

July/2nd Reign 2018 Kingdom Officer's Meeting

(Officer term ending dates are noted. Deputies who are NOT Lesser Officers serve at the pleasure of the Great Officer – their term is concurrent with same.)

Greater Officers and Deputies Reports:

Arts & Sciences, Minister of: (Interim) Karius Hutzelmann (October Crown even, successor: Tangwistel Telynores)

Requested Actions: New A&S Pavilion with fewer poles

All is well. The state of A&S in the kingdom is alive and vigorous. I continue to see reports of and read summaries of open-shop, project, and instructional gatherings that happen regularly throughout the month. Not only at a principality level or kingdom level, but the smaller groups show the most activity. This – to me – is the most important aspect of Arts and Sciences around the kingdom. The various auctions, fund raisers, gifts to royalty, creation of largesse – especially for the children – have painted a picture of excellence and generosity. The West Kingdom should be very proud.

COMMENDATIONS: Telynor, Linnet Hatfield, Margaret Grym

Collegium Chancellor: Leofwen Cryccthegn Deorcwuda (Successor: Brigid OConnor)

We held Collegium June 2, 2018, and it was a very successful day. We had a number of teachers and different types of classes. People were happy to be there despite temperatures in the upper 90s, and most of the classrooms were air conditioned.

I had three candidates put in applications to be my successor, so the next Collegium will be run by Brigid OConnor.

Wooden Spoon: Juana Isabella de Montoya y Ramirez

(self-replacing, just took over 2017)

Participant Judging continues. This method enhances education among the participants and serves as a gateway for those who find the A&S competition system scary.

This year's competition schedule using specific period culinary manuscripts is helping those very new to period food to understand what period recipes are. Favorable reviews from participants so far. Period Food is Yummy ☺

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

Page is being published timely. Several projects are underway to improve Page content and collect branch newsletters. Deputy Publications Manager needs to be recruited.

Constable: Edric Rannulf (Beltane even; successor Christel Leake to step up at Purgatorio 2018 through Beltane 2020)

Working gate can be a good way to serve the kingdom. If you're a paid member, a couple of hours at gate would be more than helpful to the constabulary staff. Unpaid participants and teens 15-17 can help as well, they just can't handle the money. If you have any questions, feel free to ask any constable.

Earl Marshal: Fearghus mac Airt (Twelfth Night even; warranted to 1/2020)

All is well. We are growing and doing well. Please check all your weapons and gear and have fun.

COMMENDATION: Sir Neil Greenstone stepped in to become the war deputy for the kingdom and did a wonderful job at W/A.

Exchequer, Chancellor of the: Wulfric of Creigull (June Crown even; extending one year to June Crown 2019, Edmund of Surrey training as successor)

Total cash on hand as of June 30, 2018: **\$70,447.07**. The general account less designated funds has **\$45,574.77**. This is significantly lower than last quarter, mainly due to West/An Tir War expenses that have not yet been reimbursed.

The Crown maintenance fund is (\$3063.85) – we paid \$7300 for deposit and materials, with \$4300 due at delivery – but will be receiving June Crown auction funds shortly. Accounts are reconciled through 6/30/18.

The West's Q2 report was balanced and submitted well before the deadline. Not all branches have yet reported a balanced Q1. The laggards are: Allyshia, Wuduholt be Secg, and Heralds.

The West has been authorized for PayPal use. We opened a shell bank account and the deputies are training for Corporate's policies. My goal is to have 12th Night 2019 pre-registration using PayPal.

June Crown '18, Collegium '18, and West/An Tir War '18 Profit/Loss reports are not yet final. We are waiting for the return of deposits for the first two to finalize.

NMR Deputy: Kelsy Aylesworth

Email reminders go out for each event, and NMR payments are being received in a reasonable timeframe. One event is almost a month overdue, Sheep's Raid (Wuduholt be Secg). New NMR webform to be debuted this month.

Vesper Herald: Aasa Thorvaldsdottir (Beltane odd; successor Alizan de la Fontaine training to take Vesper at Beltane 2019)

The College of Heralds continues to function! 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> The heralds are considering appropriately ceremonial alternatives to "Lay on!" to end our tournament litany, as the use of this phrase has become a safety issue. The office of Greencloak Herald (field and announcements) will be splitting into two offices. Stay tuned for more information as this process goes forward. We need a new exchequer for the College of Heralds. Any interested parties should contact Vesper with their resume. Updated ceremony books are nearly complete. A quick submissions reminder: the submissions deadline for the September heralds meeting is September 19.

COMMENDATIONS: As Matins Herald, Edith of Swanesdale (Edith Lebednik-Crank) has been doing an outstanding job of processing submissions in a timely and organized fashion, encouraging new heralds, running meetings, and generally helping me to keep the college on track.

Seneschal: Krysta of Starfall (12th Night odd – current warrant expires 1/2020; will seek one year extension to get changeover on the correct schedule)

We have Event Stewards and site contracts for all non-equestrian Kingdom events through 12th Night 2019, and Event Stewards for Wargy/WarCollege, March Crown, Beltane and June Crown 2019 and 12th Night 2020. June Crown 2019 will be in Oertha. Currently planning to use the 2018 sites for Wargy/WarCollege (San Luis Reservoir), March Crown (Stanislaus Fairground, Turlock) and Beltane (Hill Sheep Ranch, Cloverdale).

I advertised for a deputy/successor to take over in January 2019, to get the changeover schedule on track. I received no letters of interest for taking on the job at that time. I have a very engaged and active staff working on finding new sites, keeping the Baronial and Officer changeover roll-out on track, and rewriting/updating the Event Steward manual.

COMMENDATIONS: Katrina Yarbrough and Sarah la Petit Rose for their efforts to make June Crown happen, and to the staff of the AnTir West War. Thanks also to Clare Elena and Elsa for their ongoing work to make the Communications office happen. Sunwolf for her amazing work on the Event Steward manual, with assistance from many sources, including Katrina Yarbrough.

Waiver Deputy: Kelsy Aylesworth

Email reminders go out for each event, and Gate Sheets and Minor Waivers are being received in a reasonable timeframe.

Lesser Officers and Other Positions Reports:

Seneschal Deputy or Independent Office Reports

Chancellor Minor: Safiya bint Zakariya al-Tayyib (Purgatorio even, seeking successor; if no successor found the office will go vacant)

Requested Actions: Assistance from the Royalty in recruiting new Youth ministers for the Mists, Oertha and the Kingdom would be appreciated.

Youth activities were held at Beltane and June Crown. Both were highly successful and resulted in many children learning and having fun.

Without consistent volunteers, Youth Point relies solely on the Chancellor Minor and their deputy to run. When these two people have real life issues arise, Youth Point must be cancelled. The lack of volunteers has been a consistent issue through my term of office.

The Chancellor Minor is seeking a successor. If you are interested in working with the youth of our kingdom, please contact her at safiya@westkingdom.org.

Chatelaine: Vyncent atte Woodegate (Purgatorio even, Successor Sunwolf will step up Purg 2018; Sunwolf reporting)

Requested Actions: Authorize a Chatelaine's FB Group in an effort to better coordinate actions and policy discussion and implementation among the chatelaines of the West Kingdom.

The successor to the West Kingdom Chatelaine Officer position will be confirmed at the West Kingdom Officer's Meeting held on July 15, 2018 with step-up at Purgatorio AS 53. A West Kingdom Chatelaine Guide is in progress and input from all chatelaines in the West Kingdom will be encouraged to give their input. A full update to the West Kingdom Chatelaine portion of the official Kingdom website is also in progress.

COMMENDATIONS: I would like to thank the following members who have provided tremendous support and guidance during my time as substitute West Kingdom Chatelaine: Krysta of Starfall (Krysta Scott), Ciaran of Windy Meads (Sean McKee), Khalidah bint Sa'id Al-'Attar (Dominique Griffard), Rhys Ap Gwion Baird (Clifton Muller), Karius Hutzelmänn (Vincent Flesouras), Helga skjaldmær (Ariah Hume), Rose de la Mans (Laurie Hupman)

Notary: Francisco de Salamanca

Cynagua Princess' Heart law change to limit to two per Reign in process. Some Kingdom law changes will be needed to adjust outdated language and to comply with the new SCA, Inc. Social Media policy, unless a variance can be obtained.

Exchequer - Lesser office reports

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

The inventory of Kingdom Regalia is well underway. The Kingdom Pavilion and travel table are most in need of replacement. The travel thrones and pavilion ropes are currently being repaired/replaced. Regalia officer working on typing up inventory of Kingdom trailer, Crown's Use items, and follow up on awards tokens that are in progress. We are implementing several policy changes to better track regalia going out to Royalty and hold them accountable for anything they use during their reign. The New Crowns will be fully funded after the online auction is completed. In about 6 months, Margurite will start looking for someone who loves shiny things to learn the job as deputy!

Teamster: Randall Patrick Gallagher took over at Beltane; Warrant signed (deputy to Regalia officer, serving under Chancellor of the Exchequer). Randall is reworking the trailer packing/loading plan to better balance the weight of the items, which will include a rebuild of the internal structure/packing supports in the trailer.

Chronicler – Lesser office report

Webminister: Karius Hutzelmann (June Crown even; Catrin Aderyn to step up October Crown 2018 until June 2020)

I will be laying this mantle in the capable hands of Catrin Aderyn, soon. For three years I made my best effort to steward the ship on digital seas. I will continue to aid with infrastructure and knowledge, but this will be my last report to the Kingdom in the capacity of Web Minister.

I have had the distinct honor of heading a team of hard working, talented, and committed people. While I am called Technomancer, it is because of the individuals giving of their time and energy that we have such an abundance of digital resources. Reliable calendar listings, E-peer meetings, transition to new architecture, all is possible only by the hands and minds of many. When His Grace, Hans asked that I take over this position, I knew that I wanted it to be less about the tech, and more about people. There is no service without users. My utility is valid only inasmuch as there are Users for me to serve. I set out to build upon the monolithic accomplishments of my successor. While there are always improvements, I wanted to focus on process and people. I feel we've done that and more.

COMMENDATIONS: Else, Rhys, Sean, Gregor, Urtatim, Hirsch, Francisco, Krysta and Catrin you have my gratitude, my respect, and most heartfelt thanks for being with me along the way. You are all stellar people.

Marshallate – Lesser office reports

Lists: Alistair of Avalon (Beltane odd; Mina Wynter step up planned for Beltane 2019)

COMMENDATIONS: Major commendation to Ceran Seaborne (Jonathan Gibbs) for lists paging for most of the tournament. Lists Team: Duchess Mina Wynter - Danielle Oliver, Duchess Eilis O'Bourne - Lee Fogue, Mistresses Leah Raedaelf of Pagham - Linda Segal, Lady Eowyn of Pagham - Rendi Segal, Lady Treásach Þjóðhagi - Treásach Mulligan. This was an awesome team and I could not have run the tournament without them. The team worked in extreme heat to complete the tournament in a reasonable amount of time. List pages: Ceran Seaborne, Lyric of Cynagua, Sasa in Rautha, Astrid Roldsdottir, Draven, Dara, Dante Miller, Braeden Conard, Rendal of Bearhaven, Lord Jaden of Bearhaven, Bersi Eduardarson, Tiberus.

Their Majesties have heirs. We had 76 sign-ups and 76 competitors. The tournament was finished in a little over 4 hours (eleven rounds plus finals). We ran six fields to begin the tournament. Thank you to all lists volunteers for a such successful tournament. We have redone most of the lists documents to get the usage more uniform across the Kingdom.

Royal Archer: Edward le Kevere (March Crown odd, seeking successor)

Archery is running smoothly at this time. I'm speaking to a possible deputy to take over at March Crown.

Royal Rapier Marshal: Staffan Arfuidsson (Beltane even, warrant to Beltane 2020)

14 branches with rapier activities, no issues or broken equipment reported at any West Kingdom practice or event. Issues at AnTir West War: one excessive force in Cut and Thrust (fighter removed herself from the field), and one broken sword (at the tang, which is a safe, normal break).

Experimental rubber-tipped spear for rapier at AnTir West (based on Ansteorra's experiment, we are in phase 1, Ansteorra is in phase 4); AnTir expressed interest in joining us in this experiment. Experimental Cut and Thrust Melee also at AnTir West (resulted in the excessive force and broken tang mentioned above).

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

Additional Topics:

- **Baronial Pollings and ongoing baronial changeover implementation:**

Purgatorio, on schedule: Eskalya

Polling closed June 30, and the Seneschal of Oertha is confirming the counts and discussing the results with the Crown. The candidates are Kolskeggr Ungi & Ceara der Alcan, and Gavin Woodward & Celestria Tatrix. Baronial changeover happening at Eskalya Yule in December.

Purgatorio, off cycle: Rivenoak (usually Purgatorio ODD)

Baron Kettil is moving out of kingdom and needs to step down a year early. Sir Gerstan Haley and Mistress Siranna of Hawthorne Hall have been put forward by the Baronial populace, after properly following all polling requirements, to complete the current Baronial term, to Purgatorio 2019. In April 2019 Gerstan and Siranna will choose to stay or pass on the Coronets; if they choose to stay, there will be no 20-month polling of confidence because of the shortened term; they will be confirmed in office until Purgatorio 2021 barring a request from the Barony for an out-of-cycle polling of confidence. If they decide the one year is all they want to serve, nominations and polling for their successors will occur in compliance with the By-Laws of Rivenoak.

October Crown, on schedule: Tarmist

The nominees for the Coronet of Tarmist are Ellen of the Western Wind & Juger Knot, and Shimon Levi ben Yitzchak HaKohen & Mira of Tarmist. Polling ballots were mailed this week.

October Crown, off cycle: Fettburg (usually Beltane 2019)

Because we are just now getting the polling and changeovers in line with Kingdom Law, Baron Turstan and Baroness Tamar will be stepping down after a full two years, but before the

scheduled-in-law changeover at Beltane 2019. The Barony has been polled, and they have put forward Sir Konrad the Bohemian and Clarice Walker as the successors to the Baronial Coronet of Fettburg. Their term will be a bit LONGER than two years to move the next changeover to Beltane 2021.

Officer changeovers:

Purgatorio, on schedule: Chatelaine, Chancellor Minor

Purgatorio, off cycle: Constable

only Constable must change in Court (fealty); the other offices can be ceremony/court business if the office holders and successors are present, otherwise an announcement and appropriate cheers are enough

October Crown, on schedule: Arts and Sciences, Equestrian Arts

only Arts and Sciences must change in Court (fealty); Eq Arts is NOT changing; current officer stepped up EARLY (at 12th Night) and is warranted to serve until October Crown 2020

October Crown, off cycle: Web Minister

can be ceremony/court business if the office holders and successors are present, otherwise an announcement and appropriate cheers are enough

Collegium Chancellor (deputy to Seneschal, since the position is effectively Event Steward for Collegium): Brigit OConnor will work with Leofwen and the A&S team to plan and execute classes for Kingdom A&S in September 2018, and take over as Collegium Chancellor to run Kingdom Collegium in June 2019

Regalia Committee Meeting:

- **New Crowns:** status on completion and fundraising update
Crowns will be fully funded with some extra between the June Crown auction and the On-line auction which closes this Wednesday; the overage will be used for replating the tri-metal crowns with gold instead of copper. Local jewelers will be recruited for this maintenance work.
- **Immediate - Royal portable side table:** Amicia's Amenities, 24in. Bench style, \$110 approved
- **Immediate – Travel thrones repair/refurb:** Ed Caughie, ~\$110 approved
- **Urgent - Royal Pavilion:** budget, research, design
Constabulary/Gate Pavilion: budget, research, design
A&S Pavilion: budget, research, design
Margurite to form committee to report on all the pavilions; A&S Pavillion to be auctioned. Possible purchase of retiring Mists Royal pavilion for Gate.
- **Award token discussion** – do we have crafters for all of the award tokens? What materials are we using? If there are separate crafters needing the same materials, can we buy in bulk and distribute? Do we have back-up molds for all of the cast tokens?
Defer this conversation to the next meeting.

- **Trailer packing/loading rebuild material expenses** –
up to \$200 approved; if more will be needed please ask before spending!
- **Rapier regalia proposal:** The capelet the rapier folks were using is a small cotton thing that seems somewhat insubstantial for Western regalia. The Lace Crowns are never used and could be repurposed to better & more period use as Rapier Regalia. Request approval to repurpose the Lace Crowns into trim for a fancy late period cloak from the Alcega book.
Proposal had good acceptance from the meeting attendees; approval to “ask and proceed” ie check with other stakeholders of the lace crowns (Ronald, maybe others) and get a design proposal/bid for the work

Financial Committee Meeting:

- Budget update
12th Night pricing - \$25 members, \$30 Non-members approved; 2019 Budget is a topic for the next meeting
- Expense off two 2+ year old deposits for sites – Yolo County and Sierra Arden (\$700 total)
- Insurance for Trailer and Regalia
Randall will obtain the liability insurance for the trailer and be reimbursed; Currently self-insured with a \$15K reserve to replace damaged items; Margurite will revisit the cost of insuring the “stuff” when we have a valuation/replacement cost listing.
- Other Regalia and Trailer related expenses
(to be budgeted or approved as in the existing budget – see minutes of Regalia meeting)
- Constabulary expenses – new cash box and radios needed
approved
- Travel and other special funds
2018 Budget will be emailed to Their Royal Highnesses