



# The Higher Word

Barony of Ered Sul

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August 2020

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## Words from the Coronet

Greetings Great and Noble Populace of Ered Sul,

As we were given the privilege to serve as your Baron and Baroness three years ago, we were filled with excitement of the unknown and overjoyed to be serving Ered Sul and the Kingdom of Atenveldt. We cannot express in words the absolute joy and honor it was for us to serve you all. We would like to thank everyone that contributed to our success as your Baron and Baroness. It was definitely a group effort. You all made it extremely easy for us to succeed. During our reign, we strengthened old friendships and made new ones that will last a lifetime.

As you all know our time as your Baron and Baroness has come to an end. On August 15th, at Noon, we will be stepping down and you will get a new Baron and Baroness. The stepping down and investiture will take place via live stream on Zoom. More details for this will be forthcoming.

We cannot express just how lucky we feel to have been your Baron and Baroness. We love this barony and that love has only increased with our reign. We will miss representing Ered Sul as your Baron and Baroness. It is with much love and respect that we end our time.

Yours, as always, in service to the dream,

Robert and Kolfinna Av Bergen

Baron and Baroness of Ered Sul

# Calendar

August 2020

All Kingdom events for August 2020 have been cancelled. Please see the Facebook page for updates and possible virtual meetings.

# Announcements

## The Grand Queen's Prize

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Virtual

Greetings, Atenveldt!

These long months away have made Me miss My friends and chosen family fiercely, and I'm really missing seeing all of the amazing new art that you all create!

So then it hit.... Why not use Our online resources to hold a Grand Queen's Prize? And that's exactly what We're going to do! Here's how it will work:

In the next few days, We will be creating an online event on Facebook (if you don't Facebook but would like to enter, please ping me directly, I'll get your stuff posted for you).

Within that event, there will be a series of posts. Each post will be a category. So, for example, "Unfinished Item" might be a post in that event. Got an unfinished item that you'd like to enter? Perfect! This is the post for you! Post as a comment a picture of your item and add in any additional pictures, comments, documentation, etc as a comment to your original response. Do not enter each as its own separate comment to the original post, that's how things get lost!

Posts will stay open for the duration of the event, so everyone can go in and see all the cool things being made by their friends. There will be prizes for populace choice, so be sure to like your favorites!

There are a few ground rules to this thing, because I really want it to be a fun, happy experience for everyone! This competition is in the spirit of joy of what we do and to share art. We are asking that unless an artist -specifically requests- judgement based feedback the focus remains on positive and positively constructive feedback. Moderators are being asked to remove reported comments that violate these standards.

If you want to show us what you're working on and see what everyone else is up to, though, this is totally for you!!

There will be a category for no prizes, for those who just want to show off some stuff... I may post in there, never can tell.

And the prizes.... You were going to ask about that, right? Winners will be announced and contacted for a mailing address, so you could totally end up with a fun prize for entering your work!

The event will close down mid-August, so you've got just a couple of weeks.

Also! With Our friends and family circles getting bigger and more spread out every day, there will be an Out of Kingdom category, too! The more, the merrier!

I'm so excited to see what you all are working on!

Elizabeth ♡

## Investiture

August 15<sup>th</sup> 2020 ZOOM virtual meeting

Please look to the Facebook page for more details. More information coming soon.

## Fun Facts

### Dragons

Stories of dragons exist in many different cultures all around the world. It is suggested that dragons may have evolved separately both in Europe and Asia, but what encouraged it? Some scholars say dinosaur fossils could have been misinterpreted as being the remains of the great beasts. The Nile Crocodile, which could reach up to 18 feet in length and had the ability to elevate its body off the ground or “high walk” and the Goanna in Australia, a large species of monitor lizard with “razor-sharp teeth and claws” could hold clues to what inspired stories of dragons. Goannas in particular “may produce venom that causes bite victims’ wounds to develop infections after an attack”. It’s also possible that the bones of whales led ancient people to believe these creatures were predatory. Smithsonian magazine argues that “the most fascinating explanation involves an unexpected animal: the human”. Anthropologist David E Jones says that belief in dragons is widespread due to evolution embedding “an innate fear of predators in the human mind”. Humans do not have many natural predators to fear, but the fear is present nevertheless.



Sources:

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/where-did-dragons-come-from-23969126/>

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# Officers of Ered Sul

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# Open Positions

## Sheriff



The Sheriff is in charge of the Lost and Found and maintaining/planning watches for our events.

Please contact Their Excellencies for more information on available positions.

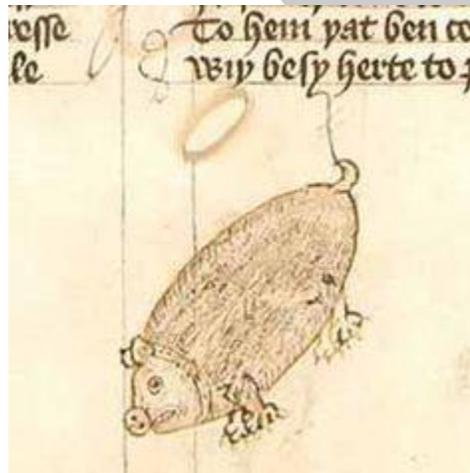
# The Higher Word

Lower

“I said happy ending, I didn’t say sex.”

- Josh

*Overhear a dicey quote? Have a major foot-in-mouth moment?  
Submit it to The Higher Word (or Facebook)! After all, those who laugh together stay together!*



<https://www.pinterest.com/VerdaccioStudio/illumination-mistakes/>

## Games

# Medieval Creature Word Scramble

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MCNIRTEOA

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IRAPVME

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EWRWEFOL

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KEY: unicorn, dragon, mermaid, elf, basilisk, ogre, centaur, griffin, wyvern, mantichore, vampire, werewolf

## Other Ways to Contact Us

Society Website: <http://www.sca.org>

Kingdom Website: <http://www.atenveldt.org>

Barony of Ered Sul Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/SCAEredSul/>

Baron of Ered Sul Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/135613726524285/>

Highlands War Website: <http://www.highlandswar.org/>

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