

Business Meeting Notes

Date: Feb 5, 2008

Meeting began at 7:40 called to order by Lady Viviana for HLy Margarite.

Officers:

- *Arts and Sciences*- Trying to start an A&S Sunday. Either monthly or bi-monthly. On the last Sunday of the month. See Steppes Letter for more info on these. Warlord is coming, and we want to sponsor an A&S competition. If you want to teach a class at Warlord please let us know your needs. There was bardcraft at 12th Night. Next A&S meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, Feb 19th at Suzanne's house. We will continue Warlord projects. Katherine – Brewers, if you want kingdoms to sample. His Majesty asks for stuff to be donated to Midrealm party at Gulf War.
 - *Calligraphy and Illuminators* – 8 people in January. Feb is the 19th at Suzanne's house.
 - *SLAB* – Brewing competition and cordial tasting at Warlord, judges are needed
 - *Pottery* – 3rd Sunday or Saturday, which ever is easier. Or when you want to come out.
 - *Open Library at Serena's*. 7:00 till thrown out.
 - *SLAG* – none in Jan. 27th of Feb. 7-10. Last Wed of month going forward.
 - *Clothiers* – Wed, 20th 7:00 PM – pouches and bags. Feb 24th - Heraldic clothing, Moved from 17th. 1-4 pm. Will be. 3 hours
 - *Bardic Revel* – Sat Feb 16th at 7:00 pm
 - *Discussion meeting against Queen's*. We apologize. Did have a long and informative discussion.
 - *Mistress Rhiannon of Rosenfeld is newest artisan of Brwn Gwlad.*
 - *Kingdom A&S this weekend.*
 - *Cooking guild upcoming.*
- *Children*- Interim MoC is Klara, Bids closed at January business meeting. Pending background check results. Thank you Hadassah for service.
- *Chirurgeon*- n/a
- *Chronicler*- new due date is 25th of the month. Office is up for bids. Bardic Revel on 16th. Brewing competitions at Warlord. Email me with officer contact information. I need authorization in writing or email.
- *Equestrian*- n/a
- *Exchequer*- We have \$ 12094.26 in the bank (2k is in Lindenwood); My office is coming up for bid. I need a deputy. Makes it easier for transition.
- *Herald*- We will have guests at populace to discuss heraldry. Alaric (Eclipse) and Donal. We will have a couple submissions. Elin was made a Laurel at Coronation.
- *Historian*- state of history files is grim. Only 17 newsletters out of 35 years. I need actual hard copies if possible. Also need old site tokens, gate booklets,

- invitations, etc. I am working on a binders of 1 page per year with B&B, officers, who was crown, events etc.
- *Hospitalier*- bids have closed. Will be announced at next business meeting. Demos will be discussed later in meeting.
 - *Marshals*:
 - Heavy- Mike in class. Morgan – averaging 5 people in armor. Have some new people show up;
 - Light- practice canceled tonight due to illness. About 8 fighters a practice. Ingve won Queens. Successfully defended Iron Star. Defended against 10 teams. Calontirians got massacred. ,
 - Archery- practice continue, 11-2 at Eastfield College, average of 5 people show up. Repairing and replacing loaner gear.
 - Youth combat- open
 - *Quartermaster* – trying to schedule times for people to come clean locker. So far the only commitment is Feb 23rd. Thinking of moving other dates Katherine – working on a list of pass down gifts.
 - *Seneschal*- Open offices : Exchequer, Seneschal, Chronicler, Knight Marshal - All will close at April business. Hopefully announce in may. April business meeting will have discussion about 12th night next year.
 - *Virtual Scribe*- He is out of state and will be back tomorrow. Warrant is up. Bids are welcome at this time.

Populace Meetings:

- Feb 22 is Robin and Serena
- Mar 21 is Lasgwaard and Lyneya
- April 25 is Torquil and Hadassah
- May 16 is Elinor, Eric and Ian
- June 20 is Chiara
- July 25 is at Lyneya and Lasgwaard
- August 22 – Kalida and Thorkel? Saqra will verify.
- September 19 – Regan and Faelan
- October 24 – Suzanne's
- November 21 – Hadassah and Torquil
- Dec 19 – Robin and Serena

Other business:

- At April Business meeting, there will be a discussion regarding decisions about 12th night 2009, will it come back to Steppes or go on as a regional; bids for Eistedfodd are due in Sept;
- Help is needed in finding site options for Artisan, 12th night; calls need to be made during business hours
- If you see something wrong with the website; please let Matthew know; you are responsible keeping your contact info current

Events:

- **12th night:** Glaslyn, Steppes got 123.30, 3.74 to Elfsea. Extra 3rd went to Black Star. 187 total adults. 147 feasts. 373.64 in profit. Bids for next one will close at July populace
- **Warlord:** Things coming together. Please email Lyneya about any events on schedule. Sit tokens may have someone. Will eb at Canton. Merchants will be around list field, no option for trees. Will have hall 2 days. Need volunteers. Have Security, Merchant coor, list mistresses. Need other coordinators. Hope to have a website this week. Email warlord35@bmhanson.net
- **Artisan:** bids closed at March populace. No bids accepted. Bid or you may be drafted.
- **Gulf War:** please pre-register! Online until Feb 14, mailed in ended. let Ly Elisabeth know you're going and dimensions of tent
- **King's College:** we are putting in a bid. Deitrich and Viviana.
- **Bod meeting:** April 19 In Grapevine

Demos:

List was moderated not because of the ideas or opinions, just the tone and manner of their expression. Please remember that the list DOES have rules. We will try to start posting them monthly.

Demos are an overall view of the group. No group should be excluded, but no group should feel like they are the only reason for the demo.

Dates are generally set by the group hosting the demo, not us. It is your personal decision about whether or not you go. Your decision. Please do not be condescending to others who do go. Please also remember that you are speaking for yourself. Not everyone in your group when you commit OR decline to go.

Think about what you are posting to the lists. Be supportive and helpful. "Thumper rule". Take a couple days if you have to cool down. Also please remember your audience. May be new, young, etc. Don't chase them away.

Demos are important. Demos and word of mouth are where we get our new people.

Saqra – If you object, keep it off the list.

Morgan – remember not everyone has the same writing skills. What they say and how they are saying it may not be what you read.

2 upcoming All Con March 7-9 and Home school on March 29th.

All Con – Saqra is in charge. Anyone want to donate items. I will be posting about this. My email and phone number will be on the post. Con managers have given a space. Some passes. More info as we get it. Beware of the Adult Themes at convention. May not be kid friendly.

Homeschool Demo - March 29th. Last Saturday. Eleanor is coordinating. Erwin park in McKinney. Need a organization meeting real quick. Serena – remember you cannot make promises for others.

This is different in that we are not a side attraction. Not another event that we attend. We are the main focus and reason for the event.

Cantons:

Glaslyn: no one there.

Lindenwood: event went well. Not heavily attended.

Baroness:

- Candlemas – new laws signed in. Date for Crown Tourney and others shifted. Crown will be in July, not October. Will allow for heirs at Pennsic.
- Remember to be kind, gentle and supportive.

Meeting concluded at 9:11