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 21st, but there are discussions afoot to change the meeting to Friday, April 19th. Watch this space for further announcements.

ICG OFFICERS FOR 2002-2003

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Vice President ........................ Carl Mami
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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)
dep.t.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:
62nd 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 Sub-
scriptions. 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
1 One-year Individual membership: $30 AUS
1 Two year Individual membership: $50 AUS
1 One-year Household membership: $15 AUS
1 One-year Unemployed/pensioner/
   full-time student (proof required): $25 AUS
1 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
1 One-year Individual membership: $11 USD
1 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
1 One-year Individual membership: $11 USD
1 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:
1 US: $14 USD
1 Canada & Mexico: $18.50 USD
1 International Airmail: $26.50 USD
1 Surface: $22 USD
1 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: $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/

Quarterly 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 85069-9504 USA
www.southwestcostumersguild.org

Monthly Newsletter: Cactus Needles
  One-year Individual Membership: $10 USD
  One-year subscription (no membership): $8 USD
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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-net/

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.