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THE SHIRE OF CAER ADAMANT NEWSLETTER JANUARY, 2009



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Shire of Caer Adamant – Business Meeting notes

Good morning!

The Caer Adamant December 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.

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)

Good morning!

The next Shire Business Meeting will be held on Tuesday 20 January, 7:00 - 8:30 pm at the Dover Public Library.

1. LETTERS OF INTENT. A reminder that Letters of Intent for the positions of Exchequer, Knight Marshal, Herald, Web Minister, and Chronicler are due to me prior to the scheduled start of the business meeting. From the By-Laws:

VC1. LETTER OF INTENT. The candidate for an office will submit a letter of intent to the Seneschal prior to the scheduled start of the January business meeting. The letter will 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 (eg photocopy of a current utility bill or Delaware driver's license).

Remember, more than one person may run for an office, so do not hesitate to put your name in if you are interested.

2. BY-LAW CHANGE PROPOSAL. At the December meeting, the following proposed change to the By-Laws was read on behalf of Lady Marietta. Current Wording:

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This proposal will be discussed and voted upon at the January meeting. As always, please let me know in advance (by Sunday evening, please) of any items you would like added to the agenda.

In service, ~Hedewigis.

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18 December 2008 Corbit-Calloway Library

Thank you to Padraig for taking meeting notes. ~ Hedewigis.

In attendance (in no particular order): Attendance: Mark V., Sarah J, Alexendre, Nina, Malcolm, Hogge, Adolphus, Lorraine, Kayla, Hugo, and Padraig.

Confirm Officer quorum. No.

Tabled approval of previous meeting minutes due to lack of quorum.

Officer Reports:

Seneschal: (read on behalf of Hedewigis). Elections will be held at the February meeting, with ballots available on-line soon after the January meeting. Please note that in accordance with East Kingdom law, absentee ballots must “be signed and legibly printed with the signatory’s legal name.” This is a change from our previous practice, but brings us in line with EK law.

Anyone who is considering running for an office is encouraged to submit a letter of intent sooner rather than later, but definitely before the scheduled start of the January business meeting.

Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Exchequer (Lady Sarah reporting): Balance is \$6212.48 There is an outstanding check of \$ 100.00 for the EK Pavilion fund.

Minister of Arts and Sciences: (read on behalf of Mistress Sarra) Regular A & S activities continuing. Still looking for info from Shire members for end of year report of activities.

Herald: (Lord Alexendre reporting): One submission being worked on this month. One name and one device submitted. Submission fees are changing and soon will be able to submit on line.

Knight Marshal: (read on behalf of Lord Krey) We had practice at the new site. It's very nice. Kind of a low turn out but that is to be expected at this time of year. There will be no practice next week due to the VFW's party and they are using both rooms. Practice will resume on 12/28, I do believe.

Lastly, as you well know, I will not be running for knight marshal this time around. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the shire in such a way. It has also been an absolute pleasure to serve with the many officers, past and present, in working to make the shire the best we can be. I wish my successor luck in their new office, and will be around should advice be needed.

That's all for now. As always, I remain...

Yours in Service and Friendship,
Lord Krey MacLeod
Outgoing Knight Marshal
Shire of Caer Adamant

(Additional information from Lord Alexendre): There were some new fighters at last week's practice. Looking to host an inter-kingdom fighter practice on 25 January. Six loaner helms are being donated to the Shire for fighter practices to be kept as "Iron Key." Donated by Seamus.

Web Minister: (no report)

Captain of Archers: (Lord Padraig reporting) We are on winter break.

Chatelaine: (Magdalena reporting) I've been running around like a chicken with its head cut off again and I don't quite remember what's gone on since the last meeting. I haven't been hearing too much lately, kind of to be expected with the time of year. I do know that we have a couple who recently moved to the DAFB area from Drachenwald and have been in contact with Shire members in that area. One of the people that I know from my mundane drum circle has e-mailed me and is interested in bringing herself and her dance troupe into the SCA. So with any luck we might just have a new small group of people and a new monthly activity to boot.

Chronicler: (Lord Malcolm reporting) Annual report has been sent to Kingdom and Southern Regional. Dec. issue was sent to Lady Hedewigis and Web Minister last week. One side note: Malcolm is looking to build new Throwing Weapon Targets and looking for interested parties.

Old Business:

Elections: Letters of intent are due to Hedewigis prior to the scheduled start time of the January business meeting (in person, via e-mail or snail mail). Section V.C. of the By-Laws details requirements.

Events:

Spring Thyng update: Working on target ideas and looking for suggestions and volunteers.

Demos:

none

New Business:

Swamp Thyng bids. Discussed bid procedures for events particularly Swamp Thyng as well as event ideas.

Yule party? No further information.

Proposed By-Laws change (from Marietta): An unofficial reading of Marietta's proposed By-Laws change prompted discussion. Some questioned the wisdom of the change while others seen the advantages of the change.

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Event Idea: Sarah presented the idea of a "True Feast Event," one in which the courses would be spread out over the day and into the evening. Different activities would transpire between courses. The idea was well received.

Other:

calendar items:

Fighter Practice – Sundays 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Smyrna Ambulance Co. 64

Inter-Kingdom Fighter Practice – Sunday 25 January 2009 (same location as above)

Games – Sunday 5 January 2009, 5:00 p.m. at Hedewigis's

A&S – Monday 12 January 2009, 7:00 p.m. at Hedewigis's

Dance – Tuesday 13 and 27 January 2009, 7:00 p.m. Kennett Square Friends Meeting

Scriptorium – Wednesday 21 January 2009, 7:00 p.m. at Sarra's, St. George's

Note: February Games Gathering has been cancelled.

Business Meeting – Tuesday 20 January 2009, Dover Public Library. Letters of intent are due!

Bellringers - NEW SITE ****UPDATED****

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

Saturday, January 24th, 2009

Hosted by [Barony of Carillion](#) - Middletown, NJ

Event Last Modified: January 16th, 2009

****New Site****

The Barony of Carillion invites you to help us celebrate its birthday. This promises to be an entertaining day to test your wits and skill. There shall be a scrap yard war where teams shall come together to create medieval marshmallow shooters. They'll be judged on distance and accuracy. There shall be a sling shot competition and the traditional arm wrestling competition. To help entertain us there will be a bardic competition with a winter theme. There will be an A&S competition with a bell theme. There will also be a prize brewing competition - due to the change in site the brewing competition had to be cancelled. A silent auction shall be held to raise money to build a shower for Pennsic for the Barony. So please, whether you are young or old come out of the cold and sit to warm by our fire as we celebrate another birthday.

Schedule of Activities

10:00 am site opens

10:00 am Silent Auction Begins

Medieval Marshmallow Seige Engine Scrap Yard War

11:00 am Build Begins

1:00 pm Distance Tourney

2:00 pm Accuracy Tourney

3:00 pm Marshmallow Sling Shot Tourney

12:00 pm Day Board is served

4:00 pm Troll Closes (all unclaimed seats for the feast shall be sold at this time)

4:00 pm Silent Auction ends

Baronial Court shall be held before the feast

Bardic Competition will be after main course and before the dessert

DAYBOARD:

Breads

Cheeses

Hard Boiled Eggs

Soup

Cold Meats

Fruits and/or nuts

Beverages will consist of a Citrus Drink, Iced Tea, and Sekanjabin (non-alcoholic)

FEAST:

First Remove (Mediterranean)
Soup
Greek Salad
Cheeses & Meats from dayboard

Second Remove (Far East)
Orange Mango Chicken
Steamed Vegetables
Rice and/or Lo Mein

Third Remove (Northern Europe)
Swedish Meatballs
Mashed Turnips
Red Cabbage

Fourth Remove (Dessert)
Snow on the Apple Tree
Fruit Pasties

No open flames of any sort are allowed in the hall. The new site is bone-dry. No pets allowed, except for service dogs.

Directions:

From both the North and the South take your best route to the Garden State Parkway. (For those coming from the south, this may not be the shortest route, but it is the easiest route.) Take Exit 117 to Route 36 East. Follow Route 36 East for 6 miles. Make a right at the traffic light for Wilson Ave. This is just before the Food town. Continue to the end of the road. At the traffic light make a left turn onto Cherry Tree Farm Road. Follow Cherry Tree Farm Road; you will see a Baptist Church on your right, follow the road around the bend. The church is ¼ mile on the right. There is ample parking behind the church. Yellow SCA signs shall be posted.

Event Website: www.carillion.eastkingdom.org

At-a-Glance Event Information

Site:

Westminister Presbyterian Church
94 Tindal Road
Middletown, NJ 07748
[Show me a map!](#)

Site Opens: 10:00 am

Site Closes: 10:00 pm

Event Fees:

Site : Day fee plus day board shall be \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. For people who pre-register for the event the day fee plus day board is \$8.00 per adult and \$3.00 per child. Babes in arms up to the age of three are free. A Family Rate (2 adults with two or more children under the age of 12) shall be \$25 for the day plus day board. The non-member fee of \$3.00 per person shall apply as well. Troll will close at 3:00 pm. All unclaimed feast reservations shall be sold at 3:30 pm.

Feast: To attend the feast shall be an additional \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. For those people who pre-register for the feast it will be an additional \$9 per adult and \$4.00 per child. All pre-registrations must be received by Monday January 19, 2009. For those individuals who wish to participate in the day board and/or feast, they will need to provide their own feast gear (plate, bowl, mug, and silverware). Troll will close at 3:00 pm. All unclaimed feast reservations shall be sold at 3:30 pm.

Send Reservations to:

Baroness Katrina MacAulish, Mka Deann Solomon at 410 Fairview Road
Riverside, NJ 08075.

Please enclose a photocopy of your current membership card with your reservation checks to make checking in faster at the event.

Autocrat:

Damaris MacRob, Mka Dee Carmichael can be reached at 732-668-2282 before 10:00 pm or dcarmichael@waa-umh.org if you have any questions concerning the event.

Other Contact Information:

Feastocrat is Lord Andrew MacRob, Mka George Carmichael who can be reached at 732-668-2282 before 10:00 pm if you have any questions concerning the dayboard or feast.

Make Checks Payable to: SCA Inc. Barony of Carillion

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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