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Greetings all and welcome to the September Ductus.

I would like to congratulate everyone on how well scrolls are going this year. I know that doing original scrolls is making the task much longer but I have been impressed with the number of original scrolls that are being done. In addition many scribes seem to still be doing the GA and AoA scrolls that are coming up on the database. It is wonderful to see that these scrolls are continuing even while the focus is on original scrolls.

Competitions

The people who contributed to the blanks competition last year were;

Caristiona nic Beathain

Branwen of Werchesvorde

Maeve ni Iasachta

Keridwen the Mouse

Katherine Alicia of Sarum

Muirghein ni Ghrainne

Brain dorcha ua Conaill

Constanzia Moralez y de Xamora

Liadan verch Lochac

Celestrai Ashwood

Svartr Ormsson

Tamsyn Northover

Leonie de Grey

Madoc ap Gryffith

Tailtiu of Gortruna

Tatiiana Kalinin

Arlette Mortimer

Riona of Caerleon

Catherin d'Arc

Katrijin van Delden

Madelaine de Bourgogne

Helen Hartshorne

Katerina de Brescia

Phedre de Caravalle

Kathern Richer

Alicia the Pastry Chef

Maragerete Engelhardts

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Lyssa Trygvrrsdottir

Each of these scribes either has, or will receive one of the Scribes tokens for the work that they have done. Congratulations to all of you, your efforts made a huge difference in our backlog and considerably increased the visibility of the College of Scribes over the last year. It was an amazing effort.

Pelican Scrolls

Pelican scrolls are coming to me slowly but surely. There are many assigned that I hope to see by the end of this year. Remember for your scrolls to be considered part of the Pelican Scrolls competition they must be to me before Canterbury Faire in January.

Change in Wardens

borfinn is no longer the Warden for the College of Scribes down in Stormhold. He has been Warden for many years and it is now time for him to move on and for other scribes to take up this position. At the moment there is not a Warden for Stormhold. This position will remain vacant until a new Warden takes up the duties. So if anyone is interested in this position could they please contact me about details.

The new Warden for Politarchopolis is Quataryna de Montpelher. I would like to extend a warm welcome to Quataryna and a thank you to her for taking on the position of Warden in Politarchopolis.

Scroll Timings

When scrolls are assigned they are not assigned indefinitely. AA and GA scrolls must be completed within six months. Original Scrolls for Peerages must be completed within 1 year. If a scroll goes over this time an extension must be negotiated with the Provost of Scribes. This extension is not automatic and if the Provost of Scribes does not feel that it is warranted it will not be given.

Currently there are a number of outstanding scrolls that have gone over this time. Those scrolls will be removed from the people who are doing them unless they have already contacted me to request an extension or unless they do contact me and ask for an extension.

It does not matter how far through a scroll a scribe is, if an extension is not granted their scroll will not be accepted by the College of Scribes. All reasonable requests for an extension are granted but continual requests by the same scribe may result in all assignments being removed from that scribe.

Doing an original AA or GA does not automatically mean that the time you are allocated for doing that scroll is extended to 1 year as it would be for other original scrolls. It is expected that you will be able to complete an AA scroll in 6 months. If you decide to do an original AA scroll you will need to complete it within that 6 months.

Seals

The first of the Scribal Seals has been completed and was used for the first time at the recent Rowany Scribal meeting. It is very exciting that these seals have been completed. They are the last part of the new Writs that have been going out to many AA recipients over the last year. It is wonderful to see that they have almost been completed. Thanks go out to Mistress Tigriana for her work on these seals. The one I have currently looks wonderful.

A photo of the seal and of an example green seal will be posted on the blog shortly.

The College of Scribes officers that will be receiving seals as they are finished will include;

Caristiona nic Beathain- Provost

Keridwen the Mouse- Upper Warden

Aeron Lasair- Northern Regions Warden and Verger

Branwen of Werchesvorde – Western Regions Warden

Svartr Ormsson- Crescent Isles, Northern Island Warden

katherine kerr of the Hermitage- Crescent Isles, Southern Island Warden

Leofwynn Wulfinga- Innilgard Warden

Maeve ni Iasachta- Rowany Warden

Quataryna de Montpelher- Politarchopolis Warden

Madelane de Bourgogne Ynys Fawr Warden

Additional seals will be made for the positions that are currently vacant in this list and also for the positions of Northern Warden and Verger which would normally be separate rolls.

Newly Warranted Scribes

There have been a few new scribes who have joined our ranks over the last few months. These new scribes include;

Bernard

Corinna

Dragana Roza

Elinae of Whitby

Iarnulfr

Kazimera

Maddie

Pádraig Lowther

Redoing Scrolls

Due to the natural disasters in some places in Lochac over the last year a call went out for people to redo scrolls for those recipients who have had their previous scrolls damaged. So far one of those scrolls has been completed. The scroll was for Catherine the Friendly, it was a GoA and it was completed by Elinae of Whitby. Thank you to Elinae for that work. I hope to see the others completed over the coming months.

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