# VOX



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# CYNAGUAE

The Newsletter for the Principality of Cynagua, Kingdom of the West—July Investiture (2013)

# **Help Wanted**

This is a list of Officers who need a deputy or a successor. Please consider volunteering; it's a lot of fun and a great way to keep Our Principality going. Please Contact the Officer's directly for more information details on how to contact them can be found in regnum at the back of the Vox.

Chirurgeon: Deputy

**Chronicler:** Successor

Constable: Deputy/ Successor

**Exchequer:** Deputy / Successor

Gold Key: Deputy/Successor July 2014

Lists: Successor

Marshal: Deputy/ Successor

Minister of the Mint: Deputy

Rapier Marshal: Deputy/Successor

Sable Swan Herald: Deputy

Sable Swan Scribe: Deputy/Successor

Seneschal: Deputy/ Successor

Web minister: Deputy / Successor





## From the outgoing Prince and Princess

Unto the populous of Cynagua, do We send most heartfelt thanks. There are no words to describe the pride We feel being your Prince and Princess. There is no greater honor than to sit the Cynaguan thrones. You are truly the wind beneath the Black Swan's wings.

We have been blessed these last six months to be welcomed by you all into your hearts and homes. We can not thank you enough for making Us feel at home no matter where in this glorious Principality We traveled. Everywhere the Swan rests is truly home.

There is not enough room here to thank you all individually for everything you have done for Us, but know that We hold you all dear to Our hearts. Never has there been such a Guard as this. You were brave warriors on the field of battle, gracious servers at feasts, thoughtful attendants at events, strong haulers of heavy objects, and so kind to honor Her Highness's whims of archery and silliness. Our court was the most remarkable collection of artisans and attendants ever assembled. Your tireless work to make us look grand at all times was astounding. The pleasure to wear the Coronets was Ours, but all the honor should be yours. Thank you.

Lastly, Our final thanks go to the officers, autocrats, and volunteers throughout these lands who make it possible for all of us to enjoy the dream we share. Thank you for giving so much of yourselves to make it possible to do what we love. And thank you to all who served with you, We know well how many people it takes to make this Principality the jewel of the Society.

We leave the Thrones with glad hearts, knowing that you will be in good hands with Miach and Sciath. They are Cynaguan, in all ways, and We are proud to pass the Principality into their hands. We love you all, We love this Principality, and We thank you.

In service, always,

ThorStagge and Eowyn

### From the incoming Prince and Princess

Greetings Unto the Populace of Cynagua!

The Celts have once again landed on the golden shores of Cynagua. We are honored, excited, and humbled to serve our Populace. A heartfelt thanks goes out to their Excellencies, ThorStagge and Eowyn for their wonderful reign and service to Cynagua.

We look forward to the many events ahead and hope to see many of you throughout our reign. Keen of eye, fleet of foot, and the whistling of strings is the sound we would like to hear flowing in the breeze, thus we expect many of you try Archery during our Reign. A good Celt always has a song or story at hand, and we hope to encourage and foster the bardic arts. As many of you know, Arts and Sciences or near and dear to us, especially in the area of brewing and cooking. We hope many of you try your hand in the various competitions or bring your projects for display and tasting.

On the fields of battle with heavy sword and rapier blade, on the fields of tourney and practice with bows, in the Feast Halls, on the Eric, in our lands which may be a bit sultry this time of year, we look forward to joining you all in our journey throughout the lands.

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Miach and Sciath,

Prince and Princess of Cynagua



# From the outgoing Chirurgeon

I would like to thank Gregory of Saint Albans for taking on the role of Principality Chirurgeon due to my abrupt need to vacate that position. He will be an excellent Chirurgeon, and I hope he will be a very bored one. Please assist your Principality in making sure that he has absolutely nothing to do, other than perhaps eat some cookies that the populace brings him! Do not fail to bring him cookies, or perhaps cheese and crackers, and to keep yourselves safe and sunscreened and hydrated. Thank you all very much for taking such good care of one another!

Sciath inghean Airt

Of late, Principality Chirurgeon and currently Lady of the Swan



## From the Chronicler

Greetings unto the Populace of Cynagua,

I am honored to be your chronicler and would gladly continue to be so forever, however I do not think I am allowed to. So I am seeking a successor. I was supposed to step down in January but had to extend my warrant, as I still do not have anyone willing to possibly take the office. I have been asked by the Kingdom chronicler to take over for her in March so please volunteer. All you need is a few hours, four times a year to put things together and Microsoft Word. The Vox is published for each Investiture and Coronet. If you are interested please contact me at chronicler@cynagua.westkingdom.org or call me at 916-515-4625.

In friendship and service,

Danaë FitzRoberts aka Hobbit

Cynagua Chronicler



#### From the Constable

Greetings from the Gate, fellow Cynaguans!

It's been a pretty good year, hasn't it? So far, no events called due to fires, or anything like that. And thank you for doing your part to keep it that way! I don't know if you know this, but in the West, we get cut a lot of slack from site owners for having fires while we're out camping. This is because we have such an excellent safety record, and because we DO know what to do when the fire hits the fuel. And since this rep of ours could be lost in a flash, I really appreciate your efforts.

A few words on pets. I'm devotedly owned by my two Cynaguan War Dogs. Let me admit that up front. But bringing them to an event is a MAJOR responsibility. They need to be fed, watered (probably more than usual), walked and cleaned up after, adored by those they consider friends, and given quiet time when they've had enough. This doesn't mean crate them for the event, or zipping them into your sauna (aka tent), or putting them out on a stake. It means they will most likely need to be with you, your partner, or a fellow householder or friend from the time you arrive

until after the Gate disappears in your rear-view mirror. Part of this responsibility is having your pet on a leash. Yes, I know. Bowser, your boon canine companion responds instantly to anything you say. Doesn't matter. Direct physical control is the rule, and the leash is as much about protecting your dog as it is for controlling him. Last thing on pets: I sometimes hear people complaining (myself included) about a no pets rule for this or that event. This has nothing to do with the Society, or even the Autocrat. Those decisions come from the site owner. But you can help with this! Find more sites!

Okay, this has gotten longer than I planned. I said at the top it's been a good year, and it has. My term of office expires in another year, and so I am now actively soliciting (ooh, solicitation!) a successor. Want to know about the job? Ask! And yes, you can bet I will train.

Take care, until the next time you're signing in.

Baron Gwyn Chwith ap Llyr

Cynaguan Constable



### From the Exchequer

A reminder for all groups holding events to please submit attendance information to Kingdom. It doesn't matter if your event had a site fee or donation, the information is collected for annual reports on membership and non-member attendance. Also remember to submit gate sign-in copies; this information is also collected. (Nice way of saying, if your officers don't submit the information needed, I will eventually know and send both the Exchequer and Seneschals a short note saying information is needed.)

Is your group getting a new Exchequer? There are some things needed to be approved prior to his/her acceptance. Please contact me as soon as possible. If the Principality e-mail doesn't seem to be working, or you think I might not have gotten it, please send it to djgreco2001@yahoo.com; be sure to put a reference to exchequer business in the subject line. Remember, no exchequer for a group – no group, no events/meetings/fighter practices/etc. can be held until an approved Exchequer is in place. I have and will be enforceing this.

Exchequers, remember to submit quarterly reports to Kingdom in a timely manner, with a cc: of the report to me and to your local Seneschals. A copy of the last quarter's bank reconciliation needs to be with the report. I have started a spreadsheet noting all submitted reports, which also includes the Domesday reports. If I don't know a report has been submitted or marked off as submitted, I will be contacting both the local Exchequer and his/her Seneschal.

Exchequers and Seneschals, if you have any questions or concerns about this office, please contact me.

Yours in Service,

Mistress Tashi Falconsclaw, OP

**Principality Exchequer** 



#### From the Bard:

#### Good Gentles of Cynagua!

This past year, I have had the pleasure and honor of serving as Bard for Their Highness' and you. I have loved every minute of it. Due to an unusual set of circumstances, I shall continue as Bard of Cynagua for another year. My heart swells at the prospect, and I eagerly await the year to come, as it will be MAGNIFICENT. I have no doubt that the next set of Reigns will inspire tales and ballads, such as the previous two have done. Should you have any questions or ideas about "things bardic", please do not hesitate to talk with me. I love to share ideas and a good song with anyone who is interested.

In Devotion to The Swan;

Vincenzo Saracini

Bard of Cynagua





### From the Copper Spoon minister

**Copper spoon Competition** Summer Investiture:

The Element Of Water. What we drink and wash with and what all things need to grow and Live.

A Dish made from something that lives in water.or is cooked in water Any SCA time period. Any known Culture. With Documentations Required.

All entries need to turn in to the Copper Table at 12:45 pm and can be picked at 3pm



# From Cynagua Gold Key

#### Good Gentles of Cynagua!

I am looking to find a Deputy who will be willing to step up as the Gold Key Officer, one year from now. The office entails that you keep several containers of Garb in assorted sizes for people who are visiting the SCA and wish to borrow clothes to wear at an event. This helps them to "blend in" and thus enjoy the day more. You will also receive an inventory book, and a cool banner to hang up. If interested, please contact me.

In Service;

Uncle Vinnie



#### From the Lists Mistress

#### Greetings from the List Mistress!

My term ends at January Investiture; if you are interested in the fabulous job of running the Lists, please send a note indicating your interest and (if available) your SCA resume to royals@cynagua.westkingdom.org and cc: lists@cynagua.westkingdom.org.

Duties of the office include running the Lists at two Coronets per year, Lord Defender and Prima Spada Tourneys, and any other Lists as desired by Their Highnesses (i.e. Princess' Champion). Running a list encompasses

wrangling List Pages (to run cards between you and the field heralds); signing in fighters/verifying membership & authorization cards, in addition to applying the particular list format to determine the matches for each round, filing reports for/attending the Principality Officers Meeting and Kingdom Lists, and finally the fighters love you forever if you publish the pairings/results of the list following the tourney.

If you have any questions about the office, or would like training, etc., please contact me directly at lists@cynagua.westkingdom.org.

- Ducessa Aurora Komnene



#### From the minister of the Mint

Apprentice moniers workshop for Cynagua to be held this coming Saturday July 20th in the Province of Golden Rivers. This will be the first of several workshops to be held throughout our Principality in the coming year. If you're interested in learning the art of coin making, this is your chance.

This workshop will be held at the home of Mistress Danae at 2943 Logansport Way, Sacramento CA 95835 starting at 1pm and lasting until 7pm. Attendees are asked to bring their own hammer (ball peen) and a smile. For more information contact Leo Diogenes, Minister of the Cynaguan mint at 530-209-9150.



# From the Cynagua Needle workers

Words from Your Sable Swan Needle Workers Guild Minister

Interested in learning to embroider? We have a class for that. Interested in learning how to use that Inkle Loom you have sitting in the corner? We have a class for that.

Interested in bringing what you are working on and getting some help or feedback? We have a gathering night for that.

Have idle hands that just long to help out with largess projects? We have a gathering night for that.

All of this is held at the House of Celtic Dogs in Roseville on Tuesday nights except the second Tuesday as that is shire meeting night.

Contact me for more information.

Lady Micheila MacCallum, OP

Kim@Gallagherclan.net

Social Media

916-517-7519



### Thor Hyradal returns from the Hunt Shire of Danegeld Tor (Lincoln, CA) September 21, 2013

As the world is round, so turns the wheel of the year.

As you may recall, last summer, Thor Hyradal explored the Polynesian Islands. He returned with pineapple, grass skirts and coconut bras and a wicked sunburn. This year, our Hero went down the Misty mountains, through the rushing glen and has returned from the hunt with a bounty fit for our feast.

Please pack a light lunch and join The Shire of Danegeld Tor in celebrating the return of Thor Hyradal with a full day of classes, discussions, dancing, bardic stories, competitions and feasting. Please watch the social media and privy doors for additional details. Tickets are \$15.00 in advance, \$25.00 at the door. Site opens at 10:00 am and closes at 10:00 pm.

Classes and discussions start at 11:00am, Dancing at 1:30 pm, Bardic at 4:00 pm and beyond.

Feasting and revelry at 5:00 pm.

Site: The Veterans Memorial Hall in Lincoln

Address: 541 5th St, Lincoln, CA 95648 Parking in the back, markets and

shopping near by.

Autocrat: Micheila MacCallum, Head Chef: Angus Manners

Kim@gallagherclan.net. 916-517-7519



Comic by: Vincenzo Saracini



# Prince and Princess Thor Stagge and Eowyn

(Jay and Molly Coughlin) /530-894-1993 royals@cynagua.westkingdom.org

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#### **Greater Officers**

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 $please \ / \ exchequer @cynagua.westkingdom.org$ 

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pm please/rapiermarshal@cynagua.westkingdom.org

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seneschal@cynagua.westkingdom.org

Web Minister: Aeschine Colquhoun (Ginger Fenwick) / 775-359-6485 (No calls

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#### Lesser Officers

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goldkey@cynagua.westkingdom.org

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#### **Bard of Cynagua**

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#### **Groups and Guilds**

Brewers' Guild: Stephen of Burgundy aka Tallon / T crystalweaver@yahoo.com

Camerata Cynaguae: (period music performance, vocal and instrumental); rehearsals every Tuesday, 7:30-9 pm call for location. Contact: Gwenhwyfaer ferch Gwilym (Ginni Morgan) / (916) 799-3515 / ginni.morgan@doj.ca.gov

Camerata website: www.cameratacynaguae.org

Copper Spoon: Ashlean O Gallchobhair (Robin Burrget)/530-415-5365/

burgett\_r@yahoo.com

Culinary Guild: Tashi of Falcons Claw (Debbie Greco) /209-824-0931 no calls after 9:00 PM please/ djgreco2001@yahoo.com (Please put culinary guild in the subject line)

Guild of St. Hildegard (Herbalists): Tashi Falcons Claw (Debbie Greco) / /209-824-0931 no calls after 9:00 PM please / cynaguaherbs@yahoogroups.com

Sable Swan Needleworkers Guild: Micheila MacCallum (Kim Gallagher) / Kim@gallagherclan.net

#### Local Branches

(Note: All Seneschalate changes MUST be approved by the Principality seneschal prior to publication.)

Alpensee, Shire (Carson City and Douglas Co.): Rhiceneth ferch Rosamund (Cyndee Joncas) / 775-720-0664 / alpensee@cynagua.westkingdom.org

Bestwodeshire, Shire (Tehama and Shasta Co.): Cathal MacClay (Terry Shackelford) / 530-528-8832 / bestwodeshire@cynagua.westkingdom.org Meetings – contact Seneschal for time/date/location. Fighter practices are every Thursday at Anderson River Park 7 pm.

Betony Wood, Shire (South Sacramento Co.): (Dormant) Contact Principality Seneschal Bryniaid, Shire (Dormant) (Calaveras & Tuolumne Cos.): Contact Principality Seneschal.

- Canale, Shire (Southern Stanislaus and Merced Cos.): Adam de Lancaster (Bill Yorker)/ 209-634-4034 / canale@cynagua.westkingdom.org
  - Mtg: 2nd Wed, call for location. Fighter Practice call the Seneschal
- Champclair, Shire (Eastern Solano Co.): Theodric of Gyruum (Chris Knight) / 707-422-9202 / champclair@cynagua.westkingdom.org
  - Meeting and practice information, call the seneschal.
- Crystalmist, Shire (Siskiyou & Modoc Cos.): .): Irene Ducasina (Donna Kalayjian) / 530-209-9150/ crystalmist@cynagua.westkingdom.org
  - Meetings are monthly and fighter practice twice a week, times and locations are variable however, contact the Seneschal.
- Dangeld Tor, shire (NE Sacramento and Placer Co) Xotikos the Cretean (L. Scott Collins) / 916-508-2174 danegeldtor@cynagua.westkingdom.org Shire meetings every second Tuesday of the month, 7:30 pm, Carrow's Restaurant 100 North Sunrise Avenue Roseville, CA 95661-2905, on the corner of Sunrise Ave. & Douglas Blvd.
- Desert Guard (Dormant) (Battle Mountain, Elko, & Wells, NV): Contact Principality Seneschal.
- Fendrake Marsh, Shire (Churchill & Lyon Cos. NV) Abrahe Caragoca (Joey Viney) / 775-428-1422 /fendrakemarsh@cynagua.westkingdom.org Mtg: 3rd Saturday; Gathers/Fighter practice 1st Saturday, Fallon
- CoOp/Agricultural Extension office (Churchill Cty Fairgrounds) off of Sheckler Rd 1-3PM
- Fettburg, Barony (San Joaquin and Northern Stanislaus Cos.): Gwenhwyfar ferch Dafydd (Jennifer Neel)/ Cell: 253-720-9718/ fettburg@cynagua.westkingdom.org
- Baron and Baroness: Raven of Drakkenheim (Scott Tibbedeaux) and Brenna Bethan (Becky Tibbedeaux)/ stibby2@yahoo.com
- Meeting: 2nd Wed 7 pm at Manteca Sr. Ctr. Fighter Practice is Mondays, 6:30PM at 609 S. Stockton St., Ripon CA. Archery is by appointment only. www.fettburg.org for activities, practices and events calendar.
- Golden Rivers, Province (Central Sacramento Co.): Moira O'Connor (Carol Whitney) / 916-382-4977 / goldenrivers@cynagua.westkingdom.org Meetings/Fighter Practice: Wed, 6:30-9:30 pm at Howe Park (2201 Howe Ave.) It is at the corner of Howe and Cottage the parking lot to turn into the park is on cottage across from the Home depot.
  - http://www.goldenrivers.org / Equestrian Practices, 3rd Sundays, contact Gwen: equestrian@goldenrivers.org
- Mont d'Or, Shire (Nevada Co.): Fionnghuala of Cynagua (Krista Walton) / 530-559-7874/ Montdor@cynagua.westkingdom.org
- Mountain's Gate, Shire (El Dorado Co.): Michael of the Shire (Michael Saunders)/ 916-420-2459 /www.mountainsgate.org/ Fighter practice contact the seneschal. /Shire meetings every third Thursday see : http://groups.yahoo.com/group/theshireofmountiansgate/
- Rivenoak, Barony (Glenn and Butte Cos.): Chaninai bint Ibrahim ibn Rashid (Kristina

Spurgeon) /510 342-1716 /rivenoak@cynagua.westkingdom.org

Baronial Mailbox: PO Box 2343 / Chico CA 95927

Baroness: Aislynn (Amber Addington)/ 530-403-8989/

rivenoakbaroness@gmail.com

Meetings: 2nd Tues at 7 pm - Flavor Falls: 20th St and Park Ave / Chico. Sunday Fighter Practice, Monday Archery Practice, Arts & Sciences and other activities:

Contact the Baron. Baronial Yahoo Group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/rivenoak/

St. Cassian of Imola, College (dormant) (Sacramento State U): Contact Principality Seneschal.

Silver Desert, Province (Washoe Co.): Daniel de Blare (Daniel Fenwick) / 775-359-6485 no calls after 9 pm please/silverdesert@cynagua.westkingdom.org EQ Contact: Siobhan ni Seaghdha (Dianne Karp) 775-969-3258 / dkarp@hughes.net

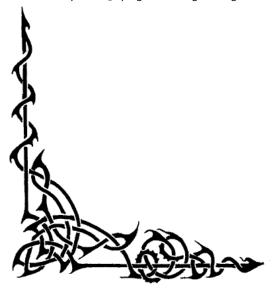
Business Meeting is 2nd Friday at 7 pm, Fighter Practice is Sundays at 1 pm, contact Edward ap Flynt /nedchaney@msn.com/ 775-688-9970 for directions or see website - http://www.silverdesert-sca.org

Thistletorr, Shire (Colusa and Sutter Cos.): Thomas of Foxhaven (Thomas E. Todd) / 530-755-0290 / thistletorr@cynagua.westkingdom.org

A&S Saturdays 10am to 2pm. Fighter practice Sunday 4pm to 6pm. Business meetings/potluck: 2nd Sunday at 5pm Sutter Youth Building

Vakkerfjell, Shire (Yuba Co.): Lleucu Bengam (Jennifer Mervine) / 916-798-6290 /vakkerfjell@cynagua.westkingdom.org /Fighter practice Tuesday 6:30 pm at POW/MIA park, Marysville

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# Good people of Cynagua, we know you have talent! Submit to The Vox!

We know you can draw, we know you can take pictures, we know you can do unnatural things with those pictures in Photoshop. Further, we

know you have writing talent as well. We know there is a long history of bardic excellence in Cynagua and that only skims the surface. Out there, among her people, the skills of the swan lie dormant and now is the time to put those skills into service. If you have songs, poems, drawings, photos or anything else that you think might be of any use to the Chronicler of Cynagua, let her know. Email to: chronicler@cynagua.westkingdom.org. The Vox Cynagua is Cynagua's voice, not just that of her royalty or officers, but that of her people as well. Make your voice heard.

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