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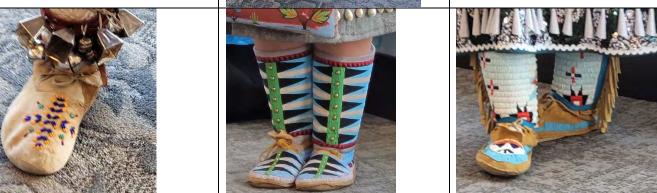
Recent Events











Ye editor attended a presentation in Clarkston, Washington, by the Nez the Nez Perce tribe – songs and dances in tadeonal and contemporary garb. Left is a male tribal elder. He also played the drum and sang. Center is a more traditional dress. Her decorations are cowrie shells, but some hunter families would use elk teeth, Right is a more contemporary style 'jingle dress' - the cones were originally the rolled lids of tobacco cans. The fans are made of eagle tails. Details of the moccasins are below each outfit



35 Sewing Hacks – some really do look useful

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Some notes from John A.

This is an interesting email [link to https://gofobo.com/ from SD COMIC CON or whoever. I tend to get them for some reason. I have always wanted to go to it but never got around to it. I have been to San Diego many times and attended a national Costume Con and also a World D56 Gathering, as well as many Costume-Cons, Westercons, and at least one USITT CONVENTION. So, I have been on a personal tour of both the UNIVERSAL STUDIOS COSTUME SHOP and the DISNEYLAND COSTUME SHOP (around the era of ALADDIN, when they were making all those out of L-1011?? one inch and two inch closed white foam.)

So, I thought you would enjoy these convention highlights and trailers and sign up for their email listing if not already a subscriber. I think this is the same email list that sends out preview trailers of upcoming films too. You will at least catch some ideas for upcoming Halloween or inflatable ideas.

Minutes

We actually had a business meeting! We have minutes!

Southwest Costumers Guild Meeting July 13, 2024

Reported by Randall

Paula, Mahala, Tasha and Randall gathered at Mahala's home for general conversation and some hands-on personal projects including some basic clothing repairs. Mahala provided hot snacks.

Randall Reported that the process of closing the PO Box is now complete with the key returned and a forwarding order filed with the post office.

We took in some cash at the recent Barony of Sundragon Fabric war by sale of one chemise made by guild members several years ago. Randall proposed using the money to buy cardstock to print new business cards with our updated contact information. His proposal was accepted unanimously.

Since the new cards will be printed on Randall's home printer, they can be customized to the individual member. Please contact Randall with the specifics you would like on your version of the card. Guild logo, website and contact e-mail will be on all versions. You can add your name, office, phone number, mailing address etc.

For Show and Tell, Paula showed the fabric pieces she obtained at the recent Fabric War. Randall reported he has already used some of the fabric to replace his living room curtains. Randall showed the tropical diving wetsuit he recently purchased. It has a black body and a blue shoulder yoke like a Voyager uniform, so he sewed on a Starfleet badge over the manufacturer's logo.

Upcoming activities for the next three months were discussed. These include:

August 17, 2024 – Informal gathering and personal projects at Mahala's home.

September 25, 2024 – Visit to the Phoenix Art Museum (free admission on Wednesdays).

October 26, 2024 – Visit Halloween ComicFest @ the Library at the Glendale Velma Teague Public Library then go out to supper.

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*.

GBACG Event

She's Everything; Barbie's Dream Party

Sun., September 22, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm PDT Camfron-Stanford House 1418 Lakeside Dr, Oakland, CA 94612 Join us at Camron-Stanford House to celebrate everyone's favorite – Barbie (and Ken, of course)!

Think of how you would spend your own Barbie Dream Party and make it a reality! Relax in the garden or tour the house decked out in all pink, enjoy a smorgasbord of pink and sparkly desserts, take a picture in the Barbie Box, or walk the pink carpet runway!

COSTUME

Dress as your favorite version of the famous doll or one of her many relatives and friends. Alternatively, come as your own favorite toy from your childhood, or another famous historical doll, stuffed animal or a brick creation! TICKETS

Member Tickets: \$30, on sale August 21st, 7pm. Non-Member Tickets: \$40, on sale August 23rd, 7pm. Child Tickets (under 13): \$25, on sale August 21st, 7pm.

GBACG Event

Era of Stardust: Exploring Time and Space

Sat., October 19, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm PDT - Laughing Monk 1235 Oakmead Parkway, Sunnyvale, CA 94085

Gather in outer space with beings from distant galaxies, from a long time ago, far reaching future, or other timey wimey travelers!

Join us for an afternoon studded with stars, enjoy a sit-down buffet luncheon, and make a toast to the vast sky above! COSTUME

Anything sci-fi or space related goes! Dress as your favorite galaxy-travelling hero, a smooth-talking robot, a space cowboy or anything in between! Some inspirations may include: Forbidden Planet, Day the Earth Stood Still, all the Douglas Adams books, Doctor Who, Star Trek and Star Wars.

TICKETS

Member Tickets: \$70, on sale August 28th, 7pm. Non-Member Tickets: \$80, on sale August 30th, 7pm.

October 26, f2024 5-8 PM. Saturday Halloween ComicFest @ the Library will return to the Velma Teague Library (7010 N. 58th Ave.) held in collaboration with Drawn to Comics (5801 W. Glendale Ave.), downtown Glendale's source for comic books, gaming and collectibles. Come for three hours or fifteen minutes – we appreciate any and all support!

Attendees will be able to choose from an assortment of free comics, meet local comic book artists, shop with cool vendors, pose with cosplayers and enjoy fun games and crafts. Costumes are encouraged for attendees. Activities will take place both inside the Velma Teague Library and at the Drawn to Comics store located across the street.

8/30 - 9/2 2024 Saboten Con 2024

Sheraton Phoenix Downtown 340 N 3rd Street Phoenix AZ 85004 (623) 232-0580

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Saboten Con is an American anime convention held in Phoenix, Arizona and organized by Monkey Paw Entertainment. The convention is held on Labor Day weekend and lasts for 4 days (Fri-Mon). It is currently hosted at the Sheraton Downtown Phoenix. Saboten Con is the largest anime convention in Arizona with attendance reaching over 23,000 (unique) / 50,000 (turnstile) for the 2021 event

Programming: Fri 1:00 PM - 2:00 AM Sat 11:30 AM - 2:00 AM Sun 11:30 AM - 2:00 AM Mon 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM Exhibits Fri 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM Sat 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM Sun 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM Mon 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Registration: Thurs 7:00- 10:00 PM (Pre-reg only) Fri 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM Sat 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM Sun 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM Mon 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

November 8th - 10th, 2024 TusCon 51

Hello, fellow fans. Welcome to TusCon, Arizona! More specifically, welcome to TusCon 51, our 51st 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 literary science fiction, fantasy, and horror, but we also embrace art, animation, science, media and gaming to provide a well-rounded experience.

Direct any questions to basfa@earthlink.net

Ye editor does not have much data further out

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