

FROM YOUR LOCAL PRESIDENT

BY MICHAEL BRUNO, PRESIDENT

Well, the December meeting was one of our largest of the year. It was attended by myself, Cathy Grotta and Merida Richardson (new members), Joan Bradt, Dave Kinnaman, Denise Winter (new member) and a friend of Cathy's (sorry, can't remember his name). We had some snacks; I made some killer brownies and Cathy and Merida brought rice crispy treats (yum!). I answered quite a few questions for the benefit of our new members and we then moved on to a very unplanned business meeting (but more on that later). After which, we took a quick tour of my house then proceeded to Mill Outlet to help Joan pick out some fabric. While we were there, Merida found some ribbon on clearance which reads "Millennium Magic". A quick vote was taken of members at the store and it was decided that we should purchase it for future guild use.

Most of the "business" discussed at the December meeting were the items mentioned in the last newsletter; a new mascot, a guild award, and the issue of the cost of the newsletter and dues. We had some discussion on the topic of a mascot and an award. Those in attendance seemed to like the ideas; however, no firm decisions were made.

On the issue of the cost of the newsletter, it was the discussed that the newsletter is currently a worthwhile publication. Those in attendance felt that it does serve as a valuable means of communication between members. It was proposed to perhaps change to a bi-monthly publication schedule; however, upon further discussion, it was agreed that we were in need of a monthly distribution of information. It can be a bit difficult for this group to make decisions on meetings and other activities, more than a month in advance.

The newsletter currently costs \$1 per issue to copy and mail an 8 page issue. That results in a subscription rate of \$12. The Guild is currently collecting \$4 per year from each member for local use. It was proposed at the last meeting that dues be raised to \$20 per year to cover this amount. The breakdown for the proposed dues structure would be thus:

- \$12 for the newsletter
- \$ 4 for ICG National dues
- \$ 4 for Local use (advertising, future mailing increases, etc.)

Total \$20 per year dues

I understand that after our dues being so low for so long, it seems like a huge jump. However, to keep up with current costs, and to continue to improve and build the Guild; the increase is necessary. I have provided a voting form in this issue. All votes received by January 27 will be counted. I would like to receive all the votes by mail to make it official. The decision will take effect as of the February meeting, any dues paid after that date will be subject to the increase (should it be approved.)

Donations to the Guild are always welcome, but won't sustain us. The only other option is fundraising. I don't feel that we are currently in a position to begin organized fundraising.

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Special points of

interest:

- Message of the ICG President herself!
- All the latest on Guild activities
- Not much else this month.

ICG PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR NOVEMBER

BY DARLA KRUGER

Hello everyone:

Well, it's a rather quiet time and to be honest there isn't much going on with the ICG this time of year. We're all concentrating very hard on getting ready for the holidays, I'm sure. I'm not going to make my message very long this month, which I'm sure will be a relief to all of you.

It has been a very interesting year, to say the least. The last few months have been very hard on all of us, some more than others, but I don't believe a single one of our members hasn't been affected by the recent world affairs. For anyone who has been personally touched, my heart goes out to you as you approach the holidays, and for all of us, I hope this holiday brings some healing.

Now, as your ICG president it is my civic duty to instruct you all to go out and spend - it's your patriotic duty. There are books to buy, fabrics to hoard, and sewing machine gadgets to collect. NOW is

not the time to scrimp, my dears! Just think what being a costumer could mean to the world - we can help the global economy. And you thought costuming wasn't important? I say HA!

On a final note, to all of our ICG members and your families, I hope that the holidays bring you joy, health, happiness, and peace. May all your dreams come true and gift wishes be fulfilled.

Love and blessings to all, Darla

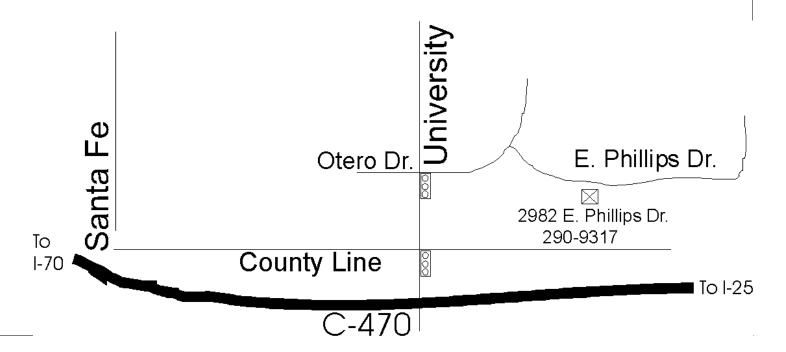
Sincerely,
Darla Kruger
Dean, Costume College 2001
President, Costumer's Guild West
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DIRECTIONS TO JANUARY MEETING/PARTY

BY MICHAEL

Here is a map provided by Greg. He and Joan live in Littleton.

2982 Phillips Dr Littleton, CO 80122 303-290-9317



PROPOSAL TO INCREASE DUES BY MICHAEL Please mark below whether agree or disagree Responses must by received by January 27, 2002. A majority of votes will be comprised of with the proposed increase in dues. all votes received. One vote per member. Proposal #1 Please mail your votes to: Increase Millennium Costumers Guild Individual Dues to \$20 per year. Membership will include Michael Bruno ICG dues, Local Dues, Membership Subscription 2980 Roche Dr South Colorado Springs, CO 80918 I AGREE to the increase Questions may be directed to Michael by phone at 719-598-0874 or by email bruno@armyofdorkness.org I DO NOT agree to the increase. Proposal #2 Increase Millennium Costumers Guild Family/ Household Dues to \$20 per year plus \$4 per each additional member over the first to cover additional ICG Dues. Household memberships will receive one issue of the newsletter. I AGREE to the increase. I DO NOT agree to the increase. NOTE: A majority vote on Proposal #1 will automatically pass or fail on Proposal #2. Name Address Phone

Signature

Date

January 2002

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Calendar of Upcoming Costumed Events

January

- 5 12th Night, SCA Event in Denver. The theme is the Invasions of England circa 1066.
- 12 Party at Joan & Greg's.
- 19 Winter Oasis, SCA Event in Ft. Collins. The theme is Middle Eastern.
- 26 Baronial A&S, SCA Event in Ft. Collins.

February

- 2 February Guild Meeting (TBD)
- 2 Candlemas, SCA Event in Colorado Springs.

March

- 2 March Guild Meeting (TBD)
- 2-3 Carnivale, SCA Event in Boulder.

SCA Events are provided as a point of information of other costume oriented events that members may be interested in attending. Certain events offer classes on various topics of Medieval and Renaissance costuming.

Contact Michael or Dave (see your phone list) for more information on SCA events.

FROM THE EDITOR

BY MICHAEL

Clipart by Microsoft. Thanks to Greg and Joan Bradt for contributing information on the party at their house.

Contributions to the newsletter are always welcome. Just imagine what the newsletter could be like if more people contributed.



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THE JANUARY MEETING, SATURDAY, JAN 12

BY MICHAEL

It was decided that the first Saturday in January, which is our normal meeting day would still find people recovering from the hectic times of the Holidays. Therefore, Joan Bradt offered to host a post-holiday party at her home on the second Saturday of January, the 12th. With her busy work and school schedule, this is the best time for her to host anything in the near future.

As the party is still over 4 weeks away as of this writing, the details are still sketchy. I'd venture to say that everyone is a bit preoccupied at this time. Goodness only knows how I'm finding time to whip this out.

The information I have so far from Joan, is that it will be a costumed event (perhaps Chinese New Year would be a good theme?) and it will be in the evening. She will be contacting people by email or phone with the details after the 1st of the year.

If you don't happen to hear from her, she can be reached by email at j_bradt@lensman.com or by phone at 303-290-9317.

A map and address can be found inside.