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Unto the East Kingdom College of Heralds and all others who do receive this letter, greetings from Tanzos Istvan, Eastern Crown Herald!

This ILoI contains submissions received before 15 January 2004 and has 17 numbered items. Commentary, as always, should be sent to the above address and is due on Sunday, 7 March, 2004.

Good luck, and thanks again in advance for all the hard work you do!

In service,

Istvan Eastern Crown

**1 Alison Winter** - resub to kingdom device

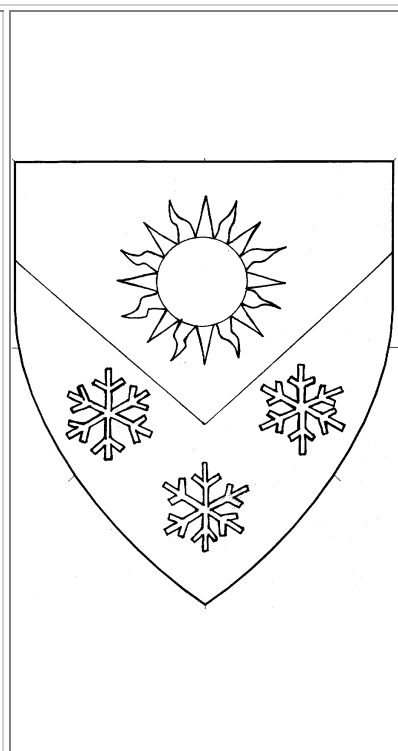
Herald of Record: Klaus Rother

*Per chevron inverted argent and azure, a sun azure eclipsed, three snowflakes two and one argent.*

Original device, 'Argent, a sun azure eclipsed argent, with a bordure azure.', returned on the East's August 2002 LoR for conflict:

The device conflicts with that of Adrienne de Champagne (Jan 1990), "Argent, on a mullet of six points azure, a falcon displayed argent" and Lorimer MacAltin of Garioch (May 1983), "Argent, on a compass star azure a thistle couped argent." There is a CD for the addition of the bordure, but by current precedent there is not a CD between a mullet of six points and a sun, between a compass star and a sun, nor for changing the type only of the tertiary charge (eclipsed charges are considered charged for the purposes of conflict (and style)).

As this is nearly a complete redesign, it will clear this conflict.



**2 Amina Dyula an-Nisa Songhayya** (F) - new name & new device

Herald of Record: Elias Gedney

*Or, a camel and on a chief gules three cowrie shells argent.*

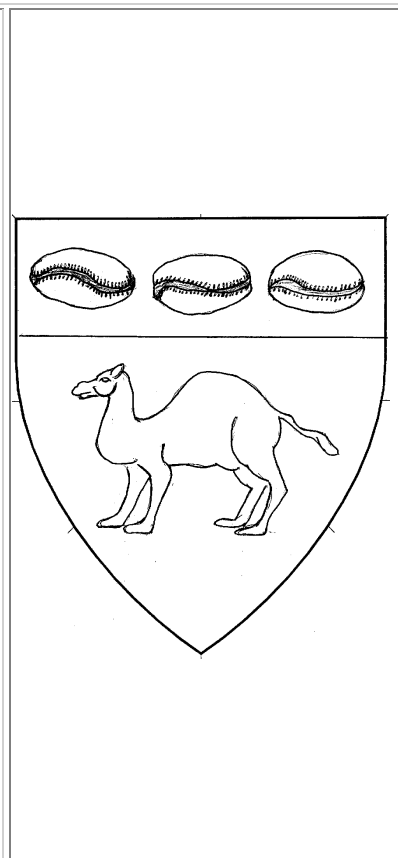
Wants a name meaning 'Amina from Songhay' and including 'Dyula' as her class, and wishes her name to be made authentic for 16th century Mali.

'Amina' found, undated, in 'Islamic Names' by Schimmel.

'Dyula an-Nisa': The dyula were a class of merchants in Songhay in the 1400's and 1500's (from 'Medieval Africa 1250-1800' by Roland Oliver and Anthony Atmore, PCA). 'an-Nisa' is found undated in Schimmel, p. 48, meaning 'of the woman'.

'Songhayya': p. 10 of Schimmel shows how to form a locative surname from the place name - Baghdad becomes al-Baghdadiyya for a woman.

[ 'Amina' is found in Da'ud ibn Auda's 'PERIOD ARABIC NAMES AND NAMING PRACTICES' ( <http://www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/names/arabic-naming2.htm>). From the same article, we see that occupational bynames were formed by adding 'al-' to the occupation; therefore it seems that 'Amina al-Dyula al-Songhayya' may be the more proper construction. ]



**3 Antonio DiRenzo** (M) - new name

Herald of Record: Erlan Nordenskald

No major changes, minor changes to last name only. Desires authenticity for 16th century Italy.

'Antonio' from De Felice's 'Nomi' p. 69, undated.

'DiRenzo': p. 402 of De Felice has 'Rénzo -> Lorénzo', undated, and p. 238 s.n. 'Lorénzo' has 'Cola di Rienzo' 1354.

[ 'Antonio' is found five times in Talan Gwynek's '15th Century Italian Men's Names' ( <http://www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/names/italian15m.html>). ]

**4 Arden of Icomb (M) - new name & new device**

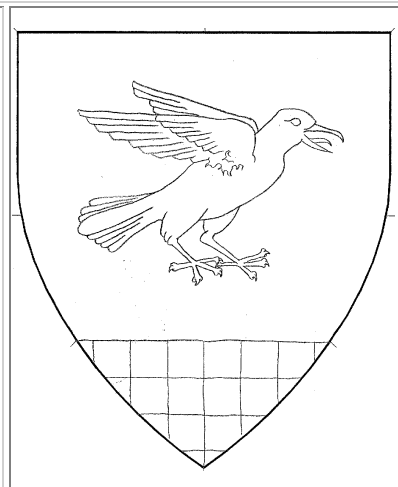
Herald of Record: Eldrich Gaiman

*Sable, a raven rising contourney argent and a base checky argent and sable.*

Arden' purportedly from the Domesday Boke (NDP).

'Icomb' is a header spelling in Mills p. 194, with dated spellings of 'Iccacumb' 781 and 'Iccumbe' 1086'.

*[ We have been unable to find any evidence of 'Arden' as a given name, though it is an English place-name, found in Ekwall p. 12 s.n. 'Arden', dated in that spelling to 1244. ]*



**5 Christina Elisabeth - new household name & new badge**

Herald of Record: Robin Gallowglass

Submitted Name: *Inn of the Blue Gryphon*

*(Fieldless) A gryphon sejant contourney maintaining a spoon palewise azure.*

No major changes. Desires household name meaning 'blue gryphon'.

No documentation is included.

*[ This follows the 'inn sign' pattern for household names in the SCA:*

*While there were no exact parallels in period to SCA households, there were historical groups that shared one or more functions with the latter. These include the Scots clans (Clan Stewart); ruling dynasties (House of Anjou); professional guilds (Baker's Guild of Augsburg, Worshipful Company of Coopers); military units, including mercenaries (The White Company); and inns (House of the White Hart). Such names as these groups took, then, should be the pattern on which SCA household names are built. (Bruce Draconarius of Mistholme, July 1992 Cover Letter) ]*



Both names were registered in October 1992, via the East.

**6 Eiríkr Ulfguarr** (M) - resub to kingdom name

Herald of Record: Erlan Nordenskáld

Wants authenticity for 9th century Norse.

'Eiríkr' from Geirr-Bassi p. 9.

No documentation provided for 'Ulfguarr'.

Original name, 'Eiríkr Gunnarson' returned at kingdom in December of 2002 for conflict:

Name conflicts with Eirik Gunnarson, registered October 1985, via the East.

Device pended at that time.

[ *Geirr-Bassi p. 15 shows 'Úlfarr' as a given name but that's as close as it gets. ]*

**7 Emma Wen of Painscastle** (F) - new name & new device

Herald of Record: Erlan Nordenskald

*Vert, a quill bendwise sinister and in sinister chief an increscent Or.*

No major changes. Wants an authentic name for 16th century Wales.

Both 'Emma' and 'Wen' from Tangwystyl verch Morgant Glasvryn's 'A Simple Guide to Constructing 16th Century Welsh Names (in English Contexts)' (<http://www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/welsh16.html>).

'Painscastle' is found, dated to 1231, in John Garnons Williams's 'WALES AT THE TIME OF THE TREATY OF MONTGOMERY IN 1267' (<http://www.gwp.entia.net/walhist.html>, NPCA).

*[ The submitter provides no evidence for names with the pattern given-nickname-locative, nor have we been able to find any such evidence. Tangwystyl says, in her article 'A Simple Guide to Constructing 16th Century Welsh Names (in English Contexts)':*

*Place-names may appear as inherited surnames, but in many cases the place involved is the village or region where the person lives. The name of the place appears by itself, without using of or any other connector.*

*Thus the use of 'of' in this name seems to be inappropriate. ]*



**8 Erlan Nordenskáld** (F) - new name & new device

Herald of Record: Aoife inghean ui Ruadhain

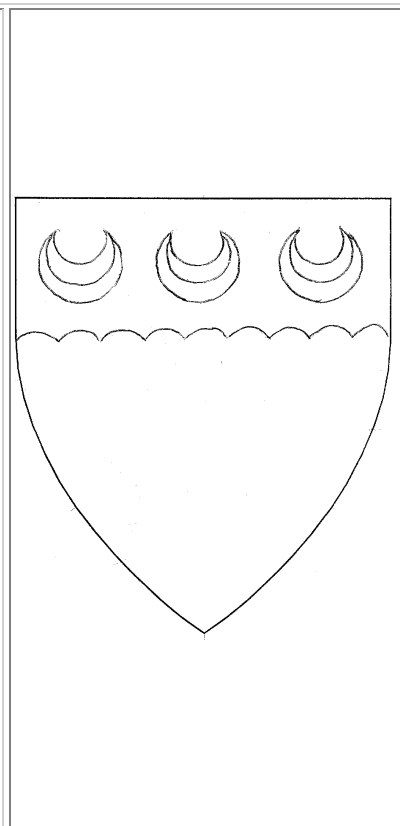
*Argent, on a chief engrailed azure three crescents Or.*

Wants a Norse/Scandinavian name meaning 'Bard from the Northlands'.

'Erlan' from SMP, vol. 5, p 769.

'Norden' is presented as meaning 'North', but no documentation is given. 'Skáld-' is from Geirr-Bassi p. 27, and means 'skald or poet'. She is willing to change to an appropriate form of 'Norden'.

[ SMP says: 'Erla(n)-, se Ærland (1393)'. There are a number of useful names in Aryanhwy merch Catmael's 'Viking Bynames found in the Landnámabók' (<http://www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/names/vikbynames.htm>). Names with meanings taken from the directions: 'austmaðr' meaning 'east-man, man from continental Scandinavia'; 'inn austræni', 'easterner'; 'suðeyingr', 'South-Islander'; 'austmannaskelfir', meaning 'terror of the east-men'; 'inn suðreyski', 'South-Islander'. Also there are several bynames using 'skald': 'jarlsskáld', meaning 'earl's skald'; 'Kolbrúnarskáld', 'skald with black eyebrows'; 'skáldaspillir', 'skald-dispoiler, plagiarist'; and 'vandræðiskáld', 'difficult skald'. ]



**9 Ian Morteyne** (M) - new name & new device

Herald of Record: Marcus Blackaert

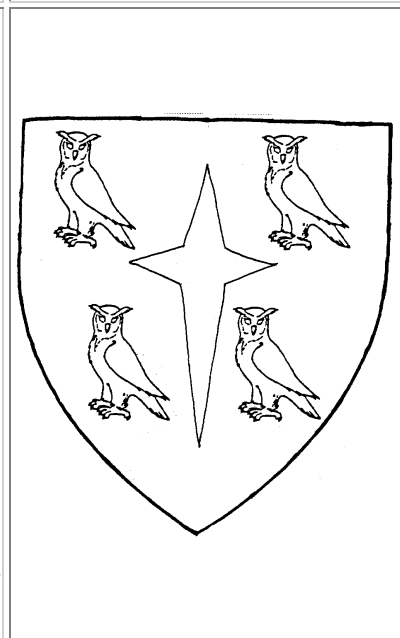
*Azure, a mullet of four points elongated towards base between four owls close and guardant argent.*

Submitter wishes his name to be made authentic for 1100-1250 but does not wish the particle 'de' to be used.

'Ian' was declared SCA-compatible by Jaella of Armida in April of 1997.

'Morteyne' dated to 1291 (William de Morteyne) in 'The History and Antiquities of Eyam' (<http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/eng/DBY/Eyam/Wood/Church.html>, PCA).

[ 'Morteyne' also found in Bardsley, p. 542 s.n. 'Mortyn': 'Custance de Morteyne' dated to the reign of Edward I. ]



**10 Katheryn Redmayne (F) - new name & new device**

Herald of Record: Eldrich Gaiman

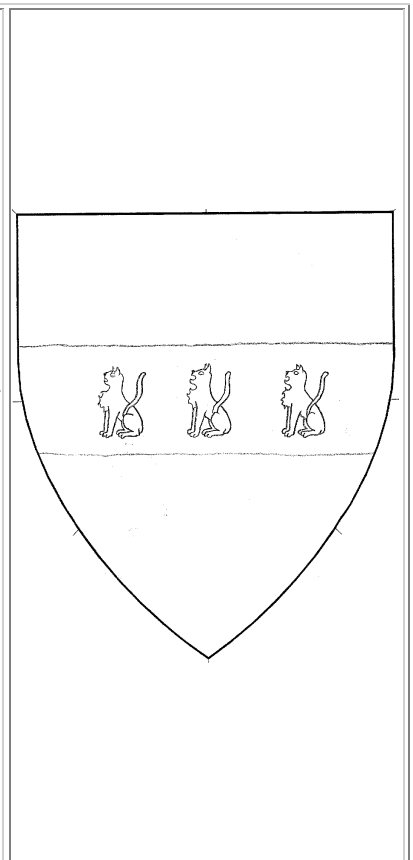
*Azure, on a fess argent three domestic cats gules.*

Submitter wishes to retain the sound if changes must be made.

'Katheryn' found in Aryanhwy merch Catmael's '16th Century Gloucestershire Names' (<http://www.ellipsis.cx/~liana/names/late16.html>, NPCA).

'Redmayne' a header form in Reaney & Wilson p. 375 with the dated spellings of 'de Redeman' 1188 and 'Redmaine' 1674.

[ 'Katheryn' also found dated to 1570 in Talan Gwynek's 'Feminine Given Names in A Dictionary of English Surnames' (<http://www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/reaneyHZ.html>); as this is on the SCA web site, no photocopies are required. This device is in conflict with the flag of Argentina (September 1995, via Laurel): "Azure, on a fess argent a sun in splendor Or." There is but one CD for the multiple changes to the tertiaries. It is also in conflict with the flag of Honduras "Azure, on a fess argent five mullets in saltire azure." (Sept 1995, via Laurel) for the same reason. Also Aithine nic Merril (August 1979, via the East): "Azure, upon a fess argent, a mole's paw print sable." ]



**11 Mariota de la Moor (F) - new name & new device**

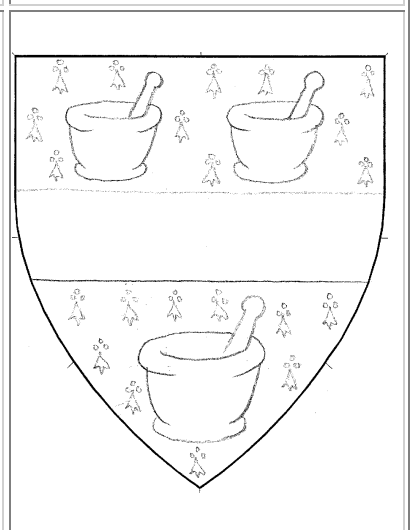
Herald of Record: Eldrich Gaiman

*Pean, a fess between three mortars and pestles Or.*

Submitter wishes to retain the sound if changes must be made.

'Mariota' from Mari Elspeth nic Bryan's 'An Index to the 1332 Lay Subsidy Rolls for Lincolnshire, England' (<http://www.s-gabriel.org/names/mari/LincLSR/GivL.html>, PCA).

'de la Moor': submitter cites 'well known author Dr. Thomas de la Moor 1327-1347' (NPCA) and also Reaney & Wilson s.n. 'Moor', which dates 'del More' to 1275 and 'de la More' to 1273.



**12 Rauða-birna** (F) - resub to kingdom name

Herald of Record: Klaus Rother

Wants her name to be made authentic for 950's Norse.

Original name submission, 'Rauða-Birna V{o,}lubrjótr' returned on the East's October 2003 letter for offensiveness:

This name is being returned for being offensive. The RfS, section IV, says:

Offensive names may not be registered, as is required by General Principle 2 of these rules. Names may be innately offensive from their content, like John Witchburner . A name element can also be offensive because of its usual associations or the context in which it is placed. Names may be considered offensive even if the submitter did not intend them to be.

The submitted surname means 'witch-breaker', far too like the unacceptable example given in the Rules for Submission.

This submission omits the offensive element.

'Rauða' an epithet (prefix) found in Geir Bassi, p. 26.

'Birna' a feminine given name, Geir Bassi, pg. 8.

**13 Santiago de Montoya** (M) - new name & new device

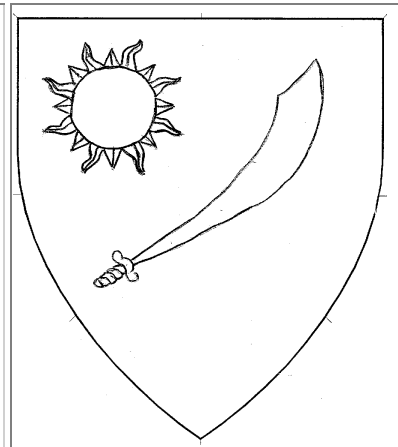
Herald of Record: Erlan Nordenskald

*Vert, a scimitar bendwise and in dexter chief a sun argent.*

No major changes. Wants an authentic name for 1501-1600 Spain.

'Santiago' found in '16th Century Spanish Names' by Elsbeth Anne Roth (<http://www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/names/spanish/male-given-alpha.html>).

'de Montoya' found in 'Spanish Names from the Late 15th Century' by Juliana de Luna (<http://www.sca.org/heraldry/laurel/names/isabella/locative.html>).



**14 Sterling de la Rosa (M) - new name & new device**

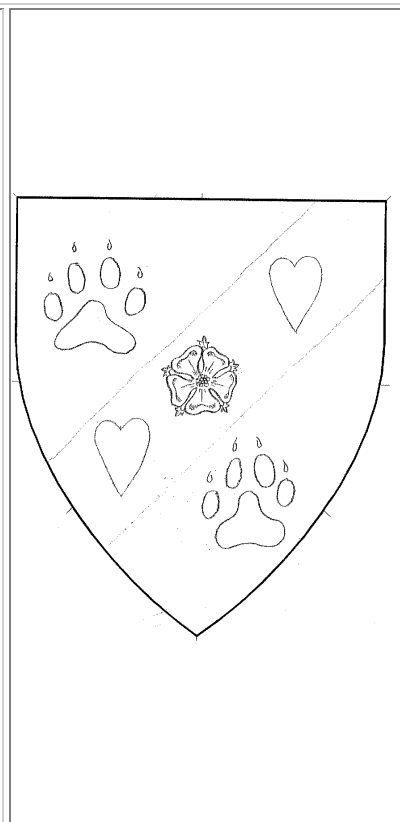
Herald of Record: Eldrich Gaiman

*Argent, on a bend sinister azure between two wolf prints sable a rose argent between two hearts Or.*

Submitter prefers to keep the sound.

'Sterling' is submitter's mundane middle name; photocopies of his birth certificate are attached.

'Rosa' found as a surname meaning 'rose' in Juliana de Luna's 'Spanish Names from the Late 15th Century' (<http://www.s-gabriel.org/names/juliana/isabella/surnames-other.html>, NPCA). Another part of the page (<http://www.s-gabriel.org/names/juliana/isabella/MenFullNames1.html>, NPCA) lists several men with surnames of the form 'de la Noun': 'Diego Ruyz de la Escalera' and 'Juan de la Escalera' (Escalera=stairs); 'Pero Ruyz de la Mota' (mota=speck); 'Rodrigo de la Concha' (concha=shell); Alfonso de la Serna (serna=serenade); 'Diego de la Fuente' (fuente=source); 'Francisco de la Cerda' (cerda=bristle); 'Juan de la Carrera' (carrera=race); 'Juan de la Hoz' (hoz=sickle); 'Martin de la Nata' (nata=cream).



**15 Sterling de la Rosa - new household name & new badge**

Herald of Record: Eldrich Gaiman

Submitted Name: *House Hydra*

*Per bend wavy argent and azure, a heart and a tower counterchanged.*

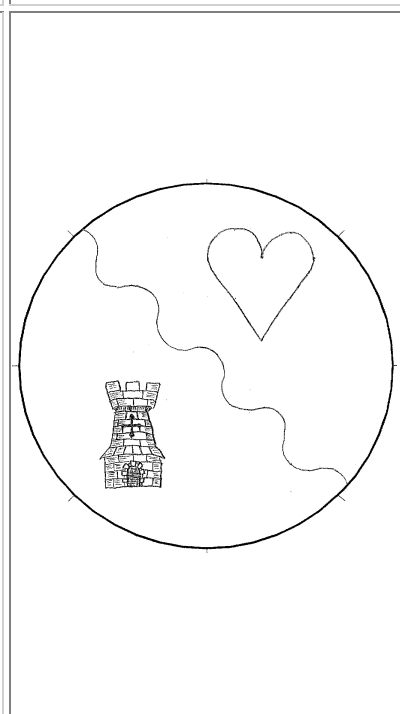
No major changes.

'House Hydra' follows the pattern of Inn Signs referenced in RFS III.2.b.iv:

Household names must follow the patterns of period names of organized groups of people.

Possible models include Scottish clans ( Clan Stewart ), ruling dynasties ( House of Anjou ), professional guilds ( Bakers Guild of Augsburg , Worshipful Company of Coopers ), military units ( The White Company ), and inns ( House of the White Hart ).

'Hydra' is first found in English in the 16th century according to the OED.

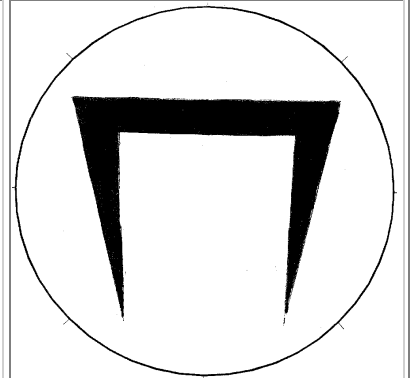




**16 Tanczos Istvan** - new badge  
Herald of Record: Tanczos Istvan

*(Fieldless) A staple sable.*

This name was registered in May of 2002 (via the East).



**17 Ulfr bláskegg (M)** - resub to kingdom name  
Herald of Record: Avelina Keyes

Wants a Norse name meaning 'Wulfric Blackbeard'.

'Ulfr' found in Geirr-Bassi p. 15.

'bláskegg' found in same, p. 20, meaning 'black-beard'.

*[ Though he submitted 'Ulfr', there is a note to the effect that he'd really like 'Wulfric' if possible. Woolf's 'The Old Germanic Principles of Name-Giving' dates 'Wulfric' to 1002 (p. 107). ]*