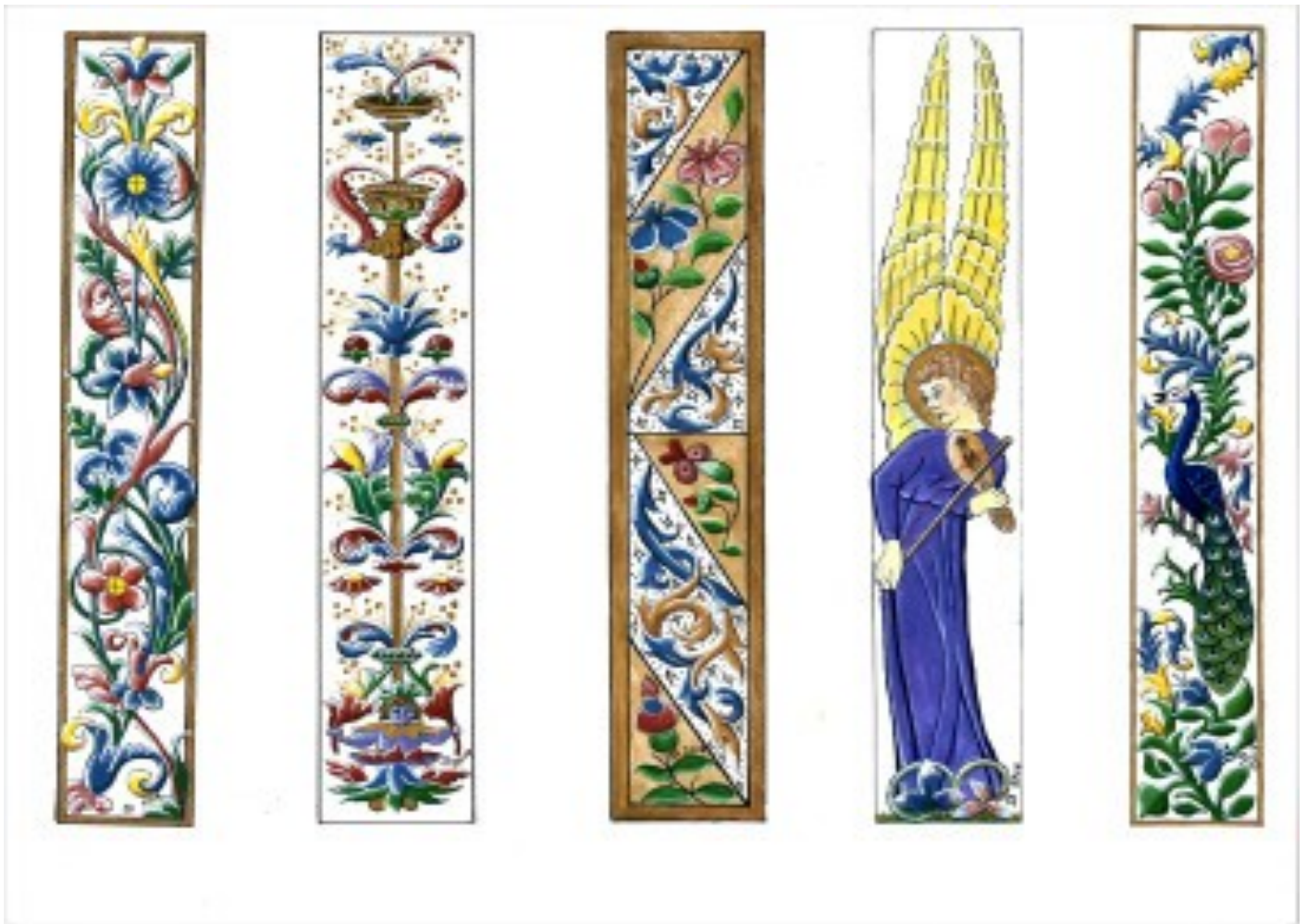


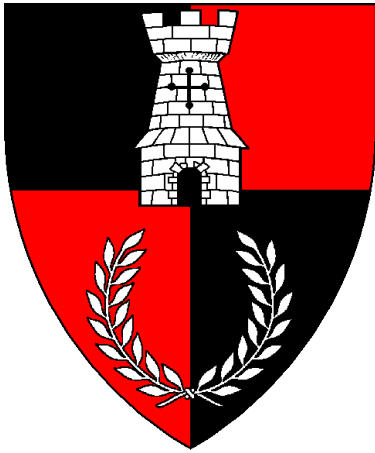
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Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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 [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



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Archery Marshal



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Minister of Arts & Sciences



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Spiach'ev Горностаи
Anser Pursuivant (Herald)



Lady Jorunna Refsdottir
Chatelaine

From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

Greetings Unto the Populace of the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

We write this missive as we embark upon the holiday season, and it is Our hope that you all are having a blessed and joyous time. The new year is fast approaching and We wish each and every one of you peace, joy, health and prosperity in the coming year. We also hope you will join Us for the coronation of Lucian and Tamar so we all may properly welcome the new heirs to Calontir. Then, later in January, We will host the next Baronial Revel and look to honor the next Arts & Sciences champion. We look forward to spending time with you all in the coming months. May you all enjoy the happiest of new years!

Yours in service,

Augustin & Aleit,
Baron and Baroness

From the Seneschal

Happy Holidays to the barony

From the Chatelaine

BLT Chatelaine FAQ:

What Barony Awards does BLT have?

1. The barony has 6 awards! You can learn about each here: <https://www.lonelytower.org/awards/>
2. You can also follow the link to recommend someone in the barony to receive an award. Everyone is encouraged to submit award recommendations. Support your friends in their endeavors!

What Kingdom Awards does Calontir have?

1. The list of awards and what they are for are listed on the following website: <https://www.sca.org/awards/calontir.html>
2. Make sure to also use the form on the Kingdom page to submit friends for Kingdom level awards too! <https://calontir.org/royalty/award-recommendation/>

Did you know that our barony has a newsletter where you can read articles written by officers and read about plans and things to do in the barony?

There are two ways to access the newsletter, called The Banner. Consider signing up to receive it via email from the chronicler at blt.chronicler@gmail.com. Or you can check under the Latest Newsletter and Oyez! Pages on the Barony website: <https://www.lonelytower.org/welcome-1/> and <https://www.lonelytower.org/welcome/oyez/>

Where can I find things to do in the Barony?

The official Barony Facebook Page posts events on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BaronyOfTheLonelyTower/> or The Calendar on the Barony webpage: <https://www.lonelytower.org/events/>

Where can I find things to do in Calontir?

<https://calontir.org/events/>

Did you know that there is a Calontir FAQ that answers many common questions?

<https://calontir.org/new-to-the-sca/calontir-newcomer-faq/>

Where can I get garb or loaner feast gear?

Talk to your chatelaine! We have Gold Key available! Gold Key is both garb and feast gear that we loan to our newer members until you have the chance to purchase or make some of your own. We can also point you in the right direction for help making or purchasing garb, whichever you prefer.

Jorunna Refsdottir



From the Chronicler

It was my pleasure to serve you for past 2 years. I'm passing the torch to new Chronicler Lord Gaius Cornelius-Scipio Titianus, who will take my place this month. Yes, you read it correctly, he is the same guy as a Web Minister. Welcome, Gaius! Yay!!!

Lady Krystyn I Lund

From the Chancellor of the Exchequer

Greetings to the Barony. Our current balance is \$4813.45 with a few checks still outstanding that could alter that balance slightly. My dear hope is that they clear prior to the new year. Our Domesday report is due to the Kingdom by 15 January; it will take a few months for the executive review, but then I will pass it to our Chronicler for your informational review.

We had a few bids go before the Finance Committee last meeting; after a bit of alteration, they will be brought up again--this time the meeting will be virtual. If you have a desire to be included (even if you aren't a member of the committee) please do let me know and I will include you. Anyone is welcome to attend--virtually or otherwise--even though the formal Finance Committee members are the only ones allowed to vote.

I will be submitting another signatory to the account in the next few weeks--our Webminister has graciously offered his services. Additionally, I will be applying to extend my warrant for at least another year--the Kingdom will not allow me to extend past 4 years. If you have any desire to learn about this position, please speak to me, Her Excellency Aleit, or Mistress Roise.

In grace,

Cristina.

From the Financial Committee

Financial Committee Minutes
December 16 2019

Members present: Mistress Ivetta; Their Excellencies Lonely Tower; HL Anne von Weingarten

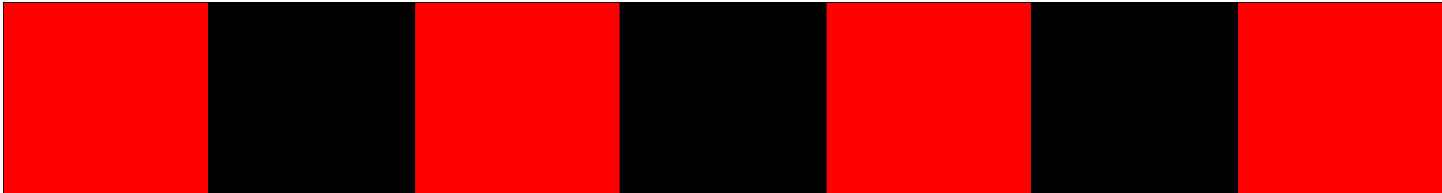
Members Absent:

Called to order at 8:00p.

Coronation January 2021 cost of event, would like to see bid post site reduction fee. Debate over increasing tithing amount, can increase depending on event profit and baronial expenses at the time. Bid back to event steward to adjust and then resubmit.

Masters of the Duel bid discussed. Dates narrowed, and requested to contact site for dates. Site confirmed for September 26 2020. Request made for changing youth from \$5 entrance fee to free along with comping baronage. Changes were made. Bid will be resubmitted to Finance Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20p



From the Baronial A & S Champion

Greetings All,

**Location update: Hillcrest Health Services Educational Center, 1820 Hillcrest Drive, Bellevue, NE 68005 same place where business meeting is being held. Time: Noon to 4 p.m.

While the holidays are here, remember the Arts and Sciences Championship Competition is fast approaching too. It's my honor to select the challenge. So here it is.

2 items you've created within the last 2 years using a different skill set and abilities for each.

Simple, yes?

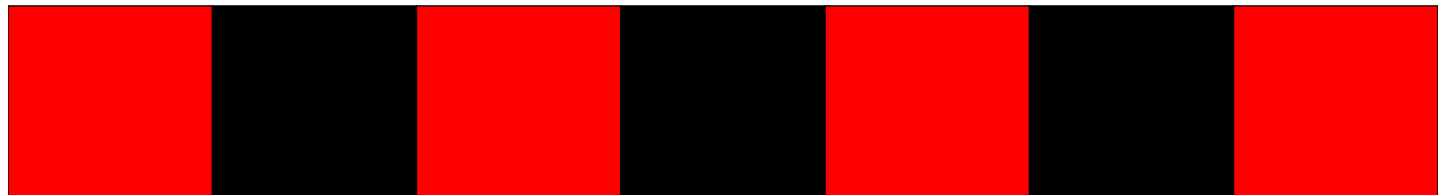
Please don't enter items you submitted to any Kingdom competitions.

Documentation is not required but including information on a 3x5" card makes your presentation easier for others to appreciate. Be prepared for a conversation on where you found your inspiration source(s) and the resource(s) you used.

With the extra free time you have - ha, ha - during the coming weeks I look forward to having you all test my judging skills at the coming A & S Revel.

For the Dream,

Jehanne Bening



Barony of the Lonely Tower Business Meeting
December 16, 2019

Seneschal

A. Officer Emails

1. Please set up a Gmail account for your office. Easier at change over for new office access, also has history if needed
blt.youroffice@gmail.com

B. Event Bids

1. Have an event idea?
2. Find a site, build a team, submit a bid
3. Can bid out of a rotation for Crown/Coronation
4. Look at bidding for QPT / Kingdom A&S / King's Co. Archers
5. **WE NEED TO HOST EVENTS!**

Baronage

A. Baronial Progress

1. Coronation January 11
 2. Clothiers?
 3. Queens Prize?
 4. Winter War Maneuvers
- B. Award recommendations. Hosting court at upcoming revel (Sat, Jan 25 - A&S Revel)
- C. Happy Holidays!

Exchequer

- Current balance - unknown at this time
- Storage unit paid for 2020

Arts & Science

Idea for A&S fundraising project

Herald

- Heraldry is happening
- Three new registrations under way for baronial members
- Golden Falcon time coming to end - open to nominations

Chatelaine

- Have baronial stamp ordered / in possession - can stamp kingdom cards etc with local information. Yay!
- We have some new people. Yay!

Chronicler

- Letters due by Noon, December 22nd
- Need pictures - please submit!
- Have a replacement, more info to follow after paperwork

Social Media

Instagram gaining followers - 107 so far!

A few people may be interested in taking over

Web Minister

- Officer emails and forwards - make sure they're working
- Barony Picture for Background - we can shoot one next time we're together (revel?)
- Website Enhancements - if you think of something, please let Gaius know.

Knight's Marshal

- We've had 10-23 fighters in armor at practices in the past few months
- Need C&T marshals

Archery Marshal

- Watch FB and website for weather-related announcements
- Weeks of Christmas and New Year's are canceled

Standing Items

A. Revels

1. 2020 dates TBD
2. January 25th (A&S)
3. April, May or June - 2nd Qtr.

B. Upcoming Events

1. July 11 2020 Coronation
2. Will start filling staff post Crown, April 11 2020
3. January 9 2021 Coronation bid to Kingdom
4. Masters of the Duel - date TBD
5. Thrive Space in Waterloo
6. **MOVING FEB BUSINESS MEETING TO FEB. 24 (instead of 2/17)**

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 Owain the Younger

Armored Combat Champion (4th Quarter)

Sir Bjarm Rorikson

Officer's Warrants

10/2019 - Archery Marshal
01/2020 - Chronicler
01/2020 - Anser Pursuivant (Herald)
01/2020 - Chancellor of the Exchequer
03/2020 - Minister of Arts & Sciences
06/2020 - Seneschal
01/2021 - Knights Marshal
08/2021 - Web Minister

Credits

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