

The Barony of Seagirt Ceremonial

Standard Court Observance, Awards, Oaths, Invocations, Investitures and Divestments

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NOTE: Improvisation to fit the occasion or add a personal touch is encouraged in all ceremonies. These forms are designed to provide a general outline for the various common ceremonies performed in Seagirt's court. They are not to be considered written in stone.

Opening Court Short Form

(modify as needed for smaller events and Court is settled and in place without a procession.)

Herald

“Draw nigh and attend the court of their Excellencies, Vémundr Syvursson and Hallveig Sigrúnardóttir, Baron and Baroness of Seagirt.”

(Introduce any other Royals or Dignitaries and invite them in.)

“The Barony of Seagirt warmly welcomes The Baron and Baroness of Lionsgate, Ulliam and Catrina to join them.”

You have their Excellencies leave to be seated.

Opening Court Long Form

(this is for bigger events DAFFODIL/SEALION/YULE)

Processing In:

(Herald is in place. All else waits beyond populace seating.)

Herald

All rise for their Excellencies, Vémundur Syvursson and Hallveig Sigrúnardóttir, Baron and Baroness of Seagirt. *(Introduce any other Royals or Dignitaries and invite them to join in.)*

Herald

The Barony of Seagirt welcomes The Baron and Baroness of Lionsgate, Ulliam and Catrina and Their Highnesses of Tir Righ Prince ____ and Princess _____ and and. You have their Excellencies leave to be seated.

Business in court

Example: Their Excellencies call forth _____ who has business / an announcement with the court.

Example: Their Excellencies all people / children who are attending their first event.

General court business:

Announcements

Event Steward Introduction

Awards

Children

Largesse Exchange

Closing Court

(please adjust for each court)

Adjourning to a later time: ***Herald***

There being no further business at this time,
court is suspended until _____.

Resuming Court: ***Herald***

So resumes the court Vémundr Syvursson and
Hallveig Sigrúnardóttir Baron/Baroness of
Seagirt.

Closing at the end of an event:

Herald

Thus concludes the court of Vémundr
Syvursson and Hallveig Sigrúnardóttir
Baron/Baroness of Seagirt.

Long live Their Royal Majesties, _____
and _____.

Long live Their Royal Highnesses (if any),
_____ and _____.

Long live Their Highnesses, Prince _____ and
Princess _____

Long live Their Excellencies, Tanist _____ and
ban-Tanist _____

Long live Their Excellencies, Baron _____
and Baroness _____.

For Seagirt, As the Sea Parts! Seagirt Rises!

For the Principality of Tir Righ

STRENGTH!!

For the Greatest Kingdom in the Known World
– SAY HER NAME THRICE:

AN TIR, AN TIR, AN TIR

You have Their Excellencies' leave to depart.

Baronial Awards

The Golden / Silver / Black Bear

Beacon of Insula Magna

Order of the Narwhal

The Orca,

Rock

Order of Seagull,

Sea Otter,

Silent Harp/Silent Hammer,

Torch and Key,

Violante

Seal of Approval

The Order of the Bear

Golden Bear

(Service - Youth):

STAND to introduce and talk briefly about this award. (ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits. And ask Herald, please call forth this young noble.

Herald

Will _____ please come forward to be presented before Their Excellencies?

Herald

Reads scroll,

B or B

We offer you this token in gratitude of the help that you have given.

Herald

Pauses for Excellencies for any words.

A joyous noise.

Silver Bear

(Arts and Sciences – Youth):

STAND to introduce and talk briefly about this award. (ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits. And ask Herald, please call forth this young noble.

Herald

Will _____ please come forward to be presented before Their Excellencies?

Herald

Reads scroll, Pauses for Excellencies for any words.

B or B

We offer you this token in recognition of the beautiful work that you have been creating.

Herald

A joyous noise.

Sable Bear

(Martial Combat- Youth):

Baron

STAND to introduce and talk briefly about this award. (ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits. And ask Herald, please call forth this young noble

Herald

Reads scroll, Pauses for Excellencies for any words.

B or B

We offer you this token in recognition of the prowess that you are showing!

Herald

A joyous noise.

Beacon of the Insula Magna

(presented to individuals who exemplified the ideals of the combined Insula Magna branches on the island) Baron STAND to introduce and talk briefly about this award. (important to note that it is a polling order and those within the order petition the Baron and Baroness to put forth one who they have observed as worthy, then it is up to their Excellencies give an approval, GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits

Herald

Whereas it is known that there are those good gentles throughout Insula Magna who do toil for the greater good of the island people. It is the Baron and Baroness's prerogative to recognize such efforts that enhance the lives of the good people herein. Your Excellencies, would you like to call forward the order?

B&B

We Call forth the Order of the Beacon of Insula Magna

Baron

There is one amongst the populace yet to join this great gathering. Have you any words about this person before calling them up?

Beacons:

say their words.

Baroness:

Are you all in agreement that they should be added?

Beacons:

We are.

B&B

Herald, call forth the one in question.

Herald:

Their Excellencies summon _____ before them.

When they process and settle on the kneeler:

Baroness:

Hear the words of our Herald

Herald:

Read Scroll

B or B:

Your deeds and accomplishments are renowned throughout all of Insula Magna thus do we this day recognize you for your dedication and devotion by naming you a Beacon of Insula Magna.

(token of rank presented)

Herald

Three cheers for the new Beacon...

Order of the Narwhal

(This award is to commend and recognize warriors for their skill, honour, armouring and teaching.)
 Baron STAND introduce and talk briefly about this award. (ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE,

Baron

Herald, Please call up the Noble in question.

Herald

Will _____ please come forward to be presented before Their Excellencies?

Herald

Reads scroll, Pauses for Excellencies for any words.

B or B

We offer you this token in gratitude of the oft he support to our martial community and the prowess you show. Thank you for being so strong and lifting all of us to greater heights.

Herald

A joyous noise.

The Order of The Orca

B or B

This award is to recognize those who have reached out and completed a list of tasks and conversations with peers, serjeantry and scholars, and others within and beyond our bountiful Barony's borders.
 GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE,

B or B

Do you, herald, know the name of such an enterprising and engaging individual?

Herald

Will _____ present themselves before this court?

Herald

Reads scroll.

B or B

We offer you this token in recognition of a LOT of work you have done in learning about our community. We hope that you enjoyed your time working on this.

Herald

As the Sea Parts, Seagirt Rises!

The Order of the Sea Otter

(This is a children's award for service.) Baroness
STAND introduce and talk briefly about this award.
(ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD
WHEN DONE, sits

Baroness

Herald, Please call up the Noble in question.

Herald

Will _____ please come forward to be presented before Their Excellencies?

Herald

Reads scroll, Pauses for Excellencies for any words. A joyous noise.

B or B

We offer you this token in gratitude of the service and help that you will have given.

Thank you for being inspirational to all those in our great Barony.

Herald

A joyous noise.

The Seal of Approval

This is an Award for those who show outstanding leadership within our Barony. One of the Baronial pairs steps up and speaks about the importance of Leadership, those who take their vision and create it, bringing in and uplifting others on their journey.

Baroness

Herald, Please call up the Noble in question.

Herald

Will _____ please come forward to be presented before Their Excellencies?

Herald

Reads scroll, Pauses for Excellencies for any words. A joyous noise.

B or B

We offer you this token in sincere admiration and gratitude for the load you have borne. You have created change with your own hands and lead others along the journey to create positive change within our Barony. For that we are grateful.

Herald

A joyous noise.

The Order of the Seagull

This is Seagirt's award for Service In-depth, over a long period of time. (important to note that it is a polling order and those within the order petition the Baron and Baroness to put forth one who they have observed as worthy, then it is up to their Excellencies give an approval, GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits

B&B

Herald, would you call up the Order please.

Baron:

There is one amongst the populace yet to join this great gathering. Have you any words about this person before calling them up?

Seagulls say their words.

Baroness:

Are you all in agreement that they should be added?

Seagulls: We are.

Baron:

I have Heard your words and I am moved to make this worthy gentle a member of your order. Is it your wish that you have this person added to your order?

Seagulls:

Okie Dokey.

Herald

Will _____ come before Their Excellencies and the Order of the Seagull?

When they process and settle on the kneeler:

Baron

_____, we are impressed by your service to the Barony, and in accordance with the wishes of your peers, it is our pleasure and privilege to offer you membership to The Order of the Seagull. Do you accept this honour?

Candidate - Aye

Baroness:

Hear the words of our Herald

Herald:

Read Scroll

Baron

Take from our hands this token of recognition and of our esteem. Let it be known that on this day, _____ has been admitted into the honourable Order of the Seagull. Arise and join your fellows.

Herald

Three cheers for _____, the newest member of the Order of the Seagull!

Hip Hip, Huzzah, Hip Hip, Huzzah, Hip Hip, Huzzah

The Rock

(given at their Excellencies pleasure to those gentles who have performed outstanding service to the Barony.) Baroness STAND introduce and talk briefly about this award and the person who receives it. (ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits

Baroness

Herald, Please call up the Noble in question.

Herald

Will _____ please come forward to be presented before Their Excellencies?

Herald

Reads scroll, Pauses for Excellencies for any words.

B or B

We offer you this token in gratitude of the service and help that you will have given.
Thank you..

Herald

A joyous noise.

The Order of the Silent Harp and Silent Hammer

(This award is presented for unheralded achievement in the Sciences or the Arts) Baroness STAND introduce and talk briefly about this award. (ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits

Baroness

Herald, Please call up the Noble in question.

Herald

Will _____ please come forward to be presented before Their Excellencies?

Herald

Reads scroll.

B or B

We offer you this token in recognition off he quiet but impactful service and artistry you have accomplished and hope you never stop being inspirational to those around you.

Herald

A joyous noise.

The Torch & Key

(This award is given to those members of the populace who go out of their way to help newcomers.) Baroness STAND introduce and talk briefly about this award and the person who receives it. (ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits

Baroness

Herald, Please call up the Noble in question.

Herald

Will _____ please come forward to be presented before Their Excellencies?

Herald

Reads scroll, Pauses for Excellencies for any words. A joyous noise.

B or B

We offer you this token in the hopes that you will continue to nurture our newcomers and pass on your knowledge, like the true leader you are.

The Spirit of Violante

(given for excellence in dance, for example, teaching, performance ability or attending demos.) In memory of Sergeant Myrranda de Medici who lived to dance. Baroness STAND introduce and talk briefly about this award and the person who receives it. (ad lib here), GIVES A NOD TO THE HERALD WHEN DONE, sits

Baroness

Once among us, there moved a spirit of grace and poise, one that delighted our imaginations with tales woven by the feet and hands rather than words. Our late friend, Baroness Myrranda de Medici, left a legacy that favoured the art and joy of the dance in our fair Barony. Herald, will you call up such an individual who echoes this lovely person?

Herald

Reads scroll, Pauses for Excellencies for any words. A joyous noise.

B or B

We offer you this token in the hopes that you will continue to fill our halls with beautiful movement, to invest time in our dancing community and bring your joy to all of us around you.

OATHS

Populace Oath of Fealty

Herald

Let all who wish to swear fealty to the Baron and Baroness come forward.

(wait while people approach and kneel)

Herald

Are you willing to swear an oath of fealty to the Barony of Seagirt as represented by the Baron and Baroness, _____ and _____?

Populace: We are.

Herald

Do you swear to support the Barony through whatever skills and abilities you possess and to represent the Barony, at all times, in an honourable and noble manner both at home and when travelling beyond our lands?

Populace - We do. / We so swear.

Baron

And we, for our part, do swear to support the people of this Barony to the best of our ability.

Baroness

And to provide encouragement and guidance to them in all their endeavours.

Baron

So say I, _____, Baron of Seagirt.

Baroness

So say I, _____, Baroness of Seagirt.

Herald

You have their Excellencies leave to return to your seats.

Champion's Oath Renewal

(Sergeant's and Defender's)

Herald

Let the Champions of the Barony of Seagirt
come forward.

(Champions approach and kneel.)

Baroness

As the Champions of this Barony, you have
sworn an oath of service. We invite you to
renew your oath at this time. Is this your will?

Champions - It is.

Herald

Do you swear to serve the Barony of Seagirt
by continuing to practice those skills and
talents which have brought you the honour of
your position, and by fostering the disciplines
which you represent, to the best of your
ability?

Champions - We do. / We so swear.

Baron

And we, on our part, do swear to support you
in the execution of your service.

Baroness

And we also offer you a place of honour in our
court, and give you the privilege to represent
the Barony when you travel from our lands.

Baron

So say I, _____, Baron of Seagirt.

Baroness

So say I, _____, Baroness of Seagirt.

Herald

You have Their Excellencies leave to depart.

Invocations, Investitures, and Dis-vestment

FIGHT COMPETITIONS

Invocation of the Lists (Heavy, Rapier)

DAFFODIL – Captain of the Grenadiers - Step Down

DAFFODIL Captain of the Grenadiers - Investiture

DAFFODIL Defender - Dis-vestment

DAFFODIL Defender - Investiture

BARONIAL CHAMPIONS Invocation of the Championship (intro of competitors)

BARONIAL CHAMPIONS Investing the Champions (winners) & Dis-vestment (former)

SYG Sergeant - Investiture (Unsuccessful) • SYG Sergeant - Investiture

Scholar of Seagirt - Investiture (Unsuccessful) • Scholar of Seagirt- Investiture

FIGHT COMPETITIONS: Invocation of the Lists

Herald

Let all those who would compete today, in both Heavy and Rapier fighting come forward before Their Excellencies.

Your Excellencies, these worthies would compete today, each in their chosen field.

Would you have me Call forward the Marshal In Charge?

Their Excellencies:

Yes.....

Herald

Let **person**, Marshal In Charge, come forward.

Can you explain for us the conventions of combat that shall be observed today?

(MIC explains)

Baroness

Thank you. You have my leave to (sit) depart.

Herald

You have all heard the conventions of combat for this tourney, and you know the Rules of the Lists. Do you each swear to abide by these rules and conventions during the tourney?

Combatants - We so swear.

Baroness

And do you swear that you will fight with grace and compassion, that you will give honour to your inspiration, as well as their excellencies, and the populace of the Barony of Seagirt?

Should you be champion in your field this day, do you agree to fulfill the obligations associated with this honour, and will you swear fealty to US and the people of Seagirt?

Combatants - We so swear.

Baron

Then, upon pain of expulsion from the lists, each of you will prove by your skill and strength alone, the worth and virtue of those whose favours you bear, either in victory or in honourable defeat. Upon your honour, and at (MY)(the Marshall's) command, you may compete today.

DAFFODIL - Captain of the Grenadiers –

Step Down

Herald

Will the Captain of the Grenadiers come before their Excellencies?

Baron

Since your victory last year upon the rapier field, you have served us nobly. It has come time for another to take up the burden and I believe one such as been victorious this day.

Baroness

We thank you for your service. And you have served your inspiration well.

Baron

Will you return to us the tokens of your position that we may bestow them upon your successor?

(Old Captain hands over regalia and departs.)

Herald

Let it be known that _____, having served most honourably as Captain of the

Grenadiers, and is recognized now as a member of the Company of Seagirt Grenadiers.

For the former Captain (and their Inspiration)...
a joyous noise

DAFFODIL - Captain of the Grenadiers

Investiture

Baron

Each Captain, having served successfully, is granted the honour to join our Company of Grenadiers and each year another is chosen to serve as their Captain. It is most fitting that the swiftest blade be the victor upon the field,

Baroness

This year is no different. From the ranks of rapier combatants, emerges one who bested all opponents to seize the day. On this noble, do we now bestow this honour.

Herald

_____, come before
Their Excellencies.

(New Captain comes forward.)

Baroness

The Grenadiers of Seagirt represent a long tradition of rapier excellence. Your skill upon the field today has earned you the right to be their Captain. Do you accept?

Captain I do.

Baron

For one year, you will personify what passed this day in Seagirt—honour, valour, prowess, and nobility. Take from our hands the tokens of your new position and take your place in our court as Captain of the Company of Seagirt Grenadiers.

Herald

Three cheers for _____ the new Captain! Hip Hip Huzzah x3

DAFFODIL – Armoured Defender

Step Down

Herald

Hearken good gentles, and draw nigh, as we gather this day in the Barony of Seagirt to select for another year one who will bear the responsibilities of Defender of Seagirt. One who will stand foremost upon the field of battle

and upon the field of honour. One who will shield us from the evils of the world (Lionsgaters).....and counsel us against any evils that we ourselves may bear. One who will join the long list of Defenders whose banners grace our walls.

Will _____, the current Defender of Seagirt, please come before Their Excellencies?

(Defender (and Inspiration?) come forward.)

Baron

Your time as our Defender draws quickly to a close. Today, with your aid, another shall be chosen to stand in your place. We thank you for your support in times of peace and in times of war, and ask that you relinquish your regalia and return the Great Sword of Seagirt to us, as you join the ranks of the Defenders of Seagirt. (Defender returns sword and regalia.)

Baroness

And to your inspiration also, do we give our gratitude for her support and example through the year. You have our leave to part and enjoy the day.

(Defender and Inspiration depart.)

Herald

For _____, the former Defender of Seagirt and his inspiration! A joyous noise!

DAFFODIL – Defender

Investiture

Baron

As the Baron and Baroness guard and serve the populace of the Barony on behalf of Their Majesties, so the Defender defends the populace on our behalf: the first to go forth and represent our fair lands in time of peace, and the second to meet the onslaught of our enemies in times of war.

Baroness

This day upon the field of honour, another Defender is chosen. He alone emerges from the lists mindful of the one who inspired him, victorious with honour, grace, and true nobility. Witness now as his time approaches.

Herald

Will _____ come before Their Excellencies?

(New Defender comes forward.)

Baron

_____, this day upon the field of honour, your sword rang true. We are mindful to name you as the new Defender of Seagirt. Is it your wish to accept this honour and give your pledge of service willingly?

Defender - It is.

(Baron and Baroness hold out Great Sword and Defender lays hands upon it.)

Baron

Do you pledge to remain worthy of the honour we bestow upon you this day, to fairly represent our Barony in this coming year, and to return, with the Great Sword in defence of our lands at Sealion War, and failing in this, to muster suitable representation to act on your behalf?

Defender -I do.

(Previous Defender or Baron attaches the Defenders' Cloak on to the champions shoulders)

Baroness

Greatly pleased with your efforts this day, we command you to rise _____, Defender of Seagirt, and take your rightful place in our court.

Baron

Let all who would assail our peaceful lands take note that Seagirt is not defenseless.

Herald

Three cheers for the new Defender! Hip Hip, Huzzah 3x

BARONIAL CHAMPIONS

Invocation of a Championship

Introduce competitors

Herald

Would the current:

- *The Heavy Champion, “Defender of Seagirt”*
- *The Rapier Champion, “Captain of Her Excellency’s Grenadiers”*
- *The Archery Champion, “Marksman of Seagirt”*
- *The Arts and Sciences Champion, “Keeper of the Flame of Knowledge”*
- *The Bardic Champion, “Siren of Seagirt”*
- *The Equestrian Champion, “Cavalry Commander of Seagirt”*
- *The Cut & Thrust Champion, “Warden of Seagirt”*

Please approach the thrones

Baron

Noble Champion(s), you have served this Barony well this past year. Today, you will hold the competitions to choose your successors. I bid you identify yourself to the Populace, and explain the format of your competition.

Champion explains

Herald

Let all who would vie for the honour and responsibility of these Championships come forward to swear your intent, that the populace may bear witness to your resolve.

Baron

The title of Champion carries with it several privileges: to carry and display the Champion’s regalia, to represent the Barony as our ambassador, and to have a place of honour in our court.

Baroness

The Champions have responsibilities as well. We require that they attend us at the annual Daffodil Tourney, that they organize and oversee the competition to choose their successors, that each organize a class or workshop to share their experience in their chosen area, and that they too swear an oath of service to the Barony.

Baron

If given victory this day, are you prepared to execute your duties as Champions of Seagirt?

Contestants - we are.

Baroness

Then go forward and compete with honour.

BARONIAL CHAMPIONS

Investing of the Champions, winner (and disvestment)

Each winner category will be invested separately: modify ceremony as needed

Herald

- *The Heavy Champion, "Defender of Seagirt"*
- *The Rapier Champion, "Captain of Her Excellency's Grenadiers"*
- *The Archery Champion, "Marksman of Seagirt"*
- *The Arts and Sciences Champion, "Keeper of the Flame of Knowledge"*
- *The Bardic Champion, "Siren of Seagirt"*
- *The Equestrian Champion, "Cavalry Commander of Seagirt"*
- *The Cut & Thrust Champion, "Warden of Seagirt"*

Let the current ____ Champion of Seagirt, come forward.

Baroness

Today, you have held a competition to choose your successor. Please tell us the results of your competition.

(Champion lists results of all but the winner.)

Baron

But there was one contestant who bested all this day. Please call this gentle forward.

Herald

Will (winner)_____ come before Their Excellencies?

Baron

(to old Champion) We thank you for all that you have done on behalf of the Barony, and ask that you now return the regalia that you have carried so well for us.

(Old Champion hands off regalia and leaves.)

Herald

For the former _____ Champion of Seagirt! A joyous noise.!

Baron

(to the new Champion)

You have done well this day and have earned the right to serve us. We ask at this time that you swear an oath of service.

Herald

Do you now swear to serve the Barony of Seagirt by continuing to practice those skills and talents which have brought you the

honour of this position, and by fostering the discipline which you represent, to the best of your abilities?

Champion - I so swear.

Baron

And we, for our part, do swear to support you in the execution of your service.

Baroness

And we also offer you a place of honour in our court and give you the privilege of representing our Barony when you travel beyond our lands.

Baron

So say I, _____, Baron of Seagirt.

Baroness

So say I, _____, Baroness of Seagirt.

Herald

Three cheers for _____, the new _____
Champion of Seagirt! Hip Hip, Huzzah x3

The Heavy Champion, "Defender of Seagirt"

- *The Rapier Champion, "Captain of Her Excellency's Grenadiers"*
- *The Archery Champion, "Marksman of Seagirt"*
- *The Arts and Sciences Champion, "Keeper of the Flame of Knowledge"*
- *The Bardic Champion, "Siren of Seagirt"*

- *The Equestrian Champion, "Cavalry Commander of Seagirt"*
- *The Cut & Thrust Champion, "Warden of Seagirt"*

Sergeantry Investiture

(Unsuccessful)

Herald

We have gathered here to provide a trial whereby any fighters who so choose can demonstrate their proficiency in the martial arts and their competence in the gentler disciplines of medieval culture by undergoing testing as a potential Sergeant at Arms, Yeoman, or Gallant.

Let the current Sergeants, Yeomen, and Gallants of Seagirt come forward.

(SYG each come forward to the Thrones)

Baroness

Today we held a tournament to determine if any who so desired were ready to join your ranks. The candidates were tested on their knowledge in skills such as heraldry, calligraphy, the sciences, games of strategy, dancing, art, and literature. They were also tested in combat so that their martial skills could be judged. They competed well and honourably, but, meeting the criteria is an extremely difficult task and unfortunately, none who competed today accomplished this.

Herald

_____, please come forward.

Baroness

It has been a long day filled with many challenges. I am greatly honoured by all your efforts today, and am proud that you chose to compete to enter into my service. Although you have not today attained the rank of Sergeant/Yeoman/Gallant, you have shown accomplishment and an impressive dedication to a task. Should you choose to participate in a future trial, I would be honoured to welcome you to the competition. However, no matter what comes in the future, the skills gained in this effort will continue to benefit you in the Society and I am certain that you will also continue to use these skills in service to the Barony, and thus benefit others with all you have learned. Thank you.

Herald

For _____, a joyous noise!

Sergeantry

Investiture

Herald

We have gathered here to provide a trial whereby any fighters who so chooses can demonstrate their proficiency in the martial arts and their competence in the gentler disciplines of medieval culture by undergoing testing as a potential Sergeant at Arms, Yeoman, or Gallant. Let the current Sergeants, Yeomen, and Gallants of Seagirt come forward.

Baroness

Today we held a tournament to determine if any who so desired were ready to join your ranks. The candidates were tested on their knowledge in skills such as heraldry, calligraphy, the sciences, games of strategy, dancing, art, and literature. They were also tested in combat so that their martial skills could be judged. Please call forward those candidates who successfully passed the tests.

Each current S,Y,G calls forth their fellow competitors.

_____, please come forward.

Baroness

By your hard work and your deeds this day, you have earned the privilege of being counted among the Sergeantry of Seagirt. You understand that this rank carries with it certain responsibilities. Are you now willing to accept these responsibilities?

Candidate - I am.

Baroness

Then I accept you as my Sergeant/Yeoman/Gallant/Forester/Mariner.

Receive this buckle and wear it so that others may recognize the valour of the Sergeantry of Seagirt, and to always remind you of the fealty that shall bind us together.

And wear this favour when you serve me in combat to remind you that your honour on the field reflects on me and on our Barony.

Wear this baldric when you serve me off the field that others may recognize the service of the Sergeants of Seagirt.

Herald

Do you now swear fealty to Baroness _____? Will you protect her person and defend the Barony with all your skills, bring her honour and serve the Barony,

and deal chivalrously and courteously with all,
as these are the duties of faithful Sergeants?

Candidate - I so swear.

Baroness

I, for my part, do swear to protect and shelter
you when you have need, guide you in
furthering your skills in the gentle arts, inspire
you to honour and chivalry on the field, and
remain worthy of your loyalty and service.
These are the duties of a faithful Baroness.

Herald

Let it be proclaimed that _____, Baroness
of Seagirt, does hereby acknowledge that
_____ has this day fulfilled the requirements
of the rank of Sergeant / Yeoman / Gallant /
Forester / Mainer of Seagirt. Therefore, granted
the right to bear the tokens of this rank and
having accepted the services which are the
duties of the rank as of this _____ day of
_____, Anno Societatus _____.

Three cheers for the newest Sergeant /
Yeoman / Gallant / Forester / Mainer of Seagirt!

Hip Hip, Huzzah! 3x

Scholars

Application & Investiture

Baron

Call forth the Scholars

Herald

Let the current Scholars of Seagirt come forward! (Indicate to the Right side)

(they stand on the Baron's right)

Let any Candidates who are currently enrolled in the Scholars Trials come forward!

(they stand on the Baron's left)

Application:

Baron

Are there any in the Populace who wish to apply and set out on the path to become a Scholar of Seagirt?

(Any new candidates come forth and present their scroll)

Baron

We receive this application, and welcome you to your trials. We look forward to helping you test yourself over the coming months. (Please join your fellow Applicants!)

Investiture

(Call forth the Scholars if not already present)

Baron

We have worked together to provide trials whereby any who wished to demonstrate their proficiency in the Gentle disciplines of Medieval Culture were tested in the Arts and Sciences, thus demonstrating they are ready to join the ranks of the Scholars of Seagirt.

Scholars, are there any candidates who have successfully completed their trials?

Scholar: talk Yes, your Excellency. Candidate _____ has completed his trials.

(Candidate steps forward and kneels)

Baron

Scholars, has this candidate been tested on their Heraldry, Geography, Games, Bardic and Dance? And have they completed all required Arts and Sciences projects?

Scholars Yes, they have!

Baron

_____, by your hard work and deeds you have proven yourself worthy to be counted among the Scholars of Seagirt. You must understand that this rank carries with it

significant privileges and responsibilities. Are you now willing to accept these conditions?

Candidate I am.

Baron

Then today, I accept you as my Scholar. Receive this book and bear it so that others may recognize you as one with great knowledge in the Arts & Sciences, a member of the Scholars of Seagirt, and to always remind you of the Fealty that shall bind us together.

And bear this favour when you give advice and teach others, to remind you that your words reflect upon your Baron and on our Barony.

Herald

Do you now swear Fealty to Baron _____?
Will you give advice freely and impart wisdom to the Barony with all your skills, bring him Honour, serve the Barony, and deal graciously and courteously with all as befits the duties of a faithful Scholar?

Applicant: I So Swear

Baron

I, for my part, do swear to protect and shelter you when you have need, guide you in further pursuit in the Gentle Arts and inspire you to

further your knowledge; I will listen to your words of wisdom and advice, and endeavour to remain worthy of your Loyalty and Service. For these are the duties of a faithful Baron.

Here knelt a Candidate. Now Rise as a Scholar!

Herald

Let it be proclaimed that _____, Baron of Seagirt, does hereby acknowledge that _____ has this day fulfilled the requirements of the rank of Scholar of Seagirt. They have accepted the duties of this rank and are granted the right to bear the tokens of this rank on this _____ day of _____, Anno Societatis _____.

Three cheers for the new Scholar!

Hip Hip Hooray! X3I