



To the Dream. To the West. Oertha Forever.



The Guardian

The newsletter for the Principality of Oertha, Kingdom of the West

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From the Prince and Princess of Oertha...

Warm greetings unto the fair and noble populace of Oertha.

Our time to descend from the Lupine Thrones is near and We are grateful for the opportunity to serve you as well as the Kingdom of the West. We look forward to what the future will bring and know that Our heirs will strive to uphold the traditions and values of Oertha.

With the passing of the Winter Solstice, the days are growing brighter and so too are Our hopes and dreams for Oertha. We have seen Our populace come together in times of need which has touched Our hearts greatly. We have also seen plans put in place for events that will bring to Our lands gentles from all over the Knowne World – namely June Crown later on this year and the Perfectly Plausible Feast in 2020. We ask that this growth continue and We look forward to enjoying what the populace does together to continue the tradition of warmth that only Oertha can give.

We ask that you help Our heirs and submit the names any of those kind gentles that you have seen doing great works so that they may be recognized and rewarded for their efforts. Try as We may; the Coronets of Oertha do not see all and your assistance is needed in order to ensure that recognition is made for those deserving individuals.

Finally, again, thank you. We thank every member of Our populace for the grace and courtesy you have shown Us. We ask that you continue this display of virtue to Our heirs as well as to each other. Our reign would not have been successful without every person We encountered.

Long live Oertha! Long live the West! Long live the Dream!

Culann and Sefa

Prince and Princess of Oertha



Winter Coronet and Investiture

January 18-20, 2019
Principality of Oertha

The Winter winds howl in anticipation of the Oertha Coronet Tourney, who will be inspired to greatness? Who will be the one to seize the Lupine Throne? Join Their Highness Culann and Sefa in (The) North Pole to discover who the Oerthan heirs will be!

The event will take place at Hotel North Pole, located about twenty minutes outside Fairbanks, Alaska. Restaurants and a grocery store are within walking distance of the hotel.

Please be advised that table space in the conference room is limited but there is ample socializing space in the lobby.

Remember to dress for Oerthan winter weather. Fighters and consorts should be prepared for outdoor fighting as long as weather allows. Out of Oertha visitors who need extra warm garb or have weather related questions please contact the autocrat.

Site Information: Hotel North Pole, North Pole, Alaska (449 N Santa Claus Lane).

Directions: Take the best route to Richardson Hwy (AK-2) and North Pole AK. Exit @ Santa Claus Lane, and turn into the roundabout, take the 1st exit out of the roundabout. Turn right to enter the shopping center parking lot. Hotel North Pole is beyond Pagoda restaurant and Safeway.

Event Registration: Adult Non-Member \$25 Adult Member \$20 Children (5-17) \$10.

Autocrat: Baroness Elena verch Rhys (Jessica Grahm).



Oerthan Winter Coronet and Investiture Schedule

Friday

5:00 PM Site Opens
9:00 PM Site Closes

Saturday

6:30 – 9:30AM Continental Breakfast (Hotel Guests)
9:00 AM Gate Opens
10:00 AM Opening Court and Invocation
10:30AM Armor Inspection
11:00 AM Coronet Tournament
2:00 PM Roses
2:00 PM Class: Beginning Nalbinding
3:00 PM Princess' Birthday Party
3:00 PM Chivalry Meeting
3:30 PM MoD Council
4:00 PM Gate Closes
4:00-6:00 PM Dinner Break
7:00 PM Evening Court
9:00 PM Bardic and Revelry

Sunday

6:30 – 9:30AM Continental Breakfast (Hotel Guests)
8:00 AM Laurel's Council
9:00 AM Pelican's Council
10:00 AM Oertha Business Meeting
11:00 AM Hotel Guest Checkout
12:00 PM Investiture Court
4:00 PM Site Closes

Schedule subject to change



Winter Coronet Information

* When checking into the hotel Friday please let them know you are with the SCA or Medieval group so you can get the discounted rate once we hit 25 rooms

* If the weather allows the tourney will be outdoors, fighters and consorts should prepare accordingly. If the weather is too cold, we will be fighting in the mall next door, which is a very short walk from the front of the hotel.

* A fundraiser lunch will be offered Saturday in the hotel's breakfast area. Baroness Talorc will be providing chili, meat pies, veggies and rolls. Prices are \$7 for adults \$5 for children under 12

* Lady Gisla will be teaching a beginners nalbinding class in the main conference room, she will have a limited number of needles and yarn available to borrow, if you wish to start a project and take it home make sure you bring your own needle and yarn.

* Celebrate a spin around the sun with Princess Sefa. Join her near the thrones around 3pm for a mimosa party! Juice and snacks will be provided, attendees are asked to bring 1 bottle of bubbly per 2 people.

* As the table space is limited in the conference room the event steward requests that food is kept/consumed in private rooms or the breakfast area, which the hotel is graciously letting us use after 10am.

* The site is wet, but alcohol must be consumed only in private rooms or in the conference room. Please do not take open containers into the lobby or breakfast area.

* At this time we will be unable to accommodate merchants in the conference room, we are working on a plan to allow those who wish to merchant out of private rooms. Please stay tuned for more information

Calendar

January

January 4-6 12th Night
Kingdom of the West

January 18-20 Winter Coronet
Principality of Oertha

January 26 Mid-Winter Revel
Shire of Pavlok Gorod

February

February 16 Revel
Barony of Winter's Gate

March

March 9 Festival of Minerva
Barony of Eskalya

March 22-24 March Crown
Kingdom of the West

March 30-31 Olio!
Barony of Winter's Gate

April

April 13 Fantastic Fairytale Fete
Shire of Pavlok Gorod

April 27 Fool's Revel
Barony of Winter's Gate



The Prince and Princess of Oertha watch the Zombie Tournament at the Barony of Selviergard's Haunted Harvest Samhain. Photograph by Halfdan Ozurrson.



Prince Culann and Princess Sefa enjoy the Pensic War. Photograph by Cateline La Broderesse.



Prince Culann and Princess Sefa step us as the new Prince and Princess of the Principality of Oertha. Photograph by Yama No Yuki.



Prince Culann and Princess Sefa witness the activities held at the Ducal Challenge. Photograph by Nicole Synn Vassallo.



Prince Culann and Princess Sefa at the Barony of Eskalya's Samhein. Photograph by Rainna Fathirsdottir.



The Prince and Princess visit the lands of the Canton of Bjarnarstrond for their first event. Self-photograph.



Princess Sefa enjoys the day at the Pensic War. Photograph by Cateline La Broderesse.



Family photograph from Twelfth Night Coronation in the Kingdom of the West. Photograph by Sandra Linehan.

Since Summer Coronet in July a lot has happened in our Principality and in the Kingdom of the West. Here are photographs of Their Highnesses from but a few of these events and activities that we participated in. Special thanks to the Oerthan History Guild and their members as well as independent photographers for preserving these wonderful memories.

Mid-Winter Revel

January 26, 2019
The Shire of Pavlok Gorod

Come join the Shire of Pavlok Gorod as together we celebrate the mid-winter with a revel. There is no site fee for this event and off-island visitors are always welcome. Please contact the Event Steward for more information.

Site Information: Kodiak Christian Fellowship Church (2320 Mill Bay Rd. Kodiak, AK 99615).

Site opens at 9AM and closes at 7PM.

Directions: From the Kodiak airport: Make a Right onto Renzanof Dr. Continue left at the Y onto Mill Bay Rd. Continue for approximately three miles. Look for the Kodiak Christian Fellowship Church sign on the Right side of the Road.

Event Registration: FREE

Event Steward: Mairghread Dubh inghean Alasdair (Sonia Clary).



Festival of Minerva

March 9, 2019
The Barony of Eskalya

The Barony of Eskalya invites you to break out your best tunics and togas and join us as we celebrate Quinquatria, the Roman festival of Minerva!

To pay tribute to the goddess of war, wisdom, arts, and strategy, we'll undertake gladiatorial combat on the heavy and rapier fields, have a round of Roman trivia, compete against each other in a team art triathlon, and play Roman games of skill! In honor of the Goddess' (and our own Baroness') association with owls, a prize will be offered to the artist who produces the best owl in any mode.

Dinner will be by potluck with the barony will provide a pork dish from Apicius' De Re Coquinaria.

Site information: Anchor Lutheran School / Anchorage, AK 99518.

Site opens at NOON and closes at 7PM.

Event Registration: Adult Event Registration: \$15, Adult Member Discount Event Registration: \$10, Children (0-17): \$0, Family Cap: N/A

Event Steward: Cynehild Cynesigesdohtor (Claire Knudsen-Latta)



2018 IKAC Season Scores

First; thank you to all the archers who shot and submitted scores for posting. In Open Bow the West Kingdom came in 12 of 14 Kingdoms where 275 Archers shot from all kingdoms,

109th – Stephen de la Bere(111.00) <6th in the West

114th – Etain O’Rowarke (106.00) <7th in the West

116th – Brann Mac Finnchad (104.00) <8th in West

139th – Fergus MacThomais (87.00) <12th in West

181st – Adele Mac Thomais (61.00) <14th in the West

213th – Colum Mac Eoghain Ui Niall (48.00) <15th in the West

254th – Elena Verch Rhys (22.00) <17th in the West

263rd – Hradi Kottr (16.00) <18th in the West

In Open Crossbow the West placed 5th out of 8 Kingdoms, 25 Archers total shot in the competition and the top three Archers in the Kingdom of the West were all from Oertha.

16th – Rodrigo De Reinosa (185.00) <1st in the West

19th – Duncan Llwellen (154.00) <2nd in the West

21st – Raiden Dean (108.00) <3rd in the West

The next IKAC (52nd year) begins February 1st 2019, I hope Oertha will be this well Represented again. Even if you don’t shoot IKAC...go to the range and shoot: it’s a lot of fun.

Information provided by Baron Stephen de le Bere

Are you interested to learn more of the history of the Great Principality of Oertha? Do you have items from our past that you would like to share?

Join the Oertha History Guild Today!

The Oertha History Guild is for people endeavoring to recover and preserve the glorious history of our Principality and all its Branches.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/OerthaHistory/>



The next edition of The Guardian, the newsletter for the Principality of Oertha, will be published on April 15, 2019. The Chronicler is looking for stories, rhymes, research papers, and other items to add. Please contact the Chronicler if you would like to have something published. The deadline for submissions is April 1, 2019.

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Long live the King and Queen of the West!

Long Live the Prince and Princess of Oertha!

June Crown

June 21-23, 2019

The Principality of Oertha will be hosting the Kingdom of the West's June Crown and it will be held at the Palmer Fairgrounds in Palmer, AK.

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