

# The Zephyr

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## **Greetings from the Chronicler!**

Happy New Year! May this year bring you joy and contentment, and may the Incipient Barony of Ayreton continue to thrive. In this issue we document some of the history of Ayreton, its peoples and activities. Not only is it fascinating to read these origin stories, they will also be used as part of our submission process for Baronial status. So thank you to all contributors, and if you've still got a story to tell, please send it!

### **Submissions and Publication**

I'm happy to receive submissions of any sort for our newsletter. If you write it or draw it, I'll find space to publish it. We are publishing on a quarterly basis, and our next quarter's issue will focus on the question "What is the job of a Baron and Baroness?" Please send me anything you'd like to say on this subject, as well as any other articles or announcements you'd like included. The deadline for the next issue will be March 15, and I will publish mid-April.

### **The Newsletter Has A Name**

Thanks for the suggestions for a name for this newsletter. You are now reading "The Zephyr," a tribute to the gentle breezes that grace our Windy City, the Incipient Barony of Ayreton. May this newsletter always bring you good tidings on the wind!

*-- Mistress Gianetta Andreini da Vicenza, Ayreton Chronicler*

## **□ Officer Reports □**

### **Seneschal Report**

Greetings to all from Master Philip White, Seneschal Ayreton.

Hoobah!!! for Ayreton. That's fun to say! Spread it around!

I am very proud of us and all that we have been doing as a group. It has been a lot of fun to hear people talk about Ayreton as we have traveled around the Kingdom. Continue to let people know where you are from and share with them some of our story. A great recent example was this last Crown when combatants from our local area proceeded in with a banner of our proposed device. Be creative and have fun!

We've finished out our first cycle of business meetings. Thanks to each of the groups for hosting everyone and thanks to everyone who has been traveling to meetings. I have been finding it a great way for everyone to meet each other on a more intimate level and become better friends with our local neighbors.

Please continue to be involved and offer suggestions. Keep a hold of how we have been doing things but be willing to accept changes too. We are combining five groups to form a new group – that means we are going to have a lot of opportunity to choose how 'things are done.' If you are passionate about something, please be involved. This means showing up at meetings, begin involved in the charter formation, and giving feedback on the financial policy – or whatever you can think of to do. We are just happy to have as much help as we can.

Thanks to everyone who shared their stories about what is it like to live in a Barony. It helps to know where people are coming from and the different experiences we all have had. In this second newsletter we are publishing our history as a group. Though we are young as an Incipient Barony we are rich with history. I am looking forward to what everyone writes.

Now for what all of us can do to help make the process effortless and timely. If you are an officer please report promptly and consistently. If you are a webminister keep your group website up to date. Keep attending baronial meetings, guild activities, and fighter practices. Encourage your friends to write letters of support for our elevation to be a Barony. And of course tell your friends you are from Ayreton.

*--Your Servant to Command, p.w.*

## Minister of Arts and Sciences Report

Greetings from the Ayreton MOAS

Just another reminder- the First Ayreton A & S Craftsmen's Faire is being hosted at the Tree-Girt Sea Twelfth Night. This faire getting a lot of attention and we will have a number of royals there (see the January Pale letter from TRM). Please plan on exhibiting if at all possible so we may show off our many talented individuals. Many thanks to all who have contacted me or Jale to let us know that they plan on exhibiting.

Remember this is a Faire not a competition. There will be no judging, just a good opportunity to show off what you are working on. The format is a Laurel Prize tourney, which means that the Laurels and members of the populace are invited to recognize the works they like with small tokens.

A few questions on the faire have come up. I would like to share them-

- What kind of documentation do I need? *There is no specific documentation requirement, any that you would like to share is great. A minimum of time period, place and general description would be appreciated but can be provided on the entry form at check in.*
- How many entries can I submit? *As many as you like. Also keep in mind that there is a body of work category.*
- Who will be judging? *There are no judges or judging for this Faire. If you would like commentary you may leave a sheet for those who view your work to leave comments on. If you want more detailed commentary contact me and I will see if I can find a few individuals with expertise in that area to assist you.*
- Who can leave tokens at the faire? *Anyone can leave a token for the exhibits that they would like to recognize. Members of the Order of the Laurel are supporting this effort and will be viewing the entries.*
- What would be suitable as a token? *That is strictly up to you. Many leave beads or other small tokens. At similar exhibits I have received; a small handmade book, knitted pouch, beads, beeswax and pewter castings and other small items. Feel free to leave anything that you feel is appropriate.*

Thanks again for everyone's interest in the faire. I look forward to seeing a lot of your work as well as the performance entries.

MOAS reports are due. If there is anything that you want highlighted in my quarterly report please send me the information. This quarter's report was due January 1<sup>st</sup>. Copies of the local group MOAS reports would be appreciated.

*-- In Service, Nicholaa*

## Other Officer Updates

*These notes reprinted from the minutes for our December meeting*

**Exchequer:** Margherita Alessia (Ghita) (not present) reported by Seneschal

- Need comments on financial policy draft – especially requesting comments from local seneschals and exchequers.
- Also important to have representatives from all five groups reporting – no one present had commented from Grey Gargoyles or from Vanished Wood.
- Part of the draft policy is questions that require us to give answers – please comment.

**Knights Marshal:** Henry of Exeter

- Confirm practice before going – school is out during winter so we do not have the room reserved for a couple of dates.
- One of the local groups failed to report. Please make sure to report.
- We have completed on first set of Baronial loaner armor – thanks for the donations!
- Special upcoming practices:
  - January 18th, day after 12th Night, regional practice. Hope to get many of the visiting chivalry to stay over for this. 10 am start time for this practice.

- Continue thinking about an organized Ayreton unit – Gulf Wars could be a good place to show our presence. Val Day is the Tournament of Chivalry so will not be a mêlée event this year.
- Crown mentioned that a “good Barony” would be able to field 12 – 15 people at Pennsic.
- Interest expressed about Siege engine teams – see Richard or Eoghan who are authorized for more information.
- Getting a surcoat pattern created and talking about more patches – remember to display our Baronial arms often. (Keep in mind that arms have not been approved so there is a chance that they may change before we are done.)
- Confirm with you local marshal that you are still an active fighter otherwise you will come off of the list as an authorized fighter.
- Please make sure you get your new fighter cards – all old style fighter cards will expire regardless of date published on the card on 12/31/08.

**Rapier Marshal:** Christian Fournier

- Practice has moved from Tuesday to Monday.
- Confirm practice before going – school is out during winter so we do not have the room reserved for a couple of dates.
- Please make sure you get your new fighter cards – all old style fighter cards will expire regardless of date published on the card on 12/31/08.

**Archery Marshal:** Wolfram von Waldersbach

- Baronial Archery practice still ongoing; Wednesday evenings (7-9) at the Archery Custom Shop in Forest Park, IL. Contact Wolfram for more details, or check the Ayreton Town Cryer announcements.

**Chatelaine:** Hillary of Langeforde

- One of the local groups failed to report. Please make sure to report.
- Windycom – fliers were left out for people.
- Reenactor Fest – February 5 – 8, hosted by Ravenslake.
- Capricorn – looking at holding a demo on Sunday February 22nd.
- Possibility of a new comers event – more information to come. Please share ideas.
- Syr Kyppen recruiting class confirmed for the Sunday after 12th Night at 10 am when fighter practice starts.
- Continue to pass out and post recruitment materials.
- Looking for newcomers information for the website.

**Herald:** Phebe Bonedeci

- Letter from Escutcheon Herald sent on November 10, 2008. All comments are due by December 25, 2008. All goes well then Rouge Scarpe Herald can then send to Laurel.
- Device will be published in the next letter – should expect in January.
- Don’t forget to display your personal heraldry.

## □ History of Ayreton □

This issue brings you many tales and recollections of the origins of Ayreton and the groups within. Each contributor has their own perspective on the history of this area – enjoy the many facets of the jewel that is Ayreton.

To begin with, Master Philip has compiled a timeline of Ayreton’s history. Thanks to all who contributed to this timeline; it will become part of our submission packet for Baronial status. If you know of any additions or corrections to this timeline, please send them to Master Philip.

### Timeline of Ayreton History

1979	July	The Canton of the Grey Gargoyles name registered.
		The Shire of Vanished Wood name registered.
1980	April	The College of the Gray Gargoyles name changed and registered.
		The College of the Gray Gargoyles device registered as “Argent, a bar embattled between a winged horned demon sejant erect affronté chased sable and a laurel wreath vert, all within a bordure sable”.
	May 25	Award of the Purple Fretty awarded to: College of the Gray Gargoyles, Shire of Rokkehealdan, Shire of Vanished Wood, Province of Tre-girt-sea.
	August	The Shire of Vanished Wood device registered as “Per fess azure and vert, a double-bitted axe bendwise sinister imbedded in a sprouting oak tree stump snagged and eradicated proper between seven mullets of eight points in demi-annulo and in base a laurel wreath Or”.
1982	January	The Province of Treegirtsea name registered. The Province of Treegirtsea device registered as “Argent, on a pale azure between two apple trees eradicated fructed proper in chief a laurel wreath Or”.
	October	The Province of Tree-Girt-Sea name corrected and registered.
1987	February	The Shire of Rokkehealdan name registered.
		The Shire of Rokkehealdan device registered as “Gules, a castle atop a mount and on a chief embattled Or, three laurel wreaths gules”.
1990	February	The College of the Gray Gargoyles badge registered as “Per fess embattled azure and argent, masoned azure”.
	August 17	Award of the Purple Fretty awarded to the Province of Tre-girt-sea.
1992	September 12	Award of the Purple Fretty awarded to the Shire of Rokkehealden.
1996	May 11	Award of the Grove awarded to the Nocturnal Fellowship of Scribes
1997	December 13	Award of the Grove awarded to the Silver Thimble Guild.
1998	January 17	Award of the Purple Fretty awarded to the Nocturnal Fellowship of Scribes
1999		First recorded use of the name Ayreton to describe the Chicagoland area.
	January 9	Award of the Purple Fretty awarded to the Silver Thimble Guild.
2000	January 22	Award of the Purple Fretty awarded to the Silver Thimble Guild.
2002	March 24	Alexander de Seton is selected as first Mayor of Ayreton
	November 9	Award of the Grove awarded to the Pippins.
2003		Alan Fairfax is selected as second Mayor of Ayreton
	January 18	Award of the Grove awarded to the Rokkehealden Scriptorium.

	March 8	Award of the Grove awarded to the Baron's Noyse.
	July	The Shire of Rokkehealden name corrected and registered.
2004	September	The Shire of Foxvale name registered.
	December 5	Cerian Cantwr is selected as the third Mayor of Ayreton
2005		Ayreton joint fighter practices start.
	May 15	First event hosted by Ayreton – The Coronation of Felix of Rams'ey I and Madeleina de LaMans I
2006	February	Acelina of Derelei is selected as the fourth Mayor of Ayreton
	February 22	Ayreton email announcement list founded.
2007	January	The Shire of Rokkehealden badge registered as “(Fieldless) A tower quarterly Or and gules”.
	January 13	Award of the Grove awarded to the Foxvale Brewers Guild.
	March 24	Ayreton Carnivale I
		Etienne le Couteau des Roches selected as the fifth and last Mayor of Ayreton
October 27	Ayreton Arts Academy I	
2008	January 19	Award of the Grove awarded to the Silken Petals Scriptorium.
	January 26	Award of the Purple Fretty awarded to the Auxiliary to the Silver Thimble Guild.
	February 23	Ayreton is recognized as a Proto-Incipient Barony.
	March 22	Ayreton Carnivale II
	April 12	Ayreton Arts Academy II
	April 26	First baronial officers are selected.
	June 27	Ayreton is recognized as an Incipient Barony.
October 25	Ayreton Arts Academy III	

## Origins of Foxvale

*by the Honorable Lady Hillary of Langeford*

### **The (Almost) Birth of an (Almost) Shire of a (Soon-to-be-Barony) Does that make us an (Almost) soon-to-be Canton?**

Foxvale was born simply enough at a holiday party. Our beginnings came not as an immediate response to any particular situation or event but more out of wishful thinking. Sir Galem Lional Ostwestly, his wife Lady Morgan and other sundry friends and family members were sitting around my kitchen table after having eaten way more than should be legally allowed.

At this point, movement was not really an option, which led to great musing by those present. In the mixed glow of a Menorah and Christmas lights we all began to muse (may also be read as complain) about LIFE...the REAL WORLD, and how our journeys into our society, and our support of our Kingdom had become minimal at best, at least for the majority of us.

Work issues, family concerns and a WHOLE LOT OF TRAFFIC between Lisle/Naperville and the Aurora area had put a damper in our play time. I kid you not; it could take an hour and a half one way to fighter practice. Which was very difficult if one wound up working past 7. After having a couple of fighter practice attempts in which we got there, put on armor, hit someone (or in my case, was hit by someone) and then five minutes later had to take armor off, became frustrating at best. Arts and Sciences, dance practice and other activities slowly went the same way as fighter practice.

So...there we were, sitting around the table bemoaning our evil fate when Sir Galem stated most profoundly, "if getting there is most of the problem, why not just start playing around here. " He followed this with, "we could just start our own shire." We laughed. We looked at each other. We laughed again. Then, someone said..."hmmm, maybe..." Many Traveler's Inns, countless fighter practices, dance practices, A & S days, four events and who knows how many feasts served later...we slowly converged into what is now the "Almost" shire of Foxvale.

Our beginnings were humble. Our strength came from our members. We started out as friends and as more people found us, those friends grew into an extended family. The birth and growth of Ayreton has only served to make Foxvale stronger. We have more people to play with, more people to bounce ideas off of and different feasts to serve, which has helped give us a greater purpose and created a more cohesive sense of identity. The support that Ayreton has shown for our (Almost) shire has been incredible. For that many people to be not only rooting for us to reach shire status but to take such an active role in that process is uplifting and heart-warming. Thank you, Ayreton for helping us on our path. How wondrous that we are on that path together.

### **Who the heck is Emma, anyway?**

*by the Honorable Lady Nadezda ZeZastrizl*

Emma is a series that I did for the Tree-Girt-Sea newsletter, Dragon Runes, for about 3 years running, back in the early 90's. At the time, my own start in the SCA was still quite fresh in my memory and many of her adventures at the time were drawn my own experiences. For instance, when I first researched my own name, with the help of a friend, we ended the day with 3 names that I was deciding between. That was on a Tuesday. I was still a bit uncertain as to which to stick with the following Saturday when I arrived at an event site. My friend who'd helped me with the research saw me at a distance, and called me by the name she'd favored—when I answered...the name stuck, and I've been Nadezda ever since. Similarly Emma's SCA name became Emilka, though it never has gotten used in the series much due to its title using her modern name.

The title in itself is a humor item. Emma's modern last name is Kneubie...yep, Emma Knewbie...for the newbie in her adventures in the SCA.

I'm not quite sure that anyone has ever really gotten nominated to a position in absentia and then been stuck with it, as Emma was in the first of the Ayreton newsletters (a single sheet version that was largely distributed at this year's Carnival), but it's been an age old joke/threat since I started the SCA in 88. Incidentally that one was a reprint, the other 2 so far are originals done just for Ayreton's Zephyr newsletter.

The characters are largely composites of people. Emma herself combines me, and one other lady who was active in TGS when I first started. One episode that had her caught in a doorway with a gentleman kissing either hand was taken directly from my friend's experience. Other things like once being called 'cute' in my armor are my own. Ya know, there's just something about gearing up, trying to look tough enough to play with the big boys and battle the 'boys club' that kept me in an authorization bout for 40 minutes, that makes being called cute in armor a bit ...well...not what you want. So it became good fodder for the series.

Other ideas have come from suggestions from friends, especially this latest one, since I was at a loss as to how to deal with the history theme. Some may recognize the little turbaned guy as being the one who originally lent his name to TGS, or at least kinda similar.

Now that I'm thinking about it, he may have to show up for at least one more of my fighting stories...

### **Origins of The Pippins**

*by Mistress Gianetta Andreini da Vicenza*

When I was in college, I had been part of a 30-person madrigal choir in Ann Arbor, not associated with the SCA. Through this group I came to love singing in a choir and love the repertoire, especially of late-period music from around Western Europe. When I graduated and moved to Chicago, I looked for an amateur group to join. I had a lot of trouble finding anything! The closest I came was finding Amelie, whose madrigal group was currently on hiatus (she would later revive this group as Tre Trepei). So I decided to try another tack, and having known about (and briefly joined) the SCA in college, contacted my local branch -- Tree-Girt-Sea. After attending business meetings and scribal nights for a

while, I knew I was hooked on the SCA, and began to look for others who wanted to sing together and have a good time.

The first rehearsals were myself, Magdalena von der Plesse, and a friend of mine who was not in the SCA but who was happy to sing with us. We fumbled around for weeks, trying to sing a three-part round with only middling success. But we kept up our enthusiasm and soon others joined us. Some of those early members included Evzenie (who became our bass section) and Fionnuala McInnes. Through Fionnuala's connections, our first performance was at the YMCA, where we sang in the halls and in the pool room (great acoustics!). It was at this performance that Mistress Helene Gabrielle du Lac gave us our group name – the Pippins, as in the little apples, falling close to Tree-Girt-Sea's apple tree.

Our first "official" gig was at Evanston's First Night, where we were part of the SCA demo. In spite of flooding in the halls, we performed five songs and felt full of excitement and energy for what we could accomplish. Since then, we have had many different members, both SCA and non-SCA, and have been an entry point for newbies as well. When Teleri joined us, we could boast "people coming from as far away as Wheeling" to sing with us, and we've had our share of Grey Gargoyles folks singing with us as well, making us not just a Tree-Girt-Sea group, but a true Ayreton group. We have performed at many SCA events, competed in Kingdom A & S several times, and we have continued to perform at demos, as well as other non-SCA venues such as Christkindlmarkt. Thirteen years later, I'm still delighted to have wonderful people to sing with every Thursday!

### **Some comments on the Lord Mayor of Ayreton**

*by Master Christian Fournier*

*Originally written in May, 2007*

During the winter of 2001-2002, Lady Jale bint Amar and I were serving as the chatelaines of Tree-Girt-Sea and Grey Gargoyles, respectively. At the time, there appeared to be considerable disconnect between the neighboring groups of the Chicago area, and we set a goal for ourselves, as chatelaines, to do what we could to create a more cohesive feeling among those local groups.

After some consideration, Jale came upon a reference to the Lord Mayor of London, a ceremonial position with no actual municipal governmental authority, but a good-looking guy who rides a float in a parade, and waves at people. This seemed like a perfect model for what we were looking for, and so we began the idea of the Lord Mayor of Ayreton. With some guidance and input from local peers (particularly Master Robyyan and Sir Fern), we traveled to group practices around the area to pitch the idea, get feedback from the populace, and see if it could fly.

Eventually, we agreed to give it a try, figuring that the worst that could happen was that we'd end up looking like a couple of schmucks. We decided to enact a one-year term limit (to be enforced by the various group chatelaines), and to elect the Lord or Lady Mayor by a random lottery each year.

The following is a reconstruction of what I remember writing up about the position, five years ago:

### **Proposal for the Creation of the Office of Lord or Lady Mayor of Ayreton (2002)**

The Lord or Lady Mayor of Ayreton shall be an UNOFFICIAL office, not sanctioned or recognized by the SCA. The Lord or Lady Mayor will serve as a figurehead for any of the SCA groups in the Chicago area who choose to play along. The Lord or Lady Mayor will have no authority whatsoever, under any conditions, to wield any decision-making power for any of the groups, unless that power comes from some other, official office. The office will exist only to enhance the FUN of being in the SCA in the Chicagoland area.

The Lord or Lady Mayor must be an active, participating member of one of the Chicago-area SCA groups (Tree-Girt-Sea, Grey Gargoyles, Ravenslake, Rokkehealden or Vanished Wood), and must be interested in working with members from all of the local groups. The Lord or Lady Mayor should be familiar with the Chatelaines of the participating groups, and should expect to work closely with them to plan Ayreton-wide activities. The Lord or Lady Mayor will be expected to "host" fun activities at a few events and practices during his or her tenure.

The first Lord or Lady Mayor will be chosen at the Ravenslake practice on March 24, 2002, by random lottery. Candidates must be present to enter. The Lord or Lady Mayor will serve for approximately one year, and will be

responsible for organizing the "election" of his or her successor, by any COMPLETELY RANDOM method he or she chooses.

### **More on the Origins of the Lord Mayor of Ayreton**

*by Lady Jale bint Amar*

I can only add that we had about 10 people who were very excited at the prospect of being the first Lord/Lady Mayor. We did meet with some resistance from members of the populace, but overall most people were excited about the idea. I feel we did a good 'sell' of the concept to further the interest in and acceptance of the position.

The first Lord Mayor Lottery Election was held by lining up all the candidates (we ended up with about 12-15) and having them choose a fabric wrapped glass stone from a pouch. The person who picked the one marked with an X was awarded the Lord Mayor honorific. Contrary to many rumors I have heard, the election was NOT in any way fixed. We were very fortunate to have such an active person as the First Lord Mayor and he really helped get the show on the road!

### **The First Lord Mayor of Ayreton**

*By Master Alexander de Seton*

ONCE UPON A TIME, it was announced that a Lord Mayor of Ayreton would be chosen by the solemn Rite of Random Chance. The people of Ayreton were gathered in the Shire of Ravenslake for a "combined practice" and the contenders for the mantle of Lord Mayor were lined up, each to choose a cloth-wrapped stone, one of which would be marked with a star, indicating the person who chose it would be the Lord Mayor. The folk holding the stones in a container walked down the line and each contender chose a stone. I had lined up last (or was maneuvered into being at the end of the line...) and eventually the container came to me with but one stone left, which I took. Sir Fern presented me with a lovely medallion of office, and I bought a book which I named "The Boke of the Lord Mayor", in which I wrote all the appointments to offices that I had made, listed taxes given, and anything else that the Lord Mayor, or the Lord Mayor's Office For Special events, did. That way, all the efforts of the Lord Mayor would be written down for posterity.

(As it turned out, there was... a cabal! I had been chosen by the Illuminati and had been maneuvered into "choosing" the marked stone. Yay! On the other hand, they did not let me in on that little secret until after the second Rite of Random Chance had chosen the second Lord Mayor-Alan Fairfax! So Lord Mayor Alan was in fact chosen by a true Rite of Random Chance.)

After being chosen Lord Mayor, I began collecting "taxes" from those who were interested in municipal jobs. I figured those who were willing to pay taxes to be considered would be the ones most interested in doing a good job. The "taxes" were collected into a bag that held "largess". So, I collected hard candy "taxes" from job-seekers and distributed "largess" to the populace. Sir Fern, I recall, was appointed Postmistress, and there were several Aldermen and Precinct Captains appointed, as well as a Rat-Catcher (and a Rat Releaser, in order to ensure the Rat Catcher had full employment). At each event the Lord Mayor attended, he would distribute largess to the populace at the beginning of the event.

The Lord Mayor, initially, did not appear anywhere there was a "Royal Presence" since the Lord Mayor was not in the administrative Chain-of-Command, and might be considered insulting by the Crown. As it turned out, none of the Crowns during my time as Lord Mayor had any problem with the office, and several wanted to play along!

The Lord Mayor established the Lord Mayor's Office For Special events, so he himself would have to do no more work. The Office For Special Events received requests from the populace, and made announcements on behalf of various shires and groups, approved appointments to various Lord Mayoral offices, and acted as a neutral party to help the parts of the Greater Ayreton Co-Prosperity Sphere get along together, and to move forward with fun things to do.

Eventually it came time to pass along the Mantle of Power, and at a "Stone Dog Inn" (I believe), I set up the Second Rite of Random Chance. The Spirits chose Lord Mayor Alan Fairfax to continue the office.

### **The First Official Missive from the Lord Mayor of Ayreton**

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*This is the first email sent by Mayor Alexander, on March 26, 2002*

I, Alexander de Seton, Lord Mayor of Greater Ayerton, and Chairman of the Governing Board of the Greater Ayerton Co-Prosperity Sphere Chamber of Commerce, send to all my Constituents, Greetings!

Since my meteoric rise to power by virtue of my age, grace and wisdom before the eyes of God and men, (and the fact that I accidentally picked the "winning" pebble in the lottery) I have taken counsel with the Aldermen and other Community Leaders that frequent the Halls of Power.

Thus I make known to you, through the good offices of my Office Functionary, the following bits of information:

**Taxes:** Only those who feel the desire to pay taxes are obligated to pay them. Taxes will be gratefully accepted by the Office of the Lord Mayor at any time. Taxes are to be paid in any manner that the taxee shall find expedient, provided said taxes can then be immediately given out by the Lord Mayor as "Largess".

Taxpayer Number One, Sir Fern, has already paid her taxes, thus providing the Lord Mayor with a sack of Largess to distribute. Some folk have already been enlarged by said largess.

**Honorifics:** The Lord Mayor's Office of Antiquities has determined that a phrase in the Language of Scholars (called mundanely "Old High Blech") is fit for an honorific with which to refer to the Lord Mayor. It is "Hizzoner", from the Old High Blech words for "dumb luck" and "chosen at random". It is fitting that such a term be used. Thus, one may now refer to the Lord Mayor as "Lord Mayor", Hizzoner", or "Hey, You".

**Licenses and Monopolies:** All previous licenses and monopolies are hereby rescinded. You may apply or re-apply, as the case may be, to Hizzoner, the Lord Mayor. For proper specie, see "Taxes" above.

Permits for various activities are available for the proper price.

Political Patronage jobs are also available for the correct price. Choice positions such as Rat Catcher, Privie Cleaner, and Pig Boy will doubtless go fast, so get your bid in first!

The Lord Mayor's Office of Special Events stands ready to assist your every need. Trust them, They are here to help you.

The City Counsel of Ayerton will meet at the Usual Time at the Usual Place. Aldermen who fail to attend will be replaced. Among other things, we will be discussing increasing the Lord Mayor's compensation. Should there fail to be a quorum, the Lord Mayor shall rule by Decree, as usual.

Once again I thank the voters of Ayerton for this opportunity. I hope to make the most of it.

Is mise le meas,  
Hizzoner Alexander, Lord Mayor of Ayerton  
Chairman of the Greater Ayerton Co-Prosperity Sphere Chamber of Commerce

### **Origins of the Towne Crper**

*by Lord Ian the Green*

Back in 2005 I was attending fighter practices in the Towne of Ayreton. Fighter practices at the time were held locally with a combined fighter practice happening every other week. This was great for a show of unity between the Province of Tree Girt Sea and the Shire of Grey Gargoyles but it led to schedule confusion. Schedule confusion led to small fighter practices and some fighters dropping away all together.

Not being one to complain about a problem without having a solution at hand I spoke with Sir Fern the Tree Girt Sea Knight's Marshal regarding the situation. I was a resident of Tree Girt Sea and had been attending business meetings and had heard her say that there was an e-mail list of folks who were interested in Fighter practices. I volunteered to e-mail folks to remind them when and where fighter practice was going to be. Fern thought it was an excellent idea, sent

me the e-mail list and let me know that she was thankful for the help but that she would be surprised if it would last long.

I e-mailed everyone on the list, let them know what I was doing and told people to let me know if they didn't want the reminders. Not one person asked to be dropped from the e-mail list. I did however receive a request to post the practices to the local lists. I started doing that as well and fighter practices grew at least a little and folks at least knew where to go for fighter practice.

Then I received a request to start making other activity announcements. I was attending instrumental music practice at the time with Cerian Cantwyr who at the time was the Lord Mayor of Ayreton. I spoke to him about it and sent him an e-mail as a reminder asking if I could be given the title of Ayreton Towne Crier since I was essentially crying weekly activities for the area. His response was that he thought it was a useful thing to do and that my title shall be Ayreton Towne Cryer. Note the spelling change.

And thus the unofficial office in the unofficial entity of the Towne of Ayreton was born. I made announcements to each local groups list for some time regarding all activities in Ayreton that were requested to be made. I specifically did not announce anything that was not requested to be announced. I also made announcements at the Village Green and at Frasers Oak.

The new Lord Mayor came to be, Acelina of Derelai. With her came an addition to the Ayreton Towne Cryer job. She would ask me to make Mayoral announcements. I took this to mean that I wasn't going to be axed anytime soon and happily agreed. Within a couple months of the New Mayor taking office folks began to complain about receiving the same announcements several times from several lists. I too had a full inbox from these announcements and felt their pain. But what to do?

Tedesco De Venezia, a friend of mine at the time, knew about his problem and made the Ayreton Yahoo! Group and then asked me if it was okay to do so. I found it to be an equitable solution to the problem of making announcements on everyone's list but found that it would be just another list for folks to subscribe to. I put the question out to the populace and received overwhelming support in favor of the Ayreton list.

I posted every week for a month that the Ayreton list would become the new and sole posting list for regular announcements. And so it remained. Occasionally someone else would post something and that was fine. The Ayreton Yahoo! group became a centralized location for posting information of interest to the Ayreton area SCA populace. Anyone was able to post to the list and anyone could read the list. The list was not intended to be a discussion list and we made sure that folks understood that.

Then the discussion of the Towne of Ayreton maybe possibly becoming a Barony began to percolate. After discussions with the Lady Mayor and with Tedesco, we determined there was needed a central location for folks to air their discussions and opinions regarding the subject. We knew and discussed that the issue would be one that had honest heartfelt opinions and feelings on both sides and that it could become contentious. We discussed making a new list just for that discussion so that we wouldn't lose people on the list for announcements. In the end we did not make a new list.

We announced that the list was open for discussions of interest to the populace of Ayreton. We let it be known that folks needed to be nice and considerate in the process and not attack each other. We determined that the policy would be three strikes and you're out. Out meant that your privilege to post would be removed but in the interest of everyone being able to access such important information, they would be allowed to read the discussions. This removal of posting privileges would last three months and would be lifted only after an apology letter was drafted and to be sent to the list.

During this time there was a new Mayor of Ayreton, Etienne le Couteau Des Roches. And he too decided not to axe me. Apparently my successful plots to remove his predecessors did nothing to persuade him that I myself needed to be removed.

And so the discussion ensued. And as predicted it was a very heat felt discussion with pros and cons. As the Ayreton Towne Cryer I tried to facilitate the conversation with accurate information and to be a moderator of the discussion in a neutral manner even though I was and am very pro-Barony. I at the very least tried to make sure that my personal

opinion was not mixed with the opinion of the unofficial office of Ayreton Towne Cryer. I am sure there is some mixed opinion as to the success of this.

At this point I was thinking of moving and needed to start handing off the job of Ayreton Towne Cryer to someone else. I did not want to pull a disappearing act and just leave the office open with no one in it. I made an announcement to that end and received several applicants. Etienne and I looked through the applicants and discussed them with each other. And we chose Gianetta Andreini da Vicenza.

On November 2, 2007 at Vanished Woods, All Souls Event, I stepped down as the Principle Ayreton Towne Cryer and officially handed the position off to Gianetta. Wherein I relayed most of the story above. Master Robyyan did state at that time that Fern was officially surprised that I had made the announcements for more than a few months.

### **History of Ayreton and the Mayor's Office** *by the Honorable Lord Etienne le Couteau des Roches*

#### **In The Beginning**

In the winter of 2002, I as holder of the office of Seneschal of TRM's Shire of the Grey Gargoyles, was approached by two good friends, Lady Jale and (now) Master Christian on The Idea. It was that the respective groups of the Chicagoland area needed to have a means to help themselves overcome a history (then not completely over) of fractious dispute and personal animosity that was affecting the reputation and functionality of our area. The idea was put forth to me to create a figurehead who, though possessing no official capacity, would act as the standard-bearer of unity and goodness in the interaction of all the area groups. Their suggestion was that he/she be called the Lord/Lady Mayor, a title of European historical significance that still exists to this day. The name "Ayreton" had been previously mentioned by a former member of the Grey Gargoyles in reference to our town. The Lord/Lady Mayor would attend all area events, and many of those outside the area, and act as someone who would "cheerlead". Although I was a relative newcomer to Chicago, I recognized the difficulty that the Province of Tree-Girt-Sea and the Shires of Ravenslake, Vanished Woods, Rokkhealden, Grey Gargoyles and the soon-to be Incipient Shire of Foxvale were having in communication and coordination, and believed that it was a good place to start. I signed on with my personal support.

#### **Several Months Later**

At an event in Ravenslake, a previously announced selection made by the drawing of random lots was done. The result was that (now) Master Alexander de Seaton became the first Lord Mayor of "The Greater Ayreton Co-Prosperity Sphere". He immediately set about seeking out those who wished to become office holders of such lofty positions as Rat Catcher/Releaser, Constable, etc. He served visibly and ably for a year and a half until replaced by (now) Master Alan Fairfax, who served for the next one-year term. After him, (now) Master Cerian Cantwyr became the Third Lord Mayor.

#### **Growth of Ayreton and the Lord Mayor**

A pattern thus emerged of sharing the "office" amongst the various groups which held through to the last mayor. The stewardship of the office evolved from the oversight of the groups' chatelains to their seneschals. As one of them I suggested to Alexander, in his capacity of Regional Seneschal, that regular meetings amongst the groups' seneschals would foster the sharing of resources and needs that our area required for growth. These began at TGS 12th Night in 2004(?) and continued at sporadic intervals as time and convenience allowed. Cerian also published a flyer of local goings-on which was posted at all the local events. Somehow more was needed. Fighter practice and A&S groups times and locations were uncoordinated and communicated only through individual group web pages, which were often difficult to access and could be out-of date. In 2005, after some discussion of this topic, (now) Lord Ian the Green and (now) Lord Tedesco approached Lord Mayor Cerian with the idea of running an Ayreton Yahoo group mailing list and web page. It would be open as a communication forum, both with weekly local event postings, and an online discussion forum for local issues. This idea was then taken back to all the local groups so their members could contact Ian and Tedesco to join.

#### **The Renaissance of Ayreton**

Now we finally had our ability to communicate directly. Needs and offerings became available to all those who wished at the stroke of a computer key. At TGS 12th night in 2006, in a smoky back room, the seneschals met and decided upon (now) Mistress Acelina of Derelai as the next Lady Mayor. We also decided to hold an event to celebrate our newfound unity, the first Ayreton Carnivale, where Acelina would receive her lofty office. During her term, she instituted the Ayreton Town Meeting, where all Town citizens could attend and make their needs and wishes known.

## **Ayreton Carnivale and Town Meetings**

In the Spring of 2006, the groups gathered together their talents and held the First Ayreton Carnivale in the northern suburb of Northbrook. There was much fun and merriment. (yay) There were classes and fighting of heavy, light and archery sorts. There was a swell feast. Acelina was drummed in publicly as the fourth holder of the office of Lord, ahem Lady Mayor. Cerian breathed a sigh of relief. All in all, a nice day.

As stated before, during her tenure the Lady Mayor instituted the Town Meeting. Held at local events, it gave folks an opportunity for a larger in-person forum for issues concerning us in the area, as well as the coordination of the next Ayreton Carnivale to be held in the spring of 2007. These were well-received by all who attended, and helped spread the mutual goodwill for which the Mayor's office had been originally established. She held her office for a year until the selection of the fifth Lord Mayor.

## **Omigod It's Etienne, I Mean Me!**

In the spring of 2007, I had stepped aside as the seneschal of the Shire of the Grey Gargoyles after a four-year term. Sensing opportunity for revenge, >>I mean<< seeing that such a viable candidate had become available, as one of the qualifications was that the candidate not be a seneschal, I was quickly nominated to the office along with the others who were running for election. This process had been decided at the seneschal's meeting in the traditional smoky barroom at TGS's 12th Night event. The popular election was held at the following Ayreton Carnivale. That evening at the last Town Meeting that Acelina would hold, she gave out an award of thanks to her predecessor Lord Mayors to be known as the Order of Aeolius. Also, after the tallying of the votes, and a rather dramatic revealing of the results, I was declared the winner(?) of the election. Upon the stage, I promised that I would take the office, and the Town of Ayreton, to a new level of excellence.

## **A New Level**

Umm, remember those awards Acelina gave out? Well it seemed she may have overstepped her authority just a little bit. Namely that the creation and giving of an order is reserved for the Crown. Upon hearing of this at the next Curia meeting, the Crown dispatched its proper emissary, namely the Dragon Herald, to investigate and report back his findings. As the present-time Lord Mayor I was informed of his impending arrival. In reverse order of importance he was charged to find out: 1.) What the doggone hell is this Ayreton thing? 2.) What the hell is a Lord Mayor? and 3.) Awards?

Yikes! Well I wanted to give the Dragon Herald a friendly and well-prepared meeting with myself and my predecessor, and sent out on the Ayreton list a questionnaire. In it I asked the people what their beliefs were of the purpose of our group, the results they had seen, and their wishes of the future, including whether or not to "further codify our group under Kingdom Law". Of the 25 responses I received, more than half were favorable to the creation of a barony, even though I had not used the term anywhere in the questionnaire. I gave these results to the Dragon Herald to pass to the Crown, along with the in-person apologies of Acelina and myself and the assurances that we would never do it again unless it was allowed under Kingdom law. He assured us this would be taken back to the Crowns, and that no hammers or anvils were seen to be falling on our heads in the future over this matter. Whew. But still...

## **The Beginning of the Future**

The results of the questionnaire stayed with me, keeping me thinking upon the matter of this barony thing. Clearly it was an issue which deserved further public discussion. Taking the initial step I announced at my first Town Meeting, held in Ravenslake that May, the results of my questionnaire. I then asked that the question of whether or not to proceed to create a shell barony from our area groups be taken back to each of the groups' business meetings for discussion. A lively debate, both on the Ayreton list, and in person at the local groups business meetings then followed over the course of the next few months' time. Upon the conclusion of the voting held at each meeting, the results were gathered and announced at a Town Meeting held in the fall of 2007, at Vanished Wood's All Soul's Day event. Each group's representative stood and gave the results of their vote, and the tally was written upon a large tote board for all to see.

In the end, five of the six groups, namely Tree-Girt-Sea, Rokkhealden, Vanished Woods, Grey Gargoyles and the incipient Shire of Foxvale had each voted in a clear majority to join together into a shell barony. Tree-Girt-Sea, recognizing that their status as Province prohibited them from becoming a part of this endeavor, tied the vote to a motion to drop to the status of Canton under the baronial shell. I can say that one of the proudest moments of my life was when I lead the delegation of the Town of Ayreton into the Court of TRMs Palymar and Aislynn at TGS's 12th Night event, bearing our Letter of Intent for becoming a barony.

## **The End for the Office**

As a part of the transition, election of baronial officers was scheduled for April 26th, 2008. I was also given to thought as to what should be the process of the selection of my successor. But some of the debate online centered around whether we should continue to have a Lord Mayor, now that we were on the path to barony. In the end I decided that the "office" had served its purpose, and might even be a liability to the process of the creation of the barony. I announced my decision at the Town Meeting held at the Third Ayreton Carnivale, that the office would end at the conclusion of the vote for the baronial officers.

### **Even More History**

For more information on the origin of Ayreton, take a look at this Rokkehealden newsletter with recollections from Jale, Ian, and Acelina: <http://www.midrealm.org/rokkehealden/Newsletter/Midwinter%20FINAL.pdf>

If you have more stories to share about any aspect of Ayreton's history, the history of the groups within it, or the history of the activities or guilds of Ayreton, please send them to the Chronicler and the Ayreton Seneschal. We will continue to publish these stories in the Zephyr, and include them as part of the Baronial submission packet. Thanks again for everyone's terrific memories, stories, and historical documents.

## **□ Recent Ayreton Honors □**

From the Court of Their Royal Majesties, King Ullr Amarthson & Queen AnneLyse Van Gavere:

*Awards read into Court and presented at All Souls on November 1, 2008:*

**Award of Arms** – Elias the Brute  
**Award of Arms** – Elianora Saunfayle  
**Award of Arms** – Ellen of Birchbrae  
**Award of the Purple Fret** – Caillech inghen Saigert  
**Award of the Purple Fret** – Richard de Scolay  
**Order of the Silver Oak** – Erick Maxskelly  
**Order of the Dragon's Heart** – Hillary of Langeforde

Remember to write in those you consider worthy of award for our upcoming royally attended event: Twelfth Night is a great opportunity to recognize our worthy citizens for their accomplishments. To submit an award recommendation online, go to <http://www.midrealm.org/op/recommend/>.

## **□ Ayreton Local Event Calendar □**

1/17 Twelfth Night {Tree Girt Sea} [Chicago, IL]  
2/08 Baronial Business Meeting {Vanished Wood}  
3/07 A&S Education Day II {Ravenslake}  
3/08 Baronial Business Meeting {Foxvale}  
3/28 Ayreton Carnivale {Ayreton} [Northbrook, IL]  
4/4 Stone Dog Inn {Grey Gargoyles} } [Chicago, IL]  
4/12 Baronial Business Meeting {Foxvale}  
5/10 Baronial Business Meeting {Open}  
6/14 Baronial Business Meeting { Open }  
6/27 Rose Tourney {Vanished Wood} [Northbrook, IL]

## □ Ayreton Activities Calendar □

*NOTE: A detailed email with the week's activities is sent every Monday by the Chronicler to the Ayreton email list, and other interested parties. Here is a summary of the activities regularly scheduled in the Ayreton area.*

### **Monday Activities**

**Barons Noyes:** Any instrument is welcome. Absolute beginners please call first.

WHEN: Monday Nights from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

WHERE: Robbyan and Fern's. Address: 2506 W. Morse Ave, Chicago, IL 60645

CONTACT: Phone Number: (773) 764-1920

**Silver Thimble Guild For Conspicuous Consumption:** Join the Guild for sewing and garb research.

WHEN: Monday nights

WHERE: at Mistress Juliana's house, just Northwest of downtown

CONTACT: Mistress Juliana, 773-750-2180. Please call before coming.

### **Youth Boffer**

WHEN: Jan 19<sup>th</sup>, Feb-2nd and 16<sup>th</sup>, March-2nd and 16th

WHERE: Hope Presbyterian Church in Wheaton

CONTACT: Acelina, [djc137@aol.com](mailto:djc137@aol.com)

**Thieves Of Hearts Practice:** Group as well as one on one instruction in rapier combat for both singles and melee.

WHEN: Monday evenings 6:30pm to 9pm

WHERE: Glenbrook North High School. Address: 2300 Shermer Road, Northbrook , IL

CONTACT: <http://thieves.ayreton.org/>

**Northbrook Dance Practice:** Dance Practice, all are welcome

WHEN: every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month

WHERE: Glenbrook-North High School in Northbrook

CONTACT: <http://thieves.ayreton.org/>



### **Tuesday Activities**

**Weekly Project Night:** Everyone is welcome to bring current sewing projects or just an idea with them

WHEN: Every Tuesday night 7:30pm – 10:00pm

WHERE: 1496 E. Algonquin Rd in Des Plaines

CONTACT: Sarafina 312-493-2255



### **Wednesday Activities**

**Tree Girt Sea Scribal Night:** Open to anyone in the Ayreton region who is interested in calligraphy and illumination.

WHEN: Meetings held the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of the month, 7:30 pm to 10 pm

WHERE: At the home of THL Jocelyn of Lutterworth (mka Vickie Rayhill)

CONTACT: 847-824-3814

**Ayreton Dance Practice:** Practice is open to any and all who wish to dance.

WHEN: Every Wednesday 7:00PM to 9PM

WHERE: University of Chicago, Ida Noyes Hall 1212 East 59th street, Chicago

CONTACT: Quintius de Folo (mka Chris Quinn) -- (773) 576-4600 or (614) 354-5062

**Ayreton Archery Practice:** Everyone is welcome -- please come out!

WHEN: Every Wednesday 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

WHERE: 7240 West Madison, Forest Park

CONTACT: Range Phone: 708 366 4864



## **Thursday Activities**

**Rokkehealden Scriptorium:** The Scriptorium is open to anyone who is interested in any aspect of the scribal arts.

WHEN: Same as Rokkehealden moots

WHERE: See Rokkehealden Moot location

CONTACT: For more information, go to: <http://www.midrealm.org/rokkehealden/>

**The Pippins:** The Pippins are an a capella singing group performing medieval and renaissance choral music

WHEN: Every Thursday, from 7:30 – 9:30 pm

WHERE: North side of Chicago (Andersonville)

CONTACT: Gianetta 312-259-6688



## **Friday Activities**

**Needlework/Fiber Arts Night:** Bring a project to work on or the willingness to learn something new.

WHEN: Every third Friday of the month, 6 pm - 10 pm

WHERE: Gretchen's place

CONTACT: For more information, email: [gschneid@oakton.edu](mailto:gschneid@oakton.edu)



## **Sunday Activities**

**Heralds At Home:** All area heralds, and any clients who wish to attend are welcome

WHEN: on the last Sunday of each month

WHERE: 3935 N. Kostner, Chicago

CONTACT: 773-286-5952

### **Ayreton Fighter Practice**

WHEN: Starts at 2 p.m. every Sunday.

WHERE: Ida Noyes Hall - 59th St. and Woodlawn Ave, Chicago

**Grey Gargoyles/Ayreton A&S Afternoons:** Come during fighter practice to do casual A&S, gab, et cetera. Timing coincides with the Ayreton fighter practices.

## □ Ayreton Event Announcements □

### A ROMAN MASQUE IN 16TH C. ITALY – TWELFTH NIGHT CELEBRATION BY THE PROVINCE OF TREE-GIRT-SEA JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2009

**Activities:** *Juno* a good time when you see one! Dancing, classes, performances, craftsperson faire, youth fighting, and more. Feast and lunch are both served. Feast reservations limited. Merchants contact HL Nadezda ZeZastrizl at 847-902-2961 or [nadezda\\_z@earthlink.net](mailto:nadezda_z@earthlink.net).

**Location:** Irish American Heritage Center at 4626 North Knox Avenue, Chicago, IL 60630. Site opens at 9:00 a.m. and closes at 10:00 p.m. Dry site, bar opens at 2pm. No pets, assistance animals only.

**Directions:** Northbound take I-90/94 to Wilson Ave. Right on Wilson and go one block East. Center is located on the left. Southbound take I-90 to Lawrence Avenue, turn left, and take a right on Kilpatrick Avenue. Center is a couple of blocks down on the left.

**Site Fee:** Adults \$8 before 1/7/08, \$10 day of, Children 6-12 \$5, under 6 free, family max \$26 pre-reg, \$30 day of (site only). Adult Feast \$10. \$3 non-member surcharge. Please make checks payable to Society for Creative Anachronism, Province of Tree-Girt-Sea.

**Pre-Reg:** Mail checks to Julia Needlman, 1027 Marshfield, Chicago, IL 60622 ~~or~~  
**on-line by debit/credit card** from our event website.

**Steward:** Master Philip White (Craig W. Shupeé) 817-313-7575, [philipwhite@hotmail.com](mailto:philipwhite@hotmail.com).

**Co-Steward:** Master Cerian Cantwr (Charles Grab)

More information, details, and updates are available at: [http://tilted-windmill.com/12th\\_night](http://tilted-windmill.com/12th_night)

**By *Jove* it'll be fun!**

## First Annual Ayreton Craftsperson and Performing Artist Faire

The Incipient Barony of Ayreton is sponsoring the first Ayreton Craftsperson and Performing Artist Faire, hosted by Tree-Girt-Sea at Twelfth Night, January 17, 2009.

The format will be a Laurel/Populace prize tourney. There will be no formal judging as this is not a competition. Artisans are invited to display their work for feedback and commentary. This Faire is open to all.

We hope to see our many talented people exhibiting their works. You can exhibit a single item, a work in progress, or a body of work. Entrants are encouraged to be in the area to discuss their work but it is not required.

**Single Entries-** This can be finished work or work in progress. No documentation is required but basic information as to time; place and a description should be provided. Additional documentation can be provided at the entrants' discretion.

**Body of Work-** This is a display of a number of pieces produced over a number of years which shows the range and scope of the artisan. Please pre register so we may make sure that there is space for your works.

**Performance-** Those who cannot attend or would like to may submit a recording that can be played during the day (playing device will be required). Performance during the day will be just prior to Court. Performers will need to limit their time to a maximum of 5 minutes. Sign up will be at the Craftsman's Faire check in table and coordinated by the Master of Ceremonies.

The Laurels of Ayreton will be giving special attention to those displaying and are looking for exceptional efforts to recognize with personal prizes. Other members of the Order of the Laurel as well as the populace at large are encouraged to bring largess for those displaying.

For questions and pre registration please contact the Ayreton A & S minister, Dame Nicholaa Halden,

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