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The Midnight

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April 1989

## Coverup Exposed!

Ancient polyester discovered at  
the Herjolfsnes site in Greenland

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West Kingdom Chronicler Rhea publishes first  
wet tunic issue of The Page.

BoD member Alan of Ockham to be on  
centerfold.

**King Geoffrey  
sells soul to  
Elvis Presley's  
ghost to win  
Crown!**



**Space Alien disguised as  
Irone caught playing with  
the princess' buns**

## The Iran/Earngyld Affair

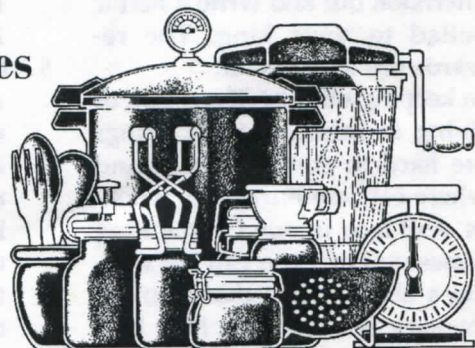
Earngyld militia attempts to  
trade rattan for hostages.  
Attempt endorsed by Oliver North.

Lady Katya wins  
Kingdom Cooking Contest  
with period Spam casserole.

Lady Wynflaed serves  
pizza at Oerthan  
Coronet.

"I didn't know pizza  
was a Viking dish" says  
Kylson.

I just used articles  
from The  
Sounding as  
documentation."





# Peerage Awards to End in West

Thomas of Linlithgow  
Associated NonPeer Press

In a surprise move the West Kingdom principals of the orders of the Laurel and of the Pelican announced that as of today no further Laurels or Pelicans will be given out.

*The Midnight Sounding Star* has learned that the reason for the decision is the inability to predict future levels of activity. "Recently the peerage has attempted to ensure that awards will only be given in cases where current levels of contributions to the Society will continue after the award is received. Lately, there have been too many cases of people not contributing any more after receiving peerages. Just recently we had a case where a Lady received a Laurel and the next week walked under a passenger dragon. We haven't gotten so much as a

scroll or a newsletter cover from her since!"

Sources indicate that the peers attempted for a time to use Tarot cards to predict future levels of activity, but that this technique was a failure, apparently due to the cards' confusion between Society and real personas.

The spokesperson for the Laurels and pelicans noted that the ruling does not apply to the Chivalry. Predictions of future levels of activity are not a problem there. "We searched our records and have been unable to come up with a single example of a stick jock smart enough to give up getting bashed over the head."

Even the case of unexpected death isn't a problem. "Everybody knows how hard it is to kill a knight. I've seen them get hit by blows a lot tougher than any bus could deliver and simply ignore them. Even when they are killed

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they still show up at the next tourney. It's rumored that one knight is still fighting even though his mundane persona has been dead for five years."

The ruling also does not apply to royal peerages which are beyond the control of the Laurels and Pelicans. The spokesperson noted, however, that "we're currently negotiating to correct that obvious error in SCA law. In any case that's a different situation. We give those awards to people when they stop doing something." ☉

## Seanan de Montfort's Guide to Success as a Bard

1. **Get "in" with someone influential.** Talent is nice, but not without the proper background. The right schools, the right family, the right burgermeister, etc. After all, you're in this for the money/sex/comfort, right? (Music? What's that?)
2. **Know well the hand that bribes.** This is also called "salary," and is quite a recent development. It pays well to say nice things about the person feeding/housing/clothing you. Take an afternoon out and write a heroic ballad to your king. The rewards are substantial.
3. **In keeping with #2, Keep cost of living in mind.** Cat gut strings are hard to come by in a land where cats are burned as witches. And bear in mind, if the King pisses you off, you can try writing a slightly less than complimentary twiddle bout how bare your coffers are, and how, just the other day, "His Maj" did something enormously silly. Of course, you *might* get clapped in irons, but bards generally have limited diplomatic immunity, and you can get off scott free if you amuse the Queen. Give it a try! Be creative!
4. **Know the power of the hand that wields the power.** Often times, it's yours. After all, you are the King's main source of PR. He needs you. Sometimes, it is good to remind him of that fact. Sometimes, it is good to let him think that hand is his.
5. **Never, ever, say a bad thing about the Queen.** Queens are usually nice, quiet people who are wondering why the King did this to them. The people love to hear nice things about their Queen. Queens are usually the better half of the royal picture, and give you lots of nice presents and make sure you get paid. And, if you get a really busy Queen, saying wonderful things is a great way to keep your head on your shoulders.
6. **Get a good pair of shoes.** One thing about diplomatic immunity, you get to travel. A lot. Of Course, this could have more to do with an indiscreet liaison or a casual remark dropped in the wrong place, but it's good to be prepared.
7. **Keep your mouth shut.** You learn all sorts of interesting and unusual facts if you fool people into thinking you're the quiet, discreet type instead of the nosy parker you probably are. Keep your ears open, let drop a comment the King's way about a possible invasion or revolt, or even where the good wines are, and you get privy to all sorts of stuff — wine, women, and someone else to do the damned singing for a change! ☉



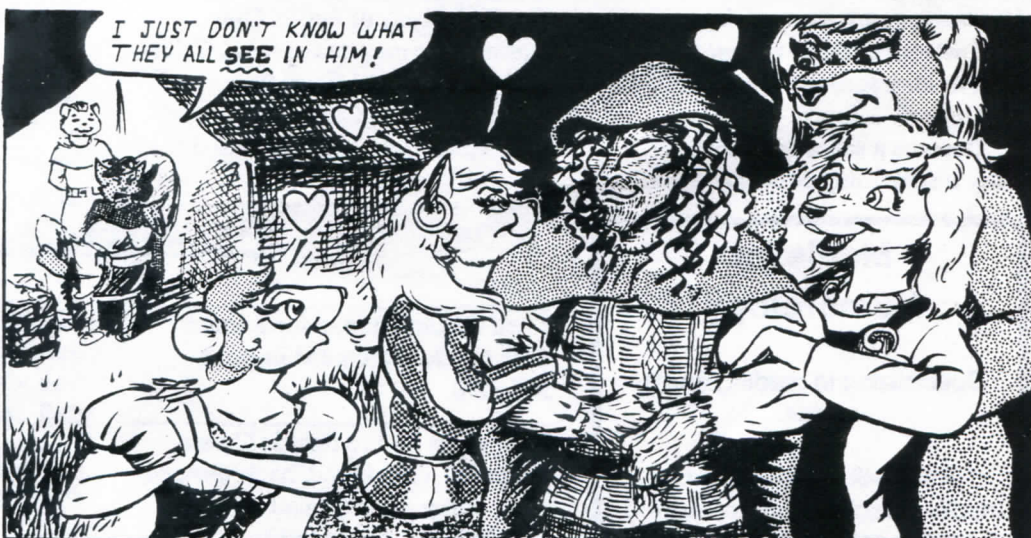
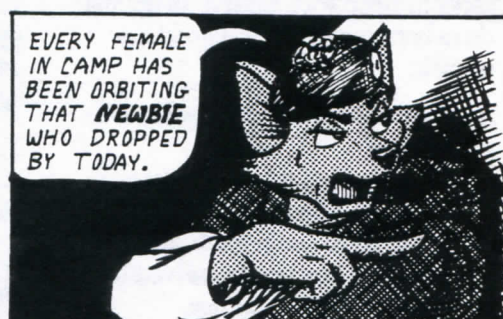
## Wolf's Predictions for AS XXIV

- ★ Oweneth will give birth to twin "stick jocks"
- ★ Hirsch will give birth to an idea which will die prematurely
- ★ Earngyld's fighters will perform heavy metal bel-lydancing at the Casba at kingdom 12th Night, accompanied by Duke Stephen on his "Dum-Beck"
- ★ Baroness Elaine will be given knighthood after winning a fist fight with Aryana and Sharane
- ★ Duke Stephen will officially change his name to Duke Cupcake
- ★ Berengaria will win October Crown using only her snappy wit
- ★ Seanan the Beleaguered will marry Sean Penn after winning his love by knocking him out in one punch
- ★ Wolf will sell his wife and kid to Atenveldt dwarves and move to Lochac
- ★ Aliens from outerspace will replace Adam's bring with macaroni and cheese. No one will notice the difference.

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## Award Hunting Made Easy

*Why is it ok for fighters to hunger after recognition, but not for others to do so?*

A: it should come as no surprise that male dominated awards reward assertiveness. Pelicans and laurels were invented for women, it's just incidental when a man gets one. you know most fighters regard non-fighting men as strange birds.

*How do you get an Award of Arms?*

A: Wash dishes.

*Is there any other way?*

A: Sleeping with royal peers often works. it sometimes looks more tacky to sleep with royalty, so getting them between reigns is a good approach.

*Are there any other ways to get awards besides sex?*

A: Taking a high level office can work. But be sure to choose one that doesn't require much work. Then someone will just say you served four years in an important office.

*You mean that someone who works hard without visibility will get fewer rewards than someone who takes the right office?*

A: Become a seneschal. After all, work is something non-seneschals

do. Then trade it in for a principality office.

*Like Herald?*

A: Heavens no! You might actually have to do something.

*Is personality important for awards?*

A: Absolutely. A loveable lunk will get far more recommendations than a talented jackass.

*Does winning contest help for arts awards?*

A: Yes, but why go to all that work? just pour saffron all over some Sara Lee product and everyone will think it's period cooking.

*Are contests the best route for arts recognition?*

A: No. Only three judges ever see your entry. Giving gifts to royalty is by far the best route. Especially something they will wear time and again.

*You mean make regalia?*

A: Are you kidding? They don't get to keep the regalia.

*Are there specific arts that work better than others?*

A: Yes. Better to go with a fine art like calligraphy or music. One masterpiece may do the trick. Calligraphy works great if you have no talent; just pay a local mundane artist to crank out a few scrolls and then

complain of burnout after you get your Laurel.

*How do I get people to write recommendations for me?*

A: Right after they get an award, claim that it was your recommendation that did it. Then they will feel like returning the favor. Of course, you never recommended them, but so what?

*What if no one likes me enough to recommend me?*

A: Easy. Most people write their own recommendation letters. Who knows better how great you are than yourself?

*How can a fighter look good, besides fighting?*

A: The best bet is to hand around with a classy lady. Anyone who is good enough for her must be knight material. No one has to know that she just likes animals for boyfriends. Best to pick a peer or peer material.

*Does announcing that you feel unrewarded help anyone seeking awards?*

A: Not often. never show hunger. it's like getting a bankloan. They only loan money to people who act like they don't need it.

*How will I know when I've got Award Hunger?*

A: When anyone in a circlet starts looking good, regardless of age, sex, or beauty.

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## Ask Stellanordica

*Dear Stellanordica,*  
I seem to be having trouble locating reference material for period naming practices and heraldic insignia for the Naruandi-Umbrozu tribe of the upper Oxara valley in the Ethiopian province of Rataro during the 1124-1153 Ethiop/Islamic cross-cultural renaissance. Can you suggest any sources?

*Igor the Insatiable*

Dear Igor,  
What is it with you members of the College of St. Ignatio the Dyslexic? Last month it was Imperial Cambodian elephant drivers heraldic tattoos, and now this! Okay, here goes: My 1934 edition of Watson, O'Dowd and Al-Faroud's *Ridiculously Rare, Trivial & Esoteric Books* tells me that there are still three existing copies of Gunnarson's *Early History of Oxaran Tribal Units* which is probably the only extant source. After some research, I have found that only two copies are still around, the third

having been burned by rabid librarians during an "ethnic purity on our bookshelves" protest in 1957. Of the two remaining copies, only one is available (the other is in a time capsule in the cornerstone of the Empire State Building). This last copy is in the Rataro Regional Library in Ethiopia, and can normally be borrowed through the U.S. Library of Congress' Intercontinental Library Loan Program, which process would normally take about two years. There are, however, complications in the form of the Ethiopian National Liberation Front, which is currently occupying the Rataro Regional Library as their headquarters. According to an ENLF spokesman, "All library loans have been indefinitely suspended, except to ENLF officers." As I see it then, in order to document a name and device for the area and time that you desire, you must join (temporarily at least) the ENLF, and serve 3-5 years in order to become a lieutenant so that you may gain borrowing privileges. Good Luck!

P.S. the book is a first edition, which was only printed in the author's native language (Finnish) so be sure to bring a translator.

*Dear Stellanordica,*  
My local herald refuses to send in my device submission for registration, and I have tried three times! The first time he took one look, and then barfed all over it. The second time he just laughed at me ... over and over. the third time he yelled "No, No, a thousand times no!" and then stomped off. So I guess what I want to know is, what's wrong with: Checky chartrues and mauve, on a fess lavender two pink hearts surrounding a Siamese kitten, tail chasant proper, in chief a rainbow proper, base a winged unicorn rampant affronty argent, winged, horned, and hooped Or, and an orle of roses gules? And how can I get it passed?

*Signed, Confused, Hurt, and Blonde Between the Ears*

Dear Blondie,  
Try joining a shire of Smurfs.

## The War Story

No shit, there I was at the

- a) Pennsic War
- b) West-Caid War
- c) West-AnTir War
- d) Estrella War
- e) Mists-Cynagua War

with my trusty

- a) ax
- b) sword
- c) spear
- d) pike
- e) war-hammer
- f) naginata

standing there in the

- a) blazing hot sun
- b) pouring rain
- c) freezing cold
- d) swarms of bugs

when all of a sudden, up came

- a) (*famous/infamous fighter*)
- b) the King
- c) half the enemy's army
- d) (*famous fighting unit*)

and the next thing you know,

- a) he/they charged me
- b) I charged him/them
- c) we all waited and waited

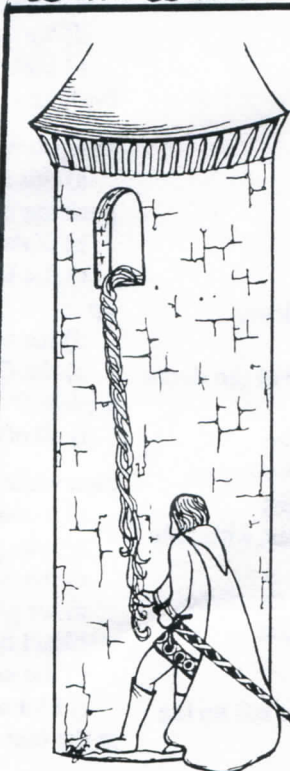
but I could have saved the battle except

- a) my stupid unit went the wrong way
- b) nobody followed me when I charged
- c) the enemy treacherously attacked me all at once
- d) (*famous/infamous fighter*) was in my way
- e) some members of the Chivalry spotted up on me
- f) all of the above

so I got killed because

- a) the commander was a jerk
- b) (*famous/infamous fighter*) wouldn't accept my blows
- c) somebody on our side hit me by accident
- d) those damn archers spotted me

*Wolf's World*



The Prince gets a sudden urge to dunk Rapunzel's hair in an ink well.



(The Ware Story continued...)

- e) \_\_\_\_\_ hit me when I wasn't looking
- f) I tripped and fell over \_\_\_\_\_
- g) a javelineer snuck up on me from behind
- h) all of the above

and while I was lying there, somebody

- a) gave me water
- b) tripped over me
- c) fell on me
- d) piked me
- e) put me into a barricade on the bridge
- f) all of the above

even though I was already dead. No shit! I tell ya,

- a) I'm gonna have to get a new (*piece of armor*), mine got so bashed
- b) if they'd put *me* in charge, I would have won it
- c) nobody in this group understands how a *real* battle ought to be fought
- d) those guys always have all the good fighters
- e) the terrain was lousy and that site sucks
- f) all of the above

but it was great, and I can hardly wait til the next one!

## The Latest Gossip Story

You see, I was at

- a) fighter practice
- b) lunch
- c) the Kingdom Officer's meeting
- d) the Shire meeting
- e) \_\_\_\_\_'s house
- f) a heralds' meeting

and I

- a) was talking to
- b) was listening to
- c) overheard
- d) was giving advice to

—you'll never guess! —

- a) the King
- b) the Prince
- c) the Seneschal
- d) I can't think of their name
- e) you-know-who
- f) the visitor from the East Kingdom

and I just learned

- a) how the King messed up this time
- b) that \_\_\_\_\_ is sleeping with \_\_\_\_\_
- c) about the trouble \_\_\_\_\_ is having with his lady/her lord

d) that \_\_\_\_\_ has stopped sleeping with \_\_\_\_\_

- e) that a new group wants to take over the Shire/Office/Kingdom
- f) that \_\_\_\_\_ is out of a job
- g) there's a secret meeting being held at \_\_\_\_\_
- h) that they're going to King/Laurel/Pelican \_\_\_\_\_
- i) that \_\_\_\_\_ is being called before a Court of Chivalry
- j) that \_\_\_\_\_ quit \_\_\_\_\_'s household in a huff

and did anybody tell you what went on

- a) last week at fighter practice
- b) at the Chivalry/Laurel/Pelican meeting
- c) during Court Sunday morning before God and everybody
- d) in the bathroom
- e) while the Officer's meeting was being held in the bedroom
- f) at the Bardic circle
- g) behind the Royal Pavilion

and how

- a) the King lost his temper and yelled
- b) \_\_\_\_\_ asked for a divorce
- c) the seneschal resigned

## The Tourney Tale

Well, we set off for

- a) Crown Tourney
- b) Coronation Tourney
- c) Investiture
- d) Coronet Tourney
- e) Egils Tourney
- f) Pennsic
- g) other

and we got in the car and drove

- a) for four hours
- b) for ten hours because of the damn commute traffic
- c) for three days, non-stop
- d) around in circles for hours, because there weren't any signs
- e) for eight hundred miles, with only one stop for gas
- f) for six hours, because the directions in the newsletter sucked

and when we got there

- a) there wasn't any space left on the eric

- b) we couldn't find any of our friends
- c) we had to set up camp in the dark
- d) we got the last spot on the eric
- e) Duke Frederick had been there for hours

and you wouldn't believe it, but

- a) this nice person helped us to unpack the car
- b) Duke Frederick wasn't in garb yet
- c) the Royal Pavilion was actually set up

- d) for once we didn't have a fight
- e) the Chirurgeons let us have some aspirin
- f) all of the above

then while we were setting up

- a) it started to rain
- b) it began to snow
- c) the wind came up
- d) we got sunburned like you wouldn't believe
- e) the mosquitos ate us alive
- f) I hit myself while I was hammering in the tent stakes

and to make things worse,

- a) this jerk stood by and made dopey remarks
- b) we had to camp next to \_\_\_\_\_
- c) just as we finished setting up, the autocrat told us to move
- d) our campsite was right on the path to the privies
- e) all of the above

and it was really a pain when

- a) the bardic circle sang "Give Me That Old Time Religion"
- b) some inconsiderate boobs kept us awake *all* night
- c) we discovered we had forgotten to pack \_\_\_\_\_
- d) some wet-blankets kept telling us to shut up
- e) our allergies kicked in
- f) there was Court for *hours*
- g) the privies got unspeakable
- h) I nearly got choked when I waked into a guy rope
- i) all of the above

but it sure was nice to see everybody.



- d) \_\_\_\_\_ told \_\_\_\_\_ to get lost
- e) his wife/her husband walked in
- f) there was a big fight
- g) \_\_\_\_\_ is being fired for incompetence
- h) we've lost the site for Crown/Coronet/Twelfth Night

and nobody told you about *any* of this? well, it's *true*!

## The When I Joined the SCA Story

When I joined the SCA

- a) a year ago
- b) five years ago
- c) back in A.S. X
- d) back before it was even *called* the SCA
- e) before you were born
- f) before all this crap about "the Dream" got started

there were only (*number of*) Kingdoms, and we didn't have

- a) dome tents

- b) Pelicans
- c) bunny-fur bikinis
- d) Principalities
- e) a Board of Directors
- f) flush privies
- g) any of the above

and this was before \_\_\_\_\_

- a) was King
- b) was made a Peer
- c) sat on the BoD
- d) became such a jerk
- e) burned out
- f) moved out of the Kingdom
- g) got married and had kids
- h) was a member
- i) joined the human race
- j) any of the above

and there weren't any stupid rules about

- a) getting a name and heraldic device registered
- b) period clothes or pavilions
- c) armor standards
- d) being a paid member
- e) women being allowed to fight
- f) how late you could party
- g) killing from behind
- h) all of the above

and everyone was

- a) so *young*
- b) friends
- c) poor
- d) already split into factions
- e) a Peer
- f) all of the above

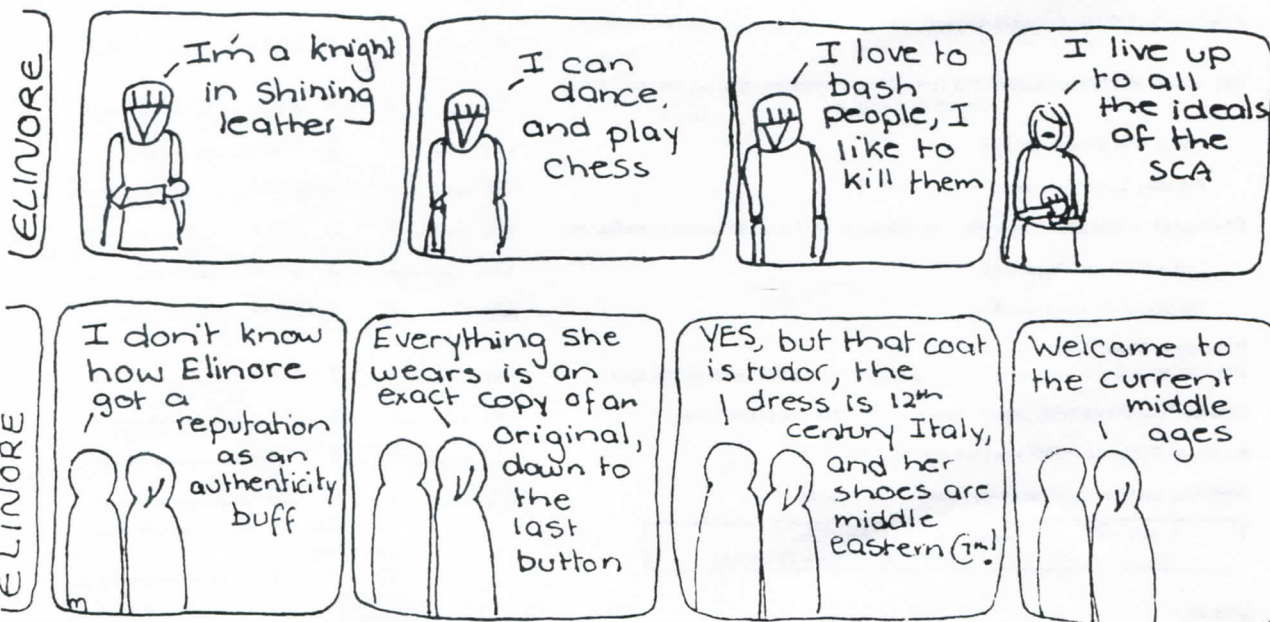
and people still had respect for

- a) the Crown
- b) the Chivalry/Laurels/Pelicans
- c) their elders
- d) the people they slept with
- e) all of the above

because you don't know what it was like to

- a) have Twelfth Night at Mills College
- b) revel in someone's backyard
- c) have Crown at Big Trees
- d) have an Order of precedence only one page long
- e) sing SF folk songs at the bardic circle
- f) do scrolls in Elvish
- g) make yourself up like a Vulcan and wear panne' velvet
- h) all of the above

and it was really great, but it's all gone downhill since then.





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# Earngyld Calendar

## April

- 3 - Dance Practice, Douglas Library, 7:30 pm - contact Aelfwynn
- 17 - Dance Practice, Douglas Library, 7:30 pm - contact Aelfwynn
- 18 - Heraldry, Amalric's, 7 pm
- 24 - Business Meeting, Douglas Library, 7:30 pm
- 29 - Lochac Trip Slid Show, Site TBA, Call Adam

## May

- 13-14 - **Beltane**, Methodist Camp (autocrat: Jean Gray), 6 pm
- 22 - Business Meeting, 7:30 pm

## June *(Officer reports due to Earngyld Seneschal)*

- 10 - Sounding Garage Sale
- 24 - **Solstice**, Methodist Camp (autocrat: Rhea)

## July

- 4 - **4th of July Parade** (autocrat: Alysandra)  
**Sandy Beach Demo** (autocrat: The Earngyld Fighters)  
**Post Revel**, at Patrice's
- 22-23 - **Oerthan Summer Coronet**, Eskalya/Selviergard
- 29 - **Newcomer's Prize Tourney & Revel** (autocrat: Wolf)

## August

- 18-20 - **Haines Fair Demos** (Autocrats: Katya, Patrice; Food coordinator: Wynflaed; Transportation coordinator: Alysandra)

## September

- 16 - **Fighters Revel** (autocrats: Patrick & Georg)

## October

- 21 - **Samhein** (autocrats: Katya)

## December *(Officer reports due to Earngyld Seneschal)*

- 9 - **Yule** (autocrat: Wynflaed)

## January

- 20-21 - **Oerthan Winter Coronet**, Winter's Gate



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and other editorial comments

**Baronial Bake Sale** netted \$192 in one day for the Haines Fair Fund. We've made the money we needed to get the castle and other major items to Haines Fair this year. The draft of the barony's participation plan has been sent to the Haines Fair, listing what site we'd like and what we intend to do.

Katya would like to remind all **Earn-gyld officers** that they are expected to show up to at least a few business meetings. She would like those who will be missing a meeting to phone her to get information, give her information, and to inform her that you will be unable to make it to the meeting. Please remember that it is necessary that the efforts of all officers be coordinated and not in conflict with each other.

## Regular Activities

### **Business Meeting -**

4th Monday, 7:30pm, call the Seneschal for info.

### **Flour of Chivalry, Cooking Guild) -**

Wednesdays as announced, 7pm, call Wynflaet 789-9466

### **Fighter Practice -**

Every Saturday, 10am, call Irone 789-1979 or Georg 364-2676

### **Dance Practice -**

Every first and third Mondays (starting in March) at the Douglas Library, call Aelfwynn 463-5034

## MAYPOLE FEAST

May 13-14

**Location:** S.E. Methodist Camp, 28 mile Glacier Highway

**Times:** Friday, 6 pm for setup  
Saturday - Noon to 4 pm - Prize Tournament

4 pm to 6 pm - Maypole Dance  
6 pm - Feast

(followed by singing, dancing, and general merriment)

Sunday - Noon - Quest

4 pm - Close of Event

4 to 6 pm, Clean-up

**Site Fee:** \$4

**Food Fee:** \$10 (children 0-9 year, \$5)

Bring feasting gear (e.g. medieval type plates, goblets, utensils, etc...)

**Overnight Fee:** \$3 per person, per night (Friday and/or Saturday nights)

(Children 0-5 years are free, 6-12 years are 1/2 price)

Bring bedding if you plan to stay in the cabins. Pavilions are also OK to bring.

**Autocrat:** (Jean Gray) Jeanne F. Muller, 7946 Gladstone St., Juneau, AK 99801  
(907) 789-1730

**Reservations:** Please make reservations by May 10

## LETTERS

*Dear Ladies & Knights of the Society,*

*We were so pleased to have you help us with our annual Blue & Bold Banquet. Also a great thanks for the knights who talked to our Cubs in their Den Meetings.*

*Thank You,*

*Pack 10, Cub Scouts*

## Calendar of Other Oerthan Events

### April

1 Fools' Revel, Eskalya (Anchorage)

1-2 Alascon Ten, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)

22 Collegium, Eskalya (Anchorage)

29 Sprint Revel, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)

### May

6 May Revel, Eskalya (Anchorage)

20-21 Spring Offensive, Selveirgard (Mat-Su, Houston)

27-28 Captaincy Tourney, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)

### June

3 Revel, Selveirgard (Mat-Su)

9-11 Anchorage Ren Faire

24 Baroness' Champion, Eskalya (Anchorage)

25 Kite Flying Day, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)

### July

21-23 Summer Coronet, Selveirgard (Mat-Su, Houston)

### August

11-20 Tanana Valley Fair (Fairbanks)

11-13 Sinister Chicken Wars, Selveirgard (Mat-Su)

### September

3 Harvest Captaincy, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)

23 Collegium, Selveirgard (Mat-Su)

### October

7 Baroness' Birthday, Eskalya (Anchorage)

14 Harvest In Revel, Selveirgard (Mat-Su)

15 Michaelmass, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)

28 Samhein, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)

### November

4 Samhein, Eskalya (Anchorage)

### December

10 Yule Feast, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)

16 Yule, Eskalya (Anchorage)

### January

20-21 Oerthan Winter Coronet, Winter's Gate (Fairbanks)



# The New Guardian

*The following is a new policy on the Oerthan newsletter, put out by Their Highnesses Phalen and Vanora.*

## Quarterly Publication

*The Guardian* will be printed every three months. This should allow the Chronicler time to overcome any publication/distribution or resources problems he might encounter. This also allows a two month period in which people will have time to write in and express their viewpoints on various topics pertaining to Oertha.

## Subscription/Tithe

Those who wish to receive *The Guardian*, may do so by subscribing directly themselves, or by donating to the local *Guardian* tithe and establishing their name on the mailing list. Mailing lists will be discussed further in the "Local Chronicler" section.

## Contents of the Guardian

The following list is what you can expect to see printed in *The Guardian*.

1. An Oerthan calendar, briefly stating the month and prospective date of coming events within the Principality.
2. A list of Seneschals and the areas in which they reside.
3. A list of Oerthan officers.
4. Prospective changes in Oerthan law.
5. Missives from the populace pertaining to subjects which have appeared in *The Guardian*, or items they feel would be of interest to all Oerthans (In your submissions, please remember to be tactful when writing about subjects of a sensitive nature. A little courtesy and grace goes a long way).
6. Prospective decisions made by Oerthan officers.

## How the new Guardian format will affect Chroniclers and their localities

Baronies, shires, and any other groups within Oertha interested in receiving *The Guardian*, shall submit a list to their local chronicler which represents all those who contributed through tithe or subscription toward receipt of *The Guardian*.

The local chronicler shall submit a mailing list of said individuals to *The Guardian*. This will present a slight inconvenience in the beginning, but once the mailing list is in place, it should require only occasional updates to keep it current.

Since *The Guardian* will not be printing specific news of upcoming events, it will be necessary for local chroniclers to send copy directly to other local newsletters in which they would like to see news of their event published. For example: Eskalya would send news of upcoming events in their area to the Earngyld and Winter's Gate chroniclers.

These chroniclers would then publish these events in the next copy of their own newsletter. By this method, timely notice of events can be obtained. It would also be a golden opportunity for chroniclers to exchange bits of local news, amusing trivia, information from Kingdom which a traveling local has just brought back with him, etc.

It is the hope of Their Highnesses, Phalen and Vanora, that this new format will bring *The Guardian* to such a state of health, that it might once again be published on a monthly basis, and with an expansion of contents. With this goal in mind, they ask the populace of Oertha to lend their wholehearted support.

## Books In Print

*This is a collection of books on medieval subjects that are scheduled to be released this month by the publishers.*

**Daggers of Faith: Thirteenth-Century Christian Missionizing and Jewish Response**, by Robert Chazan (University of California Press; 226 pages; \$39.95). Discusses the origins and history of the Catholic Church's vigorous campaign to convert European Jewry during the 13th century; focuses on the campaign's "first wave" from

1240 to 1280, and examines Jewish public and private responses to the church's efforts.

**Cardinal Beaufort: A Study of the Lancastrian Ascendancy and Decline**, by G.L. Harriss (Oxford University Press; 420 pages; \$79). Discusses the life of the English prelate and statesman Henry Beaufort (circa 1374-1447), a major figure in the rise and decline of the royal house of Lancaster.

**From Devine Cosmos to Sovereign State: An Intellectual History of Consciousness and the Idea of Order in Renaissance England**, by Stephen L. Collins (Oxford University Press; 256 pages; \$39.95). Traces the emergence of a secular idea of order in late Renaissance England.

**A History of Private Life**, edited by Philippe Ariès and Georges Duby (Harvard University Press). *Volume III: Passions of the Renaissance*, edited by Roger Chartier, translated by Arthur Goldhammer (656 pages; \$39.50). The third book in a five-volume series; recounts the growth of individualism and self-consciousness in Renaissance society.

**Machiavelli In Hell**, by Sebastian de Grazia (Princeton University Press; 536 pages; \$39.95). An intellectual biography of the Italian statesman and political philosopher; focuses on how he sought to justify his belief that a good political leader would have to perform acts of cruelty and bad faith.

## Addresses of the Publishers:

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# Gossip

*I may not agree with what you say, but I will defend to the death my right to blurt it out to everyone.  
(Ye Olde Wolf Quote)*

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**West Kingdom March Crown** was dubbed "Marsh Drown" before it was even half over. Apparently it rained so hard that they had to cancel the second day of the event.

Also from March Crown: Amalric got a long overdue Rose Leaf.

Rhonda (Patrice's daughter) got an Award of Arms but because she had a broken leg she had to be carried up to court by Georg.

Georg made it to the third round. Also, Georg says that now knows about how tents are not very soundproof.

And, Stephen of Beckenham won!

Also in relation to March Crown:

Rhea: I'm missing a good surprise party for Baron Parador.

Adam: Oh? Are there going to be hookers and strippers?

Rhea: All they need are Grün and Berengaria.

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**Marya Nordoma** is apparently working on forming a college at University of Alaska Anchorage. She hopes to call it College of St. Selenia (after Eskalya's deposed founding Baroness). Failing that there's always College of St. Hugh.

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I've overheard that **Morgana's** (Baroness of Winter's Gate) reply to Fyodor's surprise proposed change in Coronet tourney rotation (giving them two Winter Coronet tourney's in a row) was something like: "That's nice, but they'll have to find someone other than Winter's Gate to be autocrat."

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**Master Adam** wins the distinction of being the first person to write an article for the *Midnight Sounding Star* which I had to edit out sections for being "too tacky." (And they say that Wolf will print anything!)

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I just found out that **Mistress Sharane** has moved from Eskalya to Selveirgard. It seems she is taking an active part in that shire, I just got the Selveirgard calendar sent to me from her.

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Overheard from **Katya**, "I wouldn't be surprised at what Adam has paid people to do ... oops! Didn't shut my mouth fast enough."

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