

Greetings unto their Majesties and Highnesses of An Tir, his Excellency of Dragon's Mist, the populace of our fine Barony, and to the known world.

We, Señor José Cabrera de Castilla and Señora Iuliana de la Sara, hereby make known our desire to serve the Barony of Dragon's Mist as Baron and Baroness. Our careers in the Society span twelve years, and in that time we have grown and learned much that we would like to share with our friends and family within this, the only Barony we have ever called home.

Words from José:

¡Saludos!

I have engaged in numerous pursuits in my time in the Society. Within my first season I encountered the love of armored combat and was suited up for Acorn War in 2006. I have remained a fighter in the time since, working toward portraying a rarely-seen 16th century soldier in heavy armored combat. I believe my war efforts have seen glory standing with the company of the Iron Ring and most recently as the captain of the White Dragons, once an unofficial levy of the fighters of Dragon's Mist that has been accepted as the Barony's official war unit. For the last eight years I have been a marshal, and for the last five a senior marshal.



I have also spent time learning wood-working, designing artwork for Baronial and Kingdom charters, painted, made original scrolls, partnered with HL Margaret Fae on several peerage scrolls, shot target archery, learned dance, played music, and pursued my passion for tailoring of clothing for both men and women.

In more recent years, I've had the opportunity to serve the Barony in several roles. First came time as the Keeper of the Grete Boke, the historian of the then-Shire of Dragon's Mist. Since then I've also taken on the offices of both Chronicler and Webminister, leading to new designs for the Dragon's Tongue newsletter and a redesign of the Baronial website in line with the desires of the populace for a more accessible blog-style presentation. I have also been the event steward of four successful events, been the co-steward of three others, written two filk songs and published four articles in the Dragon's Tongue.

I am proud to note that my first recognition in the Society was a Dragon's Scale from the then-Shire of Dragon's Mist in 2009. Subsequently, I've been awarded Arms, a Jambe de Lion, a Goutte de Sang, the Heart of the Dragon from the Barony, a Trillium from the Barony of Three Mountains, a King's Favor and

Forget-Me-Not in the reign of Vik and Astrid, been inducted into the Order of the Carp, and most recently awarded the Sable Scrivener from their Majesties Kjartan and Sha'ya.

In my modern life, I have worked in the software industry for over a decade, in roles spanning technical support, QA and development. This career lends me incisiveness and a keen aptitude for procedure and attention to detail. I have also served as a board member of our Homeowner's Association for 10 years, transitioning into the role of the chairman of the board for the last 8 years. My experience with this has brought me into contact with a broad community of neighbors with differing perspectives and interests and granted me insight into the work of building a cohesive community despite perceived differences.

Words from Ana:

Good morrow to you all, thank you for taking time to consider our letters, I'm happy to take a moment to tell you a little about myself,

I am happily apprenticed/squired to Earl Edward Ean Anderson/Contessa Ilaria Veltri Degli Ansari, and now with over a decade dedicated to the Society, and with their guidance I've had the opportunity to expand and grow skills I never knew existed within myself.

In my early years, I enjoyed participation in war fighting with my household- after taking time for the birth of our children, I am now arming back up and taking to the tourney fields as my primary focus. I have become a skilled designer and painter of charters and original scrolls, both at a Baronial level, being the first Dragon's Mist scribe under Their Excellencies Dragon's Mist and also at a Kingdom and international cross-Kingdom level. I've now also served for several years as Deputy to the Kingdom Event team, Deputy to the Royal Scribe for two reigns in a row- under the marvelous Excellency Hlutwige, and now serve currently a deputy to our Kingdom Dexter Gauntlet.

I've enjoyed the opportunity to learn dance, bardic, shooting target archery and throwing hand axes, and I've taken part in tailoring for myself and others, with an emphasis in beading and handwork. Mostly recently my passion has turned toward the creation of silk banners. I also enjoy the comradery of hard work seen in our Baron's retinue and am currently the head member of that cohort.

In the last several years, I've decided to take on a number of different responsibilities for the Shire and later Barony of Dragon's Mist. I first served as the directory deputy for the Shire's local populace directory, and became the mistress of lists for Heavy and Rapier fighting. Since then I've also helped the branch by being a fundraising deputy before stepping into the office of the first Baronial scribe. I feel that my tenure as scribe saw a strong coordinated effort to generate all of the new awards required of a Barony in its first years of existence. Since stepping down as scribe, I've served as a deputy seneschal to our great branch and am now the sitting web mistress for Dragon's Mist until 2018.

With the help of José, I founded the Baronial event Carnevale di Venezia, stewarding it twice, was steward of the West Coast Culinary Symposium mere weeks after the birth of our son, co-stewarded or mentored multiple other events, and most recently hosted An Tir's Twelfth Night Coronation for 2016.

In the coming years I am slated to also Steward Kingdom Feast in 2018 and co-steward 12th Night 2019 in 3 Mountains.

I was honored to be awarded Arms by Vik and Inga in 2009 and have gone on to receive a Goutte de Sang, a Jambe de Lion, the Heart of the Dragon, a Baroness' Favor and later a Baron's Favor from 2 different Baron's in our Barony, a Trillium from the Barony of Three Mountains, and a Forget-Me-Not/Queens Favor in the reigns of Queen Astrid and Driffina and Sha'ya. In March of this year, I was also happy to win my first ever Championship as the A & S Champion of Dragon's Mist.

In modern life, I work in manufacturing as an admin assistant to a department of over 1200 engineers and technicians and have previously had experience as a customer service expert, power of attorney specialist, and new construction specialist for a major Utility Company for 4 years as well as a loan processor and database manager for a major credit union for 7 years before that. I've developed a strong memory, great skill in communicating complex information to laypeople, and the ability to coordinate logistics, delegate responsibility and follow up with my subordinates and co-workers. In the past I've also been a member of a local community choir for over five years, contributing to its fundraising efforts for various local charities.

Together, we have supported the Barony from its days as a Shire. We take pride in our ability to coordinate jobs such as working together to steward events, and in bringing together our skills to make clothing for each other, our household and friends from the community. We spent ten years forming a strong backbone of logistics for the Iron Ring before passing off our household roles to other members, ensuring that camps as large as forty people have had food, water, fire and shade at events. We have a way of combining different talents to solve problems. Our strong communication as a couple allows us to work from different perspectives and reach more informed, comprehensive decisions.

We are the parents of two children, Anya and Rowan, whom many have seen playing at events. Being parents, we are strong supporters of the family activities and care deeply about ensuring that our events remain fun places for kids to play safely. We are happy to count many of our closest friends as family, and by that reckoning our family is very large indeed! We are grateful for the acts of service and support our family has given over the years. We cannot return enough gifts or support in return, but it is our honor and pleasure to try.

It is in this respect that we seek to serve as Baron and Baroness of Dragon's Mist. The Society has given us much, and we would multiply those gains and see them shared with the entire Barony. Our vision is of a Barony that continues to show its spirit of hospitality and engaged playfulness. We would carry on the admirable efforts of our members to support the martial arts, the shining examples of our skill in arts and sciences, and the willingness of our populace to support the Barony through service and the Kingdom through an outpouring of largesse.

We would place additional focus on the realms of courtesy, cooperation and respect. We would seek to ensure that all members of our populace feel that their interests within the Barony are held up as

important and that the entire Barony stands behind all aspects of our overarching hobby. We would further strive for due respect to our neighbors and friends for the contributions they make to our Baronial culture and the success of our events and our branch. We would strongly support and expand the sergeantry program, in order to provide the most ardent enthusiasts of our home with a feeling that they are recognized and valued.

Dragon's Mist has been our home through our entire lives in the Society, and it would be our honor to serve the Barony by continuing the work begun by our entire populace in choosing to become a Barony, by their Excellencies Refr and Svava in the hard work of defining the role that the Baron and Baroness will play in our community, and by the example of grace and amiability that HE Finn has shown while shouldering the solitary responsibility of being our Baron. We can promise to work as hard as we have ever worked so that our community can play as joyously as it has ever played. We invite commentary and questions and are happy to discuss our goals, interests and desires.

In service to our beloved Barony and the Kingdom of An Tir,
HL Señor José Cabrera de Castilla
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