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The Shire of Riviere Constelle is the local chapter of the Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) covering Southwest Indiana (DuBois, Gibson, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick counties) with activities covering much of the region. The SCA is a world-wide, non-profit organization of history minded recreationists. In the SCA we recreate the costumes, martial traditions and many of the arts and crafts of the Middle Ages and Early Renaissance. We invite you to come join us at one of our meetings, events or classes/practices. Come and “get medieval” with us for fun!

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* This is a partial officer list. These gentles will be happy to put you in touch with the appropriate officer or activity coordinator. Please see our Shire's *Domesday Book* for a complete list of officers, members and friends, or contact our Seneschal. Thank you!

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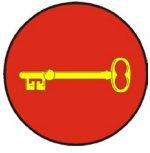
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From the Seneschal:

Greetings unto the Shire of Riviere Constelle and our friends from His Excellency, Master Accolon Shadowhawk.

The winds of war are blowing and shall be met by the armies of the Middle Kingdom, bolstered by the shire's mighty warriors! With such prowess and chivalry and many brave deeds, I believe we shall prevail.

We will not have much rest. Quick upon the heels of Pennsic we will be joining Wesselman Park for Woodland Wonders on September 19 and, of course, our Event, Rendezvous at the Bridge on October 9-11!

To close, let us celebrate our gentles who were recognized by the Crown at Simple Day! Maestro Michelangelo, Lord Alardin and Lady Guinevere received Awards of the Purple Fret! THL Oscar and Lord Koray received Awards of the Cavendish Knot! A friend of the shire, Sir Roberto, also received a Cavendish Knot. And last, it wasn't an award, but Lady Camille illuminated and did the calligraphy for the Royalty Invitation for the future King and Queen to attend Rendezvous at the Bridge!

Accolon, Seneschal, Esquire and Baron of the Court



From the Minister of Arts & Sciences:

Greetings to the Shire!!

Arts and Sciences are alive and well in our community.

- We have our A&S classes the first Tuesday of the month with classes ranging from arts of how they were made to the sciences of why.
- Project nights are the second Tuesday and we have had good turn outs with leather goods being made, art work being created and discussions being had.
- Third Tuesdays are our monthly business meetings, with Rendezvous coming up please attend to see what's going on.
- The fourth Tuesdays are our period game nights with this month we are learning the Italian card game Scopa. These game nights have been a lot of fun with us learning the games of Senet, Ur, Gluckhaus and others. Come out and have some fun learning games that have been around for hundreds if not thousands of years.

If you have an inkling to teach a topic we'd love to have you! Please reach out to me or Camille to set up a class date. Don't forget about project night, if you are interested in starting a project, want to come hang out while others work around you, please come by.

It's active participation that keeps the dream alive and my deepest thanks to all that help our shire bloom and blossom in this summer heat.

Have fun creating!

YIS, THL Oscar Von Lindau

From the Rendezvous Event Stewards:

Rendezvous is drawing nigh!

With Rendezvous a little over two months away, there is much to be done and much that has already been done. There are a bevy of spots open throughout the event for people to come and help, please don't hesitate to reach out and ask, your help is needed and appreciated.

We have settled on bookmarks for our site tokens this year. Local artists are working on creating unique art pieces to be printed on the bookmarks with the schedule for the weekend on the back. These are shaping up to be rather memorable designs that will last for a long time after the event.

The martial side of the event is coming along nicely, with Sir Bran again running his famed William Marshal tournament and Master Michelangelo directing the rapier classes. We know that in their capable hands they will run it smoothly as always.

Master John of Sternfeld has once again agreed to run thrown weapons for us this year. For those that are needing MIT signatures for thrown weapons, don't hesitate to help out on the range to further your marshallate journey.

There will be plenty of cooking nights coming up. This is a good way to help our feast get prepped and ready. We will be having a dishwashing night September 9th, the more hands the easier it will be.

Wed. Sept 9 Rendezvous Dish Washing, Oscar & Caterina's house, 6:00 PM

Wed. Sept 16 Stew & Chicken Pie Cooking Night @ Ragnarr & Kirsten's – 6:00 PM

Wed. Sept 23 Mushroom Tarts Cooking Night @ Ragnarr & Kirsten's – 6:00 PM

Wed. Sept 30 Apple Cooking Night @ Ragnarr & Kirsten's – 6:00 PM

Tues. Oct 6 Last-Minute Items Cooking Night @ Ragnarr & Kirsten's – 6:00 PM

If you want to teach an A/S class or know someone that might be interested, have them reach out to either Domingo or Oscar.

With Pennsic coming up, our time for preparing will be at a premium. October A/S class will be last minute cooking items, held at Kirsten's and Ragnarr's house. Look for updates on Facebook and discord.

Yours in Service:

Oscar and Domingo



From the Exchequer

Warm greetings,

We have money! 😊

Belated, but no less sincere thanks to Maestro Michelangelo for donating the food for the Rapier Symposium lunch in February and to Ladies Niall and Camille for obtaining a generous donation from the Alexandrian Public Library for our participation in their Mini-Con demo in April.

A reminder that to be reimbursed for expenses you need to provide a receipt. Depending on the expense, you also may need to get the expenditure approved in advance at a meeting. Better safe than sorry!

In Service,
Kirsten



From the Chronicler:

Greetings!

My thanks to officers sending in their letters! If anyone is interested in becoming my deputy and potentially taking over as Chronicler, I would welcome the assistance.

I remain yours in service,
Kirsten



From the Knight Marshal

Greetings,

Sincere thanks to Sir Bran for serving as Knight Marshal for the Shire for multiple years and for covering practices that I have to miss due to conflicts. We will continue to hold armored combat practices every other Sunday at Wesselman Park or at Bethel on high-temperature days. Remember to stay hydrated!

Also please be aware that the Shire is looking to do a demo at Wesselman Park later this summer. Keep your ears open for announcements. And I look forward to crossing rattan with you on the field.

In service to Shire and Kingdom,
Sir Ragnarr



From the Rapier Marshal:

Greetings all!

Rapier practices have been going great so far this quarter. We just hosted a very successful mega practice with over 35 fencers in total from 4 different shires/baronies participating. As we look to the future temperatures continue to stay high so look out for practice updates on our Discord and Facebook groups.

YIS, Adrian Harper, C.C.K



From the Chatelaine:

Good Tidings to you, fair gentles of Rivière Constelle.

I am your Chatelaine, Herr Faustus Einhorn. My deputies are Lady Guinevere Verch Vinchant, and Lady Alu.

I have a few orders of business for the people of the shire;

- First, if you are in possession of gold key items, we kindly request that they are returned before September first (9/1/2026).
- Second, if you need garb for ANY event, you must contact me or Lady Guin at least TWO weeks before the event you wish to have garb for. Emergencies and exceptions are allowed.
- Third, if you have any garb and or accessories to wish to donate to the shire's Gold Key, please contact me or Lady Guin to evaluate the garb and if we can accept it.
- And finally, I have a general request of the populace; if you have an event or open space you wish to see our shire at, i.e; a convention, a practice space, a city event, please contact myself or Lord Domingo (Deputy Seneschal) to see if we can get the SCA to it!

Much love and many well-wishes,

Yours in Service, Lord Herr Faustus Einhorn von Rivière Constelle, C.C.K



HISTORIAN'S REPORT FOR APRIL 2026 TO END OF JUNE 2026:

April 18, 2026: Koray Abekoğlu won second place to a MoD at Iris Faire in the Barony of Glaedenfeld at the Meridies Spring Coronation in the Silver Iris Tournament

April 25, 2026: Huge shout out to Niall for receiving Sir Crispy this past Sunday for their work putting together Mini Con held in Mt. Vernon, IN, at the Alexandrian Library, and getting us the demo at their library!

May 2, 2026: Domingo del Velasco and Camille de Gevaudan have both earned augmentations of arms by King Sasha and Queen Kemma for their participation in the Scribal Arts (including translation services).

May 24, 2026: The Shire participated in another fighter Mega practice in Carbondale, Illinois.

May 28, 2026: Our Domingo del Velasco did a phenomenal job representing the Shire with his Destreza presentation at Nerd Night at the Academie tonight. A local bar was having a presentation night, where people could come up and talk about various nerdy things. Domingo went up to talk about fencing, and included information for our shire if any of the audience wanted to join us at a practice. (Source: Michelangelo di Padua.)

May 29, 2026: Michelangelo di Padua gave a shout out at Catch Alderwood, Ýrssa the Revenant, and Cygnus Distellé: they did a great job making the four newcomers feel at home and included at the Friday night fighter practice.

June 6, 2026: Michelangelo di Padua, gave a shout out a few people from Sunday, fighters practice, being super proud of Alu, Ýrssa the Revenant, Guinevere, Rónán Aibhne Reul-bhaid, Faustus Einhorn, and Kate for taking point and working with the wealth of newbies.

July 4, 2026: In Royal Court at Simple Day: Michelangelo de Padua, Guinevere, and Alardin were awarded purple frets, Oscar von Lindau and Koray Abekoğlu were awarded Cavendish knots, Lailoken and Mitri were awarded Award of Arms. Rónán Aibhne Reul-bhaid and Adrian Harper were also authorized in youth sparring and Domingo De Velasco got Youth Rapier Marshal in Training added to his card.

July 12, 2026: We hosted a very successful Mega Practice July 12th here in Evansville and we had over 30 fencers and many spectators.

We have members of our Shire who are heading out to Pennsic War 53 at Cooper's Lake in Pennsylvania, with some beginning to leave as early as July 24. May you all be safe and careful, suffer no harm or permanent injuries, have no accidents going to or returning home from the War, and may you enjoy yourselves immensely, and learn greatly as you meet both new and old friends.

YIS,
Lady Thorfridhr Hrolfsdottir



Stained Glass Class

Saturday September 12

Beginner's stained glass: 12:00 PM (PROMPTLY!!!) – feel free to bring something to eat during class!

Intermediate Class: 1:00 PM (fairly promptly)

Advanced workers: Arrive any time after 12:00 and start on your own

Classes End: Approximately 5:30 PM (or when you finish)

Pot-luck Dinner: Approximately 6 PM. I'll provide a main course

(non-glass workers are welcome to come by anytime to visit or work on your own projects)

Where: Kirsten & Ragnarr's House: 7155 Woods Drive, Newburgh, (812) 202-3108

Cost: \$10.00 if this is your first stained glass class with me, free for your second class. The \$10.00 covers use of all tools and materials needed for class including a glass cutter you can keep. Advanced glass artisans pay for materials and glass you use or you can bring your own supplies.

What to bring/wear:

- Closed-toed shoes
- Safety glasses if you have them
- Glass cutter and oil if you have taken a previous class from me
- Drinks/snacks/pot-luck items, if possible (for yourself and/or to share)

What will you do?

- Beginners Class: Mandatory safety and glass cutting basics training from 12:00-1:00 PM. You will make a lead came sun catcher as your first project.
- Intermediate Class: You do not need to sit through the class at noon unless you wish a refresher (not required, but may help if you are still uncomfortable cutting glass). You will be making a copper foil sun catcher—probably a Celtic knotwork design or a 3-dimensional flower or a project of your own.
- Intermediate / Advanced artisans: Please contact me in advance if you want to work on something special.

Class size is limited!! If possible, please contact me as far ahead of time as possible if you wish to attend so that I can make sure I have enough supplies & food. Also, if you can't make it, please let me know as soon as possible, as I sometimes have a waiting list and could fill in empty slots. Thanks!

Directions: Take your best route to the Lloyd Expressway (HW 66) on the east side of Newburgh (2 miles past McDonalds and Hucks if coming from Evansville, 4 miles past Alcoa if coming from the East). At the light for Sharon Road (Gas station on the corner) turn West. Take the first left onto Ridge Drive. Turn right at the "T". 7155 is about the 5th house on the left as you go down the hill. Look for a banner by the garage.

Birthdays

Birthday	SCA Name
07/01	Niall O'Braclaigh
07/02	Kirsten Thorsteinsdóttir
07/04	Miles Leigh Hawkins
07/10	Saturos of Ares
07/18	Bastian the Farwalker
07/28	Bucket
08/11	Oscar von Lindau
08/22	Julianna de Pardieu
08/23	Cygnus Distellé
09/04	Savaric de Pardieu
09/09	Igraine Le Fey Ravensong

Birthday	SCA Name
09/10	Domingo de Velasco
09/13	Anne Gladieux
09/15	Caterina Luciano
09/17	Michelangelo Di Padua
09/23	Alardin de Caux
09/29	Evan Schleter
10/04	Noctis Seren
10/22	Jessmond Black
10/27	Guinevere of Riviere Constelle
10/31	Dietrich Bauer

Riviere Constelle Calendar

Please check the Riviere Constelle Facebook page for calendar changes and other excuses to get together!

July 21 Business Mtg/Dinner, St. Mark's Luth. Church, 6:15 PM dinner, 6:45 meeting, Picnic/Summer food
July 24-Aug 9 Pennsic War, Slippery Rock, PA
July 26 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
July 28 Gaming Night, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Aug 2 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Aug 4 A&S Class – Topic TBA, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Aug 9 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Aug 11 Project Session, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Aug 16 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Aug 18 Business Meeting/Dinner, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM dinner, 6:45 meeting, Theme TBA
Aug 22 Known World Heraldic & Scribal Symposium Event, Collinsville, IL
Aug 23 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Aug 25 Gaming Night, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Aug 29 Midlands Academy of Defense Event, Rantoul, IL
Aug 30 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Sept 1 A&S Class – Plumbata history and making, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Sept 3 Mounted War Games Event, Bluffton, IN
Sept 6 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Sept 8 Project Night, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Sept 9 Rendezvous Dish Washing, Oscar & Caterina's house, 6:00 PM
Sept 11-13 Harvest Days Event, Xenia, OH
Sept 12 Stained Glass Day at Kirsten's House, 12 noon for beginners, 1 PM for experienced folks.
Sept 12 Midlands County Fair Event, Taylorville IL
Sept 13 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Sept 15 Business Meeting/Dinner, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM dinner, 6:45 meeting, theme TBA
Sept 16 Stew & Chicken Pie Cooking Night @ Ragnarr & Kirsten's – 6:00 PM
Sept 19 Woodland Wonders Demo at Wesselman Park 2-6 PM
Sept 20 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Sept 22 Gaming Night, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Sept 23 Mushroom Tarts Cooking Night @ Ragnarr & Kirsten's – 6:00 PM
Sept 26 Coronation, Lincoln, IL
Sept 27 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Sept 29 A&S Class – "Five Tempi to Attack" fencing class, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Sept 30 Apple Cooking Night @ Ragnarr & Kirsten's – 6:00 PM
Oct 3 Red Dragon Event, London, OH
Oct 4 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Oct 6 Last-Minute Items Cooking Night @ Ragnarr & Kirsten's – 6:00 PM
Oct 8 Haul items to Lincoln State Park – Time TBD
Oct 9-11 RENDEZVOUS AT THE BRIDGE
Oct 13 Rendezvous Post-mortem, business mtg & eat leftovers: St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Oct 18 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Oct 20 Project Night, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM
Oct 25 Fighting/Fencing Practice, Wesselman Park, 2:00 – 5:00 PM
Oct 27 Gaming Night, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 6:15 PM



