Ravenwood Foundation

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Upcoming Events

August 2nd, 2025 - 3pm - 8pm "Ravenwood at the Frederick County Fair"
Frederick County Fairgrounds
Clear Brook, VA.

August 9th, 2025 - 2pm - 7pm "Meet the Suitor - Aquitaine" Winchester BrewWorks Winchester, VA.

August 30th - 31st, 2025 - 9am - 6pm "Virginia Scottish Festival" Great Meadows The Plains, VA.

Please check our website for more event details!

2025 Ravenwood Faire Dates

October 17th - 19th, 2025
"Ravenwood Faire - Weekend One"
Fundraiser Event
Frederick County Fairgrounds,
Clear Brook, VA

October 23rd, 2025
"Royal Feast"
Fundraiser Event
Frederick County Fairgrounds,
Clear Brook, VA

October 24th - 26th, 2025
"Ravenwood Faire - Weekend Two"
Fundraiser Event
Frederick County Fairgrounds,
Clear Brook, VA

2025 Ravenwood Faire Times

Fridays: 3pm - 9pm Saturdays: 10am - 7pm Sundays: 10am - 5pm

Ravenwood Faire



Ravenwood Faire is the largest fundraiser presented by the Ravenwood Foundation.

Proceeds from this event go towards the Foundation as well as a donation to the Breast Cancer Research Center.

A fun, family friendly, medieval faire located in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley, Ravenwood Faire is a young faire currently gearing up for its 7th season at the Frederick County Fairgrounds in Clear Brook, Virginia. For the third year, the faire will be hosting 2 weekends at the fairgrounds, so there are plenty of days for families and friends to partake in the merriment!

Find yourself entranced by alluring melodies of renowned and local musicians, dance along to ballads of the seas and knightly chivalry, shop amongst the finest wares, and feast on hearty turkey legs while you indulge in the finest of meads brought to you by local meaderies. Bring your favors and join us as we hold our breaths as the bravest of jousters fight for fame, glory, and love.

Come dressed as yourself, or feel free to dress in your favorite period or magical items! Knights, elves, faeries, pirates, princes and princesses are all welcome to join us here at Ravenwood Faire where we offer fun for the whole family!

Stay tuned for the continuation of our storyline!

info@ravenwoodfaire.us

!! RAVENWOOD FAIRE PRE-SALE TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR INFO ON OUR UPCOMING EVENTS AND MORE!

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Ravenwood Foundation was conceived to help our youth (12-17) as young adults through the unique challenges and obstacles these age groups face within the community.

We believe that the key to successfully transitioning from adolescence to adulthood is through family, education, and civic duty.

Ravenwood, along with your support and generosity, will provide communities the opportunity to develop and grow through education, social, and life enriching experiences. To fulfill this mission, Ravenwood aims to provide the venues, skills, services, and scholarships to the community which appeals to and promotes these values.

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Interested in becoming part of the family? Here's who to talk to!

Jill Edlich - Executive Director/Non-Profit Vendors Director -

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Robert Edlich - Director of Operations -

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Stacey Rowe - Food/Alcohol/Services Vendor Director -

foodvendor@ravenwood faire.us

Bobby Moncrief - Volunteer Director -

volunteer@ravenwoodfaire.us

Stephanie Parsell - Entertainment/Encampments Director -

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Martha Louden - Artistic Director -

artisticdirector@ravenwoodfaire.us

Sharon Gant/Deanna Rail - Merchant Vendor Directors -

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What We've Raised Thus Far

Texas Roadhouse "Dine to Donate" - \$156 Alamo Drafthouse "A Knight's Tale" - \$550 Bruster's Real Ice Cream Fundraiser - \$251.05 Panda Express Online Fundraiser - \$105.79 Chipotle Fundraiser - \$104.76

We are very thankful to all who participated either in person or online at each fundraiser event and we hope to see you again in the future! Make sure you check out our upcoming fundraiser events to see how you can support our cause. If you have a business that offers fundraising opportunities, we would love to work with you! Please reach out to us at fundraising@ravenwoodfoundation.org so we can work with you!



Sponsorship Opportunity!

Are you interested in having your business logo featured in our newsletter or on our social medias? Make sure to check out all of our amazing sponsorship opportunities listed on our website. There is something for everyone!

Sponsorship packages located at: www.ravenwoodfoundation.org/sponsorships

Where does your money go?

All sponsorship proceeds go towards implementing our Youth Initiative Program which includes monthly activities for our community's youth, our Youth Camp, as well as towards breast cancer research, as that is a cause that is near and dear to our hearts.

For questions regarding fundraising or sponsorships, please reach out to us at fundraising@ravenwoodfoundation.org



Behind the Scenes



If you've ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes, then here's a sneak peak into what we do aside from events out and about in our community! This past July, we took a brief pause in what has been a busy, eventful year. While we haven't recently come together for any big celebrations or themed gatherings, that doesn't mean the work has slowed down. Our Foundation Board of Directors, Faire Coordination Team, and several dedicated sub-committees have continued working behind the scenes—planning events, developing teen programs, coordinating fundraising efforts, and designing and building sets and props.

Here are a few things we've been working on:

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The Board of Directors and Youth Initiative Committee has been working together to put together an exciting calendar of events for our teen community. Soon, we'll be excited to announce an official calendar of once a month themed activity that teens can attend to learn, make new friends, and have fun! We will be kicking off this calendar with our "*Teen Night*" get together at the Frederick County SPCA on September 25th from 5:30pm - 7:00pm. We will have more information on this particular event posted soon on our social medias and website. Make sure you keep an eye out for our official youth activities calendar!

Ravenwood Faire

The Coordination Team has been working hard to put together this year's faire. From day to day scheduling, volunteer sign ups, booking vendors, set building, and more, we have been plugging away and trying not to think about the fact that Faire is just around the corner!

Set building is officially underway with dates on the calendar. Members of our team will meet together and work with different materials to continue building the medieval set of our dreams.

If you didn't know, our Royal Feast is a separate event from the regular Ravenwood Faire. This is a fundraiser event with tickets purchased separately from that of the faire. In the past, we have held this on a night of faire, but this year we are hosting the feast on Thursday, October 23rd. Planning this event is a detailed and involved process. While we get to enjoy the creative aspects—like selecting the menu and organizing entertainment—we also tackle the more technical elements, including lighting design, sound engineering, seating arrangements, and much more.

Did you know Ravenwood Faire is run by *all* volunteers? We are so thankful for such a dedicated core group of people who graciously donate their free time to do their part in making not only the Foundation and Faire run smoothly. We also aim to provide a more interactive community for our friends, families, and community members.

If you have ever been curious as to how you can be involved, please reach out to us! Our main coordination team is listed at the top of the page. We can't wait to speak with you!

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James Price
Board of Directors - Member
Ravenwood Foundation
Chef of the Kingdom of
Ravenwood
Ravenwood Faire

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Can you tell us a little bit about yourself?

I grew up in New Jersey and was involved in football, theatre and my church's folk group. I am a former high school teacher turned satellite nerd who loves the arts and has a deep desire to give back to the community. I am excited to be involved in the foundation and to help children grow and learn in a safe environment that allows them to be expressive and artistic in their own personal way.

What is your position with Ravenwood Foundation and Faire?

I am both a Board Member with the Foundation, and the Chef of the Kingdom of Ravenwood. I provide meals to our cast and staff, assure that everyone is well hydrated, as well as provide entertainment in the form of song to assist the cast and deepen the ambiance provided by the Faire. (I also do a wicked Swedish Chef impersonation.)

MEET OUR TEAM

How long have you been involved with Ravenwood and how did you get started?

I have been involved with Ravenwood Faire for the past three years. I began my involvement by participating in Grapes of Wrath at our children's tent. I then moved on to become one of our movers and shakers with construction and assisting my wife, Irina, with set dressing.

What are your goals for the future of the Foundation and Faire?

I have a desire to help grow the Foundation to meet its goals of providing affordable, safe, and educational environments for children ages 12 through 17. I recognize that this age group has little in the community that they can be involved in and appreciate that this is a stage in life that children are developing, and solidifying, their path to adulthood. I am honored that I can have an influence on who they become when they move on to raise their own families and have the ability to give back to the community by following the examples set by the Ravenwood Foundation.

What is your favorite memory from Faire?

My favorite memory from faire is sort of a silly one. In my 2nd year of helping with faire, the weather was beautiful with the exception of some heavy winds that were blowing through the fairgrounds one day. I had a fantastic time running around like a chicken with his head cut off trying to make sure that tents didn't blow away or cause injury to anyone. I fondly remember tackling a tent that was cartwheeling along the fairgrounds to make sure it didn't hit anyone/anything.

Have you learned any lessons, or have any key take-aways from your time being involved in the organization?

The biggest lesson I have learned is that I can't do everything myself. Ravenwood is full of many dedicated individuals that love to help. I have learned to ask for help and trust that the excellent group of people will be there to help with anything that needs to get done...even if it is washing 100 sets of silverware after the Royal Feast.

Thank you, Jaymie, for all your hard work and dedication to this dream!



Meet the Suitor

Sir Merrick Wasser
Suitor for the Queen
Barony of Aquitaine

Sir Merrick was born on a coastal island of Aquitaine in a small fishing village. He is the oldest of four children, and since the death of his father at the hands of the cold dark gods of the Western Sea when he was a teenager, he has assumed the role of the father figure to his younger siblings. This acceleration through youth to the responsibilities of adulthood made him a caring and nurturing man, disciplined but kind. He grew into a sensible mind, logically driven, but ultimately utilitarian and pragmatic. Over the years, he learned to be an expert sailor and angler, capable of navigating the open angry sea that stole his father, to the placid headwaters of the streams and rivers of the land he calls home. His travels made him more worldly than others, and he grew into a culture of his own making – one of respect and benevolent kindness, which is rare and even more rare that it comes from a place of pure generosity despite the harsh realities that he witnessed. His kindness should not be mistaken for weakness, however as the years of hard toiling on the sea have weathered his face, tanned his skin, calloused his hands, and made sinews of his muscles. A formidable gentle giant with the soul of a loving protector. A natural leader and suitor.

1. Why do you believe you are the best match for the Queen?

I am a very hard worker, who is not proud. I come from simple beginnings and have toiled to make myself the man I am today. I leave my ego at the door and want only what is best for the citizens of the kingdom. I would respect the Queen and would assist her in making our land a better place for all who live within its boundaries.

2. To win Queen Catherine's hand, what do you think the best way to go about that is? To conquer all others in tournaments for glory, honor, and renown to impress her? To woo her by the ways of courtly love - literature, poetry, and songs that compliment her grace and beauty? Or, do you have your own plan?

As a simple man, I will show the Queen the purity of my heart and soul, and hope that she will see that I am kind, caring, and nurturing – but able to come to her defense and that of the Kingdom should the need arise.

3. What would you sacrifice, and how far would you go, to prove your loyalty and devotion to the crown?

My life has been built on sacrifice. I lost my father to the sea when I was young, and I had to sacrifice my young adult dreams to be the man of the house. Life on the shore was difficult, and required tight belts in lean years where I sacrificed my own food for the sake of my siblings. Sacrifice has strengthened me to who I am, and I look forward to continuing to improve the man I will become.

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Fundraiser Highlights

Wednesday,
August 13th, 2025 - 6pm - 9pm



Pack's Ice Cream Fundraiser

Join us at Pack's Ice Cream on August

13th for some ice cream!

When you mention the Ravenwood Foundation upon checkout, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to our non-profit!

This is nothing extra on you besides mentioning our name!

Only at Pack's located at 105 Full House Dr., Winchester, VA. 22603



Wednesday, September 10th, 2025 - 11am - 9pm



GOURMET BURGERS AND BREWS

Ked Kobin Fundraiser

Join us at Red Robin on September 10th for burgers and brews!

Red Robin will donate 20% of food sales back to Ravenwood Foundation!

When ordering in person, show the fundraiser posted on our Facebook Page or simply mention the fundraiser to your server to have your sale counted.

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1) Start your order at redrobin.com/order and select the restaurant above.
- 2) In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item
 - 3) Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
 - 4) Add your meal items and check out.
- 5 Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

Only at Red Robin located at 110 Merchant St., Winchester, VA.



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Ravenwood Faire 2025 Merchant/Service/Non-Profit/Food Vendor Applications are now live on our website!

Please go to www.ravenwoodfoundation.org and head to the applications tab - click on Ravenwood Faire Application and apply! It's that easy!



We can't wait to be in touch! Please direct any questions to info@ravenwoodfoundation.org RAVENWOOD

We look forward to speaking with you!

Application Deadline is September 1st, 2025!