

The Eskalya Chronicle

March/April 2010

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Greetings unto the populace of Eskalya,

With spring slowly approaching us it is time to think about cleaning the Barony of some things. We have had a waning attendance at both events and meetings and regular activities and it is this splintering and withering of Our populace that has brought concern to His Excellency and I. Whatever the reason that many are withdrawing from activities with the Barony it is hurting the group overall. If you care not to attend events for lack of funds or not wanting to drive to the other side of town then you need to let Us and the seneschal know that there are reasons that you cannot play. If ALS is too far or events are too much then we all have the responsibility to try and change that. ALS depends upon the generosity of people to open their homes up to allow the activity to take place. If no one volunteers to help then that activity will wither away and not renew itself. If events are too costly, then help find new sites that cost less to rent or offer suggestions to plan events that help to bring down the cost. If you only grumble but not help with the solution then you are hurting the group as a whole. We have too many wonderful people with talent and skills to allow this group to wither away in the cold spring.

The Barony of Eskalya needs to come together as a whole and work towards solutions that will make playing our game a wonderful and enjoyable experience for all. If no one teaches ALS then no one learns skills, if no fighters attend fighter practice then skills are not learned, challenges not met, fun and friendship not established. IT is easy to sit on the side and say this is not my problem or why should I care, but Eskalya depends upon all its people and all have a voice in how we work and grow together.

We encourage everyone to come to the populace meetings, to become active in archery, take up an ALS class or teach on or two; seek to become an autocrat, or an officer. But if you do not take part in the Barony it loses much. Seek within yourself the reasons that you joined the SCA and bring that out and show the world the joy and fun that Our fair barony has in its soul, for without you, Our beloved populace there is no barony.

Breock and I are seeking the words and wisdom of this barony, please contact us and let us know what it is that you would want to see this barony do, what type of events, activities, and what ideas you may have to share.

In service to Eskalya, 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 Sir 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 the snow has melted.

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!

Fantastic Fairytale Fete

Pavlok Gorod

April 17, 2010

The shire is pleased to announce the seventh annual Fantastic Fairytale Fete! This year's theme: A Great and Noble Quest. There will be classes, a silent auction, activities and Arts & Sciences competitions. Competitions include: best food representation of a fairytale (edible or decorative), best bardic telling of a fairytale, and Arts & Sciences 50 for 50 display. There will be a post event bardic for populace 21 and over or accompanied by an adult.

Off-island visitors are welcome. Housing, local transportation and hospitality will be joyfully provided. Contact the autocrat as soon as possible to make arrangements.

Site opens at 9 am and closes at 7 pm. This is a donation-only event, so there is no event fee, but any and all donations will be more than happily accepted.

Please bring at least one dish per family for the Stone Soup Potluck. Site is the Nemetz Gazebo on Lake Louise Drive. From the Airport turn right, go over the bridge and immediately turn left. Take the first right, follow the road just under a mile until you see the SCA signs. For more information, contact the autocrat Mairghread Dubh inghean Alasdair (Sonia Clary), 2042B Aviation Loop, Kodiak, AK 99615, mausconbluecurls@yahoo.com, 487-2114.

Upcoming Baronial A&S Night Topics:

April: Dipped Candles. Please RSVP to Baroness Margaret Anne if you plan to attend at spencer10@gci.net

May: Cooking! Please suggest a topic if you have something you are interested in trying.

Collegium Eskalyae

Eskalya

April 17, 2010

Fellow Oerthans:

As I'm sure you are now aware His Majesty will be making a special trip to

Oertha to bestow the accolade of Knighthood on three excellent individuals. (SQUEE!!) This will obviously necessitate a change in schedule for Eskalya's April 17 Collegium. Classes will now be held in two blocks, one in the morning, from 10a-12p, and one in the afternoon, from 3p-5p. There will be a lunch break from 12-1p and court from 1p-3p. Fighting will be outdoors after court.

A fundraiser lunch will be available for lunch and Mistress Anne has graciously offered to open her home for a Bardic at 7pm.

In order to correctly calculate chair and food quantities, an RSVP to clairemargery@gmail.com is greatly appreciated.

A complete schedule of classes is available at http://www.eskalya.org/collegium.html.

Site information: University Lake Building Annex, 3800 University Lake Dr. Anchorage, AK 99508. Site will open at 9:30 AM and close at 5 PM. Site fee is by donation, the Baronial Coffers are running low so your generosity is appreciated. Please make checks payable to "SCA, Inc. - Barony of Eskalya"

Event Steward: Cynehild Cynesigesdohtor (Claire Knudsen-Latta), 3401 W. 31st Ave / Anchorage, AK 99517 / 907-952-6261 / clairemargery@gmail.com

Directions: From the North - Take the Muldoon Exit (the first exit) off the Glenn Hwy headed south into Anchorage. Follow Muldoon until it curves and becomes Tudor Rd. At Elmore Rd. please turn right. Take the second right which will be University Lake Dr. The University Lake Building Annex is the first building directly on the right (3800). Parking in rear.

From the South - Take the Tudor exit off the Seward Hwy headed into Anchorage. Follow Tudor until Elmore Rd. Please turn left. Take the second right which will be University Lake Dr. The University Lake Building Annex is the first building directly on the right (3800). Parking in rear.

Fool's Revel

Selviergard

April 3, 2010

Unexpectedly, the Inquisition has been spreading through the Kingdom and has arrived on the frozen shores of the hinterlands of Selviergard! Come dressed as a famous saint or sinner. Play a round of Inquisition hangman and trivia for a cool prize. The cooking contest is for a period Spanish dish (extra points for BBQ). A&S entrants compete in the category for "best icon or relic", either high brow or tongue-in-cheek. Rapier and Heavy combat prize for the Defender/Defiler of the Faith (winners choice). Feast will be potluck/finger foods with the main course provided.

Site information: Meadow Lakes City Center, Unit 21/ Wasilla, AK 99654. Site fee will be \$8 members (\$3 NMS), children up to 13 free, and \$25 family cap. Site is discretely wet. Please make checks payable to "SCA, Inc. Barony of Selviergard".

Autocrat: Trava of the West (Trava Ridlon) 5913 N. Solitude St./ Wasilla, AK 99654 / 907-715-9628 / travaridlon@ yahoo.com

Directions: From the South take your best route to Wasilla/Parks Hwy and the light at the intersection of Pittman and Sylvan at mile 49. Turn left onto Sylvan and make your immediate right towards Meadow Lakes City Center. Unit 21 is next to The Rock at the far end.

Schedule of Events
10am Site Opens
11am Selvierguard monthly business meeting
Noon Light Lunch Provided
1pm Heavy & Rapier Tourneys
4pm Inquisition Trivia
5pm Feast*
6pm Court
9pm Site Closes

*Please note that there is no kitchen on-site; however, there will be outlets/power strips available to keep hot foods hot and a cooler. Please plan accordingly. Coffee & tea provided.

VIKING TURN SHOES!!!

Baron Georg will be bringing his tools and expertise for anyone interested in working on shoe making.

SPRANG!!!

Lady Sighni will be teaching sprang. The class is \$5 for supplies and an additional \$5 if you want to keep the frame. If you already have a frame, please bring it.

Lighter Practice Change!

"Greetings from the Eskalya heavy and rapier marshals!

With the spring and warmer weather upon us, it is time to venture forth from the safe (and warm!) cocoon of the Dimond Athletic Center and return to the great outdoors! During the month of April, Sundays' fighter practices will be at a new time and place! (also, there will be fewer practices in April!) On the first and third Sundays in April (that's the 4th and the 18th), fighter practice will be at the home of Cyrus and Caitriona, from 1pm-3pm. All are welcome (including non-fighters), and if directions are needed, please send a message! In May, we are hoping to move back to the Anchorage parks - if you have a park preference, let us know. In the past we have used Cuddy Park, the 9th Ave park strip (by the rose garden), Chugach Foothills Park, and others. Now's your turn to have a say - speak up and let us know what your suggestion would be! Once the Muni puts the port-a-pots back out, we'll move to the parks. (watch the Eskalya e-list and Chronicle for updates!) [please note, this change does not alter any of the fencing nights at Mistress Sorcha's house!]

Have a happy spring, and we hope to see you out there!

in service, Cyrus and Caitriona Eskalya heavy and rapier marshals

Key Notes

Greetings to the People of Eskalya,

Thank you for making my first six months as your seneschal wonderful. I appreciate all the input and suggestions that people have given me to consider for our Barony activities. Please keep them coming!

I feel that my job is to work for you and in service of the dream to provide and help facilitate the things that you the populace would like to see and do.

First, as Service is my true passion in this game, I have happy to announce we currently have openings open for both Chatelaine and several deputies. If you have ever thought about holding an office, but it seemed too scary, please let me know! I will endeavor to find a position for you that is not only suited to your interests, and will make our barony stronger, but provide you strong work skills that look excellent on both mundane professional and academic resumes.

Second, I was inspired by several amazing people when I visited Estrella this year that our society can do so much good not only for our own members, but also for our communities. While these are tight times for many, there are places in our community we can gift with our time. During the next few months I am dedicated to finding opportunities for people who are able to donate their time to share the Dream with others. Stay tuned!

Again, please let me know what I can do for you.

In Service,

Lady Lilandra of Sheep Rock Seneschal of the Barony of Eskalya

Congratulations!

To Oertha's newest members of the Order of Chivalry!

- <u>Viresse de Lighthaven</u>
- Soren j'Alborg
- Kennríc Maur

<u> Hear ye! Hear ye!</u>

Eskalya Wants You!

The Barony of Eskalya is seeking deputy successor officers for the following offices:

Seneschal (Deputy)- Assist Lilandra in the day to day activities of the Barony

Chatelaine (Vacant)- Welcome Newcomers and help them find their niche.

A&S (Deputy)- Fill in for Annah-Narie while she's on Maternity Leave

Attention Guild Leaders

The A&S Officer is updating the guild list. If you are Guild Master/Mistress please contact Elizabeth de Gresse at vividak@yahoo.com.

Photos Wanted

If you have photos that you would like to share for publication on the website, please contact the Webmistress.

Regalia Ideas

If you have ideas for new Regalia, please present them to Their Excellencies.

Regnum	
Uther and Kara	
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