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FEBRUARIUS. Brigide s.

PVRIFICATIO. S. MARIE.

FEBRUARIUS. Basilidis Martiris.

FEBRUARIUS. Fulantii s.

FEBRUARIUS. Adaltrici s. & c.

FEBRUARIUS. Anguli epi.

FEBRUARIUS. Pauli epi.

FEBRUARIUS. Scolasticus s.

FEBRUARIUS. Vesiderii epi.

FEBRUARIUS. Stephani epi.

FEBRUARIUS. Valentini o.

FEBRUARIUS. Iuliane s. & c.

FEBRUARIUS. Symonis o.

FEBRUARIUS. Babini pbr.

FEBRUARIUS. Bani epi.

FEBRUARIUS. Kath. Petri. Veronit.

FEBRUARIUS. S. I. S. I. A.

FEBRUARIUS. Ath. ap. l. loc. bisect.

FEBRUARIUS. Alexandri epi.

FEBRUARIUS. Romani abbis.

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FEBRUARIUS. SI. V. S. I. A. Q. V. A. R. I. I.

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Cover Art: Numa Pompilius; Zodiacal Sign of Aquarius, probably 1170s, Unknown artist/maker. Tempera colors, gold leaf, silver leaf, and ink.

The page for the month of February in the Stammheim Missal features a bust of Numa Pompilius, one of the kings who ruled Rome around 700 B.C. before the founding of the Roman Republic. Numa may appear on the calendar because he was credited (inaccurately) with the formulation of the religious calendar and the founding of some of Rome's other early religious institutions, including the Vestal Virgins and the cults of Mars, Jupiter, and the deified Romulus. The sophistication of references to antique culture in the Stammheim Missal suggests that the abbey of Hildesheim enjoyed an unusually classicizing intellectual climate.

In the middle of the page is the month's zodiacal constellation, Aquarius.

<https://www.getty.edu/art/collection/object/107V59>

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.

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

February 2-4 - Midwinter Arts & Sciences
Barony of South Downs

February 5-12 - War of the Phoenix
Kingdom of Atenveldt

February 9-11 - Knight's Gambit
Shire of Thorngill

February 16-18 - Black Gryphon
Barony of Thor's Mountain

February 23-25 - Meridian Challenge of Arms

Membership Fee Increase Effective February 15, 2024

The Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. (SCA, Inc.) is announcing an increase in membership fees and non-member registration fees for events.

This decision comes after careful consideration and extensive discussion among the Board of Directors, office staff, and Corporate officers. The effects of inflation across all sectors of operation, as well as other factors impacting the organization's operational costs, including insurance premiums, legal expenses, and general business expenses, necessitated a comprehensive review of membership rates.

Annual membership fees have not been adjusted in over a dozen years, and non-member registration fees have not increased in over 15 years.

In response to the evolving financial environment, the organization streamlined operations during the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic and significantly reduced corporate expenditures. The relocation of the office to San Jose, CA resulted in an annual savings of over \$35,000, and upgrades to software and CRM systems have netted a further savings of over \$100,000 annually. While membership numbers have rebounded post-pandemic, operational costs continue to rise.

SCA, Inc. Corporate is solely funded by membership fees, including the Non-Member Registration fee, and does not currently seek operational funds from its Kingdoms or subsidiary organizations, including those overseeing Pennsic and Gulf Wars.

At the January 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors, the Board approved the following changes, effective February 15, 2024:

Raise the Sustaining membership price from \$45 a year to \$55 a year (This represents an \$0.83 cents per-month

increase over the previous monthly rate.)

Raise the Associate membership price from \$30 to \$40 a year. (This represents an \$0.83 cents per-month increase over the previous monthly rate.)

Raise the Family membership price from \$10 a year to \$15 a year, per person. (This represents an \$0.42 cents per-month increase over the previous monthly rate.)

No changes to Canadian or International memberships have been announced at this time.

Note: this change will take effect for all renewal transactions processed on or after February 15, 2024. Renewal transactions prior to that date will be processed at the previous rate, regardless of membership expiration date.

The Board also approved the following changes to Non-Member Registration fees, effective April 1, 2024:

Raise the Non-Member Registration Fee from \$5 to \$10 per event. As always, this only applies whenever there is an actual event fee charged.

Both Sustaining and International Membership allow subscriptions to printed publications, as well as the ability to add Family memberships.

It should be noted that these increases remain less than the cumulative U.S. inflation increase of 36.5% which has occurred since 2011. (Data calculated using the US Inflation Calculator).

SCA, Inc. emphasizes its commitment to transparency and sustaining a vibrant community. These fee adjustments aim to ensure the organization's fiscal health, support ambitious initiatives in 2024 and beyond, and keep the Knowne World thriving and dreaming for years to come.

Meridian Challenge of Arms

February 23-25, 2024

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- Adult Weekend Member:
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- Adult Weekend Non-
Member: \$34.00
- Adult Daytrip Member:
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- Adult Daytrip Non-
Member: \$24.00
- Children 17 & under: Free
- Feast: \$13 only 48 spots
available.

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Site opens at 5pm Friday
and closes at 12 pm Sunday

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Dalwhinnie Fields
251 Pine Flat Church Rd
Marion, AL 36756



Gulf Wars 32

A War With No Enemies | March 9-17, 2024

Kings Arrow Ranch, 222 Rault Dr, Lumberton, MS 39455



Site Opens At 1:00 PM On Sat. March 9 and Closes At 12:00 Noon On Sunday, March 17

Reservations will not be processed without payment. To receive member pricing, your membership must be valid through the start of the war. **CASH or TRAVELER CHECKS ONLY** at the door. There is no separate pricing for daytrip. Preregistration checks should be made to SCA, *Gulf Wars Inc.*

All Preregistrations will close February 26, 2024

For any questions or issues regarding Gulf Wars registration, please contact the Reservationist, Mistress Jutte VonderBerg, at reservations@gulfwars.org

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Arrival Day	Pre-Register Member	At The Door Member	Youth 17 and Under	Pre-Register Non-Member	At The Door Non-Member
Sat-Sun	\$120.00	\$125.00	FREE	\$125.00	\$130.00
Mon-Tue	\$105.00	\$110.00	FREE	\$110.00	\$115.00
Wed-Thu	\$90.00	\$95.00	FREE	\$95.00	\$100.00
Fri-Sat	\$50.00	\$55.00	FREE	\$55.00	\$60.00

Online registration information, schedules, and information on attending and participating at the war: www.gulfwars.org

Directions: Take your best route to Exit 35 (Hillsdale Rd) on I-59 South of Hattiesburg MS and North of New Orleans LA. Turn East and travel about .01 miles and turn right at the Hillsdale Resort Hotel. Follow the SCA signs.



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