

## Lions Gate Baronial Council Minutes

February 27, 2008 at 7:00pm

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**Chair:** HL Uilliam mac Fearchair mhic Gillie Aindrias (Seneschal)

**Minutes:** Lady Ceara inghean uí Mhadadháin (Chronicler)

**Location:** Grace Lutheran Church, Burnaby

23 people present

### **Officer Reports**

#### Seneschal – HL Uilliam:

- Discussion was had regarding complimentary site fees for the Baronial couple and their immediate family (before Their Excellencies arrived). From here on forward, it will be Baronial policy that whenever the Baronial Coronet and their children attend an event, they do not have to pay the site fee. This was unanimous.
- NMS – According to the Corpora, for a level 2 event, we don't have to charge NMS if there is no Principality and Kingdom business being conducted. A level 2 event anything that falls outside of our conflict zone. Level 1 is an event where we don't want conflicts. The definitions will be double-checked.
- Letter from the NSCA regarding insurance was discussed. The amount owing for is \$1,347.97. Discussion was held regarding whether or not we want to be a part of the NSCA. Vote was held to pay the bill. Motion passed. Full disclosure of what the insurance covers is to be requested.
- Application process for officers and deputies. How do we want to handle the application process for the lesser offices? Discussion was held. Typically, the greater office gets to decide who their deputies are. Lesser offices are different than deputies. A deputy is an assistant. A lesser office is a lesser office. There was also discussion about how to handle application/publication of openings for greater officers.
- As most people know, that Ceara our Chronicler wants to step down. Uilliam is fine if we announce the new Chronicler tonight despite that traditional process hasn't been followed, if Council permits. One application has been received... from Aristophanes. Discussion was held. A large part of these processes will be documented as part of the Constitution process which is going to be brought up later. Aristophanes has been accepted as the new Baronial Chronicler, interim until next Council.
- There is a demo this weekend at the Boy Scout camp in Langley on Saturday.

#### Exchequer –Anika:

- Balance is \$9200 and a bit. We received a couple of cheques for the demos that we did recently.

Chronicler – Lady Ceara inghean uí Mhadadháin:

- Subscription breakdown, as of February 27, 2008:

Total Subscriptions:	
<u>Paper edition</u>	
Paid	16
Complimentary (Canada)	5
Complimentary (US)	4
e-Edition	16
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- Last issue (#312) was mailed January 28th. Next edition: Issue #313 – March 2008. Submitting \$100 in subscription fees and \$58.68 in expenses for reimbursement from the last issue.
- Last month we talked about how the cost of the NW is exceeding subscriptions. Instead of raising the subscription price, as discussed, I tightened up the publication shortening it by one page. No content was lost – it was just redesigned and condensed. I received some good feedback about it so I guess it was a success.
- The website for the Barony is nearly complete. We've run into a few hiccups along the way but for the most part, it's going alright. The structure is complete and the pages just need to be populated. The calendar page is hopefully going to be up very, very soon. This has been stressed with Rothgar so stay tuned.
- Some books from the Baronial library will be at Steve. The catalogue/inventory of books is going slow but hope to have it ready for Council in March.
- Last but not least, thanks to everyone for supporting me

Sable Loat Pursuivant (Herald) – HL Aline (formerly Ealeen) de Seez:

- No report at this time.

Stables (Marshall) – Sgt. Cyneric Bearson:

- Fight practices are going really well and the archery is running and doing well too. There will be a fight practice at A&S.
- Rapier - Practise is going smoothly, with an average of 10 fighters per practise. At the last practise, Dom Alvarro challenged all the fighters to do more than just rapier in the SCA. He has invited everyone to bring a rapier project to the next practise for a show & tell. Quite a few of the Lions Gate fighters attended Lionsdale's Winter Tourney this past weekend. Our MOB, Lord Warwick Drakkar fought in the finals for the Lionsdale Rapier Championship, but the title was won by Don Pierce O'Brien.
- Archery – the new mats are here and are wonderful. YAY! They are nice round firm butts! Ha ha.

Arts & Sciences – Master John Macandrew:

1. Lions Gate A&S / Days of Dance

- A&S Entrants: Dr. Carus, Myrrim, Ceara, Aspasia, John
- A&S Judges: Tanikh, Caitrin, Isabel, Nessa, James, Margaret, Catte
- A&S Instructors: Catte, Elena, Myrrim Morweena, Aelana, John
- Dance Instructors: Hilary & Huw, Catherine of the Rowan Tree, Trahaearn, Rahil

Myrrim

Art - blackwork purse  
Science – shoes

Aspasia

Art - linen dress  
Science – cooking

Ceara

Art - poetry  
Science - papermaking

John Macandrew (new defender)

Art – Kumihimo  
Science - Japanese bamboo nocks

Dr. Carus

Portable armillary sphere  
Scholar's Reliquary

2. Langley Demo – unsure of information

3. Walnut Grove Demo

- Miles - displaying scrolls and illuminations
- Dr. Carus - displaying his wheat grinding equipment
- Ylas - displaying foor's delight
- John Macandrew - kumihimo, stickweaving, and others.
- Ceara - dance

4. Costuming weekends (16/17 and 23/24)- Organized by Myrrim.

- Classes: Costume Design, Textiles, Shopping trip, Intro to hand Sewing - basic stitches, hems and how to make cloth buttons, Pattern Drafting, Pattern Drafting practical portion, Costume construction workshop,
- Students - Hisami, Francois, Elisabeth, Marilyn , Myrrim, Tamsyn le Rous, Rubiya
- Instructors - Tanikh (Jo Burrows), Aelana (Sharon Burrows)

5. Bransle

6. Lionsdale Winter tourney

- Period arrow making - taught by James Wolfden
- Intro to research taught by Mistress Safiye and Dame Magdalena Kress
- Feather fans taught by Maitresse Melusine D'Argent
- A&S Competiton: anything for your encampment.

7. Upcoming events

- Steve, the weekend of stuff
- Kingdom A&S / Daffodil
- Science world demo
- Shittermwoode Ithra
- Eisenmarche Shire banquet and tournaments

Chatelaine – HL Genevieve Barbota of Gyphonshold:

- Not present.

## ***Events and Other Business***

### Sealion War

- Aibinn and Arianna are putting in a bid for the war. The last time we did it we used the Aldergrove Bowl and it's more expensive. The week before Sealion, Lionsdale is holding their tourney at Donatello's parents farm. It suggested that we use his site for the war too. Donatello says it depends on the hay situation. The date for Sealion is June 13-15. Aldergrove Bowl is \$100 per day plus special event fee, garbage and tax. If we use Donatello's parents farm, it would be half the price even though we would have to deal with our own garbage (transfer station isn't that far away ~3 miles). We'd just need volunteers with trucks to handle the garbage. There was talk about being able to leave encampments set up or even combining the events and splitting the costs. Lots of interesting discussion was held. It was decided that combining the events wouldn't be a great idea however charging a fee to remain set up for the next event. Discussion was held regarding security and safety of people's encampments and the risk associated. Bid has been accepted. So in case you didn't know, Seagirt is polling for a new Baron and Baroness so by the time Sealion War comes around, Seagirt will have a new B&B. Battle of the new Barons!

### Science World Demo - Caitrina

- Huge demo on March 21-23. We've got fighters, archery, two trebuchets, dancers, papermaking, bog coat construction, heraldry, book binding, games, garb display, rapiers. We're looking for boffers. We've got the centre stage and 3 other rooms. Tons of space. We've got free reign indoors and out. Please come and be a part of this wonderful opportunity. It's going to be amazing! This will be one of the biggest demos we've ever done (at least since Expo86). Anyone who does attend gets free entry into Science World and free parking too. There will be a handout and we're going to need lots. The last time we did a massive demo, we doubled the size of the Barony. This is a huge opportunity for us. Chang will be working on building armor as part of the demo. There was talk about setting up an entire encampment in one of the rooms. We have a room with a big screen tv too. Need to tell the people at Science World about what specifically we are doing to ensure they have sufficient coverage for insurance – firing trebuchets, working glass beads, archery – all with lots of kids and people around. Definitely higher risk than our usual events. Either way, we are going to be in need of every person involved in the SCA and our Barony to come out and support this unique demo. Science World is likely going to give us an honorarium of about \$1000 for doing this demo. Woohoo!

### The Event named Steve:

- The swap meet (Anika) – The lost and found pile that's in the locker will be sold off at Steve instead of hauling it up to Clinton (traditionally done in the past). Discussion was held. There was talk regarding what to do with the money that was raised from this. It was suggested that this be used for new Baronial chairs. A motion was made to open a special purpose fund for the Baronial chairs and that if there is any left over after the chairs are purchased/completed, it go into Baronial general funds. Vote held. Motion passed.
- Vote for a float for Steve in the amount of \$300. Vote held and passed.

### Dragonward:

- The position is still vacant. There was one person who had expressed interest in the job but has not submitted an application. It was agreed that the position is a valuable one so we will endeavour to find a person.

#### Eisenmarche's Champions and Banquet

- Going to be at Harris Road hall. The banquet will be Spanish and Rhianna is doing it. Going to be lots of fun so come out if you can. It's on March 29<sup>th</sup>.

#### May Bardic Defenders - James:

- Well underway and things are going smoothly. The Bardic Defender has put forth what the requirements are to compete. All the paperwork is done. We're a Tier 1 event so that means NMS will be charged.
- One suggestion has been brought to James which he is bringing to the Coronet. In the reign of Owain and Wren, there are no other Tier 1 events. If the Baronial Coronet wishes, we can invite them to join us at the event.
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Sunrise Park Hall, 1950 Windermere St. in Vancouver.

#### Clinton War

- Based on last year's paperwork, the bid will be put in by Amanda for the event and she will be taking Kenzie as her deputy Autocrat. This will bring in and involve a lot of people from the Clinton Committee. Discussion was held on bids.

#### Moving meetings to Coquitlam

- We're paid up here at the Burnaby site till March. Uilliam's basement is quite large so we could meet there a few times to try it out then decide. Discussion was held. Motion was made that we move the meeting to Uilliam's house starting in April with meetings starting at 7:30pm. Vote held, motion passed.

#### Farspeaker

- Elena is in charge of this project. The seneschal is going to send out the notice regarding the Farspeaker and it will go in the North Wind as well. The new Farspeaker will include Lionsdale and Eisenmarche.

#### Bids

- Need bids for Baronial Banquet and Baroness' Tournament. See comments from the Baronial Coronet below.

#### ***Baronial Coronet Business – Baron Griffin and Baroness Caitrin***

- Caitrin suggested that we switch around the Baroness' Tourney and Banquet. That way Lions Gate would have a Yule feast. If the Tourney was held in November, it is actually my birthday then so it could be the Birthday Tourney. Also brought up was travelling. With Baroness' Tourney, we get more out-of-towners attending which means travelling in the snow in December which is another reason for moving the tourney to November.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm