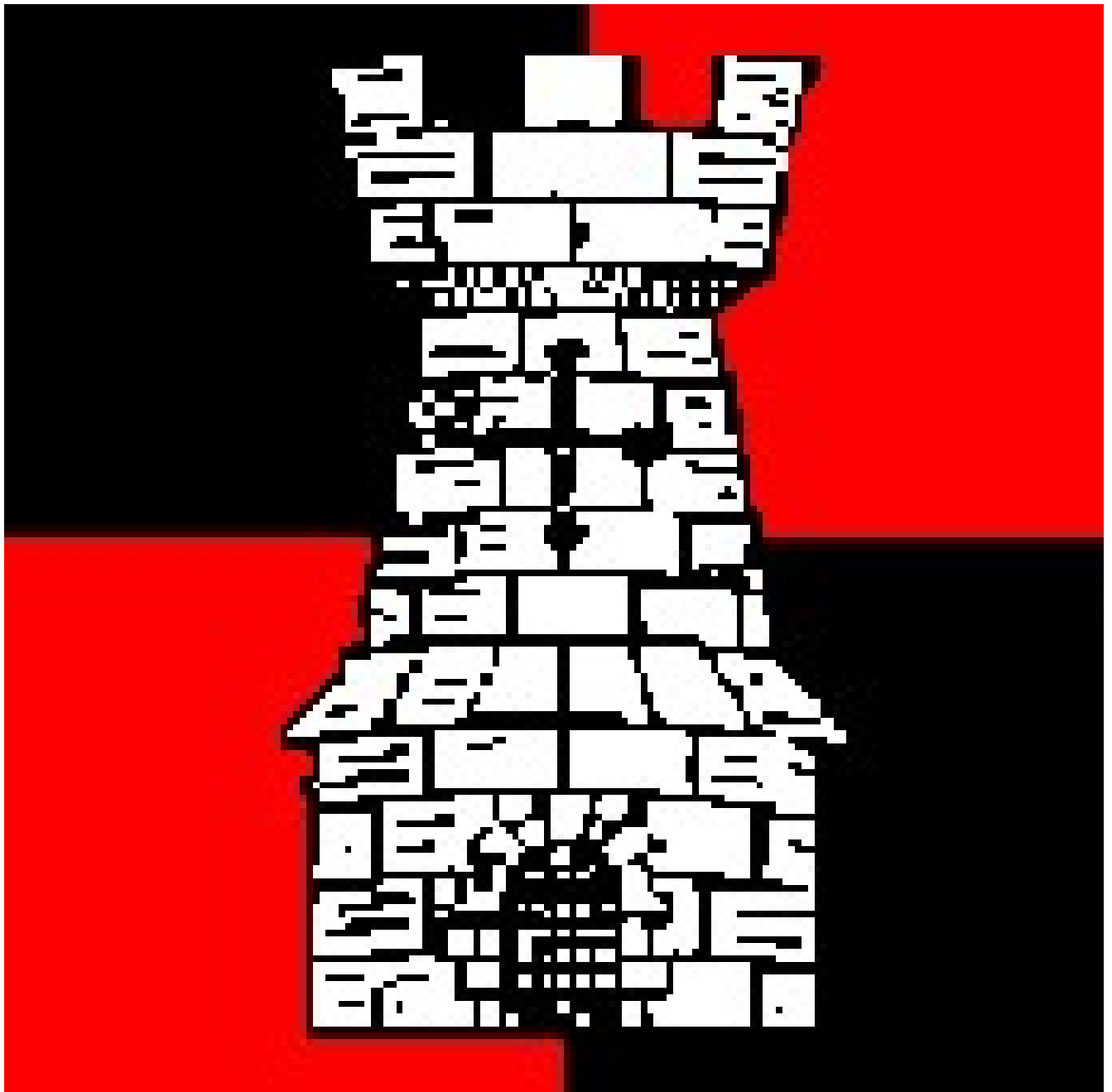
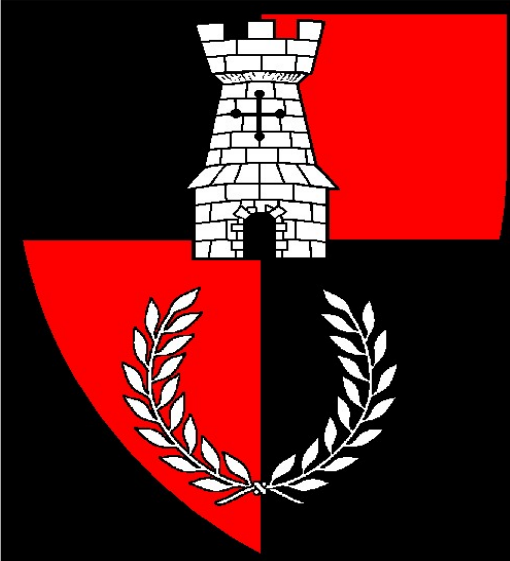


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## Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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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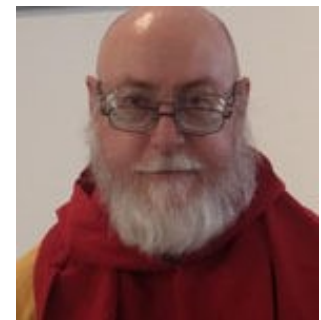
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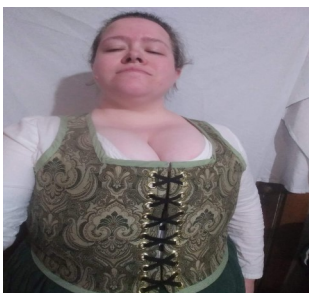
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# From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

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

We were excited to be attend Crown Tourney in the lands of Mag Mor, where We witnessed the honor and prowess of all those who were hoping to become the heirs to the Calontir thrones. Congratulations to Their Royal Highnesses, Hirsch and Magdalena, and We look forward to Their ascent at Coronation to be held here in Lonely Tower in January!

We are also happy to congratulate Lord Gaius on becoming a member if the Iren Fyrd!

Her Excellency Aleit was able to attend the Baronial Investiture for our neighbors Coeur d'Ennui the following weekend and enjoyed a beautiful day spent in good company with many of our populace as well as our neighbors and friends

We look forward to venturing west to the tournament for Toys for Tots later this month, as well as Kris Kinder in December, and hope to arrange for a Yuletide Baronial Revel on Saturday, December 18th to celebrate the holiday season with all of you. Please look for more details to come.

Yours in Service,  
Augustin & Aleit,  
Baron and Baroness

# Sage Words from the Seneschal

To the people of The Barony of The Lonely Tower

Greetings.

As always I will start off with the current Covid guidance.

As of the writing of this letter we are currently still requiring the use of masks by all attendees, regardless of vaccination status while within the confines of a building. I will state that I will not get into a discussion about what a building is, I think we all know.

Also, as of the writing of this letter, the kingdom has not put into place the CovidSafe policy laid out by the SCA but it is expected to be in place by the Toys For Tots event. Instead of repeating the SCA policy, please find it at <https://www.sca.org/news/covidsafe-proof-of-fully-vaccinated-status-or-negative-covid-test-policy-resolution/> If there any questions about this policy, please let me know and I will try to get them answered.

Moving on to other things. We have a Coronation event coming up in January. These sort of events take a lot of effort to run smoothly and any help is truly appreciated. If you are interested in helping contact myself or any of the officers. Now on to officers. The barony relies on the efforts of the officer core to keep things running smoothly. In general they serve for a two year term and then step down to rest and allow for new blood to enter the leadership. You do need to be a member of the SCA to serve as an officer and for a few, experience is needed but for most, a willingness to learn is all the experience you need.

At this time our Chronicler is coming to the end of his term and would like to step down. If you are interested in serving as the Baronial Chronicler, please get into contact with me or Lord Gaius Cornelius Scipio Titianus. We would greatly appreciate anyone stepping forward to fill this position.

As always, if there are any questions, feel free to contact me and I will try to get them answered.

In service

Aleksandr

# Chatelaine Chat

The Plague Times...Episode 12: Kris Kinder Market

Kris Kinder is an annual Calontir event that is held the second Saturday of December. This year it will be on December 11, 2021. It is hosted by the Barony of Forgotten Seas (Kansas City, Missouri). This year it's being hosted at a new site in Independence, Missouri that is larger than the former site. Since it is an indoor event, masks will be required regardless of vaccination status to better protect our populace, per Kingdom decree. The site is approximately 3 hours from Omaha, Nebraska. The day is primarily about shopping! Vendors from all over the United States and known world will be there. Everything from pottery to garb, weapons and armor to furniture and food. There will be an arts and science competition, and the theme is "Make something for your persona". A minimum of 3x5 card with documentation is required. Judging will be done by populace choice. There will be a heraldry consultation area. There will also be a Bardic story hour. There will also be meetings of various groups, like equestrians, glass makers guild, cooks guild, etc. So if you're interested in those things, this is a great low-key event to get to know others. There is an inn to provide lunch. For supper, it's fairly common to go out to a local restaurant because there are so many amazing restaurants in the Kansas City area.

So, you may be new to the SCA and wondering, "Well, what can I do at Kris Kinder?" First of all, you can go shopping. All those things you see and want for your kit, you can pick up at Kris Kinder. It's also a wonderful time to talk with people. You can spend time designing your heraldry, or picking out a name. You can meet with people and just chat. There's always a lot going on, and it's a fun event! If you don't want to travel alone to Kris Kinder, ask on the barony page to find others who want to carpool. Since it's only 3 hours, it's an easy day trip, and a lot of folks are willing to carpool. Additionally, if you're in need of loaner garb from the barony for the event, make sure to reach out to me, so we can get some to you before the event.

Yours in Service,

Jorunna Refsdottir

# Notice by the Chronicler

This is a reminder that my warrant as the Chronicler will be up by the end January. I need a replacement and it is a mandatory position for the Barony. It takes one day collect all the articles and put them in Publisher. I will be able to answer questions for those who take up the role. If interested please reach out to at [Blt.chronicler@gmail.com](mailto:Blt.chronicler@gmail.com).

Thank you,

Gaius

# Arts and Sciences Column

Hail and well met!

As the weather turns colder, we turn towards indoor activities. I have acquired an office space where we can meet for A&S activities. In accordance with SCA policies, masks will be required. Once the new COVID Safe policy is in place, we will adhere to that, as well. I am working with the other officers to come up with a day and time that will work for the most people. An announcement will be made once that is set.

In preparation for that, I need ideas for classes! Please tell me what you would like to learn by emailing [a-sminister@lonelytower.org](mailto:a-sminister@lonelytower.org) . If you have a class that you want to teach, please drop me a line, as well! This is also a good place to tell me what you have been working on so I can make sure you get the recognition you deserve for your hard work.

Upcoming competitions! These are a great way to show the local group and your kingdom what you have been up to. The next A&S competition will be at Kris Kinder in December. The theme is to make something for your persona. A minimum documentation of a 3x5 index card is required, but more is encouraged. If you need any help with documentation, please reach out to me and I will be happy to assist.

Other competitions coming up include: Winter Coronation on January 8th (blank borders and largesse), Clothier's Seminar on February 5th (GoA level and above), and of course Queen's Prize Tournament on February 12th .

Queen's Prize is a tournament is a great competition to enter. You need a sponsor who is a companion of the Calon Lily, Silver Hammer, or Laurel in order to enter. More information about requirements to enter can be found on the kingdom website, [www.calontir.org](http://www.calontir.org) , under the A&S section. While the competition isn't until February, it is never too early to start working on your project. If you have any questions or concerns about entering, please reach out to me. If you need a sponsor, try posting to the local or kingdom page! There are plenty of people who would be happy to sponsor you.

And finally, I plan to arrange A&S displays at the baronial revels. These will not be competitions, but a way to show off your work to the populace without pressure. There will be no theme, just a bring what you worked on and display it. Documentation is encouraged, but not required. You should be prepared to talk about it with interested parties, though. I know I will have questions for you.

In service to the dream,

Lady Eadaoin inghean Chionoidha



# Bullseye Bulletin

Cave canum!

The results of the September Society Seasonal Archery Challenge are in, and Lonely Tower rules!

In this shoot, a 40cm 5-color target was cut up into quarters, which were arranged vertically to represent falling leaves. Shot at 25 yards, each archer got two tries at each "leaf". There was also a timed round.

Of the 41 archers from across the Knowne Worlde competing, Master Dolan had the top two scores.

Lord Michael de Lundie once again tied with himself, coming in third in both Period and Open Crossbow.

Lord Michael also posted scores in Period and Open Handbow. Baroness Kezia had the top Period

Handbow score, and Lord Owain the Younger placed third in Period Handbow and sixth in Open

Handbow.

The October Challenge is the Ferrara Ring shoot, each archer shooting 3 arrows at six different sized rings, from 12" to 2" across.

The November Challenge will be a triangle shoot, based on Mongolian practices. The triangle represents a mounted archer, and there are three rounds, with the triangle in a different orientation each time.

We are currently holding practices at the Golden Arrow indoor range. Masks are required, as we are indoors. The cost is only \$5 per person, and we generally shoot from about 7pm to 8pm.

## 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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14 Baronial Gathering LIVE	15	16 Business Meeting 7:00 pm	17 Archery Practice 6:30 pm	18	19	20 Toys for Tots 8:30 am	
21 Baronial Gathering LIVE	22	23	24	25	26	27	
28 Baronial Gathering LIVE	29	30					

# December Events

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