# The DragonTale

The Barony of Selviergard, April 2011



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### FROM THE CHRONICLER...

If spring has not sprung it is definitely around the corner. Now is the time to start getting ready for the myriad of outdoor events that the Principality has to offer this summer. So dust off your wide-brimmed hat, make sure you know where your pavilion is, and get ready for some fun in the sun (don't forget the sunscreen!).

The first true outdoor event will be hosted by the Barony of Selviergard. The Spring Pas d'Armes will be held on May 20-22 in scenic northern part of Selviergard. The event will endeavor to display not only the marshal prowess of the participants, but their chivalric abilities as well. The event will be filled with pageantry and excitement; with a some traditional Selviergard mayhem added in for good measure. More information about this event can be found on the Baronial and Principality websites as well as this newsletter.

In other news, the DragonTale newsletter is looking for field reporters and general independent writers. If you would like to write articles for this publication contact the Chronicler as soon as possible. With your help the entire Barony of Selviergard can benefit from the knowledge and passion only you can provide.

Last, but not least, the Selviergard Fighter Practice has once again resumed in the Wonderland Park. As always, information will be posted on the various Yahoo groups, the Baronial Facebook page, and the website as the dates become available. Get your armor ready as we prepare for grand melees and mass weapons!

In Service,

Kurios Thomas "Two-Bears" Sorngrym, Chronicler

#### Check out the Baronial Website!!!

www.selviergard.info

## **Spring Pas d'Armes**

Barony of Selviergard

Unto the known world does the Baron and Baroness of Selviergard issue this challenge to come forth unto the field of honor and display your skill in a Pas d'armes for heavy and rapier fighters. In true spirit of the dream march unto the field with your banners flying. Enjoy the start of the summer in Oertha and then let the Spring Offensive Begin.

Site Info: 24657 W. Sunnyside Way, Willow, AK Site opens Friday night at noon — closes Sunday night. See constable for parking instructions. Camping on site. Event schedule and Pas guide lines will be posted to SCA Barony of Selviergard Yahoo Groups documents and a copy will also be available at the Barony web site <a href="http://www.selviergard.info/">http://www.selviergard.info/</a>. Feast will be a pot luck with the Barony providing meats and some sides. Side dishes age 49 and younger age 50 and older deserts. Please bring enough to feed 8 to 10 people.

Site Fee: Adults \$12.00, Children 6-12 \$6.00, Under 6 free. / Family cap \$40.00 (cap does not include NMS) Non-Member Surcharge \$5.00/make checks payable to SCA Inc – Barony of Selviergard

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Directions: Mile 71 Parks highway. From Anchorage turn left on Willow creek parkway, take the first left on Sunny Brooke, take the first Right on Sunny Side, second house on right. From Fairbanks turn right on Willow Creek parkway. Check in with constabulary for parking directions.

#### - ADVERTISEMENT -

# **Baronial Job Listings**

The following offices are in need of replacements. If you have a desire or interest to help the Barony of Selviergard in one of these positions, please contact the seneschal.

#### Chatelaine

**Deputy Chronicler** 

Constable

**Deputy Herald** 

#### Two Bears' Curiosities

#### **Chinese Calligraphy**

http://www.chinapage.com/callig1.html

#### **Portable Scribal Desk**

http://hem.bredband.net/LiaThornegge/desk/index.html

#### The Medieval Arts Page of Randy Asplund

http://www.randyasplund.com/browse/med ieval/medieval.html

#### **Camp Furniture**

http://bloodandsawdust.com/sca/campstuff.

#### Pennsic War 40

http://www.pennsicwar.org/penn40/

Got something to add? Found an interesting website? Send your links to the Chronicler!

## **Baronial Changeover**

Barony of Winter's Gate

The Barony of Winter's Gate celebrated the reign of Baron Griffin and Baroness Margery and invested Gwyneth Rhiannon of the Sea as their new Baroness on the 16th of April in the northern most barony of Oertha. The weather cooperated with the celebrants that weekend, offering unusually warm weather and bright sunlight throughout the event.

The Prince and Princess of Oertha were in attendance for the event and elevated Baroness Gwyneth on Saturday evening. Additionally, Their Highnesses took the opportunity to recognize members of the populace for their works. Lord Colin Jak Leslie was honored with a position in Her Highnesses guard, Beorn se Bacaire was admitted to the Companions of the Diamond Willow, and Kenneth Haldane was given his Award of Arms. Furthermore, a proclamation from the King and Queen of the West was read, elevating Griffin and Margery to their own baronies in the court of the West.

The feast consisted of amazing delicacies prepared by the populace. Glasses were raised, songs were performed, and a great time was had by all. A bardic circle was immediately set up after feast, with many Oerthan favorites artfully performed.

Saturday saw a Pas d'Armes and a rapier tournament while Sunday saw more rapier fighting and various classes. The Rapier marshals were able to authorize new fighters, making the Barony of Winter's Gate a force to be reckoned with on the field of battle.

Congratulations to Baroness Gwyneth of Winter's Gate for her ascension to the Winter Throne!

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#### **Calendar of Events**

Heraldry Classes May 14-15 Principality of Oertha

Spring Pas d'Armes May 20-22 Barony of Selviergard

Spring Captaincy May 28 Barony of Winter's Gate

See the Sea
June 11
Shire of Pavlok Gorod

Autocrats, please notify both Webministers and Chroniclers of your event dates!



#### A Note for all Autocrats...

Please make sure to send a copy of your event information to your local web minister and the Principality web minister to ensure that your event is properly advertised on the websites. These courtesy copies; in addition to sending them to the various chroniclers, should be in addition to postings on the various e-mail group lists.

Autocrats are encouraged to post upcoming event information on the Baronial Facebook page as well. If you need help, please contact the Chronicler.

Editor

# Chivalry Is Not Just For Knights: The Introduction

Kurios Thomas "Two-Bears" Sorngrym

The Society for Creative Anachronism is a social organization that is based on, among several other concepts, the idea of chivalry. This idea is a part of what binds us together and makes the difference between the mundane world and the realm in which we play. Without people incorporating and sowing chivalry into every aspect of the Society we risk of ruining The Dream for everyone.

Chivalry can be viewed in several different aspects. Count Sir Garick von Kopke notes that Chivalry can be seen as several concepts that are inter-related: Prowess, Courage, Honesty, Loyalty, Generosity, Faith, Courtesy, and Franchise. These concepts are the cornerstone of the Order of Chivalry, and while some people may add or subtract from the original list; these are the concepts we will discover together.

Chivalry has long been thought of to dwell in the realm of Knighthood; solely belonging to the Order of Chivalry. This is where the problem lies. In the opinion of this humble author; a portion of those who do not wear the white belt see chivalry as a concept that they do not have the responsibility to practice and uphold. When the vast majority of the populace of any group practices chivalric attitudes towards one another; a new era of peace and prosperity cannot be far behind. This is because The Dream, the concept that holds us together and acts as the glue of proper Society, is stronger than corruption, hatred, and wickedness.

Throughout my next several missives, gentle reader, the ideas of chivalry will be examined. We will...

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#### Answers to the Medieval Riddles

"The beginning of eternity
The end of time and space
The beginning of every end,
And the end of every place."

ANSWER: The letter "e"

"I never was, am always to be,
No one ever saw me, nor ever will
And yet I am the confidence of all
To live and breathe on this terrestrial ball."

ANSWER: Tomorrow

"At night they come without being fetched, And by day they are lost without being stolen."

ANSWER: The stars

Submit your own riddle to the Chronicler!



### THE DRAGON IS HUNGRY!

Keep it fed with your submissions of stories, recipes, poems, epics, brilliant thoughts and event announcements. The next DragonTale newsletter will be published in June.

Deadline for submissions will be May 25<sup>th</sup>

If you would like to share your pictures, please send them as JPEG files to Thomas at thomassorngrym@yahoo.com



Chivalry, continued...

witness solutions and applications that can be incorporated into our lives within the Society. Together we will explore this concept and work together as one to strengthen our group's bonds; for when the members of any group decline to act with chivalry towards one another, that group is in danger of falling apart.

In the next edition of The DragonTale newsletter, we will start our journey into the realm of Chivalry by examining Prowess.

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