## IRON BARON



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Initial S: A Male Saint, 14th century
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## **Meetings**

The Barony of Iron Mountain meets in Room 108 at Valley Christian Church, 2600 Cherokee Place, Mountain Brook, Alabama 35216. Room 108 is best accessed by driving around to the far right side of the building, parking in the back of the church, and entering on the ground floor covered entrance. Meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of the month from 6:30 to 8 pm central. The first Thursday is the Barony's business meeting. The third Thursday is class night.

August 3 – Business meeting August 17 – Heraldic Display

September 7 – Business meeting September 21 – Silhouette of Fashion (Royal University of Meridies required class)

Fighter Practice is held Sundays at Patriot Park. (710 Oak Grove Rd, Homewood, AL 35209) Park at Corky Bell Dance Studio. Start time is dependent on weather and proximity of events. Please check the Facebook page for announcement.

## **Upcoming Events**

August 4-6 - Warden's Challenge Shire of Easaraigh

August 26 - Inter-Kingdom Fighter Practice Shire of Nant-y-Derwyddon

September 1-4 - Vices and Virtues College of Phoenix Rising

## Da'ud Bob's Movie Reviews for August 2023

PBS, the Public Broadcasting Service, along with its Great Performances series, has been, and remains, a regular source of Da'ud Bob ibn Briggs Goes to the Movies reviews of great productions of, among other things, the plays of William Shakespeare. And this time is no different. We'd seen a couple of previews for this particular broadcast, and so set the DVR, recorded it, and when the time was right, sat down and hit the "Play" button. It was pretty much everything it promised to be, and more. I mean, past Great Performances productions of Shakespeare plays have long of interest to me, not only because of they have introduced me to actors and directors I might not have noticed before, but also because (1) they are Shakespeare plays!, (2) the production values generally tend to be pretty high, and (3) I almost always see something new, even in plays that have become very familiar to me over the years. And so it is that this month, Da'ud Bob reviews for you the PBS Great Performances May 2023 broadcast of the July 2022 production in New York City Central Park's outdoor Delacorte Theater of a play you should be familiar with by now, Richard III.

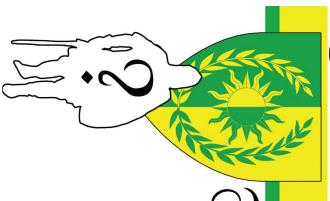
Starring Danai Gurira (Black Panther: Wakanda Forever, The Walking Dead) in the title role, with Tony Award winner Ali Stroker (Oklahoma!) as Anne, Wyatt Cirbus as the Prince of Wales, Sanjit De Silva as Buckingham, Sam Duncan as the Duke of York, Monique Holt as the Duchess of York, Gregg Mozgala as King Edward IV and as the Earl of Richmond (Henry Tudor, King Henry VII), Paul Niebanck as George (the Duke of Clarence), Michael Potts as Lord Stanley, Ariel Shafir as Lord Hastings, Heather Alicia Simms as Queen Elizabeth, Sharon Washington as Queen Margaret, and Daniel J. Watts as William Catesby and Richard Ratcliffe. (The cast listing had Daniel Watts as "Catesby Ratcliffe", but we all know that they were two different historical persons. "The cat [Catesby], the rat [Ratcliffe], and

Lovell the dog [Viscount Lovell, whose crest featured a talbot, a type of dog], Rule all England under a hog [Richard III]." Mind you, because of this little rhyme (well, that and the fact that he encouraged Henry Tudor to return to England to overthrow Richard III) he was executed for treason in 1484, so there's that.) The story is that of the rise and fall of Richard, King of England as Richard III. It's one of Shakespeare's historical plays, although many see it as a piece of Tudor propaganda, as well, especially for its depiction of Richard.

Good points: As ever, its Shakespeare! The stage itself, which contained features like a rotating ring with some architectural arches on it, which they could circle around to give you the impression, at least, that the scenery was being changed, as well as the pneumatic elevator in the floor to raise and lower actors at various times with lights and smoke. The cast was multiracial, multiethnic, and variously impaired (hearing impaired, wheelchair bound, height disadvantaged, affected by cerebral palsy, and so on, not to mention the cross-gender lead role, but it all worked well. Margaret's dress. Richard's coronation robe. Richard's breastplate with a boar on it. The ghosts the night before the battle.

Bad points: The heraldic banners were definitely not heraldically correct. I found Anne to be a little bit shrill at times. That totally huge diamond ring. Richard's heavily jeweled collar with the pendant sparkly gold boar.

Zero breasts. No blood. 12 dead bodies. Dagger fu. Stage dagger fu. Sword fu. Polearm fu. Plots roll. George rolls. Murderers roll. Gratuitous strangulation. Gratuitous severed head. Gratuitous dancing. Academy Award nominations to Sharon Washington as Queen Margaret for a standout performance; and to Danai Gurira as Richard III, especially for the scene of the night before the Battle of Bosworth. A mere 32 on the Vomit Meter. 3 Stars. Da'ud Bob says, "Check it out!"



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## The Shire of Easaraigh Presents: Warden's

## he Wayward Warden

A Day of Archery, Live Weapons, Classes, and Fun!

Can you help find him? Will there be demands for his safe return? Where in the Known World is our Warden? Brigands, Poachers, & Thieves are at it once again on the Northern Plateau & our valiant Warden has gone missing

The Warden's Challenge will be an archery & live weapons-oriented skills-building event for the populace to hone their accuracy and preparedness for driving off the ruffians. Rules, activities, classes/salons, and menus will be posted to the web as they are known.

Location: White County Fairgrounds Ag Building, 565 Hale Street, Sparta, TN 38583
Troll Opens at 8AM CST on 8/5/23. Activities Start at 9AM CST. Site closes at 7PM CST

Feast:	Under 17:	Event Cost:	
\$ 10	\$ 0	\$ 10	Member
\$10	\$ 0	\$15	Non-Member

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Directions: Take best route to the White County Fairgrounds in Sparta, TN. (http://whitecountyagfair.com/)

The White County Fair Ag Building will be on the left. There will be SCA signs posted as you approach the site Spring Street. Turn East (Left if coming from North, Right if coming from South). Travel .9 miles, turn left onto Hale Street for 12 miles. From all points south, take best route to TN-111 North to Sparta, TN. From TN-111, take exit for TN-289 S/N From Interstate 40 (East from Nashville, West from Knoxville) take Exit #288 for Livingston/Sparta. Travel south on TN-11:



## The College of Phoenix Rising presents

## Vices and Virtues 2023

Gluttony vs Temperance September 1st-4th

Opens 3:00pm Fri. Closes 11:00am Mon.

# **Etowah County Fairgrounds 31 Griffin Street**

Non-Member Daytrip: \$15.00 Atalla Al 35953

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Non-Member Weekend: \$30.00

Registration Cost:

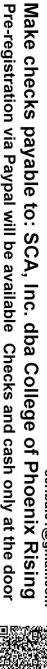
Children 17 and under FREE admittance anabeladg@gmail.com Membership Discount: \$5.00 Helga of Phoenix Rising Gaia Thayer

Meal Plan per day:

age 6-14: \$8 5 and under eat free thayerga002@gmail.com Ages 15 and up: \$15

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