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## Baronial Business Meeting -- 19 Jul 2016 -- Curia Special Edition

**Seneschal Report:** Mistress Matilda Bosvyle de Belle Aqua

Office Changes: None happening currently

Approaching Deadlines: College of Three Ravens bids due at August business meeting. Matilda will not be taking incomplete bids.

\*\*\* Lord Simon Caminante is looking for sites. We should help him do this.

Please note there will be no social meeting in August.

**Exchequer Report:** Lady Alina Marie de Valenciennes

Checking: \$3402.30

Savings: \$3848.41

For the full Curia report, please see the end of these minutes. (Appendix A.)

### Events

Post-event report for Pax Interruptus XL: Lady Marguerite de Neufchasteau (Maggie, to us)

"We had an event and I was told it was actually good."

It did not pour. It sprinkled during Court.

More signage next year, please.

Two casualties: one of the smaller gotts was blackened with mold. Maggie would like permission to discard; she has it. Alison and Tim gave us a five-gallon gott to replace the dead gott.

The other casualty was one of the sandwich signs, which was involved in a hit-and-run. The body is lying in state at Steffan's. With some extra parts, we could well revive it.

Everything that was borrowed from Steffan has been returned.

The Marshal had to make one report due to a field issue, but no issues.

Six new authorisations: two in fencing, four in heavy. One new combat archery marshal, one new fencing marshal.

Lost and found: metal portable banner-holder (TRH); small folding green table (TRM's herald); one green chair (Otelia); walnut pendant; one fighter's undergarment; three arrows (one claimed).

Total attendees: 214 (188 adults)

Total profit: \$210.42

Baronial Picnic: Máirghr ad, our A&S officer, will be unavailable to organize the Baronial Picnic owing to personal matters. Nikki has offered the Castle but will be unavailable on the day of the Baronial Picnic. Clarissa will thus be stepping into the organizational role. Elzbieta has offered to donate the remaining condiments from her son's party.

**Officer Reports****Heavy Weapons:** Sir Aquila d'Athos

Happening Thursdays at Highland Park, 7pm-dark. Recent influx of Pokemon GO players. One walked into a sign. Amusement ensued. Approximately 3-8 fighters attend practice. Loaner armor is in good condition. It needs to be gone over, but Athos is pretty sure nobody's going to ask for money to buy things at Pennsic.

**Fencing:** Lord Padraig Ua Céileachair

Practices Monday (Adams St., outside weather permitting)/Thursday (Highland Park); attendance is split between both. Simon is looking to get his cut-and-thrust marshallate and, when he has it, will request money for loaner gear to learn. Adams St. will reserve the room indoors for winter, 7-9 pm instead of beginning at 6:30 pm.

**Archery:** Lady Genevot Nau d'Anjou

Lord Cynwulf Rendell comes from the Hael to marshal for us at the Castle. He's doing different types of shoots. Five people attended this past Sunday's practice, at which there was shooting, inspecting of bows, and various marshal teaching moments.

**Thrown Weapons:** Sir Aquila d'Athos

Sundays, 2:30-4:30pm, Athos's house. Loaner weapons are in acceptable condition. 1-4 throwers turn up.

**A&S Report:** Lady Máirghr ad St obhard inghean u  Choinne

Please see report attached to the end of these minutes. (Appendix B.)

**Steward:** Baron Steffan Wolfgang von Ravensburg

From His Excellency Himself:

We have stuff. It lives in the basement, except for the two big Gotts, they live in the garage.

If you have stuff that needs to be back in the basement, please bring it back.

Things are good, except for one of the road signs that got hit by a car and got broken. Not too bad, but it was one of the nice ones, so I will see about getting it fixed.

We can rebuild him. Better than he was before. Better... stronger... faster, ... whatever.

Some plywood, some paint, a new leg, a new hinge. It will be fine.

Steffan

**Historian:** Baroness Nuzha bint Saleem

The archives are behaving themselves. Has been asked one question; answers in progress.

**Minister of Lists:** Duchess Branwen ferch Gwythyr

Not present at this moment.

**Pursuivant:** Lady Elzbieta Traidenyte

Still updating the Order of Precedence. Requesting two thumb drives for storage; Fridrikr

has offered to supply them. Court Reports will be sorted now that Elzbieta's computer is working and as soon as her son takes a nap.

**Chronicler:** Lord Padraig Ua Céileachair

We have Fewmets coming out. They are up to date. Court Reports need to go up (see Pursuivant).

**Webminister:** Lady Genevote Nau d'Anjou

Latest Order of Precedence has been posted. Please send Elzbieta any changes, not Genevote. Fewmets are up to date. A new website layout is in progress. Please send Genevote ideas, input, pictures, etc. We would like to reflect who we are now, not who we were ten years ago.

**Chatelaine:** Lady Adelheid Grünewalderin

Shake on the Lake will be performing in Geneseo (usually ~\$12 attendance) during Pennsic. [www.shakeonthelake.org](http://www.shakeonthelake.org) for more information.

No demos in the foreseeable future.

Looking to print more pamphlets; could possibly use more cards. Adelheid is pricing out our options. If anyone knows of a SCAdian-run print shop, that would be a fine source.

**Gold Key:** Mistress Katja Davidova Orlova Khazarina

Katja comes bearing inventory. She has had two requests (Pax and Pennsic). We do not have much for small to medium-sized men. Most of it is for shield wall-sized men. We're good to go with the rest! What we need are tunics.

\*\*\* Threadworker's Guild day: whipping up tunics?

**Baroness Sadira bint Wassouf**

Beautiful "hammer that out" pun on sign repair.

Hay bales were requested at the last minute for archery. Please ask before the last week, because money cannot be so easily obtained during the last week. Also, if you are going to bring something to the site, please make yourself responsible for removing it.

The number of marshals who turned out made Sadira very happy. There were something like 25 present. People who always ended up marshalling the whole day in the past got to play this year! Yay! Lesson: there are many people needed to make an event run.

Posted to the list -- gift baskets for the East. Those were actually for War Practice (oops). We now need to make gift baskets for Avacal. Specifications available on the list.

Speaking of gift baskets: baskets would be useful to have on hand.

Æthelmearc is running, at Pennsic, a children's party, a teen party, and an adult party... all on the same day as the Barony potluck and Court. Details have been posted on the list.

Sadira has the sign-up sheet for gate guarding: 9am-4pm, Monday 8 August, shifts of one hour apiece. One person is signed up for every slot. Please consider doubling up. (Sheet passed around to those present.)

If you have Pennsic Court business, please let Sadira know! She will be sending one (1) polling for the Talon. There is a slim possibility of scollage but don't hold your breath.

**Baronial policy change proposal: Lord Eldjarn the Thoughtful**

Two new awards (Order of Huginn; Order of Muninn) -- Huginn for long service/devotion, Muninn for courtesy. Decidedly mixed room on this.

Inspiration for these awards -- what does this say about us? What gap does this fill? Initial thought was that these are areas not acknowledged, necessarily, in awards; we could have more colour/pageantry, in particular with courtesy award, something like a champion of courtesy. Consider giving Muninn at Baronial Twelfth Night. Flexible on whether these need to be Orders (polled) or Awards (not polled). Would give the Baronage new tools to encourage the populace to live these ideals.

Raven's Egg? -- Not tied to any particular thing. Could be given for courtesy, for martial prowess, "hey, I saw you carry that basket for that person". Very flexible award. Sadira and Saleem originated the Raven's Egg, envisioned it for things that didn't take as long to do as a Raven's Feather and there were no Broche or Talon. The Raven's Egg was designed not to be polling and to be given multiple times if wished. Polls are time-consuming and sometimes difficult to read. Impact of social media on polling? (What is enough? How many responses are enough? This is not fixable. It is a reality.) And non-polling orders are just as hard: how do you do it fairly?

Whatever we decide, please please please respond to any polling requests you receive! Muninn is not designed to be polling; Huginn is, to encourage collaboration.

Katja and Eric as Baron and Baroness wanted to recognize people but had no way to do so under some circumstances -- these people were already ORF and had multiple Raven's Eggs. They were looking for something more to give. Resurrected the Sojourner Gift (hat tip to Drachenswald) and used it much as these awards are proposed to be used. Would not want another polling order.

Baroness Bronwyn: Difficulty with prescribed number of times per year. Saw people get double, triple peerages before certain Baronial awards, which created bitterness. Mistress Orianna mentions that this has been a problem with the ORF in the past. Eldjarn willing to entertain changes such that this is good for the Barony.

Matilda: By the time people have been doing this forever, they're not doing it for the awards. They're doing it because this is what they do. Lady Clarissa: But there are those who have played a long time and not been recognized, possibly due to local-level participation over kingdom-level. Athos: Recognition can be an important aspect of participation, but hopefully not only aspect. Balancing act; "it matters" and "it does matter" can be a spectrum upon which people shift their position.

Lady Venetia, in absentia: there is nothing for new people, either, or kids; how does this address that retention problem? Athos: That's the Raven's Egg. Mentions a spoon!

Bronwyn/Nuzha both: children do get the big awards if they start early, though. Not going to give a kid an adult award if not merited. Should give the kid the adult award if merited! Fight for kids to get what they deserve.

Elzbieta: Having been one of the newer people (yes, strange concept of new) -- at her first event, she helped in the kitchen because she needed something. Katja and Eric gave her a Raven's Egg and a token of "This is a really cool thing you did." Being noticed meant so much more than "hey, you're in this order" and the little rolling pin still has a place of honour in her house. The key is recognition of people who do things.

Lady Otelia: Awards can turn into a jewellery-collection exercise.

Eldjarn points out that he liked the idea of adding the two ravens into our awards.

Elzbieta: ...but can we register it? Lady Elen adds that it might be a hard fight, from a Kingdom Deputy SH POV. Give the Baronage the option of doing things as they see fit.

Maggie: Delftwood has something similar in its Order of the Mistral.

Eldjarn would like to edit this proposal, given this discussion. Proposal thus tabled until August.

Quick giving of Raven's Eggs to those who missed Pax!

#### **APPENDIX A: Exchequer's Report**

Tuesday, July 19, 2016

Curia Report

The Barony has \$3,402.30 in the checking account and \$3,848.41 in the savings account.

Since the last curia I have completed the 6/30/2016 midyear report which shows the Barony has a loss of \$555.55. We have had 3 events since the last curia. College of Three Ravens which had a loss of 97.86, Baronial Champs which had a loss of 188.60, and Pax Interruptus which had a profit of 210.42. The first two events are included in the 6/30/2016 midyear report, while Pax will be included in the 3rd quarter report.

As of 7/18/2016 the Barony is showing a loss of 345.13.

Respectfully submitted,

THL Alina Marie de Valenciennes

#### **APPENDIX B: A&S Report**

Curia Report 7/19/16

MED&D – no response

Threadworkers – no response

Scribal – Scriptorium has procured ingredients to make several types of gesso. Another

scribal workshop is being planned for the Thescorre area. Scrolls were prepared by members of the Scriptorium for Kingdom and Baronial events including Pax, Pennsic, War Practice, QRC and others.

Abigail participated at the Maccelsfield Psalter Workshop in April.

Mairghread and Genevotte participated in the Visconti Hours Workshop in June for which Baroness Mistress Roberta also instructed.

Abigail taught scribal at Academy of St Clare

Scriptorium had a garage sale at Pax for the Kingdom scribes and made about \$246!

A&S – Baronial members prepared favors that Baroness Sadira will give HRM of the East at Pennsic (too late for War Practice Kingdom Largesse).

Baronial members painted laser cut Fleur medalions for TRM largesse.

Many Baronial members volunteered at the Ice Dragon Pent or entered: Venetia, Bronwyn, Mairghread, Katja, Dugheasa, Abigail, Branwyn,

Medieval Minutes were given by Mairghread (Preparing a Medieval Manuscript Using Period Methods, Materials and Tools), Conneacht (Elizabethan Buttons). Upcoming MM's include Blackwork and Period Pigments.

The A&S office also recognizes and thanks those gentles from Thescorre who participated in the Arts and Science Faire on 4/24:

Abigail (Gail)

Conneacht

Elzbieta

Kadlin (Lileth)

Marguerite (Maggie)

Ragna Feilan (Kayla)

There was an A&S display at Pax with about a dozen entries including Abigail, Mairghread, and Otelia. Populace Choice winner was THL Otelia d'Alsace for her beautiful period-style (1408 CBE) icon of the angel Gabriel painted on wood with tempera and predominantly period pigments. Written commentary was provided for one entry as requested by a Laurel from the Hael. Gratia plena!

TW Moran was awarded a Sycamore at Ice Dragon.

Cauldron Bleu – members prepared a most period and delicious lunch sideboard for Pax led by Andrew. Ragna has procured a cookery mentor.

**August - 2016**

19-21 Seven Pearls Championships  
Barony of St. Swithin's Bog (Summerhill, PA)

**September - 2016**

2-4 Siege of Glengary -  
NOTE: Date Change  
Shire of Sylvan Glen (Kearneysville, WV )

2-5 A Shoote In The Wyldewoodes  
Barony of Delftwood (Memphis, NY)

9-11 Sicilian's Revenge:  
Palio di Sicily  
Shire of Port Oasis (Huntington WV )

10 Brewing and Bacon Bash  
Shire of Hunter's Home

17 Fall 2016 Æthelmearc  
Coronation  
PREFERRED DATE (ANY Region)

17 Summer's End  
(Note: Date change)  
Canton of Beau Fleuve (Lockport, NY)

23-25 Harvest Raid  
Shire of Heronter (Bemus Point, NY)

24 The Bad Italian Wedding  
Canton of Steltonwald

**October - 2016**

1 Fall Æthelmearc Crown  
Tournament  
Barony of Rhydderich Hael (Lockport, NY)

8 Archers to the Wald  
Canton of Steltonwald ()

8 Heralds and Scribes  
Shire of Coppertree (Rome NY)

15 Æthelmearc Arts & Science  
Champions  
Shire of Sunderoak (Chicora, PA)

22 Fasching  
Barony of Endless Hills (Shavertown, PA)

22 Brewing and Bacon Bash 3  
(NOTE: Date Change)  
Shire of Hunter's Home (Utica, PA)

22 Hunter's Moon  
Shire of Hartstone

28-30 Agincourt  
Barony-Marche of Debatable Lands

**November - 2016**

4-6 Corn Maze III  
Shire of Abhainn Ciach Ghlais

5 Angels Keep Fall Schola  
Shire of Angels Keep (Auburn, NY)

5 The Shire of Kings Crossing  
Birthday B(R)all  
Shire of King's Crossing (Houston, PA)