

## THE ICG NEWSLETTER

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The International Costumers' Guild, Inc. (ICG), is an affiliation of amateur, hobbyist, and professional costumers dedicated to the promotion and education of costuming as an art form in all its aspects.

## FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to the first issue of *The ICG Newsletter*. Later issues may appear with a better name, but for now, we're trying to keep it simple.

Why are you receiving this newsletter?

The ICG was founded on the principle that communication is important to the process of learning. Over time, we've kind of lost touch with each other, except for those brief times when some of us meet at Costume-Con, WorldCon or other events. While we do have a web site (http://www.costume.org/) and a mailing list (ICG-D@yahoogroups.com), we don't really get a representative sample of our total membership.

There are changes in the works, some of which are being discussed on the ICG-D mailing list.

The ICG Newsletter is the direct result of discussions that have taken place on the ICG-D Mailing List. It is our intention to place this newsletter in all member mailboxes on a bi-monthly basis for the foreseeable future

Costumer Quarterly has only 120 subscribers at this time, and is in danger of being dropped entirely as a communication organ. We hope to pick up where the Quarterly leaves off.

Your opinion matters! Send us your comments and let us know what you think!

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This column will be more useful once we have a couple of issues under our belt.

If you have any questions, suggestions or comments, articles you've written, or artwork you might want to see published, please send them to our address and they will be printed in an upcoming issue of *The ICG Newsletter*. Or, email your comments to: newsletter@costume.org. We can accept articles in text, RTF, M\$ Word or Corel WordPerfect format by email, or hard copy if absolutely necessary.

## ICG TREASURER'S REPORT

The ICG Treasurer, Sharon Trembley, is in the process of cleaning up the membership records for several of our chapters. Starting with the next issue of this Newsletter, we will include her report on the financial status of the ICG, including Current Members (total), New Members since last issue, and Chapters in Arrears (which hopefully will be an empty list).

## CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

Starting with the next issue of *The ICG Newsletter*, the current membership tally will be posted in the Treasurer's report. If you think there's been an error, please contact either your chapter Treasurer or the ICG Treasurer.

## CHAPTER BUSINESS

We'll be publishing news regarding the operations of the ICG in future issues of *The ICG Newsletter*. It's our hope that by sending this information out to all ICG members, we can help alleviate some of the communication issues we've had in the past. If you have any questions about the information published here, please contact your local chapter or send your questions to us.

## PROCEDURAL STUFF

**For Your Information:** When the ICG puts a question up to vote, whether it passes or not depends on the positive or negative votes of a percentage of the current membership. These percentages change depending on the type of proposal placed before the ICG Board of Directors and Officers.

Sometimes the percentage is based on the number of people and valid proxies at the Annual ICG meeting. Other times, the percentage is based on the total number of members in the ICG. Sometimes this difference can be confusing. It's the job of the ICG Parliamentarian to judge which method is appropriate.



## THE ICG ANNUAL MEETING

The next ICG Annual Meeting will take place at Costume-Con 21, which will be held April 18-21, 2003, (Easter Weekend), at the Doubletree Northshore Hotel in Skokie, Illinois (near Chicago). See their web site at www.jennifarse.com/cc2003/ for more information about purchasing memberships. The meeting is presently scheduled for Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, but there are discussions afoot to change the meeting to Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. Watch this space for further announcements.

## ICG OFFICERS FOR 2002-2003

President	Darla Kruger
Vice President	Carl Mami
Treasurer	<b>Sharon Trembley</b>
Corresponding Secretary	Jess Miller
Recording Secretary	

## HELPFUL HANDS OF THE ICG

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www.costume.org

#### **ICG Mailing Lists (via email)**

ICG-D@yahoogroups.com (general discussion) ICG-BOD@yahoogroups.com (Board & Officers) ICG-T@yahoogroups.com (Treasurers)

ICG-D is open to everyone, including non-members.

Instructions for subscribing to any of the ICG Mailing Lists can be found at this URL:

help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/groups-19.html

## FEATURE ARTICLE

## COSTUME-CON ON THE WEB BY BETSY R. DELANEY

Costume-Connections is the only authoritative source for information about all Costume-Con (CC) conferences past present and future. But where did it come from and how is it managed?

Costume-Connections was originally based on the Costume-Con Fifteen (CCXV) web site. When CCXV ended in May, 1997, we put together some post-conference information, including competition participant lists, a newspaper review and photos, together with updates to our local costume resource list.

It wasn't long before I heard from CC16 and CC17 committees, asking for details about the previous cons. I was able to dip into my personal collection of paperwork from the previous CCs and find at least the contact information for the people who were asking for it, but it seemed to me that keeping the stuff private, in my personal collection wasn't helping anybody - it was simply taking up space in my filing cabinet.

After a discussion at Arisia with Karen and Ricky Dick, it became apparent to me that I was sitting on a goldmine of useful statistical data. At the time, I was working for a web site hosting and management company as a web designer. I did some research, talked with the company's owners. About a month afterwards, we launched www.Costume-Con.org.

Since then, the site has garnered lots of compliments. We see visitors from across the country and around the world. Visitors range in interests, age and ability. We often see high school students looking for college costume design programs. Other people are looking for information on specific costume construction techniques or places to acquire custom costumes.

Over the next few months, we will be placing more photos on the site, as well as more statistical information. Some time soon we will be moving to a database format, to dynamically generate pages. This should make it easier to search through 20 years of CC history.

If you have contributions you'd like to make to the CC Archives or for instructions on sending donations, please visit our web site.

We are in search of photographs, progress reports, program books, and any other information you might have collected over the years.

And thanks for visiting!

## COSTUME CALENDAR

#### 2002

#### **ARCHON 26**

October 4 - 6, 2002 Collinsville IL (USA) - St. Louis, MO area www.stlf.org/archon/26/ (Web Site Sound Warning!)

## The International Committee for Museums and Collections of Costume

Oct 6 - 12, 2002 Oakland, CA (USA) dept.kent.edu/museum/link/icom.html

## MileHiCon 34

October 18 - 20, 2002 Lakewood, CO (USA) - Denver area www.milehicon.org

## **Kentwell Hall Historical Reenactments**

Oct 26 - 27, 2002 Long Medford (UK) www.kentwell.co.uk

## **COSTUME CLOSET:** The Wardrobe Prequel

November 8 - 10, 2002 Northwood, Middlesex (UK) groups.yahoo.com/group/WardrobeUK/files/Closet.htm

#### DARKOVER GRAND COUNCIL MEETING XXV

November 29 - December 1, 2002 Timonium, MD (USA) www.darkovercon.com

## PHILCON 2002

December 13 - 15, 2002 Philadelphia, PA (USA) www.philcon.org

## Triennial R.L. Shep Symposium of Textiles and Dress at The Los Angeles County Museum of Art

December 14 - 15, 2002 Los Angeles, CA (USA) www.rlshep.com/museum.html#lacma

## 2003

#### ARISIA '03

January 17 - 19, 2003 Boston, MA (USA) www.arisia.org



#### 2003 CONTINUED

#### **FARPOINT**

February 14 - 16, 2003 Hunt Valley, MD (USA) www.bcpl.net/~wilsonr/

#### LUNACON 2003

March 21 - 23, 2003 Rye Brook, NY (USA) www.lunacon.org

## Costume-Con 21

April 18 - 21, 2003 (Easter Weekend) Skokie, IL (USA) - near Chicago www.jennifarse.com/cc2003/

## **BALTICON 37**

May 23 - 26, 2003 Baltimore, MD (USA) www.balticon.org

## **SHORE LEAVE 25**

July 11 - 13, 2003 Hunt Valley, MD (USA) www.shore-leave.com

## **Costume College**

July, 2003 Los Angeles, CA (USA) www.costumecollege.org

## TORCON3:

## 61st WORLD SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION

August 28 - September 1, 2003 Toronto, ON (Canada) www.torcon3.on.ca

## CopperCon 23

Sept 5 - 7, 2003 Phoenix, AZ (USA) www.casfs.org/cucon/

## 2004

## Costume-Con 22

April 2 - 5, 2004 Decatur, GA (USA) - near Atlanta www.cc22.org

## **SHORE LEAVE 26**

July 9 - 11, 2004 Hunt Valley, MD (USA) www.shore-leave.com

## COSTUME CALENDAR CONTINUED

## 2004 CONTINUED

## NOREASCON FOUR: 62<sup>nd</sup> WORLD SCIENCE FICTION CONVENTION

September 2 - 6, 2004 Boston, MA (USA) www.noreascon.org

## 2005

## Costume-Con 23

April 29 - May 2, 2005 Ogden, UT (USA) - near Salt Lake City

Calendar items listed courtesy of the GBACG Conventions, Seminars & Symposiums page, at: www.gbacg.org/conventions.htm

and the SF Lovers Convention List, at: www.sflovers.org/Reference/fandom/conlist/cons-bydate.html

To add or change event listings, send email to newsletter@costume.org or send us a letter by snail mail to the address on Page 2 of this newsletter.

## ICG CHAPTERS AND DUES

ALL listed Chapter membership fees do not include either annual ICG dues or CQ Subscriptions. Contact each Chapter directly for more information on becoming a member. ICG Dues per year: \$4.00 USD

All ICG members receive *The ICG Newsletter*, which is included in the ICG membership fee.

Full "Individual" chapter members receive the chapter's newsletter, when published. Chapters may also offer additional amenities to their members.

Some chapters may offer "Household" memberships to members of a household in which there is at least one full "Individual" chapter member. Such memberships generally do not include additional copies of publications. There is no limit to the number of persons who may join at the "household" membership rate, except where noted, but all members must reside at the same address.

## **Australian Costumers' Guild (ACG)**

**Subchapters:** 

- < Australian Capital Territory (ACT)
- < South Australia
- < The Grey Company Western Australia PO Box 322 BENTLEIGH, 3204 Australia home.vicnet.net.au/~costume/

Bi-monthly Newsletter: Coztume

- " One-year Individual membership: \$30 AUS
- " Two year Individual membership: \$50 AUS
- " One-year Household membership: \$15 AUS
- " One-year Unemployed/pensioner/ full-time student (proof required): \$25 AUS
- " One-year Corporate/institution: **\$50 AUS** (conditions apply)

## **Beyond Reality Costumers Guild (BRCG)**

650 NW 76th St Seattle, WA 98117-4044 USA www.brcg.org

Bi-monthly Newsletter: Notions

- " One-year Individual membership: \$11 USD
- " One-year Household membership: \$18 USD

## **Chicagoland Costumers' Guild (CCG)**

aka The Chicago M.O.B. 1926 N. Maple Lane Arlington Heights, IL 60004-3562 USA www.enteract.com/~ccg/

## Newsletter

- " One-year Individual membership: \$11 USD
- " One-year Household membership: \$5 USD

## **Costumer's Guild West (CGW)**

Post Office Box 3052 Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670-3052 USA www.costumersguildwest.org

Newsletter: Squeals

One-year Individual membership:

- " US: \$14 USD
- " Canada & Mexico: \$18.50 USD
- " International Airmail: \$26.50 USD
- " Surface: \$22 USD
- " One-year Household membership: \$9 USD



#### ICG CHAPTERS AND DUES CONTINUED

## **Greater Bay Area Costumers Guild (GBACG)**

aka Dreamers of Decadence PMB #320 5214-F Diamond Heights Blvd. San Francisco, CA 94131 USA www.gbacg.org

Monthly newsletter: The Costumer's Scribe

One-year Individual Membership:

" US: \$18 USD
" Canada: \$26 USD
" Overseas: \$26 USD

" Overseas: \$36 USD

One-year Household Membership:

" 1st additional membership: **\$18 USD** 

" additional memberships: \$6 USD

## Greater Columbia Fantasy Costumer's Guild, Inc.

(GCFCG)

aka The Founders Post Office Box 683 Columbia, MD 21045 USA www.gcfcg.org

Newsletter: Threadneedle Street

" One-year Individual Membership: \$16 USD

## Greater Delaware Valley Costumers' Society

(GDVCS)

aka The Lunatic Phrynge

P.O. Box 41987

Philadelphia, PA 19101 USA lunaticphrynge.nstemp.org

- " One-year Individual membership: \$18 USD
- " One-year Household membership: **\$12 USD** (2 or more additional members)

" One-year Individual Non-Voting/Supporting

membership: \$10 USD

(DVCG List/Web subscription)

" One-year Household Non-Voting/Supporting membership (2 or more additional members): **\$5 USD** (DVCG List/Web subscription)

## **Greater Sacramento Area Costumers Guild**

(GSACG)

aka The Fashioners of Fancy P.O. Box 162722 Sacramento CA 95816-2722 USA www.gsacg.org

Quarterly Newsletter: The GSACG Newsletter

- " One-year Individual membership: \$21 USD
- " One-year Household membership: \$6 USD

## **Millenium Costumers Guild (MCG)**

c/o Vandy Vandervort 2854 Tincup Circle Boulder, CO 80303-7143 USA

Monthly Newsletter: Glitz & Glitter

" One-year Individual Membership: **\$16 USD**Note: Household members need only pay for ICG
membership and indicate primary Household member.

## NJ/NY Costumers Guild (NJ/NYCG)

aka The Sick Pups c/o Elaine Mami 85 West McClellan Ave. Livingston, NJ 07039 USA

Quarterly Newsletter: Puppy Puddles

- " One-year Individual Membership: \$8 USD
- " One-year Household Membership: \$1 USD

## **Northern Lights Costumers Guild (NLCG)**

aka NoeL Costumers c/o Dina Flockhart 61 Gilson Road Littleton, MA 01460-1300 USA www.northernlights.pothole.com

- " One-year Individual membership: \$6 USD
- " One-year Household membership: **\$5 USD** (up to three individuals at same residence)
- " One-year Hardship/Senior/Student: \$5 USD

## St. Louis Costumers Guild (SLCG)

aka St. Louis Ubiquitous Tailor Society (SLUTS) c/o Bruce Mai 7835 Milan University City, MO 63130 USA www.casamai.com/slcg/

Ouarterly Newsletter: Scarlet Letter

- " One-year Individual Membership: \$11 USD
- " One-year Household Membership: \$3 USD
- " One-year Honorary Membership: **\$5 USD** (newsletter subscription)

## Southwest Costumers Guild (SWCG)

PO Box 39504 Phoenix AZ 85060-0

Phoenix AZ 85069-9504 USA www.southwestcostumersguild.org

Monthly Newsletter: Cactus Needles

- " One-year Individual Membership: \$10 USD
- " One-year subscription (no membership): \$8 USD

#### ICG CHAPTERS AND DUES CONTINUED

## **Utah Costumers Guild (UCG)**

aka The Sew-and-Sewzz 289 West Hidden Hollow Drive Orem, UT 84058 USA kerilyn@myrealbox.com

Newsletter: Stitches

" One-year Individual Membership: \$26 USD

## Western Canadian Costumer's Guild (WCCG)

1903 Glenmount Dr. S.W. Calgary, Alberta T3E 4B4 Canada members.shaw.ca/petra-nef/

Bi-monthly Newsletter: *COZTUME* (published in conjunction with the Australian Costumers' Guild) "One-year Individual Membership: **\$13 CAN** 



## LAST WORDS...

We welcome member input, articles, events listings and other information. There is some room for expansion, but to keep costs down, we presently plan on keeping this six-page format. The layout may change, if we can get a decent copying deal, so watch for future issues to be more nicely laid out, and watch for more graphics!

Future issues of this newsletter will include motions before the ICG membership, President's Message, and other items of interest to the general membership.

To contribute to this newsletter, please contact us at the address below, or by email at: newsletter@costume.org.





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