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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 February Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, February 15, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Saturday, February 21, 2015. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: Atenveldt (20 Oct, 2014) (pushed due to no upload), Gleann Abhann (03 Nov, 2014), Laurel LoPaD (05 Nov, 2014), East (13 Nov, 2014), Northshield (13 Nov, 2014), Drachenwald (26 Nov, 2014), Ealdormere (26 Nov, 2014), Middle (26 Nov, 2014), West (26 Nov, 2014), Atlantia (28 Nov, 2014), Caid (28 Nov, 2014), Æthelmearc (30 Nov, 2014), An Tir (30 Nov, 2014), Ansteorra (30 Nov, 2014), Artemisia (30 Nov, 2014), Atenveldt (30 Nov, 2014), Lochac (30 Nov, 2014), Meridies (30 Nov, 2014), Outlands (30 Nov, 2014), and Trimaris (30 Nov, 2014). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Saturday, January 31, 2015.**

The March Laurel decisions were made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, March 15, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, March 22, 2015. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: Gleann Abhann (10 Dec, 2014), Laurel LoPaD (14 Dec, 2014), Northshield (14 Dec, 2014), East (16 Dec, 2014), Middle (20 Dec, 2014), Calontir (21 Dec, 2014), Outlands (26 Dec, 2014), Atlantia (27 Dec, 2014), Ealdormere (29 Dec, 2014), Atenveldt (30 Dec, 2014), Æthelmearc (31 Dec, 2014), An Tir (31 Dec, 2014), Ansteorra (31 Dec, 2014), Artemisia (31 Dec, 2014), Caid (31 Dec, 2014), Drachenwald (31 Dec, 2014), and Meridies (31 Dec, 2014). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Saturday, February 28, 2015.**

The April Laurel decisions will be made at the Pelican meeting held on Sunday, April 12, 2015 + Roadshow Saturday, April 18, 2015 and the Wreath meeting held on Sunday, April 26, 2015 + Roadshow Saturday, April 18, 2015. These meetings considered the following letters of intent: East (08 Jan, 2015), West (08 Jan, 2015), Northshield (13 Jan, 2015), Laurel LoPaD (15 Jan, 2015), Gleann Abhann (19 Jan, 2015), Ealdormere (21 Jan, 2015), Outlands (23 Jan, 2015), Calontir (25 Jan, 2015), Atenveldt (27 Jan, 2015), Atlantia (28 Jan, 2015), Middle (28 Jan, 2015), Trimaris (30 Jan, 2015), An Tir (31 Jan, 2015), An Tir (31 Jan, 2015), Ansteorra (31 Jan, 2015), Artemisia (31 Jan, 2015), Drachenwald (31 Jan, 2015), Meridies (31 Jan, 2015), and Laurel (02 Feb, 2015). **All commentary, responses, and rebuttals should have been entered into OSCAR by Tuesday, March 31, 2015.**

The May Laurel decisions will be 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 due to delayed decision per Feb CL), Ansteorra Other Letter (23 Jan, 2015) (pushed due to delayed decision 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), 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 be entered into OSCAR by Thursday, April 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 Pelican: An Apology

In the discussion for the December 2014 acceptance of Akos Zekel's name, I completely botched Kolosvari Arpadne Julia's name. I apologize for the error.

From Pelican: English-German Lingual Mixes

In September 2014, we asked for commentary on whether to allow German and English to be mixed, adding them to Appendix C of SENA.

SENA PN2C2c states:

The name mixes name phrases from naming pools that can be documented as having been used together in the personal names of real people; for such combinations, the name phrases must be within 300 years of one another (and within 300 years of the documented examples). For such documentation, at least three period examples must be included in which the names can only be understood as combining from separate naming pools. The borrowing of names from one naming pool into another is not sufficient to demonstrate this, nor is the translation of names into another language.

Commenters provided examples that appeared to show some borrowing of German given names in late period England and vice versa. However, these examples do not provide clear evidence that separate naming pools and naming practices have been combined. Several of these names are saint's names, or were borrowed from classical literature or the Bible, and were excluded from the analysis of the data. Other examples are popular across Europe in our period, so it is hard to tell if they are coming exclusively from German or English.

In addition, we see the borrowing of given names, but not bynames. This can be shown in the marriage records provided in commentary. Both the brides and grooms have bynames from the same language, such as when *Ludwig Tilbrok* married *Mary Archer* in England, or when *Andrew Weber* married *Margretha Von Leiningen* (the daughter of a *Johan Jochem Von Leiningen*). We did not find evidence of English people borrowing German bynames, or vice versa.

Lastly, allowing this lingual mix means that its use would not be limited to Early Modern English and High German. We would also have to allow the combination of Middle English, Anglicized Irish, Welsh, or Scots with Low or High German from 1100 on. None of the examples presented in commentary showed how far these name patterns extended into the other languages, or that they appeared prior to the 16th century.

Therefore, we will not add the English-German lingual mix to Appendix C of SENA. However, we will allow the borrowing of given names from German into English and vice versa, in the context of the 16th and early 17th centuries. An English given name that is borrowed from German is considered to be English under Appendix C, and a German given name that is borrowed from English is considered to be German.

From Pelican: Proposed Changes to the Restricted Titles List - Scandinavian Titles

Orle collected information on period titles in Scandinavia for the purpose of making changes to the Restricted Titles List. The first of four Letters of Intent related to this proposal was due to be considered at this month's Pelican decision meeting. However, we will address all of them at the same time, at the May 2015 meeting, instead of considering each Letter of Intent separately. These items have been pushed in OSCAR to allow commentary to continue until the end of April.

From Wreath: No More Stone Hammers

This month a submission was examined that used stone throwing hammers. As we could not find any evidence that these were an artefact used within our period, this type of hammers will not be registerable, without documentation, after the August 2015 meeting.

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 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.

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Pray know that I remain,

In service,

Andrewe Bawldwyn
Laurel Principal King of Arms