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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 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 were 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 considered 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), 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), Ealdormere (30 Jun, 2015), Meridies (30 Jun, 2015), Trimaris (30 Jun, 2015). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Monday, August 31, 2015.**

The October Laurel decisions will be made at the Pelican and Wreath meetings held in October 2015. These meetings will consider the following letters of intent: Drachenwald (30 Jun, 2015) (pushed due to lack of packet), Æthelmearc (05 Jul, 2015), West (14 Jul, 2015), Middle (21 Jul, 2015), Æthelmearc (22 Jul, 2015), Ealdormere (28 Jul, 2015), East (28 Jul, 2015), Outlands (28 Jul, 2015), Atenveldt (30 Jul, 2015), Atlantia (30 Jul, 2015), Caid (30 Jul, 2015), Northshield (30 Jul, 2015), An Tir LoItP (31 Jul, 2015), Ansteorra (31 Jul, 2015), Artemisia (31 Jul, 2015), Avacal (31 Jul, 2015), Calontir (31 Jul, 2015), Lochac (31 Jul, 2015), Meridies (31 Jul, 2015). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should be entered into OSCAR by Wednesday, September 30, 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: New College of Arms Exchequer**

We are pleased to announce that Mistress Genevieve Marie Etienne de Montagne, of An Tir, will be filling the position of College of Arms Exchequer. Etienne was most previously the Kingdom Exchequer of An Tir, and has great experience to draw on for her time as the CoA Exchequer. The "Send What to Whom" section has been updated for financial mailings, as has the [exchequer@heraldry.sca.org](mailto:exchequer@heraldry.sca.org) email address.

### **From Laurel: Thanks be to Rory!**

We would like to offer our thanks to Master Rory ua Riada for his second time service as the College of Arms Exchequer. Master Rory has been invaluable in keeping the College of Arms functioning smoothly. We offer our well wishes and thanks for his service.

### **From Laurel: Forms of Address**

At the July meeting of the Board of Directors, Laurel requested the Board uphold a policy interpretation regarding Laurel approval of forms of address. The Board chose not to uphold Laurel regulation of forms of address, instead relegating those decisions to individual kingdoms.

### **From Wreath: The Grapes of Wreath**

The question has come up recently and although this should appear shortly in the new and improved Glossary of Terms, grapes proper are defined as grapes purple. If they are slipped (and leaved) that portion is vert.

### **From Wreath: No more valknuts inverted**

The valknut is a period artistic motif which was not used in period heraldry. Its use carries a step from period practice. Because valknuts are not period heraldic charges, there is no documented pattern of inverting them. Thus, barring period evidence, inverted valknuts will not be registerable after the December 2015 meeting.

### **From Pelican: Real-world heraldic titles**

This month, we pended a heraldic title to allow discussion of whether it presumed upon a real-world title that had been used by a herald who served the King of Castille in 1423. Under current precedent, we protect all heraldic titles that were used by heralds in service to kings and similar nobles in a more than incidental way. This includes a large number of titles that are not well known or historically important as well as important titles. We are therefore asking for additional discussion about which historical titles are worthy of protection. In particular, we ask consideration of the question of whether all heraldic titles that were used by royal appointees should be protected, or whether only the very prominent titles deserve this protection. If the latter, how should we characterize the prominence? Some titles are important because of the importance of the position, like Garter and Montjoy. Others are important because a herald who held that title wrote a book, like Gelre. Others are important because they are still in use, like Bluemantle.

### **Society Pages**

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 Stephanie Ray-Solum, Blue Bug Bookkeeping, 2144 Westlake Ave. North Suite F, Seattle, WA 98109.

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