



The Higher Word

Barony of Ered Sul

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October 2018

Words from the Coronet

Greeting unto this great land of Ered Sul,

Well it looks like winter may have officially began in our beautiful Barony. Beautiful fall leaves one day and now beautiful white snow the next. During the next few months Ered Sul likes to travel south to our warmer parts of the Kingdom, so make sure to check the Kingdom calendar if you want to attend an out of Barony or Kingdom event. We will continue to have fighter practice at Thorpe Senior Center, weather permitting. Drum and dance on Thursdays. We will be traveling south for the Coronation in November and would love to have our populace to go with us. December 1st we travel to Windale for Northern Yule. Just a reminder to send all your bids in for upcoming Ered Sul events, especially for Highlands 25th Anniversary. Thank you Christopher Peckham for your class on Vegetarianism in the Middle Ages. It was delightful class. Stay warm and see you all soon.

In Service of the Dream,
Robert and Kolfinna
Baron and Baroness of Ered Sul

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Calendar

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Great Western War (start)	3	4	5	6
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Fighter Practice - Sundays at Thorpe Park from 12pm - 2pm

Archery Practice - Saturdays at Slip's house at 10am, weather permitting

Events

A&S Night

Wednesday, October 10th

A/S at Thorpe Adult Center at 6 pm with Christopher of Peckingham, topic to be announced.

We are still working on the fall schedule, so if you ever wanted to share some knowledge step right up and let us know.

Remember Christopher's Wednesday workshops

Remember Bebinn's Thursday belly dance and drum circles

Great Western War

October 2nd – 8th

“Once there was a War...”

Join the Kingdom of Caid as we celebrate the 21st year of Great Western War! Help us toast to the camaraderie of the Knowne World.

GWW runs from October 2-8, 2018 at Buena Vista Aquatic Recreational Area, 13601 Ironbark Road, Taft, CA 93268.

Here are just a few things to enjoy at GWW XXI:

HEAVY WEAPONS (SCA hard suit/armored) - Both large battles and tournaments; opportunities for Combat archery, crossbows, and siege weapons

RAPIER COMBAT (SCA Fencing) - Fighting over several days, both large battles and tournaments

EQUESTRIAN - Activities over several days, games and challenges, staged castle siege, and other activities

THROWN WEAPONS (target only) - Challenges and games

ARCHERY - Both battle and target scenarios over several days (and some evenings)

HOUND COURSING (dog courses) - Over several days

YOUTH COMBAT - Activities over several days: games and challenges

ARTS AND SCIENCES - Workshops and classes: both hands-on and lecture series learning opportunities, including a track of classes especially for children and young adults

KNOWNE WORLD PARTY – Meet new friends and catch up with old ones at this giant bash on the battlefield, directly following Grand Court



MERCHANTS - Many shopping opportunities, both hard goods, and food court
VOLUNTEERING - Amazing opportunities to get involved and help make the event happen

GORGEOUS SCENERY - Fantastic views, gorgeous sunrises and sunsets, wildlife enjoying the park lake

Pre-registration for this event ends August 31.

Early-bird pre-registration for extra land ends June 30.

Pre-register at <http://www.caid-gww.org/attending/pre-registration>.

REGISTRATION FEES

ADULT MEMBER

Arriving Tuesday-Thursday: \$60

Arriving Friday-Saturday: \$55

ADULT NON-MEMBER

Arriving Tuesday-Thursday: \$65

Arriving Friday-Saturday: \$60

YOUTH (11-17) MEMBER

Arriving Tuesday-Thursday: \$35

Arriving Friday-Saturday: \$30

YOUTH (11-17) NON-MEMBER

Arriving Tuesday-Thursday: \$40

Arriving Friday-Saturday: \$35

Children 10 and under are guests of the Kingdom of Caïd

There is a Family Cap for those families with more than 2 children (includes 2 adults and 2 or more children):

Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday arrival – Cap \$190

Friday or Saturday arrival – Cap \$170

DIRECTIONS: From I-5, travel west on Taft Highway 119 (exit 244). [Go past the signs for "Buena Vista Recreational Area" -- Those signs will take you to the park "front" entrance, and you will have to backtrack and continue west on Hwy 119 to Golf Course Rd.] Turn left (east) on Golf Course Rd (5.1 miles). Turn left (east) on Ironbark Rd/Buena Vista Park. Proceed over the aqueduct to the gate for check-in. The GWW entrance will be located at the park's "back" entrance, not the main entrance off Highway 43. The site is approximately 25 miles southwest of Bakersfield.

For additional direction information and maps, see <http://www.caid-gww.org/about/maps-directions>.

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<https://twitter.com/GreatWesternWar>

Event Stewards: Mistress Ceridwen Killian and Master Rowan Killian

Email: stewards@caid-gww.org

BES Scriptorium

October 10th

10 am at 331 E Papago Dr.

Come learn and participate in the illumination and scripting of scrolls to be given out to members of the Noble Populace.

Badlands Bedlam

October 18th – 21st

Enter the southern badlands of Bowie, Arizona and travel back in time. A three-day battle and camping event, with armored combat, archery and rapier fighting. Test your knowledge in our combat cookery competition or expand it in our diverse collegium. Traverse the vendors during the day if you are not enjoying the artisans' showcase or participating in one of the other numerous activities Badlands has to offer. ...and the night life will be filled with merriment by camp fires, libations of your choosing, and tantalizing bardic performances.

Location: 404 W Business Loop, Bowie, AZ 85605, United States

Adult Full Weekend* \$30

Youth (11-17) Weekend \$15

Adult Day Trip* \$20

Youth (11-17) Day Trip \$10

Weekend Family Cap** \$70

Youth (10 & Under) FREE

Member Discount \$5 – Adult Only

**Family Cap = 2 Adults + 1 or more children

Please stay tuned for more information and a schedule of events as more details progress and the date gets closer.

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Coronation – BGM

November 3rd – 4th

As the days grow shorter, so does the time of our glorious Crown Ivan and Ian'ka, King and Queen of all Atenveldt. But fear not, for our Crown being wise and faithful to the Kingdom held a Crown Tournament to determine who amongst us was fit to wear the Crown of Atenveldt. And so it comes to pass that on November 3, 2018 our beloved King and Queen will have their final court, and our Solar Highnesses, Morgan and Elizabeth, will ascend to the throne of Atenveldt. Join us as we witness the bittersweet ending of one reign and the birth of another that will lead Atenveldt's armies into battle!



Coronation will be held at Trinity Presbyterian Church, located at 630 Park Ave., Prescott, AZ 86303. Site will open at 8 a.m. for set up, and will close at 6:00 p.m. Coronation will be held in the sanctuary of the church, and as is Granite Mountain's tradition, a light luncheon will be served – the Barony's gift to the Kingdom. Please note this site is alcohol and tobacco free, and only service animals are allowed.

On Sunday, November 4, 2018, Hardsuit and Archery competitions will be held!

The Kingdom Archery competition will be held at the Granite Mountain Archers archery range located in Prescott near Embry Riddle University (Willow Lake Frontage Road, 86301 – there is no street address, so please use navigation to get to site).

After Archery, please join us at Granite Creek Park located at 3755 Willow Creek Rd., Prescott, 86301, as the Kingdom's mighty warriors compete to earn the title of King and Queen's Champion. Site will open at 8:00 a.m. for set up, and close at 5:00 p.m. The site is heavily treed and we will have use of the large Ramada, but staking is allowed for shade pavilions if needed. Beer and malt beverages will be allowed on site, and all pets must be on a leash.

Adult event registration is \$15 with a \$5 member discount. Youth under the age of 18 are free.

Registration is available online at <http://prereg.atenveldt.org/>

Event stewards are: Posadnitsa Natal'ia Diekova vdova Rabynovicha (Denise Wolcott) 928-533-6168, denise.wolcott08@gmail.com

Lady Caiterina MacCraith (Helen Keeter) 928-941-1044

Lady Alsacia Rabynovicha (Kyrene Carita) 928-830-7605

Registration is available online at <http://prereg.atenveldt.org/> and payments are made via

Non-Fiction Facts

Jack-o'-Lanterns

History

Jack-o'-lanterns are named after the phenomenon of a strange light flickering over peat bogs, called will-o'-the-wisp or jack-o'-lantern. The term jack-o'-lantern was originally used to describe the visual phenomenon ignis fatuus (lit., "foolish fire") known as a will-o'-the-wisp in English folklore. Used especially in East England, its earliest known use dates to the 1660's. The term "will-o'-the-wisp" uses "wisp" (a bundle of sticks or paper sometimes used as a torch) and the proper name "Will": thus, "Will-of-the-torch." The term jack-o'-lantern is of the same construction: "Jack of [the] lantern."

The carving of vegetables has been a common practice in many parts of the world, and gourds were one of the earliest plant species domesticated by humans c. 10,000 years ago. For example, gourds were used to carve lanterns by the Māori over 700 years ago; the Māori word for a gourd also describes a lampshade.

It is believed that the custom of making jack-o'-lanterns at Halloween began in Ireland. In the 19th century, "turnips or mangel wurzels, hollowed out to act as lanterns and often carved with grotesque faces," were used at Halloween in parts of Ireland and the Scottish Highlands. In these Gaelic-speaking regions, Halloween was also the festival of Samhain and was seen as a time when supernatural beings (the Aos Sí), and the souls of the dead, roamed the earth. The belief that the souls of the dead roamed the earth at Halloween was also found in other parts of Europe. Jack-o'-lanterns were also made at Halloween in Somerset (see Punkie Night) during the 19th century.

By those who made them, the lanterns were variously said to represent the spirits or supernatural beings, or were used to ward off evil spirits. For example, sometimes they were used by Halloween guisers to frighten people, and sometimes they were set on windowsills to keep harmful spirits out of one's home. It has also been suggested that the jack-o'-lanterns originally represented Christian souls in purgatory, as Halloween is the eve of All Saints' Day (1 November)/All Souls' Day (2 November).



A traditional Irish turnip Jack-o'-lantern from the early 20th century. Photographed at the Museum of Country Life, Ireland.



Traditional Cornish Jack-o'-Lantern made from a turnip.

At Halloween in 1835, the Dublin Penny Journal carried a lengthy discourse on the legend of "Jack-o'-the-Lantern". In 1837, the Limerick Chronicle refers to a local pub holding a carved gourd competition and presenting a prize to "the best crown of Jack McLantern". The term "McLantern" also appears in an 1841 publication of the same paper.

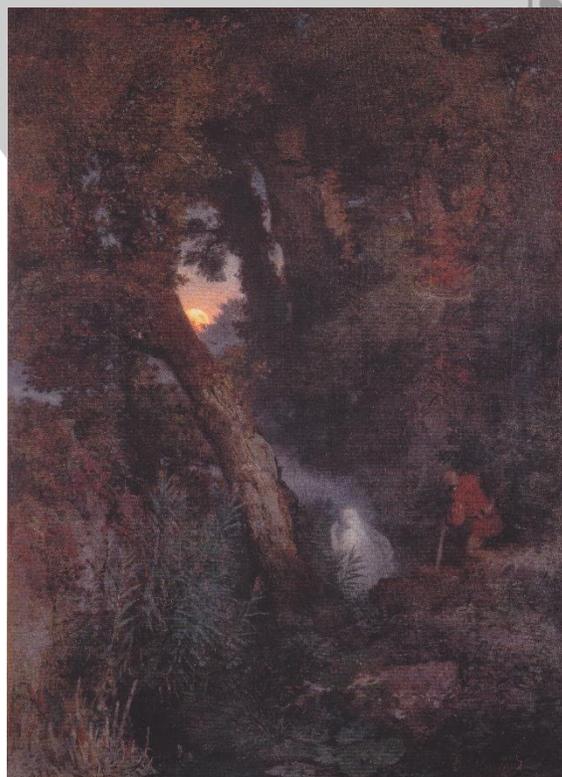
There is also evidence that turnips were used to carve what was called a "Hoberdy's Lantern" in Worcestershire, England, at the end of the 18th century. The folklorist Jabez Allies recalls:

In my juvenile days I remember to have seen peasant boys make, what they called a "Hoberdy's Lantern," by hollowing out a turnip, and cutting eyes, nose, and mouth therein, in the true moon-like style; and having lighted it up by inserting the stump of a candle, they used to place it upon a hedge to frighten unwary travelers in the night.

Folklore

The story of the jack-o'-lantern comes in many variants and is similar to the story of Will-o'-the-wisp retold in different forms across Western Europe, with variations being present in the folklore of Scotland, England, Wales, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Spain and Sweden. In Switzerland, children will leave bowls of milk or cream out for mythical house spirits called Jack o' the bowl. An old Irish folk tale from the mid-19th Century tells of Stingy Jack, a lazy yet shrewd blacksmith who uses a cross to trap Satan. One story says that Jack tricked Satan into climbing an apple tree, and once he was up there, Jack quickly placed crosses around the trunk or carved a cross into the bark, so that Satan couldn't get down.

Another version of the story says that Jack was getting chased by some villagers from whom he had stolen, when he met Satan, who claimed it was time for him to die. However, the thief stalled his



Will-o'-the-Wisp, Arnold Böcklin 1862
Oil on canvas

death by tempting Satan with a chance to bedevil the church-going villagers chasing him. Jack told Satan to turn into a coin with which he would pay for the stolen goods (Satan could take on any shape he wanted); later, when the coin (Satan) disappeared, the Christian villagers would fight over who had stolen it. The Devil agreed to this plan. He turned himself into a silver coin and jumped into Jack's wallet, only to find himself next to a cross Jack had also picked up in the village. Jack had closed the wallet tight, and the cross stripped the Devil of his powers; and so he was trapped.

In both folktales, Jack lets Satan go only after he agrees to never take his soul. Many years later, the thief died, as all living things do. Of course, Jack's life had been too sinful for him to go to heaven; however, Satan had promised not to take his soul, and so he was barred from hell as well. Jack now had nowhere to go. He asked how he would see where to go, as he had no light, and Satan mockingly tossed him an ember from the flames of Hades, that would never burn out. Jack carved out one of his turnips (which were his favorite food), put the ember inside it, and began endlessly wandering the Earth for a resting place. He became known as "Jack of the Lantern", or jack-o'-lantern.

Cornish folklorist Dr. Thomas Quiller Couch (d. 1884) recorded the use of the term in a rhyme used in Polperro, Cornwall, in conjunction with Joan the Wad, the Cornish version of Will-o'-the-wisp. The people of Polperro regarded them both as pixies. The rhyme goes:

*Jack o' the lantern! Joan the wad,
Who tickled the maid and made her mad
Light me home, the weather's bad.*

Jack-o-lanterns were also a way of protecting one's home against the undead. Superstitious people[where?] used them specifically to ward away vampires. They thought this because it was said that the jack-o-lantern's light was a way of identifying vampires who, once their identity was known, would give up their hunt for you.

Wikipedia contributors. "Jack-o'-lantern." *Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia*. Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, 8 Oct. 2018. Web. 11 Oct. 2018.

Marketplace

Looking to sell crafts?

Known a local vendor that provides period-appropriate wares?

Place a free advertisement in *The Higher Word*!

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Open Positions

Web Minister



The Web Minister is a warranted office responsible for the upkeep and content of the baronial website. Ideal traits are experience with web development and service providers, experience writing and editing content, reliable email and internet access, and the ability to uphold web publishing SCA standards. Time commitment: Low

Deputy Exchequer



The Deputy Exchequer assists the Exchequer with baronial bookkeeping and running troll at all baronial events. This position requires being a signer on the baronial bank account. Organization and computer skills are required, and basic math or accounting knowledge is helpful. Time commitment: High

List Minister



The List Minister sets up and hosts tournaments throughout the year, organizes the fighters, and keeps track of wins and losses. The list minister must be impartial in all fights. Time commitment: Low (can be high commitment during events)

Gold Key



The Gold Key / Chatelaine welcomes newcomers to the SCA and our barony. This position is best filled by someone who is friendly and passionate about SCA and who can approach curious strangers. Time commitment: Low

Deputy Knight Marshall

Duties include knowing and understanding combat rules and to teach them to combat participants. The deputy assists the Knight Marshall in enforcing safety rules, training and authorizing combatants, and ensuring participants and spectators remain safe. Time commitment: Moderate

Waiver Secretary

The Waiver Secretary manages and oversees the collections of various liability waivers. This position collaborates with the Exchequer(s) and Combat Marshals on maintaining waivers for event consent forms and fighter practice liability, as examples. Time commitment: Low

Equestrian Marshal

Baronial Equestrian Marshal works with kingdom Equestrian Marshals to establish an equestrian presence in Ered Sul. A strong familiarity with equestrian events and a willingness to gain an in depth understanding of Society and local regulations is required. Time commitment: self-determined



Deputy Sheriff

Assists Sheriff at baronial events with organizing volunteers with tasks and shifts, performing patrols, provide general help to event attendees, and assist event autocrats as needed. Time commitment: Low (can be high commitment during events)



Deputy Chronicler

Assists with collecting information to include in the baronial newsletter. Takes photos, interviews populace members, and helps maintain release/permissions forms for creative content. Time commitment: Low



Kingdom Want Ads

Kingdom Chronicler (open until filled)

Emergency Deputy Kingdom Keeper of the Regalia

Kingdom Tournaments Illuminated Liason

Visit <http://www.atenveldt.org/People/OfficerWantAds> for details

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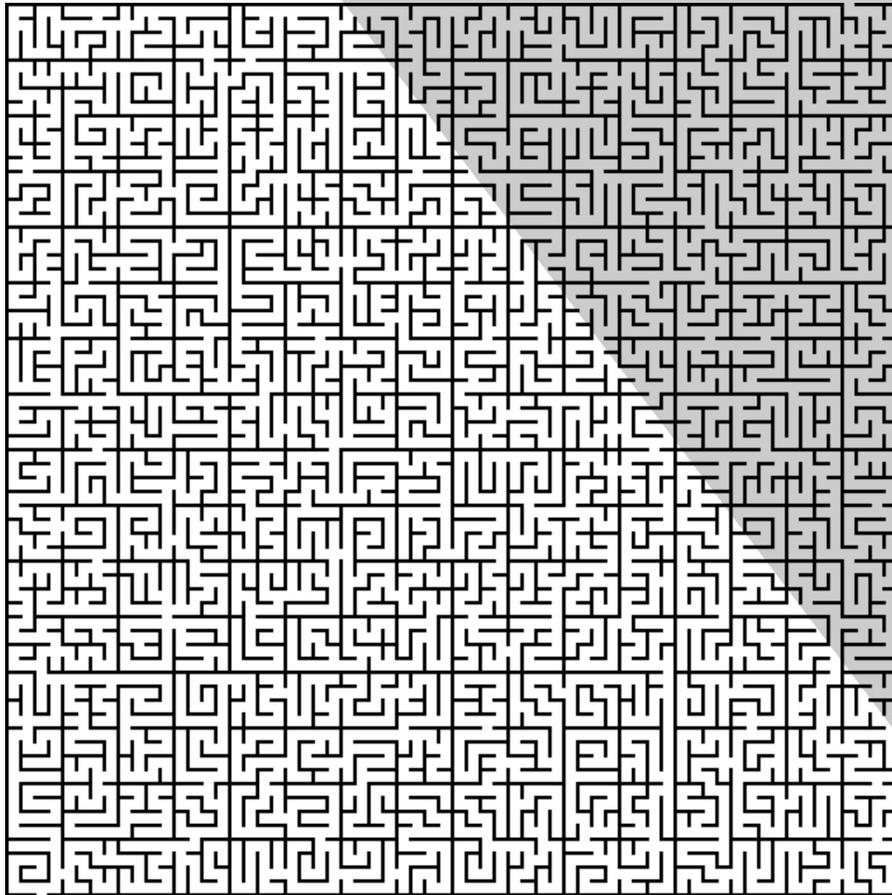
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“You have to put it in the hole and make it tight.”

✎ Leànnàn Fäks ✎

*Overhear a dicey quote? Have a major foot-in-mouth moment?
Submit it to The Higher Word (or Facebook)! After all, those who laugh together stay together!*

Games



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Kingdom Website: <http://www.atenveldt.org>

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Baron of Ered Sul Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/135613726524285/>

Highlands War Website: <http://www.highlandswar.org/>

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