



# The Blazon

The newsletter of the British Columbia/Yukon Branch of the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Canada Day! This summer is proving to be a hot one with the added risk of fires across our nation.

Page 2 and page 3 show Vice-Regal Proclamations by our Distinguished Patrons. The desire to recognize Heraldry Week in our two areas of B.C. and Yukon covered several heraldic events and the 35th anniversary of the Canadian Heraldic Authority.

In our previous Blazon issue of Autumn 2022 we were celebrating the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II. And details were shown of the reception at Government House in Victoria.

So much has happened in the past nine months. After the Queen's death we had the Accession Proclamation of Charles III as the King of Canada on September 12, 2022 by Dr. Samy Khalid, Chief Herald of Canada.

The Coronation of King Charles III was on May 6th, 2023. Shown is the Canadian Coronation Emblem designed and painted by Cathy Bursey-Sabourin, Fraser Herald at the Canadian Heraldic Authority.

My wife, Judy, and I attended a Coronation luncheon at Government House, Victoria on May 5th as representatives of our Branch.

Over the Victoria Day long weekend several branch members enjoyed the late spring warm weather and attended our heraldry booth at the Victoria Highland Games. See page 11.

We held our branch annual general meeting on April 1, 2023; online via Zoom again. The election results are on page 12, being the list of current executive and board members. I have the honour to continue as your branch president. Page 12 also has details about the AGM presentation.

The Society's national Annual General Meeting was in Montreal on May 27th. Jason Burgoin is our new Society president. See page 11 for details on the planned visit of Jason to our branch on November 25, 2023.

The salient event for me recently was the trip to Whitehorse to participate in the opening dinner of the Governor General's Vice-Regal Conference and Yukon 125 anniversary. See page 5 for details.

And check out page 4 for our newly elevated Fellows in our branch.

Don't forget, we welcome heraldic articles relevant to western Canada.

Enjoy your summer and don't forget your sunscreen or umbrella.

Steve Cowan  
Branch President



### The Canadian Coronation Emblem

The Canadian emblem for the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III was created to mark the first crowning of a Canadian monarch in 7 decades, a historic occasion. Refer [www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage](http://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage) for more details.



**Canada**  
**Province of British Columbia**  
**A Proclamation**

CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom,  
Canada and His other Realms and Territories, King, Head of the  
Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

**To all to whom these presents shall come – Greeting**

WHEREAS British Columbia is a culturally diverse province comprising many peoples and communities, and

WHEREAS heraldic emblems are representations of the heritage and historical value in the identity and culture of communities, and

WHEREAS the motto of the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada is “For Ancestors and Posterity,” to celebrate the role of heraldic emblems in bringing heritage and history alive for current and future generations, and

WHEREAS June 4, 2023, is the 35th anniversary of the Canadian Heraldic Authority’s creation, followed by International Heraldry Day on June 10, and

WHEREAS Heraldry Week is an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the importance and significance of heraldic emblems of institutions, corporations and people as a lasting and recognizable tribute to the diversity of British Columbia;

NOW KNOW YE THAT We do by these presents proclaim and declare that June 4 to 11, 2023, shall be known as

**“Heraldry Week”**

in the Province of British Columbia.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our Province of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS, The Honourable Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our Province, this twenty-third day of February, two thousand twenty-three and in the first year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND.

Attorney General

Lieutenant Governor

2023 Heraldry Week in British Columbia Proclamation

Signed by our Distinguished B.C. Patron, The Honourable Janet Austin, O.B.C.



YUKON  
CANADA

GREETINGS

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Yukon is a culturally diverse territory comprising many peoples and communities; and

WHEREAS, heraldic emblems are representations of the heritage and historical value in the identity and culture of communities; and

WHEREAS, the motto of the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada is "For Ancestors and Posterity" to celebrate the role of heraldic emblems in bringing heritage and history alive for current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Yukon celebrates the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of joining the Canadian Confederation on June 13, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Canadian Heraldic Authority celebrates the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its creation on June 4 closely followed by International Heraldry Day on June 10; and

WHEREAS, Heraldry Week is an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the importance and significance of heraldic emblems of institutions, corporations and people as a lasting and recognized tribute to the diversity of the Yukon;

THEREFORE, I, Angélique Bernard, Commissioner of Yukon, do hereby proclaim June 10 to 17, 2023 to be

"HERALDRY WEEK"

in Yukon.

GIVEN UNDER my hand and seal at Whitehorse, Yukon

, 2023.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angélique Bernard".

Commissioner of Yukon

2023 Heraldry Week in Yukon Proclamation

Signed by our Distinguished Yukon Patron, The Honourable Angélique Bernard, O.Y.



## BURSARY PROGRAM HEADS WEST

In 2017 the Society set up a bursary with the Ontario College of Art and Design University (OCADU) in Toronto ON. This was named the Christopher Wallis Bursary and provided two amounts of \$1,250 per year for an annual amount of \$2,500 for a five-year span from 2017 to 2022. With the conclusion of this bursary in 2022 the Society's national board decided to revamp the program and to include additional art and design institutions across Canada.

And the program was renamed the **CLAIRE BOUDREAU MEMORIAL BURSARY**. Members may recall that Dr. Claire Boudreau was the second Chief Herald of Canada. Claire died in November, 2020; she was a great supporter of our Society and a keen promoter of Canadian heraldry, the aim of our Society.



Dr. Claire Boudreau,  
A.I.H., F.R.H.S.C.  
Photo credit: C.H.A.

Last year, 2022, the bursary program was renewed for a new five-year term with OCADU. In February of 2023 the program expanded to include Emily Carr University of Art and Design in Vancouver BC. And in May the Alberta University of the Arts in Calgary AB was added to our bursary list.

With these new five-year programs we have also increased the number of bursaries for each institution to four of \$1,250 each making a total to each art and design university of \$5,000 per year. Research continues to consider more institutions.

Donations to the bursary program are always welcome. Our national secretary can arrange a tax receipt.



Arms of Emily Carr University of Art and Design granted April 20, 2007 by the Canadian Heraldic Authority.

Source: C.H.A. Public Register of Arms.

## OUR ELEVATED FELLOWS

At the online Annual General Meeting of the Society held on May 28th 2022, the Society's bylaw Section 8.7(e) was repealed and replaced. And one aspect on this was that the category of Honorary Fellow in the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada was removed. The interesting aspect is that the Society's Board would approve upon the recommendation of the Society's College of Fellows those Honorary Fellows who would now be elevated to a full Fellowship.



Badge of a Fellow of the R.H.S.C. granted by the Canadian Heraldic Authority in the Public Registry Volume VII page 135 dated May 15th, 2019.

At the Board meeting on February 11, 2023, the Board approved the elevation of several Honorary Fellows and this included two of our Branch members, namely, Mrs. Shirley Greenwood, F.R.G.S., F.R.H.S.C. and Mr. John Neill, M.Phil, F.R.H.S.C.

Both of these members, from Vancouver Island, have many years of devoted service to the branch and the Society.



Shirley Greenwood,  
F.R.G.S., F.R.H.S.C.  
Source: John Neill



John W. Neill,  
M.Phil., F.R.H.S.C.  
Source: John Neill

With this elevation to full Fellowship each will be honoured with a badge of Fellowship (shown above) as well as Fellowship certificates. Both the badge and certificate will be presented at a suitable event, preferably later this year..

This are a well-earned recognition for dedicated community service. Congratulations on achieving your new full Fellow designation. Your efforts have brought attention to our branch efforts to promote heraldry to Canadians.



## YUKON ANNIVERSARY

Steve Cowan, Comox BC



Recent issues of the BLAZON in 2021 and 2022 celebrated significant anniversaries. 2021 saw the 150th Anniversary of British Columbia joining the Canadian Confederation. 2022 saw the 40th anniversary of our branch in the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada. And last month it was the turn of Yukon to wave their flag in celebration.

June 13th was the 125th anniversary of Yukon joining the Canadian Confederation as a new Territory. Various local events recognized the anniversary. A significant celebration was a special sitting of the Yukon Legislature in the original Territorial Council Chambers in Dawson City, the original capital.



Dawson City Museum and former Territorial Administration Building. The special sitting of the Yukon legislators was held on the June 13th anniversary in the original Territorial Council Chambers in the building. Photo credit: Yukon government

The gathering of the Yukon MLAs was to commemorate the founding of the Territory in 1898. And this special sitting also happened for the 75th anniversary in 1973 and the 100th anniversary in 1998. The location building, the Territorial Administration Building, is now the Dawson City Museum. Some 200 persons attended the celebrations in Dawson City; a special souvenir was a Christmas tree ornament of the Yukon arms given out by our member and museum board member Chris Collin.



BC/Yukon Branch member and special heraldry envoy-for-the-day **Chris Collin** handing out special Christmas tree ornaments of the Yukon arms on June 13th, 2023. The location is the foyer of the Dawson City museum; this was also the original Yukon legislative and administration building before the capital was moved the Whitehorse in 1953. Chris is also our most northerly located member. Photo credit: Lisa Schuyler



Arms of the Territory of Yukon  
Approved by Queen Elizabeth on  
February 24, 1956



While formal Yukon government events were happening in Dawson City for the Yukon 125th anniversary, another significant gathering happened in Whitehorse. This was the annual Vice-Regal Conference; the assembly of the Governor General and the provincial Lieutenant Governors and territorial Commissioners.

The opening event was a dinner held at the new Yukon University in Whitehorse. To get there the conference attendees boarded a large tour coach; it was a bit unusual to climb into the bus and see a gallery of Royal representatives as you make your way to the back of the bus.

The dinner was on Monday June 12 with about forty persons in attendance. The opening remarks were by Dr. Lesley Brown, the President and Vice-Chancellor of Yukon University. (During the reception before the dinner, I was chatting with Dr. Brown. She would like the university to have arms and she was interested that the process of seeking a grant through the Canadian Heraldic Authority was much easier than she thought.)

A salient occurrence for me during the reception was being introduced by Angélique Bernard to Her Excellency the Right Honourable Mary Simon, C.C., C.M.M., C.O.M., O.Q., C.D., Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada.

We had a very enjoyable discussion about Her Excellency's arms that had been granted on August 12, 2022. It is always interesting to hear from a grantee how they developed their arms. Her Excellency was well aware that she is our Patron.



Yukon University, Whitehorse, Yukon  
Source: Whitehorse Daily Star

It's not very often you get to experience chatting with a room full of Vice-Regal representatives. Our Distinguished B.C. Patron, The Honourable Janet Austin, was there along with her Private Secretary, Jermy Brownridge.



Vice-Regal Conference participants included, to dexter, His Honour, Dr. Zaheer Lakhani, spouse of the Honourable Salma Lakhani, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta and, to sinister, The Honourable Arthur LeBlanc, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia.  
Photo credit: Justin Kennedy, Tourism & Culture | Photography Unit, Yukon Government

During the dinner I was seated with Angélique Bernard, O.Y., former Commissioner of Yukon; The Honourable Arthur LeBlanc, O.N.S., K.C, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia.; The Honourable Patsy LeBlanc and The Honourable Margaret Thom, O.N.W.T., Commissioner of the Northwest Territories.

The cuisine was very good. It was prepared by the university students and instructors of the Culinary Arts program and served to our tables by university staff. I enjoyed the roasted elk striploin.



BC/Yukon Branch President Steve Cowan, of Comox BC, with Her Excellency Governor General Mary Simon.  
Photo credit: Justin Kennedy, Tourism & Culture | Photography Unit, Yukon Government.



The evening opened and closed with heraldic events. Once the opening welcome and remarks were completed, Angélique Bernard and I were called to the podium.

Over the past two years Angélique had been working on a heraldic booklet featuring the heraldry in Yukon. She became the Commissioner of Yukon on March 12, 2018 and became our branch Distinguished Patron on November 4, 2019. Unfortunately Angélique's term as Commissioner of Yukon ended on May 31, 2023, less than two weeks before the Vice-Regal conference she was wanting to host in Whitehorse.

Angélique then gave a short presentation of her new booklet titled *Heraldry in the Yukon*. Copies of the booklet were distributed to the dinner guests. The response was very positive. This was the first vice-regal produced heraldic publication I was aware of in Canada.

Refer to page 9 for an bilingual article I had asked Angélique to write about her new booklet.

It was then my turn to speak and Angélique was unaware of what I was planning. First, I presented Angélique with copy number 397 of *Beddoes' Canadian Heraldry* book. This was a Society publication from 1981 when 1,000 copies were printed. To commemorate this for Angélique, the book was labelled with the presentation details. I also showed the arms of Angélique as well as her two sons, Sébastien and Samuel.

The book was an appreciation from our BC/Yukon Branch members, as our branch Yukon patron



Label in copy number 397 of Beddoe's  
Canadian Heraldry book  
Design and artwork by Steve Cowan

Angélique had attended dinners and heraldic lectures and the gift is intended to encourage Angélique, and her family, to continue with learning about and participating in heraldry.

## OUR NEW FELLOW

I then had the honour of reading a letter addressed to Angélique from Jason Burgoin, C.D., F.R.H.S.C., F.S.A. Scot., President of the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada.

The letter, dated June 8, 2023, to Angélique was advising her that she has been elected as a Fellow of the Society.

This honour from the Society was in gratitude for Angélique's support to the Society and to recognize her efforts in promoting heraldry to Canadians, the aim of our Society. The loud applause from the dinner guests was an indication that the honour was well earned.

Jason also wrote "with the completion of your term as the Commissioner of Yukon, your Fellowship in our Society may encourage you in your ongoing heraldic efforts within Yukon and across Canada."



Steve Cowan and Angélique Bernard displaying items from the heraldry presentation in Whitehorse Yukon on June 12, 2023. In the centre is the new *Heraldry in the Yukon* booklet by Angélique, to dexter is the branch gift of Beddoe's Canadian Heraldry and to sinister is the special Fellowship letter from our Society President Jason Burgoin.

Photo credit: Justin Kennedy, Tourism & Culture |  
Photography Unit, Yukon Government



With the evening beginning with a heraldry event, the presentations by and to Angélique Bernard, the evening concluded with a closing heraldic occasion. And this matter was the Vice-Regal Proclamation of a Grant of Arms.

Her Excellency Governor General May Simon proclaimed the arms of The Honourable Salma Lakhani, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, A.O.E., B.Sc., LL.D. (Hon). Her Honour is the 19th Lieutenant Governor of Alberta and was installed on August 26, 2020.

As the arms of The Honourable Salma Lakhani are not yet shown in the Public Register of the C.H.A. I will include these arms in a later Blazon issue once they are available. Her Honour is originally from Uganda and readers will be interested in how Her Honour's African heritage is incorporated into her arms.

It was an honour to represent the Society and the Branch in this unique event. During the dinner reception the inclusion of a heraldic presentation to our Vice-Regal representatives was mentioned. This could make for an interesting and colourful discussion at future Vice-Regal conferences, particularly as the participants become armigerous.

I am very grateful to Judy Shannon, Private Secretary to the Commissioner of Yukon, for her assistance to arranging my attendance and participation at the Vice-Regal Conference dinner.



Arms of the City of Whitehorse, Yukon  
Grant of Arms and Supporters November 15, 2002  
Volume IV, page 253  
Source: C.H.A. Public Registry



The Proclamation of a Grant of Arms for Her Honour, the Honourable Salma Lakhani, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta (by the dexter easel). These arms had been proclaimed by Her Excellency Governor General Mary Simon (standing beside the sinister easel). Other Vice-Regal attendees in the photograph are The Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario (wearing a red dress and seated in the centre background) and The Honourable Janet Austin, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia (wearing the fuchsia jacket).

Photo credit: Justin Kennedy, Tourism & Culture | Photography Unit, Yukon Government





## PROMOTING YUKON'S HERALDRY

## PROMOUVOIR L'HÉRALDIQUE AU YUKON

Angélique Bernard, Whitehorse Yukon



As Commissioner of Yukon, the four pillars that guided my work were family, education, creativity and civic pride. It was always great when a project encompassed these four guiding principles.

I was also looking for ways to educate Yukoners on my role as commissioner and the history of our territory. And my mandate took place during the global COVID-19 pandemic. Being a person of action, I needed to find ways to continue my work, despite the enforced break on my social activities.

That is how the idea for the bilingual booklet *Heraldry in the Yukon/L'héraldique au Yukon* was born. I worked with Samy Khalid, Chief Herald of Canada, on the creation of my coat of arms in 2018 and I contacted him about this project. Thank you to Dr. Khalid for the permission to adapt the Canadian Heraldic Authority's booklet *Tell Your Story* for the Yukon, for writing a note in the booklet and for his advice and revision of the work.

Thank you to Steve Cowan, President of the BC/Yukon Branch of the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada, for his note in the booklet, his revision of the work and his encouragements.

Thank you to Joanne Kelly, Yukon graphic designer extraordinaire, who was able to visualize my ideas.

The booklet presents the coats of arms, badges and flags of Yukoners, Yukon organizations and former Yukon commissioners with a section on Indigenous emblems.

The launch of the booklet took place on June 12, 2023, at the opening dinner of the Annual Conference of the Governor General, Lieutenant Governors and Territorial Commissioners held in White-

À titre de commissaire du Yukon, mes quatre piliers qui ont guidé mon travail étaient la famille, l'éducation, la créativité et la fierté civique. C'était toujours plaisant quand un projet englobait ces quatre principes directeurs. Je cherchais également des façons d'informer les Yukonnais et les Yukonaises sur mon rôle de commissaire et sur l'histoire de notre territoire. Et mon mandat s'est déroulé durant la pandémie globale de COVID-19. Étant une personne d'action, j'ai dû trouver des façons de continuer mon travail, malgré la pause forcée dans mes activités sociales.

Voilà comment l'idée pour le livret *bilingue L'héraldique au Yukon/Heraldry in the Yukon* est née. J'ai travaillé avec Samy Khalid, héraut d'armes du Canada, à la création de mes armoiries en 2018 et j'ai communiqué avec lui pour discuter de ce projet. Merci au Dr Khalid pour la permission d'adapter *Oser vous raconter* pour le Yukon, pour la rédaction de son message dans le livret, pour ses conseils et pour la révision du travail.

Merci à Steve Cowan, président de la section de la Colombie-Britannique et du Yukon de la Société royale héraldique du Canada, pour la rédaction de son message dans le livret, pour la révision du travail et pour ses encouragements.

Merci à Joanne Kelly, graphiste yukonnaise par excellence, qui a été en mesure de coucher mes idées sur papier.

Ce livret présente les armoiries, les emblèmes et les drapeaux de Yukonnais et de Yukonaises, d'organismes du Yukon et d'anciens et anciennes commissaires du Yukon avec une section sur les emblèmes autochtones.

Le lancement du livret s'est déroulé le 12 juin 2023 lors du souper d'ouverture de la conférence annuelle du gouverneur général, des lieutenants



horse, Yukon. Thank you to Steve Cowan for his presence at the launch and for helping distribute the booklet to the members.

gouverneurs et des commissaires territoriaux tenue à Whitehorse, au Yukon. Merci à Steve Cowan pour sa présence au lancement et pour l'aide avec la distribution du livret aux membres.

I hope that this booklet will contribute to showcasing more of Yukon's heraldry.

J'espère que ce livret contribuera à mettre de l'avant l'héraldique au Yukon.

Happy reading!

Bonne lecture!

Angélique Bernard, O.Y., F.R.H.S.C  
36th Commissioner of Yukon  
(March 12, 2018 – May 31, 2023)

Angélique Bernard, O.Y., F.R.H.S.C  
36e commissaire du Yukon  
(12 mars 2018 – 31 mai 2023)



Cover of the new *Heraldry in the Yukon* booklet.  
Cover image by Joanne Kelly, Whitehorse YT

Page couverture du nouveau livret sur *l'héraldique au Yukon*.  
Image de Joanne Kelly, Whitehorse, Yukon



## VICTORIA HIGHLAND GAMES

Over the long weekend of Saturday 20 May and Sunday 21 May, the branch operated its public display booth at the Victoria Highland Games at Topaz Park in Victoria BC. The crowd this year was greater than 2022 as we are now out of the public health restrictions of the COVID-19 pandemic.

I am very grateful for branch member Scott Hanwell, C.D., L.R.H.S.C., for helping set-up and man the booth on the opening day on Saturday 20 May. We were in a different location than last year; while the area was smaller it made for better access for the numerous visitors. We gave away all our heraldry material including the CHA booklets and our colouring books.



Our booth at the Victoria Highland Games on Saturday, May 20, 2023. Member Scott Hanwell is hidden somewhere in the crowd answering heraldry questions..

Photo: Steve Cowan



Our Sunday May 21 booth crew was (dexter to sinister) Gary Mitchell, Joan Merrington and Tom Mercer.

Photo: Steve Cowan

## SOCIETY PRESIDENT AS BRANCH DINNER GUEST

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Society in Montreal, we now have a new president. Congratulations to Jason Burgoin, C.D., F.R.H.S.C., F.S.A. Scot..

Jason was acclaimed president with the retirement of Vicken Koundakjian, F R.H.S.C., who had been our national leader since 2019. And some members may recall that Vicken came out to our branch in November, 2019, and joined us for our autumn luncheon.

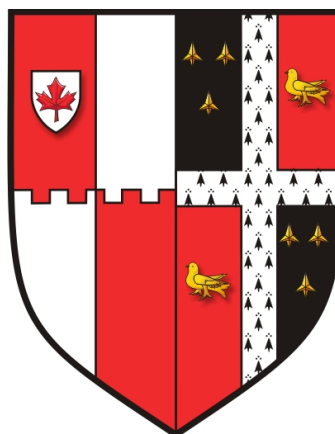
Jason is coming out for a branch visit later this year. The plan is for Jason to host a national board of directors meeting followed by a black-tie evening dinner.



Jason Burgoin, C.D., F.R.H.S.C., F.S.A. Scot, acclaimed the 27th President of the Royal Heraldry Society of Canada on May 27, 2023.

Source: Facebook

## Please set aside Saturday, November 25, 2023 to join us for dinner in Victoria.



Arms of Jason Burgoin impaled with the arms of the R.H.S.C. as the Society's 27th President.

Artwork; Steve Cowan

The location is not yet confirmed; we are trying for a dinner at Government House and our Distinguished B.C. Patron, The Honourable Janet Austin, O.B.C., has been invited.

Jason has been asked to be the guest speaker at this dinner. The idea is to hear how we are doing within the Society as well as with outside partners in how we can achieve our aim of promoting heraldry to Canadians. Further details including menu selection and payment will be sent to you via e-mail. We will be using Eventbrite again and payments can be by credit card. Everyone welcome!



## BRANCH PRESENTATION, APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2023

No joking, we did hold our 2023 branch annual general meeting on April 1st. And, similar to our previous two AGMs, we did this online via Zoom.

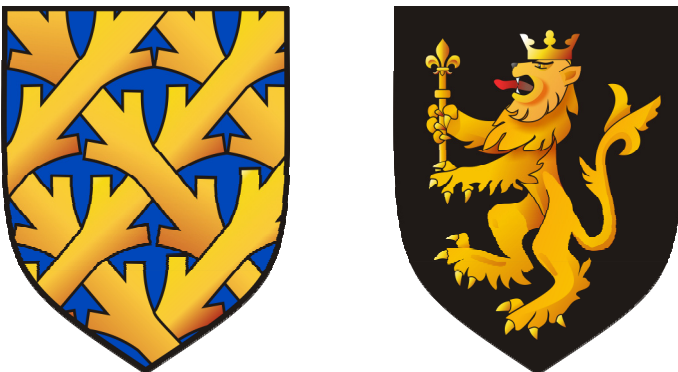
To sinister you can see the current 2023 branch executive and board members. If it looks similar to 2022 it is the same individuals; we welcome branch members to participate in our board activities and planning. And we welcome new board nominees in early 2024 as we prepare for next year's annual general meeting.

Our special presentation following the business portion of the annual general meeting was an online talk by David Robert Wooten, D.F.A.C.H., the Executive Director of the American College of Heraldry.

David's fascinating talk was titled **The Devolution and Evolution of Heraldry in the United States**. And it began in the 1780s with trying to have an official herald regulate heraldry in the new republic, to present day heraldic bodies and applications.

Various American heraldic milestones were covered including the establishment of the American College of Heraldry in 1972. David even covered the development of the first heraldic "bucket shop" and some other frauds and shams.

In appreciation of David's very interesting session, and as a way to foster continued affiliation of heraldry between our nations, I waved around a table shield for all to see. This was mailed to David and shown below are the obverse and reverse of the artwork on the table shield. Happy July 4th as well!



**Table shield for Guest Speaker David Robert Wooten**

The dexter shield has the arms of David Robert Wooten as the obverse of the table shield. To sinister reverse the shield has the arms of the American College of Heraldry.

Digital artwork by Steve Cowan

## THE BLAZON

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