

Fort Knights

THE SHIRE OF CAER ADAMANT NEWSLETTER DECEMBER, 2008



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Shire of Caer Adamant – Business Meeting notes

Good morning!

The Caer Adamant November 2008 business meeting notes have been posted to the Shire website (<http://www.caer-adamant.org/bmn.html> (<http://www.caer-adamant.org/bmn.html>)). In addition to all of the excellent information available in the notes, one major item of note is the announcement of February elections and the call for letters of intent:

Elections for the positions of Exchequer, Knight Marshal, Herald, Web Minister, and Chronicler will be held at the February 2009 business meeting. Letters of intent are due to the Seneschal prior to the scheduled start of the January business meeting, and must include the member's modern name, SCA name (if applicable), membership number and expiration date, and a few lines describing the request. Proof of residence is required (e.g. photocopy of a current utility bill or Delaware driver's license).

If you are interested in running for a position you have never held before, consider talking with the current officer, or former officers, to get an idea of the "real" requirements of the job.

Please note that any Letters of Intent submitted for the October meeting were destroyed and must be resubmitted.

For additional information regarding the February elections, please refer to the Shire By-Laws as posted on the website. (direct link to the .pdf is <http://www.caer-adamant.org/pdfs/bylaws2008.pdf> (<http://www.caer-adamant.org/pdfs/bylaws2008.pdf>))

In service,

~ Hedewigis.

Next month's meeting will be on Thursday 18 December, 7:00 p.m. at the Corbit-Calloway Library in Odessa.

Please let me know if you would like something added to the agenda.

Shire of Caer Adamant – Business Meeting notes

18 November 2008 – Dover Public Library

NOTE: For efficiency of communication, Seneschal and Herald reports include information not presented at the meeting.

In attendance (in order around the table): Padraig, Sarah, Mark IV, Adolphus, Marietta, Grainne, David, Lorraine, Hedewigis.

Confirm Officer quorum – no

Approve previous meeting minutes – unable due to lack of quorum

Officer Reports:

Seneschal: (Hedewigis reporting) First call for letters of intent for the offices of Exchequer, Knight Marshal, Herald, Web Minister, and Chronicler. See “new business” and the Shire By-Laws for details.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our many demos. The families, teachers, and public really appreciate our efforts.

Some items of possible interest from the 19 April 2008 Board Meeting minutes:

- Mission Statement: “The Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc. (SCA) is an international organization devoted to the research and re-creation of pre-seventeenth century life, employing knowledge of history to enrich participant’s lives and the lives of others through events, demonstrations, and other educational venues.” This statement is to be followed by: “For further information regarding the goals of the Society, please refer to Corpora.”
- The Society Chronicler is working on clarification as to which events must be published in the Kingdom newsletter.

Some items of possible interest from the President’s Report on the October 2008 Board Meeting:

- The Board approved the new Marshal’s Handbook, which includes a long-awaited revision to the combat archery rules.
- The Board approved the following change to Corpora to be effective 1 January 2009: “The activity of providing beverages to combatants and spectators at SCA Combat activities is not regulated, warranted, organized, controlled, or sanctioned by the SCA, Inc. or any affiliate or subsidiary entity. Any warrants, authorizations, or other formal recognition of this activity which may currently exist are by publication of this change revoked. This change does not address or restrict any volunteer activities regarding providing beverages to combatants or spectators at SCA Combat activities nor the methods by which such provisions may be made. This does not preclude or affect SCA award recognition.”

Exchequer: (Sarah reporting) The bank account balance stands at \$6214.48, down \$2.00 for the monthly check images in statement fee.

The exchequer's 3rd quarter report was submitted on time.

We have one check outstanding - \$100 paid to kingdom for painting the shire's device on the new EK Pavilion. We should try to resolve this up before the end of the year.

Minister of Arts and Sciences: (Hedewigis reading for Sarra) The regularly scheduled A&S themed activities are continuing. There were A&S displays/demonstrations at the St. Georges & Tall Oaks demos.

Bhakail is calling for teachers (music, heraldry & scribal related classes) for their Noisemakers event in February. I would like to encourage more of us to get out there and teach classes. If you are hesitant to give it a try please contact me and I'll see what I can do to help make it easier, SCA teaching is actually kind of fun.

Herald: (Alexandre) One device and one name submitted.

All is set for practice at the Smyrna indoor site beginning Sunday 1 December. St. Georges Civic Association is still very excited to try the demo again next year; however they would like to schedule a raindate but still have it the weekend following the close of the Ren Faire season.

Knight Marshal: (Hedewigis reading for Krey) Practices have begun to slack off due to weather, holidays, end of the season events and mundane conflicts, however, per my deputy, Lord Alejandro, we should have access to the indoor site soon. I have also been contacted by Lord Alain Longship about use of the indoor site by those interested in fencing. I will be contacting Lord Alejandro about this possibility and getting back to Lord Alain, asap.

Web Minister: (Hedewigis reading for Wende) The newsletter was posted to the website along with the new by-laws and the meeting minutes.

Captain of Archers: (Padraig reporting) Archery is still going on second and fourth Sundays, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Last practice of the season will be 23 November. Padraig reminded us that he does have loaner equipment in a range of sizes for anyone interested in trying archery.

Chatelaine: (Hedewigis reading for Magdalena) During the past month we had the St. Georges Ren street faire, Newark Halloween parade, and Tall Oaks School demo (all within two weeks!) They all went well; St. Georges went as well as it could given the weather... In Newark we had a small showing but we made as good as a show as we could, Tall Oaks went very well and I've included the email that I just got from Becky that sums it up pretty well.

I do have left overs (paper, construction paper, binders clips, tapestry needles, and twine) so I'll hold on to the stuff to do another book demo/class of some sorts in the near future. Have to use it cause I don't want it taking up space :-P

Other than that, we've had a few emails from new people and I've been taking a short sigh of relief now that the two big demos are done.

Chronicler: (Hedewigis reading for Malcolm) November Fort Knights was mailed out on the 8th of November. Currently, there are 5 copies mailed out each month. Three go to Shire members, and two go out to Kingdom level officers. (Kingdom Chronicler, Southern Regional Deputy).

Thrown weapons news: After talking with Padraig, we need to acquire new targets for use next year.

Old Business:

Events: Spring Thyng. Sarah will put the event announcement on the EK website. It was agreed for consistency's sake to keep the date of 25 April, despite the conflict with the Owlsherst event.

Demos: Covered in Magdalena's (Chronicler) report.

New Business:

Elections: Elections for the positions of Exchequer, Knight Marshal, Herald, Web Minister, and Chronicler will be held at the February 2009 business meeting. Letters of intent are due to the Seneschal prior to the scheduled start of the January business meeting, and must include the member's modern name, SCA name (if applicable), membership number and expiration date, and a few lines describing the request. Proof of residence is required (e.g. photocopy of a current utility bill or Delaware driver's license).

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Events: A bid for Spring Crown Tourney was discussed. Sites will be researched and the issue will be revisited at the next meeting.

Other: We have a recent transfer from Drachenwald – Lorraine and her family are stationed at the Dover Air Force Base. Welcome!

Calendar:

Games - Sunday 7 Dec. 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Hedewigis's)

A&S Night - Monday 8 Dec. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Hedewigis's)

Dance – Tuesday 25 Nov, 9 and 23 Dec. – 7:00 p.m. (Kennett Square Friends Meeting)

Business Meeting - Thursday 18 Dec. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Corbit-Calloway, Odessa)

C&I – Wednesday 17 Dec. 7:00 p.m. (Sarra's)

Barony of Bhakail Yule ****UPDATED**** 🏰

[\(At-a-Glance Event Information\)](#)

Saturday, December 13th, 2008

Hosted by [Barony of Bhakail](#) - Clifton Heights, PA

Event Last Modified: October 25th, 2008

On Saturday December 13th the Barony of Bhakail will light the Yule log and celebrate the holiday season. We invite all to come enjoy our hospitality and bask in the warmth of friendship. Join us at St Marks Church in Clifton Heights, PA. The site opens at 10 AM.

We will be having a masked ball, an Arts and Sciences competition to choose the new Baronial Arts and Sciences champion, an Arts and Sciences competition for beginners, and a subtletie competition for period and non-period entries. Feel free to bring a mask for the ball but we will be supplying mask making supplies so you can make your own that day. Children are also welcome to come and make a mask.

There will be a silent auction and a raffle to support Toys for Tots. We are asking for donations of various items for the auction. Raffle tickets will be available at Troll. The donation of an unopened toy will get you 2 raffle tickets, 1 ticket for a dollar, 6 for 5 dollars. All proceeds will be going to Toys for Tots.

Merchants are welcome on a first come first serve basis and need to provide their own table. Please contact the Autocrat and let us know you are coming and how much space you will need.

Arts & Sciences competition Rules:

Winners will be chosen within diverse categories, and so shall the new Bhakail Champion of the Arts & Sciences. So bring something new you have learned, something different from what you have seen in the past, something to amaze the eyes of their excellencies and the populace. Some form of

documentation is required, at the least a card that states what the entry is, what it is made of, what era it is from, and one source (book, website, Uncle Jack, etc.).

Categories are as follows:

Youth (under 13 years of age)
Youth II (13 to 18 years of age)
Woodwork
Clothing
Textiles (woven, knitted, etc.)
Needlework
Metalwork
Glasswork
Calligraphy & Illumination
Painting
Leatherwork
Weaponry
Science & Research* (papers covering period topics)
Other (if you feel your work doesn't fit into any of the above categories)

*Entries must be emailed to lianordematos@yahoo.com or mailed to 2607 Welsh Road, F105, Philadelphia, PA 19114 TWO WEEKS prior to Yule. That's November 29. Entries must be received by that day to be eligible. Note that this is the week of Thanksgiving and the mail will be delayed because of it.

Directions:

From the North and South take your best route to route 476 and Baltimore Pike. Go East on Baltimore Pike. (make a right from the south. Make a left from the north.) for 3.4 miles. (There are numerous stop lights on Baltimore Pike.) At Pizza Hut turn left onto Oak Ave. *Go through 1 stoplight and the church will be on your left. Signs will be posted. The church parking lot is small but there is on street parking available.

From Philadelphia take Baltimore Ave. it becomes Baltimore Pike when it leave the city. Continue to Oak Ave. and make a right. Follow as above*.

At-a-Glance Event Information

Site:

St. Marks Lutheran Church
436 North Oak Ave
Clifton Heights, PA 19018
[Show me a map!](#)

Site Opens: 10:00 am

Site Closes: 10:00 pm

Event Fees:

Site : Adult \$9 in advance, \$10 at the door

Child (age 6 - 14) \$5

Children under 6 are free

Reservation deadline is November 29th

The \$3 non-member surcharge is in effect.

Feast: Adult \$9 in advance, \$10 at the door

Child (age 6 - 14) \$5

Children under 6 are free

Reservation deadline is November 29th

Send Reservations to:

Baron Lorcan Dracon Dracontius

John St. Dennis

2035 Kater St

Philadelphia, PA 19146

Phone: 215-731-1884 (no calls after 9 pm please.)

Autocrat:

Bryan mac Dhunghaill an Boghadair (Bryan the Archer)

Brian Toland

Phone: 610-626-9937

Other Contact Information:

Arts & Sciences Competition research papers are to be sent to the current Arts & Sciences Champion

Melissa Matos

2607 Welsh Road, F105,

Philadelphia, PA 19114

Make Checks Payable to: SCA Inc - Barony of Bhakail

Regular Activities:

Scriptorium (A&S[†])

2nd Thursday at Sarra the Lymner's 7:00 p.m.
Contact Sarra the Lymner for more information

Cook's Guild (A&S[†])

Fourth Thursday at Lord Alaxander's 7:00 p.m.
Contact Lord Alaxanderr for more information

Period Gaming (A&S social, garb encouraged)

1st Sunday 5:00 p.m. at Lady Hedewigis', Hockessin (see "Directions" for address)

Contact Lady Hedewigis 302.239.9787

Focus on Games of the Middle Ages. Favorites include Bocce, Tarot and Astronomical Tables. Light refreshments are available.

This evening gathering is open to all. A&S projects are welcomed as well as friendly social interaction.

A&S Evening -- formerly known as Embroidery Night (A&S[†])

2nd Monday at Lady Hedewigis' (320.239.9787) 7:00 p.m.

(see "Directions" for addresses)

An opportunity to work on various A&S projects in good company. Trying an new stitch? Need help marking a hem? Need tasters for your new recipe? Light refreshments are available.

Archery (martial activity)

Wednesday evenings 5:00 till dusk as well as 2nd and 4th Sundays (April - October) at Lord Padraig & Helen's, 936 Marl Pit Road, Middletown, DE

Contact Lord Padraig 302.378.7444

An open target range is available for shooting Royal Rounds and general practice. Loaner equipment is available and instruction can be given.

At Baronage Farm - by appointment

311 Black Stallion Road, Townsend

Contact Baroness Laurens 302.598.0862 or Lord Lewin 302.465.0651

Heavy Weapons (martial activity)

2nd and 4th Sundays (April - October at Lord Padraig & Helen's, 936 Marl Pit Road, Middletown, DE.

Contact Lord Krey (Knight Marshall) 302.655.8142

Rattan fighting, full armor. Instruction can be given.

Fencing (martial activity)

Currently on hold til a site can be located Contact [Lord Alaine Longship](#) for further info.



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