

**Shire of Starhaven  
Business Meeting  
Thursday, May 12, 2016**

Meeting attended by:

Adults: 16  
Children: 1  
Total: 17

Meeting Start Time: 6:34

Meeting Opened by: Lady Mor ingen Ronain

Meeting Presided by: Lady Mor ingen Ronain, Acting Seneschal

**Officer Reports:**

*Acting Seneschal*, Lady Mor ingen Ronain:

- Sir Trude is out of town with a family emergency. Mor is appointed Acting Seneschal during this time.
- Thank you to the Knight Marshal and the Hospitaller for copying their Quarterly Reports to the Seneschal
- HLord Santiago is being elevated to the Peerage at TMT. Thanks to all the populace members supporting this important day.
  - Santiago's elevation will be 8:30 am Sat. Chronicler will post on Starhaven Populace.
- Stop by Santiago's vigil at TMT and wish him well.
- Mor asked Kateryna to forward her Archery Marshal reports to the Seneschal. Kateryna agreed.

*Exchequer*, Sir Morgan Etienne ap Gwalchmai Gwynedd:

- Mistress JeongMie is stepping up as Deputy Exchequer. She agreed to copy the Seneschal on reports with the Exchequer.

*Social Media*, Lady Mor ingen Ronain:

- Concerns about our Facebook presences have been addressed through the Starhaven Social Media Policy is in the process of being approved.
- Policy concerning event postings on our Facebook presences have been published in the May issue of the *Vair Bell*.

*Herald*, Don Davius St. Jacques:

- Absent
- Mor – Master Davius is very busy with his job and as Master of Defense. We need someone to help him as Herald. Please email the Seneschal if you are interested.

***Knight Marshal***, Tiberius Aurelius Magnus:

- Mor – Since the 4<sup>th</sup> Fighter Practice/Revel in May conflicts with TMT, may we move it to the 29<sup>th</sup>? Agreement reached, will be posted on Facebook on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Mor offered to create an Event Page for Fighter Practice. Asked Tiberius to send her the info so she could do so.
- Syr Geoffrey reported on the last 4<sup>th</sup> Fighter Practice/Revel – 20-odd people attended with people fighting and doing Arts & Sciences. There was loads of food and it went well.
- Syr Geoffrey noted archery at F. Burton Smith Park where Cub Scouts have permission to do archery/BB shooting/equestrian activities. Kateryna will contact the park to see if we can also do archery and will copy the Deputy Seneschal on the results.

***Arts & Sciences***, THLady Arianna de Chateaumichel:

- Mor asked for more information on the A&S Workshop at HLady Catherine's home. She would like to create an Event Page on Facebook. Eithne asked for article(s), perhaps even a flyer, to be published in *Vair Bell* to publicize the workshop.
- Arianne and Alane talked about a workshop they are setting up for July 9<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Alane has been checking with the Vierra/Suntree Library about space. The library wants to know how many people, what we're doing, and the date. They have a large room that can seat 100 and a small room that seats 13.
- Mistress Genevieve brought up that "seating 100" is auditorium-style and may not be able to fit that many in a classroom situation. Mor reminded everyone of the two large rooms at Cocoa Central and will check if we could use them for this.

***Chronicler***, THLady Eithne ingen Muirgein:

- The Chronicler's Office can help the officers in publicizing their activities. Just send the information to be published in the *Vair Bell*.
- Thank you to Lady Hadassah bat Joseph and HLady Alane Godwin for their assistance taking notes at the various Courts and at the Troubadour Poet Laureate Competition at Spring Coronation while I was ill. Their help was invaluable in getting the April *Vair Bell* out. These ladies make excellent reporters.

## Old Business:

- **Space Coast Nerd Fest**
  - Mor is looking for the sign-in sheet, the newcomer sheet, and the copy of the email that went out to the newcomers so she can close the file. Sythean handed a copy of the newcomer sign-in sheet to Mor and promised a copy of the email.
  - HLady Sythean's report – We had an interesting time with the weather. Sometimes I had flashbacks to Gulf War. Kudos to Mistress Genevieve and Syr Geoffrey for their support. Syr Geoffrey came up with a brilliant [ploy] for Sunday. People wanted to play with crossbows and really enjoyed "Shoot a Knight". Got 25 people signed up as interested. She contacted them and sent some on to more appropriate areas.
  - One of our challenges is that Adria is allowed to put non-participants on armor and let them fight, both light and heavy.
  - Syr Geoffrey – Paige's casting, playing with fire and hot metal, was a big draw. We need arts that are a big draw. Mor agreed and reminded that Sir Trude's spinning and the carding was a big draw at last year's Nerd Fest.
  - Genevieve expressed concern that Nerd Fest might not be the right venue for us. The demographics are off. Mor agreed, that we need to look where we're spending our time resources and that the Nerd Fest group is largely composed of scifi con goers.
  - Genevieve said that it helps to have an event already set up to push the newcomers to for a follow-up and to have that event well-attended by Shire members. Having the 4<sup>th</sup> Fighter/Practice Revel to send the newcomers to was a big help.
- **Seneschal files:**
  - Mor showed the files passed down for the Seneschal's Office since the beginning of Starhaven—6 folders about ½ inch thin consisting of some of the demos and events held in the past 6 years.
  - Sythean promised to send copies of all the Reservation information she had from past events.
  - Genevieve asked if we could put the Seneschal's files on Gmail. Mor explained that Kingdom wants to put Starhaven's emails on their kingroup email platform. We are still in research and discussion phase. Our plain gmails are working fine.

## **New Business:**

- New business meeting location – There has long been a desire to have a larger space with longer times available to us for the Business Meeting and possibly classes. We need leads/contacts in the Cocoa area for this purpose. If we can get a place that will let us stay past 9 pm that would be great. We would like to be able to sign a 1-year contract. Email the Deputy Seneschal with leads/contacts.
  - OK to post on both Facebook presences asking for contacts.
  - Syr Geoffrey:
    - Sir Haroun works for BCC and could be a contact. He works nights and would not be able to be there, which might be a problem.
  - Geoffrey asked if could combine Business Meeting with 4<sup>th</sup> Fighter Practice, less driving. Mor said Sir Trude had already nixed that and her research shows that groups in general keep the two separate. However, she said that if Geoffrey would email her with the pros and cons, she could re-open the question.
- Peer Meeting Update – The Peers of Starhaven had a meeting recently to discuss the situation in Starhaven and what to do about it. They want Starhaven to get healthy and move forward. One result was a document outlining the situation as they see it: strengths and weaknesses, opportunities and threats. The document is stored on Google Docs and access will be given out on a request basis. A post will be generated to share information on how to gain access. A sheet was passed around for those people who are interesting in commenting on it to give their emails.
  - Geoffrey – this document is for the future. Leave the past in the past.
  - Mor will be posting on Facebook about the issues to be addressed, for example, Starhaven Event Policy.
    - The Starhaven Event Policy was also published in the May issue of the *Vair Bell*.
    - Official Starhaven Events will be created from the Shire of Starhaven, Trimaris and shared to Starhaven Populace. These Event Pages are Public and available to everyone.
  - Geoffrey requested a blurb at the top of the Shire of Starhaven, Trimaris page to the effect of “If you want information on Starhaven discussions, go to Starhaven Populace.” Genevieve and Eithne both noted that information was already in the Description section on that Page.

- Paige – I don't get notifications from Shire of Starhaven, Trimaris, just Starhaven Populace. Genevieve said the same. Mor promised to look into it.
- Curia – Sir Trude would like to schedule a Curia (aka Town Meeting) to discuss the ideas and proposed solutions that came out of the Starhaven Peers Meeting. At this time, she is looking at early July to get us past the SCA 50<sup>th</sup>. To prepare for the Curia we would like input from the Peers drawing from their meeting. More to be announced as information becomes available.
- Shire Hospitaller – When will Hospitaller be turned over to Santiago? Mor replied that Santiago needs to be in communication with her and has not yet taken the Hospitaller classes to be warranted as an Officer. He plans to do that at TMT.
  - Paige said that she has offered to be Santiago's Deputy. Mor asked her to ask Santiago to email the Mor and tell her that he wants Paige to be his Deputy.
  - Geoffrey says he took the warranting class(es?) and checked both the at-large and officer boxes. He will email to Mor the letter from the Kingdom Hospitaller about his qualification.
- Shire slogan – Oldenfeld has "The Land of Big Fun". Starhaven needs its own slogan. We be looking for ideas and suggestions, perhaps have a contest to select one.
- Events – A little bird told Mor there were several ideas floating around for Starhaven events. We would love to have another event. Day event or weekend, bring your ideas. We have bid forms and Mor would be happy to send those out to any who are interested in submitting. To be able to get our events on the Kingdom calendar we need a contract with the site as well as the insurance in hand. We need people to step up!

**Meeting Closed:** 7:45 pm

**Notes Taken by:** THLady Eithne ingen Muirgein

**Attendees:**

Lady Mor ingen Ronain

HLady Eithne ingen Muirgein

HLady Arianne de Chateaumichel

Mistress Genevieve La Rousse

Syr Geoffrey Maynard of York

Lady Whitney Willow

Paige Nicholls

Lady Lydia de la Mer  
HLady Kateryna ate Hagenes  
HLady Sythean Lina Chandler  
Mistress JeongMie  
HLady Alane Godwin  
Lord Tiberius Aurelius Magnus  
Kelly  
Matty de Wynterwade  
Thein Morgan Etienne ap Gwalchmai Gwynedd  
Julian de Vere