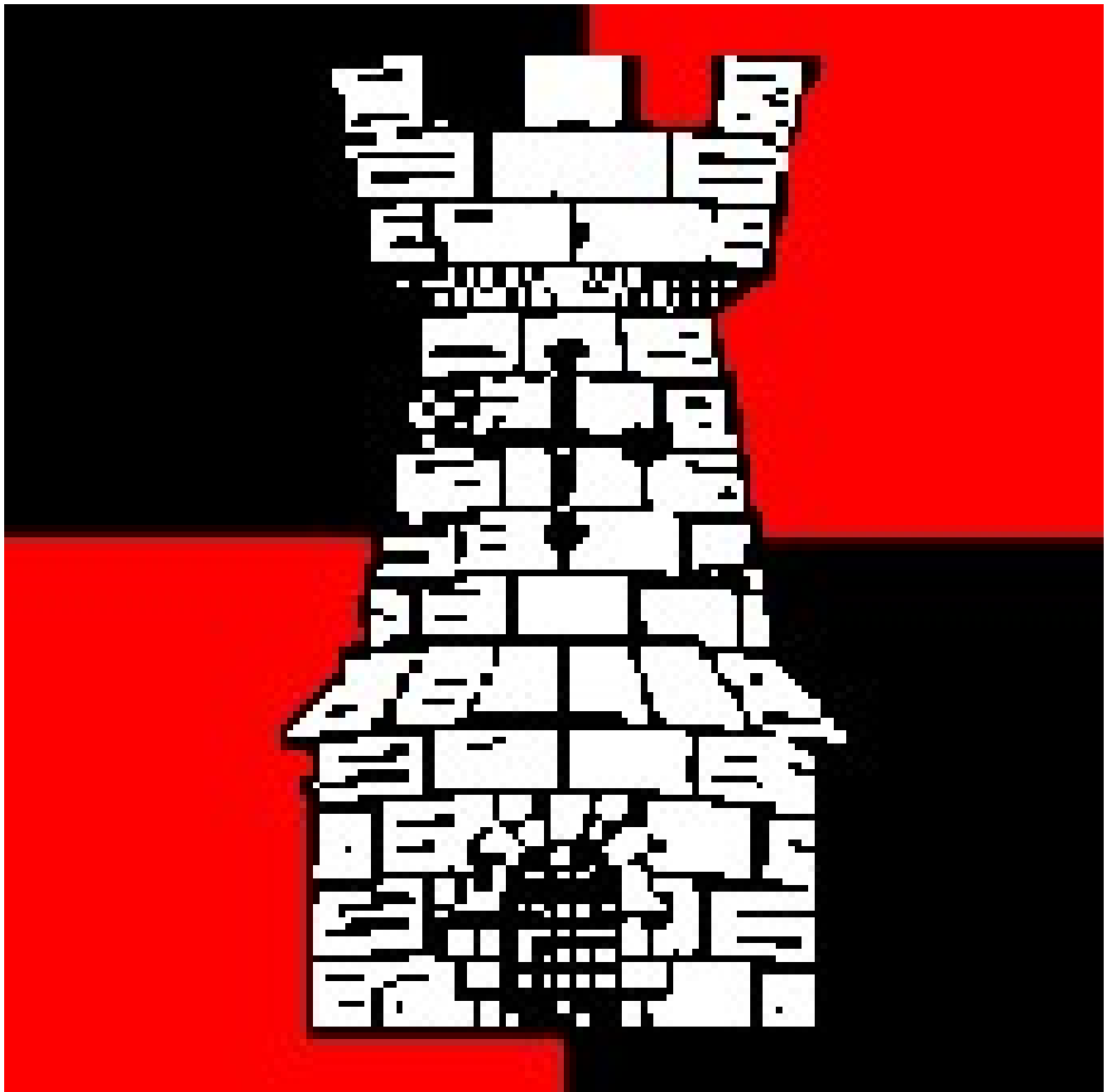
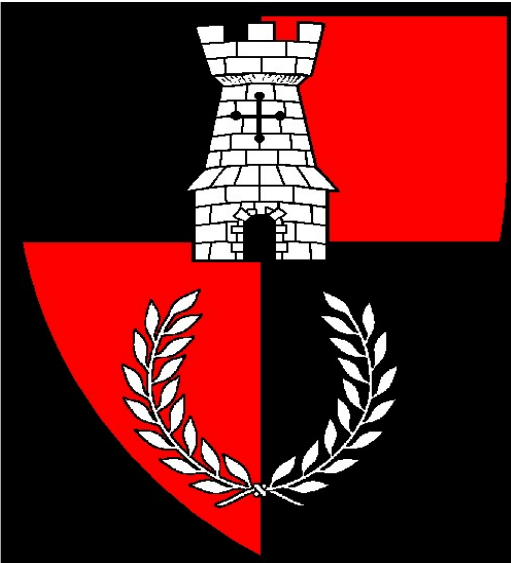


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Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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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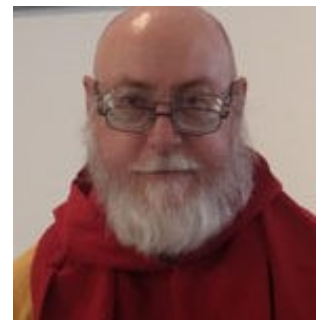
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From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

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

What strange times these are! Please know We are thinking about all of you and We deeply miss seeing you at events, meetings and gatherings. While this quarantine period can be damaging to the spirit, We hope you are all finding ways to make the most of it and to express yourself through social media, video chatting, phone calls, new projects and more. Hopefully you are all staying healthy and safe - and for those working on the front lines of this pandemic, you have Our deepest gratitude and appreciate for all you do! As they say, this soon shall pass, and then we all will be ready to play again and enjoy each other's company. And I'm sure many of you will be excited to show off all the projects you have had time to work on during the canceled events over the past couple months! Please don't hesitate to reach out to Us should you need anything or if you simply want to schedule a virtual visit. We look forward to seeing you all again soon! Stay well!

Yours in service,
Augustin & Aleit

Baron & Baroness



Sage Words from the Seneschal

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

How is everyone doing? Still remembering what day it is? Remember: brush your teeth, drink water, eat good foods, and if you can take a walk around the block. Sunlight does the body and mind good. And who knows, you might see some cute dogs, or even a few flowers blooming at the moment. But please remember, practice your physical distancing, keep healthy for yourself and those you care about.

A bit of business. I am thinking of attempting a Zoom business / populace meeting for April 20th, an hour earlier than the normal 7pm meeting. Please keep an eye on the FB page for updates and a link.

Finally, my warrant is up in June of this year and I need a deputy ASAP! If you are interested, or have questions about the position please drop me an email at blt.seneschal@gmail.com and I will do my best to fill you in on all the details.

In Service,

HL Anne von Weingarten

Chatelaine Chat

The Renaissance Festival of Nebraska has cancelled their event. This means that our demo weekend and education day are also cancelled. I would like to thank everyone who had already volunteered to help with these events. I know we were all looking forward to this. There is always next year though, so we can look forward to that. There are some other opportunities that we will be trying for in the fall depending on how things go. In the meantime: stay home, wash your hands, and work on your garb, armor, and arts and sciences.

Online Recruiting:

Thankfully the Barony and Kingdom are blessed with many tech savvy folks. If you're not already, go and join the Kingdom Facebook group, which has a plethora of classes, information, and useful links. There's a ton of other SCA related Facebook groups that have popped up to help with learning new skills via online. So, if you're looking for something specific that isn't on the kingdom group, ask! Someone probably knows where to send you.

With so many people cooped up at home, you may notice at times new people joining our Facebook groups, asking questions, and joining in discussions. You can also suggest to your friends who are bored and stuck at home about virtual SCA gatherings or activities that they may be interested in joining in, or learning about. This helps with recruitment, once we are finally allowed to meet in person again as well. Please, if you have friends who may be interested in the SCA invite them to join our online community!

Lady Jorunna Refsdottir

1st Quarter Archery Scores

By Baroness Kezia von HolzenhausKezia von Holzenhaus

The final results of the Quarterly and Saltire Shoot are in. This was the Winter Society Seasonal Challenge. Archers from Lonely Tower competed against the archers from across the Knowne World who participated in this shoot.

Of the 191 archers who participated, Master Dolan finished 24th with a Period Crossbow score of 55, and tied for 25th with an Open Crossbow score of 54.

Lord Owain the Younger tied for 59th with an Open Handbow score of 40, and Lord Gaius tied for 81st with an Open Handbow score of 33.

Lady Jorunna finished in a tie for 92nd with her open Handbow score of 30, and M'Lady Makayla, who was not able to complete the shoot, tied for 185th with a score of 4.

Only two of Lonely Tower's archers were able to complete the Gwyntarian Winter Challenge before the shutdown. While more scores may come in before the shoot officially ends April 15th, these are probably close to the final standings.

Of the 114 archers throughout the Knowne World who completed this shoot, Master Dolan came in 10th overall (2nd of six crossbows) with a score of 156. Lord Owain the Younger came in tied for 61st (16th of 28 Longbows). They were only able to do this shoot once.

July Coronation 2020

From Honorable Lady Anne Von Weingarten

Changing out the Seneschal outfit for the Event Steward outfit...

Happy Spring! If things had gone as planned I would be writing this and welcoming our Heirs this weekend, but as everyone knows that is not happening. If you do not know, the current plan is for Their Majesties to host Their Crown Tournament on June 13th during Lilies.

What does that mean for the Barony as we are hosting Summer Coronation? Shorter timeline! We can still plan, we can still fill the event staffing needs that need to be filled. We just have a shorter amount of time with Their Highnesses, so once they are invested we have to hit the ground running to get plans rolling.

We have a great site in the Relevant Center in Elkhorn, large indoor and a great outdoor space we can use for fighting and other activities. Don't worry, there is plenty of shade. I have not heard what is planned for the feast, but I am sure our Co-Stewards will have something amazing planned.

If there is something specific you would like to be in charge of for Coronation, or have an idea of something you would like to see, please let me know.

In Service

Anne

Barony of the Lonely Tower Business Meeting
March 30, 2020

1. Seneschal

- a. Meeting Changes
 - i. June meeting 6/22 due to Lilies re-entry
 - ii. July & August will be held @ Hillcrest Health Services bldg

2. Baronage

- a. Baronial Progress
 - i. Lilies
- b. Award recommendations - send some in!
- c. Revel Dates **CANCELED**
 - i. Sunday, March 29th - Gaming Revel
 - ii. Saturday, May 2nd (at Demo)
 - 1. Cut & Thrust Championship
- d. Revel Dates still scheduled
 - i. Sunday, July 26th
 - ii. Saturday, September 19th
 - 1. Archery Championship
 - iii. Sunday, November 8th
 - 1. Armored Fighting Championship

3. Exchequer

- a. Current balance \$
- b. Need to still pay July Coronation
- c. Quartermster
 - i. Repair of shade fly center pole
 - 1. How is that coming?

4. Arts & Science

- a. Stuff happens!

5. Herald

- a. Message on Facebook best way to reach Herald

6. Chatelaine

- a. Midlands Renaissance Revel
 - i. Ditmar's Orchard (Council Bluffs) Aug 29-30

7. Chronicler

- a. Letters due

8. Social Media

- a. Looking for a DEPUTY - please volunteer!

9. Web Minister

- a. Website Enhancements - if you think of something, please let Gaius know.

10. Knight's Marshal

- a. Outdoors when allowed
 - i. In the meantime, work on your armor and weapons. Watch online tutorials. Ask questions in Fighter Chat on Facebook

11. Archery Marshal

- a. Outdoors when allowed
 - i. In meantime, repair your bows and arrows

12. Standing Items

- a. Upcoming Events
 - i. July 11 2020 Coronation
 - 1. Will be filling staff ASAP
 - a. Crown now @ Lilies
 - ii. Masters of the Duel
 - 1. Sept 26 2020
 - 2. Thrive Space Waterloo
 - 3. We are providing
 - a. Gate
 - b. List Field/rope
 - 4. They provide
 - a. Marshalls
 - iii. January 9 2021 Coronation
 - 1. Will fill staff post Fall Crown

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)

Aethelwyn aet Ulancombe

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

01/2022 - Chronicler

01/2021 Exchequer

01/2021 - 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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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
			1	2	3	4	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	20 Business Meeting 7:00	21 Cancelled: Summer	22	23	24	25 Cancelled: Melon Wa	
26	27	28 Cancelled: Summer	29	30			

MAY Events

« 2019 < APR MAY 2020 JUN > 2021 »						Month ▾	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
					1	2 Spring War College	
3	4	5 Cancelled: Summer	6	7	8 Education Day at the St George & The Dr	9	
10	11	12 Cancelled: Summer	13	14	15	16 Cancelled: Melees at	
17	18	19 Cancelled: Summer	20	21	22 Tournament of Valor 5:00 pm	23	
24 Tournament of Val	25	26 Cancelled: Summer	27	28	29	30	
31							