal event at Sir Thaddeus's home. Mistress Arsinda will be our guest instructor and we are very fortunate to have her here. If you have any interest in scriptorium or just want to come hang out, this would be a great day to do it.

Don't forget A&S night on the 14th (more details to come) and Populace night on the 15th of October. Hope to see you all there!

Pre-registration for Southern Crusades is now available by mail and at upcoming events. We would love to see a great turn out from our Barony in support of our Southern Cousins. The event is closer to us this year, being held in Marana, AZ.

We are in need of a Regalia Officer. Anyone who may be interested, please contact us. Responsibilities include keeping an inventory of Baronial Regalia. You will not have to keep it at your home or haul it around, just make sure it gets to where it needs to go. Your help would be appreciated!

In Your Service,
Angus & Katarina, Baron & Baroness of Ered Sul



Baron Angus and Baroness Katarina
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New Award Recipients

No new Award Recipients this month

Weekly Fighter Practice:

The new location of our Fighter Practice. will be at Thorpe Park 245 N. Thorpe Rd. Flagstaff, Az. 86001. Rapier fighters start our practice at 1:00 pm, then hardsuit will start at 2:00 pm. We welcome all who wish to join us whether new or seasoned fighters. It is our Baron's hope that it will improve our exposure and help us attract more future members of our group. Come one! Come all! Bring your crafts with you and let's show our community what SCA is all about. The more folks here, the more we can reach out to the community.

Populace Meetings:

Populace Meetings are at the Joe Montoya Sr Center at 245 N Thorpe on Thursday of every other month 6-8pm. This is a Garbed Event.

This month it will be on Thurs Oct 15th.

Newcomer/Game Night:

Our Newcomers/Game Night is Thursday, Sep 17th. This is a GARBED event. Bring games esp. period games and join the fun and meet our newcomers! We will have snacks.

Arts & Sciences Meeting:

For the next A&S Meeting is Wed Oct 14th 6-8 PM! Again, at the Joe Montoya Senior Community Center at 245 N Thorpe Rd.

Check on Facebook Ered Sul Update or yahoo.com Ered Sul Group for further information in the next week or so.

Special Scribal Event: October 10th there will be a special scribal event at Sir Thaddeus's home. Mistress Arsinda will be our guest instructor and we are so fortunate to have her join us and share her expertise. If you have any interest in scriptorium or just want to hang with good friends, this event is for you. Come join with our warm and friendly SCA family at this event and learn or show your support! We are family!

EVENT SPOTLIGHT:

Southern Crusades:

Southern Crusades: The Reconquista will be held at the Western Heritage Arena in Marana AZ with numerous activities planned. We will have Armored Fighting, Rapier, Archery, Equestrian, Art & Sciences classes, etc. There will also be nighttime activities such as Hafla & Torchlight Tourneys

Dates & Times: Site Opens Thursday Nov 12th at 8 am for those who have pre-registered, 12 pm (noon) for those who did not pre-register. Site Closes Monday Nov 16th at 12 pm (noon).

Don't forget! Pre-registration is now open. Go to www.Southerncrusades.org and click the link for the pre-registration form. Fill it out and make a check or money order to the address listed on the pre-registration page. Take advantage of the savings and the Family max is only available for pre-registration. Great times ahead so don't miss out! New location for this even is even easier to get to..... Right off I-10 just west of Tucson.

Pre-Registration Fees closes OCT 31

At the Gate Fees

- Adult Member* - \$30
- Adult Non-Member - \$35
- Youth (Ages 5-17) - \$10
- Youth (Under 5) - Free

Day Trip

- Member - \$15
- Non-Member \$20
- Youth (Ages 5-17) \$10

Please take all trash off site with you. Event Steward: anthegn Elizabetha de Wallachia
HE Conor de Carlton (Mike Dever)

BARONY OF ERED SUL OFFICERS:

Seneschal: Master Gunner Skullsplitter
Tom Highline

Deputy Seneschal: His Excellency OPEN
POSITION

Exchequer: Margre/ Suzanne McMillan

Deputy Exchequer: Lady Maria deSilva/
Susan Wright

Arts & Sciences Minister: Lady Aesa
Ongull Kyndel Wood

Deputy Arts & Sciences Minister:
Katherine Tapester
Kathleen Sweebe

Knight Marshall: OPEN POSITION

Rapier Marshall: Jennifer Corrigan -
Awaiting info

Archery Marshall: Chang Maille (Jared
Nighimoto)

Deputy Archery OPEN POSITION

Equestrian Marshall: OPEN POSITION

Herald: Lady Lora of the Four Paws
Laura Minas

Deputy Herald: Master Roger Von
Allenstein
David Hodge

Hospitaler: Pending Warrant

Sheriff: Lord Delthos Southmoor
Richard Howell

Chronicler: Lady Leesha Southmoor
Carol Howell

Minister of Lists: Idunn of the Citadel
Jessica French

OPEN OFFICER POSITIONS:

We are recruiting for the following open
positions. Please contact Their
Excellencies or the Seneschal for more
information.

Deputy Chronicler (Newsletter): This is
a person who assists the Chronicler

Baronial Web Minister

Equestrian Marshall: Coordinates
Equestrian Events.

A list of current officers and open
positions can be found on the baronial
website:

[http://www.baronyoferedsul.org/about/
the-officers](http://www.baronyoferedsul.org/about/the-officers)



Sankt Vlidimir @ Northern Arizona University

We meet almost every Wednesday in the Student Union and cover a variety of topics such as heraldry, membership, arts and sciences, etc. Contact Aurora-Babcock-Cooke for more information.

Find us on Facebook - St. Vladimir SCA

KINGDOM EVENTS:

- Oct 3-4, 2015 Kingdom A&S Competition *
- Oct 6-12 Great Western War (Kingdom of Caid)
- Oct 17-18. 2015 Pillage Plunder Pluck Poke (Shire of Granholme)
- Nov 7-8, 2015 Kingdom Fall Coronation
- Nov 11-16, 2015 Southern Crusades *
- Dec 5, 2015 Northern Yule (Shire of Windale)
- Dec 12, 2015 Solstice (BSD)
- Dec 12, 2015 Yule (Barony of March of Mons Tonitrus)
- Dec 13, 2015 Pas de Arms (Barony of Tir Ysgithr)
- *B &B will be in attendance

NEWCOMERS CORNER:

Ye Newcomers Corner Merry Meet! Welcome to the Barony of Ered Sul Newcomer's Corner. It is our hope Ye Newcomers Corner will help our friends new to the SCA to get started on their own SCA journey. Come, walk the SCA path with us, friends! Hugs! Lady Leesha Southmoor I love talking to new people and making new friends. In some of my conversations with newcomers, a question that has been raised is: What is a good event to go to so they can get their feet wet?

Any question please feel free to contact Lady Leesha Southmoor (Carol Howell) at summerlucvvv@hotmail.com or my mobile 928-600-5255

This month I would like to focus on one thing...Becoming a part of the SCA. What I mean is becoming comfortable with being a part of us...Feeling like family....feeling at home. Recent events have brought the meaning of family and comraderie home to me. It's important to note and know that in the SCA you are truly part of a family. We are all woven together by threads, bonds of brotherhood, sisterhood, family, Houses, Baronies and on up to the Kingdom of Attendvelt. We truly think and feel as family. We are a part of each other's lives in a big way. It is truly a wonderful feeling.

I will tell you a story. It's an example of how we are all family. My husband and I attended a Highlands War in Alpine, AZ. We were out in a pasture, basically. We had our tents spread out between houses and Baronies and the Kingdom participants. I am handicapped so I had to use a handicapped cart to get around.

One day I needed to use "the facilities" so I got on my cart and slowly made my way down the dirt path to my destination. About halfway there, I got stuck in a monster hole. My cart was in the hole halfway up the steering column. I was mostly thinking it but must have said "help" loudly enough for a person to hear. Suddenly, folks from the House of Emerald Dragon came out in mass. Now, I did not know most of them yet. But here they were, part of my extended family, there to help me. And once out a couple of people made sure I made it to my destination.

At another point I was alone in camp because my cart could not get to where the bon fire, drumming and dancing was. And my husband, the Ered Sul Sheriff was out on rounds. They usually took about two hours.

I admit to feeling a bit sorry for myself. I felt alone. I felt sad. All of a sudden a dear man named Robere (spelling wrong probably) appeared in front of me. He said a lady should not be sitting alone. He vowed to remain with me until my husband returned. We talked

about everything and nothing. That night I got to know a true gentleman and a friend for life. I see him and I just have to hug him. He was my hero that night. And he always brings back wonderful memories when I see him walk by. I fell in love with the SCA, the Barony of Ered Sul, the House of Emerald Dragon and so many more folk that weekend. I found a family who truly cares about one another. I found out that strangers become acquaintances become friends become family very quickly in the SCA. My point to this long story is this: Never feel that you are alone against the world. Never feel you are alone in the SCA. If you start to feel that way please, please, please reach out to one of us.

And SCA Family, I beg of you, look for those that are alone, off by themselves. Chances are they need you. Chances are, they are feeling alone, perhaps feeling sorry for themselves, feeling lost, feeling depressed.. one of the above or perhaps all. It's better to assume you need to reach out and find out you didn't, than to assume they are fine and find out they needed you. Take the chance and ask them if they would like company. Maybe, you had other plans. But remember that we are all family. If one hurts we all hurt. We need to have each other's back.

You never know the difference you will make in someone's life. Robere made a huge difference in my life. I was thinking of quitting. And here

I am today. Emerald Dragon made a difference in my life. I realized we were all family through them. Folks who loved on me when I was new in the SCA made me feel loved. Josh, thank you. Neo, thank you. Annie and Chad, thank you. The McKenzie brothers, thank you. All of you and so many more, have reached out to me in love. Each one of them have opened their arms and their hearts to love me. They have never treated me like I am handicapped. They have never once treated me different because of my appearance. They have only loved. Thank you.

In closing, my NEW friends. Remember we are a big family. And that means we are part of you. We belong to each other. We do care what is going on with you. And we do have time to hug, to talk, to each out, to care. You, do your part and join us. Give us humans all a chance. And we will do our part and come and get to know you, sit with you, keep you company and love on you.

I love this family we call the SCA. And I hope you will love MY FAMILY too! Remember, you are no longer alone. You have a huge, loving, caring family surrounding you. We do want to know you. And we do want to be there for you. Bless you! I am so looking forward to meeting you.

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