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## Membership List

The Dallas IFGS MEMBERS mailing list was somehow deleted from the hosting company's server late last week. I have just finished rebuilding our mailing list using the emails of every person who participated in any sanctioned IFGS event since 2012, provided that they included their email address on their game paperwork.

If you would like to be removed from this list, please FORWARD this email to [olknight at yahoo dot com] and include your real name.

Thank You, Olan

## Updates!

The website has been updated. The "Documents" drop down in the navigation bar of the website has been updated:

- The Resources & Forms link takes you to a page with two sections. The top section contains templates for encounters, encounter forms and game related documents. The bottom section includes blank Registry Rep forms, including the Gamer Experience Form, the Check-In sheet, and other.
- The Spotlight Policy link opens up the Society-approved anti-harassment policy.
- The Optional Character Abilities link takes you to a page with everything you need to understand the Optional Character Abilities, how to use them, and how to assign them to your various PCs.
  - Print out a Build Chart for your PC, there's a chart for low level PCs and one for high-level PCs
  - Examine the Character Abilities List and select the Abilities you wish to assign to your PC as per the Optional Build Rules
  - Get your completed form to me to be added to the Registry. You can scan it and email it to me, or hand it to the Bank Rep at your next game.
- The Signed Waivers link shows you everyone that has signed a standard IFGS Waiver, and when the expiration date is for that person's waiver.

See You There - Olan (Your webmaster)

## Character Abilities

The Dallas IFGS Registry is now set up to handle Character Abilities. If you wish to take part in the Optional Character Abilities, please refer to the associated rules:

<http://www.dallasifgs.org/docs/Optional%20Banquet%20Rules%20v1.0.pdf>

The complete set of related forms, along with a detailed explanation for each form, can be found on the new webpage available from the "Documents" dropdown via the "Optional Character Abilities" link:

<http://www.dallasifgs.org/abilities.html>

To assist you, you will find the following documents attached:

- a) The Character Abilities Listing - Lists each ability under its associated Ability ID.

This structure allows for the description of each Ability to be modified in the future, if required, without changing the Ability ID.

- b) Two different blank forms for you to record the selections you make for each PC.

The first form will accommodate 2 x PCs, where each PC has no more than 8 abilities assigned. Most likely to be used by PCs of level 5 PCs and below.

The second form accommodates only 1 x PC, but can handle up to 19 abilities. Most likely to be used by PCs of level 6 and above.

These Build Charts are available in two formats - PDF and MS Word. If you have MS Word, then you can open the Word version of the form you wish to use, SAVE AS to a copy, then write directly into that copy. If you do not have MS Word, then the form is available as a PDF which can be printed for your use.

Once you have selected the abilities you wish to assign to each of your PCs, please send them to me via email. If you are manually writing on a PDF version of the form, you can either snail-mail it to me or scan it and email me a scanned copy of the completed form.

### PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:

1. These are playtest rules and are subject to modification. Example: Gifted Healing no longer works on items.
2. Once selected, the abilities specified for your PC are set in stone and cannot be modified.  
The exception to this rule is if an Ability is modified or deleted by the Rules Committee,  
THEN you can remove or replace the modified/deleted Ability on the PC(s) to which it was previously assigned.

Everyone, including those who turned in Character Ability Forms at the 2016 Annual Banquet, get to start over by using the attached forms. This is because several of the selected Abilities have been modified since the Banquet.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the forms or the Registry.

Please let David Spence know if you have any questions about the Character Abilities list, definitions, or rules.

Later -

Olan  
Dallas Registry Chair

## “Souless” Bank Report

This game was a very interesting one. It was full of fun and wonder. Tournaments happened and there was a small mini game that was very exciting. I wasn't able to play in the mini-game but I had a blast playing as an NPC for the two teams that went through. It was hilarious because, as being one of the washer women, we were trying to get the PC's to take off their clothes to wash (figuratively speaking). Fights did happen but nothing that couldn't be fixed, since we could come back to life and keep at them.



For the tournament, I got to participate. The obstacle course that was set up by Olan was a good one. It was a little bit of a challenge, especially with the rope and the dagger throwing at the two creatures.

The tournaments were exciting as well and watching was funny. It was a wonderful experience after being gone for so long. During this time, there was a murder mystery going on so everyone was trying to figure out who was going to be killed and who was going to be the assassin. The clues were somewhat hard to decipher so I hope that the next time one of those games goes on that they will be a little clearer, or that there may be more to use. It was a great game and I'm looking forward to having more fun in the future.

Tabitha Walser

### NPC Game Ratings:

Overall	Design	Logistics	Mental	Physical	Fighting	Risk
8.6	8.0	8.1	8.1	6.9	7.3	6.3

### PC Game Ratings:

Overall	Design	Logistics	Mental	Physical	Fighting	Risk
8.5	8.3	8.3	5.9	7.6	7.7	5.7

## “Souless” Bank Report cont'd



It was a little confusing with the ratings so what happened was I split them up since everyone was both a PC and an NPC

### Best of the PCs:

Roleplaying
1st place: Jericho as Tyler Davis

Costume
1st place: Kay as Sarah Gibson

Monster
1st place: Traveler's Spider, Tyler Davis, Sock Monster and Kay

Humor
1st place: Jericho as Tyler Davis

Fighting
1st place: Draygon as Tyler Todd

Special Effect
1st place: Washer Women play by Katy and Tabitha

### Best of the NPCs:

Roleplaying
1st place: Washer Women as Katy and Tabitha

Costume
1st place: Sock Demi-God as Chris Wright

Monster
1st place: Cyric as Greyson Cox

Humor
1st place: Washer Women play by Katy and Tabitha

Fighting
1st place: Cyric as Greyson Cox

Special Effect
1st place: Trollball Head & David Spence as Odi

## “Shadows of the Deep” Bank Report

Saturday the 9th of April started off a bit cool with a threat of rain, but even with the chancy weather we had a total of 33 participants, including 11 first timers! Most of the first timers had experienced or heard about or experienced the mini-game at Weatherford Comic-Con the week before, and wanted to learn more.

There was an over-arching mystery about a magical pearl and a threat to submerge Fairhaven, which was resolved by smart information gathering and intelligent coordination by multiple players. In addition, we ran the mini-games Quest for A Druid's Staff and A Walk in the Woods.

Some tourneys and other activities were not completed due to the occasional torrents of rain, but the general consensus was that a good time was had by all - and that having the Camp Holland dining hall to retreat to during the monsoons was a massively good thing.

### Game Ratings:

Overall	Design	Logistics	Mental	Physical	Fighting	Risk
8.9	8.9	8.4	8.7	6.8	7.4	5.7

### Best of the PCs:

Roleplaying
1st - Three way tie: David Gibson, Jim Davie, Tyler Harris

Costume
1 <sup>st</sup> place: Layne Johnson, 2nd – tie: Colton Brannon, Rachel Bickett, Joshua Harris

Monster
1st place: Tom Paul Grissom

Humor
1st – tie Tom Paul, Jim Davie as Weasel (alibi) ; 2nd – David Gibson as Stealin' Da Money

Fighting
1st – Two way tie: David Spence and Chris Kuykendall (Traveler)

Special Effect

### Best of the NPCs:

Roleplaying
1st- Jim Davie as Tree Ent, 2nd – Seth Bush as Druid, 3rd – John Jones as Shadow Cole

Costume
1st – Jim Davie as Tree Ent, 2nd John Jones as Shadow Creature

Monster
1st Jim Davie as Tree Ent, 2nd – Tyler Davis as Lord of the Sea, 3rd – 3-way tie: Dustin Procter as Sun Fish, John as Shadow, Chris Kuykendall as Blighter

Humor
1st – three-way tie: Seth as Druid, Dustin as Squirrel, Dustin as Sunfish; 2nd – shadow creature

Fighting
1st – Henry Wood and Greyson Cox as Werewolves; 2nd – Tyler Davis as Lord of the Sea, supported by Dustin Procter as Sun Fish

Special Effect
1st – Pearl, 2nd – Boat/Submarine, 3rd – Rain

See You Next Time -  
Pat McGehearty  
Bank Rep

**Dallas Chapter IFGS - Board Meeting Minutes****Apr 17, 2016**

President David Spence called the meeting to order at

People in Attendance :

Board members: David Spence, Tina Spence, Rich Adkisson, Patrick McGehearty Rich has Seth Bush's proxy; Patrick has Sarah Gibson's proxy; Robert Armbruster unavailable

Committee Reports: SKIPPED

*Treasury –*

*Quartermaster -*

*Registry –*

*Safety –*

*Newsletter -*

*Society Liaison –*

*Sanctioning –*

Old Business –New Business

Radios – discussed options. Simplest solution is to get more radios from Ebay and get fresh rechargeable batteries. Each radio takes 3 AA lithium ion rechargeable batteries. That type of battery is available on Amazon for \$13-\$17 per radio (3 batteries) with shipping. Radio motion: Authorize Rich to spend up to \$250 for 10 sets of rechargeable batteries and non-rechargeable batteries as backup, investigate earbuds, investigate over shoulder/cross body utility bags with strap or belt.

Vote: 6-0 (David, Patrick, Rich, Tina, Seth's proxy, Sarah's proxy).

Discussion of proposed Society Milestones Award. Motion: Dallas supports the Milestones Awards becoming official Society Policy. Patrick moves, Tina seconded, David, Tina, Patrick, Rich, Seth's proxy and Sarah's proxy favor 6-0

Dallas (John) has handful of game producer pins. High Elf pins (for major game aides) are \$3.50 a pin. We will investigate getting more pins and including them in our annual banquet awards.

David notes that next annual banquet is Dallas's 30th season (started in 1987). He suggests we start thinking about 30 year awards for active members who have significantly contributed to the success of the Dallas chapter.

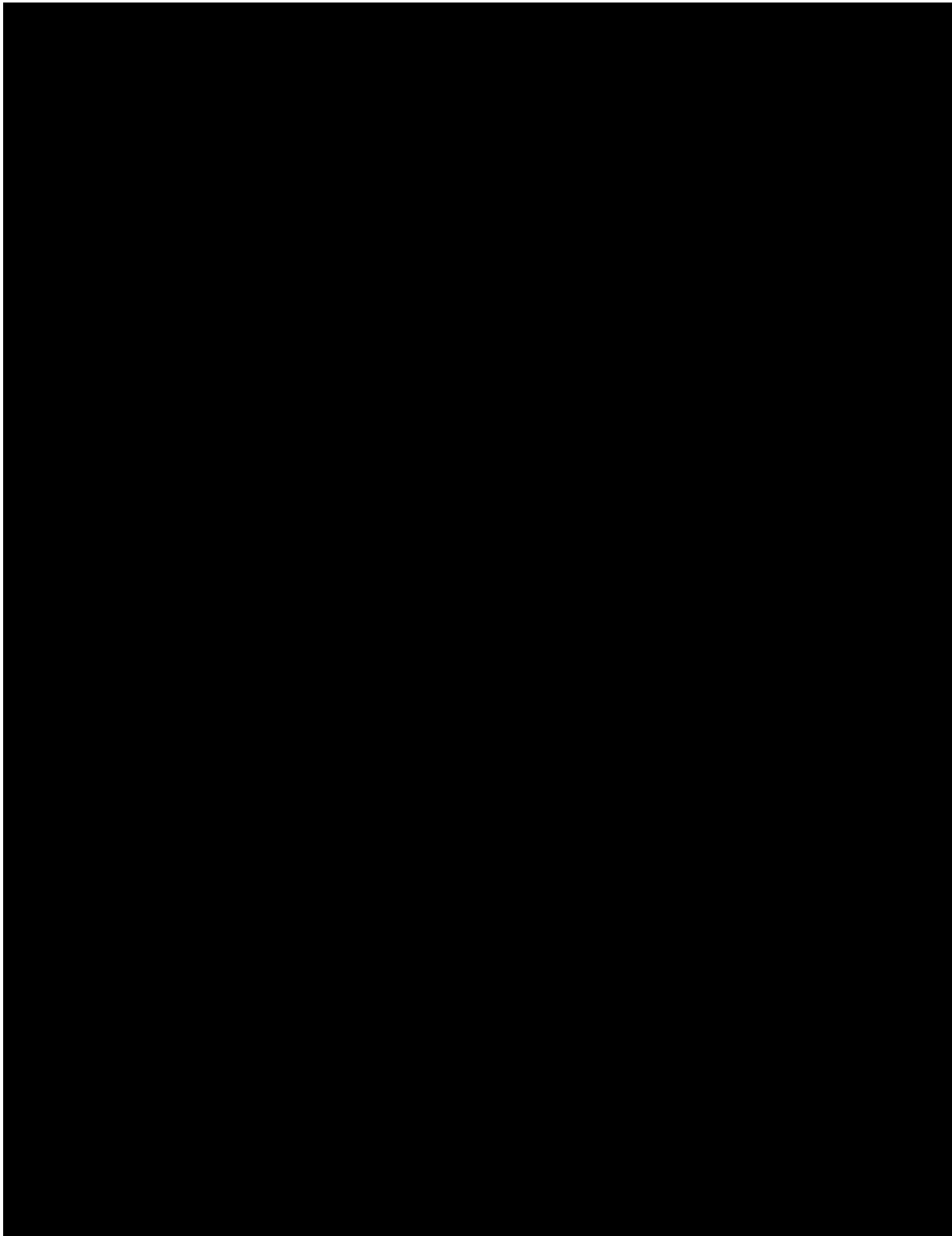
Lets get organized for the Marketplace game in August with materials for people to make costumes and/or weapons. See dallasifgs.org calendar for more details of the game intent.

Once Upon a Game for Oct 7-9, 2016 will be \$75 (3 day game). Lunch and Dinner on Saturday and Breakfast on Sunday will cost \$35. Olan will open payment on Monday, allowing partial payments for those that may have a challenge in getting \$75 together at one time. Plans are already under way.

Colorado team has requested a tough Risk 9+ for Once Upon a Time.

Action item for future meetings: Discuss under-age guardianship issues.

Time/place of next meeting (May) will be discussed in email. Patrick is unavailable on Sunday May 8 and Sunday May 15



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