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Candidates Announced!

Calender:

Fighter Practice

Sundays at 5:00 PM at [Veteran's Park, Arlington](#)

Wednesdays at 7:00 PM at [Bedford Boys' Ranch](#)

Business Meeting Monday August 20, 7:00 PM at the home of [Daniel and Sioban](#)

Elfsea Moot: August 27th at the Coors Distribution center.

A&S Meeting Tuesday August 21st 7:00 PM Location to be announced

Bardic Guild Monday August 6th at 7:00 at the [Home of Master Darius and Mistress Rosalia](#)

Scribes and Illuminators Monday August 13th at 7:00 at [Home of HE Armand Dragonetti & HE Ameline duBois \(Baron and Baroness\)](#)

Baronial Polling at Moot August 27th
Last day to send written consultation to the Crown August 27th

(note all reports in Italics written by the Swamp Trolls)

Lord and Lady Elfsea

Unto the right noble populace of Elfsea, do we send fond greetings!

It was from the Shire of the Shadowlands that Elfsea's brilliance did recently shine. For there, at the King's Round Table, were the glowing reports of Elfsea's might shared with all. Take pride, dear friends, for Elfsea was reported as the most populous group in the kingdom and among the most financially strong groups as well. All administrative obligations are in order and likewise our Canton of Dragonsfire Tor scored a clean bill of health. Vivat, to all of our faithful officers, members, volunteers and supporters for making this so. You have our sincere thanks and pray, please continue what you are doing!

The August heat in Ansteorra rises once again. Please safe guard your selves and your families by drawing frequently from Elfsea's ample aquifers. We bid safe passage to all who journey to the grand Pennsic War this month, to support our Crown and carry the banner of Ansteorra in support of our noble allies there.

We encourage all who are able, to support our neighbors in the Barony of Steppes at the Lazy Dragon Con demonstration this month. Also, please support our friends in the Shire of Loch Ruadh the following week by traveling to Lughnasad. And wherever your travels take you, be sure to invite one and all to visit Elfsea on the 3rd weekend for a fun-filled day at our Llamas Day Tribute. We still have opportunities for volunteers to help make this a memorable day at a wonderful new,

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nearby, site.

Sincere Thanks are extended to all who have declared their desire to succeed us as Baron and Baroness of Elfsea. To Elfsea's credit, the Crown's choice will not be an easy one. With those in contention, the prospects for Elfsea's future certainly look bright. And while the date is set for a polling of the populace, we know that the Crown will be assisted by more detailed commentary rendered directly from each of you. If you feel strongly or see considerations that a simple polling might not reveal, please privately inform your crown. From current nobles and peers of the realm to the newest of the new, the Crown will truly welcome your opinions.

One of the qualities to look for in our leaders is their ability to identify problems when they are small and address them before they grow into something disastrous. It is Baron Armand's belief that such a situation currently exists, but rather than bring down this uplifting message, please look for more details in a separate missive. And until next we meet, safe travels, good health and may a multitude of blessings find you and your loved ones.

In the service of kingdom, crown and barony, we remain,
Armand & Ameline
Baron & Baroness of Elfsea

Nec Hostium Timete Nec Amicum Recusate
Fear No Enemy, Deny No Friend

Seneschal

Greetings Elfsea and Dragonsfire Tor,

Several items of interest occurred at Round Table and HE Ameline has already expressed how fortune we are to be in the LARGEST barony in the kingdom. This is a wonderful accolade and also a great responsibility in that we, as a barony, are looked to for leadership and responsibility in the entire kingdom. Let's not let our kingdom down!

Some of you might be aware that we are in the process of transitioning to a new website. Be prepared for the new look and please feel free to make any comments to myself and to the webminister, Daniel of Cameron.

We are soliciting bids for the following events: Springfaire 2008, Central Regional 12th Night (formally Steppes 12th night) and Spring Crown Tournament. Please consider submitting a bid for these events. The Central Regional 12th Night and the Spring Crown Tournament will need to have additional consultation with the officers and populace of Elfsea prior to forwarding on to the respective principals.

FIGHTERS TAKE NOTE: We are considering moving Sunday Fighter Practice to Trinity River Park located across from the Botanical Gardens after Labor Day, which would become effective with the September 2nd fighter practice. Any suggestions and/or comments regarding this move should be directed to me and TE Armand and Ameline at this time.

We are still striving to fill the following positions; Rapier Marshal, Archery Marshal and Minister of Children. Please step forward and assist your barony by volunteering to fill one of these positions.

In this issue you will find letters from each of the candidates who have put in for consideration for the next Baron and Baroness of Elfsea. Also, you will find a polling form which all interested parties will need to complete in order to have their opinions considered by Their Stellar Majesties for the next Baron and Baroness. The forms will also be available at Moot on August 27th. The polling will be conducted Her Grace, Duchess Conal.



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Please be aware that anyone may write or email TM Ulsted and Ebergardis at anytime prior to the polling regarding your opinions on the candidates. Please consider your choices carefully, as this will affect our barony for years to come. I wish my fellow candidates luck with their efforts and I trust Their Majesties to make the best decision for our fair barony. Let's make this a smooth transition and remain a unified group working together for the benefit of all.

Yours In Service,
Ascelyn
Seneschal

Treasurer

The Exchequer's office needs to have an Emergency Replacement (ER) Deputy to comply with new Corporate rules. Though this has been announced, I have no bids for the position. If you would like to have a position that helps the Barony and learn how the finances work, please send me a bid and copy the Central Regional Exchequer. If you need help creating the bid, I'd be glad to help.

We still have money in the bank. I would be happy to meet with anyone who wants to review our books. They are always open to members of the Barony.

If you are thinking of putting in a bid to Autocrat an event, please remember that a budget is required to go with the bid. We can furnish you with budgets for previous events like the one you want to host. We can help you compute the various numbers that go into a budget. We want you to succeed and a good budget will help you do that.

I have check request forms and checks. If you need to be reimbursed for approved expenditures on behalf of the Barony, then please get with me and I'll get you a check. If you need approval, please give your proposal to a member of the finance committee so we can evaluate it. The members are currently: Caelin as Exchequer, Aislyn as Seneschal, Armand as Baron, Fearghus at large, and Tomas at large. The at large positions serve a staggered term and one of them will be done soon. If you are interested, then please attend some finance committee meetings (all SCA meetings below the Board of Directors are open meetings (except the peerage circles)) and see what we do. Then submit a request to the Seneschal to be considered for an at large position.

Caelin on Andrede
Elfsea Exchequer

Nautilus Pursuivant - Herald

Some one tell me herald have pit-ture of ogress... grunk like pit-tures of ogress, grunk go find herald at Lamma Party and get!

Knights Marshal

Grog still here, nobody notices me, bwahaha.

Fighting trolls still going to park. The monsters still in cage with lots of good dirt, but is being covered with rock circles. Must be druids.



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Stick hitters and wire pokers are outnumbered by trolls eating and having fun. Talking and learning about stuff that is not fighting. What fun is that? Want more pain, want more bruising!!

New trolls coming in, one funny one that had belt fall off. He looks mean and will make good viking troll. Maybe Bearsark, we need more of those. Morgan troll was so thirsty he had bottle attached to tunic. funny

Head Troll was there, we are getting rid of him. He is old and we want new one. Maybe one with more hair.

Grog go to cave in park, wait for more funny trolls to play.

Rapier Marshal

Salve~

Hey! I'm still here! As no one has submitted a bid for the office of Rapier Marshal, my warrant has been extended until such time as a replacement is found. Those of you even slightly considering it, I encourage you to give it a try. It doesn't matter if you are a relatively new fighter or have never held an office- everyone starts somewhere. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. The office of Central Regional Rapier Marshal has transitioned to our own HL Rixende, therefore bids should now be submitted to her with Their Excellencies copied.

I am encouraged to observe the growing attendance at Sunday practices. Master Darius and Mistress Rosalia have done a wonderful job of encouraging attendance by the entire community. Please venture out and meet our newcomers! Brush up on your game in preparation for the coming Fall events! Wednesday practice has been sporadic but if one comes, more shall follow- be that one! ...and bring a friend.

Next month our brothers and sisters of Loch Ruadh present their annual Lughnasad event- if you've never attended, I highly encourage you to do so! It's a fun event with an abundance of activities hosted by a warm and welcoming group. Oh yeah, and there's a certain rapier tourney chock full of fighting opportunities for everyone. Ever wanted to fight *every single person in the list*? Here's your chance! Check out their website for event and tourney details.

And finally, the heat of summer is upon us so when you do play, take the proper precautions: *drink plenty of water*, take frequent breaks in the shade, don't push yourself - watch for signs of overheating/heat exhaustion and look out for your fellow fighters as well. I adamantly extol the virtues of linen (or silk) armor for keeping you cool during our decidedly non-European summer weather. If new folks need info about armor requirements and making easy legal armor, I'd be happy to teach another class.

Buona Giornata,
Lady Genna Chiaramonte
Elfsea Rapier Marshal

Archery Marshal

Office Vacant (*no bodies but us trolls here*)

Minister of Arts and Sciences

Trolls play wif scisor! Find neat dress will make purty dish rags!... Hanna tell us we must document projects... me say dish rags midi - evil



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Chronicler

Greetings! As you may have noted by now I am working on improving the distribution of the Electronic Newsletter! To subscribe simply go to <http://lists.ansteorra.org> and subscribe to the Elfsea_Newsletter list.

In this edition of the Elfsea Tidings we have missives from the candidates for Baron and Baroness. I encourage every one to read them, ask the candidates questions, and write letters of consultation to our King and Queen. The Letters of Intent are listed in this news letter by precedence order

As always oh yeah for submitting articles, pictures event reports, recipes, or anything else to be published in tht enewsletter send it to Chronicler@elfsea.net, or contact me if you need assistance in transferring any articles or artwork into digital format. A standard release for publication is required for all articles and artwork it may be found at <http://www.ansteorra.org/publications/forms/PubPerm.pdf>

In Service
Darius of the Bells, OL
Chronicler

Hospitilar

New Peoples come to park and Play wif grog.. Me sees dem at oder stuff too! Swamp trolls make new friends yeah!

Virtual Scribe

Shhhh Daniel is sleepy.. him spend too much time on cpmuter .. Compute... bright thingy... Jocelyn chase out trolls say him need sleep.

Minster of Children (vacant)

Purty Kingdom Julie Lady say she gots look at me back afore I can play wif de kids... OK... but it just green...

Chamberlain

Grunk find somewheres new to hide... lots of peoples show ups and clean up grunks favorit room

Historian

Greetings Elfsea!

We are at a crossing point in the history of our home. We often look to our past when we think of History and historians but it is in our Future When we will write the songs and stories for the Historians to record. As we go through this momentous change in our beloved Barony, Let us write of this succession and of the many achievements of our populace, so that in the future the whole Kingdom can look back and say "Elfsea has taught us how"

Please send any pictures you are willing to share and stories of the war and our events, please submit Pictures on disk or prints no e-mail.

In Service
Rosalia di Bellavita, OP
Historian



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Chirugeon

First aid guy finally let grunk loose... Me be nice to Gerhart now.. him have big sword

12th Night

Every Barony is allowed two Kingdom calendar events per year. For many years, Steppes 12th Night has been a Kingdom calendar event due to the inclusion of the Kingdom Eisteddfod competition, thereby becoming a Kingdom event. This year in February or March, Steppes was notified by the current titled Bard of the Kingdom that Steppes 12th Night 2008 would not be hosting this competition. As a result and after much discussion, Steppes decided to open 12th Night (currently on the Kingdom calendar for January 5, 2008) to the Central Region as a regional event for on a trial basis for the calendar year 2008 only.

Long story short, Steppes 12th Night for 2008 will be Central Regional 12th Night with bids accepted by any and all members of the Region. The understanding is that if your group puts in a bid, you will not be responsible for filling all the jobs with people from your group; the jobs will be parceled out to various groups (who will then fill them with people from their group) within the region who are interested in participating.

Bids are now open for Central Regional 12th Night. All bids must be accompanied with a budget. Bids will not be accepted without a budget. Bids can be for feast and/or the event.

Estimated numbers for Steppes 12th night are usually 300 in attendance, but we anticipate slightly more if it is a regional event. In the past, we have budgeted Steppes 12th night to be \$3500.00, with at least half of that going to feast. The site can be anywhere in the central region. The most important factor on the site is that it should be no more than \$2000.00 and that it has a capacity of 500+ people. Traditionally, Steppes 12th night has not been a big money maker and Steppes has occasionally suffered a small loss.

Bids are requested ASAP as January 5th is almost upon us, with a deadline of August 31st. The most important factor at this late date is a site. If you have a wonderful site, please contact your seneschal with the information. A site has not yet been secured, so we must make haste. Bids will be accepted from anywhere in the Central Region. These bids should be sent to HG Conal and copied to HG Julia de Montoya.

Bids should include at least a rough idea of any themes, any planned competitions that you are aware of (Steppes has a garb competition, a table-top trebuchet competition, and a table decorating competition), and a budget. Remember, the budget is a non-negotiable enclosure with your bid. If you have any questions regarding how Steppes has traditionally budgeted 12th Night in the past, please contact HL Margarite (Steppes seneschal) for help.

Lamas

Their Excellencies of Elfsea invite one and all to

**A Lamas Day Tribute
August 17th -19th
Mustang Park
3600 Winscott Plover Rd
Benbrook Lake, Ft Worth TX**

Come join us for fun and frolic in our Lamas Day tribute. Lamas Day was held



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on August 1st and was a day for silliness and fun!

Activities:

Bread tasting contest & foot races (traditional entertainment for Lamas day)

Hobby horse races

Fun Noodle Joust

Gaming Pavilion

A Chinese Tile Road

Water Melees

A Slumber Party on the list field

And a The King of Phooles Court!

Competitions

We have for heavy and light lists

Valhalla Circle of Death torch light tourney

Snowball Melees

Archery with Various Targets

Our A&S competition will be Sumu noGeijutsu (living art)

The Bardic competitions will be:

Firewalkers Competition

Most Outrageous Piece

Drink Making Contests:

Beer/Ale

Mead / Cordials

Household concoction

Silent Auction

Items needed for auction Friday night ends 10am Saturday so people can use what they have purchased.

Gear for new people

Classes

SCA101 -Papillon

Bardic Heckling -Master Darius

Beginning spinning- Mistress Rosalia

Ansteorran History- Duchess Willow DeWisp

T-Tunic Construction - Ascelyn

Wood block prints - Roger Redhand

Basic Origami - Christine

Archery for Everyone - Ascelyn

There will be a tavern run by Caravan of the Weeping Wolf

Please be advised the main gate closes at 10pm Friday all who arrive after 10 will have to leave your cars



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Site opens at 4pm Friday and closes 12 noon Sunday

Site fee is \$7 for adults; \$5 children under 18.

Minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. They may also attend with a 21 year old or older adult with signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver from parents.

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Autocrat in training Yagyu Masamori Nobunaga, 817-249-1423;
jakecurda@yahoo.com

Site location information: Take your best route to I-20, Exit 377 South, left on Hwy 1187 go 1.4 miles, left 1.4 miles, veer right 2.8 miles. Gate straight ahead don't follow the road to the right

<http://lammasday.topcities.com/>

A Call to Arms!

Unto the valiant of Elfsea and her noble friends, to whom these words do reach, do I, Baron Armand Dragonetti, call to service!

Following the King's Round Table, we are well pleased at the current state of Elfsea. Blessed with resources, exceptional peoples, strong finances, and impressive fortifications. One would expect the nobility to be comfortable under such conditions. But verily I say unto you, that for twelve days, there has been no peaceful slumber to be found by your humble Baron. For upon each night, just past the midnight hour, have I been awakened by a most unsettling dream. It is the same each night.

I am upon my steed, returning from a pleasant week of celebration with Baroness Katheryn Cunningghame and Their Majesties Ansteorra following Katheryn's investiture. As I ride west for home, the sun is setting as I gain sight of Elfsea's eastern castle wall. A smile finds my face as the sun's rays halo around my beloved home. But as I draw closer, the smile begins to vanish as I realize the brilliance is not from the sun's rays, but from the flames now engulfing my beloved home. Elfsea has been overrun! Animals slaughtered! Farmlands ablaze! The lifeless forms of longtime friends and vassals, litter the courtyard. With weeping around every corner and wailing cries heard in the distance. Surveying the scene, I find the attack came from the west and left Elfsea to the north. Looking anxiously for any signs of hope, I hear a voice from on high say "For did thee rest in peace, so shall thee rest evermore!" and as I turn, all grows suddenly black as another more distant voice echoes "As Elfsea retires, so too Eldern..." and I awaken, startled and drenched in my bed chamber.

Distraught by this horrific sequence, each evening do I dread the setting of the sun. With advisors close at hand, we look about the kingdom and what do we find? To the north, vibrant leaders and good relations with the Calontiri. To the east, the strength of Steppes and Rosenfeld fostering close ties with a young Gleann Abhann. The mighty baronies and shires of the Coast and South, with veteran soldiers at the ready. And West, intrepid warriors and a hearty populace with fair and talented leaders.

Upon closer inspection I see my cousin, Baron Kainin Tepesa, Lord Bonwicke, taking up the noble cause of chronicling the affairs of the kingdom. A worthy endeavor, to be sure, but his travels take him far from Bonwicke. While the name Ruspoli still engenders fear in the land, is it not unwise to leave Bonwicke for such long periods of time? While the West has proven to muster adequate defense, given several months to prepare, should an aggressive adversary descend suddenly, I fear Bonwicke's fate and that of my friends in the region could be swift. Has my cousin grown over-confident? That he can journey for extended periods of time, far from home? If Bonwicke were overrun, what next? Our beloved



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Elfsea and Dragonsfire Tor? The shires of Loch Ruadh and Emerald Keep, the shining canton of Glaslyn, indeed the whole of the Central region, perhaps remote parts of the Northern as well. Surely, prudence dictates they share a margin of concern here.

My oath of fealty to safeguard the lands entrusted to me by Their Majesties, King Ulsted and Queen Ebergardis, compels me to confirm my suspicions or lay them to rest. Thus, I have issued forth a challenge to my good cousin, the Baron of Bonwicke, to meet with me at the end of this month, to test his readiness in short order. Not to cast irrevocable harm upon my friends and kinsmen, but to fortify them! For if they prove ready, all is well and our benevolent crown may be at ease. If weakness is uncovered, then again, we shall have served our Sovereign by exposing Kainin's complacency before our enemies do so.

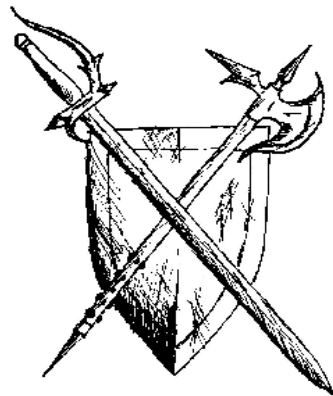
If Baron Kainin, is indeed ill-prepared, the crown shall have immediate need to assign stewards to the vast unprotected crown lands in the West, and those Peers, Knights, Masters-At-Arms and Dons, who join my mission will surely be rewarded with an increase in their estates. Regardless, all shall enjoy abundant beef and ale during the evenings festivities following our crusade.

So what say you? Our cause is just, let your heart be at ease. Will you answer the call-to-arms and join me at the ancient Gothic War site? Will you take pride in hardening the steel of the Western forces as well as our own, for the benefit of the entire kingdom? Or will you remain at home, cozy in your cottages and luxurious country manors, to leave your safety to others?

For those noble of heart and strong in honor, the choice is simple. Join Baron Armand, the Elfsea Guard and the Defenders of Elfsea in this crusade to safeguard the kingdom!!! Pray, send word to me and the general of our forces, Count Romanius, current chivalric Defender of Elfsea, to have your name duly chronicled in the history of Ansteorra. We shall also note those who do not answer the call, and reassess their equitable taxation. So to your own heart...be true!

In the service of kingdom, crown and barony, I remain,
His Excellency Armand Dragonetti
Bloody Baron of Elfsea
Lord Dragonsfire Tor
Watch Guard of the West

Nec Hostium Timete Nec Amicum Recusate
Fear No Enemy, Deny No Friend





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Baronial Statements of Intent

Richard DeLaufyson and Willow De Wisp

Greetings unto the Barony of Elfsea and the Canton of Dragonsfire Tor.

Let me say my words of thanks to the out going Baron and Baroness of Elfsea for they have done great works in our Barony and the kingdom and will be missed by us all. I have been a member of Elfsea for almost my whole life no matter where I have been and wish to return to the Barony by asking to be consider in becoming the Baron of this wonderful Barony.

Elfsea is a strong and beautiful Barony and that beauty will never dull. I only want to see the group grow and be filled with the energy that it once had when I was growing up within it and to that ends I will do everything that I can to see this happen.

I have lived my life within the SCA and I have seen how things have grown over the years as I have myself grown and it is time for me to give back to the group that has been my home.

In Services to Ansteorra and Elfsea
Lord Richard DeLaufyson

Greetings to the good people of the Barony of Elfsea from Duchess Willow De Wisp.

Dear People I come to you as a volunteer for the Position of Baroness of Elfsea, and to explain why I think I would do a good job at this time I will have to explain some hard facts.

Elfsea is in trouble. As you know the SCA in general has not been recruiting young adults. Elfsea has also been caught in this general trend. We are holding together because our Baron and Baroness and officers and the core group of Elfsea have been working like mad. We have been force to limit our activities at events and general activities in our group.

The reason many of us have not noticed the trend is because many of us have gone on to kingdom level activities or we had our own social interactions or just to busy or getting to old to stay for all the activities. What we have been doing was not affecting our good times.

The problem is the younger people and newcomers do not have a large set of activities in place nor do they know alot of people. They come looking for the Magic and Dream of the Current Middle Ages. They are going to want more then contests and classes.

I will work toward creating more activities and bring more energy into the group for those new and old.

Duchess Willow De Wisp.



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Darius of the Bells and Rosalia di Bellavita



Greetings unto the Barony of Elfsea and the Canton of Dragonsfire Tor from Master Darius of the Bells and Mistress Rosalia di Bellavita. We write today to share with you our letter of intent that we submitted to the Crown for Baron and Baroness of Elfsea.

Unto Your Stellar Majesties, Romanius and Deanna, as well as unto your Heirs Apparent, Ulsted and Ebergardis, greetings. Unto Armand and Ameline, Baron and Baroness of Elfsea, Lord and Lady of Dragonsfire Tor, likewise do we send warm salutation. We, Master Darius of the Bells and Mistress Rosalia di Bellavita, are in hopes this missive finds you in good health and we do commend ourselves unto your gentle graces. It is with careful thought and contemplation that we wish to make known to you our desire and intent. We ask that you consider us for the privilege of holding the fiefdom of Elfsea in the name of the Crown of Ansteorra.

Elfsea is our home and it is as dear to us as Ansteorra itself. We desire to see it grow and prosper. It is our belief that we can help this come about, but only with the help of the diverse and talented populace of these lands. We believe that the intent of the Barony's motto, *Nec Hostium Timete Nec Amicum Recusate*, is fulfilled and shall continue to be so for years to come. When Elfsea stands as one, there is no enemy that can engender fear in us. When Elfsea knows there is a need, no friend will be denied.

Elfsea is more than a place to live and be from; it is a group of vibrant and talented people each with their own hopes and dreams and vision of what the SCA means to them. In asking for this position of responsibility and honor we present ourselves and our lives, both within the SCA and personally, to furthering their ideal of what Elfsea should be. We know that we can fulfill the expectations of landed nobility laid out by our populace and by the laws of our beloved kingdom. Should you need to examine our intent further, or if we may offer any other assistance to you in this time of transition and choice, please do not hesitate to avail yourself upon us.

We do remain yours in fealty and in friendship,
In service to the Crown, to Ansteorra, and to Elfsea,
Darius of the Bells, OL, and Rosalia di Bellavita, OP



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Caelin On Andreded and KerMegan of Taransay



To the people of Elfsea do KerMegan of Taransay (Pyro) and Caelin on Andrede send our best wishes and notice that we have asked their Majesties to consider us in their decision on who should lead Elfsea to even greater honor and achievement.

There are several good candidate couples who have also asked for consideration. They are also long term leaders in our great Barony and friends of ours. You deserve to know why we think you should consider us to lead you.

KerMegan is an Ant of Elfsea, the service award from the Shire of Elfsea that is equivalent to the current Portcullis. She has been playing continuously since before we were a Barony and has been doing service the whole time. She holds the Portcullis, the Keystone, an Award of Arms, a Thistle in Weaving, and the Sable Crane. She has been Minister of Arts and Sciences, Nautilus Herald, and was the Autocrat for the event that became our elevation to a Barony. She has worked as entourage for several Barons and Baronesses. Frequently she is seen working service hours at Gulf Wars in multiple areas-for the Marshallate, Gate, and sundry other friends and family. A Pennsic she volunteers at the Art/Collegium information tent, where she is particularly good at providing directions to other new scholars. She is skilled at jewelry, weaving, cooking, woodwork, post-feast dish washing, and dabbles in many of our other crafts.

I am relatively newer with about 12 years of service in the Society. I hold the Portcullis, the Keystone, an Award of Arms, a Sable Crane, a Star of Merit, and am a Pelican. I have been Deputy Herald, Seneschal twice for three different Barons and Baronesses, Baronial Chirurgeon, Deputy Kingdom Chirurgeon, Kingdom Chirurgeon, Regional Exchequer, Deputy Kingdom Exchequer, Deputy Kingdom Virtual Scribe, Deputy Society Chirurgeon, Baronial Virtual Scribe, Baronial Exchequer, Deputy War Chirurgeon for Gulf War twice, War Chirurgeon for Gulf War twice, RAT team lead for Pennsic, Chirurgeons' Point Supervisor for Pennsic, and am a Deputy Head of Security for the next Gulf War. I have averaged between 60 and 100 volunteer hours at Gulf Wars for the last 7 years and 100+ hours/week at Pennsic for the last 3 years. I have Autocrated many events and was either Feastocrat or one of the lead cooks at about 20 feasts. I am also a Marshal in nearly everything the Society Marshallate serves and have fought in all of them.

In our missive to their Majesties we state three initial goals as leaders of Elfsea. Though we can and would work toward these goals if we were not the Baron and Baroness, we feel we could do far more from these positions. The first goal is to bring the people of Elfsea closer together without regard to household or group affiliation. By working together, by delegating and encouraging people from all over the Barony, and by providing common goals we believe we can help that to happen.

The second goal is to increase recruitment and retention of existing members. When I was Seneschal we did very well at recruiting – not so much as a result of my leadership as from a mindset where everyone was a Deputy Hospitaler. We would foster that mindset again and provide programs and leadership to attract new members.

The third goal is to build a stronger officer corps in Elfsea with trained Deputies and to make these jobs desirable and sought after. At one time there were always 2-4 candidates for every open officer position. We can be that Elfsea again.

My primary advice to the Barons and Baronesses I have served has been “That which gets the attention of the Baron or Baroness thrives. That which does not withers.” We will commit to attending a meeting of every Guild at least once a quarter and try for more than that. At least one of us will attend most fighter practices and we would meet regularly with our Canton of Dragonsfire Tor. We would also pursue Regional connections which have been started by Armand and Ameline.

Elfsea has always been a service Barony. KerMegan and I are very much into service and would like the opportunity to continue to serve Elfsea and Ansteorra as your Baron and Baroness.

KerMeganof Taransay
Caelin on Andrede



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Fearghus MacKenna and Asclyn of Glyntwrde



To The Fair Populous of Elfsea and the Canton of Dragonsfire Tor:

Honorable Lord Fearghus MacKenna and Lady Asclyn of Glentewrde send greetings.

It is with great sadness that we see our beloved Baron and Baroness of Elfsea, stepping down as the Crown's representatives to our fair Barony, and after much thought and contemplation, we have decided to place our names before the Crown and the populous to be considered for this vital position. We have asked Their Majesties to be aware that we feel that we are well qualified to take up this mantle of responsibility in view of our maturity, financial stability and our combined experience that we have as members of the Society and our fine Barony.

We will endeavor to keep our Barony strong and to promote the activities that are important to all the members of our group. We will strive to help promote growth for our Barony and to guide, as necessary those activities required to achieve this goal. We will continue to travel to our neighboring groups events, both near and far, and represent our Barony at these events. We will dedicate no less than five years to fulfilling this position.

We will support all areas of interest in our Barony to the best of our abilities, including the Arts and Sciences, Bardic and Guilds, as well as all facets of marshalate activities.

We will endeavor to ensure that our populous is recognized and rewarded for their service and accomplishments both on the baronial level and at the Kingdom level.

We have many years of SCA experience and all of this time has been as members of this Barony. We are both members of our Baronial Service Order, the Azure Keystone of Elfsea, and we have both served as officers of the Barony and to the Kingdom.

HL Fearghus has served the Barony as Seneschal, Baronial Archery Marshal, and Baronial Knights Marshal. He has autocrated numerous baronial events. He is the Premier member of the Order of the Arc d'Or of Ansteorra. He is also the Premier Royal Huntsman of Ansteorra, and has served in that capacity twice. He has served as Central Regional Archery Marshal twice and Kingdom Archery Marshal twice. He is a member of the Order of the Star of Merit of Ansteorra, holder of the Sable Crane of Ansteorra and also holder of the Sable Comet of Dragonsfire Tor.

Lady Asclyn has served as Baronial Exchequer, and while she is currently the Seneschal of our group, she is also Central Regional Missile Marshal. As Seneschal, she has been intimately involved with all the legal aspects of running the Barony. She is a holder of the Sable Crane of Ansteorra, and the Sable Thistle of Ansteorra. She has also autocrated numerous Elfsea events and has been a Coordinator or volunteer worker in some capacity at every Elfsea event she has attended since she has been playing. Presently there are no less than two deputy seneschals that are capable of taking over the responsibilities of the office of Seneschal immediately.

We are proud of the accomplishments of the members of our Barony, and we believe it is the responsibility of the Landed Nobility to lead this group of diverse individuals, to better achieve their own personal goals. We believe we have the capacity to work with all the differing personalities in our Barony and still remain open minded to the needs of all our members.

We will make sure that our Canton of Dragonsfire Tor will also feel included as a part of our Barony and we will be there to support them in their growth and prosperity.

We have always endeavored to accomplish those things we felt that were in the best interest of our Barony and Kingdom, and regardless of whom Their Stellar Majesties chose, we will continue this support. Should you have any questions, concerns or comments, please feel free to contact us at anytime.

In service to our Barony, Kingdom, and the Crown,

HL Fearghus MacKenna
Lady Asclyn of Glentewrde



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Daire De Haya and Druinne De Salesberie

Unto Their Most Stellar Majesties, Ulstead and Ebergardis, holders of the Sable Thrones by right of arms and by the grace of the one who inspires such feats and unto Their Excellencies, Armand Dragonetti and Ameline du Bois, Lord and Lady of Elfsea and Dragonsfire Tor, and unto Her Grace, Julia de Montoya whose wisdom doth guide all of us as Senescal of this great kingdom, and to all whom these words present doth Dáire de Haya and Druinne de Salesberie commend ourselves unto you all.

We write this day to declare our intent to stand for the honor of serving our Crown and Kingdom as Baron and Baroness of Elfsea. Elfsea has been our home from the very beginning of our adventures in Ansteorra and the Society and we believe that we can hold these lands in good stead on behalf of our Crown. We realize that the office we seek is filled with a multitude of challenges and we are committed to making the good of our barony our first priority within the scope of the SCA. Our goals for the Barony are simple: grow the populace and encourage more active participation. We realize that there are many different “demographics” in a barony and making sure that we make everyone feel like an integral part of the group is important. Acknowledgement and recognition are key elements in making people feel a part of the whole and gaining loyalty to the barony.

Our experience is varied: between the two of us we have held local, regional and kingdom-level offices, autocratted events, prepared sideboards, been “camp mom” for Gulf War and Autumn Melees, made loaner armor, hosted parties and work weekends, helped with newcomer garb, made gifts for prize baskets, and fought in wars from Pennsic to Lilies to Gulf War to Gothic. In the modern world, we share a background in team-building, human resources management, hands-on people management of up to 70 direct reports, as well as experience in process development for local and global processes. Stefen has worked for Fedex for over 8 years and Rhonda has been with Nokia for 16.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or for more information.

Pray know that we remain ever in service,

Dáire de Haya and Druinne de Salesberie



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Polling Form

Opinion Polling: Elfsea Landed Nobility

Results of this opinion poll will be shared only with the Regional Seneschal, the Kingdom Seneschal and the Crown. The results of this baronial opinion poll will not be made public. This is the norm for opinion polls conducted in Ansteorra. Please understand that this poll is a measure of your opinions, not a "vote." The Crown alone makes the decision, in consultation with their Heirs.

The following candidates have declared their intent to run for the position of landed nobility of the Barony of Pleasant Keep. Please rank each couple or candidate in order with 1 being your **first** choice. Remember that the final decision rests with Their Majesties.

Please rank **ALL** candidates or this polling form will be invalidated and not be counted.

Candidates	Rank (with 1 being your first choice)
Richard DeLaufyson and Willow De Wisp	
Darius of the Bells and Rosalia Di Bellavita	
Caelin on Andrede and KerMegan of Taransay (Pyro)	
Fearghus MacKenna and Asclyn of Glyntwrde	
Daire De Haya and Druinne De Salesberie	

Please enter your information below.

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If you are not an SCA member, please use the yellow form.

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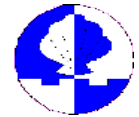
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