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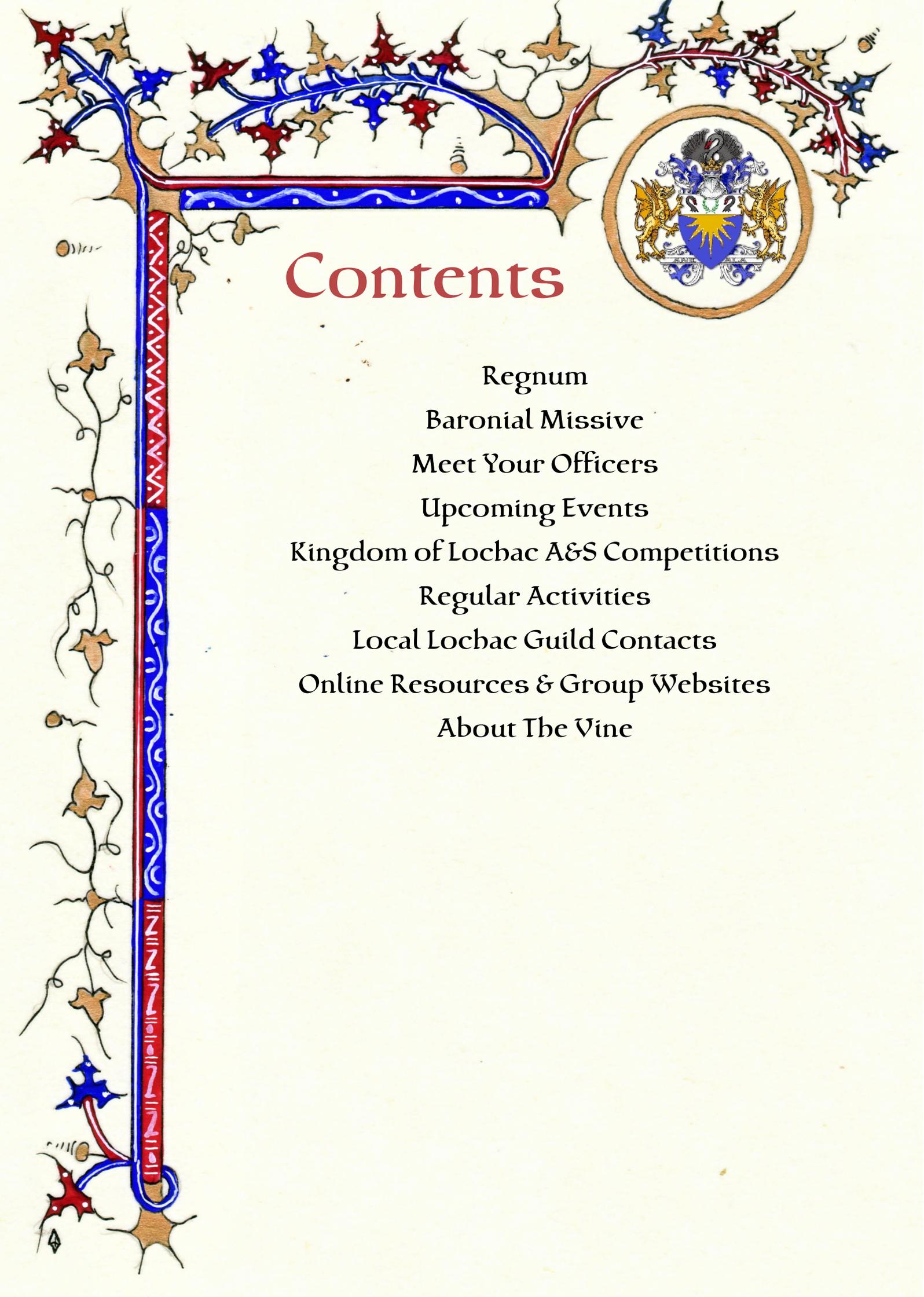


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# Baronial Missive

From Dameon and Leonie, Baron and Baroness of Aneala, to the populace of Aneala, greetings.

What a wonderful month March has been.

First of all, a big thank you to Lord Lavaeolus and Lady Gwyneth, for their able stewarding of the Hyde Park Fair demo on the long weekend, and to all those who turned up to help make the weekend so successful.

Thank you also to Sir Nathan for running the Great Weapons tourney and pot luck two weeks later - so that we could show potential recruits some of what we do. It was great to see some of our newcomers at the event. Congratulations to Sir Clement for winning the tourney, to Sir Clement and Baron Colm for winning the team tourney, and to the Anealan host (all three of them) for besting the Abertridwrn host (the other three fighters on the day).

And, of course, then we all went to Rowany Festival. Maybe not all of us, but a very large number of people from Aneala (including Dragons Bay), Abertridwr and the College of St Basil: 26 in all, including our recent emigrant Michael of St Basil, now in Politarochopolis, and Lady Petronilla, who we will soon welcome back from Jervis Bay.

In total, Aneala, Abertridwr and St Basil fielded nine armoured combatants and four rapier combatants. We watched many feats of skill and endurance in the armoured and rapier tourneys and on the field. Among the highlights:

Lord Jacques won the Rapier Fighter Auction Tourney against a field of 33, and then went on to contest the Armoured Fighter Auction Tourney in the afternoon; Lord Veil le Pantera and Lady Gwyneth fought and achieved their prizes in the Guild of Defense;

Lord Dino de Malta fought valiantly in the Fire-light tourney. This tourney was invitation-only, with fighters chosen by the Baronesses or the Crown;

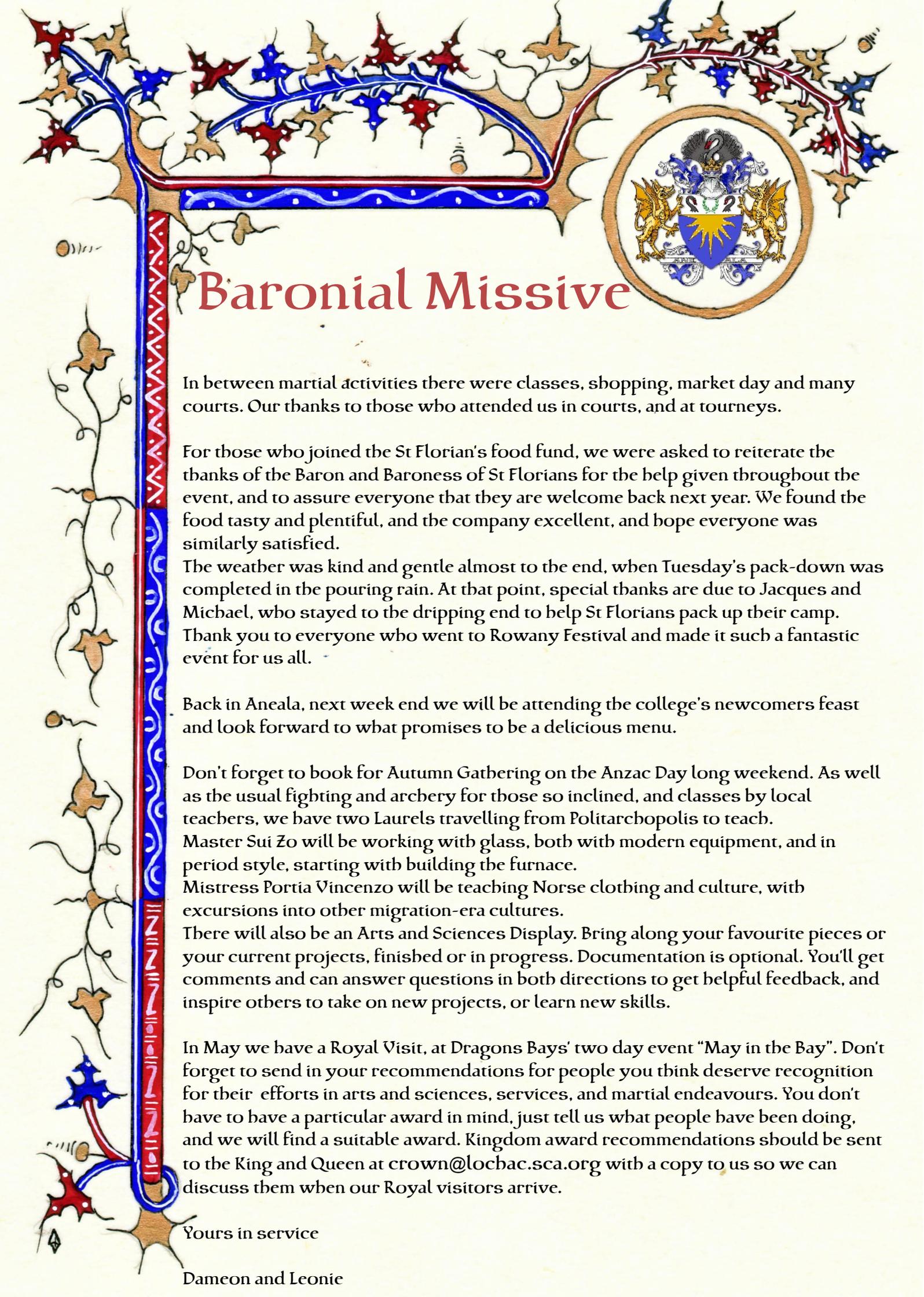
We fielded a full team of eight in the Heraldic Melee tourney, which was the first tourney of the event;

Baron Colm was sartorial splendour in the Combat of the Thirty;

Our fencers provided entertainment and showed their skills in the Baronesses' Rapier tourney, over a marathon of three hours;

At twilight each evening, many of the western fighters were still on the field, fighting pick-ups, teaching or being taught.

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# Baronial Missive

In between martial activities there were classes, shopping, market day and many courts. Our thanks to those who attended us in courts, and at tourneys.

For those who joined the St Florian's food fund, we were asked to reiterate the thanks of the Baron and Baroness of St Florians for the help given throughout the event, and to assure everyone that they are welcome back next year. We found the food tasty and plentiful, and the company excellent, and hope everyone was similarly satisfied.

The weather was kind and gentle almost to the end, when Tuesday's pack-down was completed in the pouring rain. At that point, special thanks are due to Jacques and Michael, who stayed to the dripping end to help St Florians pack up their camp. Thank you to everyone who went to Rowany Festival and made it such a fantastic event for us all.

Back in Aneala, next week end we will be attending the college's newcomers feast and look forward to what promises to be a delicious menu.

Don't forget to book for Autumn Gathering on the Anzac Day long weekend. As well as the usual fighting and archery for those so inclined, and classes by local teachers, we have two Laurels travelling from Politarchopolis to teach.

Master Sui Zo will be working with glass, both with modern equipment, and in period style, starting with building the furnace.

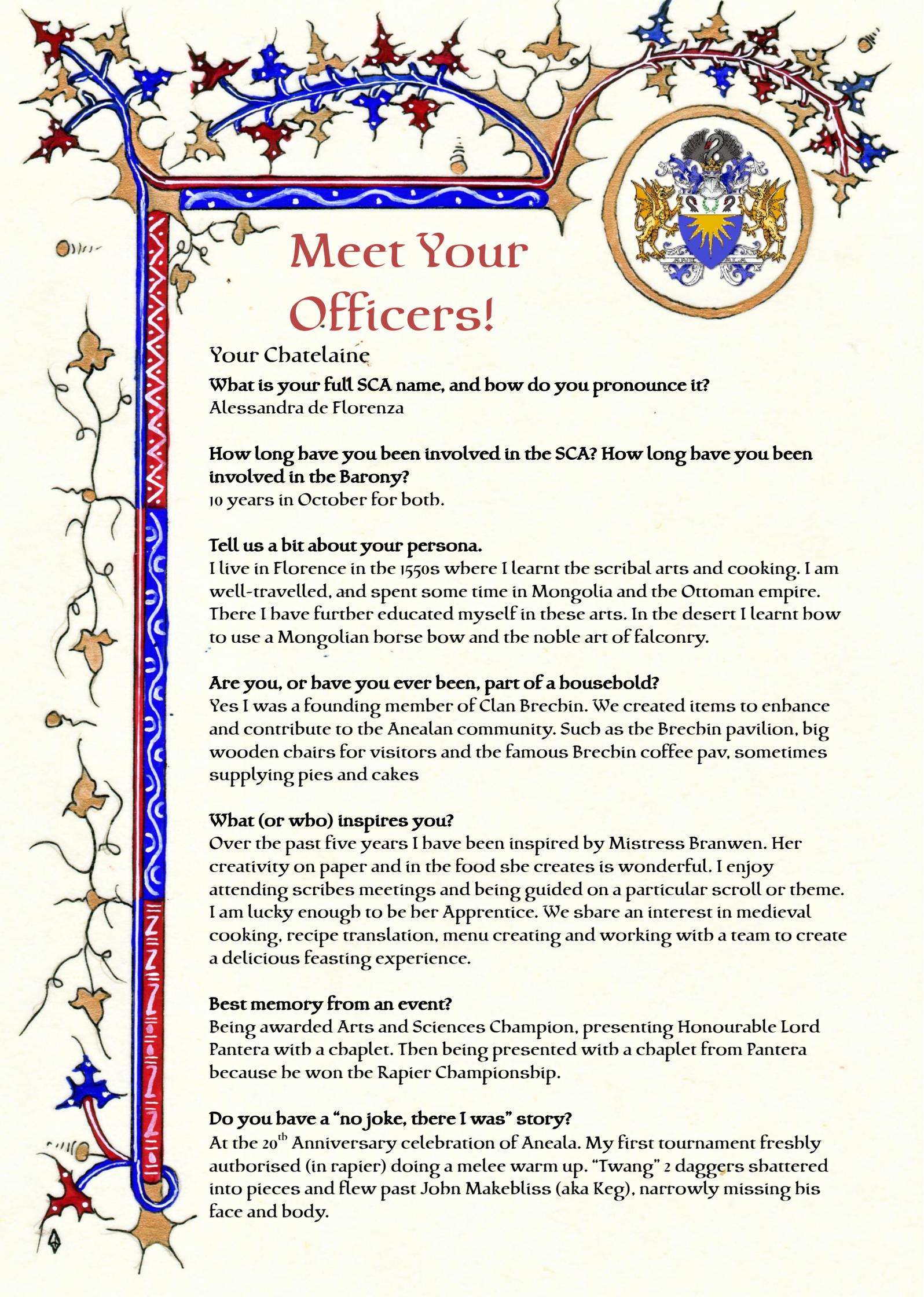
Mistress Portia Vincenzo will be teaching Norse clothing and culture, with excursions into other migration-era cultures.

There will also be an Arts and Sciences Display. Bring along your favourite pieces or your current projects, finished or in progress. Documentation is optional. You'll get comments and can answer questions in both directions to get helpful feedback, and inspire others to take on new projects, or learn new skills.

In May we have a Royal Visit, at Dragons Bays' two day event "May in the Bay". Don't forget to send in your recommendations for people you think deserve recognition for their efforts in arts and sciences, services, and martial endeavours. You don't have to have a particular award in mind, just tell us what people have been doing, and we will find a suitable award. Kingdom award recommendations should be sent to the King and Queen at [crown@lochac.sca.org](mailto:crown@lochac.sca.org) with a copy to us so we can discuss them when our Royal visitors arrive.

Yours in service

Dameon and Leonie



# Meet Your Officers!

## Your Chatelaine

**What is your full SCA name, and how do you pronounce it?**

Alessandra de Florenza

**How long have you been involved in the SCA? How long have you been involved in the Barony?**

10 years in October for both.

**Tell us a bit about your persona.**

I live in Florence in the 1550s where I learnt the scribal arts and cooking. I am well-travelled, and spent some time in Mongolia and the Ottoman empire. There I have further educated myself in these arts. In the desert I learnt how to use a Mongolian horse bow and the noble art of falconry.

**Are you, or have you ever been, part of a household?**

Yes I was a founding member of Clan Brechin. We created items to enhance and contribute to the Anealan community. Such as the Brechin pavilion, big wooden chairs for visitors and the famous Brechin coffee pav, sometimes supplying pies and cakes

**What (or who) inspires you?**

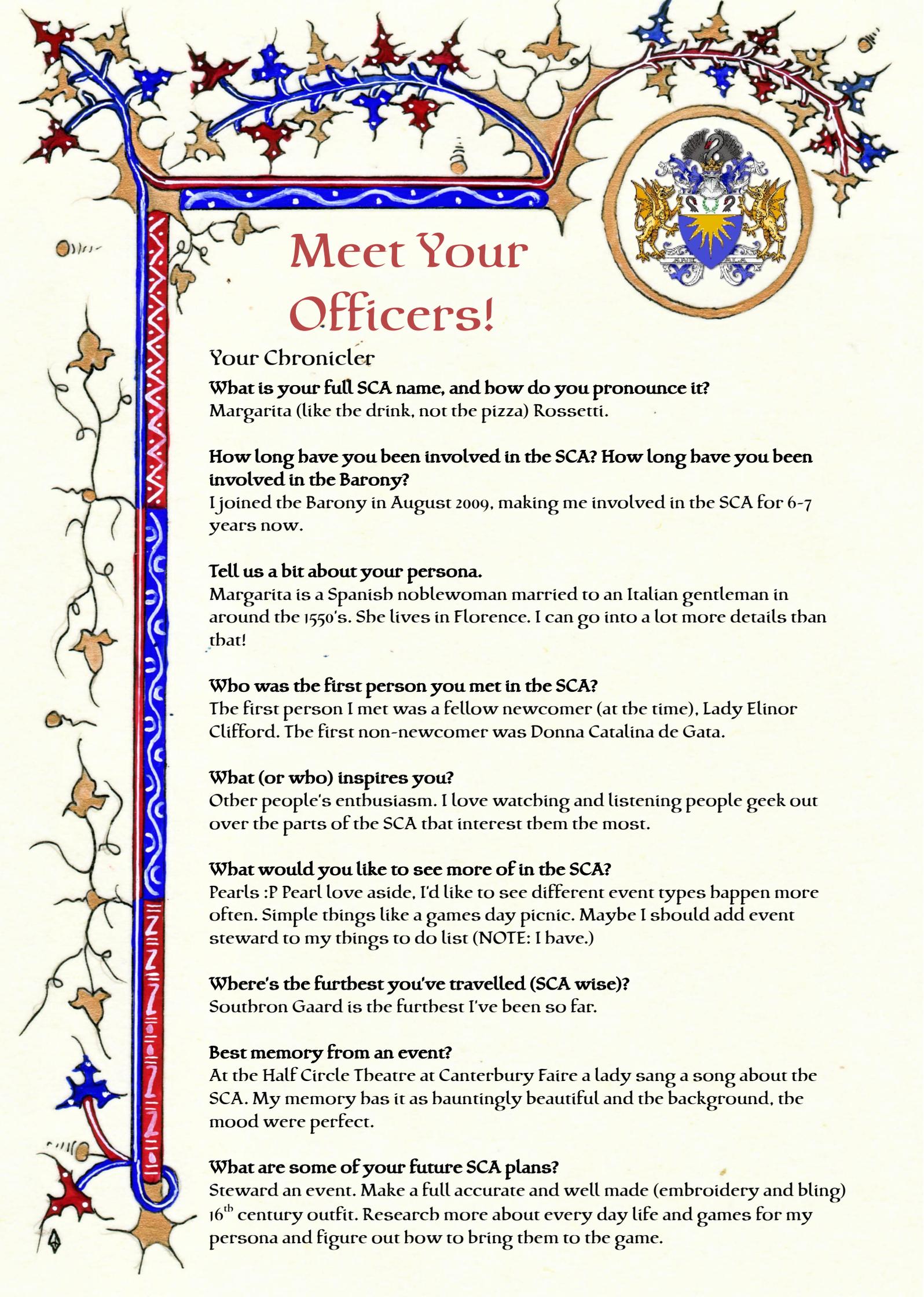
Over the past five years I have been inspired by Mistress Branwen. Her creativity on paper and in the food she creates is wonderful. I enjoy attending scribes meetings and being guided on a particular scroll or theme. I am lucky enough to be her Apprentice. We share an interest in medieval cooking, recipe translation, menu creating and working with a team to create a delicious feasting experience.

**Best memory from an event?**

Being awarded Arts and Sciences Champion, presenting Honourable Lord Pantera with a chaplet. Then being presented with a chaplet from Pantera because he won the Rapier Championship.

**Do you have a "no joke, there I was" story?**

At the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of Aneala. My first tournament freshly authorised (in rapier) doing a melee warm up. "Twang" 2 daggers shattered into pieces and flew past John Makebliss (aka Keg), narrowly missing his face and body.



# Meet Your Officers!

## Your Chronicler

**What is your full SCA name, and how do you pronounce it?**

Margarita (like the drink, not the pizza) Rossetti.

**How long have you been involved in the SCA? How long have you been involved in the Barony?**

I joined the Barony in August 2009, making me involved in the SCA for 6-7 years now.

**Tell us a bit about your persona.**

Margarita is a Spanish noblewoman married to an Italian gentleman in around the 1550's. She lives in Florence. I can go into a lot more details than that!

**Who was the first person you met in the SCA?**

The first person I met was a fellow newcomer (at the time), Lady Elinor Clifford. The first non-newcomer was Donna Catalina de Gata.

**What (or who) inspires you?**

Other people's enthusiasm. I love watching and listening people geek out over the parts of the SCA that interest them the most.

**What would you like to see more of in the SCA?**

Pearls :P Pearl love aside, I'd like to see different event types happen more often. Simple things like a games day picnic. Maybe I should add event steward to my things to do list (NOTE: I have.)

**Where's the furthest you've travelled (SCA wise)?**

Southron Gaard is the furthest I've been so far.

**Best memory from an event?**

At the Half Circle Theatre at Canterbury Faire a lady sang a song about the SCA. My memory has it as hauntingly beautiful and the background, the mood were perfect.

**What are some of your future SCA plans?**

Steward an event. Make a full accurate and well made (embroidery and bling) 16<sup>th</sup> century outfit. Research more about every day life and games for my persona and figure out how to bring them to the game.



# Upcoming Events

## Autumn Gathering

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of April - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> of April

Autumn Gathering once again returns!

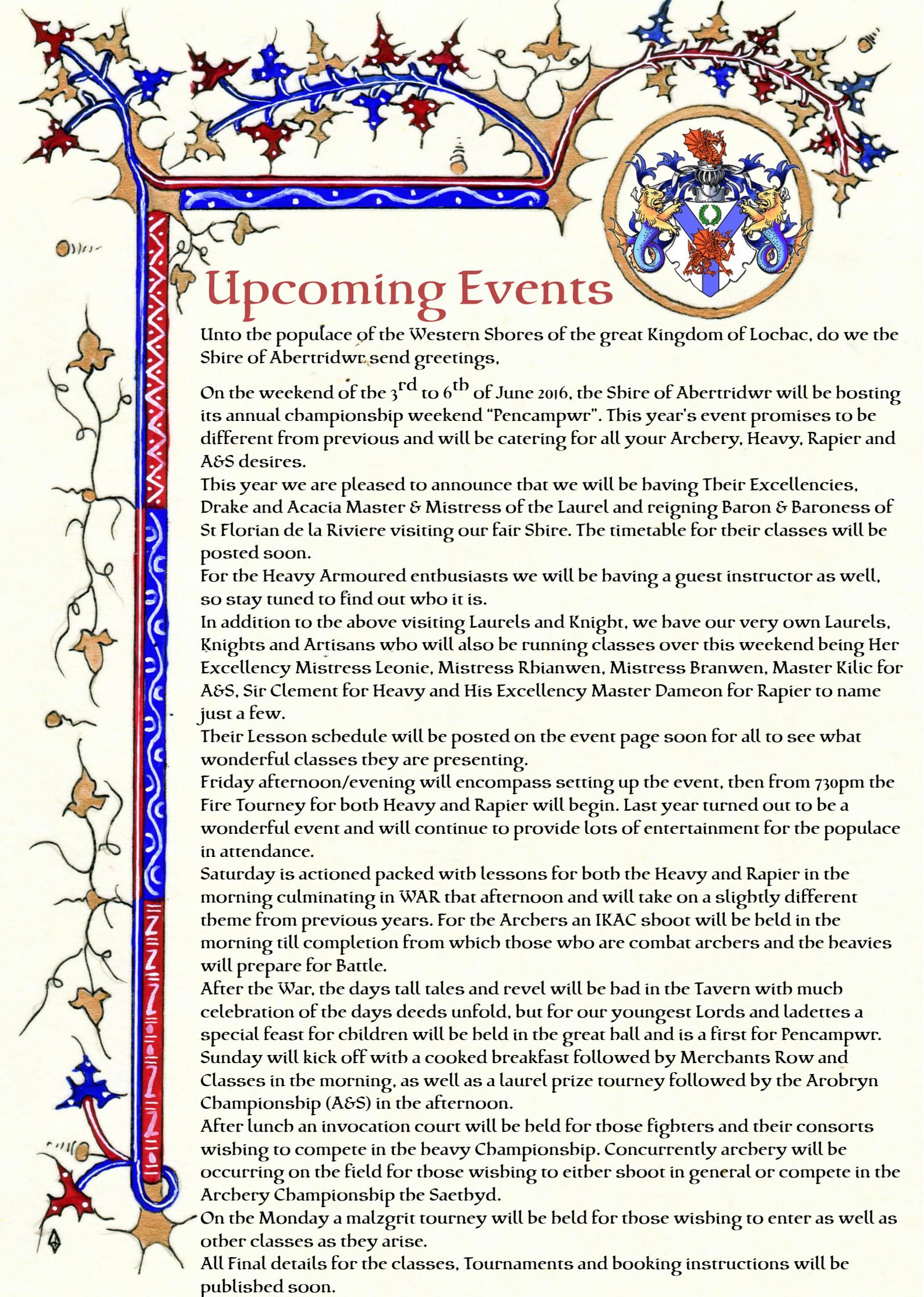
Autumn Gathering is an event that brings together the diverse SCA groups in Western Australia for a long weekend of camping, community and fun.

The event will be held at Ern Halliday Recreation Camp in the northern suburb of Hillarys and there will be camping as well as dorm accommodation available.

Arts and Sciences will have classes from expert teachers and there will be Combat held with armoured, rapier & archery tournaments over the weekend.

Further details for the event are being finalised.

Please contact Konrad Hilderbrandt at [jasondodds@gmail.com](mailto:jasondodds@gmail.com) with any queries.



# Upcoming Events

Unto the populace of the Western Shores of the great Kingdom of Lothac, do we the Shire of Abertridwr send greetings,

On the weekend of the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> of June 2016, the Shire of Abertridwr will be hosting its annual championship weekend "Pencampwr". This year's event promises to be different from previous and will be catering for all your Archery, Heavy, Rapier and A&S desires.

This year we are pleased to announce that we will be having Their Excellencies, Drake and Acacia Master & Mistress of the Laurel and reigning Baron & Baroness of St Florian de la Riviere visiting our fair Shire. The timetable for their classes will be posted soon.

For the Heavy Armoured enthusiasts we will be having a guest instructor as well, so stay tuned to find out who it is.

In addition to the above visiting Laurels and Knight, we have our very own Laurels, Knights and Artisans who will also be running classes over this weekend being Her Excellency Mistress Leonie, Mistress Rhianwen, Mistress Branwen, Master Kilic for A&S, Sir Clement for Heavy and His Excellency Master Dameon for Rapier to name just a few.

Their Lesson schedule will be posted on the event page soon for all to see what wonderful classes they are presenting.

Friday afternoon/evening will encompass setting up the event, then from 730pm the Fire Tourney for both Heavy and Rapier will begin. Last year turned out to be a wonderful event and will continue to provide lots of entertainment for the populace in attendance.

Saturday is actioned packed with lessons for both the Heavy and Rapier in the morning culminating in WAR that afternoon and will take on a slightly different theme from previous years. For the Archers an IKAC shoot will be held in the morning till completion from which those who are combat archers and the heavies will prepare for Battle.

After the War, the days tall tales and revel will be had in the Tavern with much celebration of the days deeds unfold, but for our youngest Lords and ladettes a special feast for children will be held in the great hall and is a first for Pencampwr. Sunday will kick off with a cooked breakfast followed by Merchants Row and Classes in the morning, as well as a laurel prize tourney followed by the Arobryn Championship (A&S) in the afternoon.

After lunch an invocation court will be held for those fighters and their consorts wishing to compete in the heavy Championship. Concurrently archery will be occurring on the field for those wishing to either shoot in general or compete in the Archery Championship the Saethyd.

On the Monday a malzgrit tourney will be held for those wishing to enter as well as other classes as they arise.

All Final details for the classes, Tournaments and booking instructions will be published soon.



# Kingdom of Lochac A&S Competitions

**May Crown II (2016)** hosted by the Barony of Krae Glas, Victoria.

*Jewellery* - Time period 1300 to 1600 - for a man or woman. No pearls are to be used.

*An embroidered illuminated letter* - The design may be your own or copied. Documentation must identify your inspiration. i.e. a drawing of your original design or a photocopy (with references) of the copied letter.

*A wooden item* - Which may have been used in a medieval torture chamber.

**Midwinter II (2016)** hosted by TBA...

*Leather work* - An item made from leather with might be useful for a calligrapher and/or an illuminator.

*From the bedroom* - Any item which might have been used or worn in the medieval bedroom.

*From or for a Brewer* - Aside from the brew itself think of seals, serving, ingredients, measures, labels, containers, stoppers, etc.

For more information, please refer to the Lochac A&S website  
[www.lochac.sca.org/artsandsciences](http://www.lochac.sca.org/artsandsciences)

Entries for interstate events need to be sent at least 2 weeks prior to be received for judging.



# Regular Activities

## **Baronial Council Meeting**

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, 7:00pm arrival for a 7:30pm start

Contact Gwyneth: [seneschal@aneala.lochac.sca.org](mailto:seneschal@aneala.lochac.sca.org)

## **Scribes Calligraphy & Illumination**

SCA sign in required

Contact Mistress Branwen for session times.

Contact Branwen: [bakerskeep@antiferus.net](mailto:bakerskeep@antiferus.net)

## **Music and Singing**

This is not an official SCA event. Practices held twice a month. Times and venues vary and are posted on our Yahoo group

<http://launch.groups.yahoo.com/group/CeoltoiriAneala>

For more info join this group or contact Catherine: [vertragis@arach.net.au](mailto:vertragis@arach.net.au)

## **Baronial Armoured, Rapier & Archery Training**

Sundays, 10am - 12pm, Lake Monger Primary School, Dodd St, Wembley

Contact Richard: [marshal@aneala.lochac.sca.org](mailto:marshal@aneala.lochac.sca.org)

## **Dragon's Bay Training**

Sundays from 8:30am, Casuarina Wellard Community Hall, corner of Mortimer Rd and Barker Rd Casuarina - 2km from the freeway at the Mortimer Rd exit.

## **College of St. Basil Armoured & Rapier Training**

Wednesday (Armoured) & Thursday (Rapier) 5pm to 7pm, Oak Lawn, UWA

## **Abertridwr Armoured, Archery Training & Arts & Sciences**

Sundays, 1pm at Wandu Progress Association Hall, De Haer Rd, Wandu

Contact Konrad: [jasondodds@ymail.com](mailto:jasondodds@ymail.com)



# Local Lochac Guild Contacts

## **Guild of the Silver Rondel**

The dance guild in the Kingdom of Lochac which encourages pre 17<sup>th</sup> century dancing, holds competitions and also holds the Bal d'Argent, which is the social dance event of the year.

Contact Mistress Catherine: [vertragis@arach.net.au](mailto:vertragis@arach.net.au)

## **Royal Fibre Guild of Lochac**

For those interested in the arts, crafts and history of all textile matters. We encourage the doing, researching and teaching of fibre related skills as seen in pre 1600 cultures. We include weavers, spinners, dyers, cord makers, felters, knitters, njalbinders and lace makers.

Contact Lady Elizabeth: [nancy\\_e\\_white@yahoo.com.au](mailto:nancy_e_white@yahoo.com.au)

## **Royal Guild of Defence**

Researching and teaching of the period martial arts of Europe, as detailed in the various extant fencing and wrestling manuals.

Contact Baron Dameon: [aneala@aneala.lochac.sca.org](mailto:aneala@aneala.lochac.sca.org)

## **Worshipful Company of Broiderers**

The aim of the Company is to advance the study and practice of pre-1600 AD European needlework in Lochac and in the Known World.

Contact Baroness Leonie: [aneala@aneala.lochac.sca.org](mailto:aneala@aneala.lochac.sca.org)



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Barony of Aneala (Perth, WA)

[aneala.lochac.sca.org](http://aneala.lochac.sca.org)

Canton of Dragons Bay

[lochac.sca.org/dragonsbay](http://lochac.sca.org/dragonsbay)

Incipient Canton of Vallon d'Or (Balingup)

[valondor.webs.com](http://valondor.webs.com)

College of St Basil the Great (UWA)

[sca.org.au/basil](http://sca.org.au/basil)

Shire of Abertridwr (South of Perth, WA)

[abertridwr.org](http://abertridwr.org)

Kingdom of Lochac (Australia & New Zealand)

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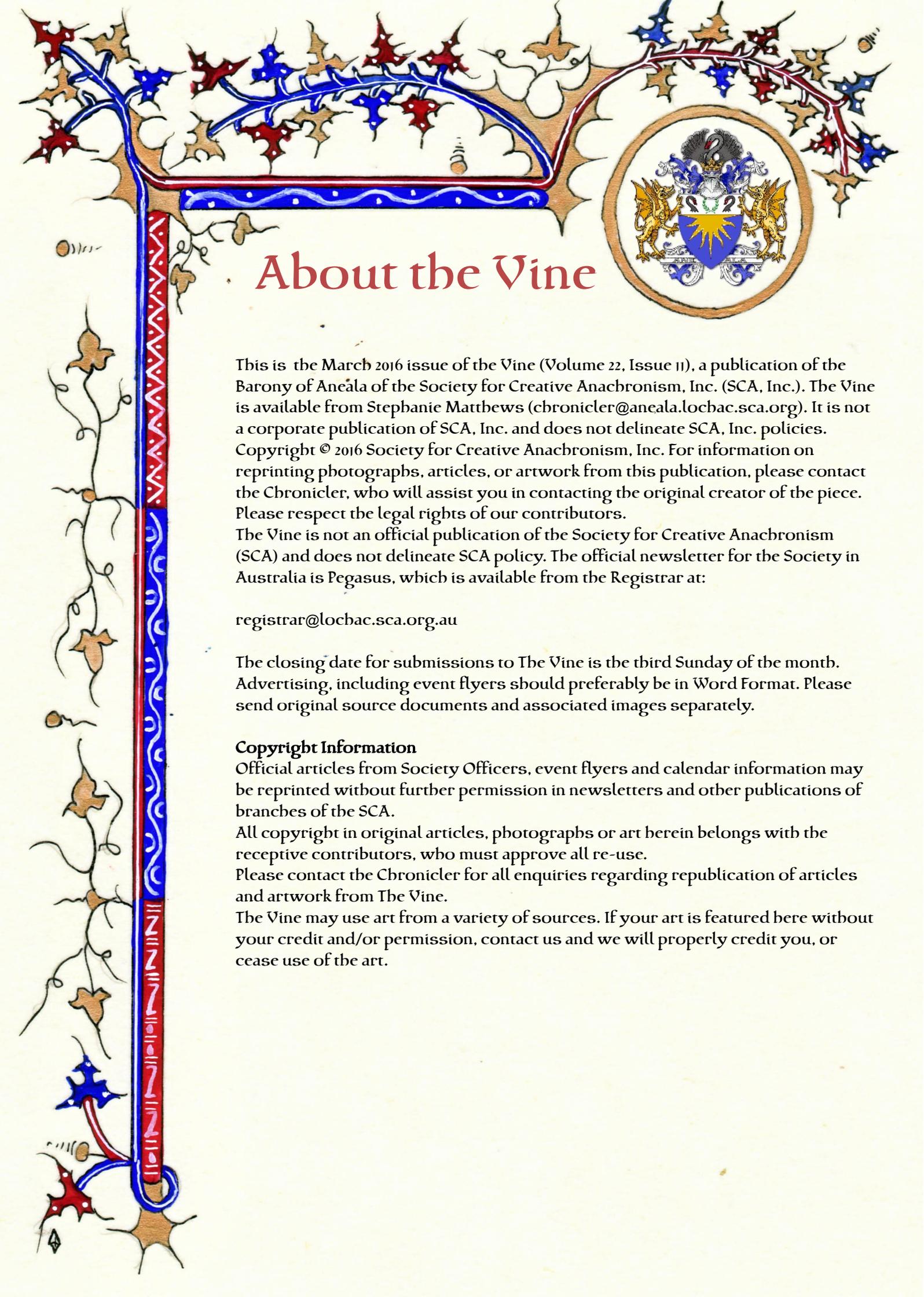
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