Interested?

Membership is free. All we ask is that you provide us with your names (modern and SCA), addresses (surface and electronic {if available}), phone (optional), and your research interests. If you have email, we assume that you have net access as well. If not, just let us know and we will send you hard copy of the Newsletter as it appears.

You can detach the Member Form on this flyer or email the information to our coordinator:

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We are the Slavic Interest Group (SIG), an organization devoted to supporting research and activity in the SCA for people interested in the Slavic world, broadly understood to extend from Poland and the Czech Republic to Central Asia, including non-Slavic peoples living in those confines.
Who we are:

The Slavic Interest Group was born at Pennsic XXIV at a class on researching for Slavic personae. The general consensus at the time was that it was a lot harder to do research for Eastern Europe than for Western Europe and that the best thing would be to form a network of people who could share what they had found with others. This, SIG was founded.

From those twenty people at the class, there are now nearly 200 active members from every kingdom and every principality in the Known World, representing 34 states, three provinces, Australia, Germany, Finland, and Austria. It is likely that there are SIG members near you and, if there are not yet, we are pretty certain that there will be soon.

What we do:

Primarily, we share information with each other. Our newsletter Slovo posts queries from members which other members try to answer (or at least contribute what they know). Our on line discussion group (SIG-L) does the same thing (only faster).

You do not need to be an “expert” of any sort. After all, we are a Slavic Interest Group, not a Slavic Expert Group. We have some of the SCA’s leading experts on the area in the Group and we have many more people who are learning. We welcome and encourage everyone to join.

What we host/provide:

- An annotated bibliography of sources in art, costuming, embroidery, culture, history, law, naming practices, geography, women and family and several other categories for medieval Slavica.

- A quarterly newsletter (Slovo) covering news, original research, book reviews, and Slavic miscellanea. Short submissions are always being solicited—contact the SIG coordinator for details.

- Various extended monographs on specialized topics including notes from lectures given by professional historians and an extended Polish time line covering several centuries.

- A member list providing everyone’s research interests and contact information in order to encourage information sharing.

- A web page containing all of the above, as well as knowledge pages containing extensive links to sites devoted solely to medieval Russia and the Slavic world. (http://slavic.freeservers.com)

- An on-line discussion group (SIG-L), details for sign-up available at the SIG Home Page.

- Annual parties and meetings at Pennsic and other major Society events around the Known World.

- Informal subgroups with SIG devoted to specific regional interests, including Kozaks, Kuzari, Hungary, and Poland.