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List

New Members

JL Keys
Chris Hill

Current Clack

Well we performed our first regular season show at CMF. We had a mountain to climb, and we did. Our Burgundy one show was not ready due to numerous reasons but we were able to perform our fantasy show. On Sunday we were performing in inclement weather until it became a safety issues and we had to stop, still not bad with four plus shows under our belt. So Huzahhh!!!!!! to all CWP members.

Tension will always run high before shows but CWP professionalism shines through. We will hope to fill missing roles for Burgundy I but if we do not we will not be performing it for the Elizabeth Celtic Fair.

We have several small events coming up; HAC Unity Day and the "House Project" and then EFC, so lets get our focus there, have some fun and kick a\$\$.

-----Eric Medved

Calls from the Turret

Well we made it through CMF. It almost did not happen, with rats jumping from the Castle Wall ship, weather fighting us every inch of the way and random vampire attacks. It looked bleak for us. But CWP withstood the test as did its members. Just because CMF has passed, doesn't mean that we are in the clear. We all have a lot of work to do. EVERYBODY!

So let us prepare for what is in store. Sooner than you know we will have another show to perform. I

personally would like to see us shine (the way that I know we all can). Time to grab the boot straps and pull with all our might, we all have to practice our fights and lines both at practice and in our own time. It is all up to what you are willing to do. I don't personally want to look the fool how about you?

-----Badger

From the Field

We might have been rained out on Sunday, but we still put on a strong performance at CMF. I had a lot of individuals come up to me (especially kids) and tell me how much they love the story part of our show. We have 5 weeks until the Elizabeth Festival. It's time to buckle down! Expect a lot of focus on story fights and street scenes. Unlike at CMF, we have competition at Elizabeth, and we are not going to give our audience an excuse to wander off. I want to give a shout to those who stayed late to help others break down, and those who kept up a good attitude even through messing up, getting hurt, and getting muddy. This is the reputation Castle Wall has earned: We are hard workers and we wow our audiences! And just so you all know, the stocks are a keeper!

-----Ky Seibert

Reports from the List

Sooo... Despite rainstorms, last minute cast changes, and missing people, CMF went off more or less without a hitch. Great job everyone, but it's not time to celebrate just yet. CMF showed us all that we can put together the show under duress, but

this was far from the best we can do. All of our fights need work, or at the very least, there's never one that couldn't benefit from a few dozen more runs. So, it's the usual story of practice, practice, practice. Remember that we've got two major out of state shows to do yet, and a few before then. We need to take this short reprieve to hone our trade, and get everything ready to really wow the crowds once again. Just stick with it, keep looking to the details of your fight, your character, and the show in general, and we'll be fine. I'll be around to do whatever I can for you, so let me know if you or your partner needs anything. Stay safe, stay strong, stay succinct.

-----Kerry Major

From the Anvil

Well the weapons team got hit hard, In CWP fashion we did not let it bring it bring us down. We have two great swords, and our axes will be done soon. With the new metal worker who actually visited us at CMF we should have all the broad swords, short swords, and daggers that we will need and maybe some long sword. Soon to come pole arms for our guards we already have the heads (Roger at Armadillo Armory), we just need the poles. R&D should be looking for new weapons such as the chain, we already have the archer swords a cleaver and a frying pan. I would like you all to welcome our new weapons team lead JL Keys, he is fired up to take the lead. We will see great things from him.

-----Badger

Tailors Bench

The senior officers will be running the wardrobe team with myself as the lead for the interim, with the assistance of Gerry, until we are able to get a permanent team lead so expect new costumes to come but slowly as we will be purchasing some of a higher quality thus more expensive. Gerry will continue to repair the pieces we have that need it and will be constructing newer pieces also. If you know some one that wants to put their talent to work then get them in Castle Wall

-----Eric Medved

Ring Time

I'd like to thank Ken, Gerry, Rod and Jordan for showing up to the Boot making class in May; even though it didn't happen. We will try to re-schedule the class. Any armor issues that may have arisen from CMF will be taken care of by Ken; he can handle them if it's an urgent problem.

We still need some bodies to help sew the sheaths for the swords so that we can get them done and be able to concentrate on more urgent matters. If you'd be willing to help with that please let Eric or Ken know and we can get you started on it right away. For those interested we will be holding a mini leather class during the month on sheath making at Eric's House (see calendar). I have to step down as Armor Lead at this time due to family commitments so I am stepping to Extra, if any one is interested in the Armor Team Lead let Eric Know

-----Judy Boren

Castle Custodians Closet

Well all after our first big show using all the props, not bad at all, and not too much damage done on the props as a whole. Note, that when pounding in the outer fence posts, try not to hit the actual wood, It does break! We are looking to now get a Merry Man tent and a new cover/or tent for the medical area. Dias was damaged, both of them, another note, no slamming

armour or weapons onto the dais. From now on they go in the chests overnight. Thanks all, and that will be my last article for props as I am stepping into Head Trainer training so with out further ado...

-----Bethany Medved

Hey Guys! It's Tracey here, just informing you all that I'll be taking over as Props Lead as Bethany continues her preparation to move into the Lead Trainer position. We are fairly caught up right now on the general props. We have a few things to do before Elizabeth, such as the stocks and the remainder of the weapons boxes and new seats but it won't be a problem as long as we all pull together and get it done. There are also some mid term goal set for August and our big paying gigs. Next meeting will be at Eric's house on the 27th of June at 1PM

-----Tracey Woods

Calendar for June

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04-05 Thursday, Friday ; Riverside Park Evans **movement to CMF** 11:00AM – finish
0- 07, Saturday; Riverside Park Evans **CMF** 8:00AM – close
08, Monday; Riverside Park Evans **movement from CMF** -7:00PM
13, Saturday; Medved house, **Senior Officers Meet** 3:00 Pm -5:00 PM
14, Sunday; Mission Viejo Park, **Practice** 10:45AM - 3:15PM
21, Sunday; Mission Viejo Park, **Practice** 10:45AM - 3:15PM
21, Sunday; Mission Viejo Park, **Medic Team** 3:00AM - 3:30PM
24, Thursday; HAC, **Unity Day** 7:00PM-9:00PM
27, Saturday; Englewood , **House Killing Party** 9:00-1:00 (T)
28. Sunday; Mission Viejo Park. **Practice** 10:45AM - 3:15PM

Merchandise Booth

Castle wall broke even just about with the Stocks and balloons thanks to Ky for implementing the idea, an this will be a standard for CWP, and we will eventually incorporate Polaroid's Much thanks to Stephanie for taking control of the Merchandise booth both days.

-----Veronica Medved

Village Posts

Thanks to everyone for there help especially the eight on advanced party and those same eight on clean up. Thanks to mike and rod for their assistance prior to leaving. I and Jessica will be coming around the next practices for people camping at Elizabeth. We are also already prepping for Arkansas City and Sioux City so be ready for that too.

Ids will be ready by EFC to so expect to have your pictures taken in costume soon.

-----Veronica Medved

Behind the Scenes

Thanks to the Support Team; Dozer, (who kept us fed) Cody, Chris, Jamie, Jessie and Nick (are you going to join now?) for their support and assistance, you made the actors lives in CWP life so much easier.

-----Veronica Medved

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