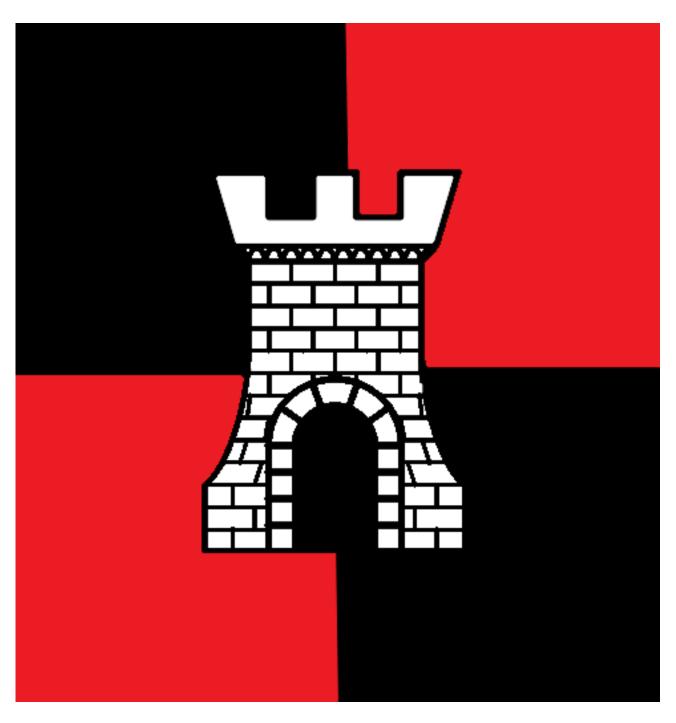
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Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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 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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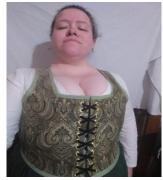
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From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

Greetings unto the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

As spring begins to blossom across these lands, we are excited for the many events planned in coming weeks. While neither of us were able to march to War with this fair Kingdom, we were excited for those of you who did make it South and are glad for your safe return.

We were pleased to join Fleur for leatherworking class taught by Thorbjorn Christiansen, where we learned some introductory skills and each made a mug strap!

Family matters have called Her Excellency East however His Excellency is greatly looking forward to attending Crown Tournament to find out who the Heirs to the Falcon Throne will be! We hope many of you are able to attend as it promises to be a wonderful day.

It is never too early to plan Arts & Sciences! The lists have opened for Queen's Prize Tournament, to be held in conjunction with Melees & Mayhem at the end of next month. We hope many of you will take the opportunity to enter any of the many projects you have been working on, or projects you have yet to start!

With anticipation,

Augustin and Aleit

Baron and Baroness



From the Seneschal

To the people of The Barony of The Lonely Tower,

Greetings.

A few things this month,

Some of you may have noticed, we have started to include the notes from the business meetings to help keep everyone informed about what is going on. I know they are not the most riveting of reading but I do hope they help people understand what is going on.

Next. Planning continues for the July event, now called "The Grand Trourney", to be held on the weekend of of July 22^{nd} with Equestrian and armored combat activities planned. The Gate opens at 5pm on the 22^{nd} and closes at noon the 24^{th} . I do hope to see all of you there.

Talking about events, we are hosting Coronation in October. This event was originally going to be crown but due to the shift in the kingdom calendar, it is now Coronation. Ann is planning some fun things for the day, to include a crested helm tournament. As usual, more to come.

This past Friday, the 25th there was a meeting with the Kingdom. Many things got covered and I will go over a few of them here

Covid related:

We no longer have to fill out the contact tracing forms and the old covid check form has been replaced by a new covid wavier style form which has to be sent to the wavier secretary after the event. We still need to wear masks when indoors but they no longer need to be N-95 masks. Lastly, there is still no sharing of water or other drinking containers.

With luck things will continue to improve and rules will relax more.

If you have questions about the covid policies, please check the FAQ at:

 $\frac{\text{https://www.sca.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/20210829-Proof-of-Vaccination-or-Negative-Test-Policy-FAQs.pdf}{\text{FAQs.pdf}}.$

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.

In service,

Aleksaudr Александр

Minutes from February Business Meeting

Attendees:

- Chatelaine/Social Media Jorunna
- Knights Marshal Charles
- Archery Marshal Dolan
- Web Gaius
- Chronicler Tatjana
- Arts and Sciences Eadaoin
- Seneschal Aleksandr

Officers

- Baron and Baroness
 - Baroness is out of town for a month to deal with family things
 - Please continue to do all your awesome AandS stuff
 - Had a fun leather working class
 - Clothiers is coming up followed by Crown
 - Going to a pile of events starting in May, War Collage, Valor, some others.
 - We can use the Hill Crest facility for A and S but it needs to be reserved.
- Chatelaine/Social Media
 - We have added 4 new people to the facebook group over the past few weeks, which is cool
 - Not much else going on right now
- Exchequer
 - current 7,383.66
 - only one outstanding check for 35
 - All of reports are in kingdom hands
 - Unable to log into gmail account
 - No sig card news, could be in the email, who knowwwws
 - needs access to exchequer, online accounts
 - The hats need to be fixed, enamel ic cracked
 - need to hold committee meeting for hats and armor
- Knights Marshal
 - Fighter practice is pretty successful
 - Tuesday is mostly light work but successful
 - Can't wait to go back outside
 - Need to fix up armor
 - mostly buckles.
 - Need the money to cover the repairs.
 - Will forward request to financial committee
- Archery Marshal
 - Been pretty quite, no one is showing right now.
 - Planning on going outside first Wednesday in

April, weather permitting.

- Hope that once things are free and less covid worries that it will pick up.
- Herald
 - Not present.
- Web
 - Updating the calendar
 - should be up to date but let him know if anything is missing
 - Needs to track the login credentials for some accounts.
- Chronicler
 - Not present
- Arts and Sciences
 - Sounds like leather working was fun
 - Next month will be Nalbinding if they can find a teacher or it will be an online class covering drafting patterns.
 - Looking for people to teach a class
 - Planting and garden planning class, May 14th at 10am.
 - Probably being moved as that is the same date as Kingdom A and S
 - Queens Prize is not on May 21st.
 - One class a month.
- Coronation
 - We have a site
 - Crested helm tourny
 - weather permitting as fighting is outside
 - Crown is on April 9th
 - Christina running gate
 - is the weekend before Halloween
 - Has some ideas for the inn.
 - Whole pig?
 - Is cook's guild willing to do it
 - Can it be done on-site
 - •
 - There is an auction, info to come.
- Grand Tourney
 - we have a pretty web site
 - its on the Kingdom calendar
 - flyer has been submitted
 - needs
 - inn steward
 - gate steward
 - Working on photos and map of the site.
- Kingdom meeting on the 25th to cover changes around Covid
 - should be ramping down
 - We may have 3 separate waivers at the july event

A Note from your Chronicler

Greetings unto the citizens of Lonely Tower,

I just want to remind you that the Banner is a great place to share your knowledge and your talents with a wide group of people in the Barony and beyond! I'd love to see cover art, borders, small filler art, in addition to articles about what you are doing, researching, or experiencing in the SCA. And because we are mostly digital, your work can be displayed in all it's glory here on these pages! Deadline for the May edition will be April 25th. Share your passion with the Known World!

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Arts and Sciences

Hail and well met from your MoAS!

There's a lot of exciting things going on in the world of A&S! The first weekend in April is the rescheduled Clothier's Seminar, including the Walk Through History fashion show. Queen's Prize was moved to May 21st, so there is still time to find a sponsor and enter what you've been working on.

I am in the process of trying to find someone to teach Naalbinding for April. If that does not happen, I will be doing an online class for how to use Seamly2D to pattern garments on the computer. Cristina has also agreed to teach a gardening class at her house on Saturday May 14th at 10 am.

If there is a class that you would like to see, please reach out to me and I will do my best to get it arranged!

Finally, my warrant is up in August of this year. While I have loved serving as your MoAS, I fear that my life has become quite busy and I cannot devote the time required to do this position properly. As such, I am seeking letters of intent from interested parties. They should be sent to myself (a-sminister@lonelytower.org), the seneschal (blt.seneschal@gmail.com), and their Excellencies (baronage@lonelytower.org).

In service to the dream,

Lady Eadaoin inghean Chionoidha

<u>Archery</u>

Archery is moving outdoors in April! Join us at the outdoor range at 9100 Pawnee Road, 68122, from 6:30 pm until dark on Wednesday nights, weather permitting. This is a free public range, so we may be sharing with other archers.

The Society Seasonal Archery Challenge will be available, although at this time the exact format for the shoot has not been decided. Loaner gear will also be available, but if you ask first, we can make sure it will fit your needs.

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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	Credits				
Arts & Sciences Champion					
(1st Quarter)	Baronial Officers photos—page 3:				
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03/2020 - Minister of Arts & Sciences					
06/2020 - Seneschal					
01/2021 - Knights Marshal					

08/2021- Web Minister



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Clothier's Seminar 8:00 am
3	<u>4</u>		<u>6</u> Archery Practice 6:30 pm		8 Calontir 2022 Spring Crown Tournament	<u>9</u> Calontir 2022 Spring Crown Tournament
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<u>17</u>	18	A & S Get Together	20 Archery Practice 6:30 pm	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	23 Masters of the Duel 8:00 am
<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	Baronial Gathering	<u>27</u> Archery Practice 6:30 pm		29 Unslung Heroes 5:00 pm	30 Melon Wars 9:05 pm