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To all the College of Arms and all others who may read this missive, from Andrewe Laurel, Lillia Pelican, and Brunissende Wreath, greetings.

Items listed below in square brackets have not been scheduled yet. For information about future scheduling, please review the status table located on the Web at http://oscar.sca.org/index.php?action=137.

The May Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, May 3, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, May 10, 2015. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: Ansteorra Other Letter (23 Nov, 2014) (pushed per Feb CL), Ansteorra Other Letter (23 Jan, 2015) (pushed per Feb CL), Ansteorra Other Letter (04 Feb, 2015), Laurel LoPaD (15 Feb, 2015), Northshield (15 Feb, 2015), East (16 Feb, 2015), Middle (18 Feb, 2015), Atenveldt (21 Feb, 2015), Calontir (21 Feb, 2015), Atlantia (22 Feb, 2015), Ealdormere (22 Feb, 2015), Ansteorra (23 Feb, 2015), Artemisia (27 Feb, 2015), Æthelmearc (28 Feb, 2015), An Tir (28 Feb, 2015), Ansteorra Other Letter (28 Feb, 2015), Caid (28 Feb, 2015), Drachenwald (28 Feb, 2015), Meridies (28 Feb, 2015), Outlands (28 Feb, 2015), and Trimaris (28 Feb, 2015). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Thursday, April 30, 2015.

The June Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, June 7, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, June 14, 2015, with additional decisions to be made at the Laurel Roadshow on Sunday, June 28, 2015. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: Lochac (14 Mar, 2015), Northshield (15 Mar, 2015), Outlands (17 Mar, 2015), Middle (20 Mar, 2015), East (22 Mar, 2015), An Tir (23 Mar, 2015), West (25 Mar, 2015), Ealdormere (26 Mar, 2015), Atenveldt (30 Mar, 2015), Calontir (30 Mar, 2015), Æthelmearc (31 Mar, 2015), An Tir (31 Mar, 2015), Ansteorra (31 Mar, 2015), Artemisia (31 Mar, 2015), Atlantia (31 Mar, 2015), Caid (31 Mar, 2015), Drachenwald (31 Mar, 2015), Gleann Abhann (31 Mar, 2015), and Meridies (31 Mar, 2015). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Sunday, May 31, 2015.

The July Laurel decisions will be made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, July 12, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Saturday, July 18, 2015. These meetings will consider the following letters of intent: Gleann Abhann (02 Apr, 2015), Laurel LoPaD (06 Apr, 2015), East (07 Apr, 2015), Laurel LoPaD (07 Apr, 2015), Artemisia Other Letter (17 Apr, 2015), Laurel LoPaD (23 Apr, 2015), Ealdormere (24 Apr, 2015), Atenveldt (25 Apr, 2015), Middle (26 Apr, 2015), Northshield (26 Apr, 2015), Meridies Other Letter (28 Apr, 2015), Outlands (28 Apr, 2015), Atlantia (29 Apr, 2015), Caid (29 Apr, 2015), An Tir (30 Apr, 2015), Artemisia (30 Apr, 2015), Avacal (30 Apr, 2015), Lochac (30 Apr, 2015), Meridies (30 Apr, 2015), and Trimaris (30 Apr, 2015). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should be entered into OSCAR by Tuesday, June 30, 2015.

The August Laurel decisions will be made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, August 16, 2015 + Roadshow Tuesday, August 4, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, August 23, 2015 + Roadshow Tuesday, August 4, 2015. These meetings will consider the following letters of intent: Ansteorra (03 May, 2015), [Laurel LoPaD (10 May, 2015)], [East (13 May, 2015)], [Atenveldt (15 May, 2015)], [Æthelmearc (17 May, 2015)], [Middle (18 May, 2015)], Northshield (20 May, 2015), [West (21 May, 2015)], [Ealdormere (24 May, 2015)], [Avacal (30 May, 2015)], [Lochac (30 May, 2015)], [Outlands (30 May, 2015)], [An Tir (31 May, 2015)], [Artemisia (31 May, 2015)], Atlantia (31 May, 2015), [Caid (31 May, 2015)], [Calontir (31 May, 2015)], and [Meridies (31 May, 2015)]. All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should be entered into OSCAR by Friday, July 31, 2015.

Not all letters of intent may be considered when they are originally scheduled on this cover letter. The date of posting of the LoI, date of receipt of the Laurel packet, or other factors may delay consideration of certain letters of intent. Additionally, some letters of intent received may not have been scheduled because the

administrative requirements (receipt of the forms packet, receipt of the necessary fees, et cetera) have not yet been met.

REMINDER: Until all administrative requirements are met, the letter may not be scheduled.

From Wreath: Of Polypus' and Calamarie's Tentacles

A precedent from 2012 states:

The tentacles of a polypus should be to base, not both to base and to chief, as we grant difference for tentacles to base, as with a polypus, versus tentacles to chief, as with a calamarie. [James Bacon, 12/12, R-West]

This precedent seems to be occasionally misinterpreted as meaning that a correct depiction would have the tentacles pointing towards the base for a polypus and towards the chief for a calamarie. This is incorrect. The intent is to render the orientation unambiguous and thus the tentacles should be arranged in both cases around the section of the cephalopod that is opposite the head, with less than half going over the midsection and none going further than the head itself.

From Wreath: No More Billets with Complex Lines

Due to lack of documentation and identifiability issues, billets with complex lines will not be registered after the November 2015 decision meeting without evidence of period practice.

From Pelican: Proposed Changes to Scandinavian Alternate Titles

Starting late last year, Orle Herald proposed changes to Table 4 of the list of alternate titles (http://heraldry.sca.org/titles.html#table4). The proposal was split into four Ansteorran Letters of Intent dated November 23, January 23, February 4, and February 28, all of which were considered at the May 2015 Pelican decision meeting. The full list of changes is at

http://www.vikinganswerlady.com/Stars/Titles/Scandinavian_Titles.htm.

Due to the lack of commentary on this proposal, additional time to write the decisions is needed. Any resulting changes to the Alternate Titles list will be discussed in the August Cover Letter. If anyone has further comments pertaining to this proposal, please send them directly to Pelican (pelican@heraldry.sca.org) no later than August 1, 2015 in order to meet the publishing deadlines.

Society Pages

On May 30, 2015, Thomas de Castellan, Treblerose Herald and a former Brigantia Principal Herald, was elevated to the Order of Defense by their Majesties Darius and Etheldreda, at their Southern Region War Camp.

On June 6, 2015, Ása in svarta, former Blue Tyger Herald, was elevated to the Order of the Laurel by their Majesties Darius and Etheldreda, at Iron Bog's investiture. She was also inducted in the order of the Silver Crescent, which is the East Kingdom's order of high merit for service.

Send What to Whom

Letters of Intent, Comment, Response, Correction, et cetera are to be posted to the OSCAR online system. No paper copies need be sent. All submission forms plus documentation, including petitions, must be posted to the OSCAR online system. While black-and-white emblazons must be included in the Letter of Intent, only colored armory forms need to be posted in the forms area.

Cheques or money orders for submissions, payable to "SCA Inc.-College of Arms" are to be sent to David Duggar, 1705 Holiday Place, Bossier City, LA 71112.

Send roster changes and corrections to Laurel. College of Arms members may also request a copy of the current roster from Laurel.

For a paper copy of a LoAR, please contact Laurel, at the address above. The cost for one LoAR is \$3. Please make all checks or money orders payable to "SCA Inc.-College of Arms". The electronic copy of the LoAR is available free of charge. To subscribe to the mailings of the electronic copy, please see the bottom of http://heraldry.sca.org/heraldry/lists.html#lists for more instructions.

For all administrative matters, please contact Laurel.

Pray know that I remain,

In service,

Andrewe Bawldwyn Laurel Principal King of Arms