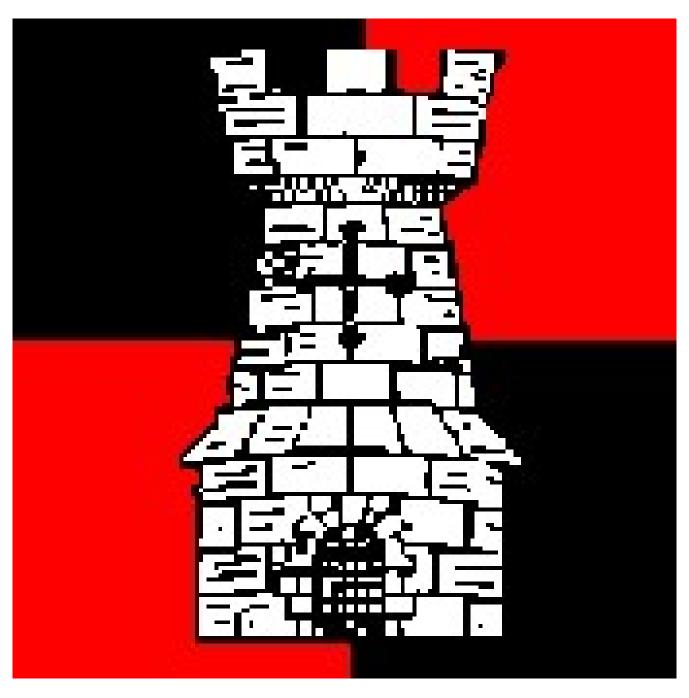
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Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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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From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

Unto the Populace of the Barony of the Lonely Tower do We, Augustin & Aleit, send warmest greetings!

Mother Nature (or was it Loki?) continues to plot against Our best efforts to host a Baronial Birthday Revel, and she stepped up her efforts by rendering Elmwood Park off-limits for several weeks and providing a 106 heat index that canceled another gather. But alas, We shall fight back and with great diligence and fortitude as We host the rescheduled Baronial Birthday on Sunday, August 22. Plans call for Elmwood Park, as We expect it to re-open by that time, and if Mother Nature tries again to spoil these plans, We shall look to move indoors if necessary.

Please join Us on the 22nd for fun, fighting and revelry! We are so fortunate to have many new people joining Our gathers and participating online.

Please reach out and introduce yourself to every new face you see and make them feel welcome with our group. What a wonderful opportunity for all of us to learn new things and make new friends.

Until we gather again, We remain, Yours In Service, Augustin & Aleit, Baron and Baroness, Lonely Tower

Sage Words from the Seneschal

To the people of The Barony of The Lonely Tower, greetings

This will be a short one due to me being out of town for work at this very moment and will be out of town on and off over the next month or so.

We will start where we seem to always start. There is little change in the Covid guidance.

- Masks are not required. That being said, if someone wishes or feels better to wear one
 they should and there will be no issues. I will always have fresh masks in my shoulder
 bag if you want or need one
- Anyone attending an SCA function needs to fill out a contact sheet. These sheets will be destroyed after 60 days.
- The SCA can not supply food or drink and any form of buffet style or function is not allowed. People can bring their own food and share at their own risk.

Moving on, the barony is in dire need of a new exchequer. Our current exchequer, Oisin Hacenson, is moving on to other opportunities with which we wish him the greatest of fortune and success. If anyone is interested in filling this office, please contact myself and their Excellencies at the soonest.

As always, if there are any questions, contact or talk to me and i will be happy to help

In Service

Aleksandr.

Bullseye Bulletin

Lonely Tower Archery

With the recent lifting of some of the Covid restrictions, the Society-wide Seasonal Archery Challenge is back! The only major change is that each shoot will only run for one month, instead of the usual three months.

In June we were able to shoot the Yin/Yang shoot. The target is divided by an "S" shaped line, with positive points on one side, and negative points on the other. There is both a static and a speed round for each configuration.

Only 18 scores were turned in for this shoot, but Lonely Tower accounted for nine of them, with the other half coming from Lochac. Lord Michael de Lundie and Master Dolan were the only crossbow shooters. Michael outscored Dolan for Period Crossbow, and Dolan outscored Michael for Open Crossbow. Baroness Kezia had the only Period Handbow score. (that's one way to take first place!) Kezia, Lord Owain, Lady Jorunna and Grete shot Open Handbow.

In July we shot the Piety and Pride shoot. For this shoot, the target looks something like a dart board. The Proud archers can score but positive and negative points, while the Pious archers have only positive points, that are worth half value. No results have been posted yet, but Lonely Tower has five of the fifteen scores, the other ten coming from the Midrealm.

In August the shoot will be a shrinking target shoot. Every round, the target is reduced by one/half ring, and the archers move back five yards. The archer must get three of six arrows in the scoring area to advance (or retreat) to the next round.

Lord Owain is looking for a replacement as group archer marshal. Letters of intent should be sent to him, Their Excellencies, and Sir Aleksandr.

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 trav-eled 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	Credits					
Arts & Sciences Champion						
(1st Quarter)	Baronial Positions photo page 3:					
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03/2020 - Minister of Arts & Sciences	© 2020 Oisin Riley AKA Lord Oisin . Used with permission.					
06/2020 - Seneschal						
01/2021 - Knights Marshal						
08/2021- Web Minister						

August Events

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Baronial Gathering LIVE	4 Archery Practice 7:00 pm	5	6	Demo – Panama, IA 10:0
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Regional Practice	16		18 Archery Practice 7:00 pm	19	20	21
22 BLT Birthday Bash 2:00 g	23		25 Archery Practice 7:00 pm	26	Cattle Raids 7:00 pm	28
29 Cattle Raids	30	31 Baronial Gathering LIVE				

September Events

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Archery Practice 7:00 pm	2	3	4
5	6	7 Baronial Gathering LIVE	8 Archery Practice 7:00 pm	9	10	11
12	13	Baronial Gathering LIVE	15 Lillies War 8:00 am Archery Practice 7:00 pm	16	17	18
19 Lillies War	20	21 Baronial Gathering LIVE	22 Archery Practice 7:00 pm	23	24	25 Masters of the Duel 8:00
26	27	28 Baronial Gathering LIVE	29 Archery Practice 7:00 pm	30		