

Costume Con 12 Masquerade Award Winners

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Best in Class: 1882 Polonaise Day Dress, designed, made & worn by Katharine Swartz

Master Division:

Honorable Mention: Worth Walking Dress, designed, made & worn by Rosemary Leczycka

Honored for Excellence: The King's New Toy, designed by Christine James, made by Autumn Adamme & Monique Motil, beading & embroidery by Christine James, worn by Christine James & Philip Tuley

Best Presentation: Great Moments in Costume History, designed & made by Marie Cooley, Judith Smith & Allison Kondo, worn by Marie Cooley, Payne Fifield, Judith Smith, Terry Smith, Allison & Jeff Kondo

Best in Class: 1883 Reception Gown, designed, made & worn by Mela Hoyt-Heydon

Best in Show: 1883 Reception Gown, designed, made & worn by Mela Hoyt-Heydon

International Costumer's Guild Minutes of the 1994 Annual Meeting and of the 1994 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors

1. Call to Order

Pierre E. Pettinger, Jr., President, called to order the 1994 annual meeting of the International Costumer's Guild at 1:05 p.m., on Monday, February 21, 1994, at the Santa Clara Marriott hotel, Santa Clara, California, in conjunction with Costume Con 12, concurrently with the 1994 annual meeting of the Board of Directors. A quorum was present for the members' annual meeting and for the Board of Directors annual meeting. Other officers present were *Patrick M. Kennedy*, Vice President; *Byron P. Connell*, Recording Secretary; *Deborah K. Jones*, Corresponding Secretary; and *Betsy R. Marks*, Treasurer. About 42 members were present. A further 50 members were represented by proxy.

A motion to change the agenda to make Committee Reports the second item (instead of the fourth) was **Made** by *Byron Connell*, **Seconded**, and **Adopted** unanimously.

2. Committee Reports

A. Trademark Committee. *Patrick Kennedy* reported for the committee on trademarking "Costume Con" and/or "CC" in combination with an Arabic or Roman numeral. He said that we actually were looking for a "service mark," granted by the U.S. Department of Commerce. This requires a written application on the Department's form. We must demonstrate prior use and document first date of use, which would be Costume Con 1's advertising material, progress report, and the like. Three specimens are necessary. A typewritten presentation of the mark in a special format also is required. The filing fee is \$210.00. It is not clear, he said, whether we would have to get separate service marks for "Costume Con" and for "CC" in conjunction with the Roman or Arabic numerals. He intended to clarify this in the next month or so. He has the necessary forms and instructions for filing. He intended to turn this material over to the President and to send a formal summary of his report to all Board members and Chapters.

The President said that he wanted to make it clear that, if the ICG proceeds, we would only hold the service mark for Costume Con, and would not own it. This would prevent unauthorized use by other groups. *Kennedy* noted that, under the Commerce Department's regulations, we probably would have ownership, technically, of the marks. The President suggested that we could adopt a Standing Rule to accommodate that situation, if necessary.

At this point the President called for a five-minute recess, at the Recording Secretary's request, to permit him to catch up on the proxies submitted.

The President ruled that the Annual Meeting would not accept payment of dues for proxies on whose behalf dues had not already been paid.

3. Minutes

There being no further committee reports, following the recess the meeting turned to consideration of the minutes of the 1993 Annual Meeting.

The Recording Secretary presented the minutes of the 1993 Annual Meeting. Copies were distributed to the members present. *Ken Warren* Moved that the minutes be accepted as written. *Sandy Pettinger* Seconded the motion, which was **Adopted** unanimously. The Recording Secretary submitted the minutes to the Editor of *The Costumer's Quarterly* for publication.

4. Officers' Reports

A. Treasurer's Report *Betsy Marks*, Treasurer, submitted her report. A copy is appended as part of these minutes. As of February 16, 1994, the Guild had 511 active members [526 as of the date of this meeting] and there were 401 persons whose membership had lapsed [326 as of the date of this meeting]. The report contained the following financial information as of February 16, 1994:

"Bank Balance YTD --- \$1,642.07
A. Combined 1993/1994 Income: \$6,124.72
B. Combined 1993/1994 Check Disbursements:
\$5,714.23"

She noted that the written report included a complete reconciliation of all checks written by or received by the ICG.

The Treasurer announced her address and telephone number so that people would use them:

Betsy R. Marks
International Costumers' Guild, Inc.
Post Office Box 1223
Beltsville, MD 20702-1223
(301) 474-8616 (evening)
(202) 429-2960 (day)

Get out the magnifying glass or your bifocals - this is teeny print!!!

Ed.

The Treasurer reported address changes for four chapters, as follows:

Great Lakes Costumers' Guild
Post Office Box 573
Hazel Park, MI 48030-0573

Heartland Customers' Guild
c/o Richard E. Rathmann
1507-C West 23rd Terrace
Independence, MO 64005-4253

New England Costumers' Guild
c/o Eastlake
318 Acton Street
Carlisle, MA 01741

Wild & Wooly Western Costumers' Guild
c/o Katherine Jepson
19 Taraglen Court, NE
Calgary, AB T3J 2M6 CANADA

She reported one announced proposed chapter:

Beyond Reality Costumers' Guild
Post Office Box 272
Dundee, OR 97115

and noted that the Australian Costumers' Guild also was a candidate for recognition. She delivered to that Guild's American representative (Cat Devereaux) the packets distributed at this meeting.

The Treasurer also made the following report:

"February 16, 1994

To: The members of the ICG, Inc., and its Officers and Directors

From: Betsy R. Marks, Treasurer

Re: The Dues Structure of the ICG, Inc.

"The following proposals all deal with the ICG's Dues structure as it stands right now. We may deal with each item separately, but at least two resolutions must come out of this proposal: First, the practice of accepting dues at the ICG meeting (or at Costume Con, for that matter), must not continue. Second, the payment of ICG dues and CQ subscription fees must be regulated as the current system has not been adhered-to by the majority of active ICG chapters. The third proposal deals with the payment of dues by an ICG member to more than one chapter of the ICG in a year.

"1. I propose that a new Standing Rule be added, or a current Standing Rule be amended to read (as appropriate) as follows: **Payment of annual Individual Membership and/or Costumers' Quarterly Subscription fees must be received by the Treasurer not later than seven (7) days prior to the annual ICG business meeting. Payment of dues within the seven (7) day period will not be recorded by the Treasurer until after the conclusion of the annual business meeting.**" The President noted at this point that such a motion had been proposed for action later at this meeting. [Recording Secretary's note: See the action on Motion 3, under New Business.]

"2. I move that the ICG change the acceptance of individual membership dues and subscription payments as follows:

or a. All members of the ICG must make individual ICG dues/CQ subscription payments directly to the ICG Treasurer. A separate Expiration Date will be assigned by the ICG Treasurer, based on receipt of payment from each individual/household;

or b. The Expiration Date of all ICG members will be based on receipt of payment by the ICG Treasurer for ICG membership/CQ subscription fees. This date may or may not coincide with the member's local chapter-assigned Expiration Date;

or c. All ICG members must make individual dues payments to the ICG Treasurer. The payment will include: Local membership fee, ICG membership fee, and/or CQ subscription fee. The ICG Treasurer will then disseminate local chapter fees to the member's chapter of choice. Local chapter fees must be forwarded within two (2) weeks of receipt by the ICG Treasurer.

or d. No change (payments are to be received as per current Standing Rules)."

[A point of information clarified that these were four alternate proposals, not a four-part proposal.]

"3. I move that the ICG limit an individual's ICG membership to one (1) "chapter of choice" for voting purposes. If the individual so chooses, he/she may join other chapters on a local basis, and is exempt from paying the ICG/CQ subscription fees when payment has already been received from the member's chapter of choice. If the ICG Treasurer finds that duplicate payment has been made, the ICG Treasurer will refund the individual the overpayment. The individual may adopt whichever chapter he/she chooses as set forth in the By-Laws and Standing Rules of the organization."

"I also request that the ICG design a permanent membership form, to be filled out by each individual and forwarded with dues payment by the chapter Treasurer to the ICG Treasurer. This will hopefully insure that duplicate payments are not made in the future.

"Please note that this is my last year as Treasurer of the ICG. Presuming that I am re-elected, I will not serve after 1995's Annual Meeting. The above issues MUST be resolved by the end of 1994, if not sooner. I urge you to consider carefully the above three issues and discuss them with your membership.

"Thank you for your attention to this very serious matter.

"Betsy R. Marks, Treasurer, ICG, Inc."

The President rules that the Treasurer's requests would be considered under New Business.

C. Corresponding Secretary's Report Deborah Jones, Corresponding Secretary, read the following correspondence:

"CC 16 Bid Committee
Nora & Bruce Mai
7835 Milan
University City, MO 63130
(314) 727-0972
Genie: B. Mai

"January 25, 1994

To the Officers and members of the ICG:

"With the intention of bringing CostumeCon back to the Midwest, we have formed a committee to organize a bid for CostumeCon 16 (1998) in St. Louis, Missouri.

"Our preliminary committee is headed by Nora Mai, Chairman, and Bruce Mai, Co-Chair, who will be assisted by many of our local costumers in administrative, program, and technical support positions. For many of the most important committee positions, we hope to draw upon the national and international costuming community.

"Due to climactic and personal considerations, we propose to hold CC16 in late April or early May. We will, of course, avoid scheduling it on the same weekend as an prominent cons in other areas.

"Our anticipated theme for CC16 is 'Sweet Sixteen and never been . . . ' We leave it up to your fertile imaginations.

"Thank you for your time and consideration.

"Nora Mai
Chairman CC16 Bid Committee
President SLCG (aka SLUTS)

"Bruce Mai
Co-Chair CC16 Bid Committee
Secretary SLCG (aka SLUTS)"

5. New Chapter Petitions

There being no further reports, the meeting turned to consideration of applications for recognition as chapters of the International Costumers' Guild.

A. Beyond Reality Costumers' Guild A motion to recognize as a chapter of the ICG the Beyond Reality Costumers' Guild was Made by Betsy Marks, Seconded by Daren Bost and Adopted unanimously.

B. Australian Costumers' Guild A motion to recognize as a chapter of the ICG the Australian Costumers' Guild was Made by Cat Devereaux, Seconded by Janet Wilson-Anderson and Adopted unanimously.

"Please note that this is my last year as Treasurer of the ICG. Presuming that I am re-elected, I will not serve after 1995's Annual Meeting." (Betsy Marks - Treasurer)

6. Old Business

The meeting then turned to Old Business. It was Moved by *Daren Bost* and Seconded by *Sandy Pettinger* to take up from the table Motion 1, which had been tabled at the 1993 Annual Meeting. The motion to un-table was Adopted unanimously.

A. Motion 1 The President read the terms of Motion 1, as taken up from the table:

"Moved - To delete from the Guidelines of the International Costumers' Guild Guideline #15 which currently reads:

"Once a person has won at a level, they may then claim to be ranked as such. In other words, a person is called a "Journeyman" after they have won in the Journeyman category."

Janet Wilson-Anderson spoke in favor of the motion. Following discussion, the question was Called by *Bruce MacDermott* and Seconded by *Betsy Marks*. The decision to terminate debate was Adopted unanimously. The motion was then Adopted as a vote of 82 Yea and 7 Nay, with 2 Abstentions, as follows:

Members Present: Yea=34, Nay=5, Abstan=2

Proxies:

Southwest Costumers' Guild:

Yea=4, Nay=0, Abstain=0

Saint Louis Costumers' Guild:

Yea=10, Nay=0, Abstain=0

Rocky Mountain Costumers' Guild:

Yea=5, Nay=2, Abstain=0

Costumers' Guild West:

Yea=28, Nay=0, Abstain=0

New York/New Jersey Costumers' Guild:

Yea=1, Nay=0, Abstain=0

Grand Total: Yea=82, Nay=7, Abstain=2

6. New Business

There being no further Old Business, the meeting turned to New Business.

A. Resolution 1. "Father of Convention Costuming"

Tony Lay Moved adoption of Resolution 1:

"WHEREAS the Art of Convention Costuming has given many hours of entertainment and pleasure to the attendees at Science Fiction Conventions

"AND WHEREAS the execution of the Art has enriched the lives and artistic impression of its practitioners

"AND WHEREAS the origins of Convention Costuming can be traced to Nycon I, the first World Science Fiction Convention

"AND WHEREAS Forrest J. Ackerman was the first to wear a costume at Nycon I

"AND WHEREAS Forrest J. Ackerman has continued to support Convention Costuming by Judging and Appreciation

"BE IT RESOLVED that the International Costumers' Guild recognize Forrest J. Ackerman as the 'Father of Convention Costuming'

"AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we extend to Forrest J. Ackerman the highest esteem and admiration of the International Costumers' Guild."

Resolution 1 was Seconded by *Deborah Jones*. Following discussion, it was Adopted unanimously.

B. Motion 2, Plaque Following adoption of Resolution 1, *Tony Lay* Moved Motion 2, as follows:

"Moved - The International Costumers' Guild shall present to Forrest J. Ackerman a plaque recognizing the intent of Resolution 1. The presentation of this plaque is to be at Conadian, the 52nd World Science Fiction Convention, at the Masquerade. Presenters shall be the President of the ICG, accompanied by a representative of each available chapter. Cost of that plaque is to be covered by a specific amount donated from each chapter, said amount to be determined by an equal split of the cost of said plaque."

Motion 2 was Seconded by *Betsy Marks*. During discussion, the total cost of said plaque was estimated to be \$51, which is approximately the cost of the Lifetime Achievement Award plaque. The cost per chapter would be \$3.16, the President noted. Following discussion, it was Moved by *Frances Burns* and Seconded by *Carolyn Kinkaid* to amend Motion 2 by adding at the end the phrase "not to exceed \$10.00 per active chapter." In dis-

cussion, the President noted that this action would not obligate the Corporation to do this again. The amendment was Adopted with no Nay votes but with one abstention. Following discussion, Motion 2, as amended, then was Adopted unanimously.

Subsequent to adoption of Motion 2, in response to points of information the President stated that he would notify chapters of the cost when a final price was secured. They would send their donations to the Treasurer. In the event of an excess, funds would be returned to the chapters. A chapter could donate its share of the excess to the ICG, but the President asked that such donation be in writing. In order to have the plaque ready for a presentation at Conadian, he noted, donations will have to be received by June 30. Finally, he responded that the Board of Directors will decide on the wording of the plaque.

C. Additional Motions and Business

1. The President announced that the official mailing address of the ICG would be:

International Costumers' Guild
Post Office Box 1223
Beltsville, MD 20704-1223

This is the Treasurer's mailing address, but that will be the Corporations' mailing and street addresses beyond her term as Treasurer. The President noted that gives us, as a Maryland corporation, a Maryland address.

2. *Motion 3* *Tony Lay* Moved, and *Frances Burns* Seconded, Motion 3 to amend the Standing Rules as follows:

"Moved - Standing Rule 16: In order to establish voting privileges at any meeting, membership dues must be received by the Treasurer no later than 7 days prior to the meeting date."

There is already a Standing Rule 16. Therefore *Byron Connell* Moved and *Betsy Marks* Seconded an amendment to renumber the proposed rule to be Standing Rule 20. The mover and seconder of Motion 3 accepted this as a friendly amendment. The President noted that Motion 3 would implement the first of the Treasurer's proposals on the Dues Structure of the ICG, Inc. Following discussion, it was Moved by *Bruce MacDermott* and Seconded by *Joan Bradt* to amend the proposed Standing Rule by substituting 10 days for 7 days. The amendment was Adopted unanimously. As amended, the proposed Standing Rule 20 was then Adopted unanimously.

3. *Betsy Marks*, Treasurer, made the following report:
February 16, 1994

To: The members of the ICG, Inc., Officers and Directors

From: Betsy R. Marks, Treasurer

Re: Establishment of the ICG, Inc., Membership System

"As treasurer and Directory Editor of the International Costumers' Guild, Inc., I have the pleasure to announce that the ICG Membership System is now fully operational as a live accounting package, and will shortly be operational as the ICG Membership Directory source. This announcement comes as the culmination of four years work by my father, Lewis M. Marks, Jr., who has donated an immeasurable amount of time towards completion of the task I set for him after my last Directory program failed.

"At Costume Con 8, I provided my father with the specifications for a Membership Tracking System, which would be capable of keeping accurate directory records for all active and inactive members of the ICG. My father agreed, at no expense to the Guild, to undertake the task of programming the system in FoxPro, a commercially available database package for the IBM computer. Two years later, I asked him to incorporate the structure for maintaining the ICG's accounting records, so that we could eliminate the multiple databases being used by the Corresponding Secretary, Directory Editor, Treasurer and Costumers' Quarterly Editor for tracking payments and members. The system has been transferred through several FoxPro upgrades, and is now running on the current FoxPro 2.5 release. The database now includes an accounting package, the means for tracking Chapter officers and address changes, and the information being requested by the Membership Questionnaire.

"...I have the pleasure to announce that the ICG Membership System is now fully operational as a live accounting package and will shortly be operational as the ICG Membership Directory source. This announcement comes as the culmination of four years work by my father, Lewis M. Marks, Jr., who has donated an immeasurable amount of time towards completion of the task I set for him after my last Directory program failed." (Betsy Marks - Treasurer)

"At this point, the only expenditure we will need to make will be the purchase of a licensed copy of FoxPro 2.5, so that we may run the program and handle maintenance of the system ourselves. This license should cost roughly \$300.00. Considering that the estimate that my father gave me for the programming places the value of our system at nearly \$20,000.00, this expense is negligible.

"To conclude, I request that the ICG formally thank my father for all his donated time and effort in creating this sophisticated system for us. I further request that the membership approve the purchase of a fully-licensed copy of FoxPro 2.5, for the future support of our system.

"Thank you for your attention to this matter.
"Betsy R. Marks, Treasurer, ICG, Inc."

It was Moved by Byron Connell and Seconded by Julie Porter that the ICG authorize the purchase of a licensed copy of the latest version of FoxPro 2. Following discussion, the motion was Adopted unanimously. Bruce MacDermott indicated that he might be able to assist the Guild in buying at a considerable discount.

Janet Wilson-Anderson then Moved, and Daren Bost Seconded, the following resolution:

"WHEREAS Lewis M. Marks has rendered the Guild extraordinary services in the donation of time and his talents;

"BE IT RESOLVED that the International Costumers' Guild extend to him appreciation and gratitude, and further

"BE IT RESOLVED that this expression take the form of a wonderful certificate to be drafted by Betsy Marks."

The President stated that, assuming the resolution is adopted, he was directing her to provide countersignature positions on the certificate for all the other Officers of the Guild. The resolution then was Adopted unanimously.

4. Byron Connell pointed out that the ICG's recognition of its first non-North American chapter - the Australian Costumers' Guild - made it necessary to amend Standing Rule 7, dealing with the subscriptions to *The Costumer's Quarterly*, to address the distribution of the *Quarterly* outside of North America. He Moved and Betsy Marks Seconded that Standing Rule 7 be amended as follows [matter to be deleted is enclosed in brackets []; matter to be added is *italicized*]:

"7. Subscription fees for *The Costumer's Quarterly* shall be set at \$8.00 US per year in the USA and \$10.00 US per year in North America outside the USA. Chapters outside North America will receive a single master copy of each issue, shall be charged for the cost of preparing and mailing that copy, and shall print and distribute copies from that master pursuant to a written agreement between the chapter and the Corporation. Chapters outside of North America shall be responsible for all costs of reproduction and distribution and may set such subscription fees as they see fit. The annual subscription fee for [the] members in North America receiving *The Costumer's Quarterly* shall be sent to the Treasurer on the same schedule as the corporation dues. The charge to chapters outside North America for preparing and mailing master copies shall be paid to the Treasurer on such schedule as the chapter and the Corporation shall agree on. The Corporation Treasurer shall remit *The Costumer's Quarterly* subscription fees to the editors as expenses as incurred. The Treasurer shall also send *The Costumer's Quarterly* editors an updated membership list on a quarterly basis."

Following discussion, it was Moved and Seconded to amend the motion to change the first sentence to read as follows: "7. Subscription fees for *The Costumer's Quarterly* shall be set at \$8.00 US per year [in the] for members with USA mailing addresses and \$10.00 per year for members with mailing addresses in North America outside the USA." The amendment was Adopted unanimously. As amended, the motion to revise Standing Rule 7 was Adopted unanimously.

5. It was Moved by Betsy Marks, Seconded, and Adopted unanimously:

"That the following chapters be deactivated at the conclusion of this meeting:

Great White North Costumers' Guild
North Star Costumers' Guild
People Your Mother Warned You About;
said chapters to be notified by certified mail directly following this meeting; reinstatement of same to be considered as the corporation Standing Rules direct.

6. Betsy Marks Moved that a committee be established to consider her proposals on the Dues Structure of the ICG, Inc. The motion was Seconded and Adopted unanimously. The following persons were appointed to this committee: Betsy R. Marks, Kenneth Warren, Bruce MacDermott, Lynn Maudlin, and Eileen Kates.

7. It was noted that the original sponsors of Costume Con 13 were no longer affiliated with the convention. Janet Wilson-Anderson Moved and Tony Lay Seconded that the ICG accept the new sponsors of Costume Con 13. The motion was Adopted with no Nay votes but with one abstention.

8. Status of *The Costumer's Quarterly* Maura Rebholz, Editor, reported on the status of *The Costumer's Quarterly*. She noted that the *Quarterly* received \$2,542 in income from the Treasurer and had \$912.47 in expenses, leaving a current balance of \$1,629.53. Other assets included a credit of \$75 in the bulk mail account and \$26.68 in postage stamps. She presented the following written report to the Board of Directors.

"The cost for the first issue produced under my editorship was approximately \$1.30 per issue, which includes a print run of 550 issues and postage for 468 mailed. This cost may go up slightly as issues are returned and forwarded.

"The General and Start-Up Expenses include some items which were necessary for the start-up of productions (i.e. envelopes, Laser Labels, dots for sealing the issues for mailing, etc.), these remain the property of *Costumer's Quarterly*.

"I am placing great emphasis on communication with the members of the ICG and response to the requests. Toward this end, I have brought a box and comment slips for the members of CC 12 to give me any comments/questions, etc. that they wish. I also publish my address, CompuServe and Internet e-mail addresses in the *Quarterly* and have ordered business cards (at my own expense) to pass out to people who want to know how to contact me. Please encourage anyone who has a question or comment to let me know.

"Also, in conjunction to the above request, I am making sure that when I receive articles or suggestions, they are acknowledged. Errors will be formally corrected.

"The *Costumer's Quarterly* is currently being produced on a Macintosh Performa 467 with PageMaker 4.2 and masters printed on a Hewlett Packard Laserjet 4MP printer (600 dpi!)."

She announced that her deadline to receive copy for the next issue is March 31.

8. CC 15 Site Selection

There being no further New Business, the meeting turned to the selection of the site for Costume Con 15.

The President announced that the only bid for Costume Con 15 had been made by the Greater Columbia CXXV Bid Committee, Betsy Marks and Norman Rule co-chairs, which would hold Costume Con 15 on Memorial Day weekend, 1997, at the Radisson Lord Baltimore in Baltimore, Maryland. There being no other bids, no action was needed at the annual meeting.

The President also noted that bids for Costume Con 16 would be voted on next year, at CC 13. He also announced that Guild West proposes to host Costume Con 18, in the year 2000. He stated that he knew of no bid for Costume Con 17, in 1999.

Betsy Marks announced that the theme for the Friday night social at CXXV would be "Callahan's Cross-Stitch Saloon," and that for Saturday would be "Murder on the Ornament Express."

Byron Connell proposed, but did not move, that the ICG extend its condolences to Betsy and Norman.

"...the following chapters be deactivated at the conclusion of this meeting: Great White North Costumers' Guild, North Star Costumers' Guild, People Your Mother Warned You About, said chapters to be notified by certified mail directly following this meeting; reinstatement of same to be considered as the corporation Standing Rules direct." (Betsy Marks - Treasurer)

9. Election of Officers

The meeting turned to the election of officers of the Corporation for 1994.

The following persons were nominated to the offices indicated:

President: Pierre E. Pettinger, Jr.

Vice President: Patrick M. Kennedy

Treasurer: Betsy R. Marks

Corresponding Secretary: Janet Wilson-Anderson

Recording Secretary: Dana MacDermott

There being no other nominations, the nominations were closed by a motion **Made** by Toni Lay and **Seconded** by Sandy Pettinger and the persons nominated were **Chosen** unanimously by the members to be elected to the Board of Directors.

10. Other Announcements

The President having left his Presidential Chapeau in his room, Janet Wilson-Anderson provided him with an alternate Presidential Chapeau, whose description will not be provided, to gales of laughter.

On behalf of Guild West, Janet Wilson-Anderson invited all ICG members to come to the second annual Costume College, in Newport Beach, California.

Vicki Warren announced that the Lunatic Phrynge, following the Sick Pups' tradition, is hosting Tackycon this summer, and invited all Guild members to join them.

Cat Devereaux announced that members of the Australian Costumers' Guild had telephoned to thank the ICG for making them a chapter.

Janet Wilson-Anderson asked for a round of applause for all those who had served this year. [Applause.]

11. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the annual meeting, on a **Motion** by Julie Porter, **Seconded** by Daren Bost, the President declared the annual meeting **Adjourned** at 3:18 p.m.

12. Board of Directors Meeting

A. Election of Officers In accordance with Maryland law, Byron Connell **Moved** that the Board of Directors elect as officers of the International Costumers' Guild the persons chosen for each such office at the annual meeting. Tony Lay **Seconded** the motion, which was then **Adopted** unanimously.

The President thanked the departing officers for their time and effort on the Guild's behalf.

B. Westercon A motion that the ICG Board of Directors write to the Portland Westercon committee dealing with the issue of the use of masks was **Made** by Vicki Warren, **Seconded** by Katherine Jeppson, and **Adopted** unanimously. The President directed Dana MacDermott to draft such a letter, to be approved, signed and sent by the Officers of the Corporation.

C. Adjournment of the Board of Directors Meeting

There being no further business to come before this meeting of the Board of Directors, on a motion **Made** by Toni Lay and **Seconded** by Daren Bost, the President declared it **Adjourned** at 3:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Byron R. Connell
Recording Secretary.

NOTE: You may notice that these minutes are in a substantially smaller type than the normal typeface for the Quarterly. It is an attempt to preserve space, both because this was a long meeting, and because it is rather dry reading. Comments are welcome! - Editor

Picture Perfect Review of the "Museum of Jewelry"

by: Cat Devereaux

This catalog has exquisite earrings and pendants in designs appropriate for Grecian to Renaissance and from Georgian to Victorian.

Your historical gown is almost done. You have hand sewed twelve yards of silk velvet to perfection, made the pearl trimmed lace, hand pleated the one hundred fifty yards of ribbon on the petticoat and have started wondering how you are going to accessorize your creation. Never fear. There is a catalog available with jewelry suited to your creation.

The Museum of Jewelry catalog has been available for a while but the company has just recently come to the notice of many costumers. This catalog has many exquisite earrings and pendants in designs appropriate for Grecian to Renaissance and from Georgian to Victorian. Better yet, according to Carole Wilkinson, the general manager, approximately thirty percent of their styles are reproductions from originals! The rest are inspired from history using modern stones but keeping the feel of the period.

Machinery is not used to create the jewelry. "Each piece is individually shaped, detailed and

embellished by hand" using precious metals and hand cut gem stones. While some are crafted from 14k gold, most items are reproduced with the historical method of 24k gold gilded over sterling silver. Most of the earrings are for pierced ears using "European hinged backs." However, numerous styles can be converted to screw backs.

While the Museum of Jewelry has been producing their catalog for only four years, the company has over twenty-eight years experience in the recreation of museum quality reproductions. Many of the earlier time period

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Do you have a tip you want to share with other costumers? Have you tried a new technique that really works? Send it in! See page 2 for submission information.