

### **BRCG Meeting Minutes July 2003**

The third Tuesday in July snuck up on us like a red headed stepchild with A.D.D., and it was time for another BRCG Monthly Meeting. Vicki, the Grand Pooh Bah, called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM at Olympia Pizza in Wallingford, and began with a recap of Westercon.

BRCG did have an information table at Westercon, and signed one new member with two others who expressed interest. 2 BRCG shirts were also sold, and the table reportedly made the group \$40. BRCG was also co-sponsoring the "Evil Genius Hall of Fame" Costume Con room party, and Vicki donated some money to them on behalf of the guild. Julia reported that the panel on stage lighting went very well, and they made good use of the fabric swatches we prepared. There was some discussion about having that panel return when we host BeyondCon sometime in the future.

Speaking of Beyond Con, Vicki's idea is to make the theme: "Lights, Camera, Action!", to include focus on lighting, photography and presentation as well as general costuming panels. It was suggested that Kate offer a discussion on "How to Move in Period Costume", from the information she picked up at this year's CostumeCon. It was also believed that JoAnne might be able to conduct a panel on choosing the right hair for costume presentation. Kelly also offered to discuss fabric painting. Tentatively, the BeyondCon is scheduled for early sometime next year, but the hotel committee is still soliciting bids.

A nearer event is the annual Fall Event, "Carpe Nocturn: Seize the Night", which Vicki confirmed will be Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at the same location as last year's event, the Queen Anne Christian Church. The facility will be open to the group from 2 PM to 11 PM. Vicki is currently looking for Red, Purple or Black tablecloths that can be donated for this event to give it a more gothic décor. Kelly suggested "Bobbing for Black Apples in Holy Water", and other suggestions for activities are welcomed. Vicki said she would like to organize a Fang Casting Event in preparation for the Fall Event, but discussion on this was postponed to the August meeting. Also postponed to the August meeting is the "Duct Tape Dummies" after meeting presentation by Vicki.

A few quick other meeting notes include: Kate reported that the previous newsletter was successfully sent, but if anyone is missing their copy please contact her. The lesser Pooh Bah, Richard, will be creating the next newsletter which will be our award-seeking "Monster Issue". Vicki also passed out green flashy cards and challenged the group with creating a costume or prop which incorporates this element to be presented at our September meeting. If you'd like to participate, either contact Vicki or attend the August meeting to pick up your very own green flashy card. And finally, the dates for JoAnne's Corset Workshop have been set, and they are September 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Spaces are still available for those that are interested. Contact Vicki or JoAnne ([www.costumesperiod.com](http://www.costumesperiod.com)) for more information.

So ended the July meeting that almost never was, at 8:18 PM. The August meeting is August 19<sup>th</sup> at Olympia Pizza in Wallingford. That's the third Tuesday of the month... right....RIGHT?!?