March 2002 Imperial Estates Meeting

March 23-24, 2002 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Imperial Estates Meeting

Old World Village Catering & Banquets 7561 Center Ave., # 68 Huntington Beach, Ca. 92647

Refreshments: We are allowed to bring in our own soft drinks. We may bring coolers or use the facilities on site to keep drinks cold. Lunch will not be provided, but there are many restaurants and fast food places nearby.

Accommodations: There are several motels in the area, some are within 10 minutes of Old World.

Motel 6 Goldenwest, 13100 Goldenwest St, Westminster, CA 92683, (714) 895-0042 \$45.35 King bed, \$51.83 for two Queen beds

Super 8 Motel Beach, 15559 Beach Blvd, Westminster, CA 92683, (714) 895-5584 \$55 King bed, \$59 for two Queen beds

Best Western Westminster, 5755 Westminster Blvd, Westminster, CA 92683, (714) 898-4043 \$55 King bed, \$59 for two Queen beds

Huntington Beach Hotel, 7667 Center Ave, Huntington Beach, CA 92647, (714) 891-0123 Special weekend rate on March 23 & 24 is \$95 a night. The normal room rate is \$130.00 a night. There are further discounts if you are a member of AAA or AARP. (This hotel is located directly across the street from Old World - within walking distance.)

The Queen's Ball

Hosted by the Kingdom of Esperance Saturday, March 23,7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Huntington Beach Central Library 7111 Talbert Ave., Huntington Beach, Ca 92648

(Drive time is about 10 minutes from Old World.)

Dinner Fee: \$15 per person for adults. Children 12 and under \$6 each. As usual all ages are welcome to attend. Guests are invited to bring a dessert to share. (Contact Milisent De Lily at milisent@webworldinc.com if you are planning on bringing a dish to share.)

Alcohol: Yes - this is a "wet" site. However, only beer or wine is allowed - no hard liquor.

Special Events: A Bardic competition will be held at the event. An evening of song, poetry, and dance is expected. All those who are interested in participating in the competition please contact Dame Julianna Elizabeth Veronica Joanna Messina at joleym@yahoo.com for further details. An Italian Ren style demonstration will also be given as entertainment during the event.

RSVP's are absolutely necessary and strongly encouraged. Please RSVP by March 16. All RSVP's and prepayments should be sent to Milisent de Lily at milisent@webworldinc.com, 22770 Papago Rd., Apple Valley, Ca, 92307. Please make out checks to The Adrian Empire.

If you have any questions or personal concerns about either event, please feel free to contact Dame Julianna Elizabeth Veronica Joanna Messina at joleym@yahoo.com or at damedamn@socal.rr.com. Submitted by, Dame Julianna Elizabeth Veronica Joanna Messina, Marquessa of Anvilania

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General Meeting Information

As per the Adrian Empire, Inc. Imperial Bylaws (2001) the following requirements pertain to this meeting: Article VI. E. 4. Disqualification.

Members entitled to a seat by virtue of rank or office whose dues are not current, are under judicial ban, or have not attended at least (2) two official events in any subdivision within the previous (6) six months will be denied seat. The membership entitled to a vote at a meeting of a given body is fixed as of the SUMMONING of the meeting and may not be subsequently altered by any means, including expiration of dues, nonparticipation, formation of new Estates, or change in Estates held by a given member, until the meeting is concluded. The only exceptions are resignation of a given member, judicial ban, or creation of a greater estate that does not reduce another greater estate below minimum membership. A meeting is deemed summoned at the point of minimum notice. The point of minimum notice is defined as thirty days for the Estates General of the chartered subdivision or sixty days for any body of Imperial Estates, unless a waiver of such notice is granted by the summoned body, in which case the point of minimum notice shall be the date of actual notice. The Crown, if available will convene the summoned Estates at the appointed time and place, and the meeting will be presided over by the Chancellor, if available.

Note: past practice has permitted these estates, created after the notice period, to be seated (notice waived) when no objection is made. Examples: Count or Countess Royal, a new March, Third Level Knighthood.

Article VI. F. 1. e. i.

Any two members (of the Imperial Estates): may put a proposal on the agenda before the Imperial Estates General.

Note: where only one sponsor's name appears, Their Imperial Majesties have directed Their Chancellor to serve as co-sponsor to satisfy the procedural requirement.

Agenda for the March 23 - 24, 2002 Meeting of the Imperial Estates General of the Adrian Empire, Inc. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. CONSENT CALENDAR
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the November 2001 Imperial Estates Meeting (Appendix A).

- V. REPORTS
 - A. President and Board of Directors
 - B. Chancery

The Chancery Report is included as Appendix B.

C. Rolls

According to our bylaws Article IX- #C- The records of the Imperial Ministry shall be the final consideration for advancement. Also, the Minister of Rolls Manual states "on a monthly basis: collect and forward copies of all source documentation concerning the advancement of members to the Imperial Minister of Rolls". This is not being done, in fact most of the subdivisions are ignoring this law altogether. They don't even bother to answer direct emails asking for those rolls. I don't even get a response when I email their ruling noble. Something needs to be done.

Dame Etaine Llywelyn, Imperial Minister of Rolls

- D. Steward
- E. Arms
- F. Chronicler
- G. Joust and War
- H. Arts and Sciences
- I. Physicks
- J. Sovereign of Arms
- K. Imperial Webmaster
- L. Other Officers

VI. CROWN BUSINESS

CRB1. Charters

1. Shires

Requires a majority vote.

Charters for new shires are included as Appendix C.

Amend the Charter of The Kingdom of Terre Nueve and create the Duchy of Brandenburg

Requires Imperial Crown Approval and a majority vote (to ratify a charter amendment approved by 2/3rds of the Crown Estates

To Their Imperial Majesties, the gracious and good, Maedb Drakonja and Karl von Katzburg. We, Rhys and Marcella of Terre Nueve, do send greetings. We bring this item before your Imperial Presence for approval:

The Royal Estates of Terre Nueve on January 11, 2002 approved the division of the Kingdom of Terre Nueve. Being that the population of Terre Nueve exceeds 200 members and the geographical area covered is plentiful the Kingdom Estates of Terre Nueve does hereby approve the splitting off of a northern area of Kingdom lands for the establishment of; with the approval of the Imperial Crowns; an Imperially Chartered subdivision.

The vote on this measure was 38 in favor, 1 against. Being that the Estates have achieved the requisite 2/3's majority of the local Estates we petition the Imperial Crowns to accept our new charters.

The proposal of lands is as follows:

The following major highways shall with Imperial approval divide the Kingdom of Terre Nueve. (See supplemental zip code list). The pacific ocean at Via de la Valle in Del Mar shall mark the beginning of the western division, all property north of the stated road shall be Duchy lands and all property south of stated road shall be Terre Neuve.

Where Via de la Valle meets the Hwy I-5 those properties west shall be Terre Nueve those properties east shall be the Duchy.

When the I-5 meets the I-805, the properties west and south shall be Terre Nueve, the property north and east shall be Duchy lands until the I-805 meets the highway 52.

All property north of the highway 52, which runs east and west, shall divide the Kingdom with all properties north being the Duchy and all property south Terre Nueve.

The provisions for the division of Kingdom chattel goods, including bank monies is as follows; equitable division relative to per capita ratio of populace at the time of the Imperial Crown approval.

By our hand, for the Estates and Populace of Terre Nueve Marcella Visconti Regina Terre Nueve Rhys ap Thomas Rex Terre Nueve

3. Amend the Charter of The Kingdom of York and create the Archduchy of Castilles

Requires Imperial Crown Approval and a majority vote of the Imperial Estates to ratify a charter amendment approved by 2/3rds of the Crown Estates.

Note: While the new chartered subdivision may have 100 members, it is the understanding of the Chancery that elevation to Kingdom status requires one year of self-rule to establish its readiness to be a Kingdom.

Unto Their Imperial Majesties Dame Maedb and Sir Karl,

We have spoken to our populace and discovered the desire to form two chartered subdivisions out of the existing one.

Commentary: We mapped out where each member lived and what their desire was concerning this idea (we tried to accommodate all members of York using the zip code method, but it became apparent that in Mundane Florida this method would not work well) So upon HIMs suggestion we looked at using major landmarks. We found the coast and the existing Florida/Georgia border to be easy and already in use. The only question was the division line between the two areas. Looking at a highway map we discovered 3 major highways that intersect each other forming an S line across the state that also accommodated most of our members' wishes. We used these highways to form the dividing line.

Upon a duly held estates meeting in York on January 2002 a motion made by Lord Wright, and seconded by Sir Alaric, to amend York's existing border to a smaller size and to submit a new chartered subdivision for Imperial Approval from the remaining lands. This motion passed by 53 of 57 votes, well over 2/3rds.

Therefore, the Estates of York submit the following:

- a. To amend the Charter of The Kingdom of York from the state of Florida to: From the Atlantic Ocean on the Florida/Georgia border south along the coast to State Highway 869 (also known as the Sawgrass Expressway). State Highway 869 west then south to I-75. I-75 south to State Highway 820. State Highway 820 east to the Florida Turnpike. Florida Turnpike south to State Highway 824. State Highway 824 west to the Gulf of Mexico. North along the Gulf of Mexico to the Florida/Georgia border then east along the border back to the Atlantic Ocean.
- b. To submit to the Empire the remaining land of Florida to be chartered as the Archduchy of Castilles. The border of this new subdivision shall be: From the Atlantic Ocean at State Highway 869 (also known as the Sawgrass Expressway) west along State Highway 869 then south to I-75. I-75 south to State Highway 820. State Highway 820 east to Florida Turnpike. Florida Turnpike south to State Highway 824. State Highway 824 west to the Gulf of Mexico. South on the coast of the gulf of Mexico to the end of the state then north on the coast along the Atlantic Ocean to State Highway 869.

There are two other Imperial Decisions to make.

First, what would be the size of the newly formed subdivision?

Commentary: We believe the population of the new subdivision will be just over 100 members. We also understand that time existing as a canton can count as existing time towards higher estates so we would not necessarily have to start as a Shire. However, we also understand that many believe that this time substitution can only count to bring a subdivision to Duchy or Archduchy status. One of the two cantons forming this new subdivision has been in existence for over 1 year and the other for over 6 months.

Second, since the populace of York believed that this item could not be considered in March, we humbly request that the date of effect for this amendment be the July Imperial Estates meeting, whether it is approved in March or July.

In Service, Lord Wright

CRB1. Amend XI.B.2. and the Codex Adjudicata to add Conduct Unbecoming a Knight to the list of chargeable offenses

Requires 2/3rds to amend Bylaw and majority to amend Codex. Previously appeared as CRB#2, referred to Chancery to redraft.

Amend Article XI.B.2. "Courts of Justice may be called for the following reasons:" and The Codex Adjudicata, Courts of Justice, 2. "Courts of Justice may be called for the following reasons:"

Add (and renumber both sections): "Conduct Unbecoming a Knight, which for this purpose and consistent with Judicial precedent, is defined as willful violation of Article I. B. Core Values."

Co-sponsors: Sir Jehan (Esperance) and Dame Gwenllian (Sangreal). The past Imperial Crowns joined in co-sponsoring this proposal

CRB2. Amend or repeal Imperial Estates Writ 11, to remove limitation

Requires a majority vote.

Option 1: Repeal Imperial Estates Writ 11 Tournament Wins (formerly Imperial Crown Writ SIW-1)

Current Law: "No member of the Adrian Empire may gain more than one tourney win per month for the purpose of gaining rank in the Knightly Orders. The only exception to this rule shall be in the case of attending an Imperial Tournament in the same month as a Crown Tournament."

Option 2: Amend by substitution:

"Imperial Estates Writ 11. Tournament Wins, Master Works, Masterpieces, Demo Initiations, and Demo Participations.

There shall be no limit to the number of tournament wins, master works, masterpieces, demo initiations, and demo participations that a member of the Adrian Empire may gain at sanctioned events or by service provided in law per month. This Writ shall have no effect upon Article V. E. Member Participation, which limits the number of participations that may be earned."

Commentary: advancement is limited by participations, one per month plus Imperial Tournament participations, we do not limit the number of Master Works, Masterpieces (new Arts Manual), DIs, nor DPs. Why do we limit Tournament Wins? Why treat Ministry different? If we are committed to promoting excellence we must promote participation. We already have the disincentive of limiting participations for advancement. We need to encourage our best archers, artisans, and combatants to keep entering the lists.

CRB3. Amend IX.D.3.d. and Imperial Estates Writ 18 To close the Imperial Order "Protectors of the Dream"

Requires a 2/3 majority to amend bylaw & majority to amend writ. Previously CRB#4. From the table (majority).

Previous Commentary: The Protectors of the Dream by title suggests that its members somehow hold power over "the Dream" for all of us. Adria itself offers the opportunity for members to achieve aspirations and goals unique in the world. Each of us, as part of the whole of Adria, is responsible for protecting that opportunity as well as shaping its meaning. To name singular persons a title that infers they hold that guardianship is presumptive, and to shape our definition pre-emptive. We suggest rather that when someone makes such exceptional contributions of lasting duration that they should rank within the Imperial Family then the Imperial Estates should at that time make the exception to name them to the Imperial Family. To not diminish the stature of those already named therein, the order is closed rather than dissolved. In this way those already within its ranks will remain so, though no new members will be added.

Counter proposal to old CRB #4.

Requires a majority to amend the Imperial Estates Writ on Armigerous Rights, Regalia and Modes of Address, Orders and Awards, and Ministry Badges. Requires a 2/3s majority to amend IX.D.3.d. and alter the name and certain rights of the Order of the Protectors of the Dream, as well as to re-organize that section logically. This issue was originally on the July 2001 Agenda as OB12, and was remanded to the Order to resolve.

Current Language (Bylaws):

Article IX. D. 3. PRINCE.

d. A member of the Order of the Protectors of the Dream.

Current Language (Writ 18):

- II. REGALIA AND MODES OF ADDRESS.
 - B. PRACTICE.
 - 3. Protector of the Dream. Imperial Peer. Non-voting Order granted by vote of the Imperial Estates. May wear a Coronet, the silver-metal Cord of the Order, and other regalia as outlined in the section on Orders, below. May be addressed as "Your Imperial Highness" or "Your Highness". May be styled "Prince <name>" or "Princess <name>" according to gender, or may use a non-English translation. The Premier of the Order is styled the "Grandmaster of the Dream" and is selected by the members of the Order.

III. ORDERS AND MINISTRIES.

A. ORDERS AND AWARDS.

1. The Imperial Order of the Protectors of the Dream.

Non-voting Order granted by vote of the Imperial Estates. May wear the regalia as described above, but do not gain an Estate Vote per se, although individual members of this Order may hold Estates Votes of their own right. Companions of this Order rank in precedence immediately behind the Imperial Crown Prince/ss (if any).

Members of this Order have the following rights and privileges:

- a. Nominate for the titles of Lord/Lady and Baron/ess. If approved by the Local or Imperial Crown, the nominating member of the Order shall bestow the title;
- b. Nominate for Imperial and Royal awards. If approved by the Local or Imperial Crown, the nominating member of the Order shall bestow the award:
- c. In keeping with the Spirit of the Order and the Law, mindful of the Standards of the Imperial College of Arms, and respecting those functions traditionally performed by the Church of Adria: nominate for any other distinction, perform ceremonies and other functions, administer oaths, create and confer non-precedence-bearing distinctions and awards, and create nonprecedence-bearing orders and induct members thereto;
- d. Sit with Imperial Crowns as Peers and approach them without bowing; have Imperial precedence as members of the Imperial Family;
- e. Be addressed as Imperial Highness; New members may be nominated from within the Order. Members are appointed by the Imperial Estates General.

Amendment by substitution,

Proposed Language (Bylaws):

Article IX.D.3. PRINCE.

d. A member of the Order of the Fleur-de-Lis.

Proposed Language (Writ 18):

- II. REGALIA AND MODES OF ADDRESS.
 - B. PRACTICE.
 - 3. Companion of the Order of the Fleur-de-Lis. Imperial Peer. Non-voting Order granted by vote of the Imperial Estates. May wear a Coronet. May be addressed as "Your Imperial Highness" or "Your Highness". May use the courtesy title "Prince <name>" or "Princess <name>" according to gender, or may use a non-English translation.
- III. ORDERS AND MINISTRIES.
 - A. ORDERS AND AWARDS.
 - 1. The Imperial Order of the Fleur-de-Lis.
 - This Order was formerly known as the Order of the Protectors of the Dream. This Order is intended to honour those individuals whose contributions to the Empire are so great that they are deserving of being made members of the Imperial Family, but have not necessarily sat the Imperial Throne themselves.
 - a. New members may be nominated from within the Order or by two members of the Imperial Estates. Any member of the Empire is eligible for admittance, whether they have been a past Imperial Crown or not.
 - b. Members are appointed by a simple majority vote of the Imperial Estates General and are invested with their titles by the Imperial Crown.
 - c. This Order grants no vote on any Estate, although individual members of this Order may hold Estate Votes of their own right.
 - d. Companions of this Order have precedence as members of the Imperial Family, may use the courtesy title of Prince/ss, may be addressed as "Your Imperial Highness", and may wear a Coronet
 - e. Like any other person, Companions of this Order may nominate for the titles of Lord/Lady and Baron/ess and for Imperial and Royal awards. However, as a special privilege of the Order, if the Local or Imperial Crown approves the nomination, the nominating member of the Order shall bestow the title.
 - f. Companions of this Order may sit with Imperial Crowns as Peers and may approach them without bowing.

Commentary: This does not conflict with Article VI.J: PROTECTION OF STATUS AGAINST LEGISLATIVE CHANGE. "No member shall be deprived of any titles, office, lands, rights or courtesy by virtue of change in these Imperial bylaws without the consent of the member", since all members of the Order co-sponsor this measure and consent to its contents.

Author: Sir Nigel Seymour, Fleur-de-Lis King of Arms

Co-sponsored by the Order of the Protectors of the Dream: Sir Nikolai Belsky, Sir Mathghamhain Kilshannig, Sir Jehan von Hapsburg, and Dame Jericho Goutte d'Or.

CRB4. Amend Article III.E., to adopt uniform renewal dates

Requires 2/3rds

Add: "For membership accounting, annual memberships cover the period June 1 to May 31. Annual memberships are due on June 1 of each year. 6 month memberships will cover the time period of June 1 to January 31 or January 31 to May 31. There is no pro-rating of memberships."

Authors: HRM Marcella Visconti, Dame Juliana Hirsch, Countess Tresoli.

CRB5. Amend Article XVI.A1. to set deadline for declaring candidacy for Imperial Crown

Requires 2/3rds

Amend sentence 5, to delete: "at least 30 days prior to the war."

Add: "on or before June 15."

Commentary: in order to avoid holding a special meeting of the Imperial Estates to qualify and approve candidates, we have been requiring notice by July 1, but this has not proven sufficient to adequately inform the Estates. Therefore, the Crown and Chancery strongly recommend this approval of this amendment. It may seem a long way out before the war, but such important business as screening the Imperial Crown should have adequate notice.

Authors: the Chancery and Crown

CRB6. Adopt revised Manual of Combat

Requires majority

See Appendix D for complete manual.

Commentary: Since its conditional approval November 2000, this manual has been the subject of ongoing discussion and revision, the results of which have been incorporated into the manual.

Authors: Sir Arion Hirsch, Sir Frederick von Burg, Sir Coda der Drachesohn

Co-sponsors: The Crown, Sir William Baine

CRB7. Revoke Manual of Arts and Sciences adopted November 1997

Requires majority

Commentary: A new Manual of Arts and Sciences was approved for playtesting in March 2000. The old manual is incomplete and outdated.

Authors: The Crown

VII. CHANCERY BUSINESS

CH1. Amend Article VI.F.1.e. and Glossary, to limit submission of same item of business.

Requires 2/3rds

Current Law: "Any two members: i. May put a proposal on the agenda before the Imperial Estates General."

Amendment, replace with:

"Any two members may put a proposal on the agenda before the Imperial Estates General. Proposals may be submitted once per Reginal Year (from the Imperial Coronation, the first Saturday of November not including the Imperial Estates General Meeting, through the first Saturday of the following November including the Imperial Estates General Meeting)."

Also add to Glossary:

"Reginal Year -- From the Imperial Coronation, the first Saturday of November not including the Imperial Estates General Meeting, through the first Saturday of the following November including the Imperial Estates General Meeting."

Commentary: In order to prevent introduction of the same legislation over and over during the legislative year, most parliamentary societies similarly limit the introduction of particular items of business. This limitation does not prevent proper motions to reconsider, introduction of different proposals addressing the same issues, postponement, tabling, referral, or other later consideration, nor reintroduction in subsequent legislative years. The definition of the Reginal Year addresses the problem of the reign ending and commencing in the middle of the Estates meeting by including the last meeting prepared by the outgoing Crowns. Also, we may complete business on Saturday and not need Sunday if our meeting three times a year continues to reduce our workload.

Authors: the Chancery and Crown

CH2. Amend XI.A. and B.2., and the Codex Adjudicata to move resolving qualification for knighthood from Courts of Justice to Civil Court jurisdiction.

Requires 2/3rds to amend bylaw and majority to amend Codex

Current law: XI.A. Civil Courts "Civil Courts are convened at the request of any member desiring that a rule of law be clarified, expanded or extrapolated, . . ." and, XI.B.2.e. "Resolve a member's qualification for knighthood." The same language appears in the Codex Adjudicata under Civil Courts and Courts of Justice 2. "Courts of Justice may be called for the following reasons:"

Proposal: Delete XI.B.e. and Amend XI.A. Civil Courts, to read: "Civil Courts are convened to resolve a member's qualification for knighthood, or at the request of any member desiring that a rule of law be clarified, expanded or extrapolated, . . . " Amend the Codex Adjudicata identically.

Authors: the Chancery and Crown

CH3. Amend Adrian Imperial Bylaws XVI., to clarify that it is the Imperial Steward who determines eligibility based upon dues payment and lapse

Requires 2/3rds

Current Law: Article XVI. A. 2. Eligibility. "The Chancellor shall consult with the Minister of Rolls and the Steward to determine eligibility."

Amend to read: "The Chancellor shall consult with the Minister of Rolls and the **Imperial** Steward to determine eligibility."

Commentary: This clarification will make Articles XV. and XVI. consistent with Article VIII. B. 1. c. and c. i. With regard to Article XV. B. and B.1. references to qualification, previous ruling by the Chancery is that the qualification of the challenger is done by the Chancellor in consultation with the Ministry of Rolls and Steward according to law, which with this clarification is the Imperial Steward.

Submitted by Imperial Chancery and Crowns.

CH4. Amend Imperial Estates Writ #7, Protection of Minors and Members

Requires majority.

Current Law, Sentence 2: "No person shall use controlled substances or be under the influence thereof at an Adrian Empire event site."

Amend sentence 2 to read: "No person shall use **nonprescribed** controlled substances or be under the influence thereof at an Adrian Empire event site."

Commentary: This is a clarification of law the purpose of which is to distinguish between lawful and unlawful use of medicines at Adrian Empire events.

Submitted by Imperial Chancery and Crowns.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

OB1. Amend qualifications for Steward

Previously OB #1. From the table (majority). Referred for authoritative written opinion. Requires a 2/3 majority

Notes from the Chancery: this item was mistakenly reported as passed in the minutes from March 2001 in fact it was tabled so the bonding process could be researched and it remains as old business until we receive an authoritative written opinion on the bonding issue.

Article VII: Ministries, Section F: Definitions, Part 3: The Steward.

Current Language:

Requirements: must be qualified in bookkeeping and/or accounting.

Proposed Language:

Requirements: must be qualified in bookkeeping and/or accounting; *must be able and willing to be bonded (Imperial)*.

Authors: Dame Delia and Sir Fredric (Umbria).

OB2. Amend Article IX. C. Ranks 2. Robe d.iii., e.iii., f.iii., to delete Masterworks

Previously OB #2. This requires a 2/3 majority, referred to the Arts Ministry, tabled until playtest of new arts manual is complete.

Commentary from the Chancery: Since the New Arts manual is in play test and authorized alternative to law this item may be moot as Masterworks now automatically gain a tournament win the difference is nil or less important. Recommend to keep on the table until play test is complete, then it may be reconsidered if need be as old business.

Current Language:

Article IX. C. Ranks 2. Robe d.iii. e.iii. f.iii. master works

Delete (and renumber).

Note: No similar requirement exists for the other peerages, there is little Empire wide agreement as to their meaning, it is suggested that Masterworks constitute the requirements for a different track to Robe Knighthood.

Authors: Sir William and Sir Cirus (Aragon) **Sponsors**: Dame Serina, and Sir William

OB3. Proposed amendments to Imperial Estates Writ 18

Requires majority

Proposal 1: Amend Imperial Estates Writ #18 (Armigerous Rights, Regalia and Modes of Address, Orders and Awards, and Ministry Badges) to codify existing practice with regards to the display of armory.

Additions in bold type.

Option A: Allow both Royal and Ducal Crowns the right to allow their own subjects to display heraldry within their own borders.

- I. ARMIGEROUS RIGHTS.
 - A. The right to display arms is reserved to armigers.
 - B. Armigers are those who have either been granted the right to bear arms by the Crown or the Estates, such as by being granted the titles of Lord/Lady, Baron/ess, Viscount/ess, Count/ess, and Prince/ss, or those who have earned the right to bear arms by virtue of being Knighted. Royal and Ducal Crowns may grant to their subjects the right to bear arms within the borders of their subdivision without granting titles or Knighthoods.

Option B: Allow this right only to Royal Crowns.

- I. ARMIGEROUS RIGHTS.
 - A. The right to display arms is reserved to armigers.
 - B. Armigers are those who have either been granted the right to bear arms by the Crown or the Estates, such as by being granted the titles of Lord/Lady, Baron/ess, Viscount/ess, Count/ess, and Prince/ss, or those who have earned the right to bear arms by virtue of being Knighted. Royal Crowns may grant to their subjects the right to bear arms within the borders of their Kingdom without granting titles or Knighthoods.

Commentary: It is already a Tradition in some Kingdoms that the Crown may grant the right to bear arms to its subjects, but this Tradition is currently in conflict with existing Law. This changes the Law to reflect current practice.

I as the Imperial Minister of Arms am of the opinion that the more heraldry that is displayed, the better. This change allows the local Crowns to do this legally without creating more Lords and Ladies than they feel the need to. It also allows people to actually use the heraldry that they have invested so much time in creating. This will increase the heraldic pageantry that goes a long way towards turning a city park into a Medieval tournament field.

Personally, I feel that Option A is the better of the two, but I know that some people feel that this should be the prerogative of Royal Crowns only, so I have offered Option B as well.

Author: Sir Nigel Seymour, Fleur-de-Lis King of Arms

Sponsor: Crown

Proposal 2: Amend Imperial Estates Writ on Armigerous Rights, Regalia and Modes of Address, Orders and Awards, and Ministry Badges to codify existing practice with regards to the list of Orders and Awards by adding the Order of the Golden Spoon.

- III. ORDERS AND MINISTRIES.
 - A. ORDERS AND AWARDS.
 - 13. The Golden Spoon.

Purpure, a spoon bendwise or. (Purple background with a golden spoon placed diagonally.) Given by the Empress to indivuals who excel in the culinary arts. Bears no precedence. Individuals so honored may wear the Badge of the Order, or may wear a golden spoon on a purple cord.

Commentary: This Order was created by Empress Isabeau yet has not been written down as one of the Orders available to the Crown to give out. It needs to be included with the rest of the Orders that exist.

Author: Sir Nigel Seymour, Fleur-de-Lis King of Arms

Sponsor: Crown

OB4. Amend IX.C.2.d. additional requirements for Arts Knighthood

Previously NB#1, Requires 2/3rds.

Note: Citations and language changes provided by Chancery.

Add new vi. "Judge three (3) arts tournaments." and,

Amend iv. by adding: One of which be a class on judging, taught by another Knight Robe or higher rank.

Commentary: My reasoning behind this is thus: I have noticed, at events, local wars, and at the Banner Wars, that there have been a shortage of those qualified or willing to judge the Arts. This has caused a delay in the judging and a burden on those who continuously judge. Those members, who always judge, miss out on the day's events, and in my opinion, this not fair. I have seen, on several occasions, when a request is made for volunteers for judging, no one does. This lack of volunteers always prompts those that do asset to spring into action and thus volunteer themselves. With this in mind, I also believe that an Arts Knight should be well versed in the area of judging. Being a Knight in this discipline is not just about making the projects. Often, Arts Knights are called upon to judge projects that specific members do not think were judged appropriately or fairly at an event. How can an Arts Knight judge a project if they have never judged or attended a class on how to judge?

Author: Elricus Rex York

Co-sponsor: by Princess Jericho

OB5. Amend Article III. to add suspension.

Proposal, Previously NB#2, requires 2/3rds.

Add to Article III.A.:

"4. MEMBERSHIP SUSPENSION

Membership in the Adrian Empire may be suspended indefinitely, by the Imperial Crown:

- a. If a member is charged with a violation of state or federal penal code in connection with or relevant to an Adrian Empire activity.
- b. Suspension may be for the duration of the pending case again the member."

Author's Note: if the member is convicted of such mundane crimes, Article III, A.2.a. applies. But, if the member is acquitted or charges dropped, then Article III, A.2.b. may still apply, and the membership may be revoked upon recommendation of a duly-constituted judicial court following conviction under Adrian law.

Further Comment/Reasoning: There is currently no provision under Adrian law that addresses this issue. For example, if a member is charged with lewd and lascivious activity with a minor, or any other offense in connection or relevant to an Adrian Empire activity, the outcome of the case may take a while. During this time there is nothing to keep the member from attending the events, although he/she may still pose a danger or concern to other members. I realize that innocent until proven guilty is a point here, but a person cannot be charged with a crime unless probable cause exists. Therefore, if a member is charged, that should be sufficient grounds to suspend membership. Additionally, acquittal or charges being dropped does not totally vindicate an individual. Often, there are loopholes or conditions placed on an individual that cause acquittal or charges being dropped. In the Miami-Dade County system, first time offenders are often given a pre-trial intervention program, which, when successfully completed, the charges are dropped. This does not mean that they did not commit the offense.

Authors: Sir Elric and Dame Jericho of York.

Counterproposal to Amend Article III. A.

Requires 2/3rds

Add the following: "4. Membership Suspension - If provided with evidence that a member has harrassed, threatened, or in other ways jeopardized the safety and welfare of other members of the Empire of Adria, the Board of Directors may choose to suspend a membership and all rights therein until a trial can be held to determine if the person's membership should be revoked. The trial date shall be set within 60 days of notification of suspension."

Commentary: By the Virtues and Obligations of Chivalry, our duties are to protect and defend the week. Currently the only recourse to harassment, physical threats, threats of mundane persecution, or various aspects of discrimination is to use the Adrian court system which is set up to protect the defendant. Our court system is not a prompt one. It is our duty to provide a safe and welcoming environment to our membership. In cases where the defendant is the perpetrator and the aggressor and there is clear evidence of this, or there is a possible danger due to other known facts about the persons mundane activities (such as a sexual or violent offender), then the Board of Directors should be able to temporarily remove that person from the organization and its activities until a full investigation and trial can be held.

Authors: Dame Juliana Hirsch, Dame Marcella Visconti

OB6. Open Enrollment, requires 2/3rds.

Previously NB#3. Amend Article III: Members, Section F: Membership Assignment to Chartered Subdivisions.

Current law; "A participant shall be considered to be a member of the subdivision in which they reside (where a participant physically lives) . . . "

Proposal to amend the bylaw by substitution:

III.F. Membership Enrollment in Chartered Subdivisions "Participants shall be permitted to choose the chartered subdivision they wish to belong to, members can only hold ministry positions, form estates, or be estate holders in that chosen subdivision."

Commentary: Adria is growing enormously, many more subdivisions will be desiring to divide, and this is a way to accommodate everyone.

Author's Amendment: "Members choose their chartered subdivision when they join or renew membership, once members select a chartered subdivision, they cannot switch to another until their memberships come up for renewal."

Author: Sir Elric.

Counterproposal to Amend Article III. F.

Replace first sentence with: "A participant may declare their citizenship to a chartered subdivision annually when they pay their membership. If no choice is made, the participant will be considered to be a citizen of the chartered subdivision in which they reside (where a participant physically lives.) Subdivision re-assignment is also allowed for a change of physical residence."

Commentary: There is no reason that we can't have "open" borders. 99% of the population will play where they live. Only in isolated cases will a member travel a long distance to play in another subdivision. Each Subdivision has its own culture. Some people will find a better fit in another culture than where they reside. With open membership Adria could potentially experience substantial increases in membership and participation by allowing members to play in the subdivision of their choice. Members should be able to be a part of an estate, hold a ministry position and have their points managed where they play, not necessarily their geographically determined chartered subdivision. The once per annum limitation on change and the annual dues payment were added to alleviate some of the accounting burden on the Stewards office, as well as to prevent people from gaming the system in the case of war.

Authors: HRM Marcella Visconti, Dame Juliana Hirsch, Countess Tresoli.

OB7. "Grandfathered" citizenship, requires 2/3rds or Imperial Crown approval.

Whereas, the goal in the creation of a northern Duchy in Terre Nueve is not to divide local Estates, all currently paid members in good standing of the Kingdom of Terre Nueve shall have a 30-day grace period in which to declare their citizenship; either as Duchy or as Kingdom citizens. These members shall be considered to have "grandfathered" citizenship in their subdivision of choice for future renewals.

This is a one-time only 30-day opportunity and shall only apply to paid members in good standing at the time of the division.

The Crown of Terre Nueve shall announce the beginning date and any member who wishes to chose subdivision citizenship, as different from their geographically determined subdivision citizenship by residency, shall notify the Royal Crown of Terre Nueve in writing within the stated 30 day period. Should an individual

participate in Terre Neuve Crown War as a citizen of the Kingdom of Terre Neuve, that individual shall be considered to have made his or her choice to be a citizen of the Kingdom of Terre Neuve, and no additional changes citizenship shall be allowed. Those choosing citizenship within the Duchy shall be allowed to participate as outlanders in the Terre Neuve Crown War.Any and All new memberships following the 30-day grace period shall determine citizenship by geographic residence as per Adrian Empire policy. Any renewed memberships shall be determined geographically as per Adrian Empire policy unless the member renewing has previously, during the 30-day grace period, requested and obtained a "grandfathered" citizenship.

This non-geographic citizenship shall apply only to those who consistently maintain their paid memberships.

The following stipulation shall be enacted in perpetuity unless otherwise changed by the Imperial by-laws of the Adrian Empire and that is:

Any member of either the Duchy or the Kingdom whose membership lapses beyond the 30 day grace period allowed as per the Stewards Manual, at any time in the future shall have their citizenship henceforth determined geographically.

Commentary: Any time we have a Subdivision split in Adria, there will be cases where we will be breaking up estates, real families and long time Adrian "families". It seems only fair to allow those groups not to be separated by force. This clause allows the few people in each group left "on the other side of the line" to establish their loyalty of choice. In this case, we have approximately 10% in both regions who have mentioned they may wish to declare outside their physical residence. This clause will not effect the required numbers of either subdivision. Because any subdivision spit also has the issue of an upcoming war, this clause includes wording to prevent someone running for or fighting in one Crown war and then afterwards declaring to the other subdivision. This clause was passed unanimously by the Royal Estates of Terre Neuve.

Authors: HRM Marcella Visconti, Dame Juliana Hirsch, Countess Tresoli

IX. NEW BUSINESS

NB1. Amend Article III. Section D. Participation to require paid membership.

Requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve.

Current law:

"While all participants in the Adrian Empire are encouraged to become members, Dues paying membership is a requirement for receiving knightly Rank, receiving precedence bearing awards, having arms registered, and holding office. Participation in Adrian Events does not require membership."

Suggested rewrite of Article III section D. Participation:

"Participation in the Adrian Empire requires a current paid membership. Membership becomes active when dues are paid to the Steward of the member's subdivision. Anyone is welcome to observe but participation is the exclusive right of Paid Members."

Commentary: what is the point of being involved? Does one earn points if they are not a member? If they sign a waiver then they can join in combat? It is my opinion that these rights are those of Members only. Pay to Say and Pay to Play. Our Membership rates are not preposterously high by any stretch of the word. If an individual holds a membership in another organization we already have the provision of dual Memberships at but a pittance of \$10.00.

If one is not a member they have no voice, they can hold no rank, so then what is their reason for being there? If someone wants to come and observe, buy from our merchants, that is fine, but participation is and should be for Members. Part of being a member of an organization is defined by the paying of dues. It shows commitment, a vested interest in the organization as a whole. If a person wishes to say hunt or fish and in some cases camp in another state they pay a fee to do so. Does not the rewrite encourage membership in Adria? Therefore increasing our ranks and though we are non-profit it does garner more resources for the Empire to allow more activities. Why buy the Cow when the Milk is free? \$10.00 is not a lot of money and that is all that a dual membership costs. That's the cost of feast fee/site fees, if not lower in some cases. The current policy in a way encourages individuals to enjoy some of the benefits offered to Members of the Empire without paying for the privilege of doing so. In any case Adria is a business in a sense, albeit non-profit. Such a policy as I suggest encourages growth. I do not see how this is a harmful policy. Having read the Imperial Stewards report, events it seems rarely get in the black if break even. As we grow, expenses will too.

requiring memberships and dual memberships will help to cover this will it not? Do we do this or pass on the rising costs to Members while those who participate without paying get to participate for nothing? If an event is hosted with another organization where both are bearing the burden this does not present a problem. In fact to hold such an event according to the By-laws, if I understand it correctly, to even make an Adrian presence at another group's function requires Imperial permission. I see such a policy of requiring Membership as being of service to the Empire, but again it all depends on the view of what is Adria. It all depends on the vision of where Adria is going as well. If Adria is to truly grow and be a strong entity such a policy will in some ways help to build a stronger more defined cohesive organization. If as some have said Adria attracts people in other organizations why not have them pay for the privilege of participating? How does the policy as I suggest be detrimental in any way to the Empire? It requires Membership for the betterment of all of The Empire, it encourages a sense of belonging, dedication to, and pushes for more of a sense of group ownership. I therefore think that Article III section D needs to be to be rewritten.

Author: Auberon Dela'Reve, Viceroy of Andorra

NB2. Amend Article IV. Dues. Non-member Participation Fees.

Requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve.

Commentary: This revision addresses issues that some thought might discourage prospective members from joining. The motivation for this by-law change is twofold; first, to protect the rights of members and second, to entice prospective members to join. Originally, the proposal stated that a paid membership should be required before eligibility for participation in tournament and/or war. While this would protect the rights of members by preventing non-members from taking tournament wins from them etc. it was thought that it may discourage someone from purchasing a membership. Of those who responded to my initial queries, this was the most common complaint. What follows is the revised proposal I wish to place before the great estates of the Adrian Empire. Thank you for your time.

Existing law:

"Article IV DUES

E. Schedule

Membership dues are set at the following:

1. SINGLE

Semi-Annual: \$18.00 Annual: \$30.00

Life: Ten (10) times Annual Rate

2. FAMILY

X = per each additional member over the initial member.

Cap on family memberships set at \$70.00 annually

Semi-Annual: +(\$6.00 * X) Annual: +(\$10.00 * X)

Life: N/A"

Proposed addition:

"G. Non-member participation fees

Participation fees paid by non-members (excluding site fees) may be applied towards the purchase of membership and is set at the following:

1. INDIVIDUALS

Adult Single Day Fee: 1/3rd Current Annual Rate Child (12 years and under) Single Day Fee: 1/6th Current Annual Rate

2. FAMILY

X = per each additional member over the initial member.

Cap on family memberships set at \$40.00 daily

Family Single Day Fee: + (\$1/6th Current Annual Rate * X)"

Author: Coda der Drachesohn, Gottesknecht, Knight of Adria

NB3. Amend Article IX. C. Ranks, Minimum Requirements.

Requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve.

"Yeoman" (C.1.a.) and "Yeoman Archer" (C.4.a.) state requirements, but "Apprentice" (C.2.a.) and "Clarke" (C.3.a.) have no requirements;

Add: "A member in good standing" to all four Rolls.

Author: Dame Rose of Aberlone (Viscountess, Aragon), Submitted by Chancery and Crown.

NB4. Amend Article IX.C.1. Ranks, and Estates Writ 13. Steel Combat Requirements.

Requires 2/3rds to consider, 2/3rds to approve bylaws amendment, and majority to amend writ.

Option 1. Eliminate armored (steel) combat requirements for 2nd and 3rd level knighthood.

Amend: e.ii. by deleting "..., of which three (3) must be in the Armored Knight's Lists, ... "

Amend: f.ii. by deleting "..., of which six (6) must be in the Armored Knight's Lists, ... "

Option 2. (if above proposal fails): Allowing cut and thrust (formerly known as heavy renn) to count as armored combat.

Amend: IX.C.1. Combatant Roll "Heavy Renn will now count as Light Renn in Knightly progression, reference B. Estates Writ #13."

Amend by substituting: "Armored Combat" for "Light Renn".

Also amend by substition: Estates Writ 13.b. and c. "Armored Combat" for "Light Renn".

Commentary: The time period for our game is 1150-1603, which includes both the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. Why is the prowess of our Renaissance fighters considered inferior to that of our medieval fighters? If the aim is to encourage prowess in both areas, why are there no requirements for Renaissance combat? A medieval fighter can earn a 3rd level knighthood without ever touching a rapier, but a Renaissance fighter must not only fight steel but get good enough at it to get at least 6 tournament wins. Some steel fighters deride Renaissance fighters as 'dipstick knights' or 'swishy pokey knights', but both forms of combat are appropriate for our game, and as one who fights both forms, I consider them equal, though different. If the 'old guard' will not consent to eliminating the steel combat requirement, at the very least I hope that they would consider counting cut and thrust as armored combat. With the current armor requirements for cut and thrust, many in Umbria (and I imagine elsewhere as well)won't even bother to fight as long as it only counts as Renaissance combat. If it counted as armored combat, I am sure that interest would pick up fast.

Author: Sir Michael Sinestro (Umbria), Submitted by Chancery and Crown.

NB5. Amend Article III. A. 2. Membership Revocation.

Requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve

Add the following: "c. Behavior identified as threatening the safety and welfare of other members or creating a hostile environment after a duly convened Adrian Court."

Commentary: This would include sexual or religious harassment, violent threats, threats of mundane lawsuits, gender, sexual preference, age or religious discrimination. Mundane corporations need to protect themselves from lawsuit in this fashion.

Authors: Dame Juliana Hirsch, Dame Marcella Visconti

NB6. Amend Article XV. B. to provide new pax regium.

Requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve

Change this sentence: "In a Kingdom Civil War, if the Royal Crown is successful, a new Pax Regium shall be instituted for the duration of time allotted for the Crowns to rule."

To: "In a Kingdom Civil War, if the Royal Crown is successful, a new Pax Regium shall be instituted for 6 months if this is the first reign of the Crowns, or for the remainder of time allotted for the Crowns to rule."

Commentary: The current law allows Civil War to be declared a short time before the scheduled Crown war, thus requiring supporters of the Crowns to fight two wars in a very short period of time, where the challenger gets a free 6 mos. After working hard to win a Civil war, it is only fair that a Crown who is not coming to the end of a 2 yr reign be granted the same.

Authors: Dame Juliana Hirsch, Dame Marcella Visconti

NB7. Amend Article XV. B., to approve Civil War challengers, requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve.

Insert after first sentence: "The Estates must approve the candidate by a majority vote."

Commentary: The current law allows a candidate who would not be approved by the majority of the estates for a Crown War to use Civil War to gain the Crown.

Authors: Dame Juliana Hirsch, Dame Marcella Visconti

NB8. Amend Article XV. B. 1., to correct the timeline, requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve.

Replace "of the issuance of the challenge"

With: "of the approval of the candidate by the applicable Estates".

Commentary: The current law has a contradictory timeline.

Authors: Dame Juliana Hirsch, Dame Marcella Visconti

NB9. Amend Article XV. B. 2., to provide a new Pax Regium, requires 2/3rds to consider and 2/3rds to approve.

Insert after second sentence: "A vote of 2/3rds of the Estates to void the challenge shall result in a Pax Regium of 6 months or for the duration of time allotted for the Crowns to rule."

Commentary: The current law allows a challenger to harass the existing Government. If the challenge is voted down, the challenger or another can continue to challenge on a day to day basis. This is disruptive to government and the harmony of the Game.

Authors: Dame Juliana Hirsch, Dame Marcella Visconti

IX. OPEN DISCUSSION

Open Forum on Records of the Rolls: problems the Empire is having with the subdivisions not turning in their reports.

Author: Dame Etaine Llywelyn, Imperial Minister of Rolls, Knight Robe, Knight Minister;

Co-sponsor: King Sir Elric Meladius, Knight Civil, Knight Banneret.

X. NEXT MEETING OF THE IMPERIAL ESTATES

Imperial Bylaws Article VI. A. and E. 3.

The Archduchy of Caerleon is honored to be hosting delegates of the Populace of the Empire this July at a Meeting of the Imperial Estates!

All are welcome to our fair borders for work and pleasure during this Meeting, and herein this missive shall you find information that may be of use to those that may wish to attend.

Any with questions are invited to send a message to the Duke and Duchess of Caerleon at solstice@moscow.com or call (208) 882-8432 (msg. machine).

The Estates shall take place during the designated 3rd weekend of July 2002. July 19th, 20th, and 21st. It will be held at the Couer de Alene Casino/Resort in Worley Idaho. This is in the Northern Portion of the state. Local residents have checked this place out-- its pretty, the staff is looking forward to our fun visit, and the food is great! Logistical information to follow below! To read more about the site location, check out their web page at: http://www.cdacasino.com/

SPECIAL EVENTS: During the weekend some social and educational gatherings have been planned to augment our business agenda!

Friday 19th: Caerleon Arts Exhibition and Informal Buffet Supper: Come have an informal gathering to meet with other delegates and members of the host subdivision, and see some of the projects and items of interest on display. It will take place in the afternoon/evening and an inexpensive buffet dinner is available during this time as well. Why not plan on taking supper with friends?

Saturday: Formal Feast: Attend a feast planned and run by a partnership of the Caerleon Culinary Arts Guild and the staff of the Couer de Alene catering department. Details will be released closer to the event, but it will consist of several historically based courses including both Meat and Vegetable dishes, and deserts and entertainment designed to intrigue and please! Main meat dish will be fresh Venison! Feast cost is \$15.00 per Person. (NOTE: If you have special dietary needs PLEASE contact us ASAP so that we can take these into account during our feast planning stage! solstice@moscow.com)

LOGISTICS:

ROOMS: This location is very nice, but also very popular this time of year! Because of this, it is very important to reserve your room ASAP to ensure both your lowered rate AND to ensure that you get a room!

RESERVE YOUR ROOM BY **JUNE 19th** Any rooms not reserved in our initial Adria Block will be released to other groups, and the prices revert to Peak Season rates. We have 40 rooms reserved for Adria use. When you talk to the hotel to reserve your room, please tell them you are with the Empire of Adria. The rooms have two double beds, and will be \$89.00 to \$95.00 a night. http://www.cdacasino.com/hotel/index.html

TRANSPORTATION: The site is located right on Idaho's main road, Highway 95. You can find more information by checking any Idaho map, or on the web page for the site: http://www.cdacasino.com/howtogethere/index.html

Flying: The best Airport of choice would be Spokane International, located in Spokane, Washington.

Renting Car: If you wish to rent a car to get to the hotel site, you can talk to the hotel when you make your reservation to get information on their car rental deal.

Shuttle Bus: There is also the possibility of chartering a shuttle bus with the hotel. A shuttle bus can be arranged for free if there are 15 passengers at a time or possibly for a small fee if there are fewer passengers. If you are interested in possibly taking a shuttle bus, please contact the Duke and Duchess with your flight arrival information and contact information. When we have a list of how many arrive at what times, we can then contact the hotel to arrange a possible shuttle bus.

Beverages: Over the weekend we will have an unlimited beverage bar with coffee, tea, sodas, juice, and other items available for use during the day. There is a small fee for this per day per person, but its unlimited amounts per person and it is cheaper than buying 2 or 3 drinks normally.

For Non-Delegate Attendees: For those who are coming along with delegates but not interested in the business portion of the event, there are many things to do for entertainment. North Idaho has some wonderful scenery and interesting places to visit, both rural and urban. There are plenty of tour possibilities as well as shopping, scenery, and museums. On site is a casino, game room, pool, and hot tub to relax.

Her Highness Dame Elisabeth has received a large packet of information about the area to share with any that are interested, including maps, tours, and sites of interest.

SITE NOTES: Hotel rooms connected to convention center, and each room has a built in Internet connection so delegates with computers can e-mail home or check up on work/on-line resources.

- --Several meeting rooms/banquet halls of assorted sizes.
 - --Three restaurants (one of which has a *very* good regional reputation)
 - --Gift shop with many regional arts and crafts as well as souvenirs
- --Daycare for those delegates that have children from 3-12 years of age. Daycare hours normally run 10am-10pm and costs \$3.00/hr. The Staff informs us that daycare reservations are not required, and that the hours can be extended for parents wishing to attend late night parties/activities.
- --Pool, hot tub, and other facilities on site for use and entertainment.
- --Gas station/convenience store on the convention center site in addition to internal facilities. Food or forgotten sundries can be purchased and it's just a short walk across a parking lot.
- --This one is partially humorous, but there is a casino right next door if anyone gets bored and wants to try their luck:) Its known for big payouts regionally, and the archducal crowns have relatives that have won several thousand dollars.
- -- Tours to landmarks can be arranged at the front desk.
- --Staff is intrigued to see folks in medieval and renaissance costumes, so should be fun to work with!
- --Entire facilities are done with pleasant architecture, including indoor and outdoor waterfalls, natural wood, and Native American motifs.

IN FINAL: Those who plan or intend on coming, please contact the hotel to reserve your room ASAP. Please contact the Duke and Duchess to let them know if you have any food requirements for the feast and what your arrival time will be if you want to be involved in any potential car pools or bus runs. There is one formal and one informal gathering to socialize and meet and talk with both other delegates and the local populace of Caerleon.

Anyone wishing to come early or stay late and visit our region are welcome to do so, and can contact the Duke and Duchess for arrangement of crash spaces, tours, advice, special meetings, or anything else. More specifics will be released later, closer to the event. The crowns can be contacted in three ways: solstice@moscow.com, (208) 882-8432; P.O. Box 8852, Moscow, Idaho, 83843.

Caerleon is honored to be able to host our respected Cousins from around the Empire, and we shall endeavor to make your visit to our lands memorable and enjoyable!

In Service,

Sir Phaelan ap Aur Derwen and Dame Aleska Andraitiene

Ducal Crowns of Caerleon

AFTER READING THIS MISSIVE, Please contact us to make your reservations and/or an intent to come! This will help us plan, and allow us to help you make deals on transportation. THERE IS A LIMIT ON ROOMS as this is peak tourist season! To get the room reserved and the special convention deal, you must reserve by the deadlines, per below! Read more about the site location by going to http://www.cdacasino.com/

XI. ADJOURNMENT

END OF AGENDA

Imperial Estates Meeting, July 20/21, 2002

Due to circumstances beyond the control of anyone in the Adrian Empire, we have had to reschedule the site for the July Imperial Estates Meeting. IT WILL STILL BE IN CAERLEON SO DON'T CANCEL YOUR PLANE RESERVATIONS!

SITE:

Best Western University Inn Hotel and Conference Center 1516 Pullman Road, Moscow, Idaho http://www.uinnmoscow.com/features.html

AUTOCRAT:

The Duke and Duchess of Caerleon, Sir Phaelan ap Aur Derwen and Dame Aleska Andraitiene

Contact: solstice@moscow.com (because this is being posted online, phone numbers are not provided. Contact the webmaster or Their Graces for that information.)

SCHEDULE:

Friday night: Arts display/dinner reception/tavern

Saturday: Estates Meeting

Saturday night: feast or other food provided social activity

Sunday: Estates Meeting

Displays, parties, movies, games, and other gatherings will be provided in the evening and daytime for

attendees as well as those accompanying attendees. More information to follow.

ROOM:

Per-day rates: Single: \$69.50 (queen)
Double double: \$79.50 (2 per room)
Each additional adult: \$10.00
Rates do not include any taxes

Room block: Holding 20 rooms until June 19th

After June 19th, group rate will apply, space permitting **Reservations:** (800) 325-8765 and mention the group room block

Hotel recommends guaranteeing late arrival with credit card number

Cancellations must be prior to 4:00 pm the day of arrival

Information for other hotels will be published soon.

There are also several other hotels/motels within blocks. More information to follow, but it's peak season so don't wait to make your reservations!

TRANSPORTATION:

Moscow/Pullman Airport: (509) 334-4555 http://www.ci.pullman.wa.us/Airport.htm

Served by Horizon Airlines with 18 arrival/departure flights each day. Horizon Air offers connecting flights with Northwest and Alaska.

Lewiston-Nez Perce Co. Regional Airport: (208) 746-7962 http://www.lcairport.com/ (link down on 5/22/02) In Lewiston, Idaho, 30 minutes south of Moscow. Served by Horizon and Empire Airlines with connecting flights to Spokane, Boise, Seattle and Portland.

Spokane International Airport: (509) 455-6455 http://www.spokaneairports.net/

90 minutes northwest of Moscow. Served by Horizon, Alaska, Northwest, United, Delta and Southwest. Usually has the cheapest fares.

Airport Shuttle: Best Western will provide complimentary transport to and from the Moscow/Pullman Airport. Contact the front desk staff ahead of time to arrange. Best Western also provides transportation from Spokane International Airport. Contact Link Transportation (208) 882-1223 for more information. And there's the option of carpooling if you contact Their Graces, the Duke and Duchess of Caerleon.

Rental Cars: Available at each airport.

TIMs Maedb and Karl, May 23, 2002