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President Column

Greetings everyone!

This is your ever-wonderful president David!!! For those of you who weren't at the Banquet Game, this is what went on as far as the board goes. We bid farewell to the leaving board members Jason Dziuk and Pat McGehearty. We welcomed back Allison Pace and Rich Adkisson who were re-elected. We also welcomed the two newest members of the board, Angela Gallegos and Henry Wood. Allison Pace remained the Secretary, David Spence took over for Pat as the Sanctioning Chair, Alyssa Philips remained the Vice President and I was re-elected President! There was great food that we had catered from Jason's Deli and there was also a very ground breaking game written by David Spence called Lifes a Gamble.

The game went off very well with some massive changes to the world we live and play in. Prince Lionel is now dead and Justin Magiker has disappeared after transforming into a lich. Now Princess Brightmoon has reclaimed the land that belonged to her people so very long ago. But there are some people (NPCs and PCs alike) that still have claim to the land. For instance, there is a King, and Dukes, and Earls, and Squatters! Oh My! Thus called for the reintroduction of the World Committee!

Then we had the first stand alone board meeting of the year in March. It was a fun little board meeting, kinda short and sweet. There was also the first world committee meeting which we may have a few more this year and possibly from now on as long as people are still writing games. Then came the fun little mini-game written by yours truly. I heard people liked it, but they might have just been saying that. Who knows, thats half the fun!

Next on the agenda we actually have a follow up to Lifes a Gamble called Death Assurity, Taxes Optional (Dont know if i spelled it right, but you get the idea) that is promised to be very fun. It will be at the April Board meeting, and we haven't quite determined where that will be held. When we find out though it will be posted on the facebook sight and the homepage for everyone to see. After that it appears the next big game that we have going on is Keep Krushers, a game written by Angela Gallegos. Also promised to be a ton of fun.

You guys (and gals) have fun and don't do anything I wouldn't do. Which isn't a whole lot so just go have fun!

David Wood
Dallas IFGS President

“Life’s a Gamble” Bank Report - by Lyn Ellis

February 18th marked a big day for IFGS as it was not only our Annual Banquet, but an exciting political game by David Spence and David Wood!

The game took place at the Gatewood Pavilion in Garland, TX. Unlike our last game, it was rather wet and cold. Despite the dreariness and the cold of the day, we carried on through, even with a flooded pavilion! Many people showed up early and we had a lot of help with set-up to keep the rain and cold wind from overwhelming the inside of the pavilion itself, as well as John Jones and a few others that helped clear the pool of water up by the fireplace.

The game started with the hopeful promise of expected peace (Besides a floating rumor about a bounty on Lionel’s crown that was set by someone who was NOT Freddy Mercury) between the guests and politicians that arrived from Fiorgynsheim and Tarrelline alike, namely Lionel, the King of Fiorgynsheim Lionel (Greyson Cox), the Navarro Princess Brightmoon (Taryn Cox) (and there may or may not have been an appearance by the Marquee of Pah Stophis), and King Kae-Sue of Terrelline (Jim Davie). Everyone mingled under the roof of the Don Aminor and Lady Acacia in the Knightfall inn.

Some, though, took to provoking others that should not be provoked. Raum, through a complaint to Aminor, managed to land a follower of the Karmic goddess, Karma, in a life-debt due to a lady of Acacias stables known by Danielle, as well as a dancing Simon-spell dealt by The Archmage Justin (David Wood), who accompanied Lionel to the event.

Lunch was provided by Jason’s Deli through courtesy of David Wood and Angela Gallegos (and Sir Tainley provided the “wine”) all of which was followed by the tournament. A fun and quite interesting competition of strength ended in round three as Lionel and Conrad Von Tempest’s fight was found unfair by house rules when Sir Justin called Dropsy on Tempest to better aid King Lionel. Thereon Lionel called his guards into Knightfall and a huge battle took place.

The low-line ran great! Princess Brightmoon, named a savage by Lionel, and who was targeted by the enemy, was led safely to the forest by the gracious, and competent guests of Knightfall and everyone had a lot of fun with many opportunities to use their abilities. The high-line was just as great and heated with battle, with the living, the undead, and a Lich! They gave the NPC’s a real run for their money even as wave after wave of Fiorgynsheim warriors came at them. In the end, the high-line PCs were successful in their endeavors and came out victorious, with the pride of having taken the life of Lionel and his Crown! Not to mention we made it back to the Pavilion just in time to miss the deluge!

Sir Tainley and Conrad Von Tempest made sure to assure the people that the land was in good hands now that Lionel was no longer on his throne. They have formed a Protectorate to maintain order and protect the people of Fiorgynsheim, and mean to find a new, permanent king (Or Queen? Or ???) soon. Some land was distributed to the people who stepped up and claimed it at the end of the game. Soon thereafter, the game took to a close with a great many triumphs and memories under the attendees belts having been a part of a great piece of IFGS history.

In the midst of all the fun, the board meeting was held addressing new and old business as usual, as well as welcoming in Henry Wood and Angela Gallegos as two new members on the IFGS board, and Jason Dziuk and Pat McGehearty were thanked for their service to the Chapter as outgoing Board members. Congrats to Hank and Angela!

Thanks again to the sanctioning crew and the writers - it was an awesome game! Also, a big thanks to everyone who attended, and everyone who helped with set-up AND the clean-up, and made the game exciting, worthwhile, and overall fun.

Bank Report Cont'd.

PC Game Ratings:

Overall	Logistics	Design	Mental	Physical	Fighting	Risk
8	8	7	6	7	8	7

Game Best Of's:

Roleplaying	Costume
<p>1. Lionel (Greyson Cox), Princess Brightmoon (Taryn Cox), Aminor (David Spence)</p> <p>2. Sir Tainly (Rich Adkisson), Freddy Mercury (Nathan Tryon), Justin (David Wood), Lug (Olan Knight)</p> <p>3. Kae-Su (Jim Davie), Casino "Staff", Danielle (Lyndsey Ellis), John Jones, The Royals, Silverant (Drake McWhorter), (Jason Dzuik), Conrad Von Tempest (Danny Berry)</p>	<p>1.Princess Brightmoon (Taryn Cox), Lug (Olan Knight), King Lionel (Greyson Cox)</p> <p>2. Conrad Von Tempest (Danny Berry), Lord Lyle (Tom Paul Grissom), Sir Tainly (Rich Adkisson), (Paul Coley)</p> <p>3. Justin (David Wood), Freddy Mercury (Nathan Tryon), Raum (Tyler Davis), Lady Acacia (Tina Cox), Squeekums (Rachel King), Danielle (Lyndsey Ellis), Sir Tainly (Rich Adkisson)</p>
Monster	Humor
<p>1. Lug (Olan Knight), David Wood as Justin, David Wood as the Lich</p> <p>2.Lionel (Greyson Cox)</p> <p>3.Undead knight army, Raum (Tyler Davis), Tree(nature), the Baby</p>	<p>1.Lug (Olan Knight)</p> <p>2.Sir Tainly (Rich Adkisson), Aminor (David Spence), Soliloquy</p> <p>3.Raum (Tyler Davis), Lionel Vs Conrad Von Tempest, Dustin Proctor, Slipping and sliding, Justin (David Wood), Simon Spell- Dance, Freddy Mercury (Nathan Tryon)</p>
Fighting	Special Effect
<p>1.Lionel (Greyson Cox), Aminor (David Spence)</p> <p>2.Conrad Von Tempest (Danny Berry), Lug (Olan Knight)</p> <p>3. Lord Lyle(Tom Paul Grissom), (Andrew Nunally), Delwin (Greg Cox), John Jones, Ryan Brock, Seth, Princess Brightmoon (Taryn Cox), Justin (David Wood), Final Fights</p>	<p>1. Rain (By a Landslide)</p> <p>2.Split fight, Kervan's appearance, Chris, Undead, Tom Paul, Acacias overworked wrist, Olan, Lunch</p>

To all the Lords and Ladies and inhabitants of the Kingdom of Fiorgynsheim, Greetings.

Let it be known that on this day, the 18th of February, 2012, Our Sovereign Lord, Lionel Jumegevan, King of Fiorgynsheim, was killed in battle during a raid into the sovereign Kingdom of Tarelina.

King Lionel fought valiantly but was defeated by the forces of King Kae-Su of Tarelina and his loyal retainers, particularly Duke Aminor and Duchess Acacia, upon whose lands the battle was fought.

Justin, Court Mage of Fiorgynsheim, is also among the dead.

The body of our fallen king will be taken back to Fiorgynsheim City for a burial as befits a king of Fiorgynsheim.

Leaving no lawful heir to the throne, the burden of government will be administered by Sir Tainly, Earl of Sonders, and Conrad Von Tempest, Earl of Wayland, as Co-Lord Protectors of the Realm until such time as a more permanent head of state can be determined.

It is the task and mission of the Lord Protectors to ensure justice, peace and prosperity to all lawful inhabitants of Fiorgynsheim. For this, they have pledged their Lives, Fortunes, and Sacred Honor.

Sir Tainly, Earl of Sonders, Lord Protector of Fiorgynsheim
Conrad Von Tempest, Earl of Wayland, Lord Protector of Fiorgynsheim

To Her Highness, Princess Brightmoon of the Navarro Tribe, Greetings.

On behalf of all who believe in justice and liberty, we are thankful that you are safe from the recent events at the Nightfall Casino.

It is our understanding that Your Highness and our late king, Lionel Jumegevan, engaged in diplomatic negotiations regarding our two kingdoms. As that any agreements made between Her Highness or His Majesty were never made public, we regard any such negotiations as inconclusive.

As a sovereign realm, we recognize our right to send and receive ambassadors to other sovereign realms so as to better maintain diplomatic relations between sovereign states. As such, we welcome a suitable ambassador of the Navarro to discuss such matters that may be of interest between our two realms.

We will remind Her Highness that in the year 1989 the Kingdom of Fiorgynsheim and the Empire of the Dainga enacted a Treaty of Friendship between our two states, which, among other things, declared that neither the Fiorgyns nor the Dainga will encroach upon the land of the other, and that peace shall exist between our two peoples.

Since its ratification twenty-three years ago, peace has existed between Fiorgynsheim and the Dainga. We have full confidence that the Dainga will continue to uphold the terms of the treaty. The Dainga may expect no less from the Realm of Fiorgynsheim.

It is also our understanding that the Navarro have united the Dainga Empire with the Empire of the Qer'Shatta. Be that as it may, the Realm of Fiorgynsheim does not recognize any treaty with the Qer'Shatta, but would be willing to discuss such a treaty. It is our hope that the Qer'Shatta join their brothers in peaceful ways.

Conrad Von Tempest, Earl of Wayland, Lord Protector of Fiorgynsheim
Sir Tainly, Earl of Sonders, Lord Protector of Fiorgynsheim

To Her Highness Brightmoon of the Navarro Tribe, Greetings.

Let it be known that we are both honored and grateful to have been at your side during the Battle of Nightfall. Surely champions of freedom and liberty yet live in this dangerous time. It has been said that 'all that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing.' With these words in mind, it is inspiring to know that there were so many of us who fought with Your Highness on that rainy after moon who will indeed stand up against evil and tyranny.

We have battled a lich and its army, and we were victorious! Our strength and courage came to us because we were in the right, standing for law, justice and liberty. Your Highness is a comrade in arms to the Champions of Fiorgynsheim, and we are the better for it.

We, the undersigned, declare ourselves to be honored to have fought at your side.

Conrad Von Tempest
et. al. (see Dallas IFGS Facebook)

To His Royal Majesty, King Kae-Su, Sovereign Lord of Tarrelina by the Grace of Svarq,
God of Riddles, Greetings.

The Lords of the Protectorate of Fiorgynsheim wish you well and are thankful that Your Majesty is safe, having fought so gallantly at the Battle of Nightfall.

The quarrels of kings are no doubt a serious matter, and it is the belief of the government of Fiorgynsheim that said quarrels between Fiorgynsheim and Tarrelina were settled on the field of battle on the afternoon of February 18, 2012, near the Nightfall Casino in Tarrelina.

Our late sovereign king, Lionel Jumegevan, having so valiantly fought on the field of battle, lies dead. Leaving no lawful heir to the throne, a Protectorate has been established in Fiorgynsheim to administer the government of this realm.

We recognize that you have ruled wisely and honorably for twenty years, and in that time, there has been peace between our lands. We, the Lords of the Protectorate, seek to renew that peace for the prosperity of all. May our two sovereign states be both friends and allies in the coming years.

The Lords of the Protectorate of Fiorgynsheim

Notes from the SC Chair,

Gaming season is upon us and we have a noticeable lack of games on the schedule. If you have a game that you think you might want to run please get the information to me and I will get a team on it. Without games, the IFGS does not run and we need your games. I have had one new submission from Sarah Gibson so far this year. Way to go Sarah!

David Spence
Sc Chair

Notes from the World Committee

If you were at the banquet you saw a fundamental shift in the Dallas IFGS world. Some of the actions were dictated by the world committee while others were direct actions from PCs. More and more we are seeing games where the PCs have the choices in the world and the actions from this game will be continued in "*Deaths a Surety, Taxes Optional*", a game to be run in the near future. Be sure to be at the next board meeting since we will be continuing work on the Dallas IFGS world map.

David Spence
World Chair

Here are the items of interest that we know are true:

- His Majesty the king for Fiorgynsheim, Lionel broke the peace and brought an army to Knightfall and attacked, for as yet unknown reasons.
- Lionel died during this attempted invasion of Terralline
- The chief mage of Fiorgynsheim Justin, was also slain but rose again as a lich.
- Earl Conrad and Earl Tainly buried the body of Lionel but 3 days later the grave was empty.
- Earl Conrad and Earl Tainly have temporarily assumed power in Fiorgynsheim
- Princess Brightmoon is safe and has not moved an army into Fiorgynsheim.

Here are some of the rumors, some of which could be true or false, you will just have to see in the upcoming games:

- Earl Conrad and Earl Tainly are refusing to relinquish power.
- Lord Lyle secretly orchestrated the whole thing and he actually has Lionels body in his dungeon.
- Princess Brightmoon is planning on invading with a horde of undead, lycanthropes and drow rangers.
- The Dainga only pretended to join the Qer-shatta for fear of angering their god. They have gone back to performing daily sacrifices.
- Princess Brightmoon only wanted to sign a treaty for the combined United Navarro Nation.
- His Majesty Kae-Su, the king of Terralline has formed a Mageocracy and has recruited Gordon Dexter and Crispin Magicker to help him rule the world.

Dallas Chapter IFGS - Board Meeting Minutes**28-Jan-2012**

Start time: 11:00 AM

Board Members in attendance: Angela Gallegos, Alyssa Phillips, Allison Pace, Hank Wood, David Wood, Rich Adkisson, & Andrew Sanders

Members in attendance:

Alexander, Canon	Barry, Danny	Bedell, Devan	Brock, Brennan	Brock, Ryann
Carter, Michael	Coley, Amy	Coley, Paul	Cox, Greg	Cox, Greyson
Cox, Sara	Cox, Taryn	Cox, Tina	Davie, James	Davis, Tyler
Dimatteo, Joseph	Dziuk, Jason	Ellis, Lyndsey	Gallegos, Amber	Gibson, Sarah
Grissom, Tom Paul	Halliburton, Kevin	Heredia, Moises	Jernigan, Nick	Jones, John
Kawuchs, Jessica	King, Rachel	Knight, Olan	Kuykendall, Chris	Magness, Beth
Magness, Derek	Magness, Michael	McGehearty, Patrick	McWhorter, Drake	Murphey, Justin
Nunnally, Andrew	Pittman, Sarah Autumn		Procter, Dustin	Spence, David
Tryon, Nathan	Williford, Stephen			

Please welcome the FOUR novices that attended the game:

Alexander, Canon Jernigan, Nick Kawuchs, Jessica Magness, Derek

Election Results and seating of the new board.

President David Wood read the report from the elections chair detailing the election results and they were approved with a 7:0 vote.

The results were returning board members Allison Pace and Rich Adkisson, and new board members Hank Wood and Angela Gallegos.

A motion was made to to keep the positions the same as they were and the motion passed with a 7:0 vote.

President – David Wood

Vice President – Alyssa Phillips

Secretary – Allison Pace

Chair Positions

Patrick McGehearty resigned as Sanctioning Chair and David Spence was nominated 7:0 to replace him. If anyone is interested in helping with the Sanctioning team/chair they should contact David Spence and let him know.

A motion was made to to keep the committee chairpersons the same as well and the motion passed with a 7:0 vote.

No new business or old business was brought up and the meeting was closed at 11:12Am.

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My goal is to have the newsletter out by the last day of the month. I will gladly accept future submissions up to 5 days prior to that last day. I will be using OpenOffice that will accept **** MOST **** Microsoft formats. As always, Artwork, Pictures and personal articles are welcome.

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Paul Coley