Bryn Gwlad Business Meeting Agenda

Date: Oct 23th, 2023

Seneschal: HL Nicaize Maupetit
Officers' Reports:
Herald: Lord Liam Seamus McSweeney

- Open for applications as of Oct 15th, taking til Dec 15th, warrant will expire on Jan 15th which should allow 1 month for transition of physical items
- Look forward to virtual admin training days for the herald office
- Apply Here: https://ansteorra.org/seneschal/apply-for-an-office/
    - Request from Star Principal Herald is to FWD applications to their address as well: kingdom@herald.ansteorra.org

Chronicler: Magister René Damours

- Now accepting submissions for the Newsletter! knowledge, art, stories, history – send it over!

Web Minister: Lady Elspeth Monypenny

- Team work makes the dreamwork - gratitude for people who have helped support the website this week
- Searching for a replacement - reach out if you're interested
- WordPress update causing issues on website
    - Fixes in progress in conjunction with KWeb
    - interactive elements like the main menu and accordions/expandable items aren't working, pop-up forms

Hospitaller: Lady Clary

- Newcomer's Academy - Katalina Ana de Salamanca
- Clary out of state til ~ December, Tuathal assisting until she returns
- 4 newcomers this month through practice and discord; lots of folks came through the populace tent at the Fall Event
- NCA is ended for the year, will restart after Sherwood Demo this Spring
- Look for more Sherwood details at the start of November
- Sherwood Meeting will be happening next week - BG coordinators and volunteers from other groups

Knights Marshal: Cen Wilhelm von Bellatrix

- office transfer in progress
- 3-6 people at practices, no injuries, no newcomers
- inventory will happen soon along with rattan purchase for repairs

Rapier Marshal: HL Nadja Ramthuner

- practices and newcomer training going well
- had a big attendance practice this month - double digits; yay nicer weather
- Seeking loaner tips and pommels, reach out if you have items to donate or deals you know about

Archery Marshal: *open for applications*

- Apply Here: https://ansteorra.org/seneschal/apply-for-an-office/
- We are still in need of a volunteer to be our archery marshal and getting the community up and going again
- Still looking for a site

Arts & Sciences:HL Sosha Lyon's O'Rourke

- A&S is running strong
- Shoutouts to HL Jolie
- prepping for upcoming Candlemas event

- Zombie tourney is coming up!

Treasurer: Lord Sæbjørn Ødegaard
- Event finance report
- Fall baronial happened! ~$600 profit, modulo paypal funds making their way to us
- Sitting in a good/healthy financial position
- One open position on the Financial Committee - multiple applications received
- Yule checks will need to be signed, look for that at Zombie or next available activity

Quartermaster: Lord Sæbjørn Ødegaard
- *Open for applications!*
- Apply Here: https://ansteorra.org/seneschal/apply-for-an-office/

Minister of Children: *open for applications*
- Apply Here: https://ansteorra.org/seneschal/apply-for-an-office/

Hellsgate News:
Bastrop News:

- Reach out to Seneschal if you're interested in the job, or in learning more about it, or in running specific activities at events

Social Media: Mistress Elen verch Phelip
- Have received photos from recent events – BG, Coronation. If you're interested in contributing photos or video, please reach out so we can get a release on file for you
- Spam Bots Attack! The Barony successfully defended against intruders and the spam bots have so far been defeated and revealed. Woot woot!
- Ideas for making it easier to push out posts to social platforms, will discuss w/ Seneschal re: budget
- Shoutout to Elizabeth for sending info for Yule! Will start pushing it out soon

CURRENT BUSINESS:

- Zombie Tournament 10/24/2023 - Orazio
  - Inventory – we are looking for boffer weapons! Variety is welcome – bottles, fish, swords, daggers, rubber chickens, severed arms, all squishy are welcome
  - Look forward to the snowball zombie tournament with risen dead, undead artistry competition (preference for zombie or undead themes, but all entries are welcome - include a notecard as "documentation"), spookie charcuterie and snacks, and DEATH AND A SCYTHE WILL APPEAR with a gambling board and gambling opportunities (No legal tender will be exchanged; plastic coins only :))
  - Sexy Zombie Necklace. Pass down Pennants/Silk Banners.
  - Setup - look for info to push to socials soon
  - In Case of Rain – we will push the date by two weeks; look for updates
- Fall Baronial
  - wrap up discussed during meeting so far
  - do we want an after action meeting?
- Indoor PiP site hunt, fundraising ideas
  - Trinity Methodist Church
    - current request is $150/night for us to use the site once a week

        - financial discussions underway to see if this is something we can sustain
    - Anyone who wants to join the chat or the site search, let us know
- Yule
    - Elizabeth autocrat
    - event info has been sent to smo, web, and chronicler
    - Location (Refectory at Bastrop State Park), no decorations needed!

NEW BUSINESS:

- Financial Committee Member at Large (voting via electronic form available to those attending the meeting)
    - Calvin Tittle
    - Estienne de Bretagne
    - Escarlata Laeticia Itzel de Granada
- Open offices
    - Herald - open
    - Webminister - open
    - Seneschal - opening in Feb
    - Archery Marshal - open for applications
    - Quartermaster - open for applications
- Baronial Transition
    - **October 30th, 2023**: This is the deadline to declare baronial candidate status—no new entrants are allowed after this date. Final letters of intent by baronial candidates are due to the Crown by email.
    - **November 4th, 2023**: The November edition of the baronial newsletter is published. It includes the final opinion poll form with the names and candidate letters of the baronial candidates, the same as found on the baronial website.
    - **November 27th, 2023: Polling Occurs:** We will allow up to 1 hour for Q&A session with the candidates and then we will provide the ballots if they do not wish to poll electronically.
    - **December 4th 2023: Absentee Polling Opinions are due.**
    - **December 2023** - Crown interviews baronial candidates
    - **January 13th, 2024**: HRM will announce who will be the next Baron and Baroness of Bryn Gwlad at Crown Tournament.
    - **Saturday, February 3rd, 2024**: Investiture of the new Landed Nobility.
- Upcoming Events
    - Oct 27th-29th - Seawinds
    - Nov 3rd-5th - Shadowlands
    - Nov 11th - Queen's Champion
    - Nov 16th-19th - War of the Rams

Their Excellency's Bryn Gwlad: (Gavin and Wentiliana).

Bryn Gwlad Business Meeting Agenda

NOTES:

- three tables being rescued from use/life at Castleton with support from TBM
- Baronial Storage – currently in G&W's garage, discussion item to add to upcoming fincom and/or baronial meetings
- Request of all: When Referring to War of the Rams, please use the name of the event, rather than "fred" or other nicknames or jokes. "BAM" is okay.
- We are in need of regalia for baronial awards
- 2 NCA Grads in court at fall baronial
- If you're interested in applying for the landed position, reach out to G&W – they are willing to meet/discuss/chat
- There will be a baronial camp at War of the Rams - look for details and banners on site