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Fontaine dans sable

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Fontaine dans Sable

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Their Excellencies, Angus & Elizabeth

Baronial Retinue

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Sir Devon Drakeson

Azure Warder

Lord Caelan MacKinnon

Argent Warder

Lord Wilhelm de Risen

Vert Warder

Lady Melangell Dun

Wee Warder

Maddie

Bard Of Fontaine

Lady Seika

Black Fountain Pursuivant Herald

JHL Anna MacTaggart

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Lady Dairine inghean Griogair

Captain of the Guard

Lord Argyle MacGreggor

Baronial Retinue

(Continued)

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Lady Isabella di Francesco Ambrosini
Syr Michael Patrick MacBain

Quartermistress

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Captain of the Golden Paws:

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Lady Emily MacRae
Lady Elyenora Danyel de la Roche
Lady Angelina of Fontaine
Lady Seika
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Lord Gaylon de Sepultura
Lord Leonardo Scarlaffinni
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*Hear the Words of the
Baron & Baroness of Fontaine*

*Greetings Unto the Most Excellent Populace of Fontaine
dans Sable!*

*First off, we would like to thank THL Anna
MacTaggart for a fabulous job of autocrating our 12th
Night. We have heard so many good things about the event
from our out-of-town guests and a good time was had by all!!!*

*We would also like to thank all of those who made the short
trek with us down to St. Goliass for their War Practice.
Don Estevan de Sepultura, THL Anna MacTaggart,
THL Isabella Ambrosini, Don Argyle MacGreggor,
Lord Rowland McCain, Lord Soren Kinney, Lord
Gailon de Sepultura, Lady Seika, Lady Alamanda de la
Roca, Collette, Ian, Chris and Maureen. It was such a
great trip this year and it was great to see Fontaine represent on
the heavy and light fields. Although our numbers may have been*

small, we made an amazing impression on those at the practice...once again our Barony was shining like the jewel that she is.

Ahead of us looms the shadow of
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AAAAAAAAARRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR
RRRRRRRRRRRRRR in the neighboring Kingdom of
Atenveldt. We are so excited for Estrella this year and hope
that many of you will join us for this fun filled week. There is
more than enough to keep the most avid PHAer busy having
fun the entire time. Arts and Sciences classes and competition,
Armored Combat, Rapier Combat, Archery, parties, and of
course

SHOPPING!!

So gather up your family and friends and come spend a
marvelous weekend with the family you choose!

In Service to the Crown,
Angus and Elizabeth
Baron and Baroness of Fontaine dans Sable

News From the Seneschal

Greetings Unto the Populace of Fontaine dans Sable,

I want to thank everyone for coming out to 12th Night. It was a great event. Thank you all for your hard work.

WAR is just a couple short weeks away. I am looking forward to it. I hope everyone is prepared to take up arms and follow our King and Queen into battle.

Bids for Warders of the Western Gate are due by March 30th.

DiS,

Lady Lasairfhiona inghean an Seanchaidhe

Seneschal

GREETINGS FROM THE CHRONICLER

HAIL FONTAINE!

I HAD A GREAT TIME AT 12TH NIGHT. I HOPE ALL OF YOU ENJOYED YOURSELVES AS WELL. THE ANNA AND HER COORDINATORS DID A FABULOUS JOB!

MANY PREPARE FOR WWWWAAAAARRRRRRRRRRRR!!!
IF YOU ARE ABLE TO ATTEND, I URGE YOU TO GO. I LOVE THIS EVENT. IT TRULY HAS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE POPULACE WHO HAVE SIGNED WAIVERS FOR THEIR SUBMISSIONS AND THEIR PHOTOS FOR THE NOUVELLE. I KNOW THIS IS SOMETHING NEW AND ONE MORE HOOP TO JUMP THROUGH TO ENJOY OUR GAME. I APPRECIATE MORE THAN I CAN SAY THAT ALL OF YOU HAVE COMPLIED WITH NO RESISTANCE AND NO MORE GRUMBLING THAN I'VE DONE MYSELF. I AM SO PROUD TO SERVE A POPULACE WHO IS SO SUPPORTIVE OF ME AND MY OFFICE. THANK YOU.

YIS,
LADY MELANGELL DWN
CHRONICLER

February 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
			Officer's Meeting 6 PM Populace Meeting 7 PM			Fighter Practice Heavy 11 AM Rapier 11 AM
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Archery 11 AM						Fighter Practice Heavy 11 AM Rapier 11 AM
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Archery 11 AM	Estrella War Begins					Fighter Practice Heavy 11 AM Rapier 11 AM
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Archery 11 AM	Estrella War Ends					Fighter Practice Heavy 11 AM Rapier 11 AM
27	28					
Archery 11 AM						

March 2011

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Norway is a relatively small country. The south part where Valdres is located it is only about 250 mi. across (North Dakota is 360 mi. from east to west).

Norway is divided into 20 "fylker" or counties. Valdres is a part of Oppland fylke and includes these five "herreder" or townships: Vang, Vestre, Slidre, Ostre Slidre, Nord-Aurdal, Sor-Aurdal and Etnedal. Etnedal did not become a "herad" until 1894. Before that time the Etnedal was a part of the herad Nord-Aurdal and the south part called "Bruflat" was a part of the Sor-Aurdal. All our ancestors were born in "North Etnedal", which was at that time only a part of the herad Nord-Aurdal.

Etnedal is located about 75 mi. north of Oslo Norway. It derives its name from the river Etna, which flows down through it. On both sides of our river people have built their homes; some, low down; others, higher up; while others are located near the top of the hills. On account of a steep sloping ground, most in every house is set on post on one side. The ground is sandy and must be heavily manured. Pits are provided under all cattle barns where all fertilizers is carefully saved. The farms are small and the cultivated area seldom exceeds three or 4 acres. Our forefathers grew up at a time when people in Etnedal as well as other parts of Norway experienced a siege of most trying conditions, as you will see later in the histories of our people. On account of extensive crop failures caused by drought and frost, all kinds of food stuffs became scarce. Many families in poor circumstances went hungry and had to resort to go begging for a little to eat. There was no organized system for the support of the poor and needy as is the case now.

The large majority of the pioneers at that time had one thing in common; they were all poor people. Poor people working for the landowners in Norway were called "husmand" meaning they lived on the farm where they were employed, and the rent for a small house in which they lived was paid for by their labor. Thus they had no prospect of ever owning either house or land and the deplorable part of it was that the children of poor parents were neglected in public schools because they could not afford necessary equipment. Many did not learn to write. The only books studied were those that eventually would prepare them for confirmation. Many worked as sheep and goats herders from the time they were eight years old, besides attending school whenever that was in session. Went confirmed, then hired out. In some instances their parents or in dire need of assistance and their small salary had to be turned over to them. Others again were bent on saving their pay, hoping someday to be able to continue their schooling or emigrate to America, where the opportunity

for young men and women was brighter. compared to other parts of Norway, Valdres valleys were heavily populated, with scarcity of land, poor wages, poor economic conditions and the fact that people were longing for independence of owning their own land—their eyes were open towards America. the news of the “homestead act” of 1862 in the United States and the end of the and the Civil War added to their desire to go. after the first few years, letters from families already in the United States spread the “America fever” fast.

Norway gave the U.S. almost one-fifth of its population from 1865 to 1890. most of these were under 30 years of age. men, women and children in their best years, strong, healthy, vigorous, full life and hope.

By: Ronnaug Olafsdatter

BARONIAL SPOTLIGHT

cats eye dancers

many years ago, before i moved to this area, i had been part of a dance troupe of middle eastern dancers. i truly never thought that i would have the joy of dancing in a group with other women again.

there is something joyful and uplifting about dancing in a troupe. the camaraderie, the trials, the work, the creativity, the learning, overcoming one's fear of performing in public, is absolutely not to be equaled anywhere. you are part of a sisterhood with one goal in common: to dance. first, to dance for yourself; second, to dance for others. that's what the cats eye dancers were all about.

it was my pleasure and privilege to have the opportunity to dance with thl kristana tanz. she emerged as the leader of our troupe and i have several wonderful memories of our performances. our dancing styles within the troupe were as varied as its members, but krista always stood out. like teenagers, we would get together, try on new dance outfits, do each others makeup and try different hair styles. we worked on turbans,

we worked on veils, we brought our talents
together and made something very special.

Thank you, Krista! You will be long
remembered. Your smile, your laugh, your joy
for living...gone too soon.

I hope you are enjoying your time in
Summerland.

Thl Euaire Macrae

War draws near as the lone wolf howls, Winterwolf is coming soon. Heralds will call and the warriors will clash in epic combat. Come and raise your sword to defend Blaiddwyn! Hail both the red and white colors of the College as you Raise your voices and cheer your comrades as they gather to learn, sing, fight and to vie for the positions only the most talented, worthy, and valorous can earn. The Champion of Blaiddwyn (Heavy Combat). The Protector of the Wolf (Rapier Combat). The Munin bard (Bardic Arts) Blaiddwyn en lightener (A&S) Blaiddwyn provider (cooking). Come and accept Blaiddwyn's invitation to a day of good tradition and wonderful friendship. Take a class, share a meal, and Embrace the History.

When Saturday march 5th site opens 9:30 am where Kirtland park in Albuquerque nm there will be a donation lunch

YIS

Ld Alistair di'Cartier

Event Steward Winterwolf 2011

Greetings Good Gentles!

The College of Blaiddwyn extends its sincerest apologies for the confusion surrounding the planning and execution of Winter Wolf. Due to some conflicts we have not yet decided on a precise date or location in the Outlands, but please keep your eye on the lists and newsletters for more developments and for new information. Winter Wolf will be taking place sometime in March, so please watch for us then.

Thank you, and apologies for the confusion!

YIS,

The Officers of the College of Blaiddwyn

Final Reminders:

Deputies needed for:
Exchequer

Bids open for:
Warders Of the Western Gate until March 30th

Of Interest to the Barony

**Websites of Interest for the
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