



The Eskalya Chronicle

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Greetings unto the populous of Eskalya,

We, Breock and Margaret Anne, send unto you Our wishes that the oncoming season of holidays and merriment bring unto your households and manors, great warmth and riches. It is Our sincere hope that all members will be able to attend the upcoming dance at the Time for Tewder and to join with Us as we celebrate the joy of the winter season at Yule.

Thank you to all officers that have served the Barony so wonderfully and honorably for the past seasons. Without the service of these fine nobles we would not have a Barony. Thanks unto His Excellency Sir Cyrus for his service as the seneschal of the Barony and for his work and greetings to Our new seneschal Lady Lilandra.

We offer words of welcome to all those who have joined the Barony in this past season and hope that we can meet with you and help you to feel the warmth and love that this Barony has to offer. For without new gentles joining into our Barony we cannot grow and flourish.

We, ask that the members of Our populous please send letters of recommendation so that worthy people can receive awards. We cannot see everything that everyone is doing and so wish to hear of those worthy of such honors. Please also contact Us if you wish to have ideas regarding the Barony or other concerns, We welcome the input of all.

Enjoy the warmth and wishes during this holiday season and bring yourselves and your loved ones safely into the glorious New Year

*In service to Eskalya, Oertha, and the West,
Breock and Margaret Anne, Baron and Baroness of Eskalya*

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Ongoing Barony Activities!

A&S Night

A&S night will be the second Friday of the month at the Baronial Manor at 7 pm. Contact Baroness Margaret Anne for driving instructions at 332-5551.

Bardic

Sing along on with friends to your favorite SCA songs at Eskalya's Bardic on the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm at Mistress Anne's house. Please call 338-4692 (before 10 pm) for directions if you are visiting for the first time.

Fighter Practice

Fighter Practice occurs at 1 pm each Sunday at Sir Cyrus's home. Both Heavy and rapier fighters are welcome. Contact Knight Marshal Sire Cyrus at 677-9376 for more information.

Heraldry Workshop

Have you ever wondered what a Herald is? Did you know that they do more than just announce things in a loud voice? They also study and help others with device, name and badge submissions to the College of Heralds. There is a place for the researcher, the performer, the Master of Ceremonies, the protocol officer, the artist and the behind the scenes worker. Explore Heraldry on the 2nd Thursday of the month from 7-9pm at Sorcha's home. Please call 562-1989 for more information

Philosophy night

A discussion group for fighters which covers fighting philosophy, humor and the sharing of cool ideas. This group started as a way to cover those types of discussion that we just don't have time for at a fighter practice or during a lesson. Fourth Monday of the month at 7 pm at Mistress Sorcha's. Please call 562-1989 for directions if you are visiting for the 1st time.

Bear Steel School Practice

Practices are Tuesday nights at 7 pm at Mistress Sorcha's. Please call 562-1989 for additional information.

Archery Practice

Will resume once an indoor site is located.

Baronial Business Meeting

Meets at the Baronial Manor on the third Friday of the month at 7 pm. Potluck begins at 6 pm. Contact Elizabeth for more information at 222-6751.

St. Guinefort Meeting

Fourth Friday of the month at 6 pm in the Leadership Lab at the Student Union on the UAA Campus. Contact Alaryn Aecenstaeff at 222-6751

Brewmeister Night

Explore your love of beer and brewing with Alaryn. Schedule varies please call 222-6751 for more information.

Upcoming Events!

Time for Tewder

Eskalya Nov 14, 2009

Mae fy hofrenfad yn llawn llyswennod! In celebration of the House of Tudor's solid Welsh roots, Time for Tudor will be going a bit leeky this year. Dancing and camaraderie will fill our evening and a prize will be offered for Best Use of Leek in Food so bring something light to share in the Appetizer bar.

Site Information: First United Methodist Church. 725 W. 9th Ave, Anchorage, AK 99501. Site opens at 4 PM and closes at 9 PM. Site fees: \$7 adult members, \$10 adult non-members, free under 12 years old. Please make checks payable to "SCA, Inc.- Barony of Eskalya."

Event Steward: Alienor FitzHenry (Nicole Putnam) and Cynehild Cynesigesdohtor (Claire Knudsen-Latta), 3401 W. 31st Ave/ Anchorage, AK 99517/ (907)230-4099 or (907) 952-6261/ clairemargery@gmail.com

Site Directions: Take Northern Lights to Minnesota and turn north, towards downtown. Follow Minnesota as it turns in to L St. Turn right off of L St. onto W. 9th Avenue. Turn left on to H St. Turn right immediately into the parking lot. Look for the signs on the doors.

Upcoming Baronial A&S Night Topics:

November: Christmas Ornaments!



December: No A&S Scheduled

Yule

Esklaya Dec 12, 2009

Greetings to the Populace of Eskalya, Oertha, and the West

I would like to invite you to a celebration of the meeting of East and West. Please join the Baron and Baroness of Eskalya in the style of the Court of Kublai Khan and The Venetian Court of the 1200s to celebrate the winter season.

We will be celebrating on the UAA Campus at 3800 University Lake Drive which is located directly off Elmore Drive. Please Google for directions (it is incorrectly labeled as the Div. of Vocab. Rehab.) or contact the autocrat for more specific directions. This site is absolutely dry. If you would like to share spirits and song to celebrate the season, please contact the autocrat for information about a Bardic available if there is enough interest.

Activities for the day will be:

- 1 pm - Site Opens
- 2 pm - Afternoon Court
- 2:30 pm - The Baroness's Heavy Champion's Tourney (indoors!)
- 3:30 pm - Ambrosia and A&S Champion's Judging (in the firm belief that a desert should be savored first!)
- 6 pm - Feast - Mongolian
- 7 pm - Evening Court (during feast)
- 8 pm - Wrap up and Clean up
- 9 pm - Site Closes

Please see the end of the message for more information regarding the contests details.

Please, Please, Please RSVP by December 1st for feast so my Shield Sister & Wonder Twin (the cook Lady Cynehild Cynesigesdohtor) will know how much food to prepare.

Other Upcoming Events

- Yule, Selwiergard* Dec 5, 2009
- Yule, Winter's Gate* Dec 19, 2009
- Yule, Earngyld* Dec 20, 2009
- St. Stephens Day, Pavlok Gavan* Dec 26, 2009

Upcoming A&S Competitions!

Time for Tewder- Leeks in Food

Yule - Medieval Craftsmen's Challenge

I, Cynehild Cynesigesdohtor, Arts and Science Champion of Eskalya, challenge all artisans and artificers to produce an item for entry into the Medieval Craftsman's Challenge to become the next A&S Champion of Eskalya. The contest is simple, make an item, any item, using as many period techniques and materials as you are comfortable with. Try hand sewing your seams or grinding your own pigments. No one is expecting perfection and we realize that some techniques and materials can't be used owing to their inherent danger. But many materials and techniques are not and can produce better results than their modern equivalents. So make the attempt! (I double dog dare you... :D)



Yule- Master/Mistress of Ambrosia

Coronet - Principality A&S Octathlon

In honor of the 50th reign in Oertha, I have decided to bring all of Oertha's groups together for a joint A&S Competition to be held at Winter Coronet. I will have the official competitions listed this week; however in the interest of fairness to all artisans, here are the competitions:

Principality: Illuminated Letters

Eskalya: leather, horn or wood drinking vessels

St. Guinefort: Calligraphy

Winter's Gate: Embroidered blackwork in clothing or accessories

Selvieguard: Viking turn shoes

Pavlok Gorod: Favorite Russian dessert redacted with documentation

Ynys Taltreath: Wooden box either wood-burned or painted OR any Viking cord

Earngyld: Bobbin lace with metallic threads

The Prince's Whim: Viking hats

The Princess's Whim: Viking treasure necklaces.

The Autocrat's Whim: Boffer helmet crests. These must measure from 6-8 inches in height; must be able to have 2"x2" square of Velcro attached to the bottom. There will be 2 categories: Adult & Under 16. These crests will be used in the Youth Boffer Roses Jousting Tourney. All Youth Boffer Roses Tourney participants MUST have a crest. (Parents, break out the glue gun)

Everyone is encouraged to enter as many categories as you like as many times as you like as well is combine any together. (i.e. Illuminated letters and calligraphy, Russian dessert with bobbin laced-looking icing) Be creative and have fun :) I will have official Event copy out this week with Their Highnesses Whims as \





Dear Abbess

Dear Abbess,

I have found the love of my life, he is kind, outgoing, charming, and loves me. The problem is that my father has arranged my marriage with the Lord Smel e'Foote to marry his uncharming son. My father says that I cannot marry my love because he is landless and a troubadour. What can I do?

Desperate in Devonshire

Dear DiD,

Well, on one hand I am glad that you have found the love of your life as they are hard to find and sometimes hard to hold on to. However, your father has written a binding contract between himself and the e'Foote family. By marrying into that family your father expects you to raise the esteem and position of your own family. Let's face it the e'Foote family has been making a mint in the shoe business for generations now. They are wealthy, own land, are well connected at court, and have vast tracks of land on which there are many fine manors to choose from. Your love is landless, had no permanent home, probably seduces the ladies in every town he visits and has neither money nor connections to offer you. By the way how well do you know either of these young men? Weigh the pros and cons, think about how you want to live, rich and with a home or two or a life that consists of hard travel and no guarantees of anything. I am sure that you will make the right choice, if not then your father will make it for you. I know that sounds harsh but such is our environment. Medieval people marry for money, land, or prestige, love comes in at a distant fourth on the list. Perhaps times will change in the future.

-Abbess

Congratulations!

The following Honors were given at the Baroness Rapier Champion Tourney:

- *Sorcha Careman- Holder of the Midnight Sun*
- *Sebastian Golitzen- Baroness's Rapier Champion*

Cookbooks

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the "Oertha Cooks!" cookbook, and to everyone who purchased one! We have successfully sold all copies that we had - so now they are collector's items! Thank you all for your support of the Principality.

- Caitriona and Alienor, fundraising junkies

Hear ye! Hear ye!

Eskalya Wants You!

The Barony of Eskalya is seeking deputy successor officers for the following offices: Lists and Herald. Contact the seneschal for additional information

Thanks! Many thanks to Mistress Sorcha for hosting the Tuesday night rapier practices! Rapier fighters are also welcome to come practice on Sundays, in conjunction with the heavy fighter practice. For more details on times and locations, keep an eye on the Eskalya list - we are looking for an indoor site for Sundays that will let us practice without freezing! If you have rapier questions, feel free to contact me at rapier.marshal@eskalya.org.

In service, Caitriona, Eskalya rapier marshal

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