

**Kingdom of Northshield Ethereal Court 5/29/2020**  
**Schutzenfest/Mermaids Retreat**

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[Here opens the court of Northshield, held this 29th day of May, Anno Societatis 55, held in the ethereal realm.]

HERALD: All pay heed and do homage to Their most stellar Majesties, Ciaran and Elis, King and Queen of Northshield.

HRM CIARAN: Everyone please, take your ease. Hi Northshield, thank you for coming in these trying times. Hope everyone is well. Just wanna go over a couple things before we get into Our official business. We had a Toy Run recently, alternate Toy Run. We had eleven parcels sent out, about twenty recipients really enjoyed that. So if you wanna get on that, I know we have a few people that have put in requests, so we're gonna do another run this next week. So if you wanna do that, there should be a link appearing by Our wizards, but if you don't see that, you can also go to Our reign page. We'll have that information there as well. So We really enjoy that. If you wanna post pictures on your social media, or videos, feel free to do so, also feel free to tag Us if you would like to.

And then, another thing that we wanna address, just a reminder to everybody. Our team- I mean, Our Society runs on the money from memberships. For Us to have a continuing, functioning Society, We need to have those memberships go in. So please renew your memberships, or if you have haven't had one in a while, please put that in so that We can all have a functioning SCA.

Let's see. Well, let's get on to what We've been doing. We've been having a fantastic time in Caledonia. We've seen tons of hippogriffs, not hypogriffs, but no keythong. We're still in search of those, so We keep that continuing. We're looking for- you're probably wondering about the underwater archery. It was fantastic. We had a fabulous time. The merpeople were a little shy, but once they get to know you, they're very, very hospitable to Us and to anyone who was there, so had a fantastic time there.

HRM ELIS: Yep, the underwater archer was just so amazing. I wish y'all could've been there to see it. It was fantastic. I don't know how you'd describe it. There was this one princess there. She had red hair and she talked really fast, and she loved to shoot archery. She had a really thick accent, and she kept going on about bears. Her family were bears. I'm not really sure. Anyway, she was really cool, and she's a really talented archer. While We were in Caledonia, Hara Hana was there with Us, and she did some drawings of the activities so We could share them with you. And We have them, and show them right now. Yep, so, you can see the

underwater archery at its finest, pretty cool. So I'm glad We could share that with you. Looks pretty cool.

Anyway, later on tonight, Master Crispin is having an online vigil in the Ethereal Realm to contemplate his elevation to the Pelican. It'll be a Zoom meeting. There's details online. Somebody will be posting them, so look for those on the Northshield pages.

Alright, are We ready to move on to business? Herald, do you wanna call in Our first Recipient?

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Countess Gwenhwyvar verch Owen ap Morgan.

GENTLE: Good evening, Your Majesties.

HRM ELIS: Hi, glad you could join Us tonight. You're stepping down on Monday, right, from social media?

GENTLE: Yes, Ma'am. Yes.

HRM ELIS: So We felt it was appropriate to honor you tonight in Our court. And you've done such a great job for the Kingdom over the last seven years or so. I don't know, maybe it's been longer than that. But you've done such a fantastic job setting up Facebook pages, keeping things going online, keeping things in order, keeping people on- you know, managing their Ps and Qs. So to honor that, We would like to award you an Augmentation of Arms. We haven't decided a charge that- for your augmentation. That will be your choice, along with a consultation with the College of Heraldry. So, congratulations.

GENTLE: Thank you so much. I am humbled by Your recognition. I have enjoyed my time attempting to wrangle Northshield online. And I'm ready to step down and have someone else take over for a bit. But thank You so much.

HRM ELIS: Well, We really really appreciate your hard work.

HRM CIARAN: Yeah, thank you so much.

HRM ELIS: For Countess Gwen, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their Court Rosamund.

GENTLE: I am here, Your Majesties.

HRM CIARAN: Awesome, I'm so glad you're here, able to join Us today. We've heard many wonderful things about how you've been helping the equestrian arts, and equestrian, especially at WW, and [inaudible] for equestrian. And the excellent horsemanship, according to those people who asked us to recognize you. So We just wanted to go ahead and let you know how much We appreciate that by awarding you the Palfrey.

GENTLE: Thank You, Your Majesties.

HRM CIARAN: You're welcome, you're welcome. So, for Rosamund, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HRM ELIS: Kat should read the scroll first.

HRM CIARAN: Oh yeah, sorry. I got excited.

HERALD: I can understand why. It's a beautiful scroll.

We, Ciaran and Elis, Ri and Banrion of the great Kingdom of Northshield, have heard much of Rosamund's excellence and skills with equestrian games, horsemanship and assistance with the equestrian activities at Warriors and Warlords. We wish to acknowledge and thank her for her contributions to the Northshield equestrian community, and award upon her this day, an Award of the Palfrey.

Scroll by Caitriona inghean Criomthainn.

HRM CIARAN: Alright, so let's try this again, the right way. So, for Rosamund, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HRM ELIS: I don't know, did she have anything she wanted to say?

GENTLE: I am more than honored, Your Majesties.

HERALD: Shall we continue?

HRM ELIS: Sure.

HRM CIARAN: Please.

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Ulfhildr Thegjandi.

GENTLE: Hello, good evening.

HRM ELIS: Hi. So Ulf, We've called you here today because We wanted to recognize your hard work with the Clerk of Precedence. You've done a fantastic job, which I have kinda secret knowledge of, because I used to do that job. And I think I trained you, didn't I? I don't know.

GENTLE: Yeah.

HRM ELIS: And learned things so well, just like, let you take off, and you've done an excellent job. So today We'd like to award you a Cygnus. Good Herald?

HERALD: King Ciaran and Queen Elis raise these runes for Ulfhildr Thegjandi to honor them being awarded a Cygnus. Geirráðr cut these Runes.

GENTLE: Oh wow, thank You.

HRM ELIS: You're welcome, it's well-deserved, and We're glad to honor you with it.

GENTLE: I'm enjoying the position, thank You.

HRM ELIS: Awesome. For Ulfhildr, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Thora Sigurdsdottir.

HRM CIARAN: Are you here?

GENTLE: Here, Your Majesties.

HRM CIARAN: Oh, awesome, We're glad you're here. So I've heard many great things, and have actually experienced some of these great things that you have done for Our Kingdom. We know that you have been helping set up events, and you've been sewing garb for many reigns, including Ours. So we are very grateful for that, thank you so much. In addition, you've been volunteering as A&S Minister. You've been teaching anybody who asks about cooking. And We believe that this should be honored. So Herald, if you would like to read the scroll?

HERALD: This monument is raised for Thora Sigurdsdottir by Ciaran and Elis, King and Queen of Northshield. Thora is entered into the Order of the Hand of Tyr. Geirráðr carved these runes.

HRM CIARAN: Awesome, do you have anything? So glad you can do it, or We can do this for you, so We appreciate that. So for Thora, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their Court Viviane de Corvaria.

GENTLE: I'm present, thank you.

HRM ELIS: Hi, how are you?

GENTLE: I'm good, how are You?

HRM ELIS: I'm good. We have called you into Our court today to recognize your work in the Plains region as Seneschal, as the Korsväg Seneschal. All the classes you've taught in conflict resolution and dealing with um, not the fun stuff in SCA, the hard stuff, like when people are sanctioned and that kind of thing. So today We'd like to honor you with the award of the Hand of Tyr. No, sorry, enter you into Our Order of the Hand of Tyr, sorry about that.

HERALD: Shall I read the scroll?

HRM ELIS: Yes, please

HERALD: Ri Ciaran and Banrion Elis Rulers of Northshield do recognize Viviane de Covaraia for her service and aid with admittance to the Order of the Hand of Tyr.

Scribe is Judith of Northwode.

GENTLE: Thank you. It's been an- sometimes a messy job, but it's really an honor. Appreciate it.

HRM ELIS: Well, it's well-deserved. Thank you. For Viviane, vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Calamus.

HRM ELIS: So Calamus, you haven't been in Northshield for very long, approximately a year or so, is that right?

GENTLE: Yes.

HRM ELIS: But during that time, you've been very helpful in Royal courts and Jararvellir courts. And you've even stepped up as Jararvellir's Baronial herald, is that right?

GENTLE: Yes it is, Your Majesty.

HRM ELIS: So with that, I think all that service deserves an Award of Arms, so We grant that to you today.

GENTLE: Thank You so much.

HERALD: Shall I read the scroll?

HRM ELIS: Yes.

HERALD: Hear ye all fair gentles that We, Ciaran and Elis, Ri and Banrion of Northshield, have received many a warm and glowing report on Our faithful subject Calamus. His calligraphy skills are truly mighty and his works are a pleasure to look upon. He has served his kingdom and barony with tremendous skill and passion, and has shown surpassing grace and kindness in his deeds. He is there to help with whatever is needed; be it feast, heralding, scrolls, teaching, or good old-fashioned labor. He has quickly become a valued addition to Our Kingdom and We are honored to bestow upon him an Award of Arms.

Scribe is Kale Phokaina Kourkouaina. Something along those lines.

HRM ELIS: I'm glad you had to say that, not me.

GENTLE: Thank You so much, thank You so much.

HRM ELIS: You're very welcome.

GENTLE: Wow.

HRM ELIS: Well-deserved. For Calamus, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Hilda Steward.

GENTLE: I am here, Your Majesties.

HRM CIARAN: Oh, awesome. Alright, Hilda, We've heard that you have been working, doing tremendous art on silk, doing silk paintings, and that you have created a banner of the Known World with each of the individual kingdoms' heraldry on there. And that you've been doing A&S fair with your silk painting, and some- and looking at experimental archaeology in the category of arts and science, by teaching silk painting for a class in your Canton. All of these things are wonderful and We wish to bestow on you an award. Herald, if you would please?

HERALD: Black Flame for Hilda Steward.

Scroll by Countess Laurel Gwen of Northshield.

HRM CIARAN: Alright, Hilda, did you have anything you wanted to say?

GENTLE: Thank You very much, Your Majesties.

HRM CIARAN: You're welcome. We're glad to be doing this. So, for Hilda, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Ellen de Wynter.

GENTLE: Good evening, Your Majesties.

HRM ELIS: Hi.

GENTLE: Hi.

HRM ELIS: So Ellen, We have heard of your magnificent enamels, and how beautiful they are. And I think I've actually seen some, and how gorgeous, and how talented you are with making these.

GENTLE: Thank you.

HRM ELIS: And I believe you're also helping teach people how to make them, and sharing your knowledge.

GENTLE: Trying, right, yeah.

HRM ELIS: So to honor that, We would like to induct you into Our Order of the Brigit's Flame.

GENTLE: Oh, wow. Thank You, I'm very honored.

HERALD: Shall I read the scroll?

HRM ELIS: Go ahead and read the scroll, thank you.

HERALD: May it be proclaimed throughout Our Realm and to the very corners of the Known World that Ellen de Winter has a most singular skill with the difficult and tempestuous skill of enamel work. For her command and dedication to her art, We, Ciaran and Elis, Stellar Majesties of Northshield make her a member of Our Order of Brigit's Flame.

Scribe is Marguerite Larchier.

GENTLE: Thank You very much, and I hope that You'll be able to see more soon.

HRM ELIS: Yeah, definitely. For Ellen, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Malena of House Gunnarsson, or someone to accept on her behalf.

HRM CIARAN: We understand that Malena is not able to be here today. She had more pressing issues other places, which We totally understand, especially in these hard times. So we still wanna honor her, so We're gonna just say a few words about her. But Malena, if you happen to watch this at a later time, just know how much We appreciate all that you've done. So We've heard of all the good things you've been doing helping other youth, doing it in a nice, honorable way, making sure that other youth understand what is going on in a soft, gentle manner. You even can teach adults about what's happened in the SCA. So We are- We understand that you were going teach actually a class at WW, and I know that that's- might be still a possibility, so hopefully you're able to do that and I would love to see that. So here is the award that We would like to give you.

HERALD: Do ye all hear and tell others that We, Ri Ciaran and Banrion Elis of Northshield, have observed the many good works of Malena of House Gunnarsson and wish to bestow upon her the Award of the White Owl. She has been kind in teaching others how to be honorable as well as helping newcomers to understand the workings of the great Society. She shows promise as a teacher and as a guide for others.

Scribe, Moirne ingen ui Connolly.

HRM CIARAN: For Malena, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Farolfus filius Richardi.

GENTLE: Greetings, Your Majesties.

HRM ELIS: Hello, how are you tonight?

GENTLE: I'm good, thanks.

HRM ELIS: Good. So, We've brought you today to honor your leather work. We've heard you've done magnificent work with shoes and pouches and belts, and that you like sharing your knowledge and teaching other people how to use- work with leather. And so today we'd like to award you a Black Flame.

HERALD: See and hear the will of Ciaran and Elis, Ri and Banrion of Northshield. We have heard much of Farolfus filius Richardi, and of his passion, artistry and eagerness to share his research of leather crafting. These virtues can be seen in the goods he creates, his furthering of the arts and the sciences, and in how he inspires his kinfolk. In truth, we have born witness to his skill and wish to bestow upon him an award of the Black Flame.

Scribe is Caitriona inghean Criomthainn.

GENTLE: Thank You for this great honor, Your Majesties.

HRM ELIS: You're most welcome. Keep up the good work.

GENTLE: Thank you.

HRM ELIS: Now I'm gonna screw up your name.

[Laughter.]

GENTLE: It's okay.

HRM ELIS: Sorry.

HERALD: Farolfus.

HRM ELIS: Farolfus, right? Farolfus. For Farolfus, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HRM ELIS: I hope I didn't mess it up too bad.

GENTLE: You did great.

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Gilchrist.

HRM CIARAN: Are you here?

GENTLE: I am here, Your Majesties.

HRM CIARAN: Awesome. So, I'm gonna tell a little story. Most of the time, Our Kingdom is so large and so big that We don't get to see all the wonderful things that people do. And I'm just gonna put in a quick plug: send in recommendations, because that's how- one of the main ways that We get to know how people are doing something. But in your case, We've never met formally, but I've seen you. I was at Boar's Head, and I got the opportunity to watch people fight there, and I was particularly looking for fighters I hadn't seen before with skill and prowess. And I was watching, and I happened to see you fighting. I didn't know who you were, so I asked Sir Geoffrey who you were, and more about you, and he let me know. And then we discovered, much to our chagrin, that you didn't have an award for fighting. And I'm like, well, this needs to be fixed. So this is what We've gonna do. We're gonna fix it, and I am so glad to give this to you, and I want to let you know that, I understand, you know, it's hard to- you know, Our Kingdom is so large and it's hard to be everywhere and see everything and, you know, how

things are. And I've been in that same boat myself, where I haven't been able to, you know, be recognized. So I just- it makes me feel good inside to be able to recognize somebody who I know is doing good stuff, just doesn't have the opportunity to share as much as probably you'd like.

GENTLE: Thank You, Your Majesty. I'm honored to have been able to impress You in a candid situation. One where, you know, where I'm not actually trying to impress, but.

HRM CIARAN: Yeah.

GENTLE: I'm very honored, thank You.

HRM CIARAN: You're welcome. Herald, would you please read the scroll.

HERALD: It's very long.

Griffin and Sword for Gilchrist.

Scroll by Kaydian Bladebreaker, who is not known for many words.

[Laughter.]

HRM CIARAN: So, for Gilchrist, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

GENTLE: Thank You, Your Majesties.

HRM CIARAN: You're welcome.

HRM ELIS: You're welcome.

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Belle de la Tour.

GENTLE: Your Majesties, how may I serve You this evening?

HRM: Hi, Belle. It's nice to have you join Us today. We've heard a lot of good work- let me start that again. We've heard a lot about your good work in Caer Anterth Mawr, your work as Chatelaine, and helping serve feasts and working at the events. Sadly, We don't get to be at Border Skirmish this year, which I was really looking forward to, but next year. And for that service, We would like to award you the Award of the Cygnus. Herald, do you wanna read the scroll?

HERALD: I sure do.

Let it be known unto all good peoples that Our worthy and steadfast Belle de la Tour had labored long and nobly as Chatelaine for Caer Antherth Mawr, diligent volunteering at Border Skirmish and valuable assistance at Crown Tournament and Boar's Head feasts. We, Ri Ciaran and Banrion Elis of Northshield recognize her good service by giving unto her the Award of the Cygnus.

Scribe is Astrid of the Yellow Rose.

HRM ELIS: Ooh, Astrid.

GENTLE: Thank You, Your Majesties.

HRM ELIS: It was very well deserved, and We're glad to honor you today. For Belle, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Michahel Auerer.

GENTLE: Present, Your Majesty.

HRM CIARAN: Awesome, I'm glad you're here. So, We've been searching for excellent fighters in Our Kingdom, and your name has come up more than once and it has repeatedly been said that, oh, I can't believe he doesn't already have this award. And so, We understand that you're doing great things with polearm. I'm a little sad that I haven't got to play with you yet, so I'd like to make a deal that you know, sometime we get to play together, but I am more than happy to give you this award. Go ahead, Herald.

HERALD: Unto the people of Northshield their Royal Majesties Ciaran and Elis send greetings! For his devotion and leadership in Armored Combat, We do hereby include Michahel Auerer into the Order of the Black Griffin.

Scribe is Judith of Northwode.

GENTLE: Thank You, Your Majesty. I look forward to representing the Kingdom.

HRM CIARAN: Absolutely, and I'm excited to have you among Our number, and I look forward to playing with you someday soon. For Michahel, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Cehero Oakensword.

HRM ELIS: And I believe he wasn't going to be here tonight either, right? So, along with many others, he has also done very good work in the martial arts. He has been a mainstay in the Nordskogen area as a fighter, participating in kingdom wars, and has been hold his own against any fighter. And even though he's not here tonight,

hopefully he'll see this later maybe, and We would also like to induct him into the Order of the Black Griffin.

HERALD: Shall I read the scroll?

HRM ELIS: Yes, please.

HERALD: Stunning are the accomplishments of Cehero Oakensword on Our armored combat fields. For his capable teaching, skill with a blade, and his honorable actions on and off the field, We, Ciaran and Elis, Sovereigns of Northshield, make him a member of Our Order of the Black Griffin.

Scroll by Marguerite Larchier.

HRM ELIS: For Cehero, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Magnus Vargrson.

HRM CIARAN: Magnus, are you there?

GENTLE: Good evening, Your Majesties.

HRM CIARAN: Good evening.

HRM ELIS: Hi.

HRM CIARAN: So, your tale is similar to Michahel, someone that We've heard great things about, people saying, I can't believe this guy isn't- you know, didn't have these awards. We heard that you have been willing to work with people, train them, help in any way possible to get people going, and your skill is awesome to behold. So We did- you know, We did polls of everybody and you guys all had excellent scores, and We just wanna- you know, just let people know that- how much We appreciate you guys fighting and helping and making Our community grow. And that's exactly what the Black Griffons are, and so We want to induct you into the Order. Herald?

HERALD: Salutations to all to whom these present letters come during these interesting times. Know that We, Ciaran, King by right of arms of Northshield, and Elis, Queen by inspiration of Kingdom of Northshield, find Ourselves in receipt of many good reports of our subject Magnus Vargrson in regard to his prowess and stature on the field of armored combat. In recognition of the achievements of Magnus, we do hereby grant him entrance into our Order of the Black Griffin.

[Scribe is Gwenwhyvar verch owen ap Morgan]

GENTLE: Thank You, Your Majesties, I'm very honored.

HRM CIARAN: Glad you're a part of Our order. Welcome. For Magnus, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HERALD: Their Majesties invite into Their court Sir Taion Orbanus.

GENTLE: I'm here, Your Majesties. I hope You are both well.

HRM ELIS: Yes.

HRM CIARAN: We are.

HRM ELIS: So far, good. Tonight We have called you here because We really appreciate all the hard work you've done with inspiring everybody by writing haikus. I have a copy of your book. I think it's fabulous, and I'm glad you wanted to share those things with everybody in the Kingdom. So to honor you of that, and your inspiration to the bardic arts, We'd like to award you the Award of the Black Flame.

GENTLE: Thank you, Your Majesty.

HRM ELIS: Read it, Kat.

HERALD: Ciaran and Elis, King and Queen of Northshield, raise these runes in memory of Taion Orbanus receiving a Black Flame for his poetry. Geirráðr cut these runes.

GENTLE: Thank you. I have no words.

HRM ELIS: Well, hopefully you will continue to make words, and write more poetry. And I'm talking over Ciaran.

GENTLE: Thank You.

HRM ELIS: For Taion, Vivat!

[Assorted Vivats.]

HRM ELIS: I forgot my cue.

HRM CIARAN: Well, that closes- that's the end of Our official business. Just a couple reminders before We head off. Remember to get your memberships in. The Society needs that money.

Remember, if you're interested in the toy runs that we are accepting- well, we're always accepting submissions, but We'll be doing one sometime this next week.

So if you'd like to get in on the next run, please have those in, you know, sometime before Monday or Tuesday, or something like that would be fine.

Anything else We needed to remember? Your Majesty?

HRM ELIS: I'm thinking.

HRM CIARAN: Oh.

HRM ELIS: No. We'd really like everyone to stay safe, and be well, and We're thinking of everybody in Nordskogen at this time. I know things are rough there, but Our hearts are with you. So stay safe, everybody, take care of each other.

HRM CIARAN: Great words. Thank you, Your Majesty. So, where are We off to next?

HRM ELIS: I don't know, let me check my Palantir. Oops. Hang on a minute.

HRM CIARAN: Is that a bear?

HRM ELIS: Yeah, it's a bear. I'll turn it on. Hm, things look pretty murky. I don't know. It says something about a fever. That's pretty common, that's a lot- all over the place. A fever at a castel skirmish.

[Assorted hmm sounds.]

HRM ELIS: Anyway, okay. Well, we'll try to figure out what that means. Next time, we have court scheduled for June 13th at one-thirty in the afternoon. It's a Saturday, so We will see you there. If you're not on Facebook, We'll send out the ravens so you get the information, so everybody knows when things are happening. And We'll meet you all there. So that's it, and We'll see you next time. Did You have anything else You wanted to say, Your Majesty?

HRM CIARAN: No. I appreciate everybody for coming. Stay healthy, stay safe, and know that We all care about each other and that We want to take care of each other.

HRM ELIS: I think that's it.

HERALD: There being no further business, this Ethereal Court of Northshield is now closed. Raise your glass! Long live the Ri! [All repeat.] Long live the Banrion! [All repeat.] Long live the Social Media Officers! [All repeat.] Long live Northshield! [All repeat.]

Remember to go to Crispin's vigil.

HRM ELIS: Yes, go to Crispin's vigil.

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