WHITE SCARF

Ceremony and Text for the White Scarf and a Grant of Arms

PREPARATION:	The herald should if at all possible, determine whether the Grantee has a device registered and obtain the blason for the device from the Armorial, to include in the text given above.
Scroll/Promissory:	Scroll if prepared, Promissory otherwise.
Token:	None



Chivalry, courtesy, and excellence in the martial arts uphold the Kingdom. The fencers of the Kingdom defend it with their rapiers and with their honour bring it Glory on the Field. Accordingly in the 36th year of the Society, by treaty with diverse other Kingdoms of the Known World, the Crown of Lochac established the Order of the White Scarf in Lochac. This Order recognises those whose skill in the art of fence is worthy of renown, that exceptional skill only exceeded by the courtesy, honour and chivalry of the recipient.

We wish to commend unto You (name) for inclusion in our Company:



Let members of the White Scarf them come forward.

(The White Scarf comes and kneels before the Crown, a spokesman remains standing.)



What business do you bring before Us?

Spokesman:



We are agreed. Escort (name) into Our presence.

(They go, fetch the candidate, and return with him/her.) The Herald may give this speech, if His Majesty so desires.



Mindful of your prowess upon the field and responsive to the wishes of the Order, We are minded to add you ______ to the Companions of the White Scarf of Lochac. Will you pledge to undertake the duties of a member of this Company, to continue your endeavors in the Art of Defence as you have in the past and, from this day henceforth, to offer Us your advice and counsel on all matters related to this art? Candidate:

King /Queen: Will you now give Us your word that you will henceforth comport yourself as befits a Companion of the Order the White Scarf of the Kingdom of Lochac, as you most surely have until now, and that you will continue to be of service to Us, Our Kingdom and Our People?

Candidate: I so swear.

NO GRANT

If the newest member does not already have a Grant of Arms

I will.

Herald:

It is the privilege of the Crown to honour with a Grant of Arms those of Their subjects whose endeavours have enriched the Realm. Therefore, hear now Their words:



(If a scroll is present, it should be read at this point, otherwise, read the text below.)

Herald:

(name) whereas it has come to Our notice that through your great efforts you have significantly enriched Our Realm, it is thus Our pleasure to reward you with a Grant of Arms, (if the device is registered add: (to wit Blason). Done by Our word and hand this day of in the Anno Societatis.

(kname), Rex

(qname), Regina

ing/Oueen:

(The King and Queen may add any additional words which they have to enlighten the populace as to the virtues of the Grantee. If the scroll is done, then they will hand the Grantee the scroll.)

Herald:

Be it known that Their Majesties, _____ and ____, King and Queen of Lochac do this day honour and name Their subject (full name), Don/Dona, and do admit him/her to Order of the White Scarf of Lochac. And They do confirm his/her right to bear his/her Arms by Grant, to wit (read blazon, or 'such arms as they may register with our heralds')

King/Queen:

You now have Our leave to depart.

Herald:

For (name) newest member of Companion of the White Scarf of Lochac, Hip hip! (*3)