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September Tidings

This upcoming weekend is Camlann's final festival of the 2025 summer season, Michelmasse. For people in fourteenth-century England, Michelmasse, the feast of St. Michael the Archangel, was a time of change: harvests were collected, accounts were tallied, and autumn began in earnest. Michelmasse marks an earnest beginning for me as well: last Michelmasse was the first weekend I worked at Camlann, welcoming visitors at the front gate as a volunteer, before I assumed the role of director towards the end of the year. This upcoming festival, then, marks the end of my first "year" at Camlann Medieval Village.



And what a year it has been! I understand from our volunteers and interpreters that this year has been unlike any other. I won't enumerate all of the changes here, but suffice to say that, with a year's worth of experiences under my belt, co-director Kimber Leiker and I are excited to continue some of Camlann's new programming into the winter season, including our elementary school field trip program and our monthly Third Thursday Board Game Night. And keep your eyes on the events calendar for autumn workshops and a potential winter medieval music concert series.

The villagers are also already preparing for the 2025 Yule season. Tickets are going fast! We are excited to invite new performers and musicians to share with you all medieval Christmas entertainment, and we are also continuing our Yuletide "Artisan Spotlight" at the gateshop, which will be open before and after every Yule feast.

I look forward to seeing many of you this weekend at Michelmasse!

Lauren Poyer, PhD
Executive Director

Meet The Camlann Board

Each month we will be featuring one of our hardworking board members. They have volunteered countless hours, offering up their creativity and expertise to further the mission of Camlann Medieval Association.



Lynette Fricke currently serves as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Camlann Medieval Association Board of Directors. She has served on the board for over 30 years, handling most of Camlann's accounting processes.

Lynette interprets the role of Ayla and spends her time in the Bors Hede kitchen, demonstrating hearth cooking and food preparation, while also serving the mid-day meal to visitors who choose to dine with us. She serves the evening meal to restaurant guests and manages our public and private feasts.

Lynette worked as an accountant and taught middle school math and history for 16 years. In her retirement years, she is still working part-time at the Bors Hede and is devoted to seeing the restaurant flourish. **Being able to plant and maintain kitchen herb gardens is a project that would support that goal.**

Donate here to support Camlann Village's development and general operations.

Faires, Feasts, and Gatherings

Michelmasse Festival

Saturday, September 27 @ 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Sunday, September 28 @ 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

\$15/day at the Gate

No advanced ticket required

Michelmasse Feasts

Saturday, September 27 @ 5- 8:00 pm - **SOLD OUT**

Sunday, September 28 @ 5 - 8:00 pm - **SOLD OUT**

All Fall Feasts are sold out!

Purchase \$90 advance tickets for the Yule Feasts.

Village Life Weekends: These will resume in May 2026.

Board Game Nights

Come and join us *the third Thursday of each month* for our **Board Game Night!** Bring yourself, bring your friends, bring a board game or TTRPG, and spend an evening of good cheer in the Bors Hede. Learn and play a medieval game or two with our medieval gamemaster Galfrey, play a historical or medieval-inspired one-off campaign with one of our drop-in DMs, or play a game you bring yourself. Snacks and drinks available for purchase. Free event, recommended \$10 donation. **Registration required; see our Events page for a link!**



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Bors Hede Inne

Relax and enjoy the warmth of the fire, savor a hearty meal, and give yourself over to the music and stories of the minstrels at our fourteenth-century village inne.

Our restaurant is open year-round, Friday and Saturday, with our first seating at 5 PM and our last seating at 7 PM. Reservations are required at least 24 hours beforehand. Schedule them **online** or call 425-788-8624.



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