

Greetings unto Their Stellar Majesties of Ansteorra, King Gabriel of Maccuswell and Queen Sonja Ryzaja, Their Excellencies of Elfsea, Baron Kazimierz Zlowieszczy and Baroness Katheryn Margarete de Reyes, and the populaces of the Barony of Elfsea and the Canton of Dragonsfire Tor.

We, Lord Thomas Grey and Lady Floria Black Dragon, do humbly submit this letter of intent to be named as the next Baron and Baroness of Elfsea and Lord and Lady of Dragonsfire Tor. Elfsea is our home, having welcomed us with open arms, showing us how beautiful the Dream can be. It would be an honor to serve the Barony, the Canton, and the Kingdom in this way.

We are a husband-and-wife team with a diverse set of talents and experiences that we believe will serve the Barony and Canton well. If chosen, we have the time and resources available to us to commit to a minimum of three years of service.

Lord Thomas Grey joined the SCA in 2005, first in the Shire of Loch Ruadh, and now in the Barony of Elfsea. He served Loch Ruadh as Hospitaler and Exchequer and was co-autocrat of Loch Ruadh's Day of Games. In Elfsea, he is currently serving on the financial committee and as Webminister. Lord Thomas holds the following awards from the Crown; an Award of Arms, a Sable Comet for service in Your Shire of Loch Ruadh, and a Sable Thistle in woodworking. Additionally, he has been awarded the Eastern Tower of Elfsea for period cooking.

Over the years, Lord Thomas has worked gate shifts, served, planned, and cleaned up after many feasts, and helped set up and tear down multiple events not just in the central region, but throughout Your Kingdom. He loves to find where help is needed and fill in the gap. Lord Thomas has served outside of Ansteorra, as well. From the beginning of the project to its completion five years later, he participated in the building of the Woodshop in Early Period Life on the Gulf Wars site. Alongside friends from Calontir, he was able to indulge in his passions for woodworking and teaching. He was involved in all aspects of the construction and was given the opportunity to teach others various techniques.

Mundanelly, Lord Thomas works as an inspector in the construction industry where he has held several leadership positions, where interpersonal skills and problem solving are a must.

Lady Floria Black Dragon joined the SCA in 2005, first in the Shire of Loch Ruadh, and now in the Barony of Elfsea. She served Loch Ruadh as Chronicler, Minister of Arts and Sciences, Deputy Seneschal, and co-autocrat of Loch Ruadh's Day of Games. In Elfsea, she is currently serving as Minister of Arts and Sciences, and head of the Gardening Guild, which she founded. Lady Floria holds an Award of Arms from the Crown. Additionally, she has been awarded a Portcullis for service, an Eastern Tower for costuming, and the Right of Riparian in Your Barony of Elfsea.

Lady Floria has been an artisan merchant in the SCA since 2006. First by selling her handmade soaps and pottery, then changing over to garb and various supplies. This is one of the ways she expresses her passion for the arts and teaching. A day spent talking with newcomers, helping someone find the right supplies for a project, and teaching young children about the wonders of rocks, is an inspiring and fulfilling day for her. Along with merchanting, she has volunteered for gate shifts, coordinated sideboards, made largess, and driven for transportation services at Gulf Wars.

It is her mundane experience that we believe will serve the Barony well. She has been an open mic poetry host and an editor of poetry, non-fiction, and children's books for several independent publishing

houses for over 20 years. She feels the main objective of those jobs has been to help people identify their passions and to acquire the skills they need to succeed.

If chosen as the next Baron and Baroness we would continue the work of our predecessors of making the Barony and Canton a welcoming, safe place for all. We would support and empower our officers to help the Barony grow. We would foster an environment that encourages the populace to help the experienced find the curious, to pass on knowledge, and in doing so, find mutual inspiration. It is the populace that should shine the brightest. It would be our mission to ensure that happens.

Thank you for Your time and considering us for this opportunity.

Yours in service to the Dream,

Lord Thomas Grey

Lady Floria Black Dragon