

March/1st Reign 2019 Kingdom Officer's Meeting

(Officer term ending dates/events are noted. Deputies who are NOT Lesser Officers serve at the pleasure of the Great Officer – their term is concurrent with same, or as directed by the Great Officer.)

Great Officers (and Direct Report Deputies) Reports:

Arts & Sciences, Minister of: Tangwistel Telynores (October Crown even – warranted to 2020)

COMMENDATIONS: I would like to commend THL *Agnes Berengarii de Girona* for stepping up to offer her service as the new Principality of Cynagua Minister of Arts & Sciences. Also, West Kingdom Web Team, especially Rhys, for helping me get edit access to the West Kingdom A&S Officer Page, which has now been updated to have correct information for 2019

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: Arts and Sciences are flourishing in the West Kingdom. The Wreath of Athena happened at March Crown. Working on the "Arts & Sciences Solar" series, to get people comfortable with giving and receiving constructive commentary without them realizing they're learning the skills needed for competition judging and receiving feedback. The long-term goal (which may not happen during my term) is to re-kindle the judged competition aspect of A&S within The West. Numerous branches are reporting regularly scheduled A&S/Craft nights - some as project time, some as classes on specific topics. Cynagua and Oertha report successful competitions/championships this quarter. The West Kingdom A&S Officer Page is now up to date for 2019. Look for updates to come for the A&S resources site coming soon. There are many people making and sharing some great art. Kingdom Collegium is coming on June 1. Wreath of Athena is coming to Oertha for June Crown on June 22.

Collegium Chancellor: Brigid O'Connor (warranted to Collegium 2020)

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: Kingdom Collegium is June 1st at the Martinez Church of Christ. There are ten classes scheduled. Also scheduled is a Cooks Playdate and Forge Class continuing throughout the day. Please contact Brigid O'Connor if you are interested in teaching or organizing a potluck lunch. Ginevera Lorenzo can be contacted for those interested in serving as site crew.

Wooden Spoon: Juana Isabella de Montoya y Ramirez (served since 2017)

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: Period food is YUMMY! Last year's competition theme was so well received, I'm repeating it. For each event a specific period culinary manuscript is selected and the competitors can cook anything from that book. My plan is that Wooden Spoon is the "gateway drug" for A&S competitions. The competition theme gets people used to the idea of using period sources to base their entries on. The participant judging process shows the entrants how the judging process works, what judges might look for, how to judge their own and other people's work, how to give feedback, and they all learn things by sharing their individual process. I will not be able to attend June or October Crowns but I have substitute Wooden Spoon Ministers for each event already arranged. I am looking for a successor to take over after 12th Night.

Chronicler: Clare Elena de Montfort (March Crown even – warranted to 2020)

COMMENDATIONS: One West Kingdom-based newsletter received nominations and recognition in various categories for the William Blackfox Awards. I have been sent certificates to present to the recipients at the next public opportunity. I will also publish these in the May issue of The Page.

Nominee - Best Article : The Guardian, Principality of Oertha, Baron Halfdan "Two Bears" Ozurrson, Chronicler

Nominee - Best Overall Newsletter : The Guardian, Principality of Oertha, Baron Halfdan "Two Bears" Ozurrson, Chronicler

Nominee - Best Poetry or Short Fiction : Oertha Victory, Poet: Colum MacEoghain, The Guardian, Spring 2018, Principality of Oertha, Halfdan "Two Bears" Ozurrson, Chronicler

Honorable Mention - Photographs of the Principality of Oertha's Winter Coronet and Investiture, Photographer: Baron Halfdan "Two Bears" Ozurrson, The Guardian, Spring 2018, Principality of Oertha, Halfdan "Two Bears" Ozurrson, Chronicler

Commendation - Best Artwork: Illustration Final Round , Artist: Lord Colum Mac Eoghain Ui Niall, The Guardian, Spring 2018, Principality of Oertha, Halfdan “Two Bears” Ozurrson, Chronicler

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The Page is published regularly. Thank you to those that contribute photographs and artwork for covers. It is my desire that The Page reflect the needs of the Kingdom of the West. What things can be included that add value to the publication as it is a member benefit? Congratulations to The Guardian (Principality of Oertha), Baron Halfdan “Two Bears” Ozurrson, and Lord Colum Mac Eoghain Ui Niall for their recognitions in the William Blackfox Awards. Interested in serving the Kingdom as its Chronicler? Serve now as deputy!

Constable: Christel Leake (Beltane even – warranted to 2020)

COMMENDATIONS: I have many people to commend for the last few months. Their Majesties *Isa and Conor* have been incredibly supportive of the Constabulary and even sat a gate shift at March Crown. I am grateful for such strong support. Those who rescued me and constab from Lake Constabopolis at Crown include *Mistress Else, Lords Ivar, Roland, and Halfdan of Fenris, Duke Christopher, Lord Yoshi, and Baron Enoch*. This crew made it possible for gate to open only five minutes late despite the mud and standing water on Saturday. *Sir Walerich* for helping set up late in the evening. *Dmitri Kalistason, Drogo of Allyshia, and Zbina Belegorskia* for helping with further drying out and packing down of constab. I would also like to commend *Master Edmund, Master Karius, Duke Fabian, and Sir Bjorn* for long and helpful problem-solving conversations which generated ideas with me on how to possibly get some solutions to obtain more qualified volunteers for this office.

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The West Kingdom Constable wants you, yes you, to come and get trained on how to sit gate and do fire safety walks. If you're a group that needs Constabulary training on Gate and Fire Safety Walks, please contact THLady Christel Leake via email at Christel@westkingdom.org or text or call her at (619) 886-6265 to schedule a training session either at an event or on an off event weekend.

We have a large quantity of Lost and Found Items. If you've lost something please contact Christel Leake before August 1, 2019. All items have been photographed and published on the West Kingdom, SCA Facebook page. If you have found an item we also have a long list of lost items we are on the lookout for. Please turn all found items in to Christel as soon as possible. All items remaining in Lost and Found as of July 31, 2019 will be sold at an event to raise funds for a new West Kingdom Constables Pavilion.

Earl Marshal: Fearghus mac Airt (Twelfth Night even – warranted to 2020)

COMMENDATIONS: I would like to commend *Anton Barsuk* for all the work he is putting in on behalf of youth combat in our Kingdom. The FighterData deputies (*Coenwulf and Haley*) are still hard at work and doing very well with the database.

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The office is running well and I do not see any major issues in the near future. I will be putting out the call for my successor after this meeting.

Exchequer, Chancellor of the: Wulfric of Creigull (June Crown odd – warranted to 2019

Edmund of Surrey stepping up)

COMMENDATIONS: *Kelsy Aylsworth* (Conni O'Neill), NMR Deputy, continues to do a stellar job in that role.

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The Kingdom of the West is solvent. There is a new policy regarding late reporting from the local branches which includes remediation before sanctions are imposed. This policy was communicated to the branch exchequers in March. The West Kingdom Domesday report was smugly submitted January 2, 2019.

NMR Deputy: Kelsy Aylesworth

Everyone is current with their paperwork and NMR submissions at the moment! There were some questions regarding the sign in sheets from Darkwood Whiteshield. The people who need to be involved are working on getting it straightened out.

Vesper Herald: Aasa Thorvaldsdottir (Beltane odd – warranted to 2019;

successor Alizan de la Fontaine stepping up)

COMMENDATIONS: *Hannah Story Teller* (mka Hannah Lipsky) has been a very enthusiastic and valuable addition to the WKCoH. She comments on submissions, assists with training, attends Laurel-level decision meetings regularly, and points out ways that the College can change and adapt to better serve the populace. I would be unsurprised to see her as Vesper Principal Herald a few years down the line.

Astrið of Swansvale (mka Gretchen Lebednik) has been serving as Green Banner Herald (formerly Latimer, consultation) for(ever!!), making a point to have the consultation table open at all kingdom events and as many principality events in the Mists and Cynagua that she can get to so that people have the opportunity to sit down and consult in person. She stores and transports the College's reference library and is very knowledgeable.

Hirsch von Henford was made a Herald Extraordinary at the March 10 heralds meeting for his long and extensive service to the college and it was read into the court record at March Crown. He is the first Herald Extraordinary that the West has created in many years.

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The West Kingdom College of Heralds continues much as it always has. I will be turning over the office of Vesper Principal Herald to Alizan dela Fontaine at Beltane.

We welcome anyone who is interested in learning about heraldry, whether voice or book, and we have a handy, recently updated handbook that can be found here: <http://heralds.westkingdom.org/Handbook/index.htm>. For those who are interested in heralds meetings, but cannot make it to San Leandro to attend in person, information on attending the meetings online can be found here: <http://heralds.westkingdom.org/Meetings.htm>

We are looking for candidates to take on the newly created Green Trumpet town cry deputy position. Any interested parties should contact Vesper with their resumes (herald@westkingdom.org).

Seneschal: Krysta of Starfall (12th Night odd – warranted to 2020;

requesting one year extension to 2021 to get changeover on the correct schedule)

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: We have sites and event stewards for Spring Equestrium, Beltane Coronation, and June Crown 2019, and 12th Night 2020. We have an Event Steward for Purgatorio 2019 who is working on bringing back an old loved site, Grant Ranch in the San Jose Hills. Due to the changes in the dates for October Crown and A&S, we held off on sites for those events. October Crown has an Event Steward, and Kingdom A&S is looking for a site Steward and a class coordinator.

Work continues on Policy and Procedure documents, and on the officer term and baronial coronet term scheduling adjustments. The 2020 calendar will open to local group date requests April 2, 2019 (because 4/1 is asking for trouble). We continue to have problems keeping all branches up to date on their officer corps (having offices filled and memberships). Welcome the newest official branch of the Kingdom, the Canton of Bjarnarstrond, Barony of Winters Gate, Principality of Oertha. The Canton of Borderwinds and the Shire of Belogor continue to work on coming out of dormancy.

I am looking for deputies:

- Staffing Clerk (update and maintain the officer database for all branches)
- Site Coordination (know what our minimum requirements are for Crown, Coronation, and other non-Equestrian Kingdom-level events, evaluate new sites, "sell" us to site owners/managers, work with Event Stewards on site issues, create and maintain database of sites which include the vendors for sanitation, dumpster rental, etc., keep electronic archives of recent site contracts)
- Investigation Team (boots-on-the-ground for Bullying and Harassment complaint investigations)
- SUCCESSOR! Though I am willing to remain until January 2021 to get the office term on the right track, that is at their Majesty's pleasure. If my renewal is granted, I would like to have my successor working with me from mid-October 2019 through all of 2020 so they are fully trained on the entire year cycle of responsibilities. So, applications will be open from Beltane to Purgatorio, and a successor will be selected by October Crown 2019 to allow for thorough and adequate training.

AND the Kingdom needs:

- Notary – LESSER OFFICER (laws and charters of all Branches and the Kingdom) – this can be done 100% REMOTELY! You do not have to attend events at all to do this job!
- Chancellor Minor – LESSER OFFICER (Youth point management); this DOES NOT MEAN running Youth Point all by yourself (or at all). The Chancellor Minor can ORGANIZE others to do the boots-on-the-ground work!

Waiver Deputy: Kelsy Aylesworth

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Lesser Officers and Other Positions Reports:

Seneschal Deputy or Independent Office Reports

Chancellor Minor: vacant (Purgatorio even)

Non-combat youth activity work is being covered by the Youth Ministers at lower levels

Chatelaine: Sunwolf Naran Chinua (Purgatorio even – warranted to 2020)

COMMENDATIONS: Many thanks to the continued support of the following people: *Cilean Stirling* (Monie Bryan) Many thanks for four years serving as Kingdom Gold Key; *Emeludt Trost* (Kimberlina Morgan) Local chatelaine in the Barony of Fettburg, outstanding service at March Crown coordinating and hosting the Youth Public House; *Berta Mallory* (Jessica Mallory) Cynagua Gold Key stepping down after several years of service; *Ciarán mac Ultáin* (Sean McKee); *Khalidah bint Sa'id Al-'Attar* (Dominique Griffard)

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: At March Crown we had more newcomers than initially anticipated, happily we had plenty of Gold Key on hand and March Crown Newcomer Guides printed so that our newcomers came back very happy. Gold Key coordination has been greatly increased. Plans to go through stock and fill in gaps with newly sewn loaner items. There has been a marked increase in first contact emails through the West Kingdom Chatelaine web interface. Principality and local chatelaines have done a remarkable job in their immediate and thorough attention to these handoffs. To help relieve pressure on our local chatelaines, we will turn our focus for hosting of newcomers at events to approaching vetted groups (Baronies, Households, etc.) to act as hosts at varying levels of involvement as per their abilities and willingness.

We will continue to publish our event-specific Newcomer Guides for Kingdom-level events. The Chatelaine phone survey has yielded important insight and will help shape both our West Kingdom Newcomer's Resource Guide and the West Kingdom Chatelaine's Handbook. Draft versions of both handbooks planned to be ready for beta-testing by May.

Notary: vacant (October Crown odd)

Law change inquiries and assistance are being handled directly by the Kingdom Seneschal at present.

Exchequer Office - Lesser office reports

Regalia: Margurite du Royon (Purgatorio odd; warranted to 2019)

COMMENDATIONS: Thank you to *Brian Terrill*, *Sarre Greyhand* and *Christine Chappell* for all their help with the Pavilion replacement committee. Paul and Angus and likely Robear de Percival may help Randall with the trailer refurbishment – TBD!

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The inventory of Kingdom Regalia, Crown's use items, and Kingdom Trailer are complete. The New Crowns are complete and the lining is being replaced. The Gold & Silver Crowns need refurbishment due to scratches on the Queen's crown, this will be assessed by the original makers at Beltane. The Kingdom Pavilion, A&S, and Constable Pavilion replacement Committee made a recommendation for pavilion replacement at the meeting (Constables with in-kingdom maker, A&S and Royal purchased from Tentsmiths and/or Panther). Two QoG award token master molds are in progress. I'm seeking a deputy looking for someone who loves shiny things to learn the job as deputy!

Teamster: Randal Patrick Gallagher (Beltane even – warranted to 2020)

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The trip to Arizona/Estrella War was hard on the trailer, conditions were not the best. Some repairs were needed and have been done, teamster was able to get the repairs done under the estimate. Upgrades to the inside of the trailer will continue. Getting quotes next week for supplies for the upgrades. Trailer repack to better balance the load is being charted so the pack will be right every time.

Chronicler Office – Lesser office report

Webminister: Catrin Aderyn (June Crown even – warranted to 2020)

COMMENDATIONS: *Gregor Eilburg* (Greg Anderson), for his thorough knowledge of the website infrastructure and ability and willingness to not only take on technical challenges, but to educate as well.

Rhys ap Gwion Baird (Clifton Muller), for his quick and able help. Often by the time I see an email or post requesting technical aid, he's already responded and resolving the problem.

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The web team is ever hard at work at keeping the website running and tackling the handful of bugs that have come up. If you would like a westkingdom.org email address, please reach out to someone on the team for help in setting one up. We especially encourage branch officers to sign up for and use these addresses.

Marshalls Office – Lesser office reports

Lists: Alistair of Avalon (Beltane odd; Mina Wynter steps up Beltane 2019)

COMMENDATIONS: *Duchess Eilis O'Bourne*, *Mistress Leah Raedaelf of Paghram*, *Lady Eowyn of Paghram* – Lists assistant ministers; *Baron Turstan* - Lists Expeditor; *Baroness Tamar* - Lists Page Wrangler; This was an awesome team and I could not have run the tournament without them. I had one new list page from Bearhaven. Bearhaven has given us several good list pages in the past.

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: Their Majesties have heirs. We had 60 sign-ups and 60 competitors. The tournament was the West Standard Tournament. There were 28 Chivalry that included 5 Dukes and 2 Counts. We ran 4 fields to begin the tournament. Thank you to all lists volunteers for such a successful tournament.

Royal Archer: Sibeal inghean Alexandair (March Crown odd – warranted to 2021):

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: (Edward le Kervere reporting) Sibeal will officially step up at Beltane. At March Crown mid-day there were 40 people present and more than 30 were shooting. The proximity of the archery range to the main field was thought to be the chief cause of the extra activity. The location of the archery range was caused by an order from the King. If autocrats can be convinced in the future to keep the archery range close to the rest of the camp, we can capitalize on this newfound popularity and grow the sport of archery within the kingdom. I received this office in good shape. I believe I'm leaving it in good shape. Please continue to give my successor the same excellent support.

Royal Rapier Marshal: Staffan Arfuidsson (Beltane even – warranted to 2020)

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: 14 branches with rapier activities, no issues or broken equipment reported at any West Kingdom practice or event. Experiment: Cut & Thrust Melee. Nothing has happened in this since the last report. NOTE: Society Rapier Marshal has been working with the Kingdom Rapier Marshals on a new rules revision. We still have some tweaking to do, but I anticipate that it will come out this year, or early next. Has two deputies training for the job.

Minister of Equestrian Arts: Laurentia von Alstadt (October Crown even – warranted to 2020)
(deputy/assistant Aibinn Maighe Tuireadh aka T-Rah)

PUBLISHABLE SUMMARY: The Spring Equestrium is coming up at Pebble Beach on April 12-14, 2019. Canale and Golden Rivers practices are scheduled regularly, and we have a new Kingdom Experiment: Rossfecten (equestrian rapier) has 2 appointed experimental MiCs, and events will be scheduled for 2019. Wood Jousting has 1 person listed in the experiment. Ground-to-Mounted Combat has 2 participants.

Additional Topics:

Law Change: moving October Crown back into September, and allowing some leeway in the scheduling of Purgatorio.

Baronial Pollings and ongoing baronial changeover implementation:

Darkwood: Polling completed, Baronial Coronet changeover happened at March Crown 2019. Carrick MacBrian and Mercy Grym are the new Baron and Baroness of Darkwood. Their term is up at June Crown 2022; polling of confidence scheduled for January 2021.

Selviergard: needs to do a polling of confidence OR Halfdan steps down and polling for new coronet happens – changeover should have been Beltane 2018 (or will be 2020, or Halfdan will extend to 2022); we can talk to him and his seneschal at June Crown.

Winter's Gate: confidence polling in progress now. Hans and Elena would like to renew for another term.

Rivenoak: Nominations April, polling May, for Baronial Coronet changeover at Purgatorio 2019. In progress.

Westermark: changeover should be September/October 2019; nominations due April 1 (Confidence polling not needed, Baron and Baroness are not requesting renewal).

Officer changeovers this coming Reign:

Royal Archer changeover was delayed from March Crown to Beltane. Bard competition at Beltane, changeover scheduled for June Crown (but may be delayed due to Crown in Oertha). Lists, Vesper, at Beltane; Exchequer at June Crown.

Finance Committee:

TRAVEL: Bard Changeover – scheduled for June Crown in Oertha. Discuss if any financial assistance should be made available if the victor is not already planning to attend, since the late planning will mean higher airfares (suggestion: reimburse half of a coach-class ticket). - FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVED matching up to \$400

Archery Champion – baldric, needs \$100 for materials FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVED

Order of Defense – glove for Peerage ceremony; bid and design (with box) received.
\$480. (plus \$3800 in donated labor) FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVED

PAVILLIONS:

Royal: \$4850 (Panther or Tentsmith) - FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVED

A&S: \$3200 (Panther or Tentsmith) - FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVED

Constable: \$3000 (Brian Terrill) - FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVED

Fittings: \$1000 (Brian Terrill) - FINANCE COMMITTEE APPROVED

Gold & Silver Crowns: \$3000 refurbishment budget - FINANCE COMMITTEE – tabled pending bid from artisans

Regalia Commission:

Barding for Kingdom Equestrian Champion – design approved; no \$\$ needed, materials and labor donated.

Archery Champion – baldric design approved, needs \$100 for materials FINANCE COMMITTEE

Peerage order Cloak(s) – REPLACE – YES (at least the Pelican cloak), but need bids/designs before \$\$ committed; put out for bids/designs to be received by June Crown; decision in July, for completion by 12th Night 2020 (**ACTION ITEM**)

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A&S: \$3200 (Panther or Tentsmith) - FINANCE COMMITTEE

Constable: \$3000 (Brian Terrill) - FINANCE COMMITTEE

Updates to previous Action Items:

- July 2018 meeting approved an action to approve budget for a replacement table and type. I looked at a bench type that folds small at W/A War. Amicia's Amenities, 24in. Bench style, \$110. I have still not followed up yet on this action (they have no web site, and interim Royalty have said they are using their own tables) but I need to.
- Followed up with artisans that are crafting awards tokens and updated the Regalia inventory with those awards that are in the awards box and in my restocking inventory. Stephen de Caerleon took a mold off the thinner/newer Queen's Order of Grace, so we can have two types once Katherine Blackheart is done carving her ne master mold. He will have several of these made before Beltane.
- The inventory of Kingdom's "Crown's Use" Items is complete (photos taken) and typed up. I let incoming Royalty to let them know what is available or their use by referring to the Google form and photos, and encourage them to make items that others may use in future reigns if they donate it to Regalia after their reign (i.e. banners, tabards, etc.). The two machine appliqued tabards that were in regalia have been transferred to the heralds, as they are too nice for fighting tunics (and likely too small).
- Trailer repair – Completed UNDER estimated cost, excess advanced funds have been returned to the Chancellor of the Exchequer

Officer Term and Baronial Reports/Taxes/Changeovers Schedule

Ceremony Subject	Changeover event
Earl Marshal	12th night even
Kingdom EQ Champion	12th Night even
Kingdom Archery Champion	12th Night even
Seneschal	12th Night odd
Kingdom EQ Champion	12th Night odd
Kingdom Archery Champion	12th Night odd
Chronicler	Vernal Crown even
Allyshia Palatine Baronial changeover	Vernal crown even
Royal Archer	Vernal Crown odd
Allyshia Palatine Baronial changeover	Vernal crown odd
Kingdom Rapier Champion	Beltane even
Constable	Beltane even
Rapier Marshal	Beltane even
Selveirgard Baronial Report and Taxes	Beltane even
Bard of the West – competition	Beltane even (not in Court)
Kingdom Rapier Champion	Beltane odd
Vesper Herald	Beltane odd
Min. Lists	Beltane odd
Fettburg Baronial Report and Taxes	Beltane odd
Bard of the West – competition	Beltane odd (not in Court)
Web Minister	June Crown even
Bard of the West – investiture	June Crown even
Darkwood Baronial Report and Taxes	June Crown even
Chancellor of the Exchequer	June Crown odd
Bard of the West – investiture	June Crown odd
Winter's Gate Baronial Report and Taxes	June Crown odd
Chatelaine	Purgatorio even
Chancellor Minor	Purgatorio even
Eskalya Baronial Report and Taxes	Purgatorio even
Royal Regalia Minister	Purgatorio odd
Rivenoak Baronial Report and Taxes	Purgatorio odd
Arts & Sciences	Autumnal Crown even
Tarnmist Baronial Report and Taxes	Autumnal Crown even
Min. Equestrian Arts	Autumnal Crown even/EQ Champ event even
Notary	Autumnal Crown odd
Westermark Baronial Report and Taxes	Autumnal Crown odd