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Baronial Business Meeting September 5, 2019

Officer reports are verbatim, meeting notes are paraphrased.

Baron and Baroness

September 2020

Greetings Mighty Barony of Dragon's Laire!! It is already September. Goodness, when did that happen? Well, as the camping season comes to a close, and we begin to look forward to the feast season, We cannot help but notice no one has put a bit in for Candlemas, the event at which we find our next Baronial Arts & Science Champion. Hint, hint.....

Along with Summer coming to a close and Fall on its way, We now enter into our final year as Baron & Baroness, and it is time to begin looking to the populace for Our successors. The actual process will likely not begin until next Spring or early Summer. It is our desire to step down at next year's September Crown. So, that we may end as we began. However, all that is up to Their Majesty's decision. Information will be shared when it comes to the Seneschal.

We are happy to give council to any who are interested in submitting their names for consideration. The position of Baron & Baroness is a long term position. It comes with a great deal of responsibility and time expectations. Nearly half of our son's life has been spent with us in service to Dragon's Laire. This is not to say our time spent is not time well invested. It is meant to impress upon you with the gravity of the job. Most B&Bs don't feel completely settled into the position until two full years have passed. A three year term with the possibility of a second term is a real investment in the Barony, not in oneself.

We have been informed of the accident which happened on Central Valley near the VFW and have been hearing reports of the populace and their bravery, cool headedness and assistance in the matter. At the time of this missive We do not know specifics but are well impressed by all the support and leadership shown by the populace. His Excellency would echo the words of His Lordship Stephen and add that in his experience as an Emergency Medical Technician, witnessing and assisting in trauma situations, particularly motor vehicle accidents can, be a weird stressor and training or not can put the bite on people. In non-socio/emotional terms and to be practically blunt He would like to remind anyone who may have come in contact with bodily fluids without protection like gloves should get themselves tested for blood borne pathogens like HIV and Hepatitis. In terms of mental health, it is not weakness to seek help or solace in professional trauma related mental health care nor if one seeks it from friends and loved ones. As always if you need to talk through it, We are here if you need us.

As always, in joyful service Baron Conchobar and Baroness Eilidh

OFFICER REPORTS

Seneschal THL Ciar ingen Fiachnae

From the meeting:

We need bids for events, and we need official bid for Candlemas.

If you have any ideas for events or activities, please talk to Ciar.

There is now a Deputy Seneschal. Yay!

Marshallate

Baronial Lord Stuart of House Awry

Greetings Mighty Barony,

It's time once again to inform you of activities marshal. Practice has been happening. Sadly, I haven't been able to attend because of work, but never fear. I have finally found a worthy successor in my friend and fellow House awry member, THL Conrad Ross (Brian Chamberlin), who will be taking over as Baronial Marshal. It's been a great two and a half years but it's time to pass the paperwork and reporting off. Thank you to all the fighters who have made the job an enjoyable one it has been an honor to serve.

YIS, Stuart of House Awry, Baronial Marshal

Rapier

No separate report at this time.

Archer

Lady Artunis of Dragon's Laire

Attendance has been strong and steady at the weekly archery practices throughout August. A few new people have dropped by, and I hope to keep seeing them around. We have a new tarp for the shed with far fewer holes, which is quite lovely.

However, as I'm sure many know by now, the first practice of September did not end well, with a car accident that thankfully didn't involve anyone in our organization but was nevertheless tragic. Due to the unsafe nature of crossing the road, we are considering alternatives for the first week of the month, when we've been traditionally parking across the street. Keep an eye out for any updates in that regard.

YIS, Artunis Chief Archer Squire and Arcuarius to Sir Andras Truemark, OGGS

From the meeting:

Nothing major happened in August. Given the safety considerations associated with limited parking and crossing the busy street, I am not okay with the first Wednesday of the month for practice. We may possibly switch to first Sunday so no one has to cross the street.

Thrown Weapons Telamon

No separate report at this time.

Siege

No separate report at this time.

Equestrian

On hiatus. No separate report at this time.

Arts & Sciences Murakami Tsuruko-Sensei

Greetings all,

It's not too early to be thinking about our A&S/Bardic competition in February at Candlemas.

We will be having an A&S day camp on Saturday Oct 12, 2019, at the West Side Improvement Club in Bremerton pending approval at the business meeting. Once we have approval, we will publish details and solicit for classes.

At fight practice next Tuesday (9/10) Master Thangbrand will be discussing the subject of creativity. The Research Corpus will be meeting mid-to late September, date TBD.

YIS,

Murakami Tsuruko

From the meeting:

One addition, the Games Minister is looking for a deputy because her availability is limited by her job.

Chronicler THL Sayako Enoki

No separate report at this time.

Herald/Golden Dragon Pursuivant Countess Elisabeth de Rossignol

No separate report at this time.

Chatelaine Isemy MaKenze

Greetings,

We welcomed a new family to the Barony, and had visitors from other Baronies attending the Heraldry class this month.

YIS Isemay MaKenze

Exchequer

Master Arontius of Bygelswade

From the meeting:

Checking \$57912.90 Savings \$49227 CD \$12471.89

Total income form Junefaire was \$35458.72, \$10565.11 is the final profit.

Comcast email is the best way to get ahold of Arontius.

The reporting requirements of exchequers are changing from the Society level. We need to review Baronial policy to make sure we are compliant.

The annual donation to the VFW hall need to me made.

Arontius will be out of town for two weeks. Ciar will have the checkbook, with Ralg as the second signature.

The standing budget is available through the second quarter if anyone is interested in looking at it

Stewards budget went into the red, so we will increase their budget.

VFW hall donation ("rent"), have gone through four audits this year, to include financial committee minutes. I propose to make the annual donation for \$1200 for use of the building for our regular use and a few occasional meetings. The proposal is approved.

Steward THL Kloe of Thira

No separate report at this time.

Gamesmistress Chrysallis

No separate report at this time.

Lists

Position open

No separate report at this time.

Webminister Máenach na Cailled

From the meeting:

Not a whole lot of work on the website this month. Working on replacing the forms with something that is not tied to the old website. I have heard that officers' email still going to spam, so I am putting together instructions with screen shots to mark things as not spam and encourage system to trust emails from people you know.

Feedback on new website is exclusively positive which can't be real... Please give feedback.

How is the best way of notifying the webminister of what the changes are, like champions? We need a system so that the webminister doesn't have to be totally aware of everything.

Social media Kosem of House Awry

No separate report at this time.

YACs

Position open

No separate report at this time.

Scribe

Rhiannon of EaglesFlight

No separate report at this time.

Librarian

Lady Ela Pennayth y Ynis Dewi

No separate report at this time.

YAFA

No separate report at this time.

GUILDS

Bardic

No separate report at this time.

Culinary & Spiritmakers THL Ciar ingen Fiachnae

Will be having a meeting at the end of the month. Will be moving into spirit makers as we move in the bad weather season. We cooked stuff at the last meeting.

Costumers

THL Jess of the Roving Irishmen

Nothing to report. Put it in abeyance – nobody seems to be interested.

Scribal

Maitre Renart le Fox de Berwyk

No separate report at this time.

Textiles

No separate report at this time.

DRAGON'S LAIRE EVENTS

Candlemas (February)

Baronial Championships for Arts & Sciences, Scholars, and Bardic

No separate report at this time.

Junefaire (First Weekend of June)

Annual Flagship Event, Open to the Public Event Steward: Sir Andreas Truemark

Junefaire is bid. Planning will commence in January.

Last Chance (September/October)

Baronial Martial Championships

No separate report at this time.

Arts & Sciences Day Camp (Autumn) Event Steward: Dame Gwen the Potter

From the meeting:

Putting in a big for Fall A&S Daycamp. This will be a nonfee, nongarb event. The church that we had last year was not available on October 12th (Saturday), but the Westside Improvement Club was available. Juan is the manager of the club, and we are penciled in. We will have the whole facility for \$295, plus an \$85 janitorial fee to recover the damage deposit and not have to clean. We could have outdoor cooking and fighter practice as well. Tehre are 2-3 classrooms, a kitchen for cooking, and space for an outdoor potluck. We can move tables, but they have to be lifted and not dragged so they don't scuff the floor. The site will set up the tables for is. The need a check for a total of \$655, with a refund of \$275 after the event so they have the paper trail that they returned the deposit.

Hours will be 10am to 4pm. The setup/takedown crew arrive at 9am and leave after cleanup by 5pm.

This weekend is two weeks before Collegium, and has no known Kingdom conflicts.

The bid is approved. We are expected to take a loss on the event, and that's okay. This is for the community.

Yule (December)
Annual Baronial Feast

Event Steward: THL Jess

I am happy to announce that we have a site for Yule! Yule will take place on December 14th at the Village Green Community Center in Kingston (same place Yule was held in 2017). Due to the cost of this site the site fee for Yule will be \$15, however, feast will remain \$10. Information about the feast, including the menu, will be announced in the upcoming weeks.

Volunteers are needed to help in the kitchen, serving, set up, tear down, and hall clean up. Please let me know if you'd like to help in any way. Volunteers are already in place for key roles.

Some fun activities in the works for Yule to include a Modern to Medieval display and presentations by our Research Corpus.

In Service, THL Jess

From the meeting:

We may do the Research Corpus presentations in the library so we can share them with the public.

The site has a playground and a place for a fighter practice. Maybe we can do another donation drive to a food bank and shelter donations.

Yule is pre-reg only. The crown will not be in attendance. We violated our capacity last time.

PROPOSALS, OTHER, and Oh-By-The-Way's

Proposals

Proposal for the Financial Committee

None	!
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Oh-by-the-Way's

None!