

The monthly meeting of the Beyond Reality Costumers Guild was held on March 22 at Olympia Pizza Parlor in Wallingford. The meeting was called to order at 7:35ish by the Grand Pooh-Bah Vicki.

Vicki began the meeting by reading a letter from our Lesser Pooh-Bah, Richard Stephens, who wanted to remind us of the many wonderful costuming tracks and entertainments scheduled for the Upcoming Norwescon 28. He encouraged us to bring & wear outfits for The Elegant Goth fashion show/discussion, and to check out the opening number for the Star Dance: Lord of the Rings, The Musical!

Richard has also arranged for us to have Cascade Room 13 (next to Hospitality) for us to host a party after the Masquerade. Although we will not be allowed to bring in outside food or drink, members might "casually" provide things to share with each other. We voted to make this a non-decorated party.

Richard also invited us to consider attending, preferably in Medieval garb, the Port Angelas production of Once Upon a Mattress that he is costuming. We voted to schedule this outing for Sunday, July 24. and to check into the possibilities of staying overnight in the area.

And while he was at it, Richard also wanted to promote the idea of doing a Cavalier/Restoration themed event sometime in 2006. Ah, the possibilities for workshops and classes and shopping for sumptuous fabrics and feathers! Audrey moved, and it was seconded, that we do so and that we table discussion of all the details until after Norwescon.

Now that we had two things on our calendar, it was time to get cracking on the rest of our scheduling. Julia suggested that we consider going to the Victorian weekend in Port Townsend in early spring of 2006. Vicki reminded us that we had yet to pick a date to visit the White River Valley Museum's exhibition of historical dress and suggested April 3 or 10. Carol will schedule a group outing to the Spotlight Fashion Museum when it will not conflict with anything else (HA!) and Vicki suggested a Day trip to the Maryhill Museum with a side stop at the Pendelton Woolen Mills outlet store.....make that a two day trip!

Audrey announced that she still needed a few more volunteers to work as Den Mom's and Ninjas for the Masquerade.

Vicki needs people to look at their schedules and pick times to sign up for a shift at the BRCG booth. She will be putting up the booth on Friday between 9:30 and 10:00. The duties of a booth person are: To sell half year memberships to new members, sell our fund raising items, and collect money

and record receipts. Also, they will display and dispense our fabulous Hall Costume Award ribbons and show DVDs of previous Masquerades.

Kelly suggested that we have copies of old Notions on display with the Fanzines as well as at the booth. Julia will bring her notebook with Notions and the ICG newsletters.

Vicki brought up the subject of the trip to Costume Con and promised to check with the van company to see whether it would be permissible to haul a small trailer to carry the extra luggage she is so sure we will have!

The meeting was adjourned so that we might all descend on yet another bounty of pot latched costume jewelry.