

# Threadneedle Street

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## Meeting Schedule

{all meetings, 2PM at Betsy Marks' house}

- July 17: GCF CG Banner Sewing Bee, Take 1 (Please bring your completed 6" squares with you to the meeting)
- August 14: Halloween and X-Mass Planning

## Last Meeting Notes:

The meeting started at 2:30PM on 12 June, 1994, at Betsy Marks' home. In attendance were: Amanda Allen, Faith Baker, Andrew Bergstrom, Deborah Feaster, Bobby Gear, D. Jeannette Holloman, Ron Robinson, Sharon Landrum, Betsy Marks, Londo Massey, Aynne Morison, Jim Morison, Amy Rule, Norman Rule, Don Sakers, Thomas Atkinson, Douglas Warden, Letitia Wells, Betty Jameson, Ellen Endress, and Jeff Porteski.

## In Old Business:

Discussed was the auction at Shore Leave, the GCF CG is doing three panels for 'pay for' auction time. Betsy made a

point of asking the membership to be nice and not make snide comments at Shore Leave. Betsy also requested that the membership please wear their "Guild by Association" buttons.

The results of the last meeting were that the Fang making workshop was excellent. People stayed after the meeting, and even after Betsy and Dan to watch the video tape of "Mostly Ballroom". Betsy and Dan were pleased to find that the 'Cleaning Fairy' visited after all was said and done.

A reminder that the July meeting is re-scheduled for the 3rd weekend. A 6" finished square for the banner should be brought to the meeting or made there.

The August meeting will be for Planning of the Halloween and Winter Holiday parties.

## In New Business:

A discussion of the trip to Surret House will be postponed until August. A Survey for the meeting weekend will be included in this Issue of T-Street.

Elections were held. The new officers are; President: Betsy Marks; Vice President: Amanda Allen; Treasurer: Sharon Landrum; and Secretary: Amy Rule.

The meeting closed at 3:35PM.

## The Buck Stops Here *Thoughts from the Pres.*

Another GCF CG election has come and gone (as has our 10th anniversary, if I'm counting correctly) and we're still going....

Congratulations to the current board of officers. I hope we can do good things together. While I'm at it, let me thank those of you who sent in your Proxy votes by the due date. Your spirit was appreciated, although your bodies were missed at the annual Election Picnic.

We have accepted several new members to the chapter, and will be adding more at the end of this month, which brings our active membership above the 45 mark. I hope this trend will continue, and that we can come up with more interesting events for everyone to enjoy.

There are a few new things we're planning for the next couple of months, including a weekend trip to Virginia Beach for bead foraging and relaxation, along with a trip to a local medieval theme restaurant, planning for the two big holiday parties (Halloween and That-Winter-Holiday-Of-Your-Choice), along with the new vertical banner.

If you have suggestions for additional events, please contact me or Amanda to let us know what you have in mind, and we'll mention it at the next meeting. Alternately, do some preliminary checking and mention it yourself.

One last note before I let you go on to the rest of the issue: at the last meeting we had a discussion about changing the

regular meeting day (the "Sunday at 2pm" part seems to be working well, but the 2nd Sunday part conflicts with the Balticon monthly planning meeting on Saturday night). I would have no problem shifting to a different weekend, and would prefer that we do it in time for the August meeting since I couldn't make it to that meeting as scheduled anyway. So, I'm asking you to give me your opinion about which weekends would be **BAD** for you. I suspect there won't be any one weekend which will work out perfectly, but I'm trying for consistency. My preference is for the third, fourth or first, in that order. I'm not considering fifth weekends since they don't occur regularly.

**Please call me with your preferences BY NEXT MEETING.** If you don't respond, and we switch to a regular weekend you can't live with, we are going to be less than happy if we hear complaints afterward. This is, after all, what democracy is about.

That said, I'll see you on July 17th (*third weekend - remember? Shore Leave?*) at 2pm, with banner square in hand.

Betsy R. Marks

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Watch this space for announcements of the next GCFCG Duct Tape Session, Those Nice-Try Costumes: How to rescue them from the Rag Bag, and the GCFCG Annual Halloween Party.

### All Dressed Up

June 2-August 28      Thursday & Friday - 11:00am-3:00pm      Saturday & Sunday - 12:00-4:00pm  
An exhibit on 19th century costuming.

Surratt House, (301) 868-1121  
9110 Brandywine Road, Clinton

Fees: Adults - &1.50, Seniors - \$1.00, Children - \$.50      [Perhaps Field Trip material, no? - The Pres.]

### Marching Through Time

June 18 - 10:00am - 5:00pm      June 19 - 10:00am - 4:00pm

Multi-period military encampment. Participants will join Romans, Vikings, Revolutionary and Civil War soldiers as they demonstrate military tactics and camp life.

Marietta Mansion, (301) 464-5291  
5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale

Admission: TBA

## Happy Birthday - The Birthday Dirge

Chorus:

Happy birthday - ugh!  
Happy birthday - ugh!

Grief and sorrow fill the air  
Children dying everywhere  
Happy birthday...

Plague and famine in the air  
People dying everywhere  
Happy birthday...

Doom, destruction, and despair  
People dying everywhere  
Happy birthday...

Gloom and doom and dark despair  
People dying everywhere  
Happy birthday...

Fear and gloom and darkness but  
No one found out You Know What  
Happy birthday...

May the cities in your wake  
Burn like candles on your cake  
Happy birthday...

See the women wail and weep  
Kill them all but save the sheep  
Happy birthday...

Hear the women wail and weep  
Kill them all but spare the sheep  
Happy birthday...

Rape the women while they sleep  
Kill them all but save the sheep  
Happy birthday...

You're a period cook, 'tis true  
Ask the beetles in the stew  
Happy birthday...

Now your jail-bait days are done  
Let's go out and have some fun  
Happy birthday...

May your deeds with sword and axe  
Equal those with sheep and yaks  
Happy birthday...

You must marry very soon  
Baby's due the next full moon  
Happy birthday...

Your servants steal, your wife's un-  
true  
Your children plot to murder you  
Happy birthday...

They stole your sword, your gold,  
your house  
Took your sheep but not your spouse  
Happy birthday...

Were I sitting in your shoes  
I'd go out and sing the blues  
Happy birthday...

Though you're turning 29  
Age to you is like fine wine  
Happy birthday...

So you're 29 again  
Don't tell lies to your good friend  
Happy birthday...

Now you've lived another year  
Age to you is like stale beer  
Happy birthday...

So another year has past  
Don't look back, they're gaining fast  
Happy birthday...

Long ago your hair turned grey  
Now it's falling out, they say  
Happy birthday...

Now you've lived another year  
And your death is drawing near  
Happy birthday...

Now you've reached the age you are  
Your demise cannot be far  
Happy birthday...

The Black Death just struck your  
town  
You yourself feel quite run-down  
Happy birthday...

We've brought linen, white as cloud  
Now we'll sit and sew your shroud  
Happy birthday...

Now you are the age you are  
Your demise cannot be far  
Happy birthday...

Indigestion's what you get  
From the enemies you 'et  
Happy birthday...

See the lines upon your face  
Like the pattern of old lace  
Happy birthday...

At your age you ought to learn  
First you pillage, then you burn  
On your birthday...

Burn the castle and storm the keep  
Kill the woman but save the sheep  
Happy birthday...

It's your birthday, never fear  
You'll be dead this time next year  
Happy birthday...

We brought linen, white as cloud  
Now we'll sit and sew your shroud  
Happy birthday...

I like children, yes I do  
baked or broiled or in a stew  
Happy birthday...

I'm a leper, can't you see  
Have a birthday kiss from me  
Happy birthday...

Now you've lived another year  
Now you know that Death is near  
Happy birthday...

Children dying everywhere  
They say that cancer's caused by  
beer  
Happy birthday...

Famine, fear, fire and flood  
Can't keep your face out of the mud  
Happy birthday...

Death and gloom and black despair  
People dying everywhere  
Happy birthday...

So far Death you have bypassed  
Don't look back it's gaining fast  
Happy birthday...

Burn, then rape by firelight  
Add romance to life tonight  
Happy birthday...

*For those many of you who have requested it.*

Civil War Civilian Living History Program

August 20 - Time TBA

Civilian re-enactors will present daily life on the home front during the Civil War period.

Marietta Mansion, (301) 464-5291  
5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale

Admission: TBA

If you are on E-Mail of some type, and want to receive your T-Street via E-Mail, The Editors will accept E-Mail addresses from any of the GCFCG membership. For those of you who are on Digex Express- you will be able to download the actual WordPerfect 6.0(b) file. For everyone else, we can try to mail you the WordPerfect file, or send you the ASCII text. The only thing you'll lose is the fancy formatting and the calendar page. I (Ron) particularly recommend it, as you are assured of getting it the day it's published. So far we have E-Mail addresses for Norm & Amy Rule (CI\$), Betsy Marks (Digex), Marty & Bobby Gear (Digex), Deborah Feaster (Internet), and Tish Wells (Digex). The Editors can be contacted on CI\$ at 75036,306 or on Internet at [fanish@access.digex.net](mailto:fanish@access.digex.net) if you are interested.

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**Greater Columbia Fantasy Costumers Guild  
Meeting Selection Form**

Please indicate the weekend(s) that you will **NOT** be able to attend a meeting:

1st                       2nd                       3rd                       4th

Please indicate the order of preference for the weekend(s) that you will be able to attend a meeting:


1st \_\_\_\_                      2nd \_\_\_\_                      3rd \_\_\_\_                      4th \_\_\_\_

On the weekend(s) that you will be able to attend a meeting, at what time would you like it to start:

Noon                       1PM                       2PM - default time                       3PM  
 4PM                       5PM                       6PM                       Evening

# June 20 - August 14, 1994

## Guild Calendar and Convention Planner

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<i>June 20</i>	<i>June 21</i>  Summer begins	<i>June 22</i>	<i>June 23</i> * All Dressed Up * continues Full Moon	<i>June 24</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>June 25</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>June 26</i> * All Dressed Up * continues
<i>June 27</i>	<i>June 28</i>	<i>June 29</i>	<i>June 30</i> * All Dressed Up * continues Last Quarter	<i>July 1</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 2</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 3</i> * All Dressed Up * continues
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">WesterCon 47 (Los Angeles, CA; Airport Hilton)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Roaring River Mills Sale</div>						
<i>July 4</i> Costume Con 14 Memberships \$40, higher after Independence Day WesterCon ...	<i>July 5</i>	<i>July 6</i>	<i>July 7</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 8</i> * All Dressed Up * continues New Moon	<i>July 9</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 10</i> * All Dressed Up * continues
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Shore Leave 16 (Hunt Valley, HV Inn)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Costume College 1994 (Newport Beach, CA; Sheraton)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Roaring River Mills Sale</div>						
<i>July 11</i>	<i>July 12</i>	<i>July 13</i>	<i>July 14</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 15</i> * All Dressed Up * continues 1st Quarter	<i>July 16</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 17</i> 2:00 PM Guild Meeting: GCFCG Banner Sewing Bee, Part 1 * All Dressed Up * continues
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Confluence '94 (Pittsburgh, PA) -&gt; Sunday</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">GAYLAXICON V (Rockville; Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Roaring River Mills Sale</div>						
<i>July 18</i>	<i>July 19</i>	<i>July 20</i>	<i>July 21</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 22</i> * All Dressed Up * continues Full Moon	<i>July 23</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 24</i> * All Dressed Up * continues
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Tronto Trek VIII (Etobicoke, Ontario; Regal Constellation)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Roaring River Mills Sale</div>						
<i>July 25</i>	<i>July 26</i>	<i>July 27</i>	<i>July 28</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 29</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>July 30</i> * All Dressed Up * continues Last Quarter	<i>July 31</i> * All Dressed Up * continues
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Lackycon '94 (Philadelphia, Sheraton NE)</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Roaring River Mills Sale</div>						
<i>August 1</i>	<i>August 2</i>	<i>August 3</i>	<i>August 4</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>August 5</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>August 6</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>August 7</i> * All Dressed Up * continues New Moon
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 2px;">Mythcon XXV (Washington DC, Wash. University)</div>						
<i>August 8</i> Mythcon X...	<i>August 9</i>	<i>August 10</i>	<i>August 11</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>August 12</i> * All Dressed Up * continues	<i>August 13</i> * All Dressed Up * continues 1st Quarter	<i>August 14</i> 2:00 PM Guild Meeting: Halloween and X-Mas Planning Betsy's House * All Dressed Up * continues