# mas council highlights

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# Reports

## SENESCHAL - UILLIAM

- Our Kingdom Seneschal stepped down effective first of July and our new one will be Baron James.
- A little while ago we mandated 2 year terms in the Barony. Uilliam's term comes to an end in August and he will be stepping down. He plans to stay on till January and this will be announced in the North Wind and on the lists per Barony rules. Applications are being accepted up until the July meeting. It's been a ton of fun and I want to encourage officer turn over which is a good thing. I Also want to be the first Seneschal to step down and continue playing in the Barony! Either way, this transition will be much easier as we won't be getting a new Baron and Baroness at the same time.

## GOLD KEY - WILLIAM

No report, however, a bunch of work is being done so this is good.

#### DEMO - AELANA

No report, not here

## Exchequer - Anika

Baronial account as of May 27 is \$15,449.61 with a few cheques yet to deposit. Estimated expenses for the remainder of the year are approximately \$7500. There were two NSF cheques from 12<sup>th</sup> Night totaling \$70. Chamberlain has changed the locks on the locker.

## CHAMBERLAIN - EDRIK

We need to have an inventory day and go through the locker. There are a few heavy things that help is needed with. Need the May Bardic stuff back from Margaret. Uilliam has the wall hangings and those will be brought back too. We also have 3 huge First Aid kits in the locker. Almost all the lost and found is dealt with as well. There was one complaint about a particular item unfortunately there was no name on it or any other identifying marks.

## CHRONICLER - BEITRIS

Not here but Ceara reported Beitris is going away for a few weeks.

## WEBSITE - ROTHGAR

Nothing to report

#### CHATELAINE

Arianna Freemont has just accepted the Principality position so that means Vivian will be able to step up. Great news!

## PIED PIPER

No report

#### DRAGONWARD

nothing to report

#### WATCH

Nothing to report. Have started to look for volunteers for Clinton and have 1 so far.

#### A&S - IOHN

#### PAST EVENTS

## May Bardic & Defenders

A huge thanks to the entrants: Maelgwyn, Caemgen, Agdta, and John Macandrew and to our judges Sionnan, Aine, and Vivien. Congratulations to Caumgen as our new Bardic defender.

#### Tir Righ Coronet

- 1. Brewers guild had a judging during the event. Entrants: Mikhail, William, Lee-Erin, A good time was had by all.
- 2. Thank you to the participants in the Tir Righ continued on page 4

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Guild Fair and to all the people who visited and Embellishers who brought their work to show. Also to Mary Ostler for organizing for the Woodworkers, Mistress Meresigha for providing the hospitable Persona discussion table and the Bookbinders. Aelana Cordovera

3. Five entrants joined the field in the Tir Righ Bardic Championship with Wulfstan Hrafnsson of Lionsdale the victor. Lions Gate was well represented in the competition with two entrants: Caemgen and Hraði in Rakki.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

## SeaLion War

The arts points will be the best representation of war propaganda. This could be about embellished victories, heroes, legendary battles, plunders and rewards. It can be presented as a literature, scroll, song, poetry or heraldry. This can be totally fictitious, but must represent your home barony. (Points will be given for the most creative execution, best embellishment and best documentation).

Science Points - In war, the need to keep your troops well fed is an important necessity, but the long distances travelled to each battle requires some careful preservation and selections of such foods. As such the science points will be the best representation of period war rations. (Points will be awarded to the rations that provides the best balance of nutrition/energy, best execution, and best documentation.)

## Lionsdale Champions Tourney

A fun and whimsical contest is to be held. The theme is "What rhymes with June, in any medium", and it is sponsored by Lionsdale's own A&S Champion, Dr. Carus.

#### AT War

- A huge list of classes @ http://sites.google.com/ site/tirrighavacalwar/Home/a-s-classes
- No A&S war points on the webpage yet.
- Baroness Caitrin is looking for judges for the war. John will help dig some up.

## HERALD - CAEGMEN SABLE LOAT

Not here. Apologies for not coming but he's still injured from his escapades at Coronet. Working with a few new clients and is extremely pleased that people are reaching him electronically. At May Bardic, did some consulting. Participating in Town Crier at Coronet. Will be at most events.

## Scribe - Miles (Not here)

Nothing to report. It was noted that Miles was recognized with a Jambe de Lion at Coronet.

## STABLES - CYNERIC (NOT HERE)

Nothing to report

## ARCHERY - JAMES

Moved most of the practices out doors but have been leaving things in the capable hands of others since I have been working far out of town. Leaving yet again on Saturday for New York State. Two new OGGS were raised at Coronet as well – Margaret and Kenneth. Lionsdale has asked to borrow our gear for the upcoming Tourney.

# Blades - Warrick (Not Here)

No report

#### LISTS - ELENA

Nothing has really happened in Lions Gate since last report. Did lists for Squires Tourney at Coronet and have been asked to do Lionsdale's Champions Tourney as well.

## GHOST RIDGE

This is a demo opportunity. There is a Haunted House at the Albion Fairgrounds every year the week before Halloween which the community groups participat in (eg. Rotary Club). Each group that participates gets a share in the income. Last year, each group got \$4K and they want to include us! They would like us to do some fighting outside to entertain folks waiting in line, with blood and gore, of course. The theme is Halloween. It is a

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big commitment of 6 days and each group has to take on a day of running it. Fortunately, it only runs in the evening. We've been invited to join this on a principality scale so that the amount would be divided somehow. Since there is a lot we don't know, more information will be collected and shared after AT war. Uilliam pointed out that we have to be sure we don't conflict with a new Tir Righ event that weekend. Let's wait and see what the details are.

## BARONESS' BIRTHDAY & BARONIAL BANQUET

We don't have sites for either event. We need to book these soon. Heck, we don't have an autocrat either. Anika and Morweena has been looking at sites for Banquet. Algae said we could get the site in Delta we used last year too. Ceara will autocrat Baroness' Tourney if we get Cloverdale again.

## ARCHERY DEFENDERS

John requested a gate float of \$500. Approved. It's on June 21-22 at Albion Fairgrounds

#### MERCHANT LINK ON BARONIAL SITE

Adam Fairamay spoke with the Baron and Baroness about getting a link added to the Baronial website for local merchants who offer quality products. Basically it would be a short summary of what they do and a link to their website. Similar to SCA Inc. They would have to apply. Uilliam mentioned that we might be limited on what we can put on our website in this respect. As long as we approach it from a merchant directory standpoint and don't charge to be listed. Uilliam will check into the rules and Rothgar will start working on getting it set up for the web.

## FARSPEAKER

Elena announced that it's ready to go to the printer however she would like to do one more call for updates before going to the printer since it's been a while.

#### EISENMARCHE

Algae mentioned they are losing their locker space so they want to know about renting space from us. They have about 10 rubbermaid bins. Many feel that it wouldn't be ideal as what happens when or if things get mixed up and more people having access to the locker. Too many factors to consider.

#### **NSCA**

Elena has memberships available if you want to buy one tonight. Uilliam suggested that the NSCA membership form be put into the Northern Sentinel each month.

#### CLINTON

Uilliam received an email from the Kingdom Seneschal and he read it out. The Kingdom Seneschal will not allow the Barony to accept the offer and use the site. Baroness Caitrin has said that the King will support whatever the Coronet decides. The Coronet has stated that they will not do business in such a way. The Coronet has also urged Lions Gate to not participate in Clinton as well. The Kingdom has said there will be no SCA event at Clinton this year. Amanda has yet to speak with Pam and Neil about this – hasn't been able to catch them on the phone. Uilliam mentioned that a hard copy of the letter has been sent to them as well.

Whether or not Clinton still happens is completely dependant on the site owners. Amanda pointed out that people will show up anyways for the event. Uilliam will make sure that they know that our insurance will need to cover the weekend as well. The Barony's hands are tied and this decision has been made for us. Amanda asked that if anyone should drop by the Martin ranch during a particular time, all people are considered private. There cannot be an SCA presence at the event in any way. Elena did add that this could be a positive for the event – going back to our roots – no site fees, no NMS, no waivers, that sort of thing.

Amanda asked what the parameters for using SCA media for advertising the event, even if it's non-SCA. The Crier does accept paid advertising for non-SCA events. Uilliam will ask the Kingdom Seneschal about this in particular and see what she says. It was also noted that we need to ensure that Lions Gate doesn't lose the weekend in the future. Uilliam mentioned that even if Pam and Neil changed their minds, the decision is out of our hands and must be made by the Kingdom Seneschal. It is important to note that everyone understands that this is without malice and beyond the control of the Barony. Everyone at the meeting was generally okay with the idea anyways. From here on in, Clinton won't be discussed at Council.

Baron Griffin expressed that this has been a very difficult weekend for himself, Baroness Caitrin and Uilliam in trying to figure this out and handle it in the best way but it was taken out of our hands. Amanda thanked them for working so hard on this.