



The Martyr's Rede a newsletter of Swordcliffshire



June 2009

June Meeting Minutes

Meeting convened at 7:43pm
In attendance: 14 adults, 1 offspring, 1 wiener dog
(0 cats, 0 rats, 0 sheep, 0 fowl)

Officer reports:

Seneschale: notes that report for first third must have been accepted as filed – she has not heard otherwise.... Demo to be discussed later on.

Chronicler/Webminister: updates include linking Ethyl website to MK calendar; Ethyl page updated w. new info; Calendar updated to current quarter; completed and posted May "Rede" to website. Plans include to stalk shire members at Ethyl w. camera to get pics for "Who's Who" page, and also to take a new group photo. Will also submit meeting info to Illinois Times via IT website.

Pursuivant: more discussion of display board of individuals devices for camping events, will work further to develop design w. Gunther. Also, Thorgeirr has e-mail again!

Heavy Marshall: AWOL again...

Marshal of Fence: last practice was a 'no-go' - please contact MOF if planning on showing for the next one!

Exchequer: Balances: Checking: \$733.090, Savings: \$1341.75

Chatelaine: present but nothing to report.

Minister of A&S: Terry Jones is lost and missing. Hopefully he will resurface in a few months. In the meantime, we'll do 'stuff' at June meeting: including taking a survey of talents and interest (to get ideas for future A&S nights), doing some C&I; making sekanjabin, watching other videos, and eating various goodies.

Ethyl Autocrat: event plans 'in good shape' - we have chicken and pig, and Jhondo and Guillane to cook them. Genevieve donated a scroll for a prize. Bodies needed for site claiming early on Sat and castle raising at 6pm Friday (July 10) eve.

Decatur Cub Scout Demo plans: Date chosen: June 25 (Thurs). Devin can get time off, Tom OK for Thurs too. We'll bring some sekanjabin (from A&S) for the kiddies and candied orange peel by Guillane. The camp will supply crayons and paper for brass rubbing, Gunther will bring Calligraphy hand examples. Starts at 11am promptly!

New business: none

Other notes: Amtgard and SCA were mentioned in the SJ-R's "Voice" section - they gave both groups a good review, saying nice things and gave contact info. Hoobah!

Meeting adjourned: 8:26 pm.

Upcoming Events:

June 27: Crystal Chamfron
July 11: Feast of St. Ethyl the Martyr
July 18: Simple Day in the Country
July 24-August 9: Pennsic War
Sept 5-6: MK Academy of Defense, Ravenslake
Sept 19: Fields of Cloth and Gold, Illiton
Oct 3: Midrealm 40-Year Celebration, Grey Gargoyles
Oct 24: Masked Ball, Lochmorrow

Coming Soon

"Norse Notes"

by Thorgeirr

Shire Officers:

Seneschale - Guillane de Vaux
Exchequer: Katrina
Heavy Marshal: Tan Po
Pursuivant: Thorgeirr inn Vikverski Karllson
Marshal of Fence: Devin Breighallach
Min. of Arts & Sciences: Gunther von Sachsenhausen
Chatelaine: Cydeaux of Brittany
Chronicler: Genevieve de Vaucresson
Web Minister: Genevieve de Vaucresson

Recipe: Sekanjabin (minted drink)

2 cups water
4 cups sugar
1 cup white vinegar
4 Tbsp lemon juice
12 sprigs fresh mint

Place water and sugar in a pan over medium heat until sugar is melted. Add lemon juice and vinegar and boil for 15-18 minutes, until syrup becomes about the thickness of thin honey. Add mint sprigs and boil for one more minute. Turn off heat and leave to cool. Strain and refrigerate.

To serve, place in a glass in equal proportions: water, mint syrup, and ice. Enjoy!

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