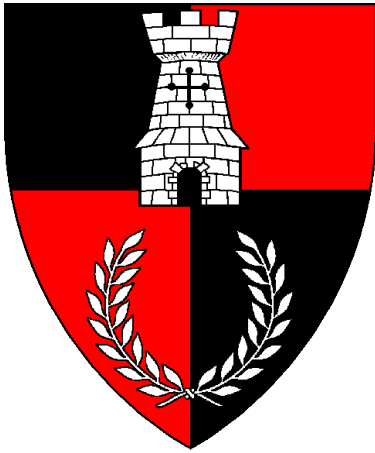


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The Barony of the Lonely Tower



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 [introduction](#) page. We would also encourage you to visit the SCA's [Newcomer's Portal](#).

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 [website](#) 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 [Pinterest](#) page.

They have over 75 boards and hundreds of pins to help in whatever you're interested in.

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Baronial Positions



Baron Augustin le Blinde &
Baroness Aleit de La Thomme
Baron & Baroness of the Lonely Tower



HL Anne Von Weingarten
Seneschal



HL Cristina la Ambeler
Chancellor of the Exchequer
Arts & Science Champion



Lady Krystyn I Lund
Chronicler



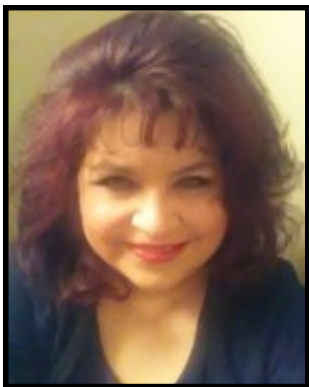
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Web Minister



HL Cearr Mc Brendan
Knight's Marshal



Lord Owain the Younger
Archery Marshal



Lady Zafara Baabur
Minister of Arts & Sciences



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



Baroness Kezia von
Holzenhaus
Chatelaine



Mistress Jehanne Bening
Social Media Deputy

From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

Greetings! We are writing to you as Her Excellency has returned from Crucible at the Crossroads. What a fabulous weekend as the Lonely Tower-Mag Mor team (aka "Team Blue Eyes") captured second place overall! Thank you to those who came out and supported the efforts, both from Our baronies as well as some friends who joined the cause.

We hope you will all join us for the Baronial Revel on Sunday, September 30 at the Golden Arrows Archery Range, where We will host the baronial archery championship to determine Our new archer champion.

Following the Revel, Our baronial progress through October will include Frosted Helm in Coeur d'Ennui, Fall Crown Tournament and Vertigo. We invite all of you to join Us for these events and We welcome volunteers to be part of Our retinue during the day. We would certainly appreciate the help during this busy event season.

As Halloween approaches, We are excited to host a fun gathering for the members of BLT. On Friday, October 26, at 7 p.m., you're welcome to wear garb as we play miniature golf at Medieval Putt in Elkhorn. You can even ride a dragon! Following golf, Our group will either enjoy a pot-luck meal in Medieval Putt's party room, or We will enjoy food and good company at The Mark, located across the parking lot. (The location will depend upon the number of RSVPs received.) We look forward to enjoying a frolic evening 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.

The past few weeks played havoc with all things outdoors making things very soggy, but the weather seems to be cooperating here as we enjoy our last few outdoor practices and Revel for the year

A reminder that we will be moving to indoor fighter/populace gatherings come the first Tuesday in October. We will be returning to the same site, Paddock Road Elementary school off of 91st and Paddock Road. Hopefully everyone remembers how to get to the parking lot behind the school? If not, please take a drive by, find your best route and scout out the parking lot. Better to be prepared then come the first night and you are lost in the mists. With the move indoors we are also changing up the hours. We will be starting at 6:30pm and going till 9:00 pm. We will be indoors from that first Tuesday in October, the 2nd running till the 30th of April 2019. We are the same 1st and 3rd Tuesdays with the 2nd and 4th as travel weeks if anyone wishes to go to Mag Mor. in the event of a 5th Tuesday, there is no practice/gathering. Enjoy the day.

Letters of intent are still needed for the Knights Marshal. If you wish to fill this much needed position please have a letter of intent along with your SCA resume to myself, Their Excellencies and our current Marshall ASAP!

Master Mikal is hard at work narrowing down details for 12th Night. There are still positions that need to be filled, so please, take a moment to get in touch with either myself or him and see where we would need your expertise. Maybe home to dust off a latent skill and meet some new people? The idea of hosting Kingdom Arts & Sciences on July 20, 2019 is currently being debated. If you would like to put a bid in I strongly suggest you get it together ASAP as Kingdom will be accepting bids for it very soon.

One final note....communication. please keep all lines opened, even if the issue is small. If you need me please use either seneschal@lonelytower.org OR blt.seneschal@gmail.com if you send it to my personal email I will no longer respond to you directly from that email.

In Service,

HL Anne von Weingarten

From the Chronicler

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I'm looking for a Deputy to serve as an understudy who may eventually want to take my place when it is time for me to step down. However, per Seneschal HL Anne von Weingarten's request, all Officers should have drop dead assistants or deputies by 12th Night. I'll teach any interested person willing to serve as deputy the knowledge of getting information and inputting that information into the Banner newsletter to send out via both online and by snail mail, this person can then practice to be comfortable to take over. Be prepared to take time to learn whatever methods that work to best set up typeset and printing of the newsletter. The person should have the Word Publisher program to start with.

From the Minister of Arts & Sciences

Hi all! I am so PROUD of all the wonderful work those in our Barony has been doing! There were amazing entries at QPT, and I see where people are also taking it upon themselves to offer classes from everthing from gardening to sewing. Please keep it up! Thank you also to those who helped with the demo at UNO. It was a great day to reach out to people and let them know about us.

With that being said, again, please keep up the great work! We have the cold months ahead of us which will give us the opportunity to do a lot of indoor projects. I want to start work on the first gambeson by the second indoor fighter practice. Those who want to volunteer to cut patterns and piece patterns together please let me know.

Secondly, quarterly reports are coming up, so please get back to me with all the projects that you've done or worked on the past since July. You can send the information to my email at Zafara.baburr@gmail.com. Please include your mundane name and your SCA name. Thank you!!

Again, thank you all for sharing your wonderful talents! I look forward to seeing more of your great works.

Yours in Service

Zafara

Ministry of Baronial Arts and Science Barony of Lonely Tower and
Falcon Signet of Calontir

From the Chatelaine

What is a newcomer? When is a newcomer no longer a newcomer? Neither of these very good questions have definitive answers. The answers are almost entirely subjective. The easy answer is that a newcomer is someone who is new to the SCA, and remains a newcomer as long as they feel unsure of how things work.

Everyone has their own ideas about who is, or isn't, still a newcomer. Their Majesties have said that a newcomer is someone at their first event, and gives them a cup as a gesture of welcome. This does not mean that they are no longer new for having received the cup.

I think of a newcomer as someone who has been in for less than a year, who has no awards, and who does not yet have a registered name or device. This last comes from my beginnings as a herald—there are fighters who would say it is a fighter who is not yet authorized, or who has never won a tournament. (although I know of a few Counts who claim to have only won one tournament!)

Mistress Nesscia and I are beginning a project to welcome newcomers to the Barony. Following the lead of Their Majesties, we are proposing to give the gift of garb to our newcomers in the barony. We are asking for donations of fabric and trim, which we (mostly Mistress Nesscia) will make into simple T-Tunics, and have available at events for newcomers to take, and keep. We will ask that each newcomer only take one tunic, and not build an entire wardrobe from our efforts, and for those of us who are not new, please refrain from supplementing you wardrobe. We are also asking for feastgear—a simple plate and bowl—for new people.

We are funding this effort both with donations of fabric and trim, and also with the sales of books donated for this purpose. At Coronation the book sale raised over \$200!

If you see our rack of tunics at an event, please send newcomers our way, and shop our book sales to help us continue the project.

From the Anser Pursuivant

From the Anser Pursuivant:

SCA people sure love their cats and dogs. In my many years as a herald, I can safely say that the most common charges I ever get asked about are some form of cat' or some form of 'dog.' Their popularity is also what makes them some of the more challenging charges to build a successful submission around.

First, there is their simple popularity. The SCA is more than 50 years old, and a lot of cat and dog lovers have preceded your new submission. Many people have gone down this path before. No matter if the thought is to immortalize a beloved pet, or identify with the curiosity of the house cat, or the loyalty of the dog, many SCA folk have thought of submissions just like this before. With that many arms and devices already registered, it is quite likely that you have been beat to your first idea. Or an idea that is close enough to yours that yours will not go through.

Second, both cats and dogs have an additional challenge. If you look at period heraldry, you will find that it is often tough to determine if that animal on those arms is a dog, or perhaps a wolf. Is that a lynx, a house cat, or perhaps a wildcat on those arms? Its tough to say. And that is why the College grants no difference between different "dogs," nor does it grant difference between different "cats." A dog is a dog is a dog. Wolves, dogs, and even foxes do not receive a difference between one another. A cat, is a cat, is a cat. Lions, lynx and domestic cats, same story, no difference between them.

So, right from the start your idea may be more of a challenge with getting it past already registered arms. This letter is not to say that it is impossible – do not despair! There are a variety of ways to add difference. Do not be discouraged from an idea that has a wolf or a wildcat! Just be prepared to work with your herald perhaps a bit more to get an idea for your arms that is unique, medieval in style, and most importantly, one that you will like and use in your SCA life!

Yours for good heraldry,

Горноста́й

Event Report

King's Companie of Archers

Earlier in September, the Barony of the Lonely Tower sent eight intrepid archers to shoot for the honor of Their Excellencies Augustin and Aleit, to the glory of the Lonely Tower. They were led by Her Excellency Kezia. Master Rolf, Lord Michael de Lundie, Lady Eden and Roger of Bellebrocton rounded out the team. Baron Augustin and Sir Bjame generously offered to shoot for our neighbor Mag Mor. The Baronial Champion, Master Dolan, still recovering from his recent illness, offered to step aside for the day, as he was unsure of his ability to finish out the day.

The weather was perfect for shooting. The forecast had been for rain, which may have affected attendance, but the rain held off, and the skies were cloudy and the temperatures cool. Their Excellencies provided a day shade for the comfort of the archers, but it was only needed as a resting place, and not as shelter from the heat or storms.

The day began auspiciously when Baron Augustin asked Their Majesties for permission to conduct a bit of business during Court. Lady Eden and Roger were then called forward and inducted into the Baronial order of the Defenders of the Gate! This is the barony's award for the martial arts, and was well deserved by both.

The day's shooting went well, interrupted only by a tasty lunch provided by Mistress Ishmala. At the end of the day, the sun came out, just in time for evening court. Among the winners announced were Master Rolf, who won the huscarl crossbow division, and had the high score for the day, and Roger of Bellebrocton, who tied for top unranked longbow. In spite of that, the Baronial team was only able to manage third, behind the Barony of Forgotten Sea and the Barony of Three Rivers. The Barony of Mag Mor, with the help of Lonely Tower's archers, broke 200 for the first time. (On a personal note, Lady Eden and Sir Bjame were tied for most of the day, with the final shoot being the tie-breaker, which Lady Eden won.)

Following court there was a delicious potluck, and singing around the campfire. The morning dew was heavy, so those who stayed the night might have gone home with wet canvas, but the event was one of the best Her Excellency Kezia have attended.

Barony of the Lonely Tower Business Meeting
September 17, 2018

Seneschal

Officers and deputies by twelfth night
How is the search going?

Event Bids

12th Night

October 2019 Crown

Unable to secure feast steward

Two other groups will be submitting bids

KAS in July 2019

possible bid

Officer Budgets

Do you have yours in? If not, why??

Baronage

Revels - Sept 30 at Golden Arrows; Dolan booked site; Jehanne to handle social media

Baronial Progress thru 2018 Crucible at Crossroads (Her Excellency), Frosted Helm, Fall Revel, Crown, Vertigo, Rush event, Toys for Tots, Kris Kinder

Halloween event - Fri Oct 26; details to be emailed to Jehanne

Kezia suggested a holiday themed gather around Nov. 25/Thanksgiving

Exchequer

Current balance \$9,709.23

officer budgets

due by September meeting for review - formal budgets to be submitted by end of Oct to Kingdom

Reminders will be sent via FB and email

Submission by email to exchequer & seneschal

Reviewed in October business meeting, then submitted to Kingdom

class on new Gate forms/ protocols TBD

Arts & Science

QPT - flyers made up and handed out for RUSH

Demo - not as many volunteers

Demo box can show off different aspects without requiring as much labor (Trim, arrows, C&I) M Vincent's available for loan, can work on tablet to show different videos

Off Tuesday night classes in Winter? Sewing projects, pre-prints?

Herald

3 submissions - 2 populace badges and award name

Down to older requests

If you have any heraldry, please discuss

Chatelaine

Halloween get together - holiday, Thanksgiving or Christmas

Chronicler

officers send in letters by Friday September 21st @ 7pm

please respond even if there will not be a letter this month

Holiday survey results

will leave Holidays in the calendar

Social Media

Settling into the job

"Things to Do" being posted on the forum, email, and Facebook page

Web Minister

Forwards being corrected

If have issues, please contact

Knights Marshal

Letters of intent - Bjarm

fighter practice going well; two new fighters showed up

Moving indoors (Paddock Elementary) Oct 2

\$300 requested for loaner gear and repairs for Knight's Marshal

Cut & Thrust Marshal

Attempting C&T focus on 3rd Tuesday, tomorrow is the last one then move indoors.

Archery Marshal

Philippe Malcolm emailed 9.12

Moving indoors October 3rd

11212 N 72nd St Fee: \$5

making some equipment (bowstrings, cases); could be done with a wool blanket

KCoA

Barony came in 3rd, Rolf won Huscarl Crossbow, Roger tied for Unranked Longbow

Eden and Roger inducted into Defenders Of the Gate

Loaned 2 archers to Mag Mor and they took 5th with over 200 pts

Events

12th Night

Need a new Feastocrat

Have key staff positions available

October 2019 Crown

Aston Tor and Axed Root have bids

Kingdom Arts & Sciences 7/20/2019 anyone willing to put a bid together?

Site only, no feast (Article online on A&S page about how group works with Kingdom)

Royalty room & meeting space

Space and alcohol policy relevant

RUSH

classes booked, need descriptions

Site tokens and instructor favors acquired

Need projector and screen, if you have access please assist

book Arts RUSH

Hosted by the Barony of the Lonely Tower

November 3, 2018

Location: Grace United Methodist Church
112 N. Walnut St. Glenwood, Iowa 51534

Adult Event Registration \$10
Adult Member Discount Registration \$5
Children under 18 NO COST
Family Cap \$20 / Member Discount \$10
**Make checks payable to SCA, Inc.
the Barony of the Lonely Tower**

Site is very dry.

Site opens 9:00 AM
Classes start 9:30 AM
Site closes 8:30 PM

Event Steward: M. Jehanne Bening (Susan Gordon)
3133 S. 128th Cir, Omaha, NE 68144
cell: 402-201-7140 e-mail:jehannebening@gmail.com

Co-event Steward: Ly. Zafara Baabur (Joan Alfors)
11716 Ogden Place, Omaha, NE 68164
text only:402-813-7702 e-mail:Marie_Joan@aol.com

Besides classes for ALL Book Arts, activities include:

~Blank Border Scroll Competition ~Supplies Swap
~Rat Out Your Friends Display ~Round Table Discussion
~ Lunch And Longer Tavern

Find the class list (possibly with other RUSH events)
online at <http://www.medievalcity.com/eventsystem/>

Directions: Take your best route to I-29 exit 35B. Go EAST on US Hwy 34
Stay on it until you turn left onto Hilman Rd. (Be careful you don't miss it.)
Turn left again onto Walnut St. The church site is on the left/West.

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

H. Lady Cristina la Ambeler

Cut & Thrust Champion

H. Lord Cearan Mac Brendan

Archery Champion

Master Dolan Madoc of Harlech

Armored Combat Champion

Lord Uesugi Katsumoto

Credits

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