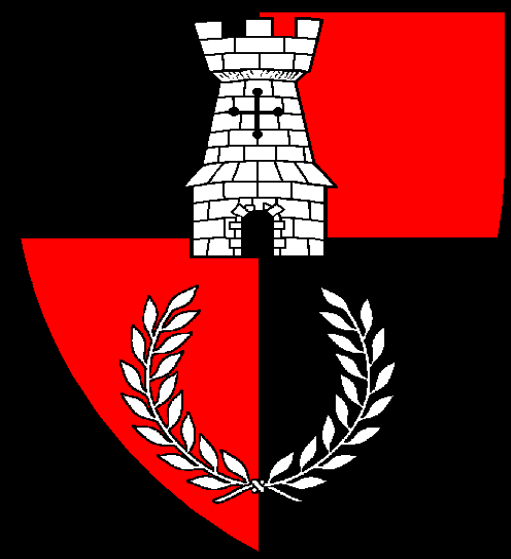


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Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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!

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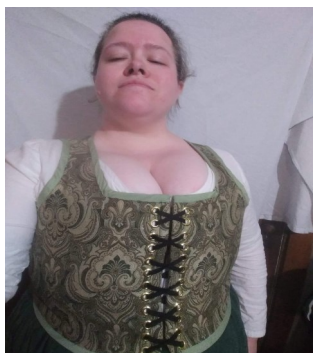
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From the Seneschal

To the people of The Barony of The Lonely Tower
Greetings.

First, the Grand Tourney was a huge success. Everyone seemed to have a wonderful time, even with the heat. Many good times were had, stories told, and others made while on the tournament fields, in horse arena, and in the cooler air of the center. None of this would have been possible without the work of a dedicated core, the barony owes them all a huge thank you.

With The Grand Tourney done we need to look forward to Fall Coronation, to be held on October 8th here in Lonely Tower. We have a great steward at the helm for this but she will need some help. I hope you all step up and help Anne with this event as you did with the last, remember, we all lift together.

Now on to officers. The Barony will soon need to fill several offices. Jorunna would like to step down as the Chatelaine / Social media officer and Wulfridith as the Herald. We all appreciate the wonderful efforts of both of these ladies and are sad to see them step aside but hope they both get to take a well deserved break.

If anyone is interested in taking over either of these offices, please get into contact with myself and / or the relevant officer. We will set up a chance to chat and move forward from there.

What would a letter from me be without a run down of the current Covid rules, here is a repeat of the current Covid Rules for the Kingdom as given to me by the Kingdom Seneschal.

"Current Rules for Calontir Event Attendance (effective June 13, 2022)

1. *COVIDSafe - The COVIDSafe policy is separate from these guidelines, and will remain in place until the criteria for suspension have been satisfied. More information on the COVIDSafe policy can be found at <https://www.calontir.org/covidsafe/>.*

2. *Masks*

A. *Masks are not required outdoors.*

B. *While indoor masking is generally encouraged, those individuals who meet the CDC definition of "Fully Vaccinated" may choose not to wear a mask indoors.*

C. *All those who **do not** meet the CDC definition of "Fully Vaccinated" must wear masks covering the nose and mouth while indoors, save those under 24 months of age.*

3. *Food*

A. *There are no restrictions on food at this time.*

4. *Drink*

A. *The only restriction at this time is the current Society prohibition on the use of shared drinking vessels for water bearing.*

Requests from the Crown:

1. *If you are medically able to get the COVID Vaccine, please do so. If you are due for a booster, please get one.*

2. *Please do not attend gatherings if you are not feeling well. If someone in your household is Covid positive, or symptomatic, please stay home.*

3. *Please respect the comfort levels of those who wish to follow more stringent masking and distancing practices than are strictly required.*

4. *The SCA is an organization of chivalry and community. Please remember these values and help us all set a good example for the rest of the Known World."*

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All current Covid related information can be found at the following locations. If you need hard copies of these, please let me know and I will get them for you.

Please check the FAQ 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. 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

Aleksandr

Nalbinding class

Greetings!

I will be teaching beginning Nalbinding on August 9th, at Halleck park during our usual Tuesday Gathering/Fighter Practice. I have needles you may borrow for the class, and some yarn for demonstration. If you wish to continue on your own, you may wish to bring your own yarn. It needs to be a wool yarn. See you there!

Mir,

Tatjana



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

01/2024 - 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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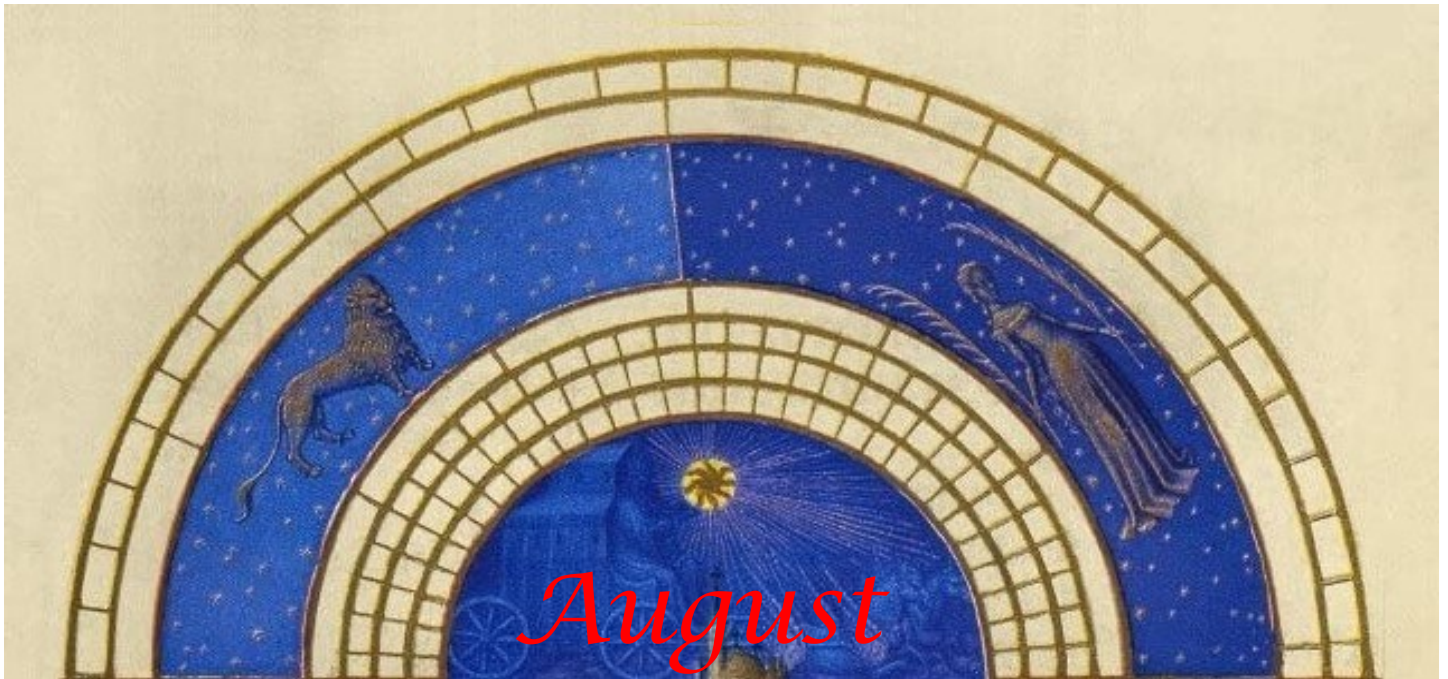
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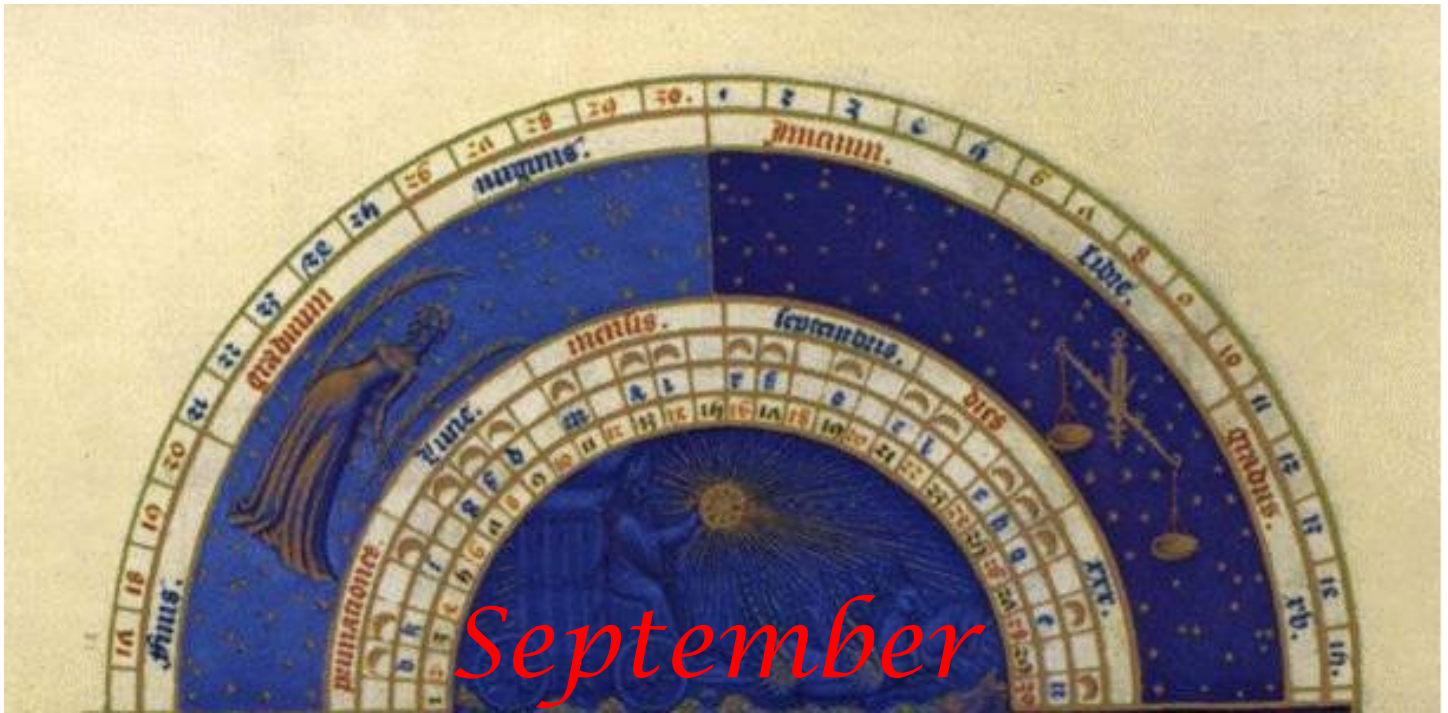
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	<u>1</u> Pennsic	<u>2</u> Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark	<u>3</u> Archery Prac- tice 6:30 pm	<u>4</u> Pennsic	<u>5</u> Pennsic	<u>6</u> Pennsic
<u>7</u> Pennsic	<u>8</u> Pennsic	<u>9</u> Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark Nalbing Class	<u>10</u> Archery Prac- tice 6:30 pm	<u>11</u> Pennsic	<u>12</u> Pennsic	<u>13</u> Pennsic
<u>14</u> Pennsic	<u>15</u> Business Meeting 7:00 pm	<u>16</u> Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark	<u>17</u> Archery Prac- tice 6:30 pm	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u> St. Augustine's Faire "The Search for Saint Expeditus"	<u>20</u> St. Augustine's Faire "The Search for Saint Expeditus"
<u>21</u> St. Augustine's Faire "The Search for Saint Expeditus"	<u>22</u> Letters and Articles due for The Banner	<u>23</u> Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark	<u>24</u> Archery Prac- tice 6:30 pm	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u> Cattle Raids	<u>27</u> Cattle Raids
<u>28</u> Cattle Raids	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u> Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark	<u>31</u> Archery Prac- tice 6:30 pm			



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