The Greater Columbia Fantasy Costumer's Guild, Inc PO Box 683 Columbia MD 21045

May 29, 2008

Dear Friends,

The next meeting of the GCFCG will be held on Sunday June 22, 2008 at Mr. Don's library in Brooklyn Park, MD. The meeting time is 1:30! This is our Election Meeting: if you cannot attend the meeting but would like to vote, please follow the enclosed instructions for sending in an Absentee Ballot. You must be a member in good standing (dues are paid up) to vote -talk to Sharon if you're not sure. Dues can be paid at the meeting prior to the vote, or by mail to the PO Box. Please mail dues and Absentee Ballots separately.

We need to discuss a bit about the haunt (has anyone read Ron's suggestion of "Gill's All Fright Diner" by.. ?Martinez?), a bit about our CC costume, and in particular we need to finalize the vote on GCFCG taking on Balticon programming.

If you have any questions please contact one of the officers by phone, or the guild e-mail  $(\underline{gcfcg@yahoo.com})$  or  $(\underline{gcfcg@yahoogroups.com})$  for the chat list

President Ron Robinson, Vice President Ric Rader, Treasurer Sharon Landrum, Secretary Judy Mitchell

## **MEETING LOCATION:**

Brooklyn Park Library

From south:

Take I-95 or MD 295 to Baltimore Beltway (I-695)

Take the Beltway toward Key Bridge/Dundalk, Exit at MD Rt. 2 North

Go about 1-2 miles on Rt. 2 (Ritchie Highway), Look for Ollie's on the right

Turn right onto 11th Ave (after Ollie's & just before McDonald's)

Go 1 block - library is concrete-and-glass building on the hill

Turn right into driveway & continue to library parking lot

NOTE: The library is closed on Sundays. Come around to the bottom meeting room door, which faces 11th Avenue.

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## PROCEDURE FOR VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT

ABSENTEE BALLOTS: All active members have the right to provide absentee ballots for Elections where they will not be physically present.

- (a) All Absentee Ballots must be received in The Corporation Post Office Box by one (1) full week immediately prior to the day of the Election. Only Active Members of the Corporation whose dues are current at the time of the election, or may be paid on the day of the election as long as said members have not fallen into Lapsed status. Lapsed members must renew their memberships according to the By-Laws, and are not eligible to vote for or run for office.
- (b) The Absentee Ballot shall consist of a plain piece of 8 1/2 x 11" Paper, listing the issues or name of the offices, followed by a yes, no, abstention, or the name of Active Members for whom one is voting. If the ballot is for an Election, one need not vote for all the offfices.
- (c) The Absentee Ballot must be mailed inside a sealed envelope with each voting member's name and address printed in the upper left hand corner, and the words "ABSENTEE BALLOT" printed on the envelope. The legal signature(s) of the voting member(s) must appear on the reverse (flap) side of the envelope.
- (d) More than one (1) Absentee Ballot may be mailed in a single envelope, but there must be only one (1) ballot (member's vote) per piece of paper. The names and signatures of all members whose ballots are contained inside the envelope must appear on the outside of the envelope. The ballot envelope must NOT contain anything except for the Absentee Ballot(s).
- (e) Envelopes containing all Absentee Ballots received by the cut-off date, will be opened at the election meeting after the Treasurer and Vice President (Parliamentarian) certify that the names and signatures that appear on the outside are those of current Active Members. All ballots will be removed from their envelopes and will be turned over to the elections committee still folded and in such a fashion as to maintain confidentiality.

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