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In Loving  
Memory of  
Her Majesty  
Adriana  
of  
Arenveldt

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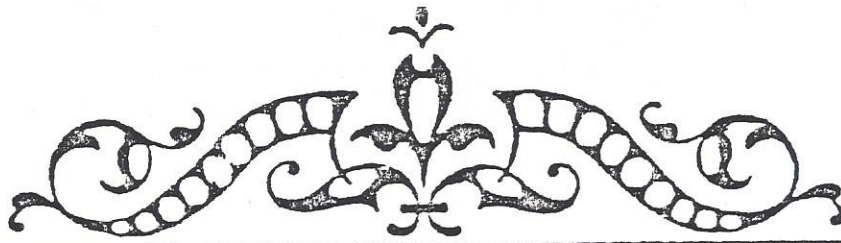
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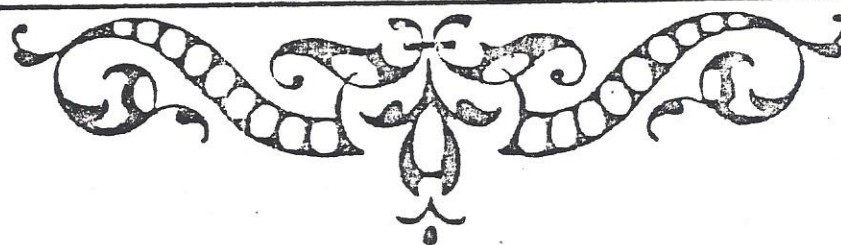
## GRYPHON'S KEEP

- 7 December SHIRE MEETING (All Officers & Populace) 2pm Lord Tod's ELSEWHERE
- 7 Atenveldt Coronation Barony of Atenveldt (Katheryn 602-263-9454)
- 14 Midwinter Revel Caer Galen (Ly. Marged 303-449-2416)
- 14 Midwinter & Investature al-Barran (Ld. Marcus 505-256-9138)
- 21 Baroness' Yule Party Caerthe Mistress Kate 303-935-4375)
- 21 Winter Solstace Loch Salaan (Volosa 801-328-1004)
- 28 Bawdy Bardic Birthday Fantasy Caerthe (Ly. Cassandra 303-423-5023)
- 28 St. Steven's Day Citadel (Jochen & Monika 915-565-9138)

## GRYPHON'S KEEP

- 5 January SHIRE MEETING (All Officers & Populace) 2pm Lord Tod's ELSEWHERE
- 4 Twelfth Night Caerthe (Master Odan 303-698-0693)
- 11 Bawdy Bardic Revel Dragonsspine (Ly. Miriel 303-550-9459)
- 11 Twelfth Night Otherhill No Information Available
- 25 A & S Comp. & Revel Uns Haven (Madeleine 303-226-1671)
- 25-26 A & S College Draca Mør No Information Available

NOTE: 22 FEBRUARY - GRYPHON'S KEEP DEMO & REVEL!!!



## THIS MONTH'S CREDITS

Baron Theodric ap Brekan Began - Knotwork pg. 1, Calligraphy pg. 1 & pg. 2.  
Lord Galen of Wiltshire - Cartoons pg. 3 and pg. 6. Also the Headsman on the back cover.



# Oyez! Oyez!

## HERE IS THE NEWS CORONET TOURNAMENT

Coronet Tournament and Prize Lists were held in Uns Haven on October 19th and 20th. The Prize List on Saturday was won by His Majesty's Champion, who was delighted by the engraved dagger given as first prize, along with an ounce of silver, which was graciously donated to the Kingdom Coffers. Second place in the Prize List was won by Lord Johan von Balduinseck. The prize of two ounces of silver was also graciously donated to the Kingdom Coffers.

The feast was excellent, with each course being divided by court and bardic offerings. There were more awards than I can remember. Also Ly. Cassandra gave up Principality Seneschal, to be replaced by Lord Giovanni.

Coronet Lists on Sunday were held under fair skies and warm temperatures. It was a perfect day to be outdoors. The Lists were brought off in good order, and the winner was Lord Johan von Balduinseck of Citadel. Congratulations, Your Excellency on a well-fought tournament.

There were still more awards at closing court after the lists. I admit to being remiss in not getting all of them written down. Please except my apologies and congratulations to all who received awards.

## GRYPHON'S KEEP REVELS

On 9 and 16 November, there were revels held in Gryphon's Keep. These were to enjoy the company of Lord Aldric Haldane of Griswold, from the Kingdom of the West, who was here visiting relatives, and contacted us to get acquainted with our local group. Ld. Aldric is Pursuivant Extroindaire from the West Kingdom, and he spent many hours helping our local people with advice on their devices.

He seemed to enjoy himself here in Gryphon's Keep, although I DID overhear one remark to the effect that he had to go back to California were people were 'sane'. I hope that was a compliment!

While Ld. Aldric was here, we granted him the first Honourary Membership ever given out by our Shire, with an appropriate scroll to take back to the Shire of Ravenshore.

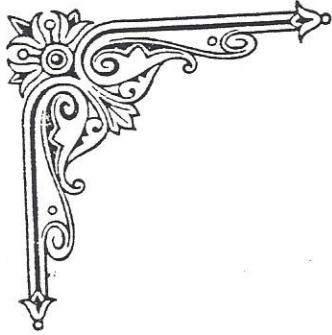
We had a lot of laughs and fun with this gentleman, wish him well, and hope he will return to see us again. We had 9 people at each of the two revels, although, they were't the same ones! Between the two weekends, both on VERY short notice, Ld. Aldric got to meet most of the Shire. Thank-you all, for turning out with no warning to "play".

## WIND SWEEP ARTS & SCIENCES ISSUE

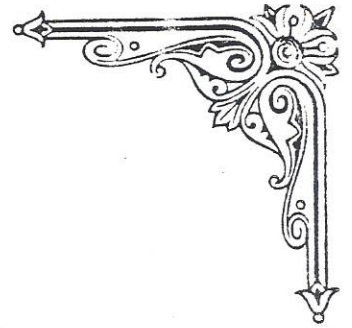
Don't forget that the January Issue of the Wind Swept is the Annual Arts and Sciences issue. I would like to see a lot of submissions from in or out of the Shire for this issue. These can be any articles, drawings, recipies, cartoons, how-to articles or anything else that has to do with the arts and crafts of the S.C.A or Middle Ages. PLEASE help me make this the best Arts and Sciences Issue Ever of the WIND SWEEP. Deadline for submissions is the 15th of December.

Don't be bashful----SUBMIT SOMETHING!!!





# Hear Ye!



THE WINNER OF THE CORONET TOURNAMENT WAS:

(Fanfare of Trumpets)

Lord Johann von Balduinseck  
and

his Lady, Viscountess Andraeh Al Shad Kam  
Of the Citadel of the Southern Pass

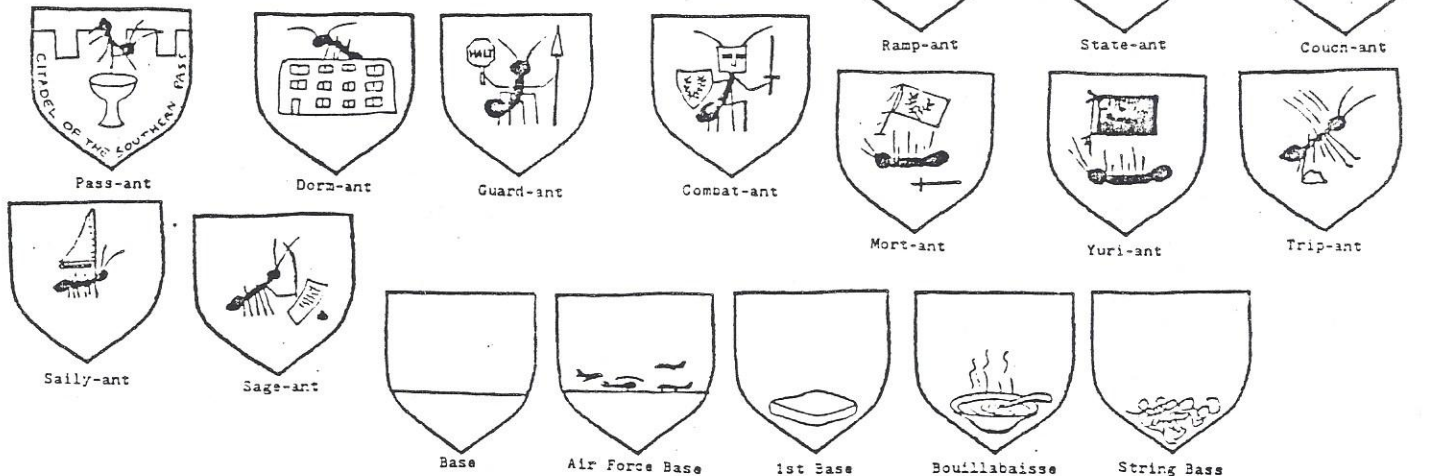
Who shall be known for the duration of their reign as Johann & Andraeh of  
The OUTLANDS

As Pursuivant Extroindaire of the Kingdom of the West, Lord Aldric Haldane of Griswold from the Shire of Ravenshore was asked by the Seneschal of the Kingdom of the West, Sir Geoffry of Griffinhold, to convey the Sympathies of the Kingdom to His Majesty Brion and all the Kingdom of Atenveldt.

## AN ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO HERALDIC EXTRAORDINARIES

SEILIDE OF THE DESERT LANDS, FRETTY PURSUIVANT  
GWYNAETH NATHAIR, DEPUTY FRETTY  
BARONY OF AL-BARRAN

The language of heraldry, while it is quite efficient, has until now been somewhat...ordinary. We have therefore endeavored to expand the heraldic vocabulary through the addition of several new lines, positions, charges, and, of course, extra ordinaries.



continued next month

The above heraldry guide was reprinted from a back issue of the OTHERWORDS from Otherhill. Sorry, I no longer have the exact issue information. I hope to print the remainder of this outstanding article next month. Hope everyone enjoys it as much as I did!



## SHIRE BEGINNINGS

by Thalia Loryn Naomi of Winddragon

In the Beginning there was the Wyoming Frontier Army. Yea, you heard right. Specifically, there was the 1982 Sweetheart Ball in the Recreation Center at F.E. Warren AFB. Quite by accident, several SCA members met and declared the first Shire meeting to be held in two weeks. These members included: Baroness Caroline of Wyvernwood, (the guiding force behind the initial organization), Giles the Thwarted, Lady Robyn Everton, Galen of Wiltshire, the Bishop Byron de Beauchamps, Loryn Emrys, Miles, Claudia, Erik and Linda Johnson.

The first Shire meeting was held about two weeks later. At this meeting, Baroness Caroline declined any office and the Bishop agreed (under slight coercion) to take the office of Seneschal. Although the name of the Shire wasn't decided on at this meeting, it was the general opinion that it had to have Wind in the title. Popular favorites over the next few weeks were "Windhaven" and "Windraven". However, Windraven was eliminated due to a slight heraldic problem--how to describe a raven blowing backward across the shield. Windhaven was thus selected.

Elaine of Valynwoode was sponsored into the Shire by her mundane sister, Loryn Emrys. At this time, married to a Navy man, Elaine originally decided (since he was on a long sea cruise) to be the wife of a Viking out on his raids. Having no surname at that point, she was immediately dubbed Elaine the Lonely by Baroness Caroline.

Erilan of Lincoln and Alicia de Nice (now Lord Bevan d'Ormond and Lady Alicia de Nice) were also located during the first few months through a Base newspaperarticle of the Airman of the Year, Alan Ostenberg. In this article he mentioned being a member of the SCA and was immediately recruited. The manner of recruiting was something of a shock. Imagine, if you please, a lieutenant (the Bishop) coming into this poor Senior Airman's office on a work day.

"Are you Airman Ostenberg?" The Airman jumps to attention and wonders what in hell he's done. "Yes, sir!"

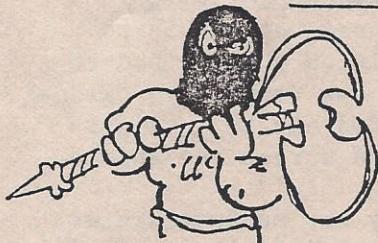
The Bishop replied in the broadest southern accent he could muster. "Congratulations, I'm your new Seneschal!" Bevan's feelings at that moment were indescribable.

Over the next months other SCA members were located, including Thorin Noxberg (member of the previous Shire in Cheyenne), Lady Caitlin ni Locklainn and Nikolai the Wanderer. More on these and other newcomers in the next installment.



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