

# *The Tower*



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## HISTORICAL SIDENOTES

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Louyse Bourgeois (1563-1636) France

Bourgeois studied midwifery under the tutelage of her husband and another physician. Working among the poor for five years while waiting to join the guild, she noted the effects that poor maternal nutrition had on both babies and mothers. She went on to become the midwife to important women, among them Queen Marie de Medicis, for whom she delivered seven children. It is interesting to note that she was paid more for the birth of a male than a female. As was true for other women in the medical field, the death of one of Bourgeois's patients gave male physicians the opportunity to criticize women practitioners in general. Her greatest contribution was the book that she wrote in 1608 on midwifery, in which she described the female reproductive system, the importance of good prenatal care, signs of fetal death, and the need for induction of labor when there was evidence of distress.

[Reference -- Lesser-Known Women: A Biographical Dictionary by Beverly E. Golemba, p7.]

## *Calendar*

### January

9 Twelfth Night Moot Zion 7 pm  
10-11 Queens' Prize No Mountain (Grinnell IA)  
17-18 Winter War Maneuvers Mag Mor (Lincoln NE)  
24-25 Mongols on Campaign Oakheart (Springfield MO)

### February

7-8 Clothiers' Cúm an Iolair (S. Johnson County KS)  
14-15 Estrella War Atenvelt (Florence AZ)  
28-March 1 Chieftains/ Kingdom Jubilee Three Rivers (St. Louis MO)

### March

1 Chieftains/ Calontir Jubilee  
21-22 Gulf Wars Gleann Abhann (Lumberton MS)  
28-29 Coronation TBD