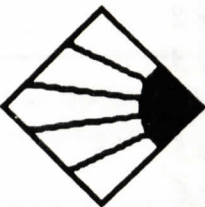
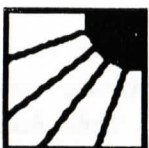


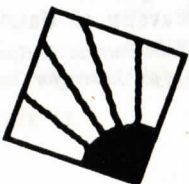
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Great Outpourings of Thanks and Gratitude come the way of the Good Gentiles that helped at Renfaire.

The coffers of Vatavia are much enriched by the efforts of the Good People that helped at Renfaire. The Kansas Newman autocrat, Heather, thought everything in our area went very well, and wished to thank everyone who helped load hay bales on Sunday. No one had been informed the bales would need to be loaded that evening; sending them home dry saved Newman money.

I would like to thank the people who made Renfaire go so smoothly: Lady Alexandria --who saw to it that our Knights got bashed.

Lord Throttmar--who kept the fighting hordes in line.

Lady Eliane--That dancing fool

Lady Eleanor--who yelled louder than anyone!

Lady Phillipa--that authenticity maven.

Lady Rhiawen--who kept both the camp and Duke Sir Gabriel secure at night.

Lady Maeve--who was charged with reducing stock and increasing coins.

Lady Katriona--who keeps the paperwork in order like no other.

Last, but not Least--

Lord Thomas--who kept everyone from shooting each other!

Thank you to Lady Lelia who made hundreds (it seemed like it) of hair wreaths. Lord Eric who made millions of rings for chain mail kits. And the entire sword factory (did you know that we are now a multi-state enterprise) that Ala and her whip kept going. Sean--thank you for manufacturing yet another wall!! (Have you ever thought of contracting work?) Ala, who demonstrated how back breaking period weaving was; Gracie who demonstrated the fine art of "being cute".

Thank you everyone who helped set-up, take down, sell, constable demonstrate, color, write,. show beasties, etc.

Brialen

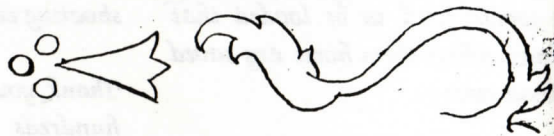
Unto Their Excellencies and Their Noble Populace of Vatavia; from the Populace of Winsael represented by Lord Weland Healf-Dene, Greetings!

Your service to us on May 15 is a debt that we can not pay. May those who ventured into western Calontir have harvests that fill their tables with the whitest bread and most pleasing drink. If ever you require our services, the road left by the Romans will be insufficient to carry our pleasure of aiding you.

We would also like to right a wrong from well nigh six months ago. Lord Lawrence Tallifer the Leach and Lady Philipa Lloyd de Tarifa journeyed to aid our festival on their splendid mounts. The pageantry would have been greatly dimmed had they not come. We have never publicly thanked them and hope that this rude taint of our honor be removed from our hearts.

With Gratitude

Lord Weland Healf-Dene



*From the Chronicler of the Barony of Vatavia
--Lady Diedre ni corc O'Bierne*

It is with great pride that I wish to announce that H.L. Rhianwen ferch Bran ap Gruffydd has agreed to accept the position of 'Deputy Chronicler', she brings a great deal of experience with her, but most importantly another set of hands and eyes. The two of us have worked out a system that worked well in getting this newsletter to you, we hope to continue and are excited about ideas that we will work to bring to you in the near future.

A month lead time is required to have enough time to collect, research, edit type paste-up, print, collate, staple and mail the newsletter to you.. Therefore at our May officers meeting it was agreed that the newsletter deadlines will be officers meeting each month for the following month, i.e. June 2, 1994 will be the deadline for submissions for the July Newsletter; Deadline for the August Dragonfly will be the July officers meeting.

From the Caltrop

Greetings to Their Excellencies and all the Good Gentles of Vatavia.

I just wanted to extend my heartfelt thanks to those individuals who offered heraldic assistance during Renfaire. It was our best year ever, and it could not have been done without you. Pat yourselves on the back, you deserve it. To the autocrat - thanks for supporting the heralds, we love to show the public what we can do.

MSTR/BRN Christopher Amber
BRN Gawyne ap Tristam
HL Lawrence Talifer the Leech
HL Marie Chantel Delaire
HL Rhianwen ferch Bran ap Gruffydd
HL Annys de Vernun of Kettering
LY Brunhilde of Artesia
LY Gabhainn MacDhomiall
Milady Messia of Westumbria

In service,

Eleanor ferch Rhiwallon
Caltrop Pursuivant

From the Retiring Marshal

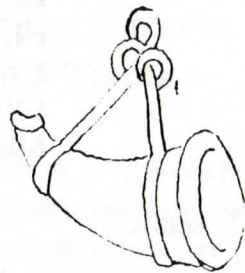
Greetings from Magnus O'Carr, retiring Marshal, unto the Barony of Vatavia.

Well, the past two years have been great. I would like to thank you all, the fighters especially, for your support during the last two years. You made a what can be a tough job extremely rewarding.

I want to give my full support to Throttmar as the incoming Marshal. His enthusiasm is great, and I have confidence in his ability and his talents. Please show him the kindness and support you have shown me.

By the way, I'm still around if there's anything you need me for. To Throttmar: TAG! You're It!

Magnus



Calendar of Events

June 15 Populace--North Linwood Park 7:00 P.M.

From the Deputy Chronicler

I thought I would introduce myself, seeing as how I am going to be the person begging you to submit articles to the Dragonflyer. My name is Rhianwen ferch Bran ap Gruffydd, and I've been in the SCA for around seven or eight years, I guess. My main interests are fighting, tent-making, and camping, although I do a little embroidery, costuming, leatherworking, cooking, and a smattering of other things. I was the Chronicler for the Shire of the Standing Stones for about three years, and I was their Seneschale for about a year, as well.

I will cheerfully accept submissions in about any medium on any topic. Scribbled on the back of napkins or dictated on a tape (or, in a pinch, directly to me over the phone) is fine, but I would prefer typed or at least written relatively legibly. If you get really enthusiastic, you can submit articles on disk. I am currently using WordPerfect 6.0 on my computer (and I hope to get Pagemaker soon). I promise to give your disk back to you if you label it as being yours. I even have access to a fax when my boss is looking the other way (so call ahead if you want to fax something to me).

My home phone number is (316) 684-2286. Feel free to get ahold of me any time before 10:30 p.m. We have an answering machine (well, we do when the cat doesn't step on it and turn it off), so feel free to leave a message. If it's urgent or you want to have safe fax, my work number is (316) 684-5108. I'm looking forward to working with you; call if you have ideas, suggestions, or just want to chat.

Rhianwen

Writing Winning Kingdom Award Recommendations

by Lady Eleanor ferch Rhiwallon

Aaaah, Spring. As we a prepare to go from primarily being locally active to increased kingdom activity, we begin to look around ourselves at all the neat, nifty things and people around us and say "They deserve an award!"

The following information is derived from conversations from Countess Fiona and TRMS Conn and Sila about what Crowns look for in Kingdom award recs:

1. Check with your local herald or someone close to the person and verify that the person (a) does not already have the award you wish to recommend

them for and (b) determine the registered spelling of the person's SCA name. The prevents tons of confusion and hurt feelings on all sides.

2. Under the "comments" section on the award rec - be prepared to list at least three concrete reasons why the person deserves the award. Examples: "Coordinated troll for event, helped in tavern at event, and is pursuing fighting." "Has created surcoats for all our fighters, researched Tudor embroidery for TI, and teaches at RUSH."

3. Kingdom award recs are kept on file for two years. No need to submit more than one in that time

period unless you have significant changes to your original.

4. More than one person can sign an award rec. If you look at the front, there is room for three signatures. You can always write a note on the front letting the Crown know there are more signatures on the reverse side.

5. Let the Baronage know who you are recommending for what. The Crown frequently consults with Their Excellencies before an award is given. As we all know, Their Excellencies are neat people, but they cannot be everywhere at once (and there is tons of great stuff going on in this Barony at any given time). How will they know that Milady Jane is the person creating all those new inkle woven belts everyone is wearing unless someone tells them?

(6. *Editor's note: One final thought - Anyone can recommend anyone else for any award. It doesn't matter if you don't have the award yourself or haven't been in the SCA very long. If you feel someone's efforts are deserving of recognition, please make your feelings known.*)

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. I have also included a previously published article for your use. Note: The Keeper of the Flame text is my addition (This award was created after the original article.)



Awards. . . What it is List

by Ewen MacGhiollipadraigh
Chronicler - Bois D'Arc
The Bow's Song

The first person to receive any award in the Kingdom is the principle of that order. Some Crowns have felt that occasional meetings of an order in a local group strengthens its members and helps to spot others working in that area that can be encouraged and might be suggested for a possible award recommendation. Such meetings would be called by the principle of the order in the local group.

Award of Arms - Usually the first award received, it is normally given for activity and service in your local group, but it can be given for work in an art or science. This award entitles the bearer to display

his/her own arms registered by the Society's College of Heraldry. Ranking in the Order of Precedence rests upon the date given.

AoA Level Awards - All orders on this level are of equal rank, seniority resting only upon the date the award was given. The awards of this level convey an Award of Arms unless the recipient holds one already.

Fyrd of Calontir reflects skill as fighters or archers. Composed of two equal but separate branches. The fighters, called the *Iren-Fyrd*, should be proficient in the use of at least two weapon systems.

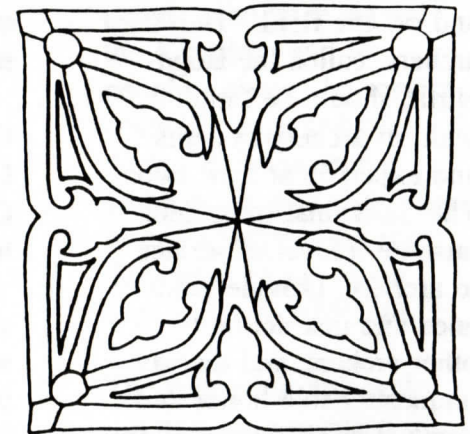
The archers, called the *Boga-Fyrd*, display proficiency in at least one archery system and demonstrate effort to promote archery in the Kingdom. Both should be consistently honorable both on and off the field.

Order of the Calon Swan (C.G.C.S) - Work in the arts shows promise and growth in their chosen art(s), some knowledge of its history, and who have assisted others in the practice of said art(s).

Order of the Leather Mallet (C.L.M.) - Conferred for work in the sciences that has shown promise and growth in their chosen craft, some knowledge of its history, and who have assisted others in the practice of said craft(s).

Order of the Torse (C.T.) - Conferred for service above the service normally

expected of citizens of the Kingdom.



Grant Level Awards - All grant level awards confer the same rank upon its recipient. Seniority rests only on the date given. All grand level awards convey a Grant of Arms unless its recipient holds one already.

Hirth of Calontir reflects skill as fighters or archers. It is composed of two equal but separate branches. The fighters, called the *Iren-Hirth*, are capable of fighting in all weapons systems, dem-

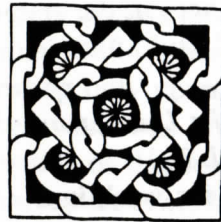
onstrate expertise in at least two, and display unquestionable honor on and off the field. The archers, called the Boga-Hirth, should be familiar with all archery systems and expert in at least two. The individual must demonstrate a level of service to archery, provide guidance and instruction to other archers, and display unquestionable honor and conduct at all times. Both must have participated in at least one Society war or Interkingdom. An individual may have membership in both branches.

Order of the Calon Lily (C.C.L) - High level of skill in their chosen art(s), a detailed knowledge of its history, and have assisted others in the learning of said art(s).

Order of the Silver Hammer (C.S.H) - Work in the science(s) has shown a high level of skill

in their chosen science(s), a detailed knowledge of its history, and have assisted others in the learning of said sciences.

Order of the Cross of Calontir (C.C.C.) - Conferred upon those who have served the Kingdom well and faithfully, far above and beyond the service normally expected of citizens of the Kingdom.



Non-armigerous Awards - These awards do not confer an Award of Arms upon the recipient if that gentle does not already have one. Those listed below convey a position in the Order of Precedence: *Order of the Rose* shall be offered automatically to all

Sovereigns' Consorts who have served in that capacity in Calontir after their investiture in the County rank.

Order of the Sword of Calontir (C.S.C) - Conferred for the performance of dramatic deeds concerning the art and science of combat, strategy, tactics, and/or Society warfare, or upon a group whose collective endeavors thus have well served the Crown and Kingdom.

Order of the Keeper of the Flame (C.K.F.?) - Conferred upon those individuals who through their appearance, actions, and deeds, demonstrate an exceptional amount of honor and courtesy, and exemplify themselves in efforts to create a medieval aura. Elevation rest with the Crown and may be bestowed only once a reign.

Order of the Queen's Chalice (C.Q.C) - Conferred upon young people who have served the Kingdom and its people - above the service normally expected of them. Election in the Order rests with the Queen in consultation with the Seneschal of the home group of the candidate.

The following orders do not convey a position in the Order of Precedence:

Queen's Endorsement of Distinction (Q.E.D.) - May be given to up to three individuals during each reign, one in each category: 1) Combatant or archer who has shown the highest of chivalric behavior. 2) Person who has best exemplified gentle and courteous behavior. 3) Person who best exemplified the ideals and goals of our Society

Kings Favor

Patent Level Orders -

The Order of the Laurel, the Order of the Pelican, and the Order of the Chivalry are not Kingdom orders, but Society. These orders are equal in rank, seniority based upon date of award alone. Anyone may recommend. Candidates shall be obedient to the Corpora and By-Laws of the Society and the laws of their Kingdom. They shall consistently show respect for the Crown of their Kingdom. They shall set an example of courteous and noble behavior suitable to a Peer of the Realm. They shall have shown willingness to share their knowledge and impart upon others their skills. They shall practice hospitality. Those should learn and practice skills desired at a civilized court (including but not limited to literature, dancing, music, heraldry, chess, some familiarity with

fighting). Candidates must have attained a standard of accomplishment achieved by existing Peers of the Order as determined by members of the Order.

Chivalry of the SCA includes the Order of Knighthood and Order of Mastery at Arms, choice to be made by new member.

Order of the Laurel conferred upon those felt to be worthy in his/her area of practice and knowledge of the arts and sciences.

Order of the Pelican conferred upon those felt to be outstanding in the area of service to their Kingdom and Society.

All those who hold these ranks are expected to continue in the behavior and growth that drew attention to their accomplishments and to share their knowledge.

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<i>Baron Gwayne ap Tristram</i>	
Wayne Taylor	524-0917
<i>Baroness Brialen Ulfsdotter Viking's</i>	
Debbie Taylor	524-0917
<i>Seneschale Ala of Featherstone</i>	
Carol Jared Brown	721-7764
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Lynda Coffman	265-4643
<i>Chatelaine/Marie Chantal Delaire</i>	264-2729
<i>Historian/Friar Thomas Bacon</i>	685-1182
<i>Property Mistress/Sibeal O'H'O'gain</i>	265-4643
<i>Regalia Coordinator/Muirenn Dubh</i>	687-5850
<i>Treasurer Eckerich von Stromburg</i>	684-1953
<i>Caltrop/Eleanor ferch Rhiwallon</i>	685-8510
<i>Chronicler/Diedre ni corc O'Bierne</i>	686-4090
<i>Deputy H.L. Rhiawen ferch Bran ap Gruffydd</i>	
<i>Knights Marshall Ld. Throttmar Thorgrimson</i>	263-1079
<i>Minister of Arts/Maeve Kelley De Navarre</i>	636-5606
<i>Deputies/Alexandria nic Alleylne</i>	682-2455
<i>Minister of Children/Anne Mercier Bromere</i>	267-7639
<i>Minister of Sciences, Erik, son of Asvald</i>	263-1079
<i>Archer Marshall/Thomas Foxmoor</i>	945-1233
<i>Deputy/Little John</i>	682-0394