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Of the Middle Ages



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No winner has been announced for the flyer contest as of yet. The immediate response from outside the area was amazing, locally they're trickling in. Have seen two really nice ones so far. If you have an idea for a flyer, it's not to late. Mail it to me or give it to me at the anniversary.

Speaking of flyers....

The cover this month is a flyer graciously sent to us by the editor of the BORDERLINES, the newsletter for Borderwinds.

As most of you already know, I will be resigning the office of Baronial Seneschal at the Anniversary, October 19. This job has been many things, but it has never been boring. I am going to stay on as Chronicler and will support the Barony and the Kingdom of Caid in any way I can.

I hope you will support my successor and be of assistance, if needed. As of October 19th the Baronial Seneschal will be the lady Sarah Yarbrough. (Canton Seneschals, please help her out by turning in your reports every month.)

Sarah Yarbrough  
(Dale)  
1730 Cherry Lane  
Clovis, CA 93612  
(209) 297-0810

We still are looking for heralds. If you are a ham and like to talk, this may be the office for you. If you are interested in being a herald, please let us know.

A REMINDER: OFFICERS MUST BE MEMBERS OF THE SCA

Everyone is encouraged to attend the TWENTY YEAR CELEBRATION. There won't be another event like this for twenty more years.!!!!!!!

Coronation is November 16. Their Royal Highnesses are planning a Blue & White Welsh theme. It's not too early to start on costumes etc.

*THE BARONY OF CALAFIA IS CELEBRATING ITS 17th ANNIVERSARY  
Nov 9, 1985. THEY HAVE A FULL DAY PLANNED FOLLOWED BY A  
5 COURSE BANQUET. RESERVATIONS FOR THE BANQUET MUST  
BE IN BY Oct 26. FOR MORE DETAILS CALL THE EDITORS, # ABOVE.*

# Protocol for Non-Heralds

by Bevin Fraser of Stirling



It should be remembered that there is a time and a place for flowery greetings and hand-kissing--and it is not when a lady has her arms full of tourney gear and is trying to get her campsite set up, or when she is in mundane garb and in a non-SCA setting and might be embarrassed. (It has been said that the mark of a gentleman or gentlewoman is that he or she never makes another person feel uncomfortable, except on purpose.)

## Bowing and Curtseying

There are different types of bows, from slight to deep, depending upon time period and persona, and to whom one is bowing. A lady, upon meeting a gentleman, should extend her hand if she wishes it to be kissed, and should make at least a slight curtsey in return, especially if the gentleman is of significantly higher rank. All persons coming into the Royal Presence should bow or curtsey, and do the same upon leaving. Also, all persons passing in front of the Royal Pavilion, whether or not it is occupied by Their Majesties or Their Highnesses, should bow or curtsey in respect to the Thrones and the Crowns they represent.

## Grand March

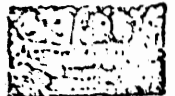
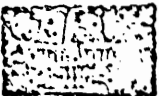
All persons attending an event are expected to participate in the Grand March, unless health considerations or duties prohibit. It is considered rude not to pay one's respects to the Crown by marching; and one can hardly expect the Crown to become acquainted with one's accomplishments and to recognize them, if the Crown does not know that one exists.

When approaching the Thrones, do not be afraid to go forward, to within about ten feet (or wherever the presiding herald indicates), before making your bow or curtsey and moving off to one side or the other. Unless the presiding herald indicates otherwise, everyone remains standing until the Grand March is over and Their Majesties have given permission for the populace to draw nigh and/or be seated. In a field situation, people in the front rows should sit or kneel so that those farther back can see. An aisle should be maintained at the back of the group so that people may approach without having to climb over others.

It should go without saying, although some folk occasionally need reminding, that there should be no talking or smoking in the audience during a Court. No one speaks while Their Majesties are speaking; and it is almost as rude to talk while a herald is trying to speak, since he or she is acting as the King's Voice. If someone around you is competing with the herald, this is a perfect instance when a gentleman or a lady has the right and duty to make that person uncomfortable by reminding him/her that the herald is trying to speak.

## Presentations at Court

There are four key points to remember when planning a presentation at Court: make sure the presentation is in good taste; inform the presiding herald beforehand; speak up so that you may be heard; and keep it short.



for the actual presentation, be ready. Do not keep their Majesties waiting. When your name or group is called, go forward and bow or curtsy a few paces back from the Thrones, then move forward and kneel on the cushions at the foot of the Thrones. (That's what they are there for). If wearing a long gown or robe, lift the skirt slightly as you kneel, so that you will not be kneeling on it. This will make it easier to get up gracefully.

If you are called forward to receive recognition from the Crown, follow the same procedure as above. Gentlemen receiving award should bow to the Queen after rising, and may kiss Her hand before backing off, bowing again, and retiring.

### Crowns, Coronets, and Fillets

Crowns are the prerogative of the King and Queen. Crown usually, but not always, have projections sticking up all the way around the circlet. In some Kingdoms, it is considered treason for anyone but the King or Queen to touch the crowns without permission. A Crown left on the Throne is symbolic of the Royal Presence, and should be bowed to just as though the King and Queen were wearing it.

Coronets are the prerogative of territorial princes and princesses, peers, and territorial barons and baronesses. Coronets usually, but not always, have projections only in the front. Ducal coronets have four sets of strawberry leaves spaced around the circlet. A traditional County coronet in the Society is embattled, although this is not often seen except on helms in war situations and on scrolls. Baronial coronets will vary with the barony.

Fillets may be worn by anyone of any rank. Fillets generally have no projections, but may be richly jewelled.

Customs may vary from kingdom to kingdom, but within the Society as a whole, only Knights may wear a white belt, heavy gold chain, and spurs. (Masters-at-Arms wear white baldrics). Only Dukes and Duchesses wear strawberry leaves on their coronets.

### Forms of Address--Spoken

#### When Speaking TO:

King                      Your Majesty  
                              Sire  
                              My Lord King  
                              Your Grace  
                              My Liege (if he is)

Queen                     Your Majesty  
                              My Lady Queen  
                              Your Grace

Crown Prince            Your Royal Highness  
                              Your Highness

Crown Princess         Your Royal Highness  
                              Your Highness

### Forms of Address--Spoken

#### When Speaking TO:

Children of              Your Highness  
Royalty                    Your Highness

#### When Speaking OF:

His Majesty  
The King's Majesty  
The King's Grace  
His Grace

Her Majesty  
The Queen's Majesty  
The Queen's Grace  
Her Grace

His Royal Highness  
His Highness

Her Royal Highness  
Her Highness

#### When Speaking OF:

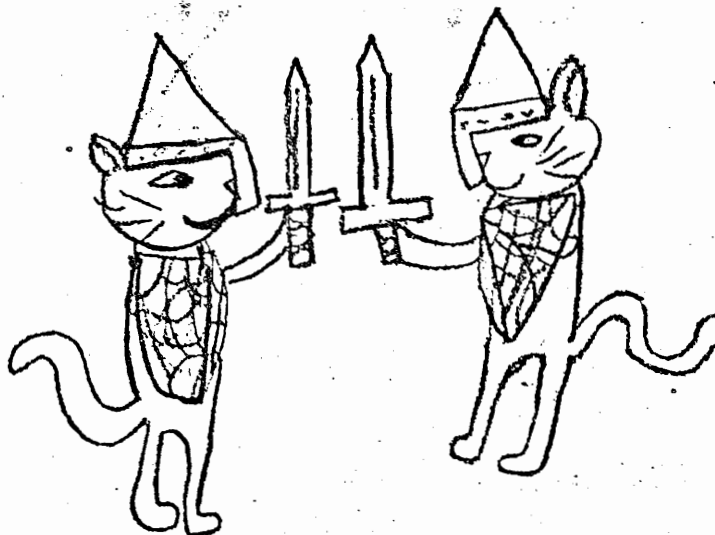
His Highness, the Prince Royal  
Her Highness, the Princess Royale

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|-----------------|--|---|
| Duke/Duchess    | Your Grace<br>My Lord/Lady Duke/Duchess      | His/Her Grace<br>Duke/Duchess (First name)              |
| Earl/Count(ess) | Your Excellency<br>My Lord/Lady Count/ess    | His/Her Excellency<br>Earl/Count/Countess (first name)  |
| Viscount/ess    | Your Excellency<br>My Lord/Lady Viscount/ess | His/Her Excellency<br>Viscount/Viscountess (first name) |
| Knight          | Sir/Dame                                     | Sir/Dame  |
| Laurel/Pelican  | Master/Mistress (first name)                 | Master/Mistress (first name)                            |
| Baron/Baroness  | Your Excellency<br>My Lord/Lady Baron/ess    | His/Her Excellency<br>Baron/ess (first name)            |
| Officers        | My Lord/Lady (office)                        | The Marshal, the Seneschal, etc.                        |
| All Others      | Lord/Lady (first name)                       | Lord/Lady (name)  |

When in doubt about someone's title, you can never go wrong by addressing them as "My lord" or "My lady." When indicating whether someone has an award of arms, refer to them as "Lord/Lady (name)"; however, when introducing a non-armiger, refer to them as "the lord (name) or the lady (name)."

#### HER EXCELLENCY REQUESTS:

- 1) Court at the Anniversary be conducted in a proper manner.
- 2) Be on time. A Grand March is planned & everyone is asked to participate
- 3) Use SCA names, if you don't know someone's name, don't be afraid to ask
- 4) If you are going to attend, please do so in costume.
- 5) That all who can attend, please do so. This is one of the most important events of the year and everybody's participation is encouraged.



*Drawing by Elspeth of Almeda*

NORDWACHE ANNIVERSARY

&

BARONESS' CHAMPION TOURNEY

SATURDAY OCTOBER 19, 1985

BURRIS PARK, HANFORD

SCHEDULE

- 10:30 Lists open
- 11:00 OPENING COURT
  - Lists close 15 minutes after court
  - Fighting begins 30 minutes after court

COMPETITIONS

- Arming & Disarming competitions
- Simulated Knife Fight
- Smalls Tourney
- Best Ladies Favor
- Best Mens Favor
- Best Bread - yeast
- "    - nonyeast

Best Short Story - His Excellency has been bored of late & is looking for an interesting diversion. He has decided an amusing vignette will do the trick. His Excellency, being the generous soul he is, is offering a most wonderful prize for the tale that most tickles his fancy. What member of our fine Barony could not use 10 acres, a house, a plow, a pair of breeding mules, & a goose that lays golden eggs. (Sounds too good to be true) The selected story will be read at closing court so rating is PG.

REVELS

VFW by Roeding Park in Fresno. Maps will be available at the tourney site.

Time - 7pm

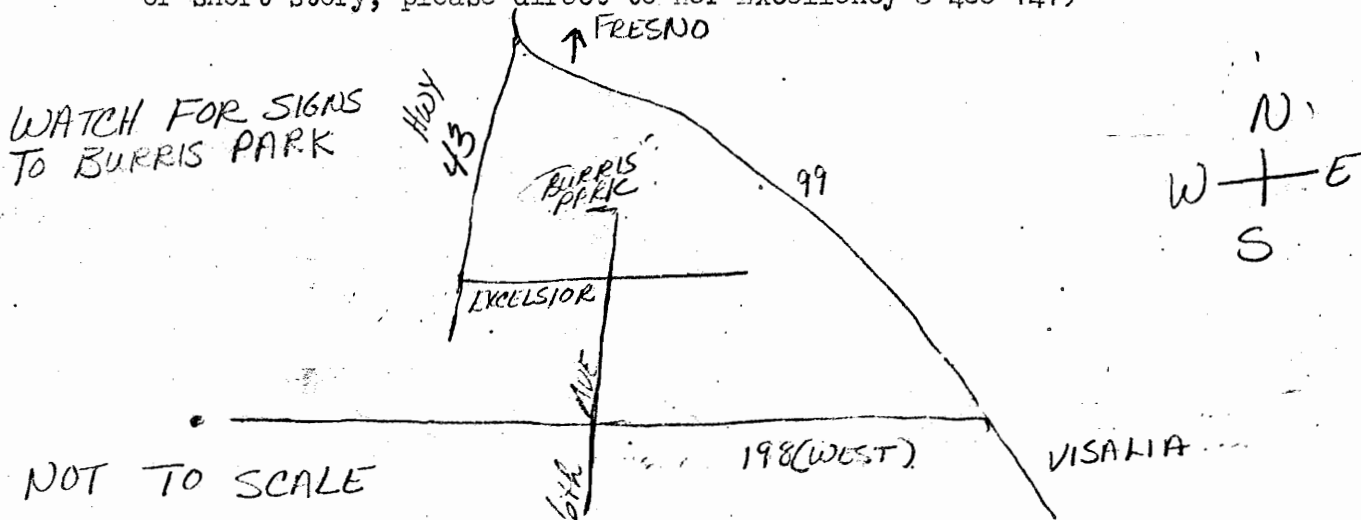
Site Fee - \$1

BYOB & Finger food

Put your dancing shoes on!! The Lyon & Unicorn dancers will be there (thanks to arrangements made by Her Excellency) to show us how much fun dancing can be.

For more information contact the autocrat Lady Elaine @ (209) 292-2068 home  
(209) 226-3471 work

Questions concerning the following competitions: ladies favor, mens favor, bread, or short story, please direct to Her Excellency @ 486-1479



# THE FLEDGLING

THE SMALLS PAGE

Sorry about not having this out earlier!

L.O.

What about words

HOW MANY WORDS CAN YOU  
(30 or more letters)  
MAKE FROM

NORDWACHE

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SCORING

- 5 GOOD
- 10 GREAT
- 15 SUPER
- 20 GENIUS

HAVE FUN

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Hear Ye!  
Hear Ye!

There is a rumour in the air about THE LORD JOSEPH, THE LADY ELSPETH, and I are trying to start a group called (appropriately) THE CHARCOAL CHICK CHILD CARE SERVICE. See if its true next month.

NEXT MONTH

IS THE RUMOUR TRUE  
DO YOU KNOW YOUR FRIEND  
PLAY OUR GAME NOW  
MOM I'M HUNGRY





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