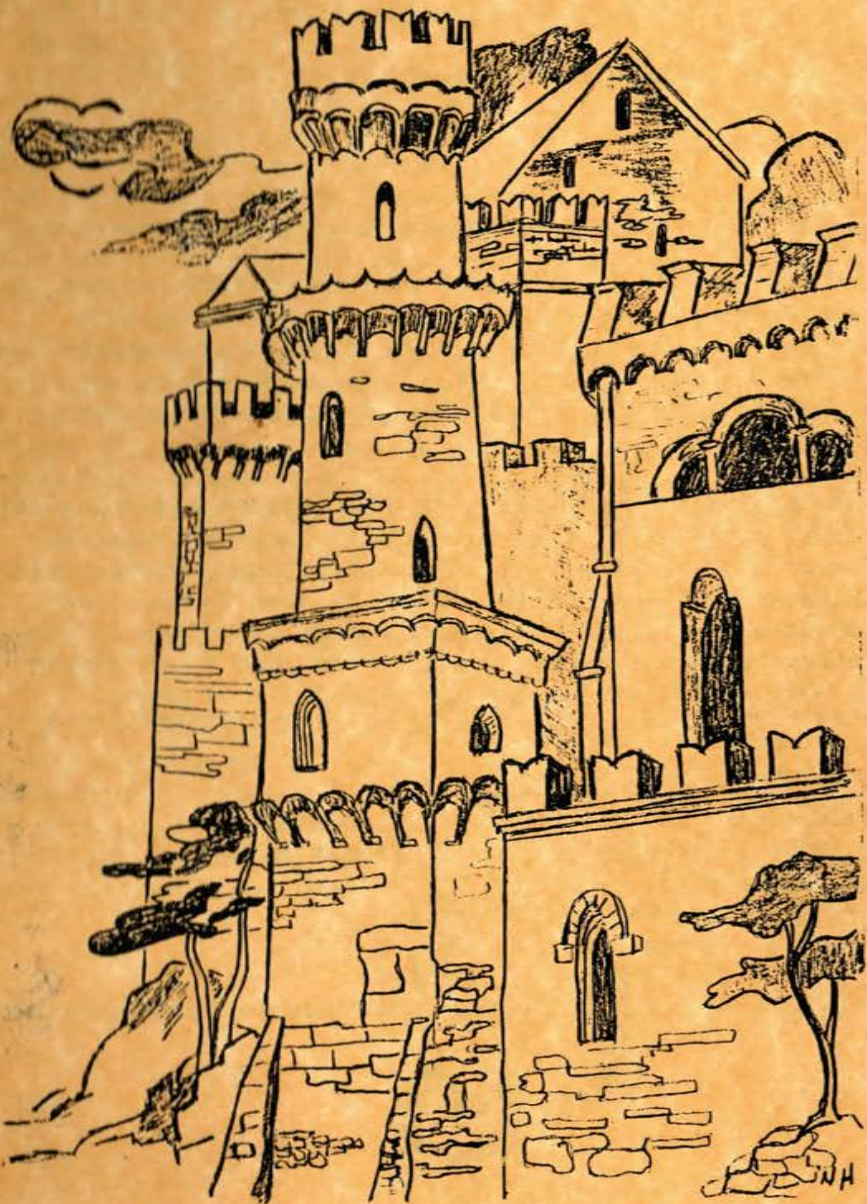


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March AS XXII



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a more perfect Union,
Preserve, U.S. Constitution USA 92



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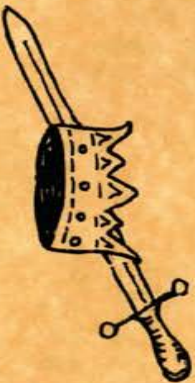


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from the Baronage

Unto the Barony of V'Tavia,

Spring is finally here! With it comes the growth and awakening of our group. Also comes the many activities which gives us the opportunity to have fun, to help our group have fun and to help the SCA as a whole prosper. There are only a couple of catches: you have to know what is happening, and you have to take part in what is happening.

We would like to re-emphasize the need for everyone to stay informed. Attend populace meetings, read your Dragonflyre, and/or talk to people about what is going on. We have found the most fun is to be had by being active and getting involved. If you have ideas, talk to someone about them. Especially if you are new to the group, or if you feel new, don't be afraid of trying a new idea.

Next month, V'Tavia will be holding it's bi-annual Champion's Tourney and Archery Match. Check this space next month for details; but remember that you do not have to be an authorized fighter or archer to participate. Try to get as much of your equipment together as possible. If you lack a helm, (or some such), don't worry, you can probably borrow. DO NOT count on borrowing all the armour. A tourney takes too long if combatants have to fully re-gear after each bout.

Your Baronage,

Tedrick and Aideen

P.S. We are interested in having as large of an entourage as possible for War of the Lilies. If you have nothing planned for Memorial Day Weekend, and would like to take part, talk to us! Remember, that if you are not in a particular household that is active at Lilies, the Barony is your household.



*from the Seneschal*

Greeting!

I'm Ceithlenn, your new Seneschal (and formerly Herald). My chief Deputy is Lady Briallen. If you can not find me, find her, she'll find me (believe me!). Look for more informational epistle next month.

Please support Lady Phillipa, our Ren-fair coordinator.

In Service,

Ly. Ceithlenn nic
Ruaidhri

*from the Minister of Arts*

Greetings to you all from the new M.O.A.,

Due to my getting this office less than 12 hours ago, I have very little to say. Anyone that is doing anything in the arts, please let me know so that you can get congratulated and encouraged. If you aren't, I want to know why not! You should be! More next month.

In Service,
Ly. Phillipa

Chroniclers Note:

Letter on following page for interested Artists.

To all good gentle folk of Calontir I offer greetings!

Their Royal Highnesses have requested that at least one set of dances at each official Kingdom event held during their reign be accompanied by live consort. Additionally, they've emphasized how important this is to them by making it my obligation to see that it is done.

I share this with you not as a complaint, but to let you know the concern with which our Sovereign Heirs are pursuing this matter.

I need your help. I need for the musicians of each group to do the following things (It is at the point of using this kind of cultural adornment that our encampment truly emerges as a society.)

1. Choose a correspondent in your group.
2. Let them know what instrument(s) you play.
3. Make a commitment to attend Kingdom events (at least those you can afford to attend) and please donate to the Kingdom the time it would take to practice a few simple tunes for which I'd gladly supply the music, and the time of one set to perform them.

Please have the correspondent get in touch with me as soon as possible so I can help you to respond to Their Highnesses' request.

I can be reached between 6 and 11 PM Central Time at
314-367-8835, or by letter c/o Norman Teck
4915 Lindell Blvd., 3W
St. Louis, MO 63108.

Since there may be financial considerations regarding the acquisition of period instruments, I'm going to take the liberty of placing the importance of performing the music over the authenticity of some instruments. Violins and celli are close enough to the appearance and (when muted) sound of viols. Trombones are descended from the sackbut and with the right coaching lend an appropriate sound to the ensemble. Keyboard players, xylophone-type bells are period, and in moderation can be used very effectively. Guitarists and drummers, I need your help, too!

Please help me to fulfill my Royal charge.

Yours in service to Calontir,
Ld. Raphael Tempovaloroso, OGS, OCL

CHRONICLERS NOTE: Ly. Phillipa Lloyd-Turpin has music for persons interested in above letters. Contact her for more info. She is acting as local point of contact. Phone (142) 1043.



From the Minister of Sciences

Greetings unto the populace,

If you are currently working on any sciences related projects, or are about to start one, please contact me and let me know about it so I can forward your endeavor to the proper place, or may be able to help you with any problems. If you have any questions contact me, if it doesn't apply to this office, I will endeavor to forward it to the right person so that you may receive proper recognition.

I also would like input on anyone interested in classes on brewing, or calligraphy/illumination. please feel free to call me...

In Service to the Dream,

Ld. Moriagh Teige O'Flaithbheartiagh



From the Chronicler

Greetings to the populace,

We now have a regular staff working on the DRAGONFLYRE, I wish to thank each of them for all their hard work, also thank you to all the other contributors; check credits for all their names.

We still need help however: art, articles, poetry, stories, ideas, ect.; if you are reading this or know of someone that would like to help please contact me. We all hope to receive input from everyone in the Barony, so that we can keep you better informed, this is your newsletter!

(continued next page)

At the end of this report is a listing of all gentle subscribers who's subscription expired or will expire with the april issue. If you wish to resubscribe or to get a new subscription, please contact me, or feel free to use the form included in this issue, thank you.

In Service to V'Tavia

Ld. Triston Rory de Jorses

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From the Archer-Marshal

Greetings,

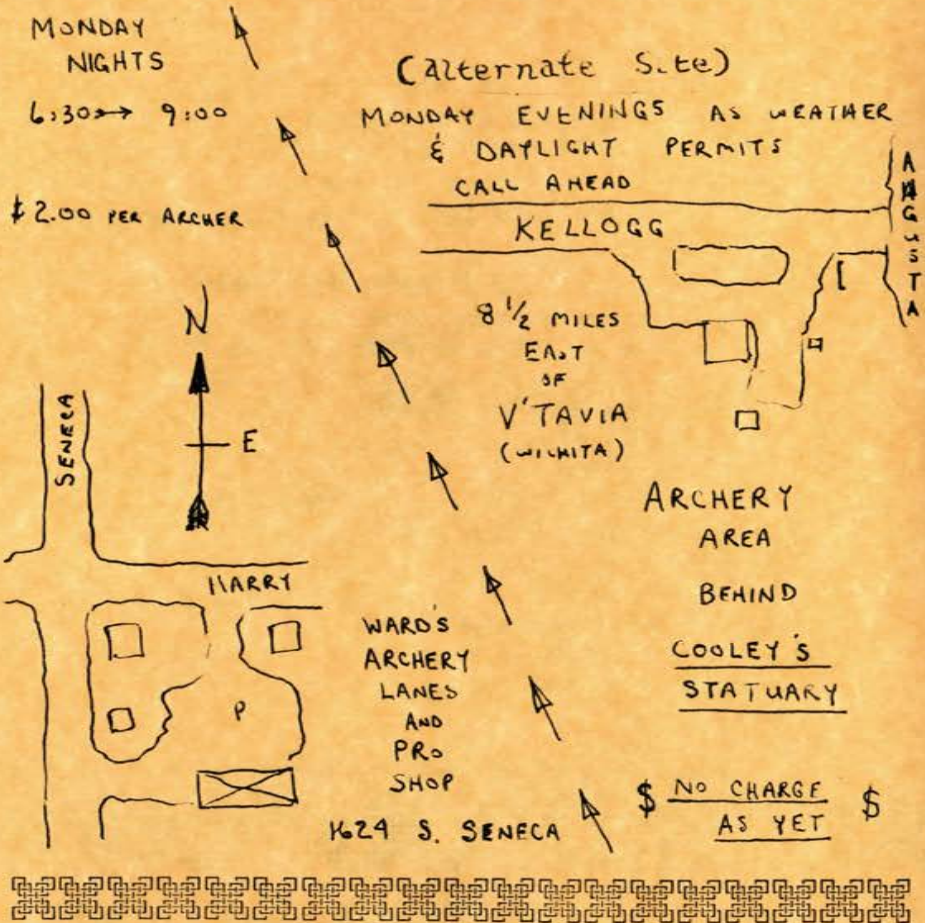
I am happy to report that much pleasurable archery has come to pass, since the yule time.

Most regularly now, we have six or more gentles all archering at the south Seneca indoor range. Next month all look forward to possible archery vending at our local Ren-fair. Please refer to map for location and times for archery. More later...

Until Next We Meet, Fare Thee Well,

Stephen of House Firefall North

Note. See map next page...



from the Chatelaine

Greetings from the Chatelaine,

Loaner garb is available for those who need it or have friends or new people in need of it. However, we currently need a wider variety of ladies garb, in a wider variety of sizes. If you need garb or help please contact me. If you are aware of any new people to the Barony, please have them contact me.

In Service to V'Tavia,

Ly. Briallen Ferch Cadfael

from the Minister of Children

From the office of the MOC,

The following is the tentative schedule of activities for the Coronation of Thorvald & Branwyn.

10:00-11:30 AM

MOC learning session. What is Coronation & What is Heraldry-COUNTESS Hywela & Abbott Ambrose.

11:30-1:00 PM

Lunch with parents.

1:00-4:00 PM

MOC activity session, to include making masks for the smalls to wear to the ball. Also a surprise is planned, for more info contact Countess Hywela.

4:00 PM

A sitter service is recommended for this time to allow smalls to rest before the ball.

In Service,
Countess Hywela



Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday MARCH 1	Wednesday 2	Thursday 3	Friday 4	Saturday 5
						LEGEND OF ROLAND MOUNTAIN (GRINNELL IA.)
6 FTR PRACTICE LINWOOD PARK 1230- ? pm scout meeting 1-2:30pm linwood park	7 ARCHERY 6:30-9:00pm	8	9 BARDIC 7:00-10:00pm	10	11	12 CORONATION EVENT LONELY TOWER (OMAHA NE.)
13 Fighter Practice	14 archery	15	16 Officers meeting 6-7pm Populace meet 7-10:00pm (in garb) <u>Dragonflyre</u> Deadline	17	18	19
20 KPTS CH 8 fundraiser 1-6 Fighter Practice	21 archery	22	23 bardic	24	25	26
27 Needleworkers meeting Fighter Practice	28 archery	29	30	31	APRIL 1	2
3	4 archery	5	6 bardic	7	8	9 RUSH AXED ROOT (AMES IA)

THE BARONY OF V'TAVIA

Awards Recommendation Form

Date: _____

NAME: _____

AWARD: _____

RECOMMENDED BY: _____

COMMENTS: _____

SENESCHAL/CHAMPION BARON BARON/SES

Recommended: _____ Approved: _____ Approved: _____

Comments: _____ Comments: _____ Comments: _____

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CORONATION SYMBOLOGY

by Thomas Bactin

A coronation was an opportunity for unprecedented extravagant spectacle during the Middle Ages. The ceremony embodied the essence of the period, combining the sacred with the secular, Roman legal thought and tribal customs, tradition and innovation. Naturally, it was fraught with symbolism, which this essay will explore.

The focal point of the ceremony was the crown. In most places the crown made a man the king. "Coronation" and "crown" come from the Latin "corona", ("garland"), which refers to the laurel wreaths placed on the heads of victors and other notables during the Greco-Roman period. At that time the diadem, a fillet of linen or silk (later of metal) identified the monarch. With the establishment of the Roman republic, the diadem dropped into disuse, and it was not until the barbaric invasions that the notion of a distinctive headpiece reappeared.

The medieval crown was an amalgamation of tribal, Roman and ancient customs. The arched crown was introduced around the beginning of the fourteenth century. Coronets for lesser nobility also began to appear at this time, although it was not until 1660 that English barons were permitted to wear them.

In some kingdoms, it was not the crowning that made the king, but the anointing with oil, as in the Old Testament. Kings skirmished with each other and with the Pope over anointment throughout the Middle Ages. Eventually only five monarchs had the right to be anointed: The Holy Roman Emperor and the kings of England, France, Jerusalem and Sicily. (The king of Scotland later acquired the right.) The French and English kings gained the privilege of anointment with chrism, a special oil used in the ordination of priests. Its significance was that the "Holy Oil separated the King from his subjects, made him like a priest, conjoined him with other Kings, and gave him precedence over those who did not enjoy the right."¹

The act of sitting on a throne did not make a king, although in Scotland, it was necessary, but not sufficient, to be crowned while sittin gon the Stone of Scone. Enthronement was a remnant of the old Celtic custom of placing the newly elected tribal chief on a shield and lifting him aloft so that all may see and know him. The scepter also came from the Celts. As a symbol of his authority, the tribal chief would be handed a spear.

The orb, on the other hand, came from the Romans. The orb represents the world, while the cross that surmounts it signifies Christ's dominion over the world.

The coronation ring symbolized the marriage of the King to the people. The sword and spurs represented the military aspect of the King and his position as the Premier Knight of the realm.

The coronation rite itself is rife with symbolism. The recognition of the king developed from the "election" of the chieftain among the Celtic tribes of Germany. At one point the sword and the spurs were offered up on the altar, and later were redeemed for a sum of money. The symbolism here was twofold; it was a sign of humility and of submission to the teachings of the Church.

Above all else, the coronation was a visible sign of the continuity of the government, and a renewal of the contract between the government and the people.

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Announcements:



Vivat to:

Ld. Robert of the Woodlands; who will be knighted at Coronation, March 12th, Lonely Tower.

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- Ly. Ceithlenn has moved. Her new address is 205 N. Oliver, Wichita Ks., 67208. Phone (685-1182)
- Baronial & William Blackfox tee shirts are available size/price; Reg/\$5, X-Lg/\$6, XX-Lg/\$7, XXX-Lg/\$8. Contact Baroness Aideen for details. (529-2281)
- Anyone interested in doing beadwork should contact: Duchess Mammara (942-1058)
- Anyone interested in learning to work with Damascus please contact Ken Snyder (775-1109 or 775 7547) a work group is now forming, dates, time will be posted as available.
- Deadline for April Dragonflyre is Mar 17th.
- There will be an Officers Meeting March 16th at Kiwanis Park, 5021 W. 2nd St. From 6-7pm. (In Garb!)
- There will also be a populace meeting same place 7:00-10pm (ALSO IN GARB!)
- Barony needs volunteers for KPTS CH 8 fund raiser Mar. 20th, From 1-6pm, Contact Baroness Aideen for details.
- Ren-Fair dates Apr. 23, 24, 30 & May 1. We need help to get everything ready in time. Contact Ly. Phillipa (942-1045) for info or to volunteer to help.
- Anyone interested in becoming a scout for the Barony & Kingdom there will be a meeting March 5th at 12:30pm contact Ld. Triston (262-1194) 9am-9pm or see me at ftr. practice. We would like input from both fighters & non-fighters.

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- Ld Triston.

CORONATION CELEBRATION
Coronation of Thorvald the Golden
and Branwyn Whiteraven

Saturday March 12, A.S. XXII

Location : Fremont Auditorium - Fremont, Ne. (35 miles Northwest of Omaha) Site is damp - Beer and Wine allowed. -----

Theme : Age of Jean Froissart (1337-1410) English Knight and Historian.

Competitions : To be done in style of the theme where possible:

- Head Gear** A) Helms
B) Fashion Head Gear (non-helm)

Masks - To be judged by their Majesties during the first dance.

Fighter's Exclusive - Fighter's Tabard - To be judged on the fighters. (fighter must sew them)

Best Heraldic Display - Sponsored by Baron Charles Stewart O'Connor

SPECIAL - A tournament for the populace : To consist of your choice of five out of the following eight :

- 1.) Fighting (single elimination)
- 2.) Bardic (spoken, song, recitation)
- 3.) Chess or Backgammon
- 4.) Embroidery (prepared)
- 5.) Music Performance (Instrumental and vocal)
- 6.) Heraldry Quiz (written)
- 7.) History/S.C.A./Calontir Quiz (written).
- 8.) Written Poetry (prepared and period)

DETAILS : More on the populace tourney to follow. You may enter fewer but not more than five of the contests. You must enter five to be considered eligible for the tourney.

FEAST : To be a two remove feast featuring, Crowned Flesh of Fowl, Beef Coronet in Burgundy Sauce, and various side dishes. Their Majesties wish that you bring candles to help set the mood at Feast.

Ad Addendum : A pot luck dessert bar will be served during The Royal Masked Ball.

Prices

Feast : \$5.00 Before March 1st \$6.00 after.

Site and dessert bar : \$4.00 Before March 1st \$5.00 after.

Deduct \$1.00 off site and dessert bar with membership, also receive \$1.00 refund at the door for a dessert that serves eight (one refund per adult).

Children : 6 to 16 \$2.00 site fee (not subject to above refund), under 6 free.

Children's Feast : 12 and under, will be served free and consist of chicken, potatoes, rice, fruit, bread, cookies.

Make checks payable to SCA Inc. - Barony of Lonely Tower

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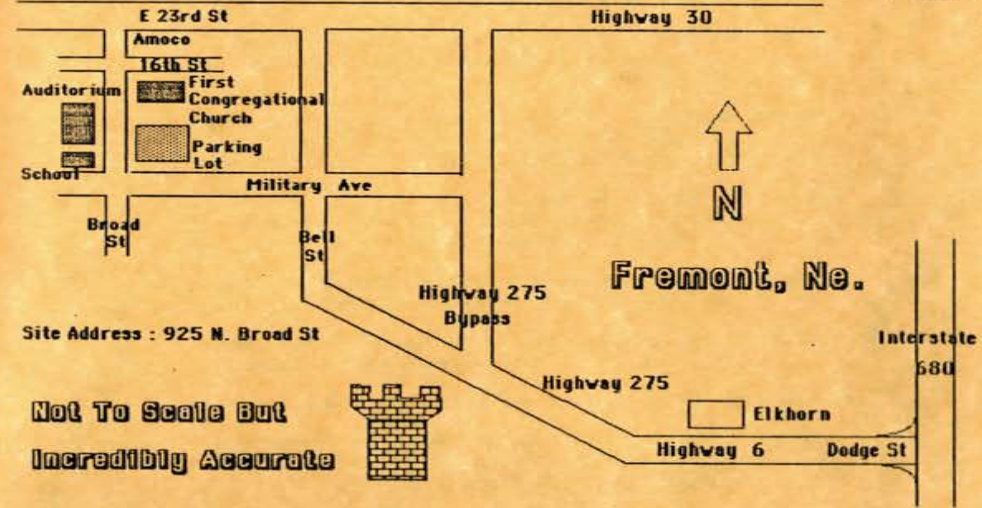
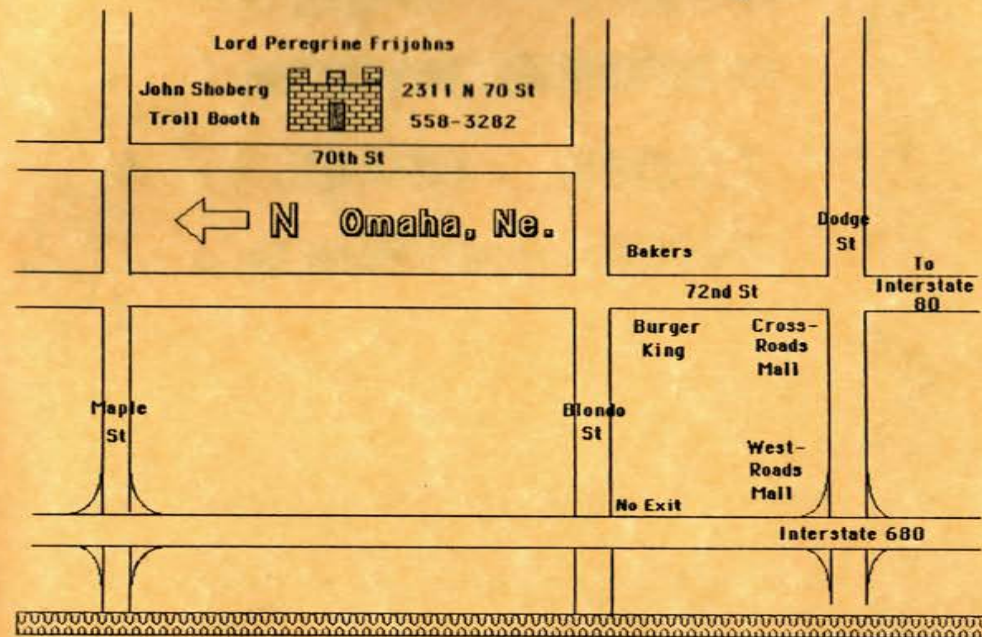
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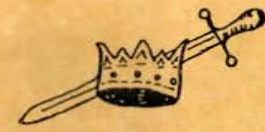
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Calontir Coronation Maps



**Not To Scale But
Incredibly Accurate**



interest groups

NOTE: If you wish to list your group in the Dragon-flyre please contact Ld. Iristan (Rick Haddaway) phone 262-1194 9 am-9 pm

ARCHERY: Meets on Monday nights. Call Stephen of House Firefall (Steven Burris) if interested. phone 733-1936

BARDIC RECITATION: Meets alternate Wed. from 7:00 to 10:00 at the home of Ld. Moriaugh Teige O'Flaithbheartiaqh (Bob Flaherty) If interested, contact him at 943-9051

DANCE: Forming, will announce date, time and place. contact Ld. Friar Thomas Bacon (David Moreno) at 685-1182

FIGHTER PRACTICE: Will be held at Linwood Park. For more information, contact the Knight Marshal Ld. Conn Dryhtguma (David Dressler) 685-9565

MIDEASTERN DANCE: By appointment only. If interested, contact Duchess Mammara, (Annabel Vinduska) for details. Phone: 942-1058

NEEDLEWORKERS: Next meeting Sunday, March 27. Contact Ly. Ceithlenn for details. Phone: 685-1182

SEWING: Group in progress. Call Countess Elisabeth (Lisa Mohr) if interested. Phone: 522-7670

NOTE: DATES AND TIMES OF MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE. CONTACT THE GROUP LEADER FOR INFORMATION.

BARON - Sir Tedrick Von Wolfschatten
(Ted Hager). 529-2281
BARONESS - Ly. Aideen the Audacious
(Jane Hager). 529-2281

Baronial Officers

Seneschal - Ly. Ceithlenn nic Ruaidhri
(Amy Billington). 685-1182
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(Lisa Mohr). 522-7670
Treasurer - Ly. Katherine Helena
(Katherine Woodworth). 522-1658
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(Patricia Gardner). 942-1045
MOS - Ld. Moriaugh Teige O'Flaithbheartiaqh
(Bob Flaherty). 943-9051
Knight Marshal - Ld. Conn Dryhtguma of Marr
(David Dressler). 685-9565
Chronicler - Ld. Iristan Rory de Jorses
(Rick Haddaway). 262-1194
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