



# Midrealm XL



## The Midrealm dreams are Extra Large!

Do you remember your first year in the SCA? Your first garb? Your first camping event? Your first feast? Your first appearance in Royal Court? Does it seem like only yesterday that you were a newbie with bright eyes and an eager smile? Do you remember the eccentric and wonderful people who helped you when you were new?

Now is the time to dust off those memories and bring them to the 40-Year Anniversary of the Middle Kingdom!

On October 3, 2009 at the University of Chicago, the Incipient Barony of Aryeton will host the Midrealm 40-Year Celebration. This will be an event of History and Legend, with special emphasis on our shared culture and the continuity of our customs and traditions.

In the Early Days of our history, there were Heroes who walked among us. We are strongly hoping for attendance by the senior members of the Kingdoms, especially those from the founding days of each Kingdom. This is your chance to renew your acquaintance with your personal role models from your past!

- 1st Decade: 1969-1979. First Midrealm Coronation 1969. Founding of the earliest groups in the Midrealm, including: Tree Girt Sea, Northwoods, Castel Rouge, Cleftlands, Three Rivers, Septemtria.
- 2nd Decade: 1979-1989. First Calontir Coronation 1984.
- 3rd Decade: 1989-1999. First Ealdormere Coronation 1998.
- 4th Decade: 1999-2009. First Northshield Coronation 2004.

The activities will include Displays of Ancient Wonders, Tournaments of Youth and Valor, and Remembrances of the Good Olde Days. We were all beginners once (not so long ago, in some cases!) and we all remain young at heart. Come see what we beginners have accomplished in 40 years! Some examples are:

Royalty and Regalia of Four Kingdoms, Stories of the Pennsic Wars, First Garb Fashion Show, Strange Laws of the Middle Kingdom, Battlefield Songs, Evolution of SCA Armor, Arts and Sciences Masterpieces (and the beginning attempts!), The Great Booke of the Midrelam, Historic T Shirts of the SCA.

In addition, there will be day-long feasting, prepared by several taverns on site. The taverns can serve food all day, meaning that people can eat when and what they want. Or bring your own feast!

On Sunday, the same site will be available for a huge regional fighting practice. Come one, come all!



For further details, see the evolving website at <http://cleftlands.cwru.edu/mk40.html>. Or check the Midrealm Calendar page at <http://www.midrealm.org/calendar/>.

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