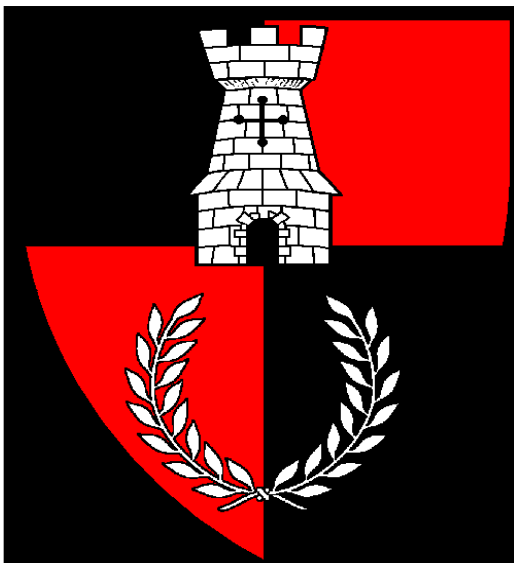


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## Welcome to the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

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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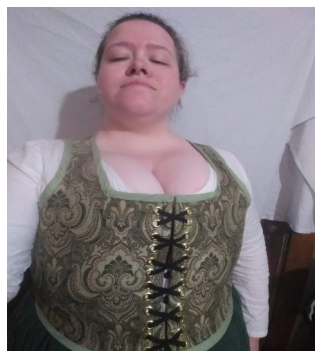
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# From the Baron and Baroness of the Lonely Tower

Greetings unto the populace of the Barony of the Lonely Tower!

We have recovered from our travels south to war, and are pleased to confirm our warriors fought honorably and well. There were many activities to participate in and classes to attend. We were pleased to see so many of you there! The Baronial Shade was welcoming to many and held fast through all the storms, thanks to the new center pole. Master Rolf served bravely as Her Excellency's champion in the Baroness sponsored Savage 6 Cut and Thrust tourney. As Sir Bjarm was unable to attend, the Honorable Lord Konall fought valiantly as Her Excellency's champion in his stead in the Baroness sponsored Ax to Grind Ax and Buckler tourney, placing third. We were glad to host the ladies Fleur and Tanneke in the Baronial encampment for their first Lilies, and to see many come together to equip Kat to try Cut and Thrust on site! We witnessed many in attendance at His Lordship Cearr's shoemaker class, as well as at Her Ladyship Astrid's scrimshaw class, and Her Excellency was delighted to see the outcomes from a few excited students. We were glad to see Her Ladyship Cristina cheerfully passing by in her inconceivable amount of volunteer hours as she kept Lilies rolling. We know it is impossible to be all places at once, but we hope everyone had a delightful time at the first Lilies in the new era. If you saw any good gentles doing good things please submit award recommendations to Us or Their Royal Majesties.

July will be a busy month, with Her Excellency hoping to visit Cour d'Ennui for their event, then Kingdom Arts and Sciences in Forgotten Sea the following weekend. We greatly look forward to hosting the Grand Tournament over the weekend of July 23! Please reach out to Lady Jorunna to volunteer, as many hands make light work, and help is still needed for set up and tear down, as well as throughout the day.

As the weather warms and daylight extends, we are glad to be returning gatherings and practices to Halleck Park and hope to see many of you there. Please also consider joining the Business meetings which are open to the populace and hosted online, the third Monday of the month.

Finally, it has come time to resume our Baronial Revels. If you have any ideas for these or wish to help with coordination, please reach out to Us or Sir Aleksandr.

With anticipation,

*Augustin and Aleit*

Baron and Baroness



# From the Seneschal

To the people of The Barony of The Lonely Tower

Greetings.

I would like to start by announcing that we have found a replacement for Eadaoin for the office of Arts and Sciences. I would like to thank Eadaoin for her service and welcome Lady Tonika. She is pretty new to the group but is already stepping in. I know everyone will do what they can to welcome and help her.

On a similar note, Jorunna wishes to step aside as the chatelaine and social media director after three years of serving the Barony. If you are interested in this office, please let me or Jorunna know.

The Barony's next event is the Grand Tourney, starting on the Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of July and running until 24<sup>th</sup> of July. This will be a wonderful event and I do hope to see you all there taking part in the fun. They are still in need of a few people to help with both set up and take down, if you have time to help with these efforts, please let Jorunna know.

After the Grand Tourney will need to take a breath and then start to gear up for Coronation which will be held on October 8<sup>th</sup> at the Relevant Center on 204<sup>th</sup> and Maple. Ann is working hard to make sure it is an amazing event, expect per-registration to start soon after Pennsic.

I am now going to take a bit of space to repeat the new 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
  - Masks are not required outdoors.
  - While indoor masking is generally encouraged, those individuals who meet the CDC definition of "Fully Vaccinated" may choose not to wear a mask indoors.
  - 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
  - There are no restrictions on food at this time.
4. Drink
  - 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."

**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*

# Business Meeting Minutes

## Attendees:

- Knights Marshal – Charlies
- Herald – Wulfridh Maynes
- Chatelaine/Social Media – Jorunna Refsdottir
- Exchequer – Michael Nymandus
- Archery Marshal – Dolan Madoc of Harlech
- Web – Gaius Corneilus-Scipio Titianus
- Chronicler – Tatjana Nikonovna
- Arts and Sciences – Eadaoin Inghean Chionoidha
- Seneschal – Aleksandr Yaroslavovich Vyetikov

## Officers

- Baron and Baroness
  - Had a wonderful time at Lilies
  - A great time was had by all
  - Received another floor project
  - More information coming on this
  - We don't need to tithe for Grand Tourney
  - Start planning group project for October Coronation
  - Coifs?
  - Aprons?
  - Please submit ideas to her Excellency
  - Augustine is finishing his Cut and Thrust marshalling
  - Would like to arrange a C&T monthly meetings
  - Not on Tuesday, maybe on a Sunday.
  - A and S candidate – Tonika – will be taking over in Augustine
  - Thank you to those that worked on the new center pole for the Baronial Sun Shade.
  - Next, new ropes.
- Chatelaine/Social Media
  - New guy, Ed
  - Keeping things up to date
  - 2 new members went to lilies, Fleur and Tanika
- Exchequer-not present
- Knights Marshal
  - Several fighters from the Barony at Lilies
  - On the schedule for practice tomorrow at Hal-leck Park
- Archery Marshal
  - People have been coming to practice
  - new guy, Ed- Cearr's tattoo apprentice
  - Michael deLundie will be hosting archery practice for the next 2 weeks
  - Dolan sick, Kezia quarantining.
- Herald- not present
  - Been going through some family issues
- Web
  - Should be up to date
- Chronicler
  - Recovering from surgery
  - Worked out getting news letters to everyone
  - Deadline for articles and letters is Jul 2nd
- Arts and Sciences
  - Recovering form surgery
  - Need to reschedule the Nallbinding Class
- Revels
  - Sunday- July, 10<sup>th</sup> at Halleck? Maybe not?
  - More to come
  - Next possible date is August 20<sup>th</sup>
  - After that, September 17th
- Grand Tourney
  - Got insurance letter in
  - Gate and Covid volunteer slots all full
  - Need more people for set up and tear down
  - people are already pre-regging
  - C&T added to event
  - Master Mikhail from Mag Mor marshaling
  - All activities are scheduled for Saturday
  - No equestrian at Cattle raids
  - Event posted to North Shield calvery page
  - Inn budget increased
  - Site open Friday night to put food in fridges and such
- Coronation
  - Email sent about setting up pre-reg
  - talk to Aleksandr and Michael soon about pre-reg starting right after Pensic
  - Possible Feast
  - Their Majesties would like it.
  - Catering Kitchen
  - so any feast would have to be pre cook
  - would be small feast
  - maybe 30 or so.
  - Need feast steward for the above
  - Need inn steward
  - Putting out calls for marshalls etc
  - Have a royalty liaison
  - No theme as of yet, 1<sup>st</sup> Century Calontir?
- Seneschal
  - Remember to get your reports in for this quarter.

## 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 Ulancumbe

#### 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

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3	4	5 Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark	6 Archery Practice 6:30 pm	7	8	9
10	11	12 Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark	13 Archery Practice 6:30 pm	14	15	16 Kingdom Arts and Sciences 9:00 am
17	18 Business Meeting 7:00 pm	19 Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark	20 Archery Practice 6:30 pm	21	22 Grand Tourney 5:00 pm	23
24 Grand Tourney	25 Letters and articles for Banner due	26 Fight Practice/ Gathering Halleck Park 6:30—dark	27 Archery Practice 6:30 pm	28	29 Pennsic	30 Feast of Eagles Pennsic
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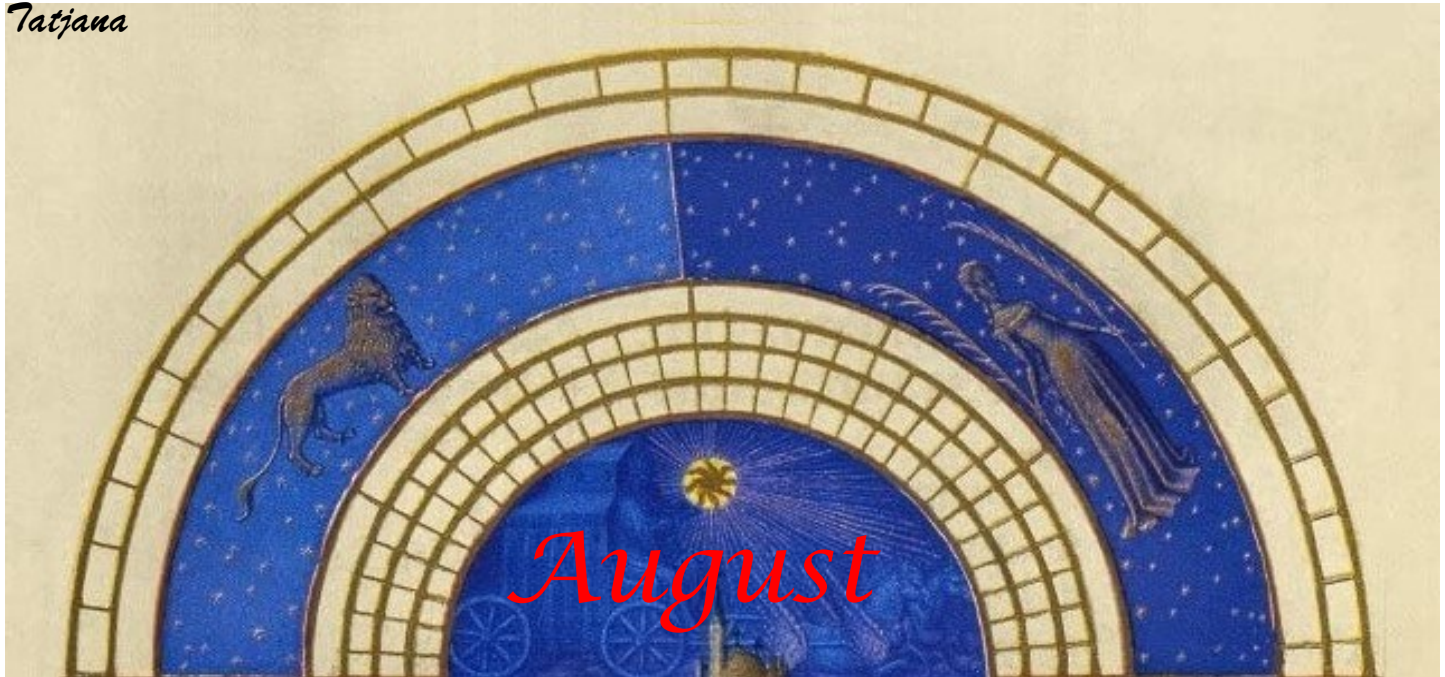


## Nalbinding class

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 should be a wool yarn. See you there!

Mir,

*Tatjana*



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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 Nalbinding Class	<u>10</u> Archery Prac- tice 6:30 pm	<u>11</u> Pennsic	<u>12</u> Pennsic	<u>13</u> Pennsic
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