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### Recent Events

Haven't had our July event yet – so here are some personal, costume related (at least sort of) events from Ye editor

<p>Ye editor's daughter-in-law: Was digging through craft stuff and found a pattern that would fit Charlie (Ye editor's almost almost 3 year old granddaughter;). I'm like oh look, which pretty princess dress would you like? Charlie: The knight! The knight! (Upper right) So yup... that's what we're doing tonight.</p>	
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Here is said granddaughter trying to eat a baby burrito (Baby sister, Astradora Jane, was born June 25<sup>th</sup>). Her uncle Sam says babies swaddled like this look like burritos to him.



**Briefs**

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John A has shared some fun furry pics, so Ye editor wanted to included the local furry link.

<https://azfurs.com/>

No current activities planned 9not surprising in the HOT Arizona summer)

### **Minutes**

No new SWCG minutes – just some funny minutes [Thanks to **Think & Laugh Daily** (laugh@think-laugh-daily-365.com)]

What do you call a vampire antelope? Vlad the Impala.

Why do ducks make horrible public speakers? They use fowl language.

What do you call a cow that just gave birth? Decalfeinated

How did the mountain lion finally lose weight? He quit cold turkey.  
What did the sushi say to the bee? Wasabi.  
What do cats use to take notes in meetings? A scratch pad.

## 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.*

**July 16, 2022, 12 PM - Ice Cream Meetup\*** -

SWCG Social. Gather at noon at Coyote Oaties (7005 N 58th Ave on the Glendale town square) for sandwich & cookies, then walk over to Papa Ed's Ice Cream (7146 N. 58th Avenue).

Saturday, July 23, 2022 from 10 am - 1 pm Corpsing how-to Make and Take

AZHaunters event <https://www.facebook.com/AZHaunters/>

Where: HeatSync Labs [108 West Main St. Mesa, AZ 85201](https://www.facebook.com/AZHaunters/)

Who: Haunters and anyone who wants to learn! Free to attend.

"Corpsing" is taking an object like a skeleton or a pumpkin and making it look like a rotting corpse.

There are many ways to accomplish this. This event will focus on using cotton balls to create textures resembling decaying flesh.

The focus will be on corpsing Jack O'Lanterns made from foam pumpkins. The same techniques may be applied to skulls, entire skeletons, and other props.

**Sat, August 13, 2022 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM PDT Persuasion Picnic by the Sea San Rafael**

GBACG Event [events@gbacg.org](mailto:events@gbacg.org)

Join us for a picnic at the seaside, to celebrate the last novel written by Jane Austen - Persuasion! We will wistfully gaze at the ocean, play naval-themed games like tug of war, and drink lemonade! Dress in your Regency best, and don't forget your bonnet or parasol!

\$25 Non-Member tickets go on sale on Friday, June 17th at 7:00pm.

**August 13, 2022, 10-4 - Fandomania** at Findlay Toyota Center, Prescott Valley

AZ. <https://pvpllibrary.wixsite.com/fandomania>

Cosplay, costumes and vendors

This year, Fandomania will be \$1.00 for entrance. ALL Proceeds go to the friends of Prescott valley public library. <https://secure.rec1.com/AZ/prescott-valley/catalog> Parking is free.

**Sun, August 7th, 2022, 1:00PM – 5:00 PM PDT** Maker Nexus, Sunnyvale

GBACG Event [events@gbacg.org](mailto:events@gbacg.org)

In-Person Workshop: Leather Sword Frog Students will walk away from class with an understanding of how to use basic leather-working tools techniques, understanding the medium of leather and how it has been used historically. This will be done while creating your own scabbard (sword frog).

**Cost includes kit:** Leather (pre-cut), Leather working kits, Dye, Leather Conditioner, Resolene (to seal and protect).

**\$80 MEMBER tickets** go on sale **Wednesday, June 21th at 7:00pm!** Non-Member tickets go on sale on Monday, June 27th at 7:00pm.

**September 2-5, 2022** CoKoCon 2022

<https://fancons.com/events/info/17770/cokocon-2022>

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Phoenix Tempe

Science Fiction Convention with Fantasy programming

CoKoCon is a traditional science fiction/fantasy convention in the Phoenix, AZ metropolitan area, which will return to the Labor Day weekend for a fifth year in 2022. COVID permitting, we're back to a being a physical event.

**Sat, September 10, 2022 5:30 PM - 9:30 PM PDT Benicia Camel Barns**

GBACG Event [events@gbacg.org](mailto:events@gbacg.org)

Be entertained with live music, photography, and fortune telling, while you walk in the gardens of the Camel Barns in Benicia and dine.

\$90 Non-Member tickets go on sale on Friday, July 1st at 7:00pm. \*This event is 18+

**October 8-10, 2022 - Apocalypse Later** International Fantastic Film Festival at the Phoenix Center for the Arts, 1202 North 3rd Street, Phoenix AZ. <https://www.alfilmfest.com/> Full event \$60.

**October 29, 2022, 5PM - Halloween Event** at Flatiron Park in Apache Junction, AZ. <https://www.apachejunctionaz.gov/calendar.aspx?PREVIEW=YES&EID=1520>

There will be lots of activities throughout the night for the whole family including a costume contest, Howl-o-ween K9 Costume Contest, pumpkin carving contest, bounce houses, fun kid's games, a petting zoo and much more! Our Annual Costume Contest will begin at 6pm sharp and will be divided by age groups. All ages are welcome to enter.

**November 11th – 13th, 2022 TusCon 49**

Hello, fellow fans. Welcome to TusCon, Arizona! More specifically, welcome to TusCon 49, our 49th annual Sci-Fi, Fantasy, and Horror convention in Tuscon... ah, we mean rather Tucson, Arizona. Attendees of TusCon are among the most dedicated fans of science fiction, fantasy, and horror and many attendees are professional writers, film producers, artists, and reporters who keep others informed about the goings-on in the industry. TusCon is an annual science fiction convention sponsored by the Baja Arizona Science Fiction Association (BASFA), a Southern Arizona section 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization. The primary focus of TusCon is science fiction, fantasy and horror, but we also pay attention to art, animation, science, media and gaming.

Sheraton Tucson Hotel & Suites

5151 East Grant Road, Tucson, Arizona 85712

**NOVEMBER 25TH -27TH, 2022 – LOSCAON 48**

<https://loscon.org/48/> MARRIOTT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT HOTEL

**December 3, 2022 - LibCon West** at Glendale Velma Teague Public Library.

**January 28, 2023, 10-4 - Tempe FanCon at the Tempe Public Library** (SWC Rural Road & Southern Avenue) <https://www.tempepubliclibrary.org/event-calendar/tempe-fancon>

Ye editor does not have much data further out

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