



THE ZEPHYR



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Greetings from our Baron and Baroness



Happy Spring Ayreton,

We are looking towards Spring with a sense of renewal. With warmer weather comes greater opportunities to come together at events, practices and meetings. We are thrilled with the renewed spirit of community that we see unfolding throughout the barony. Thank you all for being inclusive, and willing to teach and learn from each other. Thank you to all who worked together to make the Ayreton Discord a reality and increased our ability to support each other. For anyone interested the link to our Discord can be found here: <https://discord.gg/rwWjEWMd>

We were grateful to be at Better War through Archery as Ayreton brought its A game in prowess, service and esprit de corps. We also hope to see Ayreton at the upcoming Inkin and Drinkin in Lincoln, Crystal Chamfron, and Spring Coronation. We will have Ayreton day camps at any of the sites we are at that allow them. It's time for the yearly reminder to start thinking about sunscreen and drinking water throughout the day as temperatures rise. If any of you need any of the above at events we are at, we will try to make sure that snacks, sunscreen and water are available, please just ask.

April 12 through April 14 is our demo at College of Dupage's CODCON: <https://www.codcon.com/>. Reach out to THL Mikhail of Lubelska to see how you can be a part of the demo and get the word of who we are out to members waiting to happen. As always Ayreton, thank you for being you.

Hilary & Gareth
Baroness & Baron, Ayreton



Greetings from the Seneschal

Greetings Ayreton!

I hope this missive finds you all well. As the Winter turns to Spring our thoughts turn to outdoor pursuits! And events!

But Spring also brings some important Baronial business. At our next in-person meeting on April 7 in Rokkehealdan, we will open up the process for those wishing to stand for election for several crucial Baronial officer positions. You can find the schedule of elections further on in this issue of the Zephyr, but among the positions up for election are Seneschal, Chatelaine, Westminster and Youth. The actual election will be held at our summer meeting.

It has been a while since we have had a contested election for Seneschal, so I have requested that those wishing to be considered submit a letter of intent to me, to be shared with the Barony via email and social media, as well as published here in the Zephyr.

I am happy to answer any questions about the election process. In the meantime, I will see you all at an event soon.

Stay well!

Mistrovska Evzenie Apolena Vitkovic
Seneschal, Ayreton



Greetings from the Chronicler

Greetings Ayreton,

I hope you enjoy this edition of the Zephyr. As always, I hope that you will take the time to submit something for the next edition. This newsletter belongs to all of us and is only as interesting as we make it!

NOTE: The deadline for submissions is the 22nd day of the month prior to publication.

We are always looking for volunteers for our “Meet the Populace” feature. Please consider filling this form out for next issue: <https://forms.gle/Y1v1NUJNrYn9Cefv5>

Please send submissions to ayreton.chronicler@midrealm.org

YIS,
Baroness Jane the Tall
Chronicler, Ayreton



Ayreton Gathering

Get to know your Ayreton Populace



Would you like to introduce yourself in the next edition of *The Zephyr*? Click this link to fill out the questionnaire. <https://forms.gle/upr9Kc1vYfytMAy9> and then send a picture of you in garb to ayreton.chronicler@midrealm.org

A&S “Craft Faire”

The A&S “Craft Faire”

Featuring the original works of our talented populace. If you would like Your work or project featured here, please send a copy of the item and what it was based on, time period, country if known to ayreton.chronicler@midrealm.org

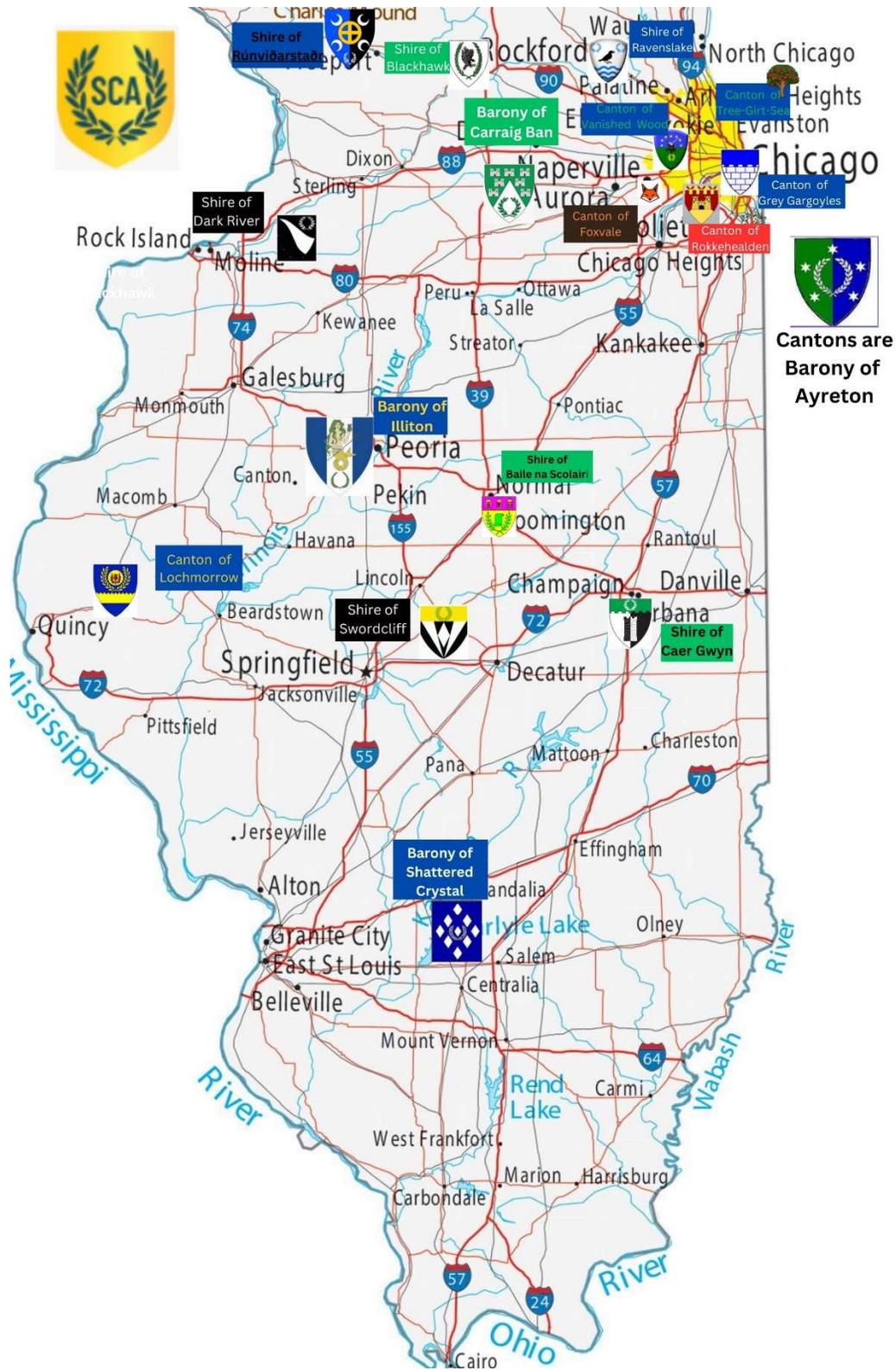
Would you like to feature your project here?

Please send submissions to

[Ayreton.chronicler@midrealm.org](mailto:ayreton.chronicler@midrealm.org)

The State of Illinois from an SCA Perspective

Created by Marketa z Prahy



Ayreton Groups

Dramatis Personae

If there isn't already enough drama in your life, come join us and make some -- in a good way! We are looking for experienced theatrical types of all varieties -- actors, directors, writers, and crew -- as well as those who are interested in learning, regardless of formal training or background, or lack thereof. We envision a flexible ensemble that will adapt to a variety of event venues and performance niches, from dramatic monologues at Feast to 'flash mob' scenes in the Populace Room to fully staged plays. For more information, contact Caitilin Maxuell de Calderwood at michaellemcclowry@gmail.com.

Ayreton Leatherworks Guild

The Leatherworkers Group is now an official Baronial Guild of Ayreton

The Guild has a Facebook Page. Here is the link, feel free to join and share some of the leatherwork you do and tell us a little about yourself when you join the group.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/299956151570591/?ref=share>

Ayreton Scriptorium Baronial Scribal Nights

Ayreton Scribes are meeting at Union Church of Hinsdale, 137 S. Garfield, Hinsdale, IL. A place for scribes and aspiring scribes to hang out and work on scrolls together. No experience necessary, there are supplies to share if you are just getting started or wanting to dip your toes in the scribal arts.

Contact Baronial Signet, Ambr Stormwatch at ayreton.signet@midrealm.org for more information or meeting schedule..





Ayreton Activities

Always check with the organizer of an activity before attending. **DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE! And many are not holding these meeting/activities because of COVID.** The best way to find updated info about Baronial Activities is to check out the Barony website (<https://ayreton.midrealm.org/>) or Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/baronyofayreton>)

Sunday

Grey Gargoyles Fighter Practice

Contact: THL Susanna the Short (Susan Mickelson) – mickel14@att.net

Monday

Consort Music

Contact: Master Robyyan Torr d'Elandris (Dennis Sherman) - (773) 797-9506 or – robbyan@gmail.com

Tuesday

Fencing Fighter Practice in Glen Ellyn

Contact: Katrina dei Herrliche (Rachel Kerner)- ayreton.rapier@midrealm.org

Wednesday

Archery Practice

Contact: Forester Forester AEthelwulf of Dover (Tom Scrip) – ayreton.archery@midrealm.org

Rapier Fighter Practice in Chicago

Contact: Kevin Purtell kpurtell@yahoo.com

Renaissance Dance

Contact : Rob Hicks darclan28@yahoo.com

Thursday

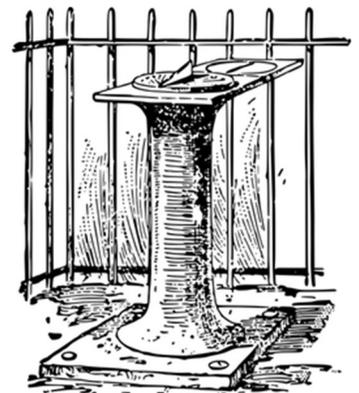
The Pippins – Madrigal and Early Music Singing Group

Contact: Mistress GianettaAndreini da Vicenna (Jen Small) – Jenrsmall@gmail.com

Curious about Upcoming Kingdom Events?

Please find more information here:

<https://midrealm.org/>



Ayreton Groups Online

Barony of Ayreton: <https://www.facebook.com/baronyofayreton/>

The Barony of Ayreton is the name for the Chicago area within the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) The Barony is in the Midlands region (Illinois) of the Middle Kingdom (MidRrealm, the Great Lakes area of the Midwest of the United States). Go to <http://www.ayreton.org> and <http://www.sca.org> for more information. Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/71826746135>

Ayreton Archers: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/118977078211315/>

This is a group to help spread information to the Ayreton Area Archers. Practice times are listed under the Calendar link. Shooting hints and tips are under the Files link.

Ayreton Brewers Guild: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/334422661748/>

This group is for all those gentles who wish to get together and pursue their interest in brewing and vinting. You do not need to be a member of the Barony to be a member of the group. We discuss all matters pertaining to brewing ales, mead, wines, or cordials. We share recipes and tips, support and encouragement. This list is also the primary method for the guild to plan and disseminate information about upcoming meetings and workshops. So, whether you are an expert brewer or complete beginner, come join us, ask questions, learn, teach, and share your experiences with those around you.

Ayreton Metalworkers and Jewelers Guild:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/AyretonJewelersMetalworkersGuild>

This group is for all those gentles who are interested in creating jewelry and or doing metalwork.

Ayreton Scriptorium : <https://www.facebook.com/groups/AyretonScriptorium/>

This group is for all those gentles who are interested in the Scribal Arts and/or producing Award Scrolls

Ayreton Leatherworks Guild: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/299956151570591/?ref=share>

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Group Information for the Barony of Ayreton

The Barony of Ayreton (Chicagoland area)

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The Canton of Foxvale (Aurora IL area)

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Seneschal: THL Yamamura Kitsune (foxvale.seneschal@midrealm.org)

The Canton of Grey Gargoyles (South Side of Chicago and Southeast Chicago Suburbs)

Website: <http://greygargoyles.midrealm.org/>

Seneschal: Lady Alys of Grey Gargoyles (greygargoyles.seneschal@midrealm.org)

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The Canton of Tree-Girt-Sea (North Side of Chicago)

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Baronial Officer Reporting Schedule

Archery Marshal	Mar 1, Jun 1, Sep 1, Dec 1
Chatelaine	Feb.1, May 1, Aug 1, Nov 1
Chronicler	Apr 1, Jul 1, Oct 1, Jan 1
Equestrian Marshal	Feb 14, May 14, Aug 14, Nov 14
Exchequer	Jan 31, Apr 30, Jul 31, Oct 31
Herald	Mar 31, Jun 30, Sep 30, Dec 31
Knight's Marshal	Mar 1, Jun1, Sep 1, Dec 1
Minister of A&S	Mar 5, Jun 5, Sep 5, Dec 5
Minister of Youth	Jan 15, Apr 15, Jul 15, Oct 15
Rapier Marshal	Feb 1, May 1, Aug 1, Nov 1
Thrown Weapons Marshal	Mar 1, Jun 1, Sep 1, Dec 1
Seneschal	Feb 1, May 1, Aug 1, Nov 1
Social Media	Jan 1, Apr 1, Jul 1, Oct 1
Webminister	Feb 15, May 14, Aug 15, Nov 15

Baronial Office Election Cycle

Office Title	Election Cycle	Next Election	Notes
Archery Marshall	Odd Years	3 rd Meeting 2025	Announce 2 nd meeting 2025
Chatelaine	Even Years	3 rd Meeting 2024	Announce 2 nd meeting 2024
Chronicler	Odd Years	3 rd Meeting 2025	Announce 2 nd meeting 2025
Exchequer	Odd Years	3 rd Meeting 2025	Announce 2 nd meeting 2025
Herald	Even Years	3 rd Meeting 2024	Announce 2 nd meeting 2024
Knight Marshal	Odd Years	3 rd Meeting 2025	Announce 2 nd meeting 2025
MoAS	Odd Years	3 rd Meeting 2025	Announce 2 nd meeting 2025
Rapier Marshal	Even Years	3 rd Meeting 2024	Announce 2 nd meeting 2024
Seneschal	Even Years	3 rd Meeting 2024	Announce 2 nd meeting 2024
Thrown Weapons Marshall	Even Years	3 rd Meeting 2024	Announce 2 nd meeting 2024
Webminister	Even Years	3 rd Meeting 2024	Announce 2 nd meeting 2024
Youth Minister	Odd Years	3 rd Meeting 2025	Announce 2 nd meeting 2025

Baronial Monthly Virtual Business Meeting*

Schedule: Third Thursday of Months with no In Person Meeting (subject to cancellation if there is no pressing business).

Timing: 7 – 8 pm

Contact: ayreton.seneschal@midrealm.org

2024 Dates: February 15, 2024
March 21, 2024
May 16, 2024
July 18, 2024
August 15, 2024
October 17, 2024
November 21, 2024
December 19, 2024

Baronial Quarterly Business Meeting & Social*

Gathering: 1 – 5 pm

Meeting: 1-2:30 pm

Contact: ayreton.seneschal@midrealm.org

Location: TBA

2024 Dates: January 28, 2024 – Hosted by Grey Gargoyles
April 7, 2024 – Hosted by Rokkehealden
June 30, 2024 – Hosted by Foxvale
September 29, 2024 – Hosted by Vanished Wood (Subject to Confirmation)

****Updates will be posted on the Facebook Group and on the Ayreton Email.***

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