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NEWSLETTER OF THE BARONY OF THESCORRE

## FROM THE BARON & BARONESS

### Gulf Wars

This event (see [http://www.gulfwars.org/index.php?option=com\\_docman&task=cat\\_view&gi](http://www.gulfwars.org/index.php?option=com_docman&task=cat_view&gi)) does not conflict with Ice Dragon this year, and we are considering going. We're wondering whether any other Thescoreans are likewise considering this trip?

Why? Well, we – as in the Barony – have an invitation. From the soon-to-be king of Ansteorra.  
...Maybe we'd better explain the back story...

One night at Pennsic, we're enjoying a late-night snack at Beast & Boar with Octavia and Sean. As we're chatting, Eric points to a gentle striding out of the tent. "Isn't that Gunther?" he asks me.

I run out into the night, call his name, and yes, it's my friend from the SCA-Cooks list. We hug and chat about how wonderful it is that he was able to make it to War this year (he often hasn't in the past). He stops my babbling with a huge cat-eating-the-cream grin and asks, "You were here all last week? Oh, so you didn't read the news on the list!"

"You proposed to Elizabeth?" I ask excitedly

"No...." he says, quirks his eyebrow, and points at the coronet on his head.

In the dark, I squint... and realize that lid on his head is \*not\* his normal county coronet. It has... points. Wait a minute.

"You won Crown, didn't you?" I accuse him. "Your Highness" I amend after a moment.

He grins. Yep, he won Ansteorra Crown. The week beforehand. He's bouncing up and down, like a kid in a candy store. Hence his being at Pennsic this week. (Did I mention he's wonderfully goofy?)

Eric and our friends come out of the tent, he greets all of them, then invites us to have a bite of Ansteorran chili back at his camp. We do so, then invite him back to our camp to see friends who moved from Ansteorra to Æthelmearc.

An hour later, we're relaxing in camp, swapping stories when Gunther says how much he's looking forward to Gulf Wars this year, and wonderfully well the site has been cleaned up since Hurricane Katrina.

"You \*have\* to come!" he entreats us.

He looks at Eric.

"You're fighting heavy now, you can fight with me! You'll be my guests!"

Eric and I look at each other.

"Are you offering an alliance, Your Highness?" we ask.

"Sure!"

"Um, with the Barony of Thescore?"

"Sure!"

"... You know we'll need to talk to Their Highnesses of Æthelmearc, to whom we will be in



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fealty at that time?"  
 "Sure!"

The next day, before the Field Battle, we did indeed tell Christopher & Morgen that our barony had been offered an alliance with the Kingdom of Ansteorra, and what was Their wish? Yes, They chuckled. Not surprisingly, They said we'd discuss it later.

We are now seeking Their now-Majesties' thoughts on this offer and whether They have decided which side to join in this annual war. We ask you:

Are there others in Thescorre who wish to join us?  
 <smile>

Eric & Katja

## L O R D O F C H I V A L R Y

It is said that in days of old  
 Men went searching for fame untold  
 Spurs of silver and a chain a gold  
 The Lords of Chivalry  
 They kneel to kings and an oath they speak  
 Protect the poor and keep the weak  
 Honor for the right they seek  
 Til the world's time shall cease

Ride Ride Lords of Chivalry  
 Ride til the people of the land are free  
 Evil hears your battlecall  
 And flees for it dares not stand  
 Ride into battle with banners bright  
 Drive away darkness, bring the light  
 Ride into the glorious fight  
 For a gold chain never fades

From the East a young man rides  
 With flaming hair and laughing eyes  
 A soaring soul and a battle cry  
 A true lord riding free  
 He rides for glory and he rides for fame  
 His ladies' honor and a noble name  
 A wild spirit whom none can tame  
 A Lord of Chivalry

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The kingdom's glorious service called  
 In the list, at war, or in the hall  
 With love and laughter let all recall  
 The Paragon of Chivalry  
 For the honor of his ladies the Crown he bore  
 In times of peace, on the field of war  
 His fames resounds in legend and lore  
 The Lord of Chivalry

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In final battle with the dauntless foe  
 He fought to his last, stood toe to toe  
 At Valhalla's Gates, the gods now know  
 The Lord of Chivalry  
 His joy in battle and his heart's desire  
 In his death let the glory of his life inspire  
 His memory brings our souls to fire  
 The Lord of Chivalry

Ride Ride Lord of Chivalry  
 Ride til the people of the land are free  
 I still hear your battlecall  
 But where you've gone I cannot say  
 Ride into battle with banners bright  
 Drive away darkness, bring the light  
 Ride on forever, our valiant knight  
 For a pure heart never fades  
 No, a true knight never fades

By Fridrikr inn gamli, 11 October AS XLIII

## MEETING MINUTES

10/21/2008 Thescore Business Meeting  
Adams Street Center  
Eldjarn, Seneschal  
18 Thescoreans present

**Officer reports**

**Chirurgeon:** Phillippe reported that he recently contacted the kingdom chirurgeon to validate all current baronial warrants. He hopes to update the chirurgeon webpage soon with some information on medieval medical practices.

**Middle Eastern Dance:** Dehka had sent a report that she could not run practice this month due to her shop's move. However, Mairead said she and Nezhah are willing to bring drums and music for the practice.

**Heraldry:** Fridrikr reported that there are no name or device submissions right now in the barony, but Thescore heralds have been travelling the kingdom. He added that the Known World Heraldic Symposium in England was amazing, and noted that the current laurel sovereign of arms used to be a Thescorean and Delftwoodian.

**A&S:** Kadlin apologized for not attending last social meeting. The next one will be a fashion show, as part of the desire to get gentles back into garb for our monthly social meeting. December will be the Yule party, and RavenSong is considering singing for it. She asked for ideas for future social meetings, such as presentations or classes.

**Chatelaine:** Kadlin reported for Sigvaldi that nothing is going on right now. He wants to do another newcomers night the week after Thanksgiving.

**Rapier:** Pdraig said that two to six people have been attending practice and things are going well. Several of the fencers like to do heavy fighting as well or just can't do Monday nights, he said, so he has talked to Joe, the rec center's coordinator, about moving fencing practice to another night or adding an additional practice twice a month—perhaps Wednesday or Thursday? Eldjarn asked him to coordinate with him, as the fighters are also talking about shifting off Monday nights.

Pdraig added that he had to retire one of the loaner daggers that had developed an S-curve, so he will ask for funds to replace it sometime in the future. (We have only one loaner dagger now.) He also said that all the loaner pommels are bell pommels, and he would like to replace them with quillons so that he can teach certain parries.

**Exchequer:** We have \$2,626.56 in checking and \$3163.08 savings, Alina reported. She just finished the quarterly report.

**Mistress of Lists:** Athos reported for Bronwyn that she had been asked to help out the Hael at several events, including Have Fun Storming the Castle next month.

**Thrown Weapons:** Athos intends to continue holding practice through the winter, weather permitting, and he will email the Yahoo list each week about the practices. He proudly added that Bronwyn and Timothy both entered the championship at Harvest Raid—she came in fifth! Vivat!

**Heavy Weapons:** Athos reported for Vettius and explained that he has been running practice while Vettius has been unable due to chronic pain. He was the unofficial deputy knight marshal and is now officially assuming the role. Both Eldjarn and Katja thanked him for doing so. Eldjarn added that he had spoken with Vettius and confirmed that fighting is now indoors, there's not much going on, there haven't been any new authorizations, and he very much appreciates Athos filling in.

Athos noted that we have discussed moving fighting to a different night for six months. If he's now running practice, it's very important to move the practice off Monday due to his scheduling conflicts. He added that there are several good, responsible fighters at practice and he will "smack some in the head" to consider being marshal.

**Archery:** Practice is still outside, Eldjarn read from Cedric's report. Yes, archers are crazy. The last couple of weeks have been very light, but people are still attend, despite the growing cold. Emily commented that Jim's Pro Shop is rebuilding after being struck by lightning. Fridrikr said he hoped the shop will be in business by the time snow flies. Katrina added that she had visited Gander Mountain and the lanes there would accommodate only maybe four people across. Eldjarn noted that we could also return to Creekwood in Brock-

port, so we may bounce the practice back and forth from site to site this winter.

**Seneschal:**

Three offices are up for renewal in January, Eldjarn reminded: knight marshal, MOL, and chatelaine. Please see him if you are interested in one of the offices.

He reminded as well that Baronial Curia is next month, and he will need reports from all officers at the meeting, preferably hard copies or by proxy.

Fridrikr reported that he and Orianna attended Kingdom Curia last weekend at Harvest Raid, and the following is from Orianna:

Officers reports. The only interesting conversation occurred during the Earl Marshal's report about the idea of allowing 16- and 17-year-olds to spar in practice with warranted adult youth marshals in adult weapons forms in preparation for them moving into adult heavy weapons at 18. Much discussion ensued with the only resolution being that the conversation would continue amongst those most affected. I believe a discussion is being held at the Gold Chain Tournament in Stormsport on November 8<sup>th</sup>. (Fridrikr emphasized that the kingdom currently does not allow adults to fight anyone under 18.)

Caryl announced that Her Grace Angelik is in the process of stepping down as Kingdom Chamberlain.

Several offices are coming due next year.

Law changes and topics for discussion:

Some changes were made to the Crown Tournament section which reorder the requirements to be more logical, makes the list of elements for a letter of intent clearer, renames the combatants and consorts to collectively entrants, and defines the letter of intent submission process; there were also changes to the section about the Order of the Rose, defining who can be included in the patent-polling for the current King and Queen.

Areas that came up for discussion but were not changed at this time:

The requirement for Kingdom officers to provide a list of their deputies to the Crown at Coronation, as no one does this.

The requirement that the Landed Barons and Baronesses report on the state of Their Barony at Coronation, as no one does this either. (Katja commented that she and Eric had become aware of this requirement in the past year, had offered this to Khalek & Bronwyn, and the seven landed baronages had discussed recently the possibilities for short schtick, such as a scroll.)

Possibly changing terms for Kingdom officers from two years to three years. (Fridrikr noted that very few kingdom officers have completed full terms, and many who step in to finish up the term don't make it through two years of a second term.)

**Baron & Baroness:**

Katja repeated two requests from their recent Fewmet columns:

Please give us recommendations for our polling orders, so that we may begin polling soon for awards to bestow at College of Three Ravens.

We're past the half-way mark on our elected term, so please give us feedback as to what we're doing well and what we could improve.

**Webminister Report**

Sorcha and Donal emailed their report: The Yahoo group has had four new subscriptions and one un-subscription. The website is still there.

**Chronicler's Report**

Donal and Sorcha again emailed: WE NEED MORE ARTICLES! The October Fewmet is online. As the opening statement implies in such an oh-so-subtle way... we really could use more articles. Without articles, the Fewmet is merely a collection of business notes and event announcements. For those that have contributed, thank you!!

### Proposals to change policy

There are two submitted policy proposals for next month's Baronial Curia:

Peregrine's proposal:

She proposed changing the policies regarding deputy officer expectations in an emergency situation when the designated officer must step down early—current policy states the seneschal will accept applications and initiate a selection process. Her proposal states that the deputy will complete the remainder of the term and a selection process may take place if applications are taken.

Katja's proposals:

1. shift the seneschal's renewal term from July to January; and
  2. rewrite several parts of the Baronage policies to:
    - a. reduce the Baron & Baroness' initial term of office from four to three years,
    - b. allow their term extensions to be either one or two years,
    - c. change the vote of confidence from a mailed poll to an anonymous vote at a barony meeting, and
    - d. move the date of the Baron/Baroness' announcement of intention from College of Three Ravens to Baronial Court at Pennsic.
- The full text of the proposals -- with the old text struck out and the new text underlined -- is uploaded to the Yahoo group files at

[http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/8D\\_\\_SDHwZcAPWakaCJ3mwrK7DssBf-ZY\\_32HrQie389Qy4BQtY5\\_OKMENfIXQA18NtO6GblCcVmBMQMs8A0h-3U8iTOBf7uGHQ/ProposedPolicyChange.doc](http://f1.grp.yahoofs.com/v1/8D__SDHwZcAPWakaCJ3mwrK7DssBf-ZY_32HrQie389Qy4BQtY5_OKMENfIXQA18NtO6GblCcVmBMQMs8A0h-3U8iTOBf7uGHQ/ProposedPolicyChange.doc)

A lively discussion ensued regarding Katja's proposals. She explained that, as Fridrikr had noted earlier that evening about the kingdom officer terms, she felt from talking to Thescorreans before and during the past two years of her and Eric's term that several people balked at a four-year term for the baronage. Her main goal is to give those considering the baronage after she and I step down more flexibility in deciding whether they can pursue a term as well as consider an extension, and to make life a little easier for the seneschal. She added that she had confirmed at Pennsic that five out of the seven baronies in Aethelmearc now have three-year baronage terms, so this would put our policies in line with most of the rest of the kingdom.

She added that she is not proposing this change to suddenly reduce the length of their current term; they are in the third year of their term, they were elected for a four-year term, and they fully intend to complete the term they promised to serve the barony. If the proposals are approved next month, she said they would expect Eldjarn to immediately conduct a vote of confidence to allow us to serve a fourth year. During the following discussion, both Fridrikr and Eldjarn said they didn't think such a vote was necessary; Katja said she and Eric simply had not wanted to assume they would be "grandfathered" under the old policy. There was much friendly discussion about modifying the "eight months prior" specifically to the September business meeting (which Katja amended in her proposal) and debate about when best for the baron & baroness to announce their intentions and for the new heirs to be announced. There was also discussion about whether it was more advantageous for heirs to have six months of "being heirs" before they stepped up or only a few months.

## U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

### November - 2008

- 14-16** Fiber, Fabric and Fighting VI - Shire of Nithgaard  
**15** Have Fun Storming the Castle - Barony of Rhydderich  
 Hael  
**21-23** Tavern Brawl at Kingdom's Edge - Shire of Port  
 Oasis

### December - 2008

- 6** Delftwood Baronial Yule - Canton of Angel's Keep  
**6** Barony of Blackstone Mountain Baronial Investiture -  
 Barony of Blackstone Mountain

- 13** Heralds & Scribes Collegium - Shire of Misty  
 Highlands

### January - 2009

- 10** Kingdom Twelfth Night - Shire of Riversedge  
**17** St.Swithin's Bog 12th Night, an Italian Festival - Barony  
 of St. Swithin's Bog  
**17** Sterlynge Schola 2009 - Shire of Sterlynge Vayle  
**31** Courtlandtslot's A&S Workshop - Shire of  
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**Thrown Weapons** Lord Gaius Sergio Vettius  
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## REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

Fewmet endeavors to publish information as up to date as possible, but changes occur. Please check Thescore's Yahoo Group for last minute postings or consult with the appropriate officer/coordinator listed in

### Baronial Social Meeting

1st Tuesday of the month

### Baronial Business Meeting

3rd Tuesday of the month

7:30-9pm, 2nd floor, Adam's Street Recreation Center 85 Adam's Street Rochester, NY

### Martial Arts

#### Archery

Sundays 1-2pm  
RIT Archery Range

#### Rapier (Fencing)

Mondays 7-9pm  
Adams Street Recreation Center

#### Armored Combat

Mondays 6:30-9pm  
Adams Street Recreation Center

#### Thrown Weapons

Watch the Yahoo Group  
At the home of Athos

### Arts & Sciences

#### Western European Dance

2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month, 7-9pm  
Adams Street Recreation Center

#### M.E. Dance & Drumming

Mondays 7-9pm  
Adams Street Recreation Center

#### Cauldron Bleu Cook's Guild

2nd Tuesday each month, 7:30-9pm  
At the home of Devon & Daedra

#### Brewer's Guild

Watch the Yahoo Group

#### Threadworker's Company

[http://www.thescore.org/Threadworkers\\_Company/Threadworkers/Schedule.htm](http://www.thescore.org/Threadworkers_Company/Threadworkers/Schedule.htm)

#### Armor Workshop

Thursdays 5:30-?  
At the home of Vettius

#### Ravensong

[www.thescore.org/Ravensong/RavensongHome.html](http://www.thescore.org/Ravensong/RavensongHome.html)

### SONNET 41

by William Shakespeare



Those pretty wrongs that liberty commits,  
When I am sometime absent from thy heart,  
Thy beauty, and thy years full well befits,  
For still temptation follows where thou art.  
Gentle thou art, and therefore to be won,  
Beauteous thou art, therefore to be assailed.  
And when a woman woos, what woman's son,  
Will sourly leave her till he have prevailed?  
Ay me, but yet thou mightst my seat forbear,  
And chide thy beauty, and thy straying youth,  
Who lead thee in their riot even there  
Where thou art forced to break a twofold truth:  
Hers by thy beauty tempting her to thee,  
Thine by thy beauty being false to me.



Shakespeare