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# Goal Droppings

#### CAPRICIOUS SAYS: "PICK IT UP OR YOU MIGHT STEP IN IT!"

Party voting ends at 11am today! Last chance to cast your ballot—come to Ops in the Oak Room.

Did you get your picture taken with Tadao? We are putting together an album for him and would love to have your photo included. Please email them to tadao@capricon.org and identify who is in the picture so we can credit correctly.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

At the end of the convention, we really need volunteers to help with Move Out. Earn double gopher hours it's not too late to work enough to earn back your registration! Sign up at the Gophers desk today!

Phandemonium Book Club: March 23 (*Lion's Blood* by Steven Barnes)

Phandemonium Euchre Club: April 6 at the Grafton Pub (6pm)

## ВАСК ТО

Where to start? There were so many amazing moments at Cap yesterday!

We welcomed back Lifeline Theatre, who spoke on their upcoming production of Terry Pratchett's *Monstrous Regiment*. We will be buying our tickets on Monday!

There were some fabulous concerts on Saturday in the café, and of course our musical GoHs, Silent Nightmare, rocked the house last night!

The Art Auction was a great success, raising lots of money

for our charity, Paws and Stripes.

SATURDAY:

THE TIME MACHINE!

People were lining up to get their photos taken at the Charizma photo booth—scan yours and post them on our Facebook page!

S.M. Stirling stopped by the Phandemonium Book Club, graciously answering questions and regaling us with family history, proving that life is, in fact, stranger than fiction.

The 'Guilty Pleasures' panel educated us on exactly how

many bad shark movies SyFy has made. *Ghost Shark*?!?!?!

There was karaoke. We apologize again for our song choice. Guess we'll do better the third time we attend Capricon 34!

Congratulations to Fred Robinson who won Trivia for Chocolate with 40 pieces of chocolate! Don't eat it all in one sitting!

There were autographs, and parties, and bad movies, and anime, and euchre, and...we're out of space!

Congratulations to all that advanced in the *Settlers of Catan* Pre-Qualifier! The top 16 players will play today at 10am in Ravinia B. Good luck!

### MAY WE SUGGEST:

It's the last day of Capricon, unless you use your time turner again!

Start your day with a reading by our **Author GoH**, **S.M**. **Stirling** (Birch B, 10am), then one last opportunity to see the works of our **Artist GoH**, **Tom Peters** (Botanic A, 11:30am).

Interested in the Hugo

Awards? Come discuss what should be nominated this year (Birch A, 1:00pm).

The annual **Phandemonium Board Meeting** is at 11:30am in Botanic B—see Page 2 for more information, but we hope to see you there!

Don't forget to pick up any art you purchased at the **Art Show**, and take one last

SUNDAY

swing through the **Dealers Room** to buy everything that caught you eye!

Finally, join us for **Closing Ceremonies** and **Feedback Session** (Ravinia A/B, 3:00pm) as we say farewell to our GoHs, announce the Party Awards, and give you a sneak peak at **Capricon 35**!

#### INTERVIEW WITH THE SPECIAL GUEST: SHERRILYN KENYON

What is your funniest (yet fit to print) convention memory? Had to be when Comic Con San Diego had to send the marines in to extract me from my booth. We didn't think anything about having an in-booth signing there, so I showed up and the next thing we knew, we were mobbed by a wonderful, but extremely large crowd. We had so many aisles blocked that CCI moved me upstairs to the main autographing pavilion, and banned me from doing any signing without it being a ticketed event.

## *If you could have lunch with any one person, living or dead, who would it be and why?*

Chaucer. He had even more people living in his head at one time than I do in mine. Plus it would give me a chance to practice my Middle English, and prove to my father once and for all that I didn't waste money by taking that class.

*If you could time travel to any single time and place, forward or back, stay as long as you wanted, and then come back:* 

- a. Where and when would you go? b. Why?
- c. How long would you stay? d. Would you come back at all?

a. Atlantis b. To see if it was real. c. Depends on what I found there. d. Yes, I would miss my family and pets, terribly.

What is the thing you love to talk about that nobody ever asks you about? Archery and axe-throwing.

According to your website, you have a love of cars. What's your dream car to drive and/or own?

My 1964 1/2 Mustang, 289 convertible. Tiffany is my baby. But I never drive her in wet weather.

How has technology / innovation changed the way you do things: Research, organizing, collaborating, writing / art / expression, day-to-day business?

I'm not that old. I started on a computer with email and remain on a PC with email.

When sitting down to play a game with friends and family, what's your favorite?

*League of Legends* or Pool..

## Your website has pages for all your characters. How do you choose their "profile picture"?

Not all, LOL. I have many more characters than what appears on the site. The profile pictures are limited to what we can purchase for use. I pick some and my staff picks others. Sometimes they're the book covers.

What blurb given for any of your books really sticks with you? Ironically, it was one I did as a joke at my editor's request for my Kinley MacGregor pseudonym that appeared on my *Sword of Darkness* Arthurian fantasy novel. "Kinley MacGregor writes fantasy the way I would." Follow us on Facebook (Capricious G Oat) and read our blog at http://capricon.org/blog/ to see what we're up to all year long! There's something fun and fannish happening every month— Don't miss out, or we'd miss you!

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#### PHANDEMONIUM BOARD

Every year the membership of Phandemonium elects two new people to serve a three year term on the Board of Directors. The six elected board members, along with an appointed Secretary, Treasurer, and SMOF (Supreme Minister of Fun) are tasked with keeping the corporation running and enabling the convention and other outside activities to take place.

Who elects these Board members? YOU do! Everyone here is a member of Phandemonium and has the right to vote in the elections. **Join us at our meeting today at 11:30am in Botanic A** to hear some of our plans for other events in the coming year, let us know if there is something you would like us to do, and exercise your voting rights. Traveling through time and voting more than once is prohibited, despite it being Chicago.

Did your misplace your Wizard Wand or Ray Gun? Where were you when you saw it last? WHEN were you when you saw it last? Lost and Found is located in Operations in the Oak Room.

#### OUT OF CON-TEXT

"The tinsel was load-bearing." - overheard in Art Show "Oh, I'm a fruity girl!" - Marinda Darnell

"I don't have very much holding this up." - Sondra de Jong

"I'm from the Sicilian part of the Philippines." - Mary Mascari

"Everyone likes buttery clothes." - Jerry Gilio

"Thank you for pissing on the mandrake." - Adam Miller

"Because of all the static electricity, I dub this con SHOCKA'CON." - Evil Mike

"I'm still finding fuzzies after three showers." - Ciggy

"I'm just trying to figure out if the statute of limitations has run out." - Tim Dinan

"If ops is happy, the con is happy." - Peter Heltzer

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