



THE GATEKEEPER

Barony of Unser Hafen

August 2018

KINGDOM CALENDAR

August 2018				
4	Canton of Hawks Hollow	St. Sebastian's Archery Tournament		Ailinn Shadowfox
17-19	Barony of Dragonsspine	Archery Collegium	K/Q	Baron Lark
24-26	Barony of the Citadel of the Southern Pass	Hastilude	Q	Melori Gryfford
25	Shire of Draca Mor	STAG - Summer Tournament & Games	K	Egill Thorson
31-3	Barony of Unser Hafen	Of Fire and Wind	K	Ruadri
31-3	Barony of Fontaine dans Sable	Warders of the Western Gate	Q	Mariah Abramsdottir
September 2018				
1-2	Kingdom of Northshield	KW Academy of the Rapier and Armored Collegium		Aneira
8-9	Barony of Aarquelle	Crown Tournament	KQ/PP	Elizabeth & Ciarran
14-17	Shire of Drygestan	Santa Fe Renaissance Fair		Emmelina Vom Westenberg
16	Barony of Dragonsspine	A Plesaunt Hunt		Raisa
20-23	Kingdom of Aethelmearc	Known World Commedia Symposium 2018		Donnan MacDubhsidhe
21-23	Barony of al-Barran	Al-Barran Champions		Jose
22	Barony of Unser Hafen	Newcomers	K/Q	Arianwyn
28-30	Barony of Aarquelle	Rapier Camp & Grace & Valor	K/Q	Pierro Della Casa
29	Shire of Nahrun Kabirun	The Southern Outlands: Collegium De Nahrunia		Idunn
October 2018				
2-8	Kingdom of Caid	Great Western War	K/Q	
6	College of Scola Metallorum	Scola Science Fair		Arcadia

12-14	Barony of the Citadel of the Southern Pass	Feast of St. Edrik		Julia
13	Barony of Aarquelle	An A&S Fest		Millicent
20-21	Shire of Blackwater Keep	Peanut Valley Craft & Music Festival Demo		Devon
20	Shire of Bryngolau	Mountain Pas & Highland Games	K/Q	Isouda
20	Canton of Ravenhyrst	Ravensfaire		Sigeric
27	Barony of Dragonsspine	Dragonsspine A&S		Adelaisa Bernois
27	College of Saint Golias	St. Golias Feast Day / 40th Anniversary	K/Q	Torcail
November 2018				
3	Barony of Dragonsspine	Holiday Bazaar	K/Q	Adelaisa
10-11	Shire of Drygestan	Coronation	KQ/P/P	Maimuna
17	Barony of al-Barran	A Day of A&S		Akilina
18	Barony of al-Barran	Toys for Tots		Relena
24	Barony of Aarquelle	Harvest Fest		Chiara
December 2018				
8	Barony of Caer Galen	Caer Galen Midwinter		Mirabel de Malmesberie
15-16	Barony of al-Barran	Al-Barran Midwinter		Phaidra
January 2019				
5	Barony of Caerthe	Caerthe 12th Night - Middle Eastern Oasis & Hafla		Crestina
19	Barony of Aarquelle	Viking Vinter Vunderlandt		Amice
26	Barony of Dragonsspine	Candlemas		Timothy O'Brien
February 2019				
2	Shire of Windkeep	Tri-Baronial		Kaleriia
March 2019				
15-17	Barony of the Citadel of the Southern Pass	A Hunt for Mythical Beasts		Julia Alexandria

Northern Calendar

August 4 - St. Sebastian's Archery Tournament - Hawks Hollow
August 17-19 - Archery Collegium - Dragonsspine
August 25 - STAG - Summer Tournament & Games - Draca Mor
August 31-Sept 3 - Of Fire and Wind - Unser Hafen
September 8-9 - Crown Tournament - Aarquelle
September 16 - A Plesaunt Hunt - Dragonsspine
September 22 - Newcomers - Unser Hafen
September 28-30 - Rapier Camp/Grace & Valor - Aarquelle
October 6 - Scola Science Fair - College of Scola Metallorum
October 13 - Arts and Science Fest - Aarquelle
October 27 - Dragonsspine Arts & Science - Dragonsspine
November 3 - Holiday Bazaar - Dragonsspine
November 24 - Harvest Fest - Aarquelle
December 8 - Midwinter - Caer Galen
January 5 - 12th Night - Caerthe
January 19 - Viking Vinter Vunderlandt - Aarquelle
January 26 - Candlemas - Dragonsspine
February 2 - Tri-Baronial A&S Competition - Windkeep

What's Going on in our Barony:

- **Armoured and Fencing Practice** - Sundays 2:00 - 5:00 @ Spring Canyon Park - (New southside location) W. Horseshoe Road entrance
- **Rams Keep Fencing Practice** - Comes back with fall semester. Summer practices will be run by Don Aegeon. The locations, dates, and times will be at various parks around town. See Facebook for details. All are welcome!
- **Equestrian Practice** - Contact Lady Cecelia O'Connor, 970.420.6652.
- **Archery Practice**
 - Aug 4- Attend St. Sebastians Archery Tournament
 - Aug 11 - 3-5pm Fort Collins Archery Range (2825 SW Frontage10-12 Sun July 15th Rd, Fort Collins, Colorado 80525; proceed to I25 and Prospect, go slightly west on Prospect, and head south ~1.5 miles to the parking lot). There's a \$3 parking/entrance fee.
 - Aug 25 - 11am - 4pm - Practice and Potluck at Archery Warden's Home, 114 S. Sunset St, Fort Collins. Joe is providing grilled chicken, others bring a dish to share.
- **Dance Practice** - Aug 13 - 6:30 at Edora Park.
- **Craftsman Guild** - Restarts Sept 20 in Fort Collins. More info next month.
See Facebook [Unser Hafen Craftsmans Guild](#)
- **Baronial Business Meetings** - Held every third Friday of the month at 7:00. Mimi's Café 1450 Fall River Drive, Loveland. Come to help and find out what's going on - All welcome.
- **Steward's Guild** - Held every third Friday of the month at 6:00 pm just prior to Baronial Business Meeting (see above). See listing on Facebook: [Unser Hafen Steward's Guild](#).

Want to know more? Check out our [Website!](#)

Upcoming Events:

Enjoy the weekend and Support the Barony - Attend Fire and Wind Aug 31 - Sept 3. Location has moved to Quint Valley Fairgrounds, Byers CO.

Unser Hafen Newcomers: Arthurian Legends - Sept 22

The stories of King Arthur, Lancelot, Queen Guenevere, and Tristram and Isolde are familiar to all, and echoes what started the dream of the SCA. These tales inspire the SCA because it embodies our deepest yearnings for brotherhood and community, a love worth dying for, and valor, honor, and chivalry.

Join us for a day inspired by tales that are steeped in Merlin's magic. Guilds and community booths will line the halls for learning and fun. Tournaments that rival great quests for the Holy Grail. All finished with a feast fit for the round table complete with bards, duels, a royal court, and wizards.

A Call to Volunteer from the Autocrat:

This is an event without classes, the vision is a hall, full of life and learning, at booths set up by the different arts, sciences, and martial arts. Therefore, it is required that we have volunteers to man these booths for only an hour at a time. If you love to teach or have an amazing craft, set of armor, or anything else please consider volunteering for a time slot to really wow our newcomers. To volunteer please contact Baroness Arianwyn Sweet at: kisawings@gmail.com

Chronicles

Chronicle of Battlemoor - Contrast

by Vigdis Knarrarbringa

Good Gentles, reflection has led to the epiphany that Battlemoor must, in some semblance, always be a time of chaotic fellowship and learning. I come to this wayward thought having just attended my second Battlemoor. The first I attended, Battlemoor VIII, I was woefully unprepared and bemused by the whole experience. I spent most of the daylight hours upon the fencing field and the evening hours sleeping in an attempt to not be sluggish the next day. I had no idea to whom I must curtsy, what this whole "court" business was all about, and I was afeared to speak to anyone lest I give offense. I had no idea the extent of the activities nor the classes to which I might avail myself. Luckily for me, the barony (Unser Hafen) to which I belong is one full of kind folk who saw fit to help guide a wayward soul. I dare to say even a few friendships blossomed. This last year, leading up to Battlemoor IX, has been one in which I have grown, not only as a fencer but also in arts and sciences. I have begun to put together garb, initiated the development of a persona complete with name and arms, tried my hand at various arts and science classes, even taken up archery. I fully comprehend I am still a babe in this magnificent game called SCA. However, in preparing for Battlemoor I held the erroneous belief I knew what to expect. I knew who and the general area where we would be camping, I looked at the schedule ahead of time to plan out what activities to participate in (an effort was made to not fence the whole time but supplement with classes and

archery), as well as offering my services as a volunteer. Once there, amidst the sun generously sharing its heat, setting up camp took longer than anticipated which had me rushing to my first fencing activity, the Early Bird Tournament. Luckily for us, it was held beneath a pavilion and great fun, along with a touch of learning, ensued. Likewise, I participated in the Lady of the Rose tournament on behalf of Countess Richenda de la Selva. I was able to take the class Posaments: Viking Metal Knotwork by Countess Danielle de la Rochelle, which was expertly taught and quite informative. Under the guidance of Master Freana Geardson I learned what it takes to be on trash duty. I even attended two revels, one at which I volunteered myself as bartender and a light holder. Thus passed Battlemoor IX, no less hectic and no more prepared. I confess, I am still timid to talk to those unknown to me, I continue to not know all whom I must curtsy to, I comprehend at least one of the awards given at "court" but the rest allude me, and I did not do all I wished to do. However, I had friends encouraging and supporting me, I did more than simply fence, there was more laughter and love, and I can't wait to do this all again next year.

Seneschal's Report:

Greetings mighty Unser Hafen!

I am still in awe of how many awesome things I saw our populace do at Battlemoor. We had a prime camping spot, right at the crossroads of the event. Personally I enjoyed seeing old friends, and making new memories. Our equestrians looked majestic, our heavy fighters were fierce facing down their foes, the fencers swarmed the fields making them run with the blood of those unfortunate enough to face their swords.

I would encourage you to try and make Battlemoor next year, as it will be a time you will not forget.

Closer to home we have two events coming up at which I hope to see you at. Of Fire and Wind will be at the end of the month and is shaping up to be a fun relaxing event. We are grateful for our friends in Caerthe for allowing us to use their land. Plan on bringing your friends to wrap up the camping season and support our autocrats, whom are running thief first event.

In late September we are pleased to be hosting our annual New Comer's event. If you know someone whom is newer and or interested in the SCA please invite them to this event. For those whom have been apart of the SCA for a while, please come and share your knowledge and passion for "The Dream".

Lastly I want to do more court dancing, and have decided to hold a practice on the second Monday of August. Please join myself at 6:30pm in Edora Park in Fort Collins on August 13th. I'll make sure information is on the website and Facebook. We can discuss when we want to hold another practice. I may even have something new to teach that I learn while at Pennsic War.

Remember if you ever want to know what is going on, you can check out our website. I recommend bookmarking it on your phone and your computer: <http://unserhafen.wixsite.com/unserhafen/>

Yours in service,

THLord SorenThorvaldsson

Message from the Baron and Baroness:

Greetings Unser Hafen,

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. We've had a lot on our plates for the last few months and we thank everyone for their patience and support as we deal with mundane life and obligations. We hope to soon be done with it and able to focus on the Barony once again. We thank those who have helped us keep things running smoothly and effectively as we are otherwise focused on a new house and moving.

Unser Hafen Champions was held with Caer Galen Defender - thank you Caer Galen for allowing us to join you - what a great day. Good fighting by all and congratulations to Our new Defender Lord Utreid, and our new Protector Lord Soren. We were pleased to present the Keepers of the Portcullis with an AOA to Lord Falki.

We feel like this Battlemoor was the best one yet at the new site! Our location was easy to access and had a beautiful view, but we welcome opinions and commentary as we move forward towards next year's Battlemoor. Thanks to all who camped with us. We had an amazing camp with all the decorations and extras that gave our camp a warm and welcoming feel. We couldn't be happier with how it turned out.

It filled us with pride to see so many members of Unser Hafen helping around site as general volunteers, marshals or on Royal retinue but an extra special thank you to Master Freana for organizing the team of volunteers for removing our trash and keeping site clean and sanitary. The site, while already beautiful, was kept that way thanks to their efforts.

Congratulations to our newest Corona Graminea, Germanicus and our newest Rose D'Or, Winfred. We have been surprised by the amount of talent and enthusiasm that is coming out of our Newcomers. Also, congratulations to Kathryn of Southwick on her Golden Ring, Mistress

Richenda de la Selva on her admittance to the Golden Columbine, and Don Aegeon the Actor was given his Keepers of the Portcullis. Congratulations are also due to some of our populace for being recognized in Royal court: Vaeltaja was Awarded Arms and Lord Utreid was admitted to the Stag's Blood. Thank you to all who do so much to represent Unser Hafen and the Outlands.

We will be travelling to Aarquelle for Crown Tournament September 8th and 9th to witness the Crowning of our new Prince and Princess. We hope to see many of you there. Also we have Of Fire and Wind coming up Labor Day Weekend. We have had to do some creative moving of site and will be holding it in Byers, CO. It will still be an amazing event and we hope to see you all there. Newcomers is coming up as well on September 22nd and will be in need of many volunteers in order to give our best presentation of the SCA to our new members. If you can help with setup or tear down please let the Autocrats know so they can keep you in the loop on times and needs.

As we move toward the end of our camping season we are going to be settling in to our A&S projects and thoughts of feasts and winter activities. Craftman's Guild will be starting up again soon and we encourage all of you to take advantage of the teachers' knowledge and experience to learn a new skill.

We thank you again, Unser Hafen, for your passion and dedication.

You truly make the Dream worth living.

In Love and Service

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