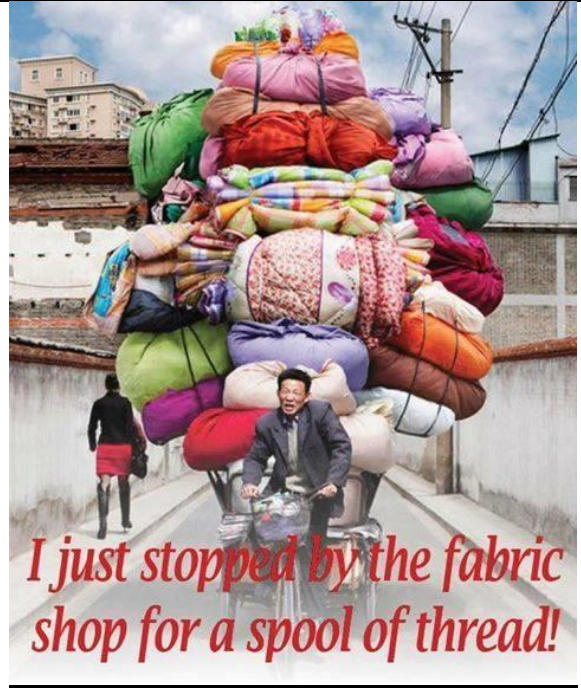
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Recent Events

We had the gracious and knowledgeable Baroness Dalla come and talk to us about Viking garb. Here are some photos. The cartoon is just filler. Clockwise: Dalla and Jean, Sample outfits, filler cartoon, Viking broaches. We really have VERY little first-hand evidence for women's garb: A few bits of fabric from inside broaches and some ambiguous 3D representations. A lot of it is informed assumptions based on what was possible, what was done elsewhere at the time that the Vikings might have known about, and what was practical.





Briefs



SEND ME MORE!!!

The broaches are excellent reproductions, available from Raymond's Quiet press (www.quietpress.com.)

Apologies for a short, early newsletter. Your editor will, literally, be on her way to the wilds of Outer Mongolia on the normal pub date.

Minutes

Due to a great presentation, we didn't have much of a meeting.

Calendar

Do you know an event of interest to Arizona costumers? Please contact your editor with the details. **Red text and an asterisk*** designate an SWCG-sponsored event. *Unless otherwise noted, our monthly meetings start at 1PM.*

May 7, 2017 - May Kup* Cap'n Moreg Zahm will demonstrate some basic makeup techniques for cosplay. 35th Ave Sew-and-Vac meeting room (35th Ave and Northern, NW corner)

!!!!NOTE change of venue!!!!

MAY 19-21 - Mad Monster Phoenix - Horror/SciFi/Fantasy - Scottsdale, AZ <http://madmonster.com/>

MAD MONSTER PARTY returns to Arizona hauling its creepy-caravan of horror and pop culture stars to

WE-KO-PA RESORT, CASINO & CONFERENCE CENTER - May 19th thru 21st 2017!

Grab a discount hotel room and stay with us all weekend so you don't miss any of the MADness! We have taken over the entire resort and will have a resort-wide scavenger hunt and events just for guests staying at the hotel!

Celebrate all things undead at our Friday Night of the Living Dead Zombie celebration! Party with the King of the Monsters at our EPIC SATURDAY NIGHT POOL PARTY! Join us for COSPLAY SUNDAY! See SID HAIG (in full Captain Spaulding clown makeup and costume) marry two lucky couples and more!

MAY 25-28 - Phoenix Comicon - Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix AZ
<http://www.phoenixcomicon.com/>

July 1-4, 2017 – WesterCon 70 at the Tempe Mission Palms Hotel. Guests include Julie Dillon, Larry Elmore, Gini Koch and Weston Ochse. www.westercon70.org

August 9-13 2017 – Worldcon 75 in Helsinki Finland. <http://www.worldcon.fi/>

Editorial comment: I was in Helsinki in August in 2015 and the weather was lovely. It's a charming city.

SEPTEMBER 1-4 2017 - *Saboten-Con* - Phoenix AZ <http://www.sabotencon.com/> Arizona's Premier Japanese Pop-Culture Convention
340 N 3rd St Phoenix AZ 85004 480-428-2776

NOVEMBER 10-12 2017 - Tucson - Tuscon, AZ - <http://www.tusconscificon.com/>

DECEMBER 9 2017 - LIBCON West - Saturday, December 9, 2017 at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown Street, Glendale, AZ 85302 LIBCON West is Glendale Public Library's pop culture convention! For more information about cosplay and costuming at LIBCON West, please contact Anna at acaggiano@glendaleaz.com. For more information about being a vendor or sponsor, please contact Ray at rceo@glendaleaz.com. For more information about programming, please contact Kearsten at klabrozzi@glendaleaz.com. For more information www.libconwest.weebly.com or www.glendaleaz.com/library

March 30- April 2 2018 – CostumeCon 36, San Diego, Ca. <http://cc36sandiego.org/>

March 22-25, 2019 - Costume-Con 37 Salem, MA

Attending Memberships are \$60 through at least 12/31/2016. \$45 for those that voted in the site-selection. Supporting Memberships are \$25, \$15 for voters. We hope to have online registration in place soon, even if it'll just be a paypal button, so please be patient. Or you can send a check (payable to Costume-Con 37) to

MCFI
PO Box 1010
Framingham, MA 01701

I'll be posting more information on a semi-regular basis.

If there is something you would like to do for CC37, please email Aurora and myself.

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items of interest to Arizona costumers. Send your submissions to editor@southwestcostumersguild.org.

Additional notes of possible interest –not really costume events, but they might give you ideas.

MAY 26-29 - Detonation (wastelanders) Uranium Springs, 25 minutes east of Holbrook, AZ <http://detonation.us/stage-shows/>

JUNE 8-11 - Spacefest Tucson AZ - THE event for space enthusiasts of any stripe – Astronomy, Human Space Exploration, Robotic Space Exploration, Commercial Space Development or Space History Enthusiast. For the Professional and Amateur. <https://www.spacefest.info/>

JUNE 9-11 - Supernatural Official Convention Glendale AZ
https://www.creationent.com/cal/supernatural_az.htm