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GOAT DROPPINGS

"Pick it up, or you might step in it!"



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HELLO ALUMNI!



We hope that your post-graduate time finds you well. We would like to take this moment to encourage you to contribute to the University of Fandom Annual Fund...just kidding!

Actually, we thought we would put out this post-convention edition of Goat Droppings to make sure everyone is aware of awards and such that were given

out on Sunday at the convention.

Closing Ceremonies on Sunday was started by Capricious leading the crowd in a "group hum" of Pomp and Circumstance, which quickly turned into Darth Vader's theme, and lastly "Hail to the Chief" as our University President, Greg "Guido" Williams, approached the podium.

President Williams informed the students that UFAN had a record year for attendance, with 1100 students enrolling for the weekend! The faculty and staff of UFAN thanks you! Unfortunately, President Williams had made a bet (he refuses to comment on whether or not he was "under the

influence" at the time) with the Dean of Greek Life, Dave McCarty, that we would have 1500 enrollees. Dean McCarty presented President Williams with a garish t-shirt, sporting a slogan that is unprintable in a family newsletter, which Mr. Williams donned for the remainder of the ceremony.

We then moved on to presentation of awards (see complete listing on Page 2), along with special guest faculty, Michael Longcor, leading the student body in a final chorus of the UFAN Fight Song.

Suddenly, Professor Corrigan of the Ancient Languages department came running up the aisle, announcing that he had found a book in the library, with President Williams' picture in it. The picture was identified as an evil demon. The lights in the room went out, and strange robed sorcerers appeared! President Williams was escorted from the room under armed guard (Capricious, in chain mail and a sword), and Sorceress Gretchen Roper announced that the theme for Capricon 27 is High Fantasy! See you next year!

PHANDEMONIUM NEWS

Thank you to everyone who came Sunday morning to the Phandemonium Open Board Meeting and voted for our new elected board members. Phandemonium would like to thank all four candidates, **Tere de la Torre, Tim Dinan, Deb Kosiba, and Sunshine Levy**, for offering their services to the corporation. Congratulations to **Tere** and **Tim** who were elected, and begin their terms April 1, 2006.

We would also like to thank **Cary Williams** and **Phoenix**, who end their terms on the Board on March 31, 2006, after three years of service!

Keep in touch over the year with your fellow alumni! www.capricon.org/forums

OUT OF CONTEXT

"Oh, you're sweating!" - Capricious

"We need stale ideas as well as fresh ideas." - Peter Heltzer

"I don't mind you groping me, but not when you're sticky." - Marnie Gucciard

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CAPRICON 26 AWARDS



Capricon 26 gave out many awards this year, and would like to thank everyone who participated this year! You all make Capricon the great experience that it is every year!

Friday Night Euchre Tournament:

Marnie Gucciard and Nick Zuleger

Kathryn Sullivan's Friday Night Contest:

Raymond Waterson (Grand Prize)

Kenny Waterson & Liam Schultz (Runners-up)

Critter Course:

1st Place: Raymond Waterson

2nd Place: Kirsten

3rd Place: Ais

Critter Course Free-For-All:

1st Place: Kirsten

2nd Place: Jeff

3rd Place: Ais

The Olympiad:

Team Orange-You-Glad-We-Didn't-Say-Bananas (52 points)

The Ribbitts (42 points)

The Fighting Devils (34 points)

The Twelve-Eyed-One-Horned-Flying-Purple-People-Eaters (22 points)

Saturday Night Euchre Tournament:

Tom Pickens and Mike Unger

Art Show Awards:

Best Artist's Challenge: Brian Miskelley

Best Fan Artist: Brian Miskelley

Best Pro Artist: John E. Kaufman

Best in Show: Peri Charlifu

Dark and Stormy Planet Contest: Jerry Gilio

Fight Song Contest:

Michael "Moonwulf" Longcor

Gopher of the Year: Robert Walen

Party Awards:

Service Award: Alpha Sigma Sigma

Pledge Class: Secret Belly Dancers of Fandom

Best Event: The Chicago Browncoats' Kimono Bash



The Chicago Browncoats, winner of Best Event, with UFAN Mascot Capricious

DARK AND STORMY PLANET: WINNING ENTRY BY JERRY GILIO

Jerry's Category: If God Had Meant Us To Fly

Judge's Category: Best Use of Duct Tape

"As Commander Marc "Crash" Crazinski strode confidently through the cool Florida night toward the shuttle, which lay nestled amidst the searing white beams of the spotlights, the staples and duct tape on its wings shining majestically, he finally accepted the wisdom of making NASA a faith-based initiative, knowing that only a miracle would save him and his crew."

CAPRICON BOOKCLUB

The Phandemonium / Capricon bookclub meets bimonthly at Borders, located at 1700 Maple Avenue in Evanston. We meet in the Café on the 2nd Floor on Sundays at 7pm. Please join us!

Our next reads are:

March 12: The Forever War by Joe Haldeman

May 7: The Curse of Chalion by Lois McMaster Bujold

THANK YOU GOPHERS!

We would like to thank several of our gophers (we're sure we are missing some names—just like the Oscars! Please forgive any oversights.) Robert Walen, Mike Unger, Laura & Dennis Dombrowski, Robert Alley, Colleen Ester, Kerri-Ellen Kelly, Rich Riley, Charlie Benstern, Robert Fabish, Byron Klappal, Matthew Pedersen, Gerald Swanson, Sam Nirva, Caitlin Thomas, Bill Surret, Diana Koransky, Ryan Kuntzelman, Beca Walen, Dennis Jones, Trisha Koransky, and Kathy Gorny. Thank you all! Couldn't have done it without ya!