

# Fort Knights

## The Newsletter of the Shire of Caer Adamant

### May, 2009



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Azure, on a pale vert fimbriated between two laurel wreaths a sword Or

**\*\*\*\* Unofficial until approved at the next Business Meeting \*\*\*\***  
**Shire of Caer Adamant – Business Meeting notes**

16 April 2009 – Corbit-Calloway Library

In attendance (in no particular order): Adolphus, Aaradyn, Hogge, Mark IV, Sarah, Alexandre, Padraig, Hedewigis, Marietta

Confirm Officer quorum. yes

Approve previous meeting minutes. Approved March minutes.

### **Officer Reports:**

**Seneschal:** (Hedewigis reporting) First quarter 2009 report has been sent to the Southern Region Seneschal. All seems well with the Shire. Our members travel to events outside of the area, and our own events and activities continue to draw well.

Congratulations to Lady Susanna for completing her term as Queen's A&S Champion with a successful competition at Mudthaw. Congratulations also to Lady Marietta on her appointment as East Kingdom Drop Dead Deputy Seneschal. Our Shire continues to be well-represented within the Kingdom.

**Exchequer:** (Sarah reporting) Bank balance is \$6,270.21, down \$2.00 for cheque imaging fee. First quarter report was submitted.

**Minister of Arts and Sciences:** no report

**Herald:** (Alexendre reporting) One badge, a name and a device have passed Kingdom and have been sent to Laurel.

**Knight Marshal:** (Alexendre reporting) Practices continue. The last Inter-kingdom practice drew approximately 52 fighters. Photos are on the Caer Adamant Fighters website.

**Web Minister:** (Sarah reporting) Website has been updated for Dover Days. A malfunction has been found with the digest version of the Populace list. Sarah will work with the Kingdom webminister to resolve.

**Captain of Archers:** (Padraig reporting). Practice will resume on Sunday 26 April. Regular practices will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 1 – 5 p.m., and on Wednesdays, 5 p.m. until dusk.

**Chatelaine:** (Magdalena reporting). April's report was filled to the Kingdom Chatelaine, and I had an email from a new comer, June. She's from Smyrna and I told her about the fighter practices but I haven't heard if she went to one yet. Sara also kindly posted a page for the Dover Days demo on the shire website. Other wise it has been a bit quiet lately.

**Chronicler:** (Amari reporting) April newsletter was issued.

## **Old Business:**

### **Events:**

**Spring Thyng** – 25 April 2009. Site prep Saturday 18 April, 9:00 a.m. Targets are mostly complete. Dayboard menu has been finalized. There will be roasted pork loin for the potluck feast. Still working on a thrown weapons marshal.

**Swamp Thyng** – 4 – 7 September 2009. Preliminary announcement has been submitted to the EK calendar. Laurena is working on theme details. Volunteers are always welcome!

**Fall event for His Majesty** – Pointless War will be held the weekend of 11 – 13 September at the Vietnam Veterans Motorcycle Club/Fire Base Lloyd on Route 9. The site has been obtained; cost details need to be finalized, but it is certainly workable. An incomplete event announcement will be posted soon. His Majesty has chosen “Pointless War,” which is a return to a previous name. A great deal of discussion was held about the event which resulted in many useful suggestions and ideas. Concerns about the financial risk were raised and acknowledged. Several volunteers have come forth.

**Demos:** Dover Days is scheduled for 2 May. Magdalena expects site assignment in the mail soon.

### **Update on Baroness Laurens' proposal package.**

**Queen's Champion Favours** – kits are available from Hedewigis.

## **New Business:**

**Pennsic Teacher request:** In addition to teachers for “regular” classes, special request for newcomer classes has been issued.

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade:** The fighter practice site has asked us to participate in the Smyrna 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. Alexandre will provide particulars as they are made available.

**Iron Key:** (loaner armour) Seamus of Arindale has offered a variety of pieces of armour for our Iron Key. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Shire would pay the \$250 cost of the pieces. Pdraig pointed out the Archery loaner gear has all been donated and cautions us to not set a precedent of using Shire funds. Going forward, additions to Iron Key will generally be via donation.

Iron Key will be held by the Knight Marshal (not with an individual fighter). An inventory will be maintained, ultimately on the website.

Adolphus suggested we also have a posted list of what armour everyone has to enable someone who is interested in a particular piece to be able to see it.

**Newark Nights** – Magdalena raised the possibility of holding a demo at Newark Nights in June. She will find out the particulars.

## **Other:**

### **Schedule of Activities:**

Dover Days: Saturday 2 May (Dover) see Shire website

Fighter Practice: Sundays 1 – 4 p.m. American Leigon (Smyrna)

Games: Sunday 3 May, 5 – 9 p.m. Hedewigis’s

A&S Night: Monday 11 May, 7 – 9 p.m. Hedewigis’s

Scriptorium (C&I): Thursday 28 May, 7 – 9 p.m. Sarra’s

Dance: Tuesday 13 & 27 May, 7 – 9 p.m. Kennett Square Friends Meeting

Business Meeting: Tuesday 19 May, 7 – 8:30 p.m. Dover Public Library

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Spring Crown Tourney**

This event will take place on May 9<sup>th</sup> in the Barony of Carillion in Manalapan, NJ.

### **War of the Roses**

This will be Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 to Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009, hosted by Barony of Concordia of the Snows in Mariaville, NY.

### **Icefalcon's Ducal Challenge and Iron Bog Champions**

This event will be Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009, hosted by Barony of Iron Bog in Moorestown, NJ.

**Just a friendly Pennsic reminder:** Mailed pre-registration ends on **May 15<sup>th</sup>**. Online pre-registration ends on **June 15<sup>th</sup>**. Please remember that you need to contact Padraig O'Gealagain before registering to camp with the Shire.

## **Regular Activities Within the Shire:**

**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 Alaxander 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 a 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 Don Alexandre Bautista de la Mar at 302.365.1150 before 10 p.m.  
Rattan fighting, full armor. Instruction can be given.

**Fencing (martial activity)** Currently on hold until a site can be located  
Contact Lord Alaine Longship for further info.

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