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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 June Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, June 7, 2015 + Roadshow Sunday, June 28, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, June 14, 2015 + Roadshow 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), Meridies (31 Mar, 2015). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Sunday, May 31, 2015.

The July Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, July 12, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Saturday, July 18, 2015. These meetings considered 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), 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), Trimaris (30 Apr, 2015). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been 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), Meridies (31 May, 2015). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Friday, July 31, 2015.

The September Laurel decisions will be made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, September 13, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, September 20, 2015. These meetings will consider the following letters of intent: Laurel LoPaD (23 Apr, 2015), Laurel LoPaD (09 Jun, 2015), East (10 Jun, 2015), [Gleann Abhann (22 Jun, 2015)], Outlands (22 Jun, 2015), [Calontir (23 Jun, 2015)], [Gleann Abhann (23 Jun, 2015)], Atlantia (24 Jun, 2015), [Gleann Abhann (24 Jun, 2015)], Middle (24 Jun, 2015), Lochac (27 Jun, 2015), An Tir (29 Jun, 2015), Caid (29 Jun, 2015), Laurel LoPaD (29 Jun, 2015), Northshield (29 Jun, 2015), Ansteorra (30 Jun, 2015), Artemisia (30 Jun, 2015), Atenveldt (30 Jun, 2015), Avacal (30 Jun, 2015), [Drachenwald (30 Jun, 2015)], Ealdormere (30 Jun, 2015), Meridies (30 Jun, 2015), Trimaris (30 Jun, 2015). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should be entered into OSCAR by Monday, August 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 Laurel: Sad News

We are saddened to report the passing of two heralds on this letter. Tyr von Wolfsburg, Wimble Herald of the Outlands, and Helmut zu Julich, formerly Troichenses Pursuivant of Drachenwald and founding Baron of Barony of Drei Eichen. Both of these individuals have made substantial contributions to Heraldry in their Kingdoms and the Society, and will be greatly missed.

From Laurel: Herald Extraordinary

At KWHSS, in the Court of Her Majesty Lydr, Queen of Ealdormere, Andrewe Laurel elevated Mistress Shauna of Carrick Point, former Laurel and current Archivist, to the rank of Herald Extraordinary, and charged her to present a title before the College for registration.

From Laurel: KWHSS 2016

At KWHSS, it was announced that KWHSS 2016 will be hosted by the Kingdom of Artemisia, in the Barony of Loch Salann, (modernly Salt Lake City, UT) on the 28-30th of April 2016.

From Laurel: Crowns for Pelican and Wreath

At KWHSS this year, the lack of crowns for Wreath & Pelican was again discussed. Given that the 50th year celebration is coming up, most felt it would be amazing to have crowns available for Wreath & Pelican at this event.

The College of Arms cannot afford to fund crowns for Wreath & Pelican. Cormac Decrescent has graciously agreed to lead a fundraising effort. If you are interested in helping out in any way, please contact Cormac at scacormac@gmail.com.

From Pelican: Legal Name Attestation

Lately, we have had a number of submissions using the legal name allowance, but where neither a copy of the legal documentation (e.g., driver's license) nor a proper attestation has been provided. In at least one case, the submitter provided a photocopy of a driver's license, which was mentioned in the Letter of Intent as being available, but it was not included in the packet.

The July 2012 Cover Letter states:

This month questions were asked about how heralds may attest that they have seen legal identification for the legal name allowance. Let me begin by saying that for most submissions, we expect photocopies of the submitter's identification. Attestation should be used only at locations where photocopies cannot be easily made (like camping events) or where making photocopies is prohibited by law.

Where photocopies cannot easily be made, heralds may attest that they have seen the identification. Such attestation must include the following: the type of identification, the complete name exactly as it appears on the identification (for example noting that the name is rendered completely in capital letters), the names and titles of two heralds who have seen the identification (herald/pursuivant at large is a title), and the signature or initials of those heralds. If signatures cannot be obtained, the herald may confirm that he or she has seen the documentation in commentary (internal or external - in the case of internal commentary the Letter of Intent should note that it was confirmed). At a local event where only a single herald is available, another officer (seneschal, for example) can serve as a second witness. An attestation that fails this standard will not be considered adequate documentation for a name element that depends on the legal name allowance.

This has not changed. In most cases, we have been able to document the legal names in question to period, but in others the legal name allowance is the only way to register a name submission. Without meeting our standards for using the legal name allowance, these submissions are at risk of being returned or having the problematic element dropped if it cannot be independently documented.

As a reminder to all submissions heralds, if a copy of the legal documentation is uploaded in the packet, please ensure that it is marked private.

From Wreath: On Hats

Two submissions this month proposed to register hats. Because hats have always shown a huge variety of shapes and size, we cannot define a "generic" standard hat. All registerable hats need to be clearly defined so as to be reproducible from the blazon.

Society Pages

On April 11, 2015, Taran the Wayward, Candle Pursuivant, was awarded the Order of the Burning Trumpet of Meridies for his heraldic service.

On June 6, 2015, Adelaide d'Montagne de Fer was awarded the Order of the Bough of Meridies. The Order of the Bough is the highest kingdom-level service award in Meridies.

On June 21, 2015, Clemens Gascoigne and Dante Caldiera, both heralds in the Kingdom of Lochac, were married in the Barony of Stormhold. Congratulations!

On July 4, 2015, at the Ansteorran Heraldic and Scribal Symposium, Sara Star Principal Herald elevated Tostig Logiosophia, former Star Principal Herald, to the rank of Herald Extraordinary.

Please send information about happenings to major heralds and major happenings to all heralds to Laurel, so that it can be published here.

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