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Unto the East Kingdom College of Heraldry and all others who do receive this letter, greetings from Kolosvari Arpadne Julia, Eastern Crown Herald!

This ILoI contains submissions received by November 16th, 2007 and has 7 numbered items. Commentary, as usual, should be sent to the above address and/or the Letter of Comment email list, and is due by December 23rd, 2007.

Enjoy!

Julia Eastern Crown



1 Barony Beyond the Mountain - Resub Order Name

Herald of Record: Larry Laudenslager

Submitted Name: *Order of the Defenders of the White Oak*

Their previous submission, *Order of Defenders of the White Oak*, was returned on the June 2007 LoAR: "There is an article missing in the designator of this name ... We would add the missing article, but the submitters will not accept changes." This submission corrects the designator to *Order of the*. Either the branch name or arms (or both) were registered in Sep. 1973.

2 Brenwen the Fair (f) - New Name & New Device

Herald of Record: Alys Mackyntoich

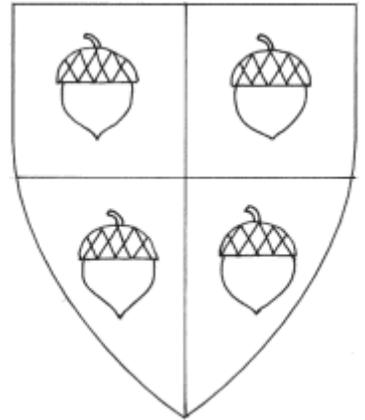
Quarterly sable and argent, four acorns counterchanged.

She cares most about sound.

Brenwen is a constructed Old English name formed from the elements *Bren-* and *-wen*. Both elements are found in Searle. *-wen* as a feminine name ending is on p. 482. Examples of feminine names using this ending include *Wulfwen* (p. 521) and *Saewen* (p. 408). *Bren-* is found on p. 114, where it cross-references to *Beorn-*. Searle does not give any clear examples of names formed using *Bren-*, but there are numerous examples of names using *Beorn-*.

Alternatively, the submitter will accept *Brynwen*, formed from the elements *Bryn-* and *-wen*, also found in Searle. *Bryn-* is on p. 118. Names possibly using this root include *Brynca* (p. 118), *Bryne* (p. 118, dated to 772), *Brynica* (p. 119), and *Bryning* (p. 119 dated to c. 1034).

the Fair is a *Lingua Anglica* rendering of an Old English byname. R&W p. 160 s.n. Fair says the modern surname derives from Old English *fæger* meaning 'fair, beautiful'. Dated examples include *Edeua Faira* 1066 and *Robert fairer* 1191.



3 Corwin Silvertongue (m) - Resub Household Name

Herald of Record: Eleazar ha-Levi

Submitted Name: *White Wolfe Tavern*

No major changes.

His previous household name submission, *Whitloup Tavern*, was returned on the May 2007 LoAR for combining English and French in a single name phrase. This submission changes all elements to English to correct this problem. His name was registered in Sep. 2006, via the East.

The OED s.v. *white* dates *whyte* to 1390, and s.v. *wolf* dates *wulf* as early as c. 725 and c. 1000. "English Sign Names" by Mari Elspeth nic Bryan (<http://www.s-gabriel.org/names/mari/inn/>) has *White Horse* and *White Lamb* under 'Color + Animal'. *Wolfe* is listed under 'Inns/Taverns for which I have found a listing, but no dates'. The Laurel return mentioned *Wolfes Head Taverne* and *White Wolfes Head Taverne* as plausible inn names based on Mari's article.

4 Freydis Thorsteinnsdottir (f) - New Name & New Device

Herald of Record: Harold von Auerbach

Gules, a tree Or seme de pommes.

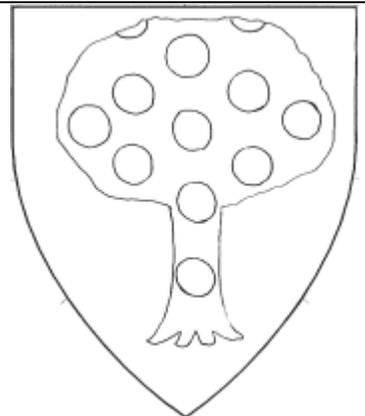
No major changes.

Freydis was the daughter of Erik the Red, according to "Sailing to Vinland", a site written by various Icelandic high school students about two Icelandic sagas (http://www.fva.is/~vinland/english/e_personur/e_freydis.html).

Thorsteinnsdottir is meant as a patronymic. Thorsteinn is found in the *Landnamabok*, according to Aryanhwy merch Catmael: "Viking Names found in the *Landnámabók*"

(<http://www.ellipsis.cx/~liana/names/norse/landnamabok.html>). [*Ary actually has it as Þorsteinn, not Thorsteinn.*]

[*The pommes came out looking nearly black on my screen, but they're clearly green in person.*]

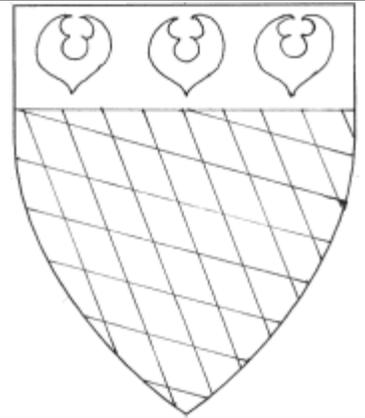


5 Jost von Aichstadt - Resub Device

Herald of Record: Alys Mackyntoich

Lozengy bendwise argent and azure, on a chief gules three seeblatter Or.

His name was registered in May 2005, via the East. His previous device, *Lozengy argent and azure, on a chief gules three hazelnut flowers Or*, was returned at the same time for redrawing of the flowers, because they were not recognizable. This resubmission replaces the hazelnut flowers with seeblatter. It also changes the lozengy to lozengy bendwise.



6 Katerinka Lvovicha (f) - New Name & New Device

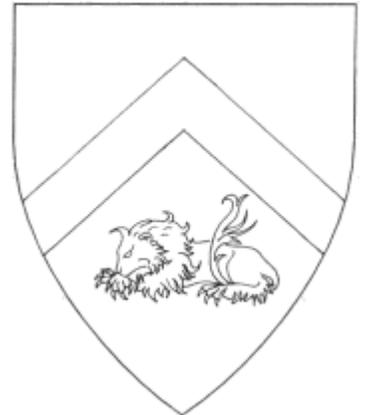
Herald of Record: Alys Mackyntoich

Per chevron azure and vert, a chevron argent and in base a lion dormant Or.

She cares most about Russian language and preserving 'Katerinka'.

Katerinka is a diminutive dated to 1538-9 under Ekaterina in Wickenden's online edition.

Lvovicha is a feminine patronymic found in the same article under Lev, dated to 1533.



7 Mélanie de la Tour (f) - New Name & New Device

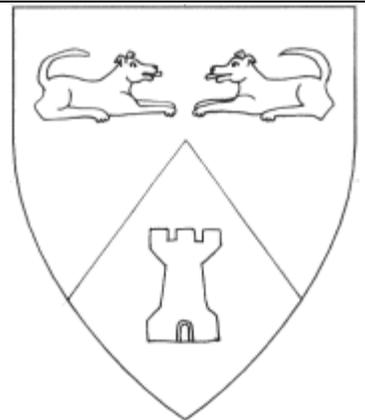
Herald of Record: Alys Mackyntoich

Per chevron gules and argent, two dogs couchant respectant argent and a tower sable.

Mélanie is found in Dauzat p. 427 s.n. Mélanie, as a feminine given name derived from Saint Melania. Withycombe (2nd ed.) p. 206 s.n. Melanie also mentions two saints named Melania, and says "Mélanie is not uncommon in France, and probably was first introduced into England by Huguenot refugees." She gives the dated English examples of Melloney 1655 and Melanie 1660, suggesting that the name appeared earlier in France. The submitter would prefer the name without the accent on the first 'e' if possible.

de la Tour is also found in Dauzat, p. 573 s.n. Tour, undated. "French Names from Paris, 1421, 1423, & 1438" by Aryanhwy merch Catmael

(<http://www.ellipsis.cx/~liana/names/french/paris1423surnames.html>) gives an example of *de la Tour* dated to 1421.



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