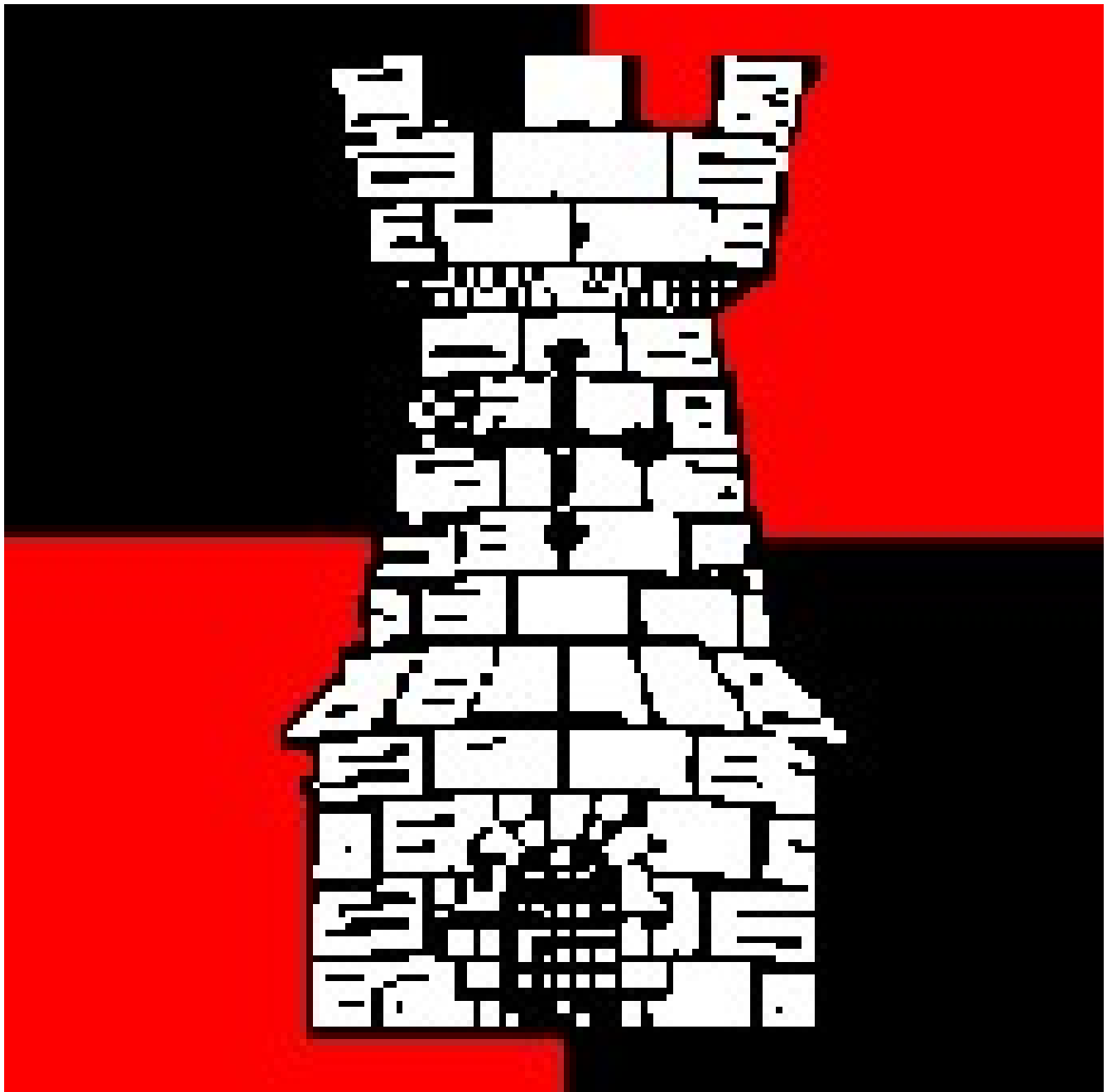
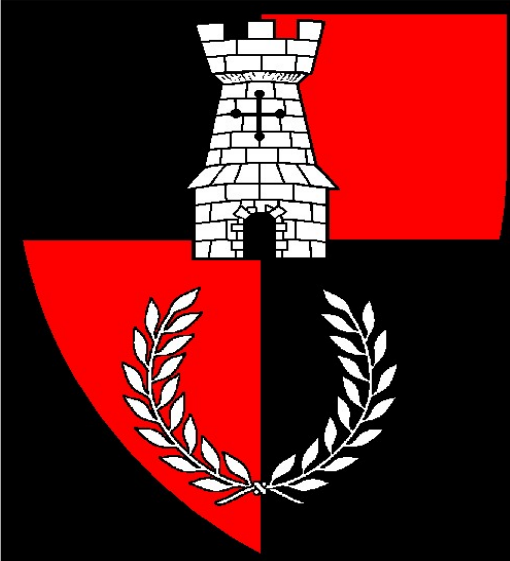


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Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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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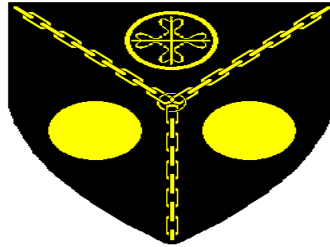
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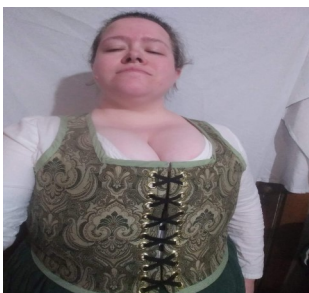
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From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

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

We write to you as final preparations are being made for the Coronation of Magdalena and Hirsch, which we are honored to host here in the Barony of the Lonely Tower. Our deepest gratitude to HL Anne and her staff for all the planning and hard work. News has just reached us that, due to the increased challenges of the pandemic, Their Royal Majesties have decided to limit attendees to 150 and are requiring pre-registration by January 5. We are disappointed that the first Coronation in two years will have limited attendance but We fully understand and support the need to be safe at this time. Please make the best decision for you and your family regarding attendance and We look forward to seeing those of you who are able to attend.

Our sincerest thank you to Lady Wulfrydd for hosting the Winter Yule Revel at her church last month, and to those who provided the food for our delicious afternoon of feasting, especially Mistress Roise and Sir Aleksandr. We had an enjoyable afternoon and were delighted to see so many of you. Congratulations to Tanneke, Nan, Evan and Fleur, whom we bestowed Cords and officially welcomed to Our barony.

We extend Our best wishes for a happy and healthy new year!
Yours in service,
Augustin & Aleit,
Baron & Baroness

Sage Words from the Seneschal

<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. I can't say I can answer all the questions you may have right away, but I will do my best to find the answers for you.

On to other things.

It was very good to see everyone who was able to attend the gathering on the 18th. It has been far too long since we have enjoyed each other's company and it was truly a wonderful thing to see so many smiling faces. I hope that we can continue to do such things in the near future.

I would like to take a moment in the middle of all of this to say something about meetings. I have been moving things around, trying to find what works best for everyone and I hope for this to stop here very soon. I know it's very hard for people to keep changing plans and I appreciate your patience. I also hope to keep all meetings that can be done online, online. This reduces the required commitment to attend such meetings and keeps us all a little safer in such times.

Lastly, Coronation is rapidly approaching and will be held on the 8th of January. If you have not already done so, please pre-register, this can be done at the link

<https://members.sca.org/apps/#MtgDetail/00001158>

Pre-registration is not required, but it is strongly encouraged.

If you are unable to, or do not feel comfortable being with us all at Coronation, we understand and you will be missed.

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

New Year, New Opportunities!

It is regularly said that the SCA is a hobby with 1000 other hobbies, and that's true. There's so many different things to do and try. This year of 2022, you should make part of your resolutions to try something new that you've never done before! If you're someone who loves arts and sciences, you have the opportunity to try so many different things, but why not step outside your bubble and try a martial activity, like knife throwing, archery, equestrian, cut and thrust, or heavy combat. If you're someone who does a lot of martial activities, try something completely different like glass work, mead making, or blacksmithing. If you normally focus on service and helping your local group or kingdom, try something you've always wanted to try! Just get out there and do something new! By trying something new, it will keep your love of the SCA fresh. You may find something you love, you never would have thought about previously.

Jorunna Refsdottir

Bull's Eye Bulletin

Cave Canem!

The results of the final Society Seasonal Archery Challenge are in, and the Lonely Tower archers continue their domination. Master Dolan and Lord Michael de Lundie had the only period crossbow scores, and the top two open crossbow scores. Baroness Kezia had the only period Handbow score (easy way to win the category!) Kezia and Sigrid also shot in the open Handbow category. There were 35 archers from four different kingdoms participating in this shoot.

This was the last of the scheduled challenge shoots. No other competitions are on the horizon. Archers will be quietly practicing until spring, when we can go outdoors again, and once again compete with each other. The Golden Arrow Archery Club's Indoor Range will continue to be open to non-members on Wednesday evenings, at a cost of only \$5 per person. SCA archers will be masked and asked to provide proof of vaccination, but archers should be aware that the club does not have these requirements.

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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January Events

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