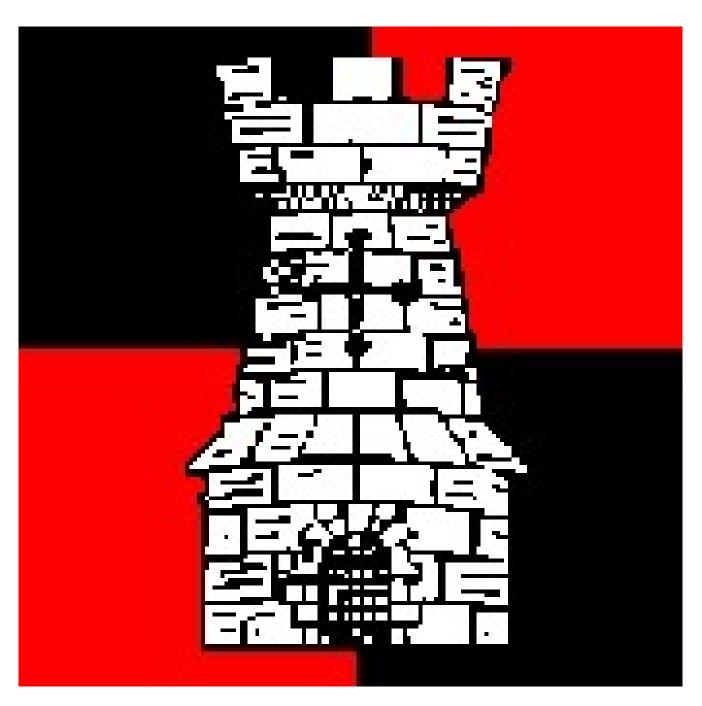
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Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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

Last month we traveled southeast to attend Toys for Tots. This was the first indoor event since the Covid precautions began and We are grateful to the staff who kept everything runing smoothly! It was a wonderful day, and it was marvelous to see so many of our friends both on and off the field. His Excellency and HL Cearr both participated in the Tourney and HL Ann assisted running the list.

This month we look forward to attending Kris Kinder for what promises to be a delightful day of commerce and community.

December 18 we invite you all a Yuletide Revel at Grace United Methodist Church in Glenwood from 2-6p. There will be a White Elephant for those who wish to participate, an arts and science display, and a tavern style lunch. Look for more details on the event page!

Shortly thereafter We are happy to host the Coronation of Their Royal Highnesses, Hirsch and Magdalena on January 8!

We hope to see many of you at these events, and hope you and your families have a most joyous holiday season!

Yours in Service, Augustin & Aleit, Baron and Baroness

Sage Words from the Seneschal

To the people of The Barony of The Lonely Tower

Greetings.

I hope you all had a good Thanksgiving and joyful plans are set for the coming holiday season.

We start off with COVID news. In case some are not aware, the Kingdom has adopted the SCA COVIDSafe Policy, as of November 15th. The COVIDSafe Policy requires that any person of age 12 or over show verification of full vaccination or a negative test taken within 72 hours of the start of the event. I am sure many of you have questions about this, most of which can be answered by checking the FAQ located at

https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/20210829-Proof-of-Vaccination-or-Negative-Test-Policy-FAQs.pdf.

Calontir specific information can be found at

https://www.calontir.org/covidsafe/

https://www.calontir.org/covid-guidelines/

If you still have questions about this, let me know.

In other news, the Kingdom Seneschal asked that I pass this along to the populace.

"The Kingdom Seneschal's office will be hosting a DEI (Diversity Equity & DEI (Diversity & DEI (Diversit

Kinder. In addition to enjoying snacky breakfast and lunch type food items, we will be discussing topics relating to DEI in Calontir. As the name implies, this brunch is open to everyone who wishes to attend. "

Also, a few things happening here, in the Barony. On the 18 th December, there will be a Yule revel, all are welcome. Some food will be provided but you are all welcome to bring your own.

Lastly, Coronation will be held in the barony on the 8 th of January. Please check with Ann if you wish to help out that day, help is always needed. If you just want to show up and welcome the new Crown, that is fine too. I hope to see you all there.

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

In service

Aleksandr

Bullseye Bulletin

Cave Canem!

The DoGs of Lonely Tower continue to dominate the Society Seasonal Archery Challenge. The October shoot was called Ferrara Rings, and 32 people from four different kingdoms participated. Master Dolan was once again the top archer, taking first and second overall, and first in both period crossbow and open crossbow, with Lord Michael de Lundie right behind him in second place in both divisions. Lord Michael demonstrated his versatility by also shooting in the period and open Handbow divisions, coming in second in period Handbow, right behind Baroness Kezia, who was first. Lord Owain the Younger and Baroness Kezia tied for seventh in open Handbow.

The November shoot is called the Triangle, and uses a large triangular target to simulate a mounted warrior. Those results should be available next month. No official competitions are scheduled for the rest of the winter, but archery practice will continue. We will be practicing the Gwynterian Winter Shoot.

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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01/2020 - Chancellor of the Exchequer						
03/2020 - Minister of Arts & Sciences						
06/2020 - Seneschal						
01/2021 - Knights Marshal						
08/2021- Web Minister						

December Events

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16	17 Business Meeting 7	18 Baronial Gathering I	19 Archery Practice 6:		21	22
23 Baronial Gathering	24	25	26 Archery Practice 6:3	27	28	29
30	31					