

# Order of the Silver Mind

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**Type** Religious, Monastic Order

**Location** Stonehill

**Notable Members** KanamahI Calder, Malok Calder

## Structure

The monks of the Silver Mind followed a tier system determined by skill, age, and experience. Generally it was older more experienced monks who taught the rest and were in charge, however in rare circumstances young monks could climb the ladder fairly quickly.

## Culture

The Order of the Silver Mind believed that the world is shaped by a person's own actions. For the monks, and those who follow their teachings, a person's actions are more important than promises and speeches. This often means that gaining the trust of the Order (and it's followers) was usually a simple task, but keeping that trust required constant effort to show that one was a committed and trustworthy person.

## Public Agenda

The monks intended to keep their province free from (the perceived) oppressive presence of the Angels of Iron. Though they took no issue with individuals and small groups practising the religion, dedicated temples were not tolerated within the province.

## Assets

The Order's greatest asset was their monastery; a large domed building in the center of Stonehill Keep. There they trained their acolytes, and housed their collection of artifacts. No one but a monk (or acolyte) was allowed within the dome and it was rumoured to be full of priceless items.

With the collapse of the Order the secret to entering the Dome was lost, and nothing remains but an empty shell now used as a city hall.

## History

The Order was created by a Goliath man named Augrein Silvermind Calder. According to the monks histories, Augrein was on top of a mountain when had a vision of a giant who taught him the fighting styles the monks practiced as well as their beliefs of personal freedom. Since then, the monks strove to emulate his teachings and pass on his wisdom.

The Calder family lived up to Augrein's legacy and were one of the most personally powerful families in Ovenica at one time, however due to their beliefs they took very little interest in the things that happened outside of their hold.

## Disbandment

With the loss of their copy of The Accords of Manoa, the Order began to tear at the seams. Malok Calder was already vying for control of the Order, and this loss was the final straw. Kanamah Calder was ousted as leader and fled the city in shame. Malok began a reportedly aggressive era of leadership for the order before the War for Stonehill. When Kurleigh swept in to aid Stonehill, Malok intended to rebuff them and even fight them if necessary.

Seeing his flawed leadership, the other members of the order exiled him and joined the war effort against the Angels of Iron. When the war was finished, few members of the Order remained. Instead of trying to rebuild, those few decided the last several decades were enough of a sign that their way wasn't working, and they dissolved the Order.

Though their order is no more, there are still those who follow the teachings of Augrein Silvermind Calder, but they often keep to themselves and not since the War has more than two or three followers of the Silvermind broke bread together.

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