



The Martyr's Rede a newsletter of Swordcliffshire

October 2008



October Meeting Minutes

Members present: 7, offspring 1

Not enough officers were present for a quorum, so the meeting was not convened at 7:50pm.

Seneschal report: Quarterly report for third quarter has been submitted to Kingdom as of Sept 19. Lincolnshire organizer will be e-mailed to notify him of our non-participation in this year's faire. Contact with Williamsville School continues, in anticipation of a possible event in spring of 09 - Idea being to do a starter event, small, w. no feast but maybe a lunch to keep staff costs at a minimum. Guillane is also looking into resuming use of Army Reserve Center for fighter's practices now that she is stationed there again.

Exchequer report: Checkbook is now balanced, and agrees with bank statement - balance as of Sept 30: \$877.52 (all recent checks have cleared) Third quarter report will be filed shortly.

Art and Sciences (reported via Paddy's Pub mailing): Oct meeting is being held in Decatur - topic is German history from a native's viewpoint.

Marshall of Fence reports nothing to report. OTOH, Devin attended a non-SCA event at Phillippe's that involved weapons and was a lot of fun, but did not involve dwarf-tossing.

Marshall of heavy weapons was absent for unknown reasons, but "the woman" was suspected.

The new Pursuivant was also absent. Speculation ensued of how the body may have been disposed of.

Chronicler reports first newsletter published to the website. Discussion ensued of further requirements needed to comply with Kingdom chronicler office policy to make the newsletter legit.

Webminister was not requested to report, but was assumed to be proxied by Chronicler comments re: web publication of newsletter...

A theme for Ethyl 2009 was chosen: "If It Ain't Broke, Don't Fix It". Speculation followed on how Elaine Jayne would render that theme in Rice Krispie Treats.

Guillane proceeded to whip up enthusiasm for next Pennsic, citing a desire for a functional food group. Possible shire attendance at Pennsic looks numerous at initial count.

The non-meeting was not adjourned at 8:43-ish by mention of food....

Officers:

Seneschal - Guillane de Vaux

Exchequer: Katrina

Heavy Marshal: Tan Po

Pursuivant: Thorgeirr in Vikverski Karlsson

Marshal of Fence: Devin Breighballach

Minister of Arts & Sciences: Orry Guerin de MSM

Chatelaine: Cydeaux of Brittany

Chronicler: Genevieve de Vaucresson

Web Minister: Genevieve de Vaucresson

Genevieve's Scrumpy (Young Cyder)

One Gallon of fresh, un-pasteurised apple cider (available from Jeffries Orchard - N. on Rt 29)
Ale yeast (av. From Friar Tuck)
Air lock (prepped w. water) & 1" rubber bung

Pour off one glassful of cider and drink it so the cider in the jug has some headroom. Put a generous pinch of yeast into the jug, and put your air lock on top. (Save the cap, tho' - you'll need it later) Let sit on kitchen counter for a day or two until it starts to bubble. Once it's bubbling merrily, remove the airlock, replace the original cap tightly and put the jug in the fridge. Check the jug once a day and let some air out as jug swells up - not too often tho' if you want carbonation. A couple of days later, start drinking! (If you are over 21...)

Also great as a marinade for roast pork.

Upcoming Events:

October 16: Swordcliff A&S mtg in Decatur

October 18: Fall Crown Ty., Dayton OH

November 6: Swordcliff Business meeting

November 8: Crystal Ball

November 20: Swordcliff A&S mtg in Spfld

Nov 22: Bardic Madness

December 18: Swordcliff Yule Party

January 31: Festival of Maidens

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