Minutes of the Beyond Reality Costumers' Guild, June 16, 2009

Attendees: Betty Bigelow, David Bigelow, Marie Cooley, Susan Courney, Vicki Glover, Ed Mignon, Erik Prill, Kier Salmon, Lisa Satterlund, Victoria Shaffer, Joanne Spink, Carol Zebold, Julie Zetterberg.

The July meeting was held at Spiro's Pizza and Pasta, and was called to order by Bigwig Julie at 7:44. Minutes of the June meeting were inspected and approved.

Officers' reports:

There were no officers' reports.

Events: Past:

Fremont Zombie Walk July 3 was attended by Greg, Julie, Susan C., JoAnne Kirley, and perhaps other members who were not sighted amongst the throng. Much satisfaction from mass participation in the Thriller Dance performed in celebration of Michael Jackson's life and achievement, and Susan deservedly attracted much attention with her superb corpse bride outfit.

Upcoming:

Renaissance Fair, First three weekends in August, Morris Farms, Buckley. (<u>http://www.washingtonrenfair.com</u>). The Ravenrook Consort, a six person singing group that includes our own Marie Cooley, will be performing Renaissance ayres and madrigals at 11:30 every weekend. Be on the alert for their CD, which will be coming out soon. Victoria and Kathy will also be there, showing and hopefully selling their stuff.

Camlann Summer Festival, Sats. & Suns., July 18 thru August 23. (<u>http://www.camlann.org/summer_festivals.htm</u>). Master Payne will be demonstrating his wondrously magickal sleight of hand. JoAnne Kirley will be directing a performance of the Mediaeval classic Sir Ywayn, featuring Payne playing the roles of the priest, the giant, and King Arthur. Jacob Priestly will present an extravaganza on his awesome two story puppet theater. Steamcon, Oct. 25-28, Sea-Tac Marriott, (<u>http://www.steam-con.com</u>). Jake Von Slatt will be participating on one of the panels. We can't have a table for this event because the hotel claims the hallways are too narrow. Marie is not convinced of this. Should be buy an ad in the program book? Victoria will inquire and report back. The coordinator of the fashion show is planning a high tea, and we have been invited to judge the entries and present a Best Dressed award. We need to reply before the beginning of September. This decision will be put on the agenda for the August meeting.

M/2 that we provide ribbons for the best dressed award at the high tea. M/C.

Ongoing/future BRCG activities:

BRCG Summer Event & apron challenge "50s with a Twist", August 1 at Lisa Satterlund's house.

Starts at 1pm. Don't come early unless you want to help. Carol will bring a couple of folding chairs. Vicki will bring a croquet set. Kier is bringing four aprons from Randolph's mom's collection. Yard is neither barefoot nor high heel friendly. If you bring food for grilling, just bring enough for yourself and perhaps one more person. Lisa will check with one of the local businesses to see if we can use their parking spaces. E-mail Lisa if you need directions. Julie and Lisa will be the apron contest judges. Lisa has not been able to trace any further issues of Apronology, and is not sure if it is still going. Vicki has an E-mail address for it, which she will send to Lisa.

BRCG Fall Event. Sept. 26, Queen Anne Christian Church.

Ballots were distributed for members to vote for one of the three theme nominations. Members who have not yet voted may still do so online. Results will be announced after August 3. Ed reported that he has received a reservation confirmation and housekeeping instructions from the Church. We still need to appoint someone to manage and coordinate the preparations for the Event.

BeyondCon 2010. Feb. 12-14, Inn at Gig Harbor. Kier believes that Katt has signed the contract. The planning committee will have a programming conference next month.

Old Business:

Alternate north end locations for our monthly meetings: The new Italian place near the Stone Way Kidd Valley is probably too expensive, and Tutta Bella is too noisy. Susan C. will check with Las Margaritas on Aurora Ave. to see if they have a suitable room. Randolph is still working on our letterhead when he is not engaged in his massive teaching duties.

Other Business:

-Tom Hayes has offered to give a workshop on how to redraft patterns to fit bodies. Place, time and date TBA.

-New York Fashion Academy is having a fabric sale. Interested parties can just drop in anytime the Academy is open.

-There will be another Steampunk garage sale on September 26.

-The Lolita Convention is set for August 8-9 at the Bellevue Westin Hotel. Check it out at <u>http://www.innocenteseraphim.com</u>.

-Foolscap is scheduled for Sept. 25-27 at the Marriott Redmond Town Center, and this year they plan a costume competition, of sorts. Details at http://www.foolscapcon.org

-Belly Dancing Betty reminded us that the Arab Festival taking place August first and second from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm on Saturday and 11:00 am to 6:00 pm on Sunday, at the Seattle Center. More info at http://www.arabcenter.net/Festival2009.

Project Runway will be starting a new season August 20 on the Lifetime channel. Vicki will host viewings.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33.

Next meeting, Tuesday August 18 at Goldie's on Airport Way