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To all the College of Arms and all others who may read this missive, from Andrewe Laurel, Alys 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 January Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, January 15, 2017 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, January 22, 2017. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: Gleann Abhann (04 Oct, 2016), Ansteorra (13 Oct, 2016), Ansteorra (14 Oct, 2016), Ansteorra (19 Oct, 2016), Atenveldt (25 Oct, 2016), Artemisia (26 Oct, 2016), Ealdormere (26 Oct, 2016), Laurel LoPaD (28 Oct, 2016), Lochac (28 Oct, 2016), Outlands (28 Oct, 2016), Middle (29 Oct, 2016), An Tir (31 Oct, 2016), Atlantia (31 Oct, 2016), Avacal (31 Oct, 2016), Caid (31 Oct, 2016), Calontir (31 Oct, 2016), Drachenwald (31 Oct, 2016), East (31 Oct, 2016), Meridies (31 Oct, 2016), and Northshield (31 Oct, 2016). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been be entered into OSCAR by Saturday, December 31, 2016.

The February Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, February 19, 2017 and the Wreath meeting held on Saturday, February 18, 2017 and Sunday, February 26, 2017. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: West (16 Nov, 2016), Ansteorra (25 Nov, 2016), Ealdormere (27 Nov, 2016), Laurel LoPaD (27 Nov, 2016), Atlantia (29 Nov, 2016), Middle (29 Nov, 2016), Outlands (29 Nov, 2016), Æthelmearc (30 Nov, 2016), An Tir (30 Nov, 2016), Avacal (30 Nov, 2016), Caid (30 Nov, 2016), Calontir (30 Nov, 2016), Drachenwald (30 Nov, 2016), East (30 Nov, 2016), Lochac (30 Nov, 2016), Meridies (30 Nov, 2016), Middle (30 Nov, 2016), Northshield (30 Nov, 2016), and Trimaris (30 Nov, 2016). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Tuesday, January 31, 2017.

The March Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, March 12, 2017 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, March 12, 2017 and Sunday, March 19, 2017. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: Atenveldt (30 Nov, 2016) (pushed due to late packet upload), Gleann Abhann (01 Dec, 2016), Æthelmearc (05 Dec, 2016), Palimpsest Rules Letter (16 Oct, 2016), Palimpsest Rules Letter (11 Dec, 2016), Æthelmearc (18 Dec, 2016), Atenveldt (25 Dec, 2016), Artemisia (26 Dec, 2016), Ealdormere (26 Dec, 2016), Atlantia (27 Dec, 2016), Northshield (27 Dec, 2016), Northshield (28 Dec, 2016), Outlands (28 Dec, 2016), Atlantia (30 Dec, 2016), An Tir (31 Dec, 2016), Avacal (31 Dec, 2016), Caid (31 Dec, 2016), Drachenwald (31 Dec, 2016), East (31 Dec, 2016), Lochac (31 Dec, 2016), and Meridies (31 Dec, 2016). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Tuesday, February 28, 2017.

The April Laurel decisions will be made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, April 9, 2017 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, April 16, 2017 and Sunday, April 23, 2017. These meetings will consider the following letters of intent: Calontir (02 Jan, 2017), Laurel LoPaD (09 Jan, 2017), West (13 Jan, 2017), West (13 Jan, 2017), Outlands (23 Jan, 2017), Atenveldt (26 Jan, 2017), Ealdormere (29 Jan, 2017), Artemisia (30 Jan, 2017), Laurel LoPaD (30 Jan, 2017), An Tir (31 Jan, 2017), Ansteorra (31 Jan, 2017), Atlantia (31 Jan, 2017), Avacal (31 Jan, 2017), Caid (31 Jan, 2017), Calontir (31 Jan, 2017), Drachenwald (31 Jan, 2017), East (31 Jan, 2017), Lochac (31 Jan, 2017), Meridies (31 Jan, 2017), Northshield (31 Jan, 2017), and Trimaris (31 Jan, 2017). All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should be entered into OSCAR by Friday, March 31, 2017.

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: Updated Position Opening

Mea Culpa - The previous position opening went out in an inaccurate fashion. The below announcement is corrected in both the timeline and the disposition for applications. Please accept my apologies, and I look forward to reading your applications, as does the Board.

The Laurel Principal Sovereign of Arms (Laurel) is the principal heraldic officer of the Society and the head of the College of Arms. Laurel is responsible for fostering the study and practice of heraldry, supervising the processing of submissions, and overseeing the heraldic activities of the Known World. Laurel is an unpaid position, currently requiring approximately 20 hours a week.

The position requires considerable tact and patience, armory and onomastic knowledge, supervisory ability, the ability to work within tight deadlines and coordinate closely with Wreath Sovereign of Arms, Pelican Sovereign of Arms, and other staff to produce a monthly Laurel Letter of Acceptance and Return, computer literacy and word processing skills, reliable e-mail and telephone access, and time and ability to travel.

Resumes must be sent in both hard copy to:

Laurel Resume, SCA Inc., Box 360789, Milpitas CA 95036

and electronically to resumes@sca.org and bids@heraldry.sca.org. Resumes must be received by July 31, 2017.

The present Laurel's warrant expires in September 2017. Once the application period closes, the names of the candidates will be posted in a cover letter for the review of the College and submission of comments to the Board.

## From Laurel King of Arms: Sign Herald Deputy Applications Sought

In order to encourage and promote the use and equality of Sign/Silent Heraldry at all courts and events in which the entire populace attends, and to assist the sign/silent heralds in their dealings with the Crown, the Silent Heraldry Deputy of Laurel Sovereign of Arms coordinates efforts and communication throughout the SCA. Sign/Silent Heralds in the Society are heralds who express auditory information into visual and/or tactile information used by deaf and hard-of-hearing people.

This deputy is tasked with the following duties, plus other such tasks as assigned by Laurel:

- Working with Kingdoms to improve the organization of sign heraldry and its integration with other court and event heralds.
- Working with Kingdoms and Laurel to improve education regarding sign heraldry, both for sign heralds themselves and the general populace.
- Acting as a resource for sign herald programs.
- Preparing quarterly reports to Laurel on the status of such programs.

Please email your resume (SCA and modern if appropriate) as well as a short description of your experience related to this job to Laurel at laurel@heraldry.sca.org. The application period ends on May 31, 2017.

## **Society Pages**

On January 7, 2017 at Nordskogen's Twelfth Night, Christoforo Alfonso Pallavincino da Firenze (called Foro), scribe and herald in Northshield, was placed on vigil for the Laurel by Hrodir Bek and Yehudah Khagan, Rulers

of Northshield in recognition of his work in calligraphy, illumination, and Japanese translation and culture. He will be elevated at a future event.

On March 11, 2017, Brían dorcha ua Conaill, most recently Rocket Herald, and his lady, Miriam bat Shimeon, were invested as Baron and Baroness of Stormhold in the Kingdom of Lochac.

On the same day, Brían was also given a Writ to answer whether he would accept induction into the Order of the Laurel. More details and a planned elevation date forthcoming.

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