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The Heirs to the Sable Thrones:

Crown Prince Octamasades and Crown Princess Achaxe

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Reporting Calendar of An Tir

		Report Due
Q1	Jan-Mar	May 1st
Q2	Apr-Jun	August 1st
Q3	July-Sep	November 1st
Q4	Oct-Dec	February 1st

The Royal Court



Their Majesties

King Nicolai Rabenis Von Tachov and Queen Ana de la Sara
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Their Heirs:

Crown Prince Octamasades and Crown Princess Achaxe



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Royal Champions

Champion of An Tir	Rauokinn Eyverska Starradottir	July Coronation
Kingdom Protector	Drekah Thoreson	September Crown
Queen's Rapier Champion	Rosa Marcella	Kingdom A&S
Arts & Sciences Champion	Lantani de Forez	Kingdom A&S
Bardic Champion	Gareth Hyre	Twelfth Night
Equestrian Champion	Angharad Banadaspus Drakenhefd	Twelfth Night

Health and Safety



Although the SCA (Society of Creative Anachronism) complies with all applicable laws to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

Notices

Officer Position Open: Marshal Authorization Officer

Kingdom Earl Marshal is seeking applications for successor to **Marshal Authorization Officer**.

The Authorization officer is responsible for receiving and entering both physical and electronic marshal authorizations into the database from all marshal activities excluding equestrian in a timely manner

Collaborating with the An Tir IT team to maintain and improve the authorization page and database.

Responding to authorization questions from members of the populace and An Tir and Branch leadership

Supporting the Kingdom List Minister for all Kingdom level marshal tournaments

Working with Kingdom, Regional, and Branch Marshal leadership providing information and reports

Maintaining the Marshal warrant list for all marshalled officers at both the Kingdom and local level and providing this list for signatures to the Earl marshal at 12th night and July Coronation

No Authorization in a combat weapon form required

Support Equestrian Marshal authorization deputy

Letters of Intent with SCA resumes and mundane resumes need to be emailed to:
earlmarshal@antir.org
and
marshal.authorizations@antir.org.

OFFICER POSITION OPEN:

Crier Editor

The Crier Editor is a deputy to the Kingdom Chroniclers office and is responsible for publishing the Kingdom newsletter, the Crier. The skills needed for this job are:

Ability to meet a deadline. The Crier is published monthly by the Society and this must be done on time, every time without fail.

Ability to use word processing equipment - the Crier is formatted in MS Publisher.

Access to email, Facebook and Discord. Especially near the end of the month checking email every day - and multiple times a day - is very important as the Crown and Kingdom officers may have last minute additions that must be published.

Skill at layout and design - some things must be in the Crier, and some things are at the editors discretion. You have a bit of leeway for creative content that showcases the brilliance of An Tir.

This job has NO travel requirements. The Kingdom Chronicler must attend Kingdom events, but the Crier Editor is a deputy and does not have to. There is also no equipment to manage, this office is 100% online with it's own Kingdom account. You will need a computer.

The Crier Editors job is one of the most important and visible in the Kingdom - publishing the Kingdom newsletter is a big responsibility with great satisfaction in having your work in front of the entire known world. Sound like something you'd like to do?

Email chronicler@antir.org and lets chat.

Cover Images by:

Suzanne de Chinon and

Bear Far-Wanderer

NOTICE OF SANCTION

On May 21, 2025 Their Majesties of An Tir, Nicolai and Ana, have issued the sanction of Exile from the Kingdom against James Bowen, also known in the Society as Braun aus Krefeld. This sanction precludes attendance or participation in any manner at any SCA activity, event, meeting, practice, or official gathering for any reason, at any time within the Kingdom of An Tir. This includes a ban on participation in officially recognized SCA social media sites, officially recognized SCA electronic email lists, and officially recognized SCA webpages for the Kingdom of An Tir and its branches.

Alessandra Luciana Giancomo, OP
OD (Christina Grant)
Kingdom Seneschal, An Tir

NOTICE:

As of April 12, 2025, the Temporary Removal from Participation in the Society of Randolph Pozos-Brewer (known as Constantinus Puteolanus Germanicus) is lifted, per Board action.

KINGDOM SENESCHAL OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

The office of the Kingdom Seneschal is in search of a replacement and applications for the position are now open.

The Kingdom Seneschal is responsible for the administrative operation of the Kingdom of An Tir and is the sole corporate officer in the Kingdom. The modern world recognizes Kingdom Seneschals as Regional Vice Presidents. The Kingdom Seneschal maintains and updates Kingdom Law as well as the kingdom's business records.

Duties include

- Directing activities of branch Sen-

eschals and deputies

- Clarifying, updating and maintain Kingdom law
- Reviewing and approving of Principality Law and Branch Customaries
- Reviewing, coordinating all complaint and sanction related activities

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Applications and resumes will be accepted until July 13th, and the projected change over date will be 12th Night 2026.

Successful candidates will be contacted to have interviews, and a decision will be made by August. There will be a training period before change over occurs.

If you have questions about the position, email the Kingdom Seneschal.

Please send your application/letter of intent and resume to seneschal@antir.org, crown@antir.org and heirs@antir.org

DEIB OFFICER

The office of the Kingdom Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Belonging (DEIB) Officer is now accepting applications for the position.

The Kingdom Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Belonging (DEIB) Officer supports the SCA and Kingdom's commitment to fostering a respectful, inclusive and welcoming environment for all participants. The office is responsible for providing consistency, guidance and support to promote diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging within the Kingdom of An Tir.

Duties include:

- Maintain and support DEIB prac-

tice framework aligned with the SCA's mission and values

- Recommend best practices and policy improvements to support equity and access
- Collaborating with Kingdom officers to ensure inclusive practices across disciplines
- Maintain educational material and workshops to support DEIB awareness
- Foster conversations and initiatives around accessibility, cultural representation and respectful historical reenactment
- Work with the Kingdom Seneschal and provide regular updates on initiatives

Preferred Skills and Experience include:

- Experience in diversity, equity and inclusion work
- Strong communication and facilitation skills
- Ability to navigate sensitive topics with professionalism, empathy and discretion
- Demonstrated commitment to creating inclusive environments in historical reenactment, education or similar spaces

This role is not involved in sanctions, investigations, complaints or bullying and harassment concerns as those matters are not part of this office and will be directed to the Kingdom Seneschal's office.

Applications and resumes will be accepted until July 13th
Please send your application and resume seneschal@antir.org, crown@antir.org and heirs@antir.org

Note from the Crier Editor:

Do you have an idea for content for the Crier? Artwork, articles, poems, or pictures?

We would love to see what you have to share with the Kingdom! We publish as space allows after required content/regular features. We can also publish a Supplement for longer articles, classes or features.

Please email your ideas to

criereditor@antir.org



Photo by Bear Far-Wanderer

Notice About Submitting Event Copy

Why events must be published – Kingdom Law: *“for an event to be considered official, event copy needs to be published in the Crier at minimum once in the issue of the month in which the event occurs.”* An event must be official if Royals are present (this includes branch Coronets) so that any business conducted in Court can be recorded and published. All Branches in An Tir must have at least one official event per year in the Crier to maintain their status. All event copy should be sent to CrierEditor@antir.org and needs to follow a specific format, please ask for a copy of the format if you do not already have one. In order for copy to be published you must email the Crier Editor. No other method ie: calendar links, forms, etc should be used - *they will NOT work*. Remember: The deadline is the first of the month PRIOR to your event! **Nothing will get you in the Crier except an email to the Crier Editor.**

Spotlight Scribe

What is your SCA name?
Pani Katarzyna Dziemieszkowa

How long have you been a scribe?
About 3 Years

How did you become a scribe?
There was an open invitation for people to come paint charters in Baroness Arianna's yard posted to Facebook, no experience necessary and I thought it would be a nice way to meet people. I left with several charters and promptly fell down the rabbit hole.

What do you enjoy most about being a scribe?
My favourite thing about being a scribe is when you can ignite the spark for newcomers and help bring them to the table. Everyone can paint with enough time, patience and willingness to learn; if it's something that brings joy to a person, I want to be there to support and lift them up.

Have you ever held an office/position as a Scribe?
I've been Deputy Principality Scribe to Maminka the Bohemian for about 9 months. We collect reports from the Branches of Tir Righ and put them into quarterly reports. I also get to help organize scribal activities at Principality events which is a great way to get people out there painting!

What is your scribal pet peeve?
When your practice calligraphy was perfect but when you commit to the page the nib blots, or your line gets wonky, or you suddenly forget how to write the letter A.

Was there anyone that helped you along your scribal journey that you would like to acknowledge?
Arianna for sending me that initial invite to paint. Elvina, for helping me fall into the rabbit hole at the beginning. She con-



tinues to challenge me to be more historically accurate and to keep developing my skills. Maminka for being a sounding board when I'm ready to throw in the towel. Jadwiga for introducing me to new techniques that add to my art. Glorious for putting up with late nights while I paint when she'd rather be sleeping. And countless others for being encouraging, welcoming, educating in this wonderful little community that we have.

Do you have any special tips, tricks, or techniques that you use or have learned through your scribal journey?
Whitework can change a piece. Learning how to effectively use your zinc and titanium whites can elevate an otherwise simple piece. Game changing!

Have you ever done an original award? If so, what did you learn through the process?
Yes! I've done 10 originals in the last year, including most recently 2 carps. Give yourself lots of time, and start with the component you're less skilled with. For me, my calligraphy is where I make the most mistakes, so I always do Calligraphy first and once it's done, add in the art. That way if I do make an error, I haven't spent hours on the piece.

Do you have any advice you would pass on to someone new to original work?
You don't have to take on the entire piece yourself. If you love doing the designing but your wordsmithing is holding you back from volunteering, ask if there's a wordsmith who'd like to work with you. There's an amazingly friendly community of

scribes out there and everyone has their talents. Don't hold yourself back from learning because you're afraid to ask for help.

What is your favorite Kingdom Award that you have painted, calligraphed, or designed?
If I had to pick a favourite, it would probably be the Lyon's Troubadour I did for Twelfth Night. I really let myself have fun with the design, and there is a scroll of music that wraps through the piece that is an extant piece of music from the middle ages that is playable if you follow it from top to bottom.

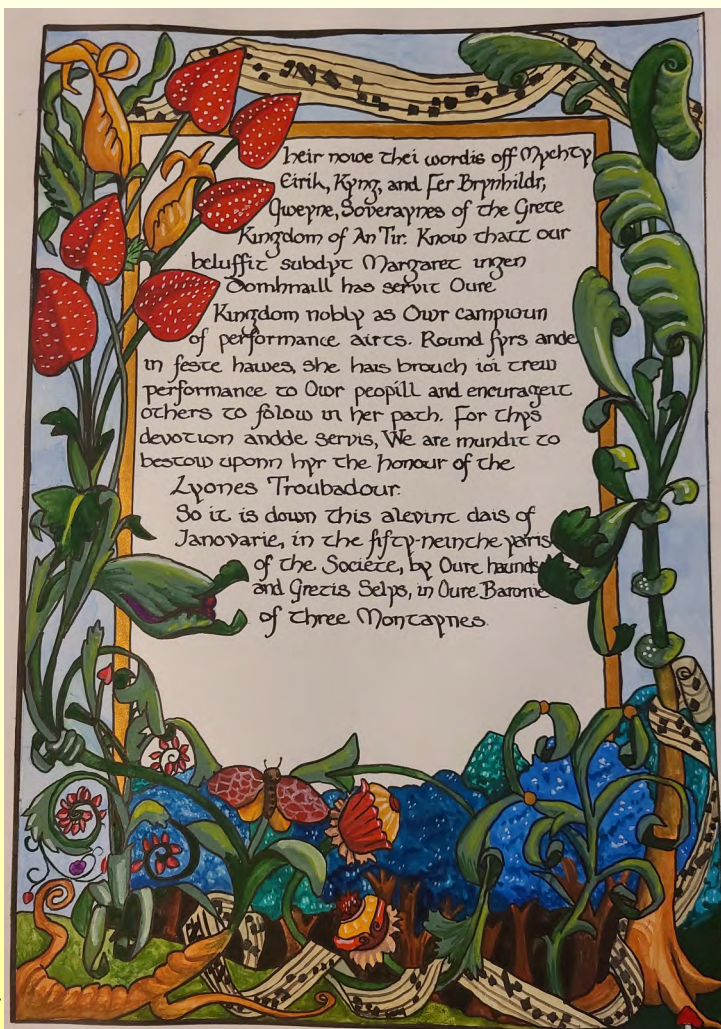
What is the best or most impactful piece of advice you have ever received through your scribal journey?
When you are frustrated, or upset, when you hate your work or feel like nothing is working right, step away from the table. Make yourself a cup of tea, have a hot shower, read a book, sleep, just put some distance

between yourself and the piece for 24 hours. Almost always when you get back to the table, suddenly the world doesn't seem so bleak and your work is fantastic, or the route forward is clear.

Is there anything that you would say to your younger scribal self just starting out on this path?
Everyone makes mistakes and most of the time you are the only one who can see them. Don't be too hard on yourself. Mistakes were period!

Is there anything else that you would like to say or add as an An Tir Spotlight Scribe?
Each and every one of you is amazing, don't listen to any voice that tells you otherwise!

Photos by Katarzyna Dziemieszkowa



Announcement from the Royal Largesse Coordinator

Please email kingdom.largesse@antir.org with any questions or if arrangement of hand-off/delivery is needed.

CURRENT STAFF:

Kingdom Largesse Coordinator - Sibylla de Waryn
Storage Deputy - Constança Mateus
Tir Righ Regional Deputy - Sine Gunnsdot-tir
Western Regional Deputy - Paullus Quinctilius Barbatus Romanus
Inlands Regional Deputy - 'Izza Al-Dimashqiyya
Rivers Regional Deputy - Carith de Cuevas
Summits Regional Deputy - Morgan Woodsende of Hoghton

Description of Deputy Roles

The Storage Deputy assists the Coordinator with the receiving, sorting, inventorying, donor tracking, and prepping for Royal gifting of largesse donated to the Crown. They can work independently or in person with the Coordinator to achieve these tasks.

Regional Deputies assist the Coordinator by serving as the point person for their area. They collect donations from those who don't travel and bring them to events attended by the Crown for handoff (or collect everything and arrange for another local member to courier), and relay needs/requests from the Crown to members in their region who may not use social media. Additionally, they may encourage local groups in the creation of largesse to donate to the Kingdom by running small contests or issuing challenges, arranging largesse making parties, etc.

BASIC GUIDELINES FOR DONATION:

- Handmade is fantastic but not required, just that it's as period as possible (exceptions are in place for children's items – period preferred but NOT required, period adjacent or 'thematic' is great [examples: magical creatures, a modern puzzle with jousting scene, etc.]).

- PLEASE label each of your items with your SCA Name, SCA Branch, and what the item is/can be used for. If you wish to remain anonymous, that's fine! Just include your branch and the item description. **UPDATE: There is now a basic label template available for home printing on the new Largesse page on the Kingdom**

Website.

- ANYONE can donate largesse, in ANY quantity (Yes, even just one thing!)
- NO scented items please!
- NO perishable items please!
- NO items that can melt please! (If you are unsure, leave it in your car on a 90 degree day and see if it melts)
- If you are unsure what to donate, please reach out!
- Items we always need: Caps/Hats/Coifs; Veils; Cups; Toys/Games/Crafts/Stuffies for Children and Teens.

CURRENT NEEDS:

- Useful/Non-Craft Kits
- Veils (linen or silk, circle/half-circle/rectangle)
- Woven Trim

SPECIFIC REQUESTS FROM THE CROWN:

For General Largesse

- Items Teens Can Use/Play With

Some ideas: Smaller size/capacity haversacks, small leather-bound books, simple period craft kits, stuffies, wooden dice, small painted wooden boxes for trinkets, simple/cute block printing stamps, medieval playing cards, tabletop games, 3D wooden puzzles, higher complexity coloring books, etc. Basically, anything rated 13+!

- Quality Over Quantity When Possible

What does this mean? If you have time to make one 16th Century Pocket or 15 Needlebooks, lean towards the pocket. This does NOT mean that we don't want needlebooks ☐ We love needlebooks! If churning out lots of little things is your main jam, please continue to donate those, we still need bulk items and we are so grateful for the generosity and time used to create those as well!

For Personal Gifts

- Usable Items Over Trinkets
- NO Food or Drink Including/Containing the Following: Beer, Wine, Onions, Coffee, Peat, Licorice, Celery, Lemon, Mushrooms, Seafood

HRH Ana's Persona: Mid-14th Century French
Heraldic Colors: Green, Gold, Black
Symbols: Bees

Favorite Color: Dark Green
Preferred Colors: Dark Green, Gold, Black, Burgundy
General Interests: Heraldic Displays, Painting (esp. Silk), Armored Combat, Thrown Weapons

HRH Nicolai's Persona: 11th Century Norman

Heraldic Colors: Green, Black, White
Symbols: Raven, Stag
Favorite Color: Deep Navy
Color Preferences: Dark Blue, White, Purple, Dark Green, Gold
General Interests: Armored Combat, Medieval Games, Wordsmithing, Cider

Their Heraldry and Reign Symbols are pictured for reference and free use.



The Delightful Duo Largesse Contest

The DELIGHTFUL DUO LARGESSE CONTEST is coming to September Crown 2025!

Overview: Each entrant is asked to contribute two nearly identical handmade items which would not normally be donated as largesse due to cost, complexity, or time commitment. One of the two items will be kept by the Crown for gifting to fellow royals or to be used as grand prizes for other kingdom level contests, the second of the two items will each be taken home by one of the other entrants as a prize. Everyone who enters takes something home! The entries will be displayed and voted on by the populace, with the winner getting first choice of the items. The rest of the entrant's prizes will be awarded through a blind drawing of names.

Entrants:

- Please email kingdom.largesse@antir.org when you've decided to participate
- If your items have loose pieces, please include a way to carry/transport each set (bag, box, etc.)
- Entries MUSE include 2 CARDS with the following information:
 - Entrant SCA name
 - Home branch
 - Point of contact (email or fb name if different from SCA name)
 - A brief description of the item(s) being entered



Photos by Bear Far-Wanderer

Eat This Book!

By Visconti Eduardo Lucrezia

July 2025

Eat This Book was published for the first time in March 2021. For every month since (except for two) Eat This Book has run in An Tir's newsletter, The Crier. In February of 2023 a retrospective of the first two years ran with a short description of each of the previous 23 columns. I was also surprised when The Crier staff used their rare supplemental issue to re-run ALL of the previous columns collected into one edition.

This month's column we are not celebrating an anniversary, but I hope you will enjoy this retrospective of 26 columns from March 2023 to last month, June 2025. Also, the amazing Crier Staff, along with Baroness Aniko from Seagirt, has collected all 26 columns into another supplement issue

As was done in the previous retrospective I have listed the columns in order of publication. Each has the name of the book(s) that was recommended, a brief comment and a hyperlink to the original column. Seven of the columns include recipes by the author of the book or by a guest columnist with a passion for the food and cooking from the recommended book and/or culture. These recipes give you a small taste of what you have in store when you explore the books.

March 2023 – A Persian Cookbook: A 16th Century Person Cookbook: The Manual by Bavarchi translated from the Persian by Saman Hassibi and Amir Sayadabdi published in 2018 by Prospect Books. Among the many succulent recipes included in this book there are also five bread recipes.

April 2023 – Platina: On Right Pleasure and Good Health by Mary Ellen Milham, published 1998 by Medieval and Renaissance Text & Studies. This book is Martino adjacent so you know it is one of my favorites. I have included 4 vegetable recipes redacted by me!

May 2023 – Eating Shakespeare: Recipes and More from the Bard's Kitchen" by Betty and Sonia Zvatkauskas published in 2000 by Prentice Hall Canada. Wherefore art thou Elizabethan recipes? Right here in this book.

June 2023 – Tasting History: Explore the Past Through 4,000 Years of Recipes" by Max Miller with Ann Volkwein, Simon Element, 2023. Max Miller has taken historical food to social media. He is a phenom when it comes to content. His first book is filled with recipes from ancient to the recent past. He has shared some of his recipes with us in this month's Eat This Book.

July 2023 – Early French Cookery: Sources, history, Original Recipes and Modern Adaptations" By Terence Scully, D. Eleanor Scully with illuminations by J. David Scully published by The University of Michigan Press, originally published in 1995. The most comprehensive and up-to-date exploration of early French food.

August 2023 – A Sip Through Time: A collection of Old Brewing Recipes" first published in 1995 by the author with a second printing in 1996, a third printing in 1997 and a fourth corrected printing in 2004. So many redacted recipes to quench your thirst.

September 2023 – Anglo-Saxon Food and Drink" By Ms. Ann Hagen (2010) published by Anglo Saxon Books. With the sudden resurgence of research into this area of food history it is good to return to the classics.

October 2023 – 6000 Years of Bread: It's Holy and Unholy History" by H.E. Jacob originally published in 1944 by Doubleday, Doran, and Co., and translated by Richard and Clara Winston. The staff of life. Bread is one of the most important food products throughout our history. There are two recipes included in this month's column. One from Baroness Vasilisa Myshkina and a Cinnamon Snail Bread from Scappi redacted by me.

November 2023 – Medieval Cuisine in the Islamic World: A Concise History with 174 Recipes" by Lilia Zaouali University of California Press, 2007. An important book that focuses on the exchange and influence between the Islamic and European worlds.

December 2023 – Food and Feast in Medieval England" By P.W. Hammond 1998 Sutton Publishing. A beautiful book that covers a wide range of topics.

January 2024 – Food and Drink in Medieval Poland: Rediscovering a Cuisine of the Past" by Maria Dombinska, revised and adapted by William Woys Weaver, translated by Magdalena Thomas, 1999 University of Pennsylvania Press. The only book on this topic.

February 2024 – Indian Food: A Historical Companion" by K.T. Achaya Oxford University Press, 1994. Expand your food history

knowledge into non-European cuisines. March 2024 – The Good Housewife's Jewel" by Thomas Dawson with an introduction by Maggie Black, Southover Press, 1996. I am sure you will enjoy these very approachable recipes especially the one I redacted, Elizabethan Sweet and Sour Chicken Sauce.

April 2024 – Jews, Food and Spain: The Oldest Medieval Spanish Cookbook and Sephardic Culinary Heritage" foreword by Paul Freedman from Yale University, Academic Studies Press, 2022 and Sephardi: Cooking the History. Recipes of the Jews of Spain and the Diaspora from the 13th Century to Today" Cherry Orchard Press 2021. One research book and one cookbook. Both are a great glimpse into Jewish food ways.

May 2024 – Tastes of Byzantium: The Cuisine of a Legendary Empire", Tauris Parke, 2010, Andrew Dalby. More than just the popular Byzantium Beer recipe that is circulating in the Press.

June and July 2024 there were no columns published due to the number of events, law changes and announcements from the Board of Directors.

August 2024 – The Closet of Sir Kenelm Digby, Opened, 1669" edited from the first edition, with introduction, notes and appendices by Jane Stevenson and Peter Davidson, Prospect Books, 2010. 338 recipes, including 119 recipes for alcoholic beverages mostly for meads and metheglin

September 2024 – The Good Wife's Guide Le Menagier de Paris A Medieval Household Book was translated, with critical introduction, by Gina L. Greco & Christine M. Rose Cornell University Press 2009. Have you ever wanted to be a wealthy Parisian during the middle ages? This is the instruction book for you!

October 2024 –Pleyn Delit: Medieval Cookery for Modern Cooks", 2nd Edition by Constance B. Hieatt, Brenda Hosington and Sharon Butler University of Toronto Press 1996. Food from the same time period as the Canterbury Tales.

November 2024 – The Sensible Cook: Dutch Foodways in the Old and New World" by Peter G. Rose Syracuse University Press, 1989. This is the only book which focuses on this region and time period. Who knew that the Dutch were responsible for 70% of the grain imports from the Baltic. No wonder they are famous for their pancakes and wafers.

December 2024 – Le Viandier de Taillevent" is translated, edited and commented on by James Prescott, known in the SCA as Master Thorvald Grimson, orig-

inally published in 1987 with a second edition in 1989 by Alfarhaug Publishing Society, Eugene, Oregon and Le Viandier of Taillevent" by Terence Scully, University of Ottawa Press, 1988. Two books in one column and recipes from one of the authors. This is one to check out.

January 2025 – The Oldest Cuisine in the World: Cooking in Mesopotamia" by Jean Bottero, translated by Teresa Lavender Fagan, The University of Chicago Press, 2004. Over 300 clay tablets and at least 40 recipes, none of which have been redacted. Lots of work to do for this community.

February 2025 – The Most Excellent Book of Cookery" (Livre fort excellent de Cuisine – 1555) edited and translated by Timothy J. Tomasik and Ken Albala, Prospect Books 2014. An interesting book by two wonderful authors from an overlooked time period in French cookery.

March 2025 – America's First Cuisines" by Sophie D. Coe, University of Texas Press, 1994. A pioneer in American cuisine Dr. Coe is worth a read even with all the new material coming out about pre-Columbian food.

April 2025 – Scents and Flavors; A Syrian Cookbook" edited and translated by Charles Perry New York University Press, 2017. A delicious exploration of 13th century Syrian food. There are also recipes by guest cook Urtatim Al-Qurtubiyya from the West Kingdom.

May 2025 – La Varenne' Cookery: The French Cook; The French Pastry Chef; The French Confectioner" by Francois Pierre, Sieur de la Varenne A Modern English Translation and Commentary" by Terence Scully 2006 Prospect. Three books in one volume. French food, pastries and confectionary.

June 2025 – A History of Cookbooks: From Kitchen to Page over Seven Centuries by Henry Notaker University of California Press, 2017 A whole book about cook books. What more could you ask for?

"Eat this book" is a column produced for An Tir's Kingdom newsletter, The Crier. I hope to help you build your food history library. If you have a comment, book, country, or a time period you would like explored please write to me at: info@vastrepast.com Visconti Eduardo Lucrezia is a mid-15th Century Italian Renaissance Court and Kitchen Punk. He is obsessed with the food from the Iberian Peninsula, specifically the recipes of Martino and Platina. He is a member of the Order of the Laurel, the order of the Pelican, a Baron of the Court of An Tir and a Lion, An Tir. David Huffman-Walddon owns a technology consulting company, Renaissance Stra-

tegic Consulting, Inc., and an Arbonne health and wellness business. He has written on food history for "The Journal of Italian Food and Wine" and "Petits Propos Culinaires". He has given papers on the food of the Italian Renaissance at the Oxford Symposium on Food and Cookery and the Renaissance Society of America. His weekly food history and tradition column, The Vast Repast, was syndicated in Washington, Oregon, California and British Columbia. Eat This Book has run almost every month in "The Crier", An Tir's official newsletter, since March of 2021



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Poetry Corner

The Incipient Poets Guild

of An Tir

Coronation

By Lisette de la Rose

The tinny thud thump thwack of hammer on stake is followed by the woosh of well worn canvas while the lilting sound of laughter lingers in the air and silk snaps like scissors in the wind

the promise of a day dallying in delightful dreams of damsels and dukes in daring duels while hearing a herald's huzzahs ring thrice as a viscountess is victorious, a vision to behold

a feast hall fills with fellowship as frenzied servers set silver platters and porcelain plates cooks clatter crockery as carefully roast rabbits rotate on rotisseries over roaring flames

swish swipe sweep tedious tasks to tidy beautiful banner bedecked ballrooms as musicians muse merrily between playing pivots or pavaues to please the populace

weary eyes weep with wonder and whimsy as nights end draws nie, nearly time to go gracefully galloping homeward, hence they hie but the dream it does not die renewed rightly for another reign



Event Announcements

An Tir West War

Kingdom's of An Tir and The West
Event Steward: Cassandra Deveroux &
Evren Ankaravi
July 1, 2025 to July 6, 2025

Lazy J Moore Ranch
96029 Euchre Creek Rd, Gold
Beach, OR 97444

Open and closing hours: Open: 7/1 12:00
PM / Close 7/6 3:00 PM

Gate fee for the event only:

Adult non-member: \$70 if pre-registered,
\$75 at the gate.

Adult, Saturday day fee \$30. (no other day
fees available)

Members receive a \$10 discount.

Youth 17 and under, free

To whom should checks be made paya-
ble?: SCA Inc., An Tir West War

From the north: Make your best way to Port
Orford Oregon. Head south on Hwy 101
about 17 miles.

Turn left towards Coy Creek Rd. Turn right
onto Coy Creek Rd. Turn left onto Euchre
Creek Rd.

NOTE: Be careful of possible con-
gestion at the Coy Creek Rd
turnoff.

From the South: Make your best way to
Gold Beach Oregon. Head North on Hwy
101 about 13 miles. Turn Right towards
Coy Creek Rd. Turn right onto Coy Creek
Rd. Turn left onto Euchre Creek Rd. NOTE:
Be careful of possible congestion at the
Coy Creek Rd turnoff.

Please join us at one of the most beautiful
coastal event sites for 6 days of WAR,
Tournaments, Arts and Science classes,
Rapier, Archery, Youth and Equestrian
activities galore and of course fabulous
merchants! Pre-registration is available.
Deadline for extra land: May 26th; Deadline
for land: June 10th; Deadline for open
camping: June 23rd All payment MUST be
received by June 26th.

Pre-registration is available at Castro-
rum.com

The most current event details are main-
tained at: antirwestwar.org

July Coronation

Barony of Wastekeep
Event Steward: Gudrun Ulriksdottir
July 11 - 13th, 2025

8:00am Saturday to 3:00pm Sunday

Gate fee: Adult non-member \$35.00

To whom should checks be made paya-
ble?: Barony of Wastekeep, SCA Inc

Address: 7016 W Grandridge Blvd,
Kennewick WA

The stars have aligned and July Corona-
tion is on the way! We will be at the 3 Riv-

ers Convention Center in Tri-Cities on July
11th to 13th.

The schedule is being finalized and the
hotel block will be open next week when
we get the registration code from the hotel
contact. The room block is very small so I
will have a list of close hotels, an RV/motel
business, and a KOA campground. Nearby
hotels could be less expensive and there
are many close ones. There will be a con-
vention happening next door at the Toyota
Center which kept us from being able to get
rooms blocks in the two other very close
hotels but individuals may have better luck.
I will be updating the kingdom calendar as
best I can.

Activities will begin Friday evening with
vigils in the Springhill Suites Hotel. We are
working with the hotel to insulate the vigil
rooms with our attendees as to mitigate
disturbing other groups. This hotel and
convention space has a lot of possibility for
our Barony so we want to have them like
us at the end of the weekend.

Saturday and Sunday will have the main
activities! **NOTE: We can't have outside
food in the convention center.** There will
be some sports drinks available and water
(maybe bring your favorite electrolytes?)
There are close restaurants and places to
get meals. We are looking at doing pre-
order lunch boxes through the convention
center and those will have to be prepaid
with preregistration with more details to
follow

Mooselmas IV

Shire of Tymberhavene

Event Steward: Snorri Randalfsson

July 25-27, 2025

Open and closing hours: 3:00 pm / 3:00
pm

Gate fee for the event only:

Adult non-member: \$35.00

Adult member: \$25.00

Youth: Free

To whom should checks be made paya-
ble?: SCA Inc, Shire of Tymberhavene

Penny Sturdivant Park, Highway 42 S, Co-
quille, OR 97423, US

What are the directions to the site?

From I-5 or Hwy 101 make your way to OR
-42 and Coquille. Turn into OR-42S W.

Sturnivent Park is 70 yards on the Right.

Come to Tymberhavene to beat the heat. A
24 minute drive from the Coast, we are
usually significantly cooler than the Valley.

Tymberhavene has so many champion-
ships to win! Heavy, Rapier, C&T, Archery,
Thrown Weapons, Bardic, Arts and Sci-
ence, and most importantly Bocce Ball.
RV's are welcome. Site is pretty flat and
close to a grocery store and other small
town amenities.

Midsummer's Defenders

Shire of Hartwood

Event Steward: Halima al-Rakkasa

Event Steward's email: hali-
ma.dancer@gmail.com

July 25, 2025 - July 27, 2025

6:00 PM (on July 25, 2025) - 1:00 PM (on
July 27, 2025)

Fees: Adult non-member \$30; 18 years and
under, free; standard SCA discount for
adult members

Cheques to be made out to: SCA - Shire of
Hartwood

Site: Camp Gilwell, 5200 Duncan Bay Main
Line Rd, Courtenay, BC V9J 1P9

Directions:

From out of town - Make your best way to
the Inland Highway (BC-19), and turn to-
wards Courtenay/Comox/Cumberland; turn
at Piercy Road (from the south, turn right;
from the north, turn left; exit 127); at For-
bidden Plateau Rd, turn right; at Duncan
Bay Main Line Rd, turn right; turn right
again into the site.

From Courtenay - Make your best way to
Piercy Road via Condensory or Headquar-
ters Roads, heading towards the Inland
Highway; at Forbidden Plateau Rd, turn
left; at Duncan Bay Main Line Rd, turn
right; turn right again into the site.

In the high heat of summer, come to chal-
lenge and come to support all those who
vie for being the Martial Defenders of Hart-
wood!

On the fields and in the woods, gather to
participate and be witness to those who
would test their mettle against other con-
tenders, demonstrating skills at arms,
wielding weapons guided by their eyes and
wits. Who will earn the recognition, and
responsibility, this year?

Activities will also include An Tir Forester
Guild workshops, and card and dice
games. The woods and creek provide relief
should the weekend prove hot.

As the site is a Scout camp, it has ameni-
ties usually associated with one. There is
potable water on site, and the biffies are
many and clean. Limited power is available
from the well house. Please supervise chil-
dren by the creek. Dogs are permitted,
according to An Tir leash laws. Use of the
firepits will depend upon the fire hazard
rating on the weekend.

This is a DRY site. No alcohol is permitted,
for any reason.

Lord Defender

Barony of Blatha an Oir

July 26th 2025

Event Steward: Mikael MacLeod - my-
col.reamer@gmail.com

Site: Waptao Park

6500 S Sheridan Ave, Tacoma, WA 98408

- The event will be taking place on the S

72nd Street entrance.
Gate Fee: Free! Donations accepted, but this is a Public Demo!
Opens: 10am
Closes: 6pm

Come join the Barony of Blatha an Oir for a day of tournaments, and merriment as they host the Lord Defender Demo and Champions Tournament. We will have classes, projects, and of course fighting as warriors vie for the coveted Lord Defender (Armored Combat) and Rapier Defender (Rapier Combat). Bring your camera, and a picnic, and enjoy this lakeside frivolity in the lands of the Golden Blossom!

Summer Dreams

Incipient Shire of Four Rivers
Event Steward Vegetius Decimus Antonius
8/15/2025-8/17/2025
Site opens 3 pm MST
Site Close: 12 pm MST Sharp
Sponsoring Branch Barony of Wastekeep
Gate Fee: \$30.00 weekend/\$20.00 day
Members discount \$10.00
Checks payable to: Barony of Wastekeep
Site address: 668 Sugar Ave, Ontario, OR 97914
Limited RV Spots.

THE LONG & SHORT OF IT 2025

Barony of Terra Pomaria
Event Stewards:
HL Rafe Neuton, HL Adele Neuton, and Lady Jack Wilde
Fri, August 8, 2025, 3:00 pm – Sun, August 10, 2025, 2:00 pm
Stonehenge Farm
9755 Willamette St, Aumsville, OR 97325
Event Fee:
Adult non-member – \$35.00 | Adult member – \$25.00 | Youth (17 and under) – Free
Cheques payable to SCA Inc., Barony of Terra Pomaria
Hear ye, good folk! Join us for a weekend where honor meets hearty revelry! Witness noble championships in Heavy Arms, Bowyer, and Thrown Weapons, alongside the esteemed Equestrian Championship of Glyn Dwfn, all set under the enchanting skies of Terra Pomaria. Gather with kindred spirits for an unforgettable celebration of community and chivalry! To arrive safely, travel toward Salem on I-5, take Exit 253 for Detroit Lake/Bend (Hwy 22), then take Exit 9 to Aumsville. Follow the SCA signs past the church onto Willamette Street—the site will be on your left. Sign in at the gate and park in the designated areas.

Still Just A Garden Party (Archery Championships)

Barony of Glymm Mere
August 16, 2025 8:00 AM-8:00 PM
Event Steward: HL Isabella de Walingeford
Griffinwood Stables - 8710 US Hwy 101 NW, Olympia WA 98502
Gate Fee: Adult non-member - \$25, Adult Member - \$15, Youth - Free

Checks payable to SCA Inc, Barony of Glymm Mere
Directions: From Olympia - North on Hwy 101 to just before Thurston/Mason county line. On the right.
From Shelton - South on Hwy 101 to just after Thurston/Mason county line. On the left.
From Coast - East on Hwy 12/8 to Hwy 101. North on Hwy 101 to just before Thurston/Mason county line. On the right.
Join us for fun and games as we look for our new Archery and Thrown Weapons Champions.
There will also be outdoor games and a potluck lunch.
Bring side dishes to go with the fried chicken provided by the Barony.
For more information, email the event steward at anitalheadley@gmail.com

August in the Park XVI & Viking Bog Games

Shire of Hauksгарðr
Event Steward: Kerryk Wolfram/Rick Pro-wett
Date of the event: 8/2/25
Open and closing hours of the event: 11:00 am - 6:00 pm
Gate fee for the event only: free
408-412 Humbolt Street Bingen, WA 98672
The Shire of Hauksгарðr invites you to join us for August in the Park XVI, and the Viking Bog Olympics. There will be games and contests throughout the day, and the annual trials for the Shire of Hauksгарdr Defender.

William Tell

Shire of River's Bend
Site: Wahkiakum County Fair Grounds, 16 Fairgrounds Rd, Skamokawa WA 98647
Site opens at: 12:00 AM on August 8th 2025
Site closes at: 12:00 PM on August 10th 2025
Calling all Adult and Youth Archers, Thrown Weapons Throwers and Tossers! Come usher in the new Order of the Mark as you work on your Rounds and Compete for the Honor of representing the Shire of River's Bend as Adult Archery Champion and Youth Archery Champion. We'll also have an Adult and Child Team Archery Shoot, Novelty Shoot, and Novelty Throw (we hear Plague RATS have returned...) Other activities include Traveler's Stew Friday Evening (Donations accepted), Bardic around the fire each night, a Brewing Contest (Wines, Meads, and Kombucha entries welcome, too!) Traditional favorites continue with a Dandy Hat contest, followed by the Annual Guillermo da Serra Patate Memorial Bocce Tournament. On Friday evening at dusk, the Scottish Rules Croquet Course will be open for contestants in the "glowing" (Judges of questionable integrity needed - please inquire with event steward Gillian Lenzi asap. hlgillian.lenzi@gmail.com).

Classes scheduled include Pine Needle Basket Weaving, Nature Walk /Foraging for Your Health, Paper Lantern Cutouts, and Daily Heraldry Consultations. Moot Saturday pm.

We will also have Children's Activities ongoing throughout the day near the Archery erics.

This site is ADA accessible, as well as equipped with permanent biffies, and showers. Potable water on site, Ice will also be available on site for a nominal cost. Arrive anytime Thursday to establish your camp to be ready to start bright, and energized Friday morning. Noise reduction is each night at 10 for the comfort of the fair grounds neighbors.

Packing up is on a TIGHT SCHEDULE this year. WE ABSOLUTELY MUST VACATE THE ENTIRE SITE BY NOON ON SUNDAY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

Stewards: Anastasia Hunter (Samantha Martin) / anya.hunter22@gmail.com / 360-355-6004; Barbara Svardhardt (Barbara Mellon) / barb_melo@yahoo.com / 360-751-5485; Gillian Lenzi (Shelley Lenzi) / hlgillian.lenzi@gmail.com

Fees:

Adult Weekend (18 - 100) \$25.00

Day \$10.00

Youth Weekend (123 - 17) \$ 10.00

Day \$5.00

Children 12 and under Free

\$10.00 NMS Fee will be applied to adult site fees

Opens for populous Thursday at 10am for set-up, activities start Friday at 9am
Packing up is on a TIGHT SCHEDULE this year. WE ABSOLUTELY MUST VACATE THE ENTIRE SITE BY NOON ON SUNDAY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION. to the turn on Ocean Beach Highway

Directions: From I-5 north or south take exit 40, Allen St. (WA - 4) Head west toward Long Beach. name changes but it stays WA - 4. Turn Right on Ocean Beach Highway (still WA - 4). Travel on WA - 4 for 32 miles Turn right on East Valley Rd fair grounds are to your left.

CDV Play Date

Shire of Coeur du Val
Saturday, August 16th, 2025
Time: 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Location: 24849 Park Road, Monroe, OR 97456
Gate Fee: Free! (Suggested donation: \$10)
Make Checks Payable To: Shire of Coeur du Val, SCA Inc.
Mark your calendars for August 16th and join us for a full day of fun, food, and camaraderie with the Shire of Coeur du Val! We'll have fighting activities throughout the day, so bring your gear and prepare to cross swords with friends, or come cheer on the combatants from the sidelines. A potluck lunch will be held midday. (Cont)

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Coeur du Val will provide the main protein, and we kindly ask attendees to bring a side dish, dessert, or other contribution to share. This event is free to attend, with a suggested donation of \$10 to help support future shire activities. (Checks may be made payable to Shire of Coeur du Val, SCA Inc.) Whether you're drawn to the field of battle, enjoy music and games, or simply want to relax and reconnect with friends, there will be something for everyone to enjoy. We hope to see you there.

Sergeantry Trials

Barony of Wastekeep

August 9, 2025 - August 9, 2025

10:00 AM (on August 9, 2025) - 6:00 PM (on August 9, 2025)

Event Steward: Cuthbert Weaver

Event Steward's email mgsurridge@gmail.com

Come and help test Wastekeep's newest Sergeantry candidates as they seek to prove their skills and knowledge. This is a FREE EVENT. Whether the aspirants are aiming for steward, artisan, provost, or sergeant, there are roles for everyone to play. Enjoy a shared potluck meal, fun, and fellowship as

A word about supplements from the Crier Editor.....



Kingdom Event Bids

Have you ever wanted to run a Kingdom event?

There is a constant need for bids for Kingdom events. The main regular Kingdom events are:

12th Night Coronation

Kingdom A&S and Queens Rapier

May Crown

July Coronation

September Crown

All events have specific needs and things that take place at that event and the Kingdom Events Deputy can tell you what they are.

Never done a Kingdom event? Not sure where to start? The Kingdom Events Deputy can help you figure it all out!

There are also experienced mentors available who will be happy to help you along as well.

Email events@antir.org and see what it takes to host a Kingdom Event in your area!

Your Kingdom will thank you!

"Each month the Kingdom Chronicler is encouraged to produce a full color PDF supplement, no larger than 10 MB, which will be posted to the website as a separate file.

The Supplement may contain additional information such as articles, photographs, court reports, and other materials of general interest to the public. "

So, do YOU have an idea for a supplement? Something about An Tir you think deserves a more deep dive than the Crier can manage to fit in?

If so we would love to hear from you! I will be happy to publish supplements on topics of interest to An Tir.

My personal Wish List ideas include:

Youth activities - I would LOVE to see a regular supplement dedicated to the children and youth of our Kingdom; crafts, garb ideas, games - whatever our younger members would like to see and I will be thrilled if it were to be written BY our younger members!

Arts & Sciences - do you make the things? Are you willing to write up an article about it? Either a how to, or a "why I did it like this" or even a research paper would be a welcome addition.

Any subject that is near and dear to your heart and inflames your passions will most likely do the same for someone else, and I would like to help you share your passions and inspire others.

The supplement is supposed to showcase the very best of An Tir, and I need your help to make that happen. While I am happy to edit and publish them, I am not going to write them all myself! I want to showcase *your* works!

I accept submissions in Word, Google Docs and other word processing formats.

Images may be submitted as PNG, JPEG or any image format

All images submitted will need a release form on file prior to publication.

Email me at crieditor@antir.org with any questions or suggestions you may have.

Thank you! In service to An Tir,

Baroness Suzanne de Chinon

Kingdom Chronicler, Acting Crier Editor

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Druim Doineann, Shire (Port Angeles-
Clallam & Jefferson Co., WA) DIS-
SOLVED

Earnrokke, Shire (Whidbey Island,
WA) DORMANT

False Isle, Shire (Powell River, BC) DIS-
BANDED, see SHIRE OF HARTWOOD

Fjordland, Shire (Sunshine Coast, BC)
IN SUSPENSION

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Groups interested in hosting a meeting should contact the Executive Assistant (ea@sca.org) for information on meeting requirements and how to submit a bid.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

a. July 12 and 13, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting – Virtual

b. October 18 and 19, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting – Hybrid

MID-QUARTER CONFERENCE CALL – TENTATIVE

a. Tuesday, May 27, 2025

b. Monday, June 23, 2025

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Meetings will be held online until further notice.

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