

March Month Council 2008

7: 18pm start

- Adopt last months minutes: up on website two weeks prior and passed by all.
 - Read by individuals at home.

- **Events updates:**

- o **Bard and a Banquet 2008:**
- Unknown report
 - o **Winter's tourney 2008:**
- See attached
- Recites submitted to exchequer.
 - o **Champion's tourney 2008:**
- Pewter: question put out of if someone has Yrsa's email address.
- Deposit needed, and passed without question.
- All champions contacted
- She suggests that the thrown weapons to be cancelled this year.
 1. Discussion held for whether or not to hold thrown weapons:
 2. Question asked to council whether to hold champions event at event: conclusion: cancelled.
- Asked if there are people that could help her find prizes and for the event.
- Contact information for artisans is needed please email me.
 - o **Odin's Playground:**

-Discussion held for research papers, paper only on Viking or related prior to 1066 AD.

-Other Norse compositions: Fiber, metals, leather and paper, food and drink, wood and stone, research paper, games and past times.

-Competitions: Bardic, heavy, target archery. And maybe thrown weapons

-Pied Piper, and other family activities.

-And a University of Tir Righ information section.

-Red Flag period encampment will be coming and set up. They will be paying prior to the event.

○ **Bard and a Banquet 2009:**

-Thora will be putting an event bid for next month.

-Will be looking at the Harrison site.

-A request by the Press Gang theater company for \$75.00 to by the copy rights for their coming play.

1. A motion was put forth to give Press Gang the money needed

“-Exchequer vetoed this motion and told us to move it to next month as per the financial policy.”

○ **Fall Ithra / Workshop:**

- none

○ **New Year's Masque 2008/9:**

-Trabriza, this was her first time autocrating. Paper report will be given to Seneschal by Stewart.

-Profit \$29.41, 35 people in attendance.

-Seneschal: please for all events autocrat you can use people in offices to help with your events but you can also use other qualified people as well.

- **Old Business:**

- Demo discussed by Rick for his school.
- Stations are recommended.
- Needed tables: Rapier, dance and blue helm.
- May 1st 2009
- Are wavers needed?
- Rosedale Elementary School

Other demo: Friday before spring break final block

- Rick and Melissa hosted
- IN ATTACHED DOCUMENT

-No new information regarding Lionsgate farspeaker

- **New Business:**

-Kevin and Dawn Manson want to borrow the Shire's banners.

Council says okay. But Banners must travel with a Shire member when going out of the Shire

-Stewart is willing travel with them for Kevin and Dawn's event.

-Ellora would like to lend gold key to Lionsgate for a play they are putting on.

-UTR: is trying to be planned for October 25th 2009 for Lionsdale, Lionsgate, and Eisenmarch.

-Will request that the profits be disturbed equally by populace participation.

-Sue: Has a request for a demo at the Ridge Meadow Home Show. Date: may 1, 2, 3rd 2009. Theme is let's get active. They would like the audience to participate. A small honorarium may be provided. There is 20,000 visitors will be expected. Neil has said he is willing to do a Heavy demo for 2-3 hours that weekend.

-Champions regalia well to be discussed next council.

- **Officer Reports:**

-Master of Stables:

-Bill has stepped down officially.

-Master of Stables is open.

-Archery:

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-Heavy:

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-Fencing:

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-Lists:

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-Water Bearing:

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-Thrown Weapons:

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-Mistresses of Arts and Sciences:

-Sofia:

-SEE ATTCHED DOCUMENT

Mellissa:

-SEE ATTCHED DOCUMENT

-Dance:

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-Seneschal:

-Please consider helping the Shire out, by being a deputy.

-She still needs to hand out the officer forms.

-Waivers: We are having an issue??? Thora is going to ask her higher bosses as to clear up the waiver questions. Some waivers need to be submitted and some need to be sent away. Thora is going to look into these questions. Thora has the address to send the waivers.

-NSCA general meeting is this weekend in Surrey. Thora has the event information if needed.

-Next council NSCA memberships available next council.

-An autocrat's gild has been put forms by Disarray.

1. Council discussion: Council would not prefer a gild but maybe a club, or group of autocrats, or specific classes at UTR.

-Chatelaine:

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-Pied Piper:

-Recites submitted to exchequer.

-Gold Key:

-Tabors are being made. And the old ones are being sold.

Where?

-Danika has one piece of gold key still from Winter's
Tourney.

-Chronicler:

-Please send reports to this office when reporting as well as
the seneschal.

-Danika has the Shire Banners.

-Web Mistress:

-nothing to report

-Heraldry:

-Has stepped down and may want to stay on as a deputy.

-Rick has put in a bid for this office.

-Council has requested that we would love to have him in
this position but requested that he delay his official entry for three
months. The position is still open.

-Exchequer:

-We are between \$5,000-7,000

-Tamara and Rick submitted recites.

-Contingency deputy is needed.

-He has started looking into another bank.

-No office budgets summated.

-Chamberlain:

-Not in attendance

-Next Council: April 16th 2009

-Motion to adjourn: Mellissa

-Second by Kim

9:29pm

Attachments:

Winter's Tourney 2009 Event Report:

Income:

Gate: \$1021.00

Return of Damage deposit: \$150.00

Expenses:

Site fee:	\$470.00
Damage Deposit:	\$150.00
Printing/stationary:	\$28.59
Bread/cheese Costco/Safeway:	\$152.82

Profit: \$369.59

February 21st, 2009. The result was a very fun day. Gate fees: adult \$10.00, age 15 and under \$5.00 and family cap \$30.00. 112 people were reported to be in attendance. The Baron and Baroness of Lionsgate were among the many in attendance as were other distinguished members of the Shire and Fraser Valley Community. A full list of activities can be found on the Shire of Lionsdale's Website. Many thanks go out to the countless wonderful people that helped make the day a success. There were no reported injuries. Dr. Carus was the Arts and Sciences Champion winner, run by Caiusfas. The Rapier was won by Traymmain, ran by Don Luther. And the Bardic completion was won by our own Wulfstan, ran by Kevin. Congratulations to all the champions. We raised \$151.00 for the An Tir Raven travel fund by way of a dessert auction, which was presented to their Excellencies at Daffodil by members of the Shire of Lionsdale. The Art and Sciences competition also produced two donations for Tir Righ, a very beautiful stone necklace made by Tabieza and a period code-of-arms plaque yet to be painted and presented made by our current champion Dr. Carus. (A suggestion of having the banner game broken up in 15 to 20 minute periods.)

Danika

Tamara Young

Reports:

Pied Piper:

* Ran activities at Winter Tourney including colouring/drawing, designing a personal device and making Norse treasure necklaces. My station was open for about two hours and drew about a dozen children, with about 9 present at any one time. I purchased some supplies for this and have receipts to submit to the Exchequer. The necklace craft was very popular and both the activity and the beads were favourably commented upon by Baroness Anastasia, Scholar of Tir Righ. My deputy Agdta Xalbadora was the second-line person of record, but was late arriving due to real-life commitments on the morning of the event. Other gentles present stepped in to help out, however, and I must thank Lady Eleanor (of Lion's Gate) and my wife Lady Elspeth for their assistance. Some of

the older children were also very helpful to their younger counterparts.

Deputy Herald:

* Nothing to report in an official capacity.

Bardic Champion:

Since your office oversees the bardic arts in our Shire, I thought you might appreciate being kept apprised of ongoing bardic activities, for which I have a certain responsibility as Bardic Champion, on a monthly basis prior to Council such that this information could be included in your report. I will try to give you a few days' lead time in future months; at present I'm busy with term-end at work and haven't been able to report sooner.

The main bardic event since I won the Championship at Winter Tourney a month ago was the Phoenix Bardic Championship held after dance practice March 17th. Andrea, as the previous Phoenix Champion, organised it. As I want to encourage and support the bardic arts in our Shire and the theme was "teamwork", Lady Elspeth and I entered the competition, performing the SCA song "Down at the Inn". Other entrants included Thaddeus and a lord not known to me, performing a filk: "What Do You Do with a Horde of Zombies?"; Lady Katarin and Mike (SCA name unknown) performing HP Lovecraft's "The Terrible Old Man"; Jon and Christina (newcomers who have yet to choose SCA names) performing a dramatic interpretation of selections from Chaucer; and Monseigneur Richarde and Lord Ernst performing "The Day Prince Hamlet Died", a filk of "Miss American Pie" drawing on Shakespeare's "Hamlet". The senior entry (in both rank and age!) were also the victors.

I had made a handful of bardic favours that day, which I bestowed on Mike, whose performance, though not period, was both improvised and exceptionally well done; Jon and Christina as keen and talented newcomers worth encouraging; Lady Elspeth, for whom I know public performance is a step outside her comfort zone despite her fine voice and clear artistic ability; and Andrea, on the grounds that if no one organised them, there would be no bardic activities, in our Shire or our Society, and those who do ought to be commended. I expressed these sentiments, and my appreciation, to each recipient.

I am in contact with the current Phoenix Champions to assist them in organising the next competition, and am assured they share my desire that it be held soon.

This concludes my report.

Odin's Playground:

* Advertising is underway. Parameters for Bardic- and A&S competitions have been

established and are being prepared for publication. At the suggestion of Mistress Seaglynde, a letter is being drafted to the Order of the Laurel asking for A&S judges. We hope to be able to find judges with particular knowledge and interests in the disciplines represented by the entries so that entrants receive useful feedback on their work.

RTMS demo:

* RTMS staff and admin have given the demo the final go-ahead, with a date of May 1st. The format we have discussed thus far, in consultation with more experienced demo coordinators in Lion's Gate, is to have a set of stations which students tour at their own pace, getting a "passport" stamped at each so that they need to visit each station but can spend more time at those which interest them most. I have lined up station coordinators for scribal, weaving, heraldry, general A&S/Chatelaine, and possibly games, and am in the process of lining up dance, rapier- and armored combat activities. I would like to have as much student participation as possible at- or in connection to the stations. If a "Blue Helm" type station is feasible I know it would be very popular. I will be working with Mr Todd McLean, the principal, in arranging the details at the school end. One question I had concerned whether waivers would be needed from students attending a demo with fighting, etc.

* Lady Elspeth, our children and I did a small demo in the Social Studies 8 classroom of one of my colleagues, Ms Tara Hannah, on the afternoon of Thurs, Mar 12th (the last block of school before spring break), rounding off her unit on the Middle Ages. We talked about the times, places and stations of our personae, what their daily life would be like in their periods (Viking Age- and Tudor Britain, respectively) and showed examples of musical instruments, armor, weapons (with prior approval from my principal), embroidery, images from the period (mainly Holbein paintings), tableware, etc. We also sang "Hey-ho, Nobody Home/Rose Red" and I recited "Decor", accompanying myself on the lyre. All was very well received by both the students and Ms Hannah, and our display table was mobbed by curious 8th graders when they were invited to take a closer look and even *touch* the items at the end of our presentation.

Ms Hannah anticipates teaching this course again in future years and would very much like to have demos in all of her Socials 8 classes, probably somewhat earlier in the unit, in future years. Though I do not expect to be at RTMS next year, this would be a great opportunity for the Shire to develop an established middle school demo at the classroom level. I know and have taught the current Social Studies 8 curriculum in this area and will have access to the new curriculum due out next year so I would be happy to work on

this project if Council is in favor of proceeding with it. If desired, I can make a proposal to Council at our April meeting.

As a thank-you, Ms Hannah gave us a \$25 gift card to Chapters/Coles, which we would like to offer to turn over to the Shire. Perhaps it could be used to purchase resources which would facilitate future school demos?

New Business:

Herald Office Application:

I would like to apply for the vacant office of Herald. As my current office is a Minor Office, holding both *pro tem* would not constitute a conflict, and my term as Pied Piper expires in October '09, so the period of overlap would not be too great. As a teacher, bard and the holder of a graduate degree, I possess many of the skills required and the resources necessary to acquire those I still need to develop: in public speaking, projection and research. As deputy to Lady Ayame for most of the past year and to Their Highnesses' Vox Herald since before Their reign began, I have had some experience with voice heraldry in court and in the field, and in the development of my own arms and discussing theirs with others I have begun to get a sense of blazon and heraldic rules. I have discussed the matter with Lady Ayame and been in contact with the Principality- and Kingdom Heralds to clarify their requirements of branch Heralds, though I have yet to hear back from the latter two gentles. Should I be confirmed as Herald by Council, it would be my intention both make myself available to the populace in general and to approach our newer armigers, such as Lord Sebastian de Sandoval, Lady Tobrizza of Kiev and Lord Ernst Weissbaum, to offer assistance in designing their arms.

I think that I would make a good choice as Herald and so I submit to Your Excellency and to Council my application for this opportunity to serve our fair Shire.

Yours in Service,

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Hlaford Wulfstan Hrafnsson

Scribal Report – March 2009

Lady Elspeth Selwode

Scribal arts continue to thrive in Lionsdale. Scribal night was held March 10th at my home, as the heating issues at the hall in recent months were negatively impacting paint and painter alike. There were three painters in attendance and an enjoyable evening was spent working on Principality charters. My thanks to Agdta and Wulfstan for their steadfast support of this art form. Lionsdale painters produced over a dozen charters that were handed in to Their Highnesses in time for Daffodil on the 14th, and more are being worked on at the time of this report, with ten complete and ready to hand in this weekend. Thank you to Luther and Sebastian for delivering the charters to Their Highnesses this coming weekend. I'd also like to thank Thora for letting her house be used as a drop-off point for charters and also for her insight and guidance in all matters scribal.

I have been in contact with Algudana Gunnarsdottir, my contact for Kingdom charters for the current reign, and hope to be in receipt of Kingdom charters for our painters to work on very soon.

I am in the final stages of designing an invitation for Lionsdale Champions, to be sent to Their Excellencies Lion's Gate, at the request of the autocrat. Preliminary research is being done for Champions' scroll designs for the same event and for those Champions selected at Winter Tourney, at the request of the Seneschal. Preliminary design research is also underway for invitations and original scrolls for Odin's Playground.

The next scribal night will be held 7pm Tuesday, April 14th at my home due to superior lighting and heating conditions. All painters are welcome and invited to attend. A donation collection will be taken to benefit the Shire of Lionsdale, so that holding scribal night on Tuesday evenings does not deprive the Shire of revenues from dance practice.

Joyfully in Service,

Lady Elspeth Selwode

A&S Deputy for Scribal Arts