

# ~The Village Idiot~

*Newsletter of the Barony of Windhaven*

May AS LIII

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## Minutes of the April Business Meeting

### ~Next Meetings~

May 20<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Park, Appleton @ 10:30am

June 24<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Park, Appleton @ 10:30am

### ~Officer Reports~

\* **Seneschal** - Lord Edmund reported that Bardic Madness was a success. He thanks everyone for the help making the event go so well. He also welcomes Their Excellencies Baron Iohannes and Baroness Xanthippe.

\* **Chatelaine** - Lady Aesa reported that she had nothing new to report.

\* **Exchequer** - Eyfríðr Matheusdóttir reported that we have a grand total of \$10,910.39 in the bank. The general total is \$9,805.14. \$863.64 in Bentbridge. \$241.61 in Rapier. She also reported that she will be sending out her quarterly report after working with Honorable Lady Dyonisia. She also worked with her Excellency to create the ledger, quarterly report, and event report.

\* **Chronicler** - Lady Ashildr reported that The Village Idiot is out and the Baron is up.

\* **MOAS** - Isolda Kingswood reported that dances are ongoing. She has received 11 responses to her survey and asks that everyone please take a moment to respond to that. She also reported that a cooking guild has been formed and are working on meeting on a regular basis, once a month. A location was discussed, perhaps after fighter practices.

\* **Herald** - Lord Lazar reported that he had nothing to report.

- \* **Knights Marshal** - Lord Edmund reported that Practices are ongoing. As of May 6th outdoor practices will resume in Appleton at Memorial Park. As a gift to Pat of Gnome Games for allowing us to use their space, a scroll was made.
- \* **Rapier Marshal** - Lord Bryce reported that practices continue on campus and that rapier is looking forward to their summer field.
- \* **Youth Marshal** - Lord Aedan reported that he is still working on getting signatures for youth marshal. With heavy and rapier practice now outside he is looking at planning a day for a regional youth boffer practice at Memorial Park. Date to be announced.
- \* **Archery Marshal** - Lord Ronin reported that a new bow was ordered with a better deal than proposed. Three sticks of tip glue was donated by the Jara fletcher's guild. First practice will be April 29th. There will be no practice on May 6th due to Schützenfest.
- \* **Webminister** - Luca reported that there was nothing much to report. He saw several people walking around with some of the handouts from the website so he thinks that was a success. He tried out an online schedule module and volunteering module with good success. Next up on his to do list is a reorganizing the events section. He was thinking about breaking them out into separate pages so individual activities can have some space, i.e. examples of dance videos or recipes from the cooking guild.
- \* **Social Media** - Lady Birna reported that she is making more use of the Facebook page, sending out reminders.
- \* **Bentbridge** - Lord Bryce and Lady Emerenciana reported that yay the Bentbridge fundraiser made money! Professor Sherman wants Bentbridge to hold an event at the Viking longhouse this summer. They are also still trying to figure out how to hold their fencing practice/tournament on campus.
- \* **Barô & Baronôssa Report** - For their first report, Their Excellencies braved Stormageddon for coronation. They swore fealty. A lot of positive comments were heard about Bardic Madness, especially feast. Their Excellencies plan to attend Crown Tourney, Border Skirmish and several more events!

## ~Old Business~

- **Coronation Post Mortem** - It snowed A LOT. Coronation was fun, attendance was hindered by the storm. Kaiden and Cassandra were very grateful. Gifts were well received.
- **Rapier Captain Elections** - Lord Bryce was elevated from Pro Tem to rapier marshal!

- Baronial work day - May 19. 10am-5pm. Masonic Lodge in Appleton. Sewing day.
- Baronial device - \$75 limit.

## ~New Business~

- Baronial coronets - A discussion was had regarding replacing them. Research is needed.
- Chatelaine contact for demos. Lady Aesa would like to remind the barony that she does not have to be in charge of demos, but she does have to know about them. A budget was discussed and determined to not be necessary.
- Meet Up - A discussion was had regarding whether or not it would be beneficial to the barony to renew the MeetUp membership. A motion was seconded and carried that the barony will renew the Meetup membership for another 6 months.
- A proposal was offered to get a table Kitsune Kon in July.

## ~Bardic Madness Post Mortem~

- Thanks to everyone who volunteered and participated. It takes the whole barony for successful event. We were sad to see Grimmund and Mira step down but change is good. The site worked well; a possible fencing location or dance event.
- Eyfridr reported that she would like to thank everyone who helped sitting at gate as this was her first event doing so and as exchequer. She also reported that the event made a profit of \$660.00. There were 160 people in attendance, 184 of which were adults.
- Bentbridge reported that they had a great turn out for lunch. And made \$229.46.
- Lord Lazar reported that he opened a Windhaven baronial court for Baron Grimmund and Baroness Mira within the Kingdom Court at Bardic Madness. The following is a summary of business:
  - Bryce Davidson received the Baron's Cypher
  - Emerenciana Ariaenssen received a Joint Cypher
  - Mathghamhain Douglase received a Seat in Tamarack's Hall
  - Edmond Campbell received a Baroness' Cypher
  - Xanthippe Botaneatista received a Baroness' Cypher
  - Luca MacGregore received a Seat in Tamarack's Hall
  - Eyfriðr Mattheusdóttir received a Seat in Tamarack's Hall
  - Richard the Roma received a Baron's Cypher
  - Richard the Roma presented gifts of mead and cinnamon rolls to Grimmund and Mira.
 He also closed the final court of Baron Grimmund and Baroness Mira.

## ~Guild Reminders~

**Project Night** - Continues at Grimmund and Mira's house on alternating Wednesdays with Game Night. Door opens @ 6.

**Rapier Practice** - UWGB on Thursday nights 6-10pm. Memorial Park in Appleton, Sundays at noon.

**Dance Practice** - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at Ashwaubenon Library 6-7:45pm

**Archery Practice** - Memorial Park in Appleton, Sundays at 11.

**Fighter Practice** - Memorial Park in Appleton, Sundays at noon.

## ~Letter from *Barô* Iohannes Glenfidanus~

*Letter from the Baron*

*Sadly, it appears our invitation to the British royal wedding has been lost in transit. Oh, well. In happier news, the moat that Mother Nature attempted to install around the Baronial Manor House has receded without causing damage.*

*Huzzah, we have Heirs! Her Excellency and I travelled to Spring Crown tournament and witnessed Duke Vladimir Radescu, fighting on behalf of Dutchess Petranella Fitzallen of Weston, emerging victorious to become the Prince and Princess of Northshield. The Kingdom seems to be in good hands for the near future.*

*We have heard from the Kingdom Chronicler that the Northwatch is starting a 5 part series on the Baronies of Northshield. Each month will feature the rich history and lore of one of the five baronies in our Kingdom. Windhaven will appear in the December issue so we need to submit our article and materials no later than November 1st. We will need someone to coordinate our eventual submission and we will need contributions including photos, stories, historical tidbits, songs, poems, etc. If you can assist, please speak up.*

*We have also been plotting how to provide new opportunities for the members of the Barony to participate and are pleased to announce the return of the Baronial Champions. We have added what we hope is an exciting new twist or three to this. Here's how it goes:*

*1) Must reside within the territory of the Barony and must "play" with the Barony.*

2) *Six categories: Heavy, Rapier, Other Martial, A&S, Service, Bardic. An individual may earn points in multiple categories and apply to be champion in more than one category but may only serve as champion in one category at a time. There is no requirement of the Baronage to select a champion in any or all categories if interest or participation is insufficient.*

3) *Over a six-month period, applicants should track their activities. Participating in a categorical activity is worth a point. "Winning" a categorical activity entry is worth an additional point. The first period will run retroactively back to January 1st and go to the end of June. Start reflecting on what you have been doing this year so far!*

4) *Officer Free Space rule: Service as an officer of the Barony or the Kingdom, although important service, will not be itself worth any points as performance of officer duties are an expectation of that role. It may be possible to earn Service points if performing those duties outside the Barony or Kingdom such as Marshalling at other groups or events, assisting at Herald Consult tables, assisting with gate, etc. Basically, you do not get credit for performing the duties of your office only. You must go outside your normal parameters to get credit.*

a) *Example 1: I volunteer and complete an activity to be a server at feast. This is worth 1 point in the Service category.*

b) *Example 2: I am a rapier fighter. I attend an event at which I enter 1 or more tournaments that day. Each Tournament entered is worth 1 point in the Rapier category.*

c) *Example 3: In the tournaments from Example 2, I win a tournament. The win is worth 1 point in the Rapier category separate from the point earned for entry. Each win is worth a point.*

d) *Example 4: I am the Baronial MOAS and organize an A&S Tournament. Performance of duties of my office are not worth any points because only I can do those duties. So, organizing the tournament earns no points, but if I enter the tournament I can earn a point for participating and potentially another point for winning because that is open to everyone.*

e) *Example 5: I am the Baronial Herald and volunteer to assist with Kingdom Court at an event. Officer Free Space applies BUT this will qualify as Service because I volunteered to assist another group or the Kingdom, which is an activity open to more than myself and is over and above the duties of my office. This would not qualify for Service points if I was only Heralding a Baronial Court as this is a duty of my local*

office.

5) At six-month intervals, the Baronage will call for applications to be submitted and include a deadline. Interested applicants should submit their intention and provide their list of activities and scores in writing for consideration. Email is an acceptable submission format. The Baronage may consider factors in addition to the scoring in their decision. The baronage reserves the right to set a minimum number of points needed to qualify and to validate the submitted activity list. Age of applicant will not be a consideration.

6) Selected champions will serve for a period of six months. Champions will be expected to attend and stand in courts during their terms. Champions will be expected to communicate event attendance plans to the Baronage. Failure to perform duties can result in loss of champion status and barring from future consideration.

7) This is a bring your own regalia situation. The Barony may or may not provide actual regalia for use or display while an individual champion holds the position depending on what is available. Participant should be prepared to provide own appropriate regalia if any is desired. For example, if you are the rapier champion, you may want to bring your own blade. We will entertain opportunities to create appropriate regalia for champions if there is interest in doing so.

8) Changes to any system rules will be announced at the start of a 6-month tracking period.

So that's it. Applications can be submitted starting July 1st and must be received by July 15th. If you have any questions, you are encouraged to contact either Her Excellency or myself

Iohannes Barô

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