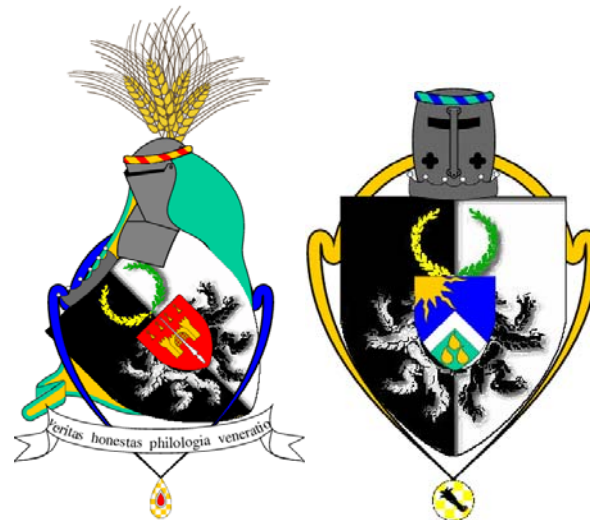
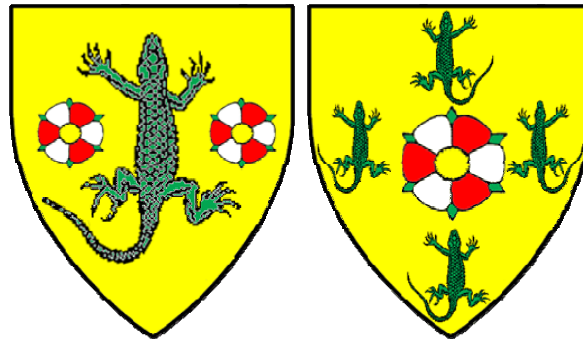




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### On the Cover:

A heraldic progression of the Barony of Lions Gate.

## The Baron's Column

*Baron Harold Devin of Waltham*

We are all time travelers, but we only travel forward. The future is a funny place. We all want to get there, but when we get there, we spend much time looking back at the past.

The past defines the future. Today's present was yesterday's tomorrow and we are only where we are now because of where we have been.

Yesterday I was a newcomer to our club. I wore a flannel kilt and tunic that belonged more to the Victorian stage than the Scotland of the 1500s that I was attempting to emulate. But it was an attempt.

Today I am Baron of the greatest Barony in our Known World. My friends and confidants are numbered among the Barony's finest. So many, many people make me proud to stand before you at Court and represent King and Prince.

Tomorrow is yet to come and when it does, we will have a new Baron and Baroness. This should be no surprise to anyone (and might even be anticipated by some ☺) but remember that yesterday's tomorrow is today's present and so today it is time.

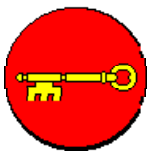


We were all surprised when, at a special council, Gerhard and Amanda announced that it was time for them to step down and that we had to find successors. Panic hit the streets, mass hysteria, rivers and seas boiled, earthquakes and volcanoes struck, dogs and cats began living together. But Lions Gate pulled together and we chose our next Baron and Baroness.

Today it is time again. Aurora and I will be stepping down at this coming 12th Night here in Lions Gate before King and Queen, Prince and Princess, friends and peers.

The strength of Lions Gate is through its people and its traditions. When those people or traditions are challenged, we protect that which we hold dear. I bid you all to embrace and challenge the next Baron and Baroness as you have embraced and challenged us. The time of a new Baron and Baroness is a time for change and growth, and it is time for that change and growth.

Thank you all for the opportunity to have served.



## From Our New Seneschal

*HL Uilliam mac Fearchar mhic Gille Aindrais*

Unto the Populace of Lions Gate, greetings from your new Seneschal.

I am The Honourable Lord Uilliam mac Fearchair mhic Gillie Aindrias, known also as William MacAndrew. In the past I've been the Baronial Herald, deputy to the Baronial Herald, and Gamesmaster. I'm usually found huddled over game boards or standing behind the thrones shouting all the loud words.

Well, it looks like I've got a new gig; Seneschal. I'll try to get something more "Seneschally" out in the next North Wind but for now, I've been given a rather important task, one that you've

probably already heard of; we need to choose our next Baron and Baroness.

Over the coming months, we will hear the names of people who are applying for the position. If you're thinking about doing so yourself and don't know what's involved, please contact me. All applications must be received by **November 10, 2007**. You can send them to me and the Baron and Baroness and we can forward them to their Majesties, Highnesses, and Heirs.

At Baroness' Tournament on **December 1, 2007**, a poll will be held. You are eligible to

take part in the official polling process if you are a paid member of the SCA and live in Lions Gate. You are also eligible if you live outside of Lions Gate and are an Officer, Sergeant, Yeoman, Gallant or Courtier of Lions Gate. A list of those eligible will be sent to us from the SCA, Inc.

At Baroness', those present who are eligible will come to the polling station, provide proof of membership, and will be handed a form with their name and membership number on it. On it, they will select who they feel should be the next Baron and Baroness. The forms are then put in an envelope by a representative of the Crown of An Tir and taken to the King. (This is a \*lot\* like visiting a voting booth during modern elections.) Anyone not present will have their forms mailed to them immediately, and they will have to send it to the King on their own. There will be a representative of the Crown and of the Kingdom Seneschal present to oversee the process.

I don't yet know when the names will be announced, but the new Baron and Baroness will step up into their positions at 12th Night, here in Lions Gate on the weekend of the 11th through the 13th of January 2008.

I would like each applying couple to prepare a letter and SCA resume that specifically states why you think you are the best choice for the position and details your history in the Society (awards, ranks, offices held, etc.). I hope to get these published in the North Wind next month. I will give you more information about this process as I get it. If you have any questions about the polling process, please call me, email me or corner me at an event sometime.

I look forward to serving you all in this new position. Until next month,



Uilliam  
Seneschal, Lions Gate



## Council Meeting Highlights

*September 26, 2007*

- We have a new Seneschal!  
Three cheers for HL Uilliam mac Fearchar mhic Gille Aindrais! Mistress Elizabeth Braidwood extends her heartfelt sympathies and we, as the Barony, extend our heartfelt thanks to you, EB, for stepping in to run things for a while. You did a fantastic job!
- We have a bid and plan for Baronial Banquet! (The event copy is included within this edition of the North Wind). An excellent site has been obtained that has a fireplace, lets us stay later than normal and has ample parking. For those that attend, your palate is in for a treat! Co-autocrats are Morweena and Anika.
- Baroness' Tourney will be held in the same location as last year, in Cloverdale. Sir Sigurd and Prince Ulf are the co-autocrats.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Night is shaping up very nicely however lots of volunteers are still needed to make this event a success. The heralds will be there in full force accepting any submissions to the College.
- Baron Devin announced that he and Baroness Aurora will be stepping down at 12<sup>th</sup> Night. Wow. It's hard to believe but it's true. The Barony thanks both of You for Your hard work and dedication. (We'll save the big finale of thanks and kudos because they aren't done yet! \*phew\*)

For all the details on what was discussed at Council, visit the Baronial website for a complete copy of the meeting minutes.



## Calendar of Events


Events with information included in this issue of the North Wind are indicated in bold.

### October

- 5-6 Golden Swan (Shire of Appledore)
- 8 Happy Thanksgiving
- 13 Drop-in Scribal Day**
- 20-21 Freeze Off (Shire of Ramsgaard)
- 23 North Wind submissions deadline
- 24 Baronial Council\*
- 26 Bransle
- 31 Happy Halloween

### November

- 3 Fall Feast and Masque (Shire of Coill Mhor)
- 10 Baronial Banquet**
- 11 Remembrance Day

- 16-18**  **Tir Righ Winter Investiture** (Shire of Shittimwoode)
- 20 North Wind submissions deadline
- 21 Baronial Council\*
- 23 Bransle
- 24 Bard and a Banquet (Shire of Lionsdale)

### December

- 1 Baroness' Tourney
- 8 Yule Revel (Barony of Seagirt)
- 19 Baronial Council\*
- 25 Merry Christmas
- 28 Bransle

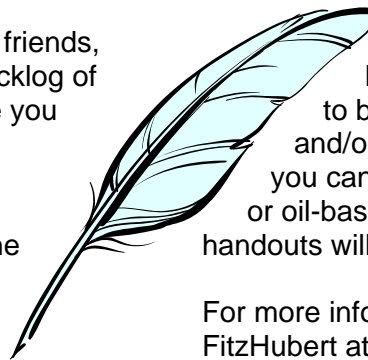
\***Lions Gate Baronial Council** is where the "business" side of the Barony is run. All members are encouraged to attend council. Council is held on the 4th Wednesday of the month, 7:30pm at Grace Lutheran Church, 7283 Nelson Avenue in Burnaby.

## Drop-in Scribal Day

October 13, 2007

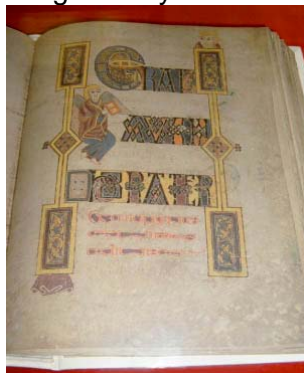
Want to spend a pleasant day with your friends, old and new, while helping to ease a backlog of work for the Baronial Scribe? Of course you do! Why? Because it will be fun!

On Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, from 9am to 6pm, we'll be in the common room for the townhouse complex at 7881 - 120A Street in Surrey. This is the same site that has been used for previous NSCA meetings. This is a drop-in so you may come and go at anytime during the day. We will be



primarily working on painting the Baronial charters. You do not have to be an expert at this! Water colour and/or acrylic paints will be available or you can bring you own. No poster paints or oil-based paint please. Various scribal handouts will also be available.

For more information, contact HL Miles FitzHubert at (604) 534-7124 or stormy2@telus.net.



Page from exact replica of the Book of Kells, on public display in a bar in Dame Street, Dublin. Public domain image courtesy of Wikipedia (<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Image:BookKells.jpg>)

# Baronial Banquet

November 10, 2007



Travel the Pilgrims Road for an intimate Banquet in Lions Gate. Your path is set by three of the finest cooks in Tir Righ as they take you from England to France and Italy with a Turkey finale. Join us for a sumptuous four-removal meal or stop by later in the evening for court, dancing and revelry until the small hours of the morning.

The Banquet will be held at the Centennial Lodge in Queens Park, New Westminster at First Street and Third Avenue (no street address).

Banquet seating at 5pm and serving begins promptly at 6pm. After dinner, doors open at 9pm. Event ends at 1am.

There will be no off-board seating during the Banquet, but please join us after dinner join us for court, dancing and entertainments to pass the evening hours.

Banquet seating is limited to 84 tickets. Tickets for the banquet and evening festivities will NOT be sold at the door. Please contact the Autocrats to purchase in advance. Tickets will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. Liquor license in effect so no outside alcohol permitted.

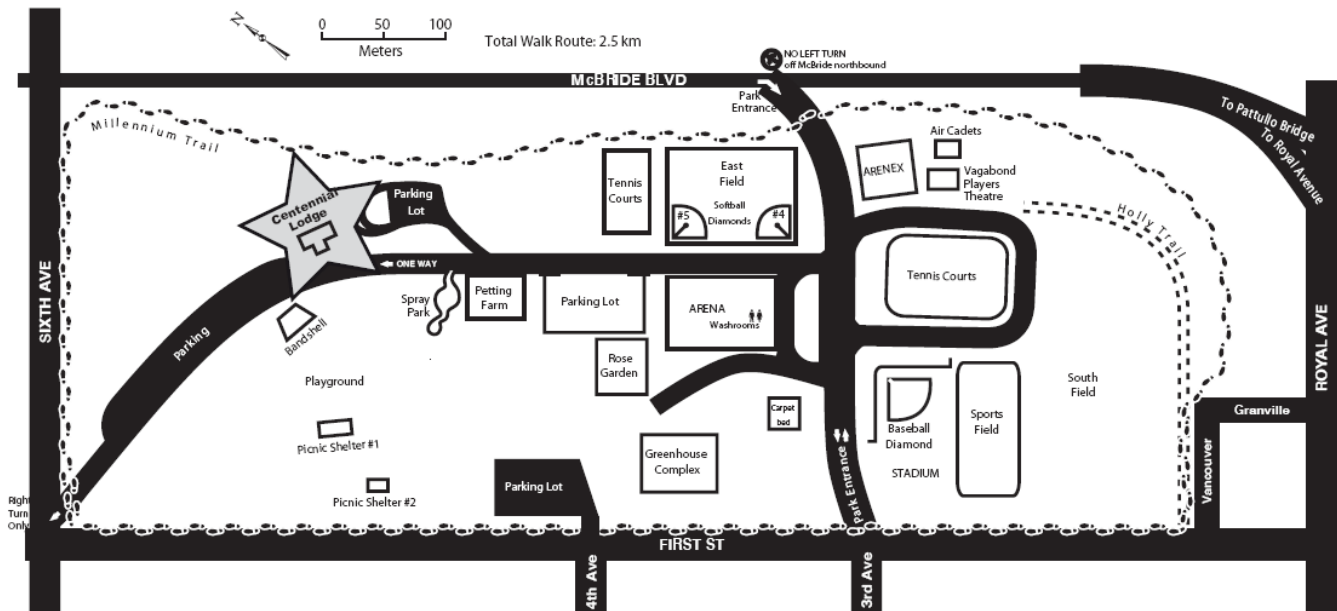
Banquet tickets are \$22.50. Tickets for after dinner are only \$10. Non-member surcharge will be collected at gate. Make cheques payable to the Barony of Lions Gate.

### Autocrats

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 morweena@yahoo.ca  
 9847 Manchester Drive, Burnaby

Lady Anika Steif (Christi Frank)  
 (604) 299-0038  
 cheech23@telus.net  
 4245 Dundas, Burnaby

## Queens Park, New Westminster



# Winter Inbestiture

November 16-18, 2007

The Shire of Shittimwoode invites the populace to join in welcoming our new Prince and Princess of Tir Righ to the Storm Thrones!

The busy bunnies are preparing all the hospitalities for the passing of the Coronet. We are proud to offer many comforts of home.

Rest your tired bones in our dorm style bedrooms. Each room has three comfortable twin size beds. Rental is \$66 per room for the weekend by pre-registration only. Dorm halls also offer hot showers.

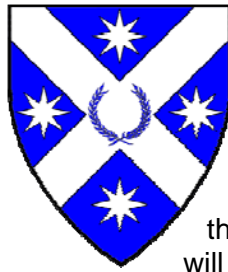
To feed your empty stomach, visit our feast hall. Meals will be served Friday evening through Sunday morning for a mere pittance. Saturday evening, a grand feast will be held with the fanfare expected from the Shittimwoode kitchen. Feast tickets are available for \$11, by pre-registration only.

A warm, indoor hall will hold merchant treasure from all corners of the Knowne World. They are just in time for the Winter holidays so be sure to bring your purse. But, don't let the merchants be the only ones with beautiful crafts. Enter the A&S contest (format to be announced).

Who will have the honor of defending our Princess? The tournament to determine rapier Scar of Tir Righ will be held on Sunday.

### Site Fees (US funds):

- Adult..... \$15
- Youth (7-18) ..... \$5
- Under 7 .....Free
- Family cap..... \$40
- \$3 NMS applies



We are hoping to offer Canadian bills at par; this will depend on the exchange rate at the time of the event. No Canadian checks will be accepted. Make US checks to Shire of Shittimwoode/SCA Inc.

Site opens Friday at 3pm, closes Sunday at 3pm.

### Location

Lions Camp Horizon 7506 Gemini St. Birch Bay, WA (Five minutes from I-5 exit 270)

*From the North or South:* Take I-5 to exit 270, Birch Bay/Lynden Rd. Turn West and follow three miles. Turn South (left) on Blaine Rd, follow aprox. one mile. Turn West (right) on Alderson Rd. Turn South (left) on Gemini Rd and enter the camp.

For information and purchase of dorm reservations or feast tickets, contact **Lord Marcus al Khabeelah** at mark@whatcomindy.com.

For feast menu, A&S information, and updated event information, visit [www.shittimwoode.com](http://www.shittimwoode.com)

For all other information, contact the Autocrat team:

**HL zakkia amet al aziz banu khabeelah** (mka Brooksana Raney) at redheadbby@yahoo.com or phone (360) 441-0144. No calls after 10pm please; or

**Hjlmr inn Danski** (mka Todd Sandstrom) at donalbainbinnensnotz@yahoo.com or phone (360) 738-4779. No calls after 10pm please.



## Pomanders

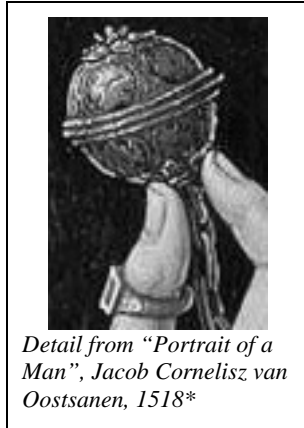
*Lady Aetheldreda of Dun Breatan  
Herbalist Guild Principal  
Barony of Bryn Gwlad, Kingdom of Ansteorra*

*"I will have my  
pomander of most  
sweet smell, Also my  
chains of gold to hange  
about my necke."*

"Brooke of Robin  
Conscience" (about  
1600)

Pomanders have been used by people for hundreds of years to carry fragrances on their persons. They were used to sweeten the air and to ward off disease believed to be caused by bad air (foul odors). Beeswax was impregnated with ambergris, musk, or civet and carried in round or apple shaped containers with grills or perforations, suspended from the belt, girdle or neck chain. Among the wealthy, these containers were usually of gold or silver and frequently ornament with previous gems. One found in the Thames is in the collection of the British Museum.

To make your own pomander, take a cake of beeswax and shave off a few pieces. Work the pieces in your hands until it warms and softens. This will not work if your hands are cold. Add a drop or so of essential oil, such as clove, cinnamon, musk or your favorite. Continue until you have a ball at least the size of a walnut.



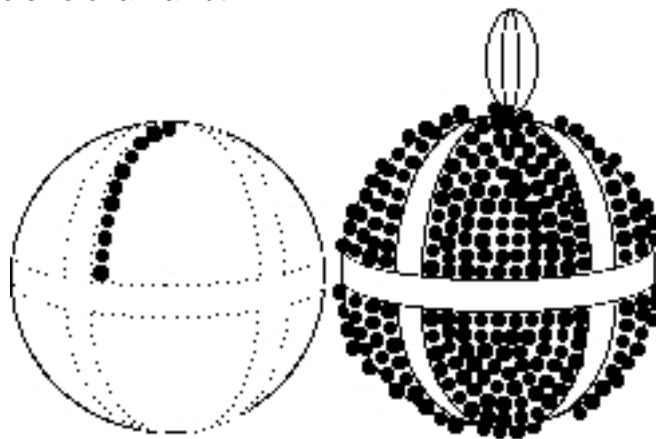
*Detail from "Portrait of a Man", Jacob Cornelisz van Oostsanen, 1518\**

Wash your hands well. Some of the essential oils can burn the eyes if you get the oil in them. The wax ball can be carried in a cloth bag or a wood or metal box with perforations.

A non-period pomander, but one fun to make with your children, requires an apple, orange, lemon or lime, whole cloves, powdered orrisroot, cinnamon, ground cloves, ground nutmeg and ground allspice. If you want to hang the pomander, wrap ribbon around the fruit as a cage and mark the placement. No cloves will go in these areas. Use a toothpick, skewer or knife to prick the fruit and insert the whole cloves. The whole fruit, excluding the areas to be covered by the ribbons, should be covered with cloves. Roll in a mixture of the other spices daily for a week and then add the ribbon. If preferred, the ribbon can be omitted and the pomander put in a drawer to scent the contents or in a bowl in the room for a very holiday scent. The pomander may be refreshed by rolling in the spice mixture or by a few drops of essential oils. They also make good gifts.

### Basic recipe:

- 7-8 pieces of fruit
- 1/2 pound of whole cloves
- 1/4 cup ground cinnamon
- 1/4 cup ground cloves
- 2 tablespoons ground nutmeg
- 2 tablespoons ground all spice
- 1/4 cup powdered orrisroot

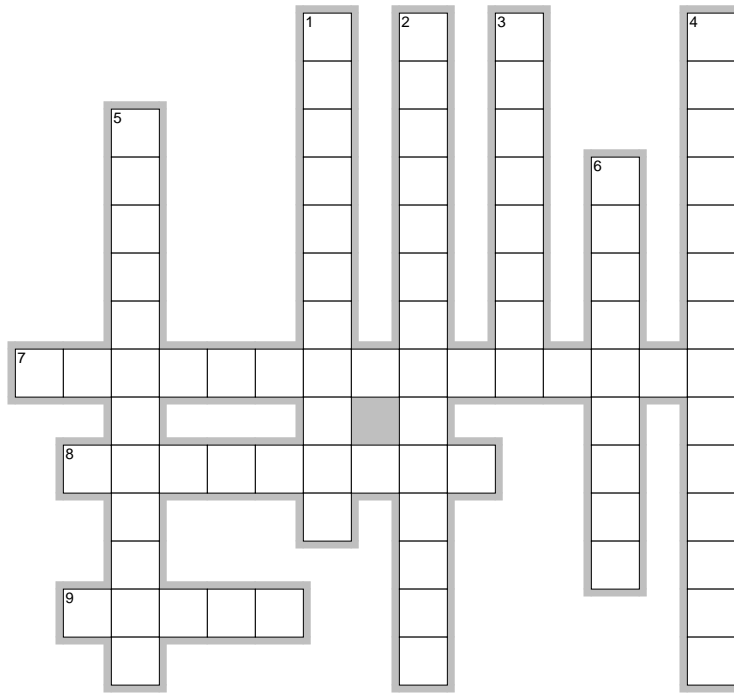


*Modern Pomanders. Illustrations by Coblaith Mhuimhneach (printed with permission).*



# Crossword - Principality Awards

By Aibinn Lockhart otc McBeighn



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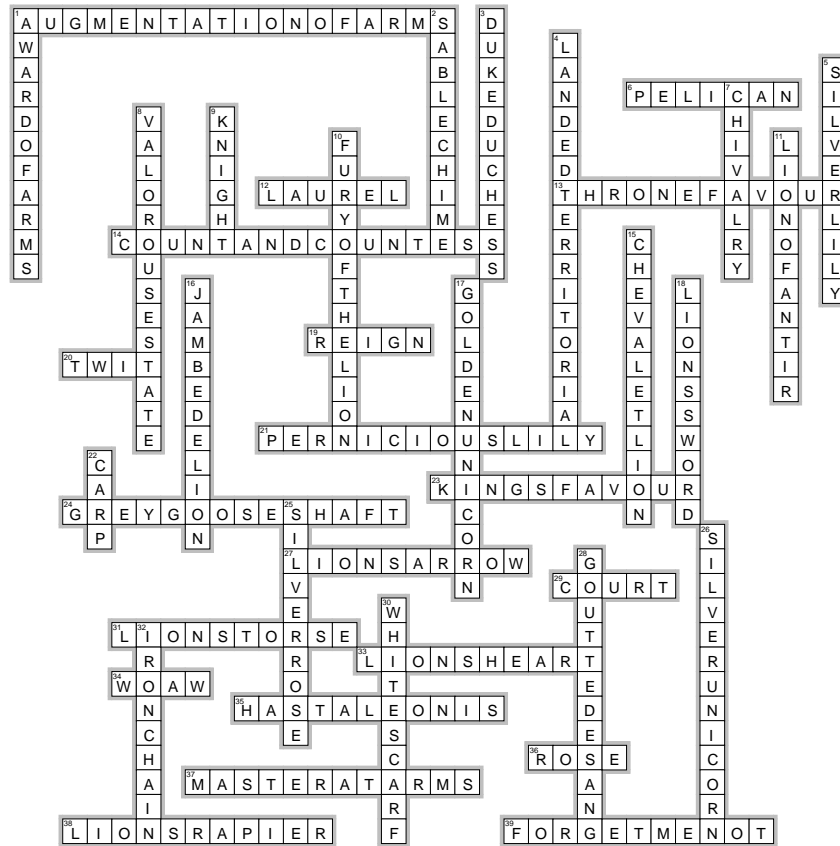
## Across

7. Awarded for the most memorable meal of the previous
8. Award for long-term contribution to the arts and
9. Award given for work in the martial areas toward bettering

## Down

1. The lowest level of armigerous rank awarded by the
2. Award given for arts and sciences efforts done to
3. Created by Amira Celdae, membership is awarded for
4. Given by the Prince and Princess for ferocity in
5. Award given for service to the principality.
6. Awarded to recognize the contributions of younger

### Solution to Last Month's Puzzle – Kingdom Awards



EclipseCrossword.com

## Compendium



- \* **Their Royal Majesties of An Tir** – King Tiernan Mor Dal Cais and Queen Miranda Faoltiarna (king@antir.sca.org, queen@antir.sca.org).



- \* **Their Highnesses of Tir Righ** – Prince Ulf Bloodfoot Fallgrson and Princess Caoimhinn ingen Domnaill (prince@tirrigh.org, princess@tirrigh.org).



- \* **Baron & Baroness of Lions Gate** - TE Harold Devin of Waltham (zaphod@lydia.org) and Aurora Argentius (dawn@lydia.org). 4771-199A St., Langley, V3A 6J5 (604) 532-1942.

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### Officer Openings

Anyone who is interested in volunteering for these positions should contact the Seneschal, Baron and Baroness at your earliest convenience. For more information about the Offices, either just ask or look it up on the An Tir website.

#### Lesser Offices - Vacant

- Waterbearer
- Gold Key
- Chiurgeon
- Dance
- Games

#### Lesser Offices - Upcoming Vacancies

- Pied Piper - stepping down at 12<sup>th</sup> Night
- Dragonward - stepping down at Baronial Banquet