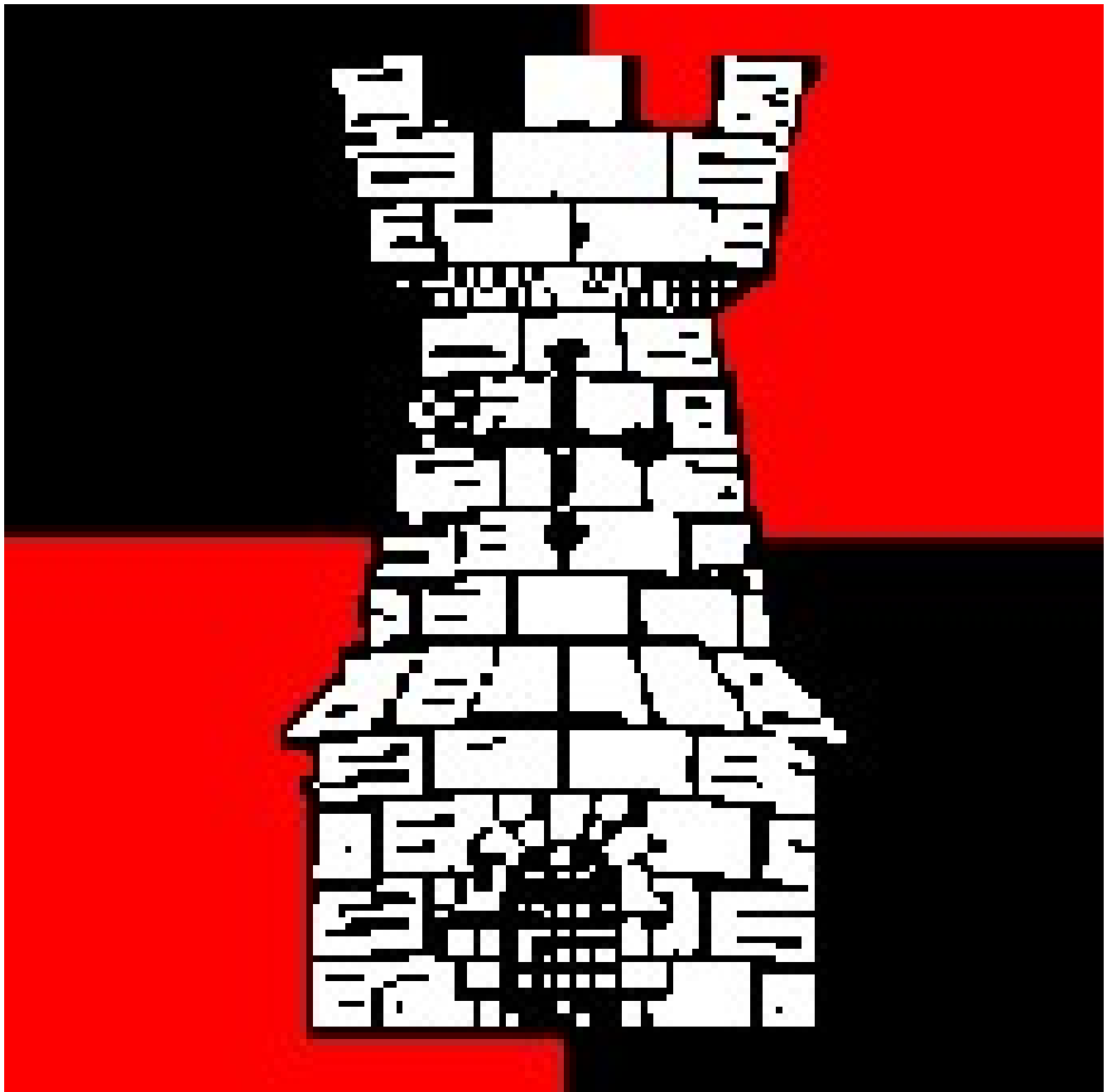
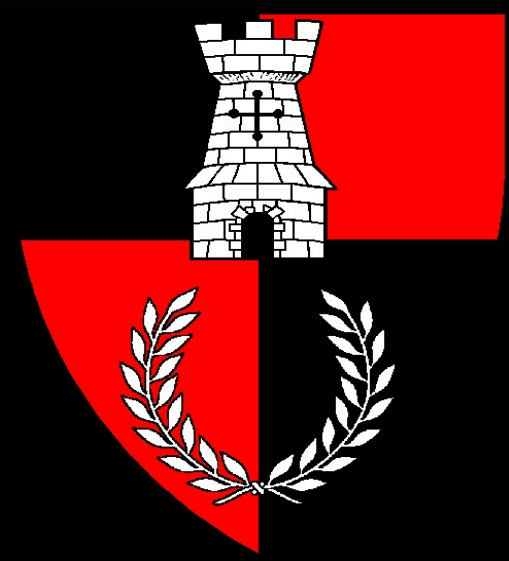


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## Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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.*

## Disclosures

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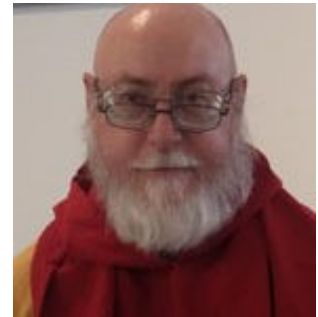
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## *From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower*

Unto the Populace of the Barony of the Lonely Tower do We, Augustin & Aleit, Baron and Baroness, send warmest greetings from the solitude of Our estate.

During these plague-ridden times, We sorely miss the joyousness of your company. We are saddened that we have already missed two revels with you as well as our annual demo at the Renaissance Faire of Nebraska. It has been difficult to be away from you all during such a time of duress and loss both personal and to the barony, kingdom, and society. How strange that while this is usually the time of year in which our thoughts turn to preparations for Lilies War, we will be left with another void in our schedules. However, we are so pleased that Lilies War is yet anticipated this fall! We look forward to hopefully sharing that experience with many of you. In the meantime, we are moving forward with plans for Coronation in July and hope that circumstances will allow us to host this great Calontir tradition. Also, We are greatly pleased to see so many of you stepping up to “live the dream in quarantine” and helping others to do so as well. From making dance videos, sharing projects, sponsoring challenges, posting information on the BLT page, attending virtual bardic circles, and even participating in our Zoom business meetings. We hope many of you will also participate in the making of our “Glow Up” video (contact Lady Jorunna for details).

Our deepest appreciation to the many of you who, despite our physical distance, are working hard to close our social distance. We wish you all good health and happiness as We await the days when we can all be together again!

In service,  
Augustin & Aleit,  
Baron & Baroness

# Sage Words from the Seneschal

Happy Beltane, and welcome everyone to A.S LV ( A.S 55)

I know that this is not how we expected to be spending our time, many of us would be in the planning stages for Lilies, or thinkin about Pennsic, or preparing for a new reign. Instead, we physically distance, and continue to hibernate. But with that also has come some amazing projects for some; videos shared by Kingdoms of dancing and “quick change” snapshots of normal life to how we look on the weekends at events.

As you may know Lilies has been postponed till fall and Their Majesties are currently looking out month by month on when the Kingdom will resume events, meetings, and practices. Due to this the scheduled July Coronation is on “hold”. It may become the postponed Crown Tournament, or not. I have been in contact with Their Majesties’ Chamberlain to let them know that the proposed site can handle either an outdoor or indoor list, and still have enough room for proper distancing. I should know more in the coming weeks what will happen. In speaking with the site, they let me know that the deposit can be applied to our guarantee bid for July Coronation in 2021. I will work with our Exchequer to see what our best option is.

Final reminder that my Seneschal warrant is up in June of this year and the Barony needs a Seneschal to run. Interested parties should submit their resumes and letters of intent ASAP to myself, [blt.seneschal@gmail.com](mailto:blt.seneschal@gmail.com) and Their Excellencies, [blt.baronage@gmail.com](mailto:blt.baronage@gmail.com) Interviews will be scheduled.

## Chatelaine Chat

### #Glowup Challenge!

The Barony has been challenged! I have volunteered to do the video editing for it. We would like to be able to post it on Instagram account! A #Glowup video is where you change from normal clothing to garb. You can even act and do a fun little skit if you'd like, but it is not required. Several other kingdoms and local groups have done them and are posting them on their social media accounts. Please see the references that have been posted on the barony Facebook group.

This challenge is easier than the dance challenge because you are not required to dance. All you have to do is make 2 video clips! 1 in normal clothing (mundane clothes) and 1 in garb! You can even go so far as to completely change your background to make it medieval, but you don't have to. Do whatever makes you comfortable!

A few key things for the video's continuity.

1. Use red fabric to cover the camera, like in the other videos. Make sure to film yourself uncovering the camera too.
2. Preferably drop the fabric at the end of your video. And catch it at the beginning of the video as if it's coming in from above. Since not everyone can have someone toss them the fabric from the side, tossing it up and catching it is the easiest way to film by yourself. So if most people drop the fabric we can make it seem as if it's traveling through the video easier.
3. I plan to set this to some instrumental music from Wolgemut. If you have any songs in particular you'd like to suggest, please let me know.
4. If you're using a phone, please film in portrait layout, or vertical as this will be on our Instagram page and it is easier to post things in portrait mode there.

Deadline for videos will be **Monday May 11th at 8pm**. Please send them to: [melendy09@gmail.com](mailto:melendy09@gmail.com). I hope most of you will join in the fun! If you have any questions feel free to ask!

YIS,

Lady Jorunna Refsdottir

Barony of the Lonely Tower Business Meeting  
April 20, 2020

**1. Seneschal**

- a. Meeting Changes
  - i. **Will be virtual till further notice**
  - ii. June meeting 6/22 due to Lilies re-entry
  - iii. 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 - possible C&T Championship
  - ii. Saturday, September 19th
    - 1. Archery Championship
  - iii. Sunday, November 8th
    - 1. Armored Fighting Championship

**3. Exchequer**

- a. Current balance \$4187.61
- b. Westside has / will be mailing refund check
- c. Need to still pay July Coronation
- d. Quartermaster
  - i. Repair of shade fly center pole (How is that coming?)
  - ii. Water in storage unit
    - 1. Get list off ground

**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!
- b. 167 followers on instagram!

## 9. Web Minister

- a. Updated all activities for May (canceled events)

## 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. July Coronation

- a. Currently still a go; Ann to check refund status if canceled
- b. Heirs to be determined at Lilies

## 13. 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

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# MAY Events

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Cancelled: Summer				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Cancelled: Education				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Cancelled: St Georg				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	Cancelled: Melees ar				
31							Business Meeting 6: Canceled: Summer				
							Cancelled: Tournament of Valor 5:00 pm				
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							Cancelled: Summer				
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# June Events

« 2019 < MAY					JUNE 2020		JUL >		2021 »		
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	Cancelled: Summer				
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Postponed to Fall: Lilies War 5:00 pm				
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