Baronial Council Notes February 2009

Officer Reports

Seneschal – Uilliam

• Nothing major on the go. YAY

Demos - Aelana

- People want details on the CelticFest Demo.
- Several major demos in the last month. A couple of minor demos had to be declined as they were during the daytime.
- What if we did a one-day school demo that was done on the weekend. Let's work on it and see if we can figure this out so it works. Or we could just stop doing demos...
- Walnut Grove gave us \$200 and LFMS gave \$100 plus \$5 Starbucks gift cards for each demo participants

Watch - (ask Uilliam who he is again) Nothing to report.

<u>Gold Key – William</u>

Caitrina put out a bunch of stuff at Newcomers to raise money for Gold Key. \$80 has been raised. There is still stuff to be sold and it will be at the Bransle on Friday. We've got some money to spend – see about getting embroidered patches machine made.

Exchequer – Anika

- We have \$17K however we're expecting to spend about \$8,200.
- Fees for practices. Cloverdale practice costs \$3pp. James thinks we're close to breaking even but not sure. Rapier practice charges \$5 and the site costs \$60 for 3 hrs at Sapperton Hall and more than covers its costs. Need to look at it in an annual frame to see what's what.

Chamberlain – Edrik & Algae

- The locks are going to be changed on the locker.
- Elena mentioned they need to be warranted.

Chronicler - Ceara

- Spoke with Rothgar about his responsibilities and things are going much better with him. He's been doing a good job at keeping on top of things now that his life is back in order. This is good news.
- Council Minutes Suggest that Minutes be covered a little more formally at Council meetings so that they can be properly loaded on to the website. To save us all a little work, all minutes that I have kept up till now will be posted with the note "unapproved". Recommend that minutes be formally approved and adopted at each meeting from now on. They will be emailed out to each Officer directly after each meeting and it will be up to you guys to send in corrections before we meet again.

- Beitris is well on her way to taking over The North Wind. This is also good because I just accepted a Kingdom level position in the College of Heralds Black Talbot (Lions Blood Clerk).
- If you have any submissions for this edition, please get them to me by tomorrow night for inclusion. Would love to some detailed info on Celtic Fest and the upcoming UTR session to include...hint hint.
- Will begin to include a whole year's worth of calendar in The North Wind.
- Uilliam advised to officially remove Waterbearer as an office from the North Wind and the website.

Chatelaine – Genevieve (not present, report sent in)

I have attended the last bransle and also attended one day of the newcomers/day of dance event. It looked good and I enjoyed myself (I was ill and went home early).

I am in contact with several newcomers by email and phone. They all seem to be very new and shiny.

I am unable to attend the council meeting due to the weather.

I went to 711 yesterday and found a flyer for the Celtic Festival there. We are prominently represented in it as well as in the web page. Nice photos of us too.

<u>Pied Piper</u> – Not present, no report

Dragonward – Not present, no report

Dragonward site is a little passive. Discussion over the necessity of the office. Uilliam will talk to the Dragonward about the whole thing.

<u>A&S – John Macandrew(Report sent in)</u> Feb 7/8 A&S Defenders

Entrants: (Contratulations to all -jm)

- Aelana Cordovera Late period Icon (Our new Defender)
- Matillda of Flint Period style hand sewn dress.
- Uilliam mac Fearchair mhic Gillie Aindrias- Scottish Ale
- Morweena 14th century leather accessories pouch with hand woven trim.
- Ceara inghean uí Mhadadháin Hand made books
- Caemgen mac Garbith ui Sable Loat La Tene style fibula broaches

A big thanks to our judges: The Baron and Baroness, Mistress Agnes, HL Margaret, Mary, Caitrina, Mikhail.

And to the many instructors: Aelana Cordovera, Myrrim, HL Cara D'Aquila, Kathryn Garnett, Caermgen, Mistress Agnes, Kathryn Garnett, Dr. Carus, Rahil, Lady Sara de Bonneville, Alvarro, Sina, Jeanne of Ramsgaard, Tamsyn le Rous, Lady Mariko, HL Rose, Jaqueline Lefleur, Aspasia, Brion and Tessa, Mikhail, Cyneric, Atira

And an amazing job done by the autocrat team. HUZZAH.

Feb 21 Lionsdale Winter Tourney

Congratulations to Dr. Carus on his victory with an Escutcheon Plaque.

Upcoming events:

- Mar 14th Daffodil Seagirt (e-mailed awaiting reply)
- Mar 27th Bransle Lions Gate
- Apr 4/5 UTR Lions Gate
- Apr 18th Heavy Defenders Lions Gate
- Apr 24/26 Sir Eddies Shittemwoode (e-mailed awaiting reply.)

Herald - Caemgen mac Garbith ui Sable Loat (report sent in)

Heraldry is happening. I have two clients who are discussing arms they'd like to have looked at with interest. I am hoping to attend the Kingdom Heraldic Symposium and have been in contact with the organizer, specifically she had asked what sorts of name-classes heralds in Tir Righ might be interested in. After squeezing out "norse" through the echoing laughter, I told her anything that was being offered would either be of use, or interest to heralds I know. Newcomers gave me a chance to talk with some people about heraldry, even though there was no organized class. It looks like there may be something in the works for the UTR sessions as well in relation to Sergeantry trials.

Stables - Cyneric

- Going well. No injuries, no major armor failures.
- Relay for Life conflicts with Sealion War this year. Uilliam will talk to Cyneric to figure it out.

Archery - James

Big practice had 22 people out. 30 would be better but still good. About 10 to 12 come on the regular night. One more month to go before we decide if we are going to continue or not with the big practice.

Blades – Francesca for Warrick

Practices going well and have about 14 people on average. No injuries or accidents. Handed out some info at Newcomers and it was lots of fun, especially after we took it out on the street. March 12 we have another newcomers tourney.

Lists

Technically still vacant and have had one applicant until about noon today. There were some communication issues which lead to some confusion. Elena is our new Lists Mistress.

Scribe - Miles

The gathering of scriptoriums by Aelana have been doing well. Lots of work is being completed. Miles has been approached to commission a few original scrolls. Down to two types of paper

and we're trying them out. Discussion over wax to use as well. Will look into where we can get some.

University of Tir Righ Session - April 4-5

Joint session with Lionsdale planned. We don't have a site for the event. Uh oh! We need a minimum of 4 classrooms, a ready room and an area where we can have Court. Would like to do a two day event with a little something in the evening. The Crown and Coronet have been invited. Last resort, we can get the Masons Hall for the Saturday. Can't use it on Sunday. Tracks/streams for Sergeantry or Officers are being considered. If you have ideas or want to help, contact Aine or Elena.

September Coronet

Sir Kerrigan has approached the Barony about holding September Coronet in Sechelt / Fjordland (with Lions Gate as the host). They really want to have an event over there. They have a site in mind but they can't do it themselves so we would need to sponsor it. More information will be gathered.

Surrey Musuem

They are doing a big medieval thing for 3 months during the summer. Yolande mentioned us to them. UH OH! More information is being gathered but we've been warned.

Farspeaker

Elena says it's almost ready. Stay tuned.

A request

Edrik and Algae have asked if the Barony would give Anika \$50 for gas money because she has been going above and beyond the call of duty, doing a job she didn't need to be doing but.... Uilliam mentioned that Officers are entitled to certain expenses in doing their job. Elena says she needs to track mileage.

Days of Dance/Arts & Sciences/Newcomers

This is the first time we combined it. What did everyone think? Some comments – dance was lost in the shuffle, newcomers liked the A&S displays, Sunday attendance was lower, the combo class in the morning was really great. General comments were mixed. We can re-worked a little more for next year.

Heavy Defenders, April 18 - Miles

Two sites to choose from – Maple Ridge Fairgrounds. No archery can be done at this site because another booking. 9am to 5pm as there is another booking the following day. Cost is about \$100. \$150 deposit and \$2mill insurance. The other site is Warner Loat \$120. No deposit, \$2mill insurance. We would get it for a longer time period and we can do archery. Warner Loat allows more people as well. So which one do you want? No brainer – Warner Loat. No food or beverage selling allowed.

<u>Ylas</u> brought the gate box back that she borrowed for Lionsdale.

Details on CelticFest are:

We're going to be there wandering. We're colour. We can set up a booth for the Chatelaine. They are setting up everything and will provide us a table in the "Celtic Village". We have 3 scheduled times where fighters are on the main stage. It's right in front of the Art Gallery downtown. Genevieve and Rhiannon were working on the parade. Something is being posted soon.