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Greetings phoenix family,

March's weather was a rollercoaster ride but the Barony has had a good month overall.

The beginning of the month saw our artisans make a wonderful showing at Kingdom Arts & Sciences as well as enjoying the experiences at Known World Art/Sci. The end of the month, many traveled north to Defending the Gate and returned with stories of good times.

The middle of the month was Gulf Wars, which Her Excellency along with many others traveled the many miles to attend. As always Sacred Stone's fighters, artists and service folk represented the Barony well.

April sees the beginning of a new reign, as well as a number of other events that we plan to attend. You will find a Sacred Stone presence at Coronation, Queen's Rapier Championship, and Hidden Mountain Baronial Birthday. We hope to see you all at

these events as well as the Baronial Meeting and other gatherings throughout the Barony.

Be well dear ones,
Baroness Murienne & Baron Simone

Canton of Middlegate Report

Greetings Populace,

Mark your calendars for an amazing event coming up June 22-24 - Return to Crecy V. There will be marshal activities including heavy, rapier, equestrian, combat archery, and youth. Arts and sciences will be represented in an Artisan Row, Competition, and Display space. Service, not to be left out, includes water bearing, master of lists and scorekeeping, heralding, land management (field, camping, parking), and food / entertainment.

These activities are not possible without you. If you want to help out, you can give me a call or an email and we'll talk about where your interests lie and what staff opportunities exist. Information will go out soon with our reservationist address and contact number and email.

Costs for the event are listed below:

Discounted member: \$15

Non-member: \$20

Youth (8-17): \$10

Youth (7 and younger): free

Family cap is \$50.

Camping is included in the cost. Power sites are available for an additional charge. Those wanting full service RV hooks up will need to speak with Van Hoy family Campground directly.

I'm excited to offer this fantastic event to you. I hope you can join us in June.

Annora

March Meeting Minutes

Officer Reports:

- 1) Seneschal: Group is in compliance. Reports are in.
- 2) Chronicler: Absent
- 3) Chatelaine: Absent but Her Excellency Commented the group is still growing. We have 1 newcomer and 2 new to us folks now playing. Kisaiya commented that per February's discussion, she went to Greensboro College and A&T University. Her Excellency requested we visit Bennett College as well.
- 4) Exchequer: Not much is happening, position is in transition. Current balance is \$15,551.01 (non-allocated funds). There are additional funds that are allocated for WOW.
- 5) Herald: We had 2 letters of interest for the Herald position – Iskender Bey and Domnall Locard.
- 6) Marshal: Absent but Her Excellency noted that Nuala is now a training marshal for thrown weapons.
- 7) MOL: Absent but Mistress Kisaiya noted that our MOL is always looking for deputies and would love to have anyone interested contact her.
- 8) MOAS: Absent but Her Excellency noted that at KASF Murin Dunn entered, Ian did a leatherwork display, and Alain won Kingdom Brewer.
- 9) Web Minister: Absent but Her Excellency noted that if there are any updates needed on the web site to please contact Ian as he is great at updating quickly.
- 10) Minister of Youth: Nothing new to report but big plans are coming down the pipeline. New JAFFA statement to be published soon and we need families to participate. Contact Kris Bulla if you have questions.

Canton Reports:

1) Aire Faucon:

AnS going really well. Recently have done a newcomers class, a bardic class, a book making class and others. The seneschal is stepping down soon and they need letters of intent for seneschal.

2) Charlesbury Crossing:

Regular meetings at Mugs happening.
Doing social/fighter practices on Sundays.
Hosting Crown Tourney at Elchenburg. Everyone should come out.

3) Crois Brigitte:

Active and strong.
Doing AnS on Wed nights.
Having meetings at 66 Pizzeria.
Putting in a bid for Gardens of Thyme.

4) Middle Gate:

Growing. 3 new folks.
Business meeting will be 3/15/18.

5) Salisberie Glen:

Group did well at KASF.
Regular meetings happening at Mean Mugs.
3rd Annual Demo at Mean Mugs coming up.
Working on JAFFA stuff.

Old Business:

WOW 2018: Moving right along. Fiona is working on getting a report from the autocrat.

Baronial Unevent: Lost original space, still working on getting new one.

Twelfth Night Bid: No response yet from Kingdom. Though Kingdom did ask if they sign a 3 year contract with the site in VA, would we still like to have our bid considered. The group voted 11 for/0 against/1 abstain to transfer bid to VA site if needed.

Sacred Stone Baronial Birthday Budget Revision: Had to change numbers in bid – new numbers are:
Day trip: \$15 (member)

Overnight: \$15.00
Children 6-17: \$8.00
Children 0-5: Free
Feast: \$9.00 (by seat, not age)

Revisions were approved with a vote of 14 for/0 against/0 abstain.

Bid Deadlines:

WOW 2019 – June 1, 2018
Runestone 2018 – May 1

Policy updates:

a) Suggestion we comp past Sacred Stone coronets for Baronial Birthday for gate (not feast) and all current landed Baron and Baronesses for gate (not feast) at Baronial Birthday.

Discussion: Will this encourage better attendance?

Middlegate does this for the "Of the Stone" events and works fine.

It is courteous.

Need to make sure it works within the Exchequer rules and policies.

Several members requested we move the discussion online.

b) Meeting Requirements for Officers: Suggested we revise wording in policy to show that officers must attend at least one meeting a quarter and must turn in a written proxy PRIOR to meeting.

Discussion: Hard to get things done without officers being present.

Should be understood as an expectation of the office, not a punishment.

Misc. Old Business:

We are working on publishing meeting locations earlier. We move locations so that we can encourage more people to attend meetings.

Using private homes for official activities: There is no policy change. Their Excellencies and Our Seneschal will just no longer ask folks to host meetings at their houses. If someone wants to, that is their decision.

Subdiscussion: What makes an event/meeting/activity official? The old definition is out of date, as it was developed prior to the use of FB and the internet to plan activities. Seneschal rules state that if an activity is in the newsletter and you require officers, then it is "official". We now need to redefine "official". If it is published on the FB group, will it be official? If it is listed on the calendar on the website, will it be official?

Social Media policy says that if an officer announces it online, it becomes official. This is why so many officers have two social media accounts – one for the office and one for themselves. Is that enough? Some groups have an official account which stays the same, even when the officers change. Is that better than personal accounts?

Kingdom Chronicler policy says that events must be registered with the Chronicler and be on Spike in order to be official.

Kisaiya threw in her 25 cents: if you are advertising it as an SCA activity then it should be official whether it is on spike or not. If it is an official activity, then the seneschal should have to sign off on it. Fiona concurred – if the event is not official and the seneschal has not signed off, then the SCA liability insurance does not apply. We need to be aware of liability.

Their Excellencies and Our Seneschal feel that we need to add specific steps on how to make an event official. Therefore we need to delineate what is official and what steps should be taken.

NEW BUSINESS:

Anyone interested in a bus trip to Wyvernwood in Trimar? We could hit Harry Potter World at the same time!

Bid for Coronation 2019: Thamira would like to put in a bid for this event using Van Hoy. The site owner has offered to include porta-johns as part of the \$10.00 per head price. She put together a rough budget with a break even number at 225 and Galen as a potential cook for feast. She will revise the numbers once she is finished her negotiations with the site owner.

Kisaiya noted that she has been talking smack with Nottingham Coill and may have “accidentally” challenged the NC Cooks Guild to a battle with the SS Cooks Guild. Ideas were for a Guild Iron Chef competition at a practice (a Beat & Eat) or an event along the lines of Below the Salt. It was suggested that the guild should make a pastry gauntlet that Their Excellencies could present to the Baronage of Nottingham Coill.

Pay Pal Policy Changes: Previously the reservationist did not get invoices and receipts, only a spreadsheet. Now reservationist will get copies of receipts, confirmations, etc. These will not show the Pay Pal fees though.

Con Carolina: Their Excellencies wants to have a large group at Con Carolina this year. We can get a group rate if enough folks plan on attending. It is the 1st week of June (University will be the second weekend this year). We could get a group hotel rate and group ticket rate if we make up our minds early enough. Please tell Her Excellency if you would like to attend and be part of the group.

Makers Fair in Charlotte – 2nd Saturday in October. Will the Barony support? Kisaiya and Achbar said they would assist for newcomers.

After the April meeting there will be a group trip to the Sacred Stone. Wear good shoes!

Thefts: Yes, sadly there have been some thefts recently at activities. Mistress Fiona and their Excellencies are working with the victims individually. All of the parties involved request this not become a topic of rumor and accusation online. Asked that you please make sure you know where your things are at meetings/activities and please don't leave money or other valuables lying around unattended. If for some reason, you notice something missing, please contact Mistress Fiona and Their Excellencies immediately and privately.

Gulf Wars: Her Excellency will be attending Gulf Wars. Come and hang out!

Please send award recommendations! Always needed.

Meeting over.

Weekly Gatherings Around the Barony

AF: Aire Faucon; CB: Crois Brigitte; CC: Charlesbury Crossing; M: Middlegate; SG: Salesberie Glen

Week	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1st	CC: Weekly Fighter Practice at Freedom Park in Charlotte from 11:00 – 2:00	SG: Mean Mug, A&S Newcomers 7:00 – 9:00 CC: Mugs, A&S 7:00 – 9:00		CB: Panera Bread A&S Newcomers 5:30 – 9:00	AF: A&S Newcomers 6:30 – 8:30 M: Geeksboro, A&S 6:00 – 9:00
2nd		SG: Mean Mug, A&S 7:00 – 9:00 CC: Mugs, Business Meeting, 7:00 – 9:00	AF: Business Meeting 7:30 - 8:45pm	CB: Locale changes, A&S Garb 5:30 – 9:00	AF: A&S Largess 6:30 – 8:30 M: Geeksboro, A&S 6:00 – 9:00
3rd		SG: Mean Mug Business Meeting 7:00 – 9:00 CC: Mugs, A&S, 7:00 – 9:00		CB: Locale changes, Business Meeting 6:30 – 9:00	AF: A&S General 6:30 – 8:30 M: Geeksboro, A&S 6:00 – 9:00
4th		SG: Mean Mug, A&S 7:00 – 9:00 CC: Mugs, A&S 7:00 – 9:00		CB: Panera Bread A&S Demo 5:30 – 9:00	AF: A&S Potluck & (odd months) Potluck & Bardic (even months) 6:30 – 8:30 M: Geeksboro, A&S 6:00 – 9:00
5th		SG: Mean Mug, A&S 7:00 – 9:00 CC: Mugs, A&S 7:00 – 9:00		CB: Locale changes A&S Scholar 5:30 – 9:00	AF: A&S General 6:30 – 8:30 M: Geeksboro, A&S 6:00 – 9:00

Canton Seneschals



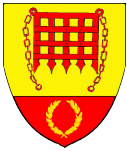
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Phoenix Guard Captain	Jon Bart
Heavy	Cyriac Grymsdale
Rapier	Dyggvi Rolfsson
Archery	Robert Shockley of Avonsford
Thrown Weapons	Johannes of Middlegate
Cavalry	Jacqueline Grant
Youth Combat	Xavier Bulla
Youth Archery	Open
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