

The Newsletter of the Northern Marches, serving Allyshia, Ravenshore and Wuduholt be Secq

### from The Elitor

CATRIONA MACRATH This edition is a little smaller than usual, likely a reflection of the busy schedules we are all experiencing as we prep for the transition of the coronet. As you attend events or practices or A&S activities, don't forget to take photos or make notes, and send them in for the next newsletter!

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## Calendar of Events

Mar 23-25 March Crown

Mar 31 Barony Business Meeting

Apr 21 Heron's Pool

Apr 27-29 Ravenshore Fool's Tourney

**Ongoing events** Heavy Fighter Practice - Tuesdays 6:00pm

Rapier Practice - Sundays 12:00pm

Fighter Practice + Scribal Night - Thursdays 6:00pm

Check the official calendar at allyshia.westkingdom. org/calendar for details.

## from Their Excellencies

Ulfar Inn Svarti Þorisson and Megan Planterose

Unto the populace of fair Allyshia do Ulfar and Megan send cheerful greetings. As the wheel of the year completes its turn, Her Excellency and I prepare to take Our leave from the thrones of Allyshia. We wish to congratulate and welcome Our heirs, Erik and Signy. They make ready to don the coronets and step into their new station. This year has seemed to fly by. We have enjoyed Our time spent in the company of all the fine people who make up this magnificent fellowship. This winter We (His Excellency, at least) have grown fatter from the sumptuous feasts created by the hard working members of Our barony, and of Our sister lands to the North. How abundant this year's harvest must have been that we were able to dine on such an array of delicacies! We wish to extend Our thanks to all of the autocrats, feastocrats, servers, cleaning crews, and other volunteers who made these events possible and who continuously give of themselves to the benefit of all the populace!

We now make ready for Our annual pilgrimage South . We hope that you are able to join the caravan to the Shire of Canale in support of Our heirs as they step up. We wish them a reign filled with even more joy, please, and sheep than Our own!

#### Save the Sate

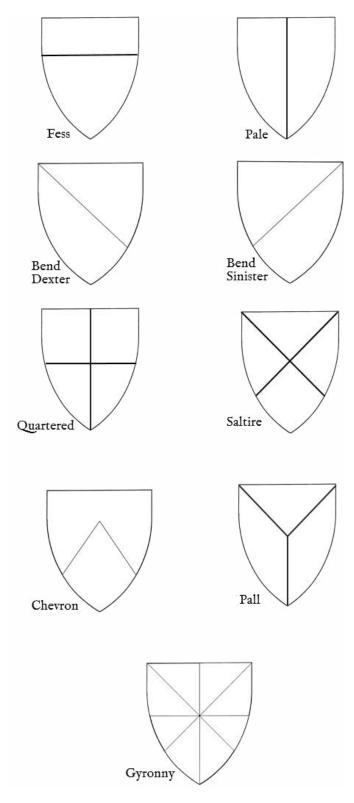
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Northern Marches A&S is August 10-12, which seems a long way off, but we are already accepting applications for teachers. Contact Catriona (catriona. macrath@westkingdom.org) or Signy (natrond9000@ gmail.com) for more info!

# knop your Beraldry

BROTHER THOMAS THE GREEN Once you've got your basic colors down, it's time to move on to ways to divide up the background, called Field Divisions.

Practice coloring each section a different color or metal.





YRMENGERDIS OF ALLYSIA

A Warmth in chillest Night– A Rose in Winter's Frost– If 'twere not for Thee, my Love, This poore Soul would be Lost.

A Light o'er stormy Sea, A Harbor warme and Dry– If not for thy sweete Welcome, Love, A-deep my Bones would Lye.

And when we two were Parted, How sorely did I Pine For thy fair Company—the Lacke Did smite my Harte in Twain.

A-far my Roade did lead me, And now I am Returned, For ever more shall I hew to Thy Love for which I Yearned.



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