

BARONY OF ANGELS, MINUTES OF BARONIAL COUNCIL MEETING

May 18, 2006

Pirates 'N' Plunder, Whittier, CA

Meeting called to order at 8:00 pm.

Opening Statements: Their Excellencies Baroness Morgaine FitzStephen and Baron Jason the Wanderer.

Baroness: It's good to have you all here. We saw a lot of you at Altavia anniversary. A lot of our people were given interesting awards, including Izzy from the Alliance of Households and a Dolphin for Lady Vivienne de Lampiere.

Summer is almost upon us. We'll be missing some of you with trips and going to war and such. Please prereg for GWW as soon as possible. Mark that you're staying with the Barony of Angels. We get space based on the number of preregistrations. You can register online with credit cards. The initial glitch when the site was being updated has now been fixed.

Baron: I'm glad to see Tomaso and Catharine back from their trip. Thanks to all at last couple of events for your participation. Glad to see all of you there.

Baroness: Discussion of various rumors and the lack of substance therein. Request that people verify facts rather than passing rumors along.

Welcoming comments from the Seneschal, THL Lady Trinette Genevieve Thibaudeau: Please read her philosophical note in the minutes. Please make the following correction: There is no "K" in Rotheric.

Baron Jared: Apologies -- April meeting minutes were not available until tonight. He has passed out copies. Minutes will be sent to chronicler.

Minutes approved.

Officer Reports:

Comments from Arts & Sciences Officer, Lady Czina Angielczyk: Arts are still alive and well in Angels! We are getting ready for CP Prize, and I'm looking for donations of handmade items and/or items of an SCA nature for the Artisan's Raffle. We sold over 2000 tickets last year at the table, and I'm hoping to meet or beat that number this year! Please let me know if you plan on donating anything, so I can make sure to have enough room.

Pentathlon is coming up, and we are busy working on Team Angels. I would like to take one of the Sunday PitP in June to have another session with interested parties, so we can figure out who would like to do what. We need to make sure we cover enough categories

(at least 4 of the 6) - and more is better. We can enter a total of 10 items per team, although only the top 5 will be used for scoring. Let's show White Star what we're made of!

Anniversary is coming up this fall, and we will be having our traditional Arts and Sciences Champion competition. In the last few years we've done 'People's Choice', but since Pentathlon is coming up, I would like to see us move in the direction of more documentation provided for items, such as Rosamund did last year. Another option would be a 'Laurel's Prize', where we ask the many talented Laurels in our Barony (and those who visit our Anniversary) to judge the championship.

In the past, there have also been competitions where entrants submitted 3 (I think) items for judging, and the person with the best overall score was the champion. Other awards have been given for best use of red and gold, as well as matching the theme of the event. If you have other suggestions regarding the Arts and Sciences competition for Anniversary, please let me know - I will be glad of the help!

Collegium is coming up in October, and they will be calling for more class proposals soon. Please check <http://www.collegiumcaidis.org> website for more details, if you would like to teach a class.

Discussion of when and how Laurels are to be asked to be involved in judging.
Catharine: Per Mistress Thea, Caid MOAS, and Master Guisepe, incoming Caid MOAS, at last month's collegium, the informal way Angels does this -- giving Laurels who wish to participate an extra token that carries added weight in the judging -- is permissible without making advance arrangements. If how Angels does things changes, we would need to check how Laurel participation would be affected. Catharine will send a data dump of notes to Lady Czina from the collegium MOAS class.

Comments from the Exchequer, Sir Einar aus Enwelt: Contact Exchequer for information.

Additional comments from the Exchequer: Pavilion fund zeroed out. Additional \$14.40 to Express Mail so we keep our place in the queue so get the pavilion in time for CP prize. Financial committee has one check to write tonight. Exchequer's report is in to kingdom. All balanced.

Trinette: Discussion of absence of people who need to be at council meeting to deal with specific issues. She would like people to attend council meetings or send email or call or somehow let her know they are still alive and doing the office. She especially needs to see event autocrats two months before their event to be sure all ready to go and the month after to be sure all okay or did it all fall apart. If there are personal or family issues that prevent from attending council, let her know, so she can keep things moving.

Comments from the Chatelaine, Lady Katerina Magdalena Stoianovna: She wants to thank Lady Ysabeau for giving the chatelaine's report last month when she (Lady Katerina) couldn't be there. Newcomers class was held at Picnic in the Park. She will do it there for now because we still don't have a public venue to hold classes. Now fourth Sunday of the month. Keith was there. He brought a cooler of drinks -- we've decided we will keep him. Other ladies expressed interest but did not come. Looking forward to having another class in two weeks -- on Memorial weekend.

Comments from the Marshall, THL Harada Tatsuoki Dokusatsu: Had 6 newcomers camp with us at Potrero. Doku was granted senior marshall status. You now need a member of the chivalry for authorizations. Changes also coming for fighter's handbook. Doku is on their royal highness guard. TRH regard their guard as the "guard of doom."

Comments for rapier, delivered by THL Harada Tatsuoki Dokusatsu: Lord Basil is in jolly old England right now. Doku is supervising rapier for him -- 12-20 per practice. Basil will be back in June.

Comments from Gold Key, Lady Ysabeau du Lioncourt: Sewing class was postponed. Held an impromptu newcomers class for the two ladies who were unable to go to Picnic in the Park. Class will resume on its normally scheduled day.

Donations Bag: No donations.

Comments from the Chiurgeon, THL Justina Marie de Burgundy, delivered by THL Harada Tatsuoki Dokusatsu: Nothing to report.

No report from the Chronicler.

Comments from the Constable, Baron Robert of Cedarwood: Nothing to report because nothing going on in the barony.

Comments from the Herald, Lord Balthazar van der Brugghe: He officially got Trinette's official name "Trinette" forwarded to Laurel -- after 14 years. Have to change a couple of letters. Three names of Katerina's family passed as well as Katerina's device. See Balthazar or Lady Vivienne if you want to get a name passed. Next college of heralds meeting is late in the month next month.

Comments regarding Angels erics, delivered by THL Harada Tatsuoki Dokusatsu: Sir Einar was kind enough to do a lot of legwork -- raw materials costs for the new barony. Came up with figures. Doku is in favor of fiber rope rather than synthetic. Total costs, bare minimum -- \$360. With syn rope -- \$389, for 8 erics, 40x40. Additional for poles and 1000 foot lengths of rope. Estimates based on pre tax via Ontario or Santa Fe springs. 3/8 diameter for all poles. Pretty much like the eric Angels has borrowed for so long from Canton of the Canyons.

Baron: Have borrowed for many years. Two sets of royals have said they want Angels to pursue getting its own eric. With Canton of the Canyons so far away and the cost of gas and Canton of the Canyon's growth, the potential is growing for conflicts in using the erics, especially for Angels Anniversary and hosting rapier. He prefers larger -- can be split if need to. Can set up for an 8 inch stake depth per new regs.

Tomaso: has access to large wooden spools that have cable on. If find one, will collect. Good for 24" round shields as well.

Doku -- will work with Sir Einar for all details. Cap tops not included. Will need.

Trinette -- will aim for finalizing that next month.

Comments from Captain of archers, provided by Lady Vivienne: Have submitted dates for the calendar. Waiting for answers. Going to start doing different novelty shoots at the different practices each month. Try out new ones to make practices more fun. Looking forward to a good practice this coming Sunday. El Dorado park -- done at noon, so can then go to PITP. First novelty shoot this weekend -- King's Hunt.

Discussion of Palos Verdes site, pros and cons. Trinette -- Palos Verdes is in our zip code. Keyed site, one of our people would need to be a member to open for events. About \$60 a year. Options -- looking into for practices and events.

Vivienne: Awfully far for practices. El Dorado Park more centrally located for practices.

Comments from the Webwright, Lady Ysabeau du Lioncourt: Currently updating the site. People not getting her their information. Will be deleted. Use Yahoo for e-lists. Note: she doesn't manage the list. She can delete, but YOU have the account with Yahoo groups so you need to resubscribe. People need to change profiles. New letter will say -- please log into Yahoo and change; in the meanwhile, I've deleted your account so it doesn't bounce.

She only manages Angels Baronial-- doesn't do officers or other lists. Court list -- baroness moderates. Officers lists --Trinette

Have had an inquiry into Minister of Children position. Will let you know if she can do. Lady Isabeau Eagleston of Glenrose.

Subgroup Reports:

Canton of the Canyons by Toby. Held a meeting last Saturday. Shuffled officers around, got some new ones. Canons now has a full complement of officers. Rodak -- seneschal. Morn Heraldslayer -- herald. Robin's lady -- A&S. Keith -- constable. Toby -- marshall. Robin -- scapegoat. Talking about having an event next year.

Trinette -- need to get calendar stuff in for first quarter ASAP. Toby -- May event.
Trinette -- May and June very full. Need to get in for consideration soon. Toby will do.

College of the Voyagers (Caltech) by Lord Tomaso da Barbiano: Club fair for prospective freshmen who have been accepted by Caltech but have not officially decided. A bit of interest. Working on getting new people into it. May Day didn't happen, happy new year anyway.

No change in site status. Keenan has the maypole. A couple of us are going to Potrero. Camping with CRAC encampment. Several beers on tap. Will try to get other Voyagers to day trip it.

Trinette -- Need info from Tomaso, email sent that day.

Baron: If there's anything Angels can do for Voyagers, let us know.

NEW BUSINESS

Need autocrat for anniversary. Otherwise, will be Ysabeau and Trinette.

Baron: All awards have to be started all over again when crown changes. Please resend recommendations.

Discussion of if and when proxies can be given.

Discussion of pros and cons of doing baronial council at PITP for June, July, August.

CP prize, comments by Lady Katerina Magdalena Stoianovna: Site is dry. Kate the Just will be doing cooking. Need a budget from her so on. Richard and Macha are merchantcrats. CP announcements in -- online on kingdom calendar as of two days ago. In seraph. In CP. Add that dry and who merchantcrats are. Heavies and rapier /fighting summary. Discussion of restroom availability. There is NO parking in YMCA parking lot. YMCA bathrooms are not available.

Seraph Ball -- No progress report.

Jared -- need to get monies to start purchasing for the feast next month. Discussion that premium seats include commemorative ceramic from Lady Artemisia. Not competitive bidding. First come, first serve. Prices not set.

Vivienne: Who contact to set up reservations for the feast? Lady Mariam.

Catharine: Since at Caltech, need ID there. Need to know times. Need to know what prep needed.

Jared: No kitchen. Small feast.

OLD BUSINESS -- none.

ITEMS for DISCUSSION:

Largesse Officer Position: THLYsabeau stated that it seemed appropriate that we as a barony work on something that will represent us, at places like Pennsic and Estrella, for example. Suggested work parties and those types of efforts, including the handling and receiving of largesse and sending of thank you notes.

Discussion of the position as a separate baronial officer position and also a court position, added under A&S for reporting purposes. Lady Catharine Hawkwod volunteered to take the position. as baronial largesse officer. Vote taken, office approved.

Lady Vivienne volunteered to assume the court position portion of working with the herald to gather the information, taking notes behind the B&B at court, and writing down cards for TY notes (name, address, item, and so forth), and of getting that information to Lady Katerina, Chief Lady-in-Waiting, to ensure thank you notes go out.

Discussion of whether, how, and when baronial funds can pay for largesse. Catharine Hawkwod -- Per the A&S officer class at April collegium, if specific requirements are met and the barony agrees, the barony can pay for A&S classes to make largesse. Catharine to get specific details from Mistress Thea. Catharine and Czina to work out the details of how A&S and Largesse will split the tasks.

Per Baroness Morgaine, Angels is providing Caid's largesse for Northshield for Pennsic. Told by Mistress Thea to wait until HRH decide if one or many. Baroness has purchased an effigy box for coronation to hold award cards and/or gas cards for the incoming royals. Has small, pewter Roman soldiers for outgoing royals. Richard is trying to make two knights chains that match for incoming as well.

Catharine and Czina will take on coronation largesse as the first challenge.

Financial Committee Comments from Sir Einar -- Discussed CP Prize and incoming. Discussed site deposit refunds and Angels Melee. Finding out what's going on with anniversary. Rental on storage locker increased, additional funds approved. Seraph supplies and roses for rose challenge at crown discussed and approved. Seraph Ball was not discussed as the autocrat was not there.

Angels Melee reconciliation straightened out. Melee and Robin Hood Tourney moved to closed events, profits to general fund. Approval of the pavilion purchase, as was covered in general council meeting. Approval for 15 additional [follows?] so long as price not exceed \$150.

Seraph not send out renewal notices -- look at labels to see if expiring. Give Elspie or Einar a 1-year subscription. Receipt for 5/2 for seraph.

Angels Melee 2007, comments by Doku. Has kingdom granted a date for that yet?
January 20th is date on calendar.

Trinette -- Not sure if on calendar yet. If Doku can get dates to her by tomorrow, she will send the information on ASAP. Trying to do by quarters so can update quickly.

Closing comments:

Baron Jason -- Good meeting. I'm done.

Baroness Morgaine -- Lovely meeting.

Jared and Morgaine are celebrating birthdays.

Meeting over at 9:31.

Submitted by Lady Catharine Hawkwod da Barbiano, catherinehawkwod@aol.com