

January 21, 2018

BTY Populace and Officers Meeting

Meeting began at 2:19 p.m. Lady Celestina, Seneschal leads the meeting

Approximately 28 gentles were present

OFFICER REPORTS

Scribe – Not Present

The office is in transition at present because Lord Ambrose had to step down. The Tusker Times will have the advertisement for a new Scribe. The B&B have the scribal property in their possession, which includes 2 light boards. Meetings will continue to be the 1st Wednesday of the Month at Ward 2 and the 3rd Wednesday of the month at Ward 6 or, alternatively, at Lord Seamus and Lady Iuliana's home. If you need Scroll making materials, they are available, please contact Their Excellencies.

Waiver – Mistress Sely Bloxam

Blossom collects waivers at Fighter Practice. Some fighters still do not check in as it is apparent they are not used to it. Everyone else helps. Baron Vaclav was not able to attend last Tuesday so he did not remind the rapier fighters as he is want to do, but Sir Jakob did, in fact, check in. Please make sure Blossom has your updated information. Non-Fighters are supposed to check in too.

Chatelaine – Not Present

However Bannthegn Magdalen reminded all of the St. Patrick's Day Demo that is coming up as well as the Chatelaine's office is seeking deputies; one to assist with Demo's and the other to assist with loaner garb and gear. Their Excellencies remind us that The College of St. Felix has a Demo upcoming on January 30, at the College Club Day.

Regalia – Lord Robert Heinrich

Robert is just getting up to speed on the job. He still needs to get the keys to the storage unit and to the other BTY property that he is responsible for. Sir Jakob is his deputy. Their Excellencies would like that anyone with Baronial Property to PLEASE return it to the Barony and that They would like Lord Robert to establish a sign out/in log so that we are able to keep track of who has which items of regalia. There was a little joking around that the B&B belong to the Regalia of the Month Club because they acquire regalia from populace members approximately every month since they have stepped up that folks find in their homes.

Sheriff – Lord William of Grigsby

Lord William reminds all to PLEASE volunteer to work the Watch at Estrella on BTY's day – Thursday, February 22 between the hours of 8 AM and 8 AM – A full 24 hours. A shift is counted as 2 hours of volunteer time. If you are not able to work on Thursday, that is alright. People are still encouraged to volunteer a couple hours' time at Estrella because Many Hands Make Light Work. Our Barony worked the most hours last year and earned approximately \$1500.00 for the BTY General Fund.

Social Media – Lady Berkedei Kokosara

The Face Book group and the social media pages are going Crazy right now; primarily about the news regarding the ending of Southern Crusades. The Social Media Officer has the ability to take down posts or block individuals when they become combative or meanspirited. Social Media is, as a means of communication one hell of an animal. An avalanche of insanity can easily crop up when people get upset or post controversial topics. A little teasing went on about folks who were the initiators of recent posts. Text is the worst form of entertainment. Remember everyone the rules are posted often and that we are not to use the SCA pages to advertise.

Webminister – Not Present

Chronicler – Lady Decima Aspenwell

The Tusker Times was given a Blackfox Award for Excellence! It is a Society-Wide Recognition. Cheers and applause went all around. Lady Decima is happy that people are getting in their articles to her earlier and she is able to publish in a regular and timely fashion. Lady Decima handed out hard copies of the January Tusker to all present who asked for a copy. A discussion occurred that Lady Danielle collects copies of the Tusker and Pyg Tales since 1992 and that she is missing a couple of issues. Lady Decima encouraged Lady Danielle to contact her to obtain the missing issues. Also, those folks working on the History of the Barony for 50 years of the Barony (5 years from now) include Lady Decima and Viscountess Victoria. They are working to scan copies of the Tusker Times to archive the texts and save physical storage space. Bannthegn Magdalen has copies of Tuskers and other publications in two big tubs that have not yet been sorted.

Arts & Sciences – Viscountess Victoria of the Vales of Barnesdale

On Pages 8-9 of the Tusker are listed all of the A&S happenings in the Barony and the A&S Staff for the Barony. Classes will be starting up again and will be published in 3 month intervals as any further out and we are likely to see too many schedule changes, but people can plan to attend a class within a 3 month window. There are Changes to the BTY A&S Competition upcoming this Summer. The Judges will be wearing baldrics with the word "Judge" on them and Documentation requirements have eased up. For folks who love to write documentation, there is a Category they may enter to have their Documentation evaluated called "Documentation".

Black Boar Book Herald – Not Present.

Black Boar Court Herald – Also Not Present as TE are actively advertising for a new Court Herald.

List Minister – Not Present.

Archery Marshal – Not Present.

Youth Marshal – Lady Aesa Knarabringa

There has been a little break in the normal weekly youth practice at Tuesday Night Practice due to everyone getting the Flu. At present and for some time now, we have only had three (3) kids consistently coming out, her two kids and Zander. All of our current youth fighters have complete kits for fighting that are their own Armor!

Rapier – Baron Vaclav Rokycan

We have had low turnout the last couple of weeks but there were 8 fighters at Fighter Practice last Tuesday and a couple of new swords have been acquired. The rapier fighters have been practicing melees. Vaclav asked if he could hold more than one warrant – the answer is no, but he is allowed to be the BTY Scribe if he would like along with Rapier Marshal since the Scribes office does not require a warrant.

Lady Celestina is reminded at this point to talk about the recent fighters classes held here. The Kingdom Fighters Collegium Training was Amazing and they are looking at holding one biannually. If you have ideas for classes or venues, please contact Count Brian Winterborne.

Exchequer – Lord Jurgen Unruh

We made \$112.00 on the Silent Auction of Lost and Found from the Sheriff's Office at the auction held at Southern War Practice. All of the items have been given new homes! Lady Celestina's cousin is new to the SCA and even was a beneficiary of some of the items. All officers need to talk to him about budgets. They are overdue and he must get his information to the Kingdom Exchequer by the end of January, just a week and a half from now.

College of St. Felix – Lord Eaghon McGregor, Seneschal reports that the college is doing another recruitment demo on January 30 from 9 – 2. He cannot attend as he has classes all day that day, so they are really hopeful for folks to come out and support their demo. They can have hard suit and rapier and some A&S displays in the approximate 10x10 space they have been given. There is a little additional space on the grass beyond the shade pop-up for fighting to happen in. Please come out! Sable Knight will be on April 1, which is also Easter Sunday. The college kids are encouraged to contact the Easter Laurel and see if she will return with goodies or silly tricks for the youth of the Barony as she has always brought great smiles to the people of all ages.

Last but not least, the College needs to coordinate more with the BTY Social Media Officer. She asks them to have their counterpart contact her so they can advertise the events as much as possible.

Lady Celestina takes this moment to remind everyone that they need to be mindful of both the BTY Google Calendar as well as The Kingdom Google Calendar because the only calendar that will have ALL of our BTY events is the BTY Calendar. The Kingdom Calendar will only reflect the three events from each group and the Kingdom Calendar events. Locally advertised events WILL NOT appear on the Kingdom Calendar so it may be a good idea to Cross – Post with other Groups so as not to miss their events! Our three Kingdom Calendar Events for BTY are: Great Helm, Baronial A&S and Dragons' Hoard.

Requested Budgets for 2018: The BTY Financial Committee will convene after the Populace Meeting and approve or modify these requests. Reasons for items were explained but are not listed here as the Financial Committee will evaluate whether or not the requested amounts will be allotted.

Seneschal - \$50.00

Exchequer - \$50.00

Regalia - \$50.00

Marshal \$300.00

Rapier \$300.00

Archery \$150.00

Youth Combat \$ 50.00

List – No Request

Herald- No Request

A&S \$100.00

Webspinner \$52.51

Children's - \$50.00

Scibes \$250.00

Sheriff \$50.00

Social Media - No Request

In addition to the Officer's Budgets:

Insurance \$300 per year

Reid Park is \$1040.00

Storage is \$1560 per year (\$780 every 6 months)

Himmel Park Baronial Afternoons need to be figured out.

Events at Himmel Park are included in the Budget for the individual events.

We do get some income periodically such as the \$1500 form Volunteer Hours on the Watch in 2017.

Upcoming Events

CROWN TOURNEY

Crown Tourney will be held here in BTY on the first Weekend in February at Golf Links Sports Park/Freedom Park.

Lady Aesa and Lady Cynnaburga are the Event Stewards.

#1. Please Come out to support Crown

#2. Please arrive early for good parking as the Soccer Shoot-out will also be happening simultaneously to our event.

#3. Site Opens at 8:00 am (Soccer begins at 10:00 am)

#4. Crown and the Tucson Gem Show are on the same weekend so hotel space is next to non-existent. AS such, the event stewards are arranging for crash space for any who inquire. They have placed everyone who has asked so far. If you have space to help with this, please contact the event stewards.

#5 They are still looking for food donations of FINGER FOODS not anything that is unable to be grab and go. The idea is to feed everyone well and quickly.

TE Brendan and Tigra will sponsor the Beer Permit for Saturday and Sunday respectively.

Blue Stake will be out to mark the site the Wednesday prior to the event.

ESTRELLA WAR

We got our numbers in. Lord James and Lady Aldontza are the Land Stewards. Please contact Lord James if you wish to camp in Baronial Land.

BTY B&B will not be hosting a conventional court at war because the schedule is already packed full of activities; They will, however, conduct roving courts going from camp to camp as needed to recognize folks from the Barony.

TRM wish to see a SEA of BLUE at War! Please wear your livery on Friday of War for Muster. It would be nice to have some marching songs and if music is provided, we can sing the Boar's Head Leads the Way. Magdalen said she would provide the lyrics for folks.

FEBRUARY BARONIAL AFTERNOON IS February 11.

SWAP MEET

On February 10th, Sir Jakob and Mistress Dairine will host a BTY Swap meet at their home. All should bring out SCA-related items to swap, trade, sell or give away. This will be the Weekend after Crown Tourney but before Estrella begins in earnest.

THE END of SOUTHERN CRUSADES

AT 3:34 His Excellency Baron Sir Brendan read aloud the Letter that was sent to the Barony of Mons Tonitrus regarding the ending of Southern Crusades as a joint event between the two groups.

General Discussion was held by the populace with Their Excellencies.

We still have to have the Southern Crusades Account audited by the Kingdom Exchequer. The accounts related to the War will need to be closed and the monies redistributed to the two Baronies. Her Excellency Tigra is drafting a new Financial Policy for a potential new Fall War Event.

We, at present no longer have access to the weekend previously slated for Southern Crusades. We will need to bid to the Kingdom Seneschal and Crown in order to have access to that weekend.

Ideas are being solicited from the Populace as to what they want a new event to be.

The letter will be published to all media including Facebook Baronial page, Google groups, Tusker and the Official Baronial web page.

The meeting concluded at approximately 4:15 pm

These notes taken by Magdalen Venturosa/Monique Berry Lyon