

Greetings unto the people of the Middle Kingdom from Lady Finnseach de Locheil, your new Kingdom Web Minister:

If you maintain a website for an officially recognized group: Canton, Shire, Barony, College, Riding or any other designation – including Incipient – I need you to send me a copy of the New/Change of Officer Form. Over time, the Webminister files have slowly disappeared, to the point where they simply do not exist. In filling out the New/Change Officer form, I require that you fill in the right hand side of the page (under “Acting Officer”. Along with your membership number, please include the expiration date of your membership (mm/dd/yyyy). In addition, I require that it also be signed by at least your Seneschal.

This information will be used for warranting purposes. With the changes coming down the line from the Society Webminister’s office, I want to have things started so that the Group websites in this fair Kingdom will be in compliance with the new rules.

In addition to the Group Webministers, I need to have the same information from anyone maintaining a website related to this Kingdom. If you are the maintainer of a website for a Kingdom Officer, for any of the Peerage Orders, any of the non-Peerage orders, squires, protégés, apprentices, etc., I need to have your information on file as well. The only groups of Webministers who are currently exempt are those maintaining websites for households (as Corporate does not recognize households as being “official groups”).

If you are a deputy to a Webminister, I need your information on file as well – for warranting. If you wish to be a Webminister-at-Large, send me the New/Change Officer form, as well as a brief listing of your skills (PHP coding, JavaScript, HTML, XML, graphics, etc.)

I am putting out an initial call now for people who may be interested in becoming Regional Webministers. As this is a new role in the Webminister’s office, I am still working out the details of what will be needed and what the duties will entail.

In the coming months, I hope to have a new Webminister’s reporting application online. The current reporting schedule is on the Webminister’s page off midrealm.org. Please make note of the dates for your reports. Reporting will play an increased role in the warranting process and Webministers who fail to keep up with their reports will stand to loose their warrants.

While the SCA portrays people and culture up to the 17th century, as Webministers, we must keep in mind that we are in the 21st century – with all that entails.

If anyone has any suggestions or comments about the Kingdom’s website, please do not hesitate to contact me at webminister@midrealm.org. I will do my utmost to respond to your questions/concerns in a timely manner.

Your servant,
Lady Finnseach de Locheil
Kingdom WebMinister