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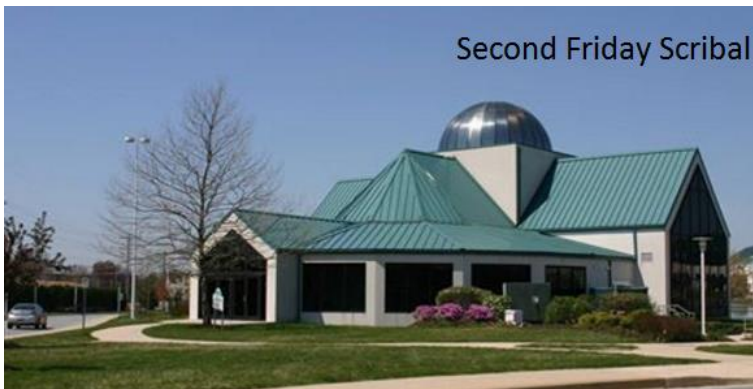
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## NEWS!

Caer Adamant has had an exciting few months! Baron Simon Montgumery was knighted at Fall Coronation, and a number of Shire members were able to attend the event in Massacshusetts. We have 2 or 3 events coming up in the next few months, and a lot of really great local events over the winter. Please make sure to reach out to an Officer if you are interested in attending an event, and have questions.

Message from the Seneschal:  
The usual monthly Shire meeting is being moved to the Odessa Library on Route 40 during the Winter months. Please see the Calendar for additional information.



Second Friday Scribal is going strong! Each month we see at least 5-10 attendees, and everyone has had the chance to start a new project, or work on something current. Thank you to everyone who has joined us!  
-Shoshana

## Caer Adamant's Monthly Arabic Lesson

Each month, this column will feature a new Arabic word to use with fellow Scadians  
by Tala al-Zahra

### Did you know:

To give thanks for the hospitality of Gyrfalcon's Keep at War of the Wings this past weekend, and the generosity of spirit I encountered over the weekend, today's word is: HOSPITALITY

### SCA-Friendly Arabic Word-of-the-Month: Hospitality or Generosity

Arabic translation: كَرَم

English transliteration: *Karam*

Pronunciation: kah Rahm

Arabic word root: ك ر م k r m

Possible words made from root letters: noble, honored, admire, dignify

Suggested SCA-usage: "The karam of my camp at War of the Wings was just astounding. I hope to see my new friends again soon!"

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### Message from Lord Mikael:

On Wednesday, October 26th, there will be a special night throw at Hedewigis's home. We will be attaching glow sticks to axes and to the targets for an evening of fun.

Any questions about the challenge or thrown weapons in general, please feel free to ask.

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## THE INTRODUCTION OF THE GIRAFFE



By Rose die Jaegerin

### Riddle Me This... From: <http://www.medievalists.net/2014/07/21/can-solve-anglo-saxon-riddles/>

Riddles were popular in the Middle Ages – it was a tool to teach language, and a way to entertain friends. Among the collections of riddles we have are those made by Aldhelm (d.709) the Bishop of Sherborne and a leading scholar in Anglo-Saxon England. One of his works was the *Enigmata*, which contained 100 riddles written in Latin verse. Many of the riddles dealt with everyday objects such as trumpets or glass cups, or with birds, animals and things from nature. Here are three riddles from Aldhelm's *Enigmata*:

1. From the trunk of a willow and the scraped hide of a cow I am made. Suffering the fierce savagery of war I, with my own body, always save my bearer's body, Unless death takes the man's life. What fierce soldier endures such a fate Or receives so many deadly wounds in war?
2. Multicoloured in hue, I flee the sky and the deep earth; There is no place for me on the ground nor in any part of the poles No one fears an exile as cruel as mine, But I make the world grow green with my rainy tears.
3. Formed in a marvelous way, born without seed I loan my sweet breast with treasure from flowers; By my art the golden platters of kings grow yellow; Always I bear the small, sharp spears of cruel war And though I lack hands, my spear stings more cruelly than weapons forged by smiths. (Answers on next page)

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## Sixth Annual Tournament of the Fallen Stag - 2016

Tales are told of glorious combat, and legends are built one story at a time. Shire members and neighbors alike are called to arms to join us on the Thirteenth of November for the Sixth Annual Tournament of the Fallen Stag. Our previous years' winner, Adam Greatsword has issued a challenge to all fighters to join him in a Bear Pit style tournament where *no shields* are allowed. Bring great weapons, bring two swords, bring axes, but please set your shield aside. Prizes will be awarded for Overall Tournament Winner, Shire Winner, Best Death, and Chivalry.

Spectators are most welcome, and garb is encouraged. The site is a county park, so the public will be attendance, and the site is dry. We will have the Gold Key (clothing that can be borrowed for the day) available for those who wish to use it. This event is free of charge, and all are invited to the potluck Dayboard after the tournament, that is our tradition in the Shire.

### Event Steward:

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### Location:

Pavilion #4 Glasgow Park, Glasgow, Delaware  
Route 40 between Route 896 and Route 72.

### Schedule:

11:00 am – site opens

11:00 am – registration for tourney begins

12:30 pm – tourney begins

3:00 pm – 'pot luck' dayboard starts

3:30 pm – prizes awarded

5:00 pm – site closes



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## Upcoming Local Events!

### November 2016

**Sat 5<sup>th</sup>**- *Crown Tournament*, Province of Malagentia - Raymond, ME

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> - Sat 12<sup>th</sup>**- *Known World Fiber Arts Symposium*, Kingdom of Calontir - Ames, IA

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> - Sat 12<sup>th</sup>**- *Fall Æthelmearc Æcademy & War College*, Kingdom of Æthelmearc

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>**- *Northern Region Rapier Academy and Championship*, Riding of Giggleswick

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup>**- *100 Minutes War* Shire of Rusted Woodlands - Lafayette Township, NJ

### December 2016

**Fri 2<sup>nd</sup>**- *Coill Tuar Yule Feast IX \*\* POT LUCK \*\** Shire of Coill Tuar - Gardiner, NY

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup>**- *Bhakail Yule 2016*, Barony of Bhakail - Philadelphia, PA



# Meeting Notes- October



- **Seneschal-** We have talked to other groups regarding joint events. When at other events, make sure to mention that Caer Adamant has access to cheaper sites, and is happy to combine event responsibilities, or host events. Try reaching out when at other events to make good connections. Volunteering helps you meet new people. Meetings will move to Bear Library over the winter months. Elections for Knight Marshal, Herald, and Exchequer are in the New Year. Please sign up to be a deputy, to learn something new, and support the Shire.

- **Knight Marshal-** Hostilities continue. Usually we have 3-8 people at practice. We had to cancel a few Sunday practices for coronation and weather this past month.

- **Exchequer-** \$65 fighters fund. \$401 archery fund. \$6317.02 in the bank. We are hopefully going electronic as a society next year. We have been told that we do not need to incorporate in DE.

**Chatelaine-** Demo coordinators and Loraine and Arthur will help with the parade at end of month

- **Web Minister-** Will update site this month, there is a code problem currently. Deputy Web Minister needed. They need to be a member, experience in Wordpress

is a plus, but not needed. If officers need passwords changed, it must be done manually through Denise.

**Herald-** A number of submissions from the Shire are currently in the system.

**MoAS-** November A&S will be period songs. December will be Yule cookies. Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October from 2-5pm is Games night with mulled drinks. Garb encouraged. Second Friday Scribal is still every month at the Brandywine Town Center.

**Old Business** We discussed putting in a bid for crown and an alt storage unit

**New Business** Nov thirteenth will be the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Tournament of the Fallen Stag- Please join us at 11am for inspection and NoonAdam Greatsword mentioned a Tournament of "No Shields." Can't wait to see everyone there!



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## Regular Activities:

### **Business Meeting**

Nov 20th  
1-2pm  
Bear Library

### **Period Gaming**

Quarterly  
5pm  
Baroness Hedewigis'  
home in Hockessin

### **Arts & Sciences**

2nd Monday  
7pm-9pm  
Baroness Hedewigis'  
home in Hockessin

### **Scribal Night**

2nd Friday  
6pm-10pm  
Hosted by Shoshana  
In Wilmington

### **Dance Class**

2nd Tuesdays  
7pm- 8:30pm  
125 West Sickie St,  
Kennett Square, PA  
19348

### **Thrown Weapons**

Baroness Hedewigis'  
home in Hockessin

### **Heavy Weapons**

Every Sunday  
1pm-4pm  
Glasgow Park

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