Shire Meeting Proceedings January 28, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

OFFICERS' REPORTS:

Seneschal: Lady Fabrisse reported the quarterly report was submitted on time; copy was available. She attended 12th Night.

Exchequer: Constancia reported she is working on the year-end report.

Deputy Exchequer: Lord Brandulfr had nothing to report

Knights Marshall: Master Wulfgar reported that most practices were canceled in January due to cold weather. At 12th Night there were 12 fighters and no injuries during the fighting.

- <u>A & S Minister</u>: Lord Arthur reported that he made a crown for 12th Night to be decorated by the populace. Additional crowns will be made for õPicture yourself as Royaltyö in adult and child sizes.
- <u>Chatelaine</u>: Mistress Linette reported no new member contacts this month. Her report was submitted on time and accepted by Kingdom.
- *Chronicler*: No report. Due to extenuating circumstances, Lady Orlaithe has asked to be relieved. Lord Marcus was appointed as Chronicler.

Herald: No report.

Web Minister: No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Owlsherst Country 12th Night (1/18/14) of The autocrat, Lady Thorfina reported that the event went well except for one accident and expressed her thanks to all involved with the event. The owners of the site were well please with our cleanup efforts and the deposit has been returned to the shire. Lost and found items were discussed and arrangements have been made for the return of the items. Two additional expenses were approved, one a tournament prize supplied by Wulfgar and the other for the towers constructed by Thorfina to hide the bingo boards in the hall. These may be used to screen other items in various sites and will become part of the shire chattels. The youth tournament was won by Kai and Marcus was presented a baldric for his chivalrous acts on the field and hall thus making him the youth fighter representative for the shire. Constancia reported the event was profitable with 104 gentles on site and 87 for feast.

One suggestion for improvement at 12th Night was to insure that time schedules were more closely followed. People in new positions this time included Brandulfr at troll who indicated he found the position interesting and was quite pleased. Lady Orlaithe was in charge of dayboard and did a most outstanding job with it. Master Victor expressed his pleasure with the way the kitchen functioned and offers his many thanks to all those who helped in the kitchen. One thing to note, the cooks guild will be on the lookout for some new china bowls in a 9 inch size due to the untimely demise of several in our possession. To replace the set they would need 22 bowls. In addition the cooks guild is in the need of several large mixing bowls and a replacement for one drink cooler which leaks. One final item to note is the shire trailer will need to be inventoried again when warm weather arrives.

Spring event ó Lord Brandulfr reported that the plans for our Viking themed event õThe Viking Thingö at Camp Cann-e-dion on June 7 are going well. They are currently finalizing the list of events for the day. We may need to rent a port a john and if we elect to use the swimming pool will need to cover the expenses for a lifeguard in addition to the site fee. Constancia will investigate the use of ACEP for reservation payments and will report back to the shire. Lady Elisabetta has offered to be the head cook for the event.

Holiday Bakeoff ó The event went as planned and all in attendance had a great time.

Schola (9/27/14) ó There is no further information at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Codorus Blast (June 20-22 2014) ó The event will happen and we will be in the same location as last year. The committee has requested that we provide a more detailed schedule of our events and try to adhere to it as closely as possible to aid in their scheduling process.

Shire Wars ó Mistress Linette reported that Mary of Montvale has a bid proposal where by the event will be held at camp õSinoquipeö a Boy Scout camp which is located near Fort Littleton in Franklin county 65 miles west of Harrisburg. Mary had indicated she would like to autocrat the event and has a headcook lined up. Two important items to note 1) the site would offer overnight camping possibilities. 2) There would be a date change to Columbus Day weekend.

Website ó Joe, one of our newest members, has offered to revamp our current website. He designs websites as a profession and presented a version that he came up with that was presented to those in attendance who were very impressed by his efforts. Some of the highlights included better graphics and ease of navigation for those new to the site along with an expanded newcomer section. He has received input from Wulfgar and Armand and will be seeking from input from kingdom and members of the shire. It was suggested that a meeting be held in this regard at a time and location to be announced.

Pennsic encampment and land agent- Topic to be discussed at next business meeting.

Shire Goals ó Our Seneschal would like all member of the shire to think about some goals that they would like to see the shire achieve in 2014. Please bring a list of them to the next meeting for discussion.

SCHEDULING

- Brewerøs Guild ó on hiatus for now
- Cookøs Guild ó Future dates to be announced.
- Herbal Guild inactive
- Fighter Practice ó Wednesday 6 9:00 pm.
- Youth Fighter Practice ó Youth practice first and third Wednesday 6:30 ó 8:00 pm.
- Archery Practice ó Indoor practice at Gander Mountain, Harrisburg on alternating Mondays
- Art & Sciences:
 - Sewing Workshops ó Sewing at Linetteøs 3rd Tuesday or by appointment; email to confirm.
 - Book discussion ó on a Viking theme to complement June Viking event; book TBA
 - Skyn, Wynde & Wyre upcoming practices ó 2/5, 2/16, 3/16, 3/30, 4/13, 5/4, 5/25
 - Autocratting workshop to be held Sunday Feb 9 2:00 pm at Fabrisse and Marcus home, pot luck to follow at 5:30.
 - Website development meeting place and time to be announced

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.; fourteen members attended.

Next Meeting: Tuesday February 25, 2014, location to be confirmed.