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## Recent Events

HALLOWEEN!

A costumer's favorite holiday. Hope you all had a great one.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GRAMA !</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Born Oct 29<sup>th</sup></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(not quite a little goblin)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Benjamin Edward Nathaniel</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Son of son Sam and his lady Barbara)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sam's title for this picture-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">B.E.N. makes a good baby burrito</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Ye Editor gets to stick I some personal filler if she wants to!)</p>	
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**Briefs**

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## ICG Elections

At the close of voting, we had a total of 75 ballots; after eliminating duplicates and a very few expired memberships, we had 61 valid ballots cast.

The vote was unanimous in favor of the slate.

Welcome to our new officers, VP Jan Price and Corresponding Secretary Ann Ware, and thank you to our continuing officers, Treasurer Jeanine Swick and Recording Secretary Anne Davenport!

I am happily signing this as *pro tem* no longer:

Kevin Roche  
ICG President

From Threads

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If we have time on our hands, and are feeling sew-sew. You can do a lot of downloads in two weeks

## Minutes

No minutes, again, alas, but a couple of minutes of humor  
thanks to [laughoutloud@thinkandlaughdaily.net](mailto:laughoutloud@thinkandlaughdaily.net)  
Since most costumers seem to be cat people –

Q: What is a cat's favorite vacation spot? Maui..

## 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.*

**Tuscon 47 Nov 13-15 2020** <https://tusconscificon.com/>

To Our TusCon Friends:

We sincerely apologize for keeping things in suspense. We have been watching COVID-19 developments, both locally and nationally, over the last several months. The situation with the pandemic is still volatile, and given the ongoing uncertainties and status that change on a weekly basis, we cannot accurately predict what the pandemic conditions will be in November. So, with the primary thought of keeping our attendees and guests safe, we have made the solemn decision to postpone TusCon to next year. All paid TusCon 47/2020 memberships will be rolled over to 2021.

Next year's TusCon will be on November 12th through November 14th, 2021 at our same venue, the Sheraton Tucson Hotel & Suites 5151 E. Grant Rd., Tucson, AZ 85712. If you have already made reservations, please contact the hotel to change your dates. Jennifer Ashley has graciously agreed to return as our Author Guest of Honor in 2021. Unfortunately, Lubov will be unable to attend TusCon in 2021.

Although we've postponed the in-person convention, we would like to announce that we are currently working on a small Virtual TusCon Convention/Video presentation to be held on Saturday, November 14, 2020. If you have requests or ideas for content, please send an email to [basfa@earthlink.net](mailto:basfa@earthlink.net) with the subject header "Virtual TusCon".

Please watch this space for any and all further updates, including guests for 2021!

On behalf of TusCon and the TusCon Committee, thank you for all your support. It is deeply appreciated.

**Estrella War 2021** has been postponed until November – details to follow

**WildWestCon 2021** is cancelled, and Old Tucson has shut down permanently – Pima county may take it over

**NEW:** They are planning for March 3-6 2022 - At Old Tucson. On Sept 14<sup>th</sup>, Pima County took over. The Old Tucson Task Force held its first meeting Oct. 13 to discuss initial ideas for the future of Old Tucson.

**WinterRange 22 Feb to 28 Feb 2021** - Currently scheduled, but watch for more infor

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4044 W Black Canyon Blvd  
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**Leprecon 2021** - March 20th & 21st, 2021

**NEW** LepreCon 47 is going VIRTUAL, after a great deal of discussion and in consultation with the LepreCon, Inc. Board of Directors, it has been decided that LepreCon 47 will be going Virtual.

**Costumecon 2021** – Friday, April 23 – Monday, April 26, 2021. <http://costumecon39.org/>

We are pleased to be back at the Doubletree San Jose for Costume-Con 39. This is the same facility where CC26 was hosted, although there have been some changes in the area, with new food and shopping options.

The DTSJ is located at 2050 Gateway Place, San Jose, just a short distance from the San Jose Airport. Reservations are not yet open, but will be obtained through their Passkey system.

**Westercon 2021/2022** - <https://westercon73.org/> -

*Westercon 73 will now be held in 2021 and Westercon 74 in 2022. There was no Westercon held in 2020. The full joint statement can found in the following [PDF](#)*

Seattle is the site of the 73rd Westercon. It will be held from July 1-4, 2021 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Seattle Airport. It is organized under the auspices of SWOC [the Seattle Westercon Organizing Committee]. Attending memberships are available for \$70, with supporting memberships at \$20.

Ye editor does not want to speculate further out

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