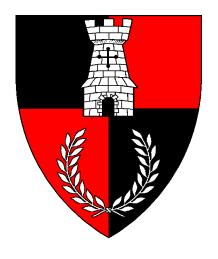
# The Banner

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## Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

Greetings and warmest wishes to all who have wandered into these lands of the Barony of the Lonely Tower.

The Barony of the Lonely Tower is the local SCA group for the Omaha/Council Bluffs metro and surrounding area and part of the Kingdom of Calontir, which covers most of Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and a small portion of Arkansas.

If you are unfamiliar with the Society of Creative Anachronism (SCA), you can find out more information by visiting the Society's <u>introduction</u> page. We would also encourage you to visit the SCA's <u>Newcomer's Portal</u>.

The best way to get involved with us is to attend as many local meetings and events as your mundane (modern) life allows - however, we understand life comes first and this is just a hobby. You may participate with us as much or as little as you like.

When you attend activities, be sure to introduce yourself and let us know what your interests are. Don't be afraid to ask lots of questions as our Barony is filled with members who would love to answer them for you.

To find out more about our events and activities, be sure to check out our <u>website</u> as well as the calendar at the back of this newsletter. For more information or to ask specific questions, feel free to contact one of our officers listed on the last page.

Welcome to the Current Middle Ages - We're excited to have you!

Be sure to visit the Society for Creative Anachronism's <u>Pinterest</u> page. They have over 75 boards and hundreds of pins to help in whatever you're interested in.

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## Baronial Positions



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HL Cristina la Ambeler Chancellor of the Exchequer



Lady Krystyn I Lund Chronicler



Lord Willeam Rudhall Web Minister



Sir Michael Nymandus Knight's Marshal



Lord Owain the Younger Archery Marshal



Lady Zafara Baabur Minister of Arts & Sciences



HL Nikolai Gornostai Spiach'ev Горностай Anser Pursuivant (Herald)



Lady Jorunna Refsdottir Chatelaine Deputy



Mistress Jehanne Bening Social Media Deputy Arts & Science Champion

## From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

Unto the Populace of the Barony of the Lonely Tower, do we, Augustin and Aleit, send warmest greetings!

What a wonderful Lilies War this year! Unfortunately We were unable to attend all week but the time We did spend was magnificent. We truly enjoyed seeing friends from throughout the kingdom as well as friends We have made over the years from the Outlands, Northshield and Ansteorra who were in attendance this year. There were some new members of the Barony who joined the baronial camp (Wilhelm, Cassius & Tristan), as well as some members of the populace who enjoyed their first Lilies with Us (Gwen & Cain). We truly hope you had a great time. Congratulations to Tristan and Cassius who both authorized as new armored fighters too! We want to extend our deepest appreciation to all who volunteered at Lilies, especially HL Anne who worked gate (troll) daily and HL Christina who was always volunteering every time We saw her on site - whether driving the mobility carts, working gate or water bearing. These ladies are great examples for all to follow!

Looking ahead, We will be attending CalonCon and Coronation in July and Her Excellency is hoping to attend Kingdom Arts & Sciences. We do invite you to join Us for events whenever possible and show all the strength of the Lonely Tower. Also, in August we will host the archery championship and revel, so if haven't been attending practice on Wednesdays, it may be time to start working on your skills!

We look forward to enjoying the rest of the summer with all of you.

Yours in service,

Augustin & Aleit

## From the Seneschal

Unto the Populace of the Barony of the Lonely Tower come greetings from your Seneschal.

Welcome home those of you that went to Lilies! Hopefully everything is dry, washed, and put back where it belongs. For those of you that stayed home, thank you for keeping the Barony safe from invaders:)

I would like to thank those who did go to Lilies who took their relaxation time and spent it volunteering. Whether at Gate; water bearing; cleaning up the showers; driving a golf cart; or teaching a class, thank you. Without you Lilies can not happen, it takes many people and hopefully the trend will continue. Also, congratulations to those that received awards, or new comers mugs at Lilies, and hey if you fought a tourney, and won or shot archery and won, let us know! This is how award recommendations work, if you saw someone do something cool, or taught some amazing class, then put them in for recognition. Coronation is coming up faster than you realize.

For officers, CalonCon is in a week, it will be hosted by the Barony of Forgotten Sea on Saturday, June 29th. It is required that all officers attend, if you are unable to make it, please reach out to your kingdom level officer and see if a replacement can be sent, or if you can receive meeting notes. This is an all day event, garb is NOT REQUIRED. Location, for those that need it is the Vox Dei Community Center at 622 2nd St in Belton, Missouri.

As you have already seen in this issue, our Webminister will be relocating in the coming months to Germany. Letters of intent are due ASAP, and we will look into scheduling interviews at the July Business meeting. If you have questions / would like to submit a letter please reach out to myself, blt.seneschal@gmail.com, Their Excellencies, blt.baronage@gmail.com and our webminister at webminister@lonelytower.org. This is a position that could have more than one person in it, if you are good with say websites, the design portion, but not so much at coding, then you could find someone who is a great coder, but not so much on the design part. It can be a team effort!

In Service.

HL Anne von Weingarten

## From the Chronicler

I'm looking for a Deputy who would like to practice what I'm doing, but you won't be doing Official monthly newsletter & send out. If the person willing to become my Deputy enjoys this position, that person will need to apply for Chronicler position prior to when my time serving is up (which is January 2020). The only thing that Deputy/Chronicler will need to have is the Word Publisher app. The duties of the Chronicler are: to be able to change the cover photo page monthly, to ask others to share their photos or publish online information after getting permission to use, including all information the Officers will send you via e-mail, whatever information and articles received must be copied and pasted, calendar events updated, and to be able to convert Word Publisher files to PDF form in order to send out via both e-mail and snail mail by the end of the month. One hard copy of every monthly newsletter must be printed out baronial records in the BLT file. Both email and snail mail addresses updated as needed. It can be tedious but really takes little time to learn, yet it is a really important yet enjoyable creative experience to create a wonderful Banner newsletter every month! Anyone who may be interested, let me know, I can be reached at Chronicler@lonelytower.org

## From the Anser Pursuivant

My birthday is this month! Wouldn't you like to give me the present of helping you with your heraldic ideas? (I'd really like that, by the way!) Contact me at madnikolai@gmail.com and we can discuss your heraldry!

Heraldic happiness! Горностай

## From the Web Minister

Greetings, populace! As some know, I and my household are preparing to move to the far-away kingdom of Drachenwald this winter! As a result, I will let my warrant expire in August and step down as your Web Minister. I want to thank everyone for your support and wish you all well in the days and ages to come! Thusly, a new Web Minister will be needed. This person should be wise and cunning beyond their years (or at least a basic tutelage or strong motivation and ability to learn) in the skills of Word Press and HTML, and have a desire to defend the populace web presence with vast armies of industry-standard security practices and other devastating powers of web wizardry. If you wish to take on this daunting task, please submit your letter of intent to their Excellencies and the Seneschal. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me as well!

~ Ld Willeam Rudhall, Web Minister

## From the Minister of Arts & Sciences

This year is just flying by! I want to thank everyone for keeping me up to date on the A&S projects that they have been doing. With that being said, my report has to be in to the Kingdom A&S by July 15th, so please keep me informed as to what you have done and what you plan on doing with arts and sciences. I hope that you are all working on displays for the Kingdom A&S competition or judging.

Last month, I started a fun little project where people drew names of kingdoms/countries that were around during the middle ages. It is supposed to encourage people to learn about other personas/countries that aren't used as often in the Society. It also helps with developing new research skills and having fun while doing it. Please keep looking at our Baronial FB page for updates and new quests. A little heads up, if you are doing this, then by the holidays there is going to be a special gift quest. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Lastly, I am looking for someone to step up and take my place as Baronial A&S minister when my term is up. If you are interested in promoting the Arts & Sciences, please let me know.

Keep up the good work!

Yours In Service

Zafara Baabur

## Baronial Birthday Revel





Happy Birthday to Barony of the Lonely Tower!

HL Nikolai & Baroness Kezia blowing the cake while Baron Augustin & Baroness Aleit looked on!





Boffer Style Tournament. Master Rolf Hobart won Cut & Thrust Companionship.

Photos taken by Mistress Jehanne Bening. Jehanne provided Baronial Birthday Party Challenge Quiz during the Revel, and Lady Isibel Inghean Daire won! If you were not at the revel and would like to take the quiz yourself. See the next page.

## Baronial Birthday Party Challenge

Think you know Lonely Tower? Test your knowledge or find out more about the Barony of the Lonely Tower today with this quiz.
1.) Who holds the title "Baron Lonely Tower"?
2.) Lonely Tower has twice had vicars. Who were these pairs of vicars?
3.) Who from Lonely Tower has one of the kingdom's rarest awards 'Keeper of the Flame'?
(There have only been 15 given out since the award was created in 1993).
4.) Who were Lonely Tower's first peers?
5.) Why is Lonely Tower known as the "milk and cookies Barony"?
6.) Who was our founder?
7.) How did Lonely Tower get its name?
8.) Who was the first couple from Lonely Tower to sit the Calontir Thrones?
9.) Who was the last Seneschal of the Shire of Lonely Tower?
10.) Who served as Baronial Champion the longest?
11.) What animal was slaughtered at the Baronial 10 year anniversary party?
12.) How many Baronial pairs has Lonely Tower had?
13.) What venue has been used most often for 12th Night? How many times?
14.) Who are Lonely Tower's 3rd Generation players?
15.) Which Baronial pair was known to fling candy at their populace.

Answers on page 11

#### Barony of the Lonely Tower Business Meeting June 17, 2019

#### Seneschal

**Business Meetings** 

- I. Agenda deadline is a hard deadline, please have meeting topics in
- II. Thoughts for next year June meeting, move or cancel

It is post Lilies - suggested that we consider holding an abbreviated meeting during the Tuesday gather after Lilies (to be determined that week by agenda and needs)

#### Lilies

- I. Thank you for those that volunteered for gate / golf carts / shower cleaning / etc.
- II. If you have feedback on Lilies please let the Lilies Committee know
  - 1) Suggested we host a gather/baronial party at Lilies where the camp can hang out together
  - 2) There will likely be requests for donations to cover golf carts for next year;

#### Warrants

- I. If yours is up for renewal, please check. Michael says double check your membership and see when it needs to be renewed.
- II. If need to find a replacement, please have position letter out ASAP

It's a "hey by the way" letter, include details about job responsibilities and appropriate skill set

CalonCon is coming up QUICKLY June 29th

Vox Dei Community Center

622 2nd St Belton MO 9a - 5p

CONTACT your Kingdom officer for meeting info.

- 1) STRONGLY!!!! Suggest all officers who can attend, DO!
- 2) Required you attend at least ONE during your warrant

#### **Baronage**

**Baronial Progress** 

- Revel June 23rd, Baronial Birthday (Excellencies bringing the dayshade; Jehanne and others are welcome to bring pop-ups; Need water coolers; Pot-luck dinner (need tables!); 10:30 set up; need list field and ropes. A&S - bring anything you made for camping (lilies) to show off; June 21, 1986 is actual Baronial Birthday
- II. CalonCon June 29
- III. Coronation July 12-13
- IV. KAS, FOE (Her Excellency)

#### **Exchequer**

Current balance \$ 6,778.36 (Same as last month)

#### **Arts & Science**

**Thursday Fiber Nights** 

- I. NO FIBER NIGHTS IN JUNE
- II. RESUME JULY

Project for everyone involved in A&S

- I. Starting tonight Selected "Persona" from bag, participate in online discussion about your area.
- II. Lady Zafara will be posting, share information about our area based on research we can do this will be a way to re-energize some members reach out to Zafara with questions

#### Herald

Attending CalonCon

#### **Chatelaine**

Letters of intent due June 23 Revel

Tentative interviews TBD

#### Chronicler

- I. Deputy needed
- II. Banner deadline Saturday June 22nd @ 5 p.m.
- III. If no letter submitted, Banner will go to press
- IV. Unable to attend CalonCon.

Needs a "Stunt Double" to sit in meeting please.

Questions, asks Seneschal

#### Social Media

Nothing new

#### **Web Minister**

- I. KM email updated; nothing else to report
- II. Will send out position letter; warrant expires in Aug

#### **Knights Marshal**

- Reports due 7/15
- II. Need C&T marshals
- III. Had 2 authorizations at Lilies Cassius & Tristan!
- IV. Acquired new loaner gear, want to create kits for new fighters to more easily identify their set of gear and get ready faster.

#### **Archery Marshal**

- I. Watch FB for weather-related announcements
- II. Report due 7/15
- III. Incident report to be turned in this week for baronial review
- IV. To be determined if archer marshal meeting at CalonCon

#### **Standing Items**

**Events** 

Revels

- 1) June 23rd Elmwood Park (weather permitting) Hillcrest Education Center (rain location)
- 2) M Jehanne in charge of A&S comp theme announced in Banner and on FB; Baronial Birthday celebration!!

#### Archery - August 18th -

- 1) Roger to reserve Golden Arrows Owain to follow up with him
- 2) Rain Date September 15th

### Baronial Awards

All members of the SCA are encouraged to send in award recommendations for those members of the populace that they believe are worthy of recognition. Below are the names and brief descriptions of awards given in the Barony of the Lonely Tower.

**The Cord** - The Cord is simply that, a cord in the Lonely Tower colors that denotes the person wearing it is an active member of the Barony.

**The Rose Window** - The beauty and craftsmanship required in the making of a rose window gives us the definition for this award. The Rose Window is given for promise in the pursuit of the Arts and Sciences.

**The Column** - The support needed to keep the Lonely Tower standing comes from its many Columns. This award is given to those who have helped serve the needs of the Barony of the Lonely Tower.

The Defenders of the Gate - Cave Canes! "Beware of the Dogs" is the motto of this fair Barony. And well said, the knights, huscarls, fyrdmen, fighters, archers and equestrians of this barony have given us ample reason to be proud of each area of endeavor in the martial arts. Thus this award is given to those who are a part of our martial presence at tournaments held in the Lonely Tower and throughout Calontir and the Known World.

**The Goose Migrant** - Where the goose flies, so it takes with it the spirit of this land. This award is for those who have traveled widely within or without Calontir, representing the Barony wherever their paths may lead them.

**The Keystone** - Given to those without whose presence the Barony would likely not have become nor likely remain the beloved place we all share. In this award we seek to honor those who enhance, embrace or support the Barony and by extension the Kingdom and Society.

#### Baronial Champions

## Arts & Sciences Champion (1st Quarter)

M. Jehanne Bening

## Cut & Thrust Champion (2nd Quarter)

Master Rolf Hobart

## Archery Champion (3rd Quarter)

Lord Roger of Bellebrocton

## Armored Combat Champion (4th Quarter)

Sir Bjarm Rorikson

#### Officer's Warrants

- 08/2019 Web Minister
- 09/2019 Social Media
- 09/2019 Chatelaine
- 10/2019 Archery Marshal
- 01/2020 Anser Pursuivant (Herald)
- 01/2020 Chronicler
- 01/2020 Seneschal
- 01/2020 Chancellor of the Exchequer
- 03/2020 Minister of Arts & Sciences

01/2021 - Knights Marshal

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## Baronial Birthday Party Quiz Answers

- 1.) Thomas de Chateau Noir, our founding Baron.
- 2.) Bertram of Bearington and Eromine Aspasia of Constantinople.

Milada von Felsenhoff and Kezia von Holzernhaus.

- 3.) Tatjana Nikonovna Besprozvanyja
- 4.) Laurel-Gerhardt von Rotbart

Knight-Thomas de Chateau Noir

Pelican-Juelda of Salisbury,

- 5.) We didn't used to have a lot of drinkers but we had many brewers.
- 6.) Morgur the Wise of Acre.
- 7.) There was no SCA group here when Mogur moved in, so he was 'Lonely.'

His apartment building had faux towers, so Tower.

- 8.) Rorik Galbraith and Morgana of Raglan
- 9.) Katherin NiVar
- 10.) Faolan von Wulfhagen
- 11.) Stuffed purple dragon named "Barney."
- 12.) 9
- 13.) Scottish Rite Center, 8 years
- 14.) Bennett, Ivy, Jordan, Kunden, Thomas, Kita
- 15.) Their Excellencies Alexander and Roise.