

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

May 16 , 2011

Dear Friends,

The next meeting of the GCFCG will be held on **Saturday June 16** at the Lisa A-G's house. **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.

If you have any questions please contact one of the officers by phone, or the guild e-mail (gcfcg@yahoo.com) or ([gcfcg@yahoo.com](http://gcfcg.yahoogle.com)) for the chat list

Thanks from your officers:

President Judy Mitchell, Vice President Ric Rader, Treasurer Sharon Landrum, Recording Secretary Ann Hamilton, Corresponding Secretary Elektra Hammond

MEETING LOCATION:

Lisa Adler-Golden
3712 Perry St
Brentwood, MD 20722

From College Park: Take Rt 1 south through Hyattsville. Turn left on 38th and right on Perry. Park on the other side of the road or a side street.

From the North/East/West: Take the Beltway to B/W Parkway south. Take the 202/Landover exit and turn right at the traffic light. Continue straight on Annapolis Rd and slightly left on Alt-1/Bladensburg Rd (giant cross at a three-way intersection). Take a right on 38th (traffic light) and a left on Perry St. If you've hit Rhode Island, you've gone too far. Park on the other side of the road or a side street.

From the South: Take 295 north to Kenilworth/201 north. Take the Annapolis Rd exit and go west (right at the traffic light). Continue from above.

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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 fo 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 ½ 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 offices.

(c) The Absentee Ballot must be mailed inside a sealed envelop 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 form their envelopes and will be turned over to the elections committee still folded and in such a fashion as to maintain confidentiality.