

Hartshorn-dale Shire Meeting: 3/6/2014

Total Attendees: 10

Officer Positions: Seneschal, Demo Coordinator, Secetaire, A&S minister, Exchequer and Archer's Forde Senechal.

Note: some of these reports carry over from February, as the meeting was not held due to snow.

Officers Reports:

Seneschal: Kathryn Perry

Shire wars may be a weekend camping event, 2nd weekend in October, 45 min west of Carlyle.

I had some conversations with Lady Naomi last year regarding a possible joint encampment at this year's Wrightstown Village Renn Faire in Bucks County, AP. (Sept. 20-21). This year the Seneschal of Buckland Cross, Lord Aurddeilen-ap-Robet, contacted us. He wrote: " Our shire normally does a Demo at the faire every year, and in past years, members of Bhakail and Hartshorndale have come to participate. Since we have an excellent working relationship with the Director of the Faire, we would like to do something different this year. Instead of just showing up to do a demo, there has been some informal discussions about setting up an overnight encampment this year. This potential encampment would include as many of the neighboring SCA groups as possible. We are currently talking with Bhakail as well, and we would also like to include Hartshorndale, Black Icorndall, Iron Bog, Settmour Swamp, Eisenthal, and anyone else who would be interested. The Wrightstown faire itself is quite fun, and the site is very large and has great potential. The AutoCrat for the Faire this year is Narlo (mka Bob Borton) and he will be contacting you in the near future regarding the encampment."

A lot of cleanup will need to be done a Royer-Greaves School this Spring .April is the quarterly social, so perhaps people could arrive early (5 or 5:30) to help clean up, and we could have the meeting and eat after that. perhaps this could be a bbq event? If someone would take charge of arranging this, that would be appreciated. Naomi and Andrew own a small woodchipper which they can bring, and Kathryn has an electric chain saw.

Exchequer: Diana Alene Tregirtse

Report from February:

Bank Account as of 31 December 2013 was \$5712.49. Balance 1/31/2014 is 6098.80.

EOY submitted

This months report:

- 1) Funds distributed for Artisan's Challenge
- 2) The Brewing Event Report was sent.
- 3) Balance end of February is \$5,976.80

Chatelaine: Karl Von Wiesbaden

Report from February: No new contacts this month.

Demo Coordinator: Elizabet Marshall

Demo coordinator: There is a demo in Lebanon, PA on May 16-18. It is the Union Canal Day Demo and an event announcement is on the EK event list. It sounds like it is similar to our old Green Lane demo. Those interested in helping out should contact Jayme Paluskiewicz; Jayme Hume of Berwyk; 717-649-1823; JaymeHume9@yahoo.com. I have not had any contact for demos from the Shire directly.

MOaS: Naomi bat Avraham

Report from February:

Artisans Challenge is next month on March 8th. I encourage everyone to check out the challenge and considering accepting one or more.

I plan to begin A&S workshops in the spring. Currently, I have the supplies and will run silk banner painting, glass beadmaking, and woodblock printing. Please send suggestions if there is something you want to see.

There is a regional A&S social being planned between us, Buckland Cross and Bhakail. I will send out details as soon as they are finalized. It is on Thursday March 27th in Willow Grove at the Giant there. Starting time 6pm.

From the March Meeting:

Workshop suggestions were discussed. Shivaun had suggested a calligraphy workshop. Ranilt had offered a smocking/apron workshop. Other suggestions at the meeting were a 16th century garb workshop or two to prepare for the Dinning with Liz event, and a workshop/social event where we could make scroll cases.

There is an A&S day on redactions for cooking scheduled in Harrisburg on April 26th from 10-3 .

Knight Marshal: Talan Gwyllt

Not Received

Archery Marshal: Naomi bat Avraham

N/A

Fencing Marshal: Lillia de Vaux

We have no incidents or injuries to report.

Practice dates in February: Feb 10, 17, 24

So far, we have the usual 5-7 attendees per week. We still have 2 active MiTs, with James serving as my backup MiC.

I just got 2 inquiries about practices - one from a new person who has also been attending archery, and one who is a transplant from Atlantia. Attila and I need to finalize a plan to purchase more loaner gear, as it would be helpful to have at least another gorget and pair of gloves.

The Barony of Endless Hills (Aethelmearc) has a float in the Scranton St. Patrick's Day parade on March 15th. They plan to cycle fencers and fighters on the float for the 5-mile parade route. Several of our fencers will be attending, and I'm sure they will take additional fighters/fencers if anyone would like to participate.

MOL: Attila Soldus

Nothing to Report

Herald: Kolosvari Arpadne Julia

Not received

Dance: Diana Alene Tregirtse

Will happen in March as scheduled

Chamberlain: Simon Caspar Joder

N/A

Web Minister: Andrew of Hartshorn-dale

Report from February:

Waiting on word about the ek servers to switch the site over to the new location.

If anyone is not getting emails on their officer accounts please email webminster@hartshorn-dale.org with the position and email you would like associated with it.

Andrew sent a mock up of the new website to Kathryn. She suggested that he add pictures to the front page. The page was shown around during the meeting, and others agreed with her assessment. The feeling in general is that more pictures all over would enhance the site. One idea was to have randomly changing pictures to help make the site feel new each time someone visits. Note that pictures will require that a waiver be signed by the photographer and people in the photo, so this needs to be planned for. Naoimi said she would try to bring her camera to Artisan's Challenge this weekend to take some pictures.

Archer's Forde:

The Brewing Event was held in February

They are still looking for people to do the Bylaws

There are intershire practices starting the middle of April and to be held monthly after that.

Events:

Dining with Liz: Everything is on track. There were fewer meetings in Feb. due to the snow. In April work will be done to get entertainers for the event. Kathryn will follow up with Sabine about madrigals and send her the dance list. Possibly the Comedia troupe can be contacted. The website for the event still needs to be updated. According to Naomi Andrew can do that as soon as he receives content. The website can also have other information such as garb suggestions, games, a dance list, etc.

Artisans' Challenge: Everything is well in hand (since so much was done a year and a half ago). If anyone would like to volunteer to come early and get the directional signs and take them out and distribute (or come by my house and grab them from the porch prior), I wouldn't say no. Gate and registration are covered, but I'm sure the folks doing them would be happy of company at any time. As before we'll be closing down gate and placing a sign for people to go to the kitchen at around 5. New this year is the recorder circle from 2-4 in the music room/parlor. I will be placing some craft supplies in the room I've designated a room for people to make additional tokens. Still interested in hearing from anyone that might be interested in taking over heading up the event in the future :)

We should measure the back area at the event. There will be daylight. Naomi has a rolling measuring device she will bring.

New/Old Shire Business:

Naomi also brought up the idea of creating a gallery of shire member's work or of shire members and a list of their interest. Perhaps a role of arms could be added with information about a person, their heraldry, a list of activities, and links to the EK wiki or personal webpages. This would need to be kept updated. Perhaps a google form could be used. This is an idea that can be discussed further, but Naomi feels it would help us build community among shire members and help people know that they are a member of a group, even if they don't attend shire meetings. She sees this as a general need in the shire.

Kathryn sent out an announcement about a non SCA event of interest taking place in Glen Mills PA. English culinary historian Marc Meltonville will discuss the Chocolate Kitchen restoration project that recently opened at the Hampton Court Palace in England.