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Compositor

Welcome to our special summer vacation issue, featuring almost no content to distract you from all the fun things that you want to do. Check out the many additions to the Calendar.

I’m writing this from London, where many fans are gathering for the Worldcon, including España Sheriff and Lucy Huntzinger. Jean and Chris are very busy with work and preparing for their trip to England to attend the Jane Austen Festival. Look forward to our reports after we get back!

Join our crew!
We are always looking for writers to cover local events, conventions, fan groups and the fannish scene in general.
Contact Jean Martin at SFinSF@gmail.com
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At the end of June I set off with a friend for a week long hiking trip. Our plan was to go in over Bishop Pass to the John Muir Trail, through LeConte Canyon and over Muir Pass to Evolution Basin and Evolution Valley, then around the Glacier Divide to Humphries Basin and out over Paiute Pass.

Things did not go as planned. On the first day we stopped for lunch at Bishop Lake, just below Bishop Pass, and I noticed that one of my boots was coming apart. We decided to camp for the night and hike back down the next day. I bought a new pair of boots (on sale). Since we had lost two days, we did not think we could resume our original itinerary. So we went in over Paiute Pass and spent three days relaxing and day hiking in Humphries Basin. There were flowers everywhere. The moon was new so we had dark skies at night and good star watching. One night we saw two large meteors. One was so big it looked like a comet as it streaked almost horizontally over Nevada. It was a good trip and I hope I can get back up there again soon.
Meeting 1247

June 23, 2014

Trey Haddad, President
Chris Garcia, Vice President
Dave Gallaher, Treasurer
Galen Tripp, Sergeant at Arms
Barbara Johnson-Haddad, Secretary
Held at Coco’s, 1206 Oakmead Parkway (Lawrence Expressway/101 Fwy), Sunnyvale
Began at 8pm, with a mouth full of food
29 people attended
The minutes of meeting 1246 were accepted as “almost as good as the fanfic”
The Treasurer reported that last week we took in $27.25 in the regular jar
The Vice President was not present
The President had nothing fannish to report
The Sports Committee has a couple of tickets left for the BASFA outing to the Giants versus the Dodgers game, Friday, Sept 12 - view reserve seats in 307 for $33/each

Announcements:
Ken announced that the Legion of Rasselon meeting will be at the IHOP on Steven’s Creek near Lawrence, 7:30 pm this Friday
Josh announced that Spamalot will be put on July 24 until August 31 at the City Lights Theatre in downtown SJ &
announced that he is the props manager Dragon Theatre’s production of Moonlight and Magnolias in Redwood City, Aug 15 thru Sept 7 & announced that he is working costumes for “Mortgage Meltdown the Musical”

JC announced that Nerdvana podcast, episode 29, part 2 = “Superdads”, will be out on Wednesday

Ric announced that Fanboy Planet’s podcast, episode 358 is out now

Dave G announced that the registration prices for DetCon go up July 1

Adrienne announced that she is still clearing out her father’s shop and still has more work to doneeds help with it

Diane announced that she is almost employed - so wish her luck

[tall] Kevin announced that he is proposing an amendment to the WSFS constitution and is looking for suggestions about it, to help clarify the issue, check kevin_standlee@livejournal.com & also announced that he won’t be here for the next month & announced that he may need help with Westercon programming

Bradford announced that he is on one panel, at least, for the London Worldcon & announced that he is also on panels for Shamrock Con

Lisa announced that they won’t be around for about 2 months with Westercon & that little Harold may need a ride to BASFA as he’ll be home alone

Reviews:

JC reviewed “The Lego Movie” as really cute, worth full rental & reviewed Ikea as “Ikea sucks” in every way possible &

Josh commented that in the Bay area Ikea is on its 3rd delivery company

Ric reviewed “The Last Ship” as another end of the world scenario show as produced and shot well

Dave C reviewed Stephan Baxter’s “The Wheel of Ice” a 2nd Doctor, Dr Who book, as fun and worth trade paperback & reviewed dinosaur erotica [JC: “Something I never knew I needed”] as an actual genre you can find on Amazon {{so many ... comments}}

Adrienne reviewed the latest episode of “Orphan Black” as awesome & reviewed a new show, “Almost Royal” as really amusing

Carole reviewed their trip to Hawaii as her husband is wonderful and they had a great time - highly recommended &

Bill agreed that it was worth full price

Gordon reviewed “Garden of Memory” as interesting

We did auctions

We adjourned at 9:53

And the rumor of the week was: “”
Meeting 1250

July 14, 2014

Trey Haddad, President
Chris Garcia, Vice President
Dave Gallaher, Treasurer
Galen Tripp, Sergeant at Arms
Barbara Johnson-Haddad, Secretary

Held at Coco’s, 1206 Oakmead Parkway (Lawrence Expressway/101 Fwy), Sunnyvale

Began at 8-ish
25 people attended
A party jar was established
A motion failed & a motion could not be considered
The minutes of meeting 1249 were accepted as “cheap at 2/3 the price”

The Treasurer reported that last week we took in $9.00 in the regular jar
The Vice President reported that a “Drink Tank” and a “Claims Department” are out & “Journey Planet” will be out soon - plus a new zine, “Danger Zine” is planned & he will be Fan GoH at LogicCon in North Carolina, Jan 20
The President had nothing fannish to report

Announcements:
Joanie announced that she is trying ot organize a party for Garth at Convolution
Dave C announced that British fanzines have standards

Ric announced that Judgement Blog has a new post there by Chris & announced that Fanboy Planet’s podcast, episode 361 is out now
Adrienne announced that Mo will be here next week & announced that she will bring a friend to BASFA soon & announced that
Archie Andrews will be killed in his comic
Diane announced that she is gainfully employed
JC announced that Michael’s gave him an uninspiring raise & announced that Nerdvana podcast, episode 30, 100+x, part 3, is out & that episode 31 records soon
Ken announced that the Geek sisters did 2 hours on his 2pm and 3pm show on KFJC.com & announced that Monty Python reunion show will be at the AMC Cupertino on Sunday, July 20 at Valco & announced that the Legion of Rasselon meeting will be at the IHOP on Steven’s Creek near Lawrence, 7:30 on July 25

Reviews:
Westercon was reviewed positively
Chris D reviewed “The High Frontier” by Sloncsewski as a very good read
Tom reviewed getting new boots okay in an emergency and worth sale price.
Joanie reviewed her new htc1m8 phone as it has excellent sound clarity & stated she has been reading the heck out of Seanan MacGuire books of late
Chris blamed his mother & reviewed the short films he has been watching as very good
Ric reviewed the Dr Who trailer as interesting & reviewed Weird Al’s latest video, “Tacky” as very good & reviewed “Dawn of the Planet of the Apes” as he was delighted by it
Adrienne reviewed “Edge of Tomorrow” as very good, worth full price
Ken reviewed California Xtreme as fun
Fred also reviewed Westercon as fun & enjoyed Las Vegas
Lynn reviewed visiting the Family History library as useful and the help she recieved was less useful
Aatheus reviewed “Sweeney Todd” - seen at Ohlone College in Fremont - as the production was good, they used space well and the acting was good
Trey reviewed “Transformers Age of Extinction” as forgettable
Ken reviewed California Xtreme as fun
We did auctions
We adjourned at 9:46
And the rumor of the week was: “all’s well that ends”

Meeting 1253

August 4, 2014

Trey Haddad, President
Chris Garcia, Vice President
Dave Gallaher, Treasurer
Galen Tripp, Sergeant at Arms
Barbara Johnson-Haddad, Secretary
Held at Coco’s, 1206 Oakmead Parkway (Lawrence Expressway/101 Fwy), Sunnyvale
Began at 8:10, innocently enough
23 people attended
A party jar was established
The minutes of meeting 1251 were accepted as “we are Groot” and minutes of meeting 1252 were accepted as “we are all Groot”
The Treasurer was not present
The Vice President was not present
The President had nothing fannish to report
There may be a BASFA meeting in London

Announcements:

Dave C announced that Worldcon is coming up and is 8 timezones away
JC announced that Nerdvana podcast, episode 31, part 2, “Geeks in Browncoats”, will be out Wednesday and announced that Nerdvana Podcasts’ 2nd year anniversary is August 23 & a party to celebrate this will be held at 7 Stars Bar and Grill from noon till 4pm & also announced that Beth made it through her first week of school
Adrienne announced that the Outlanders TV show will have its premiere episode shown online first.

Reviews:

Adrienne reviewed “Godzilla” as a fun monster movie & worth seeing; then she and lots of other people reviewed “Guardians of the Galaxy” as a really fun & awesome movie, worth full price.

I reviewed “Lucy” as much better than I expected - worth full price - and Dave C thought “Rubix Cube Boy” was a great name for a band.

Dave C reviewed “A Guy walks into a Bar” by Simon Rich, in the New Yorker as great enjoyed it.

JC reviewed “Pinky and the Brain Lose it” as really good & a “must see”.

John O reviewed Minnesota as hot and humid [“sultry?” Trey suggested] - but his “Mah-wage” quote got a good laugh.

Bill reviewed more freebie books.

Diane reviewed Steampunk at Moffit Field as fun & worthwhile & reviewed Steve Gaspin’s “Drug Tales” as well worth full price & she announced there will be a Psychotronic Film Festival August 8 at Foothill college.

Trey reviewed “The Girl with all the Gifts” by MR Carey as quite interesting & reviewed “The Almighty Johnsons” as it’s set in New Zealand and is a quirky series & recommended - while my opinion was that it was completely misogynistic & Mo felt it was male revenge crap.

We did auctions.

We adjourned at 9:33.

And the rumor of the week was: “We are not Groot, we are Devo.”
Bay Area Fannish Calendar

Life is complicated; putting on an event is even more so. Please check before attending, as events are sometimes canceled or times and locations changed.

Follow the calendar on Twitter: @sfsfcalendar

New listings are highlighted in red. Ongoing events are toward the back.

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<td>Musical based on the popular movie.</td>
<td>This inventive new show that blends film and live performance as the performers recreate two notorious B-movies from the 1960s, including a shot-for-shot remake. The Sadist, a 1963 exploitation classic, follows three schoolteachers whose car breaks down in a rural Southern California junkyard, where they come face to face with titular psychopath Charlie Tibbs and his equally scary girlfriend. Eegah! is a hilariously terrible flick from 1962; a Mystery Science Theater favorite considered one of the best worst movies of all time, it’s about a teenager who nearly hits a giant eponymous caveman with her car.</td>
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<td>The year is 1895; a detective from Scotland Yard arrives in the bowels of an eerie asylum for the criminally insane. He has come to interrogate four inmates about the disappearance of a mysterious nobleman from Transylvania. Who is Count Dracula, and why has he suddenly disappeared?</td>
<td>In this theatrical re-creation of Welles’s famous 1938 radio broadcast, a group of actors in a radio studio create the illusion of an invasion from Mars, in the spirit of Halloween fun. Or is it? What do we, or should we, believe? Anticipating the deafening noise of the corporate media, Welles’s The War of the Worlds offers a delightful, albeit sobering, exposé of gullibility, doubt, fear, rumor, magic and fabrication.</td>
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Saturday, August 2

**PEERS Alameda 1902 Picnic Dance**
Lincoln Park, 1450 High Street, Alameda
[www.peersdance.org](http://www.peersdance.org)
Picnic and dancing to celebrate the year that Alameda officially became an island with music by Bangers and Mash.

11 a.m. Free

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Saturday-Sunday, August 2-3

**Carnival of the Stars World Dance and Art Festival**
Richmond Memorial Auditorium
403 Civic Center Plaza, Richmond
[www.carnivalofstars.com/home.htm](http://www.carnivalofstars.com/home.htm)
Belly dance performances, comic book artists and costume contest (Saturday only)

$15

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Saturday-Sunday, August 2-3

**San Jose Renaissance Faire**
Guadalupe River Park, Downtown San Jose
[www.sanjosefaire.com/](http://www.sanjosefaire.com/)
Renaissance faire in Downtown San Jose in the shadow of the Shark Tank (SAP Center)

$12

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Saturday-Sunday, August 2-3

**Bay Area Sherlock Con**
Doubletree by Hilton Berkeley Marina
200 Marina Boulevard, Berkeley
[www.bayareasherlockcon.com/](http://www.bayareasherlockcon.com/)
The Bay Area’s own convention dedicated to the master detective

$55 (through July 16)

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Saturday-Sunday, August 9-10

**Stockton-Con**
Stockton Arena
248 W Fremont Street, Stockton
[stocktoncon.com](http://stocktoncon.com)
San Joaquin Valley’s only comic and pop-culture convention.

$15 ($20 at the door)

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Saturday, August 9

**“The Cosplay Horror” Filmmaker Challenge Screening at Stockton-Con**
Stockton Arena
248 W Fremont Street, Stockton
[www.sachorrorfilmfest.com](http://www.sachorrorfilmfest.com)
San Joaquin Valley’s only comic and pop-culture convention.

$15 ($20 at the door)

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Saturday-Sunday, August 9-10

**Willits Kinetic Carnival**
Recreation Grove Park
400 East Commercial Street, Willits
[www.kineticcarnivale.com](http://www.kineticcarnivale.com)
Annual celebration of 19th century life featuring a Fair, live music and entertainment, Handcar Races and a Grand Ball.

$10 per day, Check website for Grand Ball pricing

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Saturday, August 9

**Spirit of ’45**
History Park
635 Phelan Avenue, San Jose
[historysanjose.org/wp/events/](http://historysanjose.org/wp/events/)
Salute to veterans with a World War II setting featuring vehicles and swing dancing.

12 p.m. - 5 p.m. $5, under 10 and veterans free

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Sunday, August 10

**GBACG Costume Salon: 1950s**
Site TBA
[www.gbacg.org/gbacg-calendar.html](http://www.gbacg.org/gbacg-calendar.html)
Join the GBACG for potluck tea snacks, socializing, and sharing resources. Theme appropriate books, patterns, garments, or projects also welcome. Salons are free and no dress-up is required. If you’d like to attend, email costumesalons@gbacg.org.

Free

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Thursday-Monday, August 14-18

**Loncon 3**
International Conference Centre, ExCel, London Docklands
[www.loncon3.org](http://www.loncon3.org)
The 72nd World Science Fiction Convention.


$185
Saturday, August 16

**Gaskell Midsummer Ball**
Scottish Rite Temple
1547 Lakeside Drive, Oakland
gaskellball.com
Vintage ball featuring the music of Franklin Beau Davis and the Brassworks. Formal attire required (19th to 21st century)
7:30 p.m. $20

Saturday-Sunday, August 16-17

**San Jose Super Toy Comic & Collectible Show**
Santa Clara County Fairgrounds
344 Tully Road, San Jose
www.timetunnelnews.blogspot.com
Toy, comic and collectible show with guests Adrienne Barbeau and Cindy Williams.
$8

Friday-Sunday, August 22-24

**Japan Expo**
San Mateo Event Center
2495 S Delaware Street, San Mateo
japan-expo.org
A celebration of traditional Japanese culture with modern pop sensibilities
Pricing TBA

Saturday, August 23

**GBACG Safari at the San Francisco Zoo**
San Francisco Zoo
1 Zoo Road, San Francisco
www.gbacg.org/gbacg-calendar.html
Come tour the Serengeti with our band of intrepid Steampunk / Victorian / Edwardian explorers. We’ll stalk big game and picnic. Check website for prices
7:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 24

**Screening of Road to Ninja -Naruto the Movie at New People Cinema**
New People Cinema
1746 Post Street, San Francisco
newpeoplecinema.com
Screening of the movie based on the popular anime.
7 p.m. $12

Friday, August 29

**Viejitos Car Club Juvenile Diabetes Car Show Fundraiser**
History Park
635 Phelan Avenue, San Jose
historysanjose.org/wp/events/
Car show to help raise funds for fighting juvenile diabetes.
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. $5 per person, $25 per show car

August 29-September 14

**“A Midsummer Night's Dream”**
John L. Carter Memorial Park
Stone Pine Road, Half Moon Bay,
hmbshakespeare.org
Set in the Roaring Twenties, Shakespeare’s tale of star-crossed lovers, fairies and terrible thespians will feature choreography, juggling, original and ‘20s music, gymnastics, clowning and magic.
$15-$20

Friday-Monday, August 29-September 1

**CelestiCon**
Fremont Marriott
46100 Landing Parkway, Fremont
celesticon.com
CelestiCon offers four days of family-friendly gaming in the San Francisco Bay Area. Hundreds of game events, along with exciting special guests, sponsor prizes and gaming, gaming, gaming.
$35 (before March 1)

Friday-Sunday, August 29-31

**SacAnime**
Sacramento Convention Center
1400 J St, Sacramento
www.sacconventions.com
Anime and pop culture show
$45
**Friday-Sunday, August 29-31**

**Gold Rush Days**
Old Sacramento Historic District
Sacramento
sacramentogoldrushdays.com
The 14th annual Labor Day weekend event transports you back to the days of Gold and Glory. More than 200 tons of dirt will pave the streets, as Old Sacramento “turns back the clock,” transforming the historic district into a scene straight out of the 1850s. Check website for event schedule.

**Saturday, September 6**

**PEERS Casablanca Ball**
Alameda Elks Lodge
2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda
peersdance.org/
Ball inspired by the all-time classic film featuring swing and vintage ballroom dance music performed by The Brassworks. 8 p.m. $15 (advance), $20 (at the door)

**Saturday-Sunday, September 13-14**

**Much Ado About Sebastopol**
Ives Park
7400 Willow Avenue, Sebastopol, CA
www.muchadoboutsebastopol.com
Immerse yourself in life of 1578 England in this historically recreated village. $14 (until September 11), $16 at the door, 10 and under free

**Northern California Renaissance Faire**
Casa de Fruta
10031 Pacheco Pass Highway, Hollister, CA
www.norcalrenfaire.com
Northern California’s annual Elizabethan festival.
Saturday-Sundays, September 13-October 12
$25, 12 and under free

**Saturday, September 13**

**High Desert Steam Victorian Steampunk Ball**
Piper’s Opera House
12 North B Street, Virginia City, NV
www.facebook.com/HighDesertSteam/events
www.highdesertsteam.org
Bazaar and ball with entertainment, steam train rides, a parade and exhibits helping to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the founding Nevada. Noon Check websites for event pricing packages.

**Monday, September 14**

**GBACG Workshop**
Site TBA
www.gbacg.org/gbacg-calendar.html
Join for fabulous day of workshops. Questions? Email workshops@gbacg.org. Check website for prices

**Sunday, September 14**

**Antique Autos in the Park**
History Park
635 Phelan Avenue, San Jose
historysanjose.org/wp/events/
200 antique automobiles, fire equipment, bicycles and motorcycles from late 1800s to 1945 on display.
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Gatsby Summer Afternoon**
Dunsmuir Helman Historic Estate
2960 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland
artdecosociety.org/gatsby.htm
Afternoon picnic party with dancing, cars and the Deco Belles inspired by “The Great Gatsby”. Check website for prices
Saturday, September 21

GBACG Bilbo’s Birthday Bash
Holbrook Palmer Park
150 Watkins Avenue, Atherton
www.gbacg.org/gbacg-calendar.html
Celebrate Bilbo’s eleventy-first birthday at Hobbiton (Holbrook-Palmer Park). All hobbits, dwarves, elves and humans welcome.
Check website for prices

Friday-Sunday, September 26-28

Convolution 2014: Halfway Home
Hyatt Regency SFO Airport
1333 Bayshore Highway, Burlingame
con-volution.com/2014/
General science-fiction/fantasy convention
$45 (pre-registration)

Saturday, September 27

Superhero Street Fair
1700 Indiana Street, San Francisco
superherosf.com
The co-creators of How Weird Street Fair and Burning Man Decompression present a street fair with a superhero theme to celebrate all the heroes in the community.
1 pm - 11 pm — $10 (in costume or early bird)/$20 (no costume)

Friday-Sunday, October 3-5

HRM Steampunk Symposium
Old Sacramento
Sacramento, CA
www.hrmsteampunk.com
Steampunk convention with tours of Old Sacramento, train rides, murder mystery dinner theater, screening of “Serenity” and dance. $50/$85 (pre-registration)

Saturday, October 4

PEERS Girl Genius Europen Oktoberfest Ball
Alameda Elks Lodge
2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda
peersdance.org
Ball inspired by the popular webcomic “Girl Genius” and music by Avalon Rising.
8 p.m. — $15 (advance), $20 (at the door)

Saturday-Sunday, October 4-5

Kraken Con
Oakland Convention Center
550 10th Street, Oakland
www.krakencon.com
General anime convention
$25

Saturday-Sunday, October 4-5

Alternative Press Expo (APE)
Festival Pavilion, Fort Mason Center
2 Marina Boulevard, San Francisco
comic-con.org/ape
2 days of small-press and independent publishers and artists. Pricing TBA

Saturday, October 11

BAERS Regency Ball
Masonic Lodge of San Mateo
100 N. Ellsworth Avenue, San Mateo
baers.org/
Regency ball with English country dancing.
8 p.m. — $15 (advanced), $20 (at the door)

Friday-Sunday, October 17-19

Big Bad Con
Hilton Airport Oakland
1 Hegenberger Road, Oakland
www.bigbadcon.com
Role-playing game convention
$40

Saturday-Sunday, October 18-19

Folsom Renaissance Faire and Shakespeare Festival
Folsom Lion’s Park
403 Stafford Street, Folsom
www.folsomfaire.com
22nd Annual Faire in beautiful Folsom.
8 p.m. — $16, under 6 free

Sunday, October 19

Sac-Con
Scottish Rite Temple
6151 H Street, Sacramento
www.sac-con.com
Anime convention
10 a.m. — $8
Saturday, October 25

**Gaskell October Fancy Dress Ball**
Scottish Rite Temple
1547 Lakeside Drive, Oakland
gaskellball.com
Vintage ball featuring the music of Franklin Beau Davis and the Brassworks. Costumes admired or formal attire required (19th to 21st century)
7:30 p.m. $20

Friday, October 31

**The Sun Kings-Halloween Beatles Tribute Concert**
The Bal Theater
14808 East 14th Street, San Leandro
www.baltheatre.com
Halloween concert featuring local Beatles Tribute band The Sun Kings.
7:30 p.m. $24.99-39.99

Friday, October 31

**Cosplay Halloween Ball**
Hotel Kabuki
1625 Post Street, San Francisco
cosplaysf.com
Come and be part of our Cosplay Halloween Ball inside at Hotel Kabuki in San Francisco Japan Town!! Dress up as one your favorite character on a Japanese Anime, Video Games, Comic Superheroes, American Cartoons, Sci-Fi Movies, Television Series and their related interests. 2 Rooms Of Music & Cash Prize Costume CONTEST. 
7 p.m. $25 (until Oct 30), $30 (general admission)

Saturday, November 1

**PEERS Le Bal des Vampires**
Alameda Elks Lodge
2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda
peersdance.org
21st Annual ball of the undead featuring music by Bangers and Mash, halftime show featuring the exploits of Sherlock Holmes and dark dance music at the Nightfall Club.
6:30 p.m. $20 (until September 1)

Saturday, November 15

**GBACG Workshop**
Site TBA
www.gbacg.org/gbacg-calendar.html
Join for fabulous day of workshops. Questions? Email workshops@gbacg.org. 
Check website for prices

Saturdays-Sundays, November 22-December 21

**The Great Dickens Christmas Fair and Victorian Holiday Party**
Historic Cow Palace
2600 Geneva Avenue, Daly City
dickensfair.com
The annual Victorian Holiday season celebration featuring Victorian London populated by celebrities and Dickensian characters
Weekends 1-3: $25, Weekends 4-5: $30; Childern 5-12, $12, under 5 free

Saturday, December 27

**New York Society Holiday Tea**
Garden Court, Palace Hotel
2 New Montgomery St, San Francisco
www.gbacg.org/gbacg-calendar.html
Mrs. Astor and Mrs. Vanderbilt invite the cream of New York society to their holiday tea. We’ll enjoy a sumptuous tea, sparkling wine, holiday cheer, and the very best possible company in the incomparable Garden Court. Costume: daywear, 1870-1889. 
Check website for price

Friday-Sunday, December 12-14

**The Official Star Trek Convention**
Hyatt Regency San Francisco Airport
3300 Bayshore Highway, Burlingame
www.creationent.com/cal/st_sanfrancisco.html
Official Star Trek convention with many celebrities
Check website for price packages

Saturday, December 3

**Gaskell Festive Holiday Ball**
Scottish Rite Temple
1547 Lakeside Drive, Oakland
gaskellball.com
Holiday ball featuring the music of Franklin Beau Davis and the Brassworks. Formal attire required (19th to 21st century)
7:30 p.m. $20
Sunday, December 14
Sac-Con
Scottish Rite Center, 6151 H St, Sacramento
www.sac-con.com
Comic, toy, and anime show, $10 early bird entry at 9 a.m.
10 a.m. $6

Saturday, December 27
New York Society Holiday Tea
Site TBA
www.gbacg.org/gbacg-calendar.html
A holiday bustle tea for the most fashionable of New York Society. Once again at the Garden Court in the Palace Hotel in San Francisco. Costume: 1870-1890. Check website for price

Friday-Sunday, January 3-5, 2015
Sac-Anime
Sacramento Convention Center
1400 J St, Sacramento
www.sacconventions.com
Anime show. Check website for ticket prices

Saturday, January 3, 2015
PEERS 12th Night Ball
Alameda Elks Lodge
2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda
peersdance.org
Ball celebrating the end of the Christmas season with guests from Charles Dickens’s novels, a reading by Charles Dickens and Victorian Era dancing and music by Bangers and Mash.
8 p.m. $20 (advanced), $25 (at the door)

Thursday-Monday, January 16-20, 2015
Further Confusion 2015: London Fog-A Victorian Murder Mystery
furcon.org/2014/
San Jose McEnery Convention Center
150 W. San Carlos Street, San Jose
Anthropomorphic costuming convention $50 (pre-registraion), $60 (at con)

Saturday-Sunday, January 31-February 1, 2015
Animation on Display
Hyatt Regency San Francisco Airport
1333 Bayshore Highway, Burlingame
www.aodsf.org
Celebrating Japanese animation (anime), video games, recent American cartoons, and their related interests.
$30 (till January 1), $35 (at convention)

Friday-Sunday, February 6-8, 2015
Potlatch 24
Hotel Deca, 4507 Brooklyn Avenue NE,
Seattle, Washington
potlatch-sf.org
Literary SF convention Pricing TBA

Saturday, February 7, 2015
PEERS A Dance of Fire and Ice: A Grand Court Ball in Westeros
Alameda Elks Lodge
2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda
peersdance.org
Ball inspired by the books of George R.R. Martin and the show “Game of Thrones” with music by celtic rock band Avalon Rising.
8 p.m. $20 (advanced), $25 (at the door)

Friday-Monday, February 13-16, 2015
DunDraCon
San Ramon Marriott
2600 Bishop Drive, San Ramon
www.dundracon.com
Gaming convention
Price TBA

Friday-Monday, February 13-16, 2015
Pantheacon
San Jose Doubletree
2050 Gateway Place, San Jose
pantheacon.com
Pagan convention. This year’s theme is agan Visions of the Future and Building Pagan Safety and Social Nets.
$60 (Till September 1), $70 (till January 1), $80 (after January 1)

Friday-Sunday, March 6-8, 2015
Consonance 2015
Crowne Plaza San Jose/Silicon Valley
88 Bellew Drive, Milpitas
cconsin.bostoncalifornia.com
Filk convention convention. Guests: Wild Mercy, Gary Hanak, Jim Partridge, Phil Mills
$55
Friday-Sunday, March 6-8, 2015
FOGcon 2014
Walnut Creek Marriott
2355 North Main Street, Walnut Creek
gocon.org
Literary SF/F convention. Theme: The Traveler. Guests: Kim Stanley Robinson, Catherynne M. Valente
Pricing TBA

Saturday, March 7, 2015
PEERS Dances of Mystery and Imagination: A Victorian Costume Ball in Honor of Mr. Edgar Allan Poe
Alameda Elks Lodge
2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda
persdance.org
Ball honoring the author Edgar Allan Poe set in Paris featuring 19th Century ballroom dancing and music by Baguette Quartette.
8 p.m. $20 (advanced), $25 (at the door)

Friday-Sunday, March 13-15, 2015
ConQuest Sac X
Sacramento Red Lion Hotel Woodlake Conference Center
500 Leisure Lane, Sacramento
www.conquestssac.com
Tabletop gaming convention.
$60

Saturday-Sunday, March 28-29, 2015
Twisted Terror Convention
Sacramento Doubletree by Hilton
2001 Point West Way, Sacramento
twistedterrorconvention.com
www.facebook.com/TwistedTerrorConvention/info
Horror/Sci-fi convention.
$35

Friday-Sunday, April 3-5, 2015
BabsCon
SFO Hyatt Regency
1333 Bayshore Highway, Burlingame
babscon.com
Convention devoted to “My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic.”
$50 (pre-registration)

Saturday, April 4, 2015
PEERS Dance Comes to Pemberly: Pride and Prejudice 10 Years Later
Alameda Elks Lodge
2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda
persdance.org
Ball featuring the 10th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Fitzwilliam Darcy and their friends with English country dancing, quadrilles and waltzes. Music provided by Bangers and Mash.
8 p.m. $20 (advanced), $25 (at the door)

Ongoing

Cartoon Art Museum
655 Mission Street, San Francisco
www.cartoonart.org
Current exhibitions: Chuck Jones, Drawing on Imagination (till May 5)
11-5 p.m. $6 (Closed Mondays)

The Walt Disney Family Museum
104 Montgomery Street, San Francisco
www.waltdisney.org/
Current exhibitions: Alice in Wonderland starts May 1.
10-6 p.m. $20 (Closed Tuesdays)

San Francisco Ghost Hunt Walking Tour
Begins: Queen Anne Hotel
1590 Sutter at Octavia, San Francisco
www.sfghosthunt.com
Closed Mondays & Tuesdays, and on November 21-22 for Thanksgiving.
7-10 p.m. $20

Nightly Nerd Show
KCSF Radio, 90.9 FM
nightlynerdshow.tumblr.com/
Radio show covering nerdy topics
5-6 p.m.
VIZ Cinema
1746 Post Street, San Francisco
www.newpeopleworld.com/films
VIZ Cinema is a 143-seat underground cinema inside New People in San Francisco. Its programming focuses on the latest and hottest films from Japan, as well as classics, favorites, documentaries and anime. Please check theater for showtimes and tickets.

Wednesdays - Sundays

Escape From The Time Travel Lab
Real Escape Room
1746 Post Street, San Francisco
realescapegame.com/rersf2_ttlab
You are trapped in a mysterious laboratory where they study time travel and must escape in this immersive game.
Various time - check website $28 (online booking), $33 (at the door)

Sundays

Amtgard Game Day
Codornices Park
1201 Euclid Ave, Berkeley (Across from Berkeley Rose Garden)
caamtgard.com
Amtgard is a swords and sorcery styled medieval combat, culture, and sciences LARP. The Shire of Wyvern’s Spur plays Sundays at noon. We play on the main lawn or within sight of picnic areas 1 or 2. Loaner gear is available 12 p.m.

Golden Gate Knights (Lightsaber Instruction Class)
Studio Gracia
19 Heron Street, San Francisco
goldengateknights.com
www.facebook.com/groups/goldengatejedi
Instructor-led class on lightsaber stage combat and choreography.
12 p.m. $10

Cloondara Fighter Practice
Golden Gate Park
47th Avenue @ Fulton, San Francisco
www.westkingdom.org
The Shire of Cloondara (San Francisco, CA) holds fighter practice Sundays at 12:00 p.m. (if there are no major SCA events and the weather permits)
12 p.m. Free

Vintage Ballroom Dance Classes sponsored by PEERS
Alameda Elks Lodge
2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda
peersdance.org/dance.html
2 dance classes offered: the first one covering basics for newcomers and those wanting a refresher, the second class offers choreography for experienced dancers and adventurous newcomers. Suggested attire is comfortable clothes and leather-soled shoes that glide easily.
2 p.m. to 4 p.m. $10

East Bay Strategy Games Club
EndGame
921 Washington Street, Oakland
www.endgameoakland.com/event-calendar
Various games played throughout the week, check website for times and games.
Free

Bad Movie Night
The Dark Room Theater
2263 Mission Street, San Francisco
www.darkroomsf.com
Featuring bad movies old and new.
8 p.m. $5

Sakuramento Anime Society
Rancho Cordova Library
9845 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova
www.saclibrary.org
Meets every Sunday to watch old and new anime and anime music videos, play collectible card games, practice artwork and make AMVs.
3-6 p.m.

SF Games
Taqueria San Jose, 2830 Mission Street, San Francisco (Fridays, 7 p.m.)
Zephyr Cafe, 3643 Balboa Street, San Francisco (Sundays, 2 p.m.)
www.sfgames.org/
SF Games is a collective name for a bunch of people who get together and play board games and card games every week.
Free
Mondays

**Bay Area Science Fiction Association**
Coco’s
1206 Oakmead Parkway, Sunnyvale
www.basfa.org
8 p.m. Free

**Sacramento Science Fiction/Fantasy Book Club**
Midtown Crepreville
1730 L Street, Sacramento
www.sacgeeks.com
A laid-back, friendly social club for people to discuss, recommend, share and trade their favorite SF and fantasy books. NOT a book-of-the-month club.
6:30 p.m. Free

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**Mondays and Wednesdays**

**Silicon Valley Boardgamers**
Mountain View Community Center
201 S. Rengstorff Avenue, Mountain View
www.davekohr.users.sonic.net/svb
Group meets regularly to play mostly German-style strategy board games such as Settlers of Catan; also multi-player Avalon Hill-style, historical war games, and others.
6:30 p.m. $2

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**Tuesdays**

**Principality of Mists Fighter Practice**
Twin Creeks Sports Complex
969 Caribbean Drive, Sunnyvale
www.westkingdom.org/as46/mar/sunnyvale-fighter-practice
SCA event. Non-members must remember to fill out a waiver form. In case of rain, call from 3 pm on to determine of the facility will be closed that day. 408-534-1169.
7 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Free

**Vintage Waltz**
Lake Merrit Dance Center
200 Grand Avenue, Oakland
vintagewaltz.com
Weekly drop-in class in Victorian Waltz. No experience or partner needed.
7 p.m. - 8 p.m. $8

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**Wednesdays**

**Steam Federation - Bay Area Steampunk Society**
Various - check website or Facebook page for information
steam-federation.com/%20cal2.html
www.facebook.com/groups/steamfederation/
General gathering for craftwork, discussions and general fun.

**Thursdays**

**CAS: NightLife**
The California Academy of Sciences
55 Music Concourse Drive, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco
www.calacademy.org/events/nightlife/
Every Thursday night, the Academy opens its doors for NightLife, a chance for adults to explore the museum in a whole new light. Dance to some of San Francisco’s most popular DJs, enjoy food and cocktails, and mingle while you delve into the Academy’s world-class exhibits and get up close and personal with aquarium critters.
6 p.m. - 10 p.m. $12 (21+)

**Fanboy Planet Podcast**
Cafe Stritch
374 South First Street, San Jose
www.fanboyplanet.com
Live from Cafe Stritch, it’s the Fanboy Planet Podcast with Planeteers, Derek McCaw, Ric Bretschneider and Nate Costa.
7 p.m. Free
## Fridays

**Friday Night Waltz**
First United Methodist Church  
625 Hamilton Avenue, Palo Alto  
[www.fridaynighwtz.com](http://www.fridaynighwtz.com)

High energy dance featuring waltzes and other dances with 2 classes before the dance.  
7 p.m. - Midnight  
$12 for dance and class, $8 class only

**Haunted Haight Walking Tour**
Meets at Coffee To The People  
1206 Masonic Avenue, San Francisco  
[www.hauntedhaight.com](http://www.hauntedhaight.com)

Reservations required.  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
$20

## Saturdays

**Niles Film Museum Saturday Movies**
Niles Essanay Silent Film Museum  
37417 Niles Boulevard, Fremont  
[www.nilesfilmmuseum.org](http://www.nilesfilmmuseum.org)  
[www.nilesfilmmuseum.org/movies.htm](http://www.nilesfilmmuseum.org/movies.htm)

Weekly showing of selection of silent features and short subjects with live musical accompaniment. Check website for movies.  
7:30 p.m.  
$5

## Biweekly

**PenSFA Party**
The Peninsula Science Fantasy Association meets every two weeks for a party at the home of one of their members. They also host parties at local conventions. Email [commander@pensfa.org](mailto:commander@pensfa.org) for information on attending. PenSFA standard party rules: bring something edible or drinkable to share, or pay the host $2. Don’t smoke in the house without checking with the host first. Normal start time is 8 p.m. but may vary depending on the host.

**Gaslight LARP**
289 8th Street, San Francisco  
[gaslight.endogaming.net](http://gaslight.endogaming.net)  
[www.facebook.com/groups/gaslightlarp](http://www.facebook.com/groups/gaslightlarp)  
[www.facebook.com/gaslightlarp](http://www.facebook.com/gaslightlarp)

Full immersion Victorian-era World of Darkness Boffer LARP bimonthly weekends in the Santa Cruz Mountains  
Time and dates available on website, contact organizers for cost

## Monthly

**BAERS Second Friday Dance Party**
St. Mark’s Episcopal Church  
600 Colorado Avenue, Palo Alto  
[baers.org](http://baers.org)

Learn Regency dances in a informal, supportive atmosphere. Dances led by Alan Winston and guest callers.  
Held on second Friday of each month.  
8 p.m - 10:30 p.m.  
$10

**Vintage Invasion (Vintage Waltz Party)**
Finnish Brotherhood Hall  
1970 Chestnut Street, Berkeley  
[vintagewaltz.com/Invasion.html](http://vintagewaltz.com/Invasion.html)

Parties held each 4th Friday of the month with lessons in vintage waltz with DJs.  
8 p.m - Midnight.  
$7

**Dorkbot-SF**
[www.dorkbot.org/dorkbotsf](http://www.dorkbot.org/dorkbotsf)  

Dorkbot hosts regular forums for artists, designers, engineers, students, and other people doing strange things with electricity. Dates vary.  
Free, donations welcome
### Foothill Anime
Building 5015, Foothill College
Los Altos Hills
foothill.anime.net
Monthly event where people can get together to watch anime and meet like minded others. Usually meets the first Sunday of every month at noon.
12 p.m. Free

### Silicon Gulch Browncoats
Various locations (see website for details)
www.silicongulchbrowncoats.org
Silicon Valley fans of Firefly/Serenity meet up on the first Saturday of the month.
Noon - 2 p.m. Free

### The Bawdy Caste Presents “The Rocky Horror Picture Show”
The Clay, 2261 Fillmore Street San Francisco/
The Guild, 949 El Camino Real Menlo Park
www.bawdycaste.org
The Bawdy Caste presents the classic midnight movie the first Saturday of the month, alternating between the Clay in San Francisco and the Guild in Menlo Park.
Midnight Free

### Barely Legal Presents “The Rocky Horror Picture Show”
Camera 3 Cinema
288 South Second Street, San Jose
barelylegal.rhps.org/
Barely Legal provides the shadow cast for the South Bay for the classic midnight movie every first Saturday of the month in Downtown San Jose.
Midnight

### East Bay Star Wars Club
Central Perk
10086 San Pablo Ave., El Cerrito
510-558-7375
www.facebook.com/groups/35116614719/
Meets the second Friday of every month.
7:30 p.m. Free

### Fantastic Frontiers
www.freewebs.com/fantasticfrontiers/
Social club for Sacramento County sci fi/fantasy fans usually meets the second Saturday of the month. Check website for meeting times and locations.
### No-Name Anime
Saratoga Library  
13650 Saratoga Avenue, Saratoga  
www.nnanime.com  
Anime screenings usually take place on the second Saturday of the month.

### SF Browncoats
Cafe Murano  
1777 Steiner Street, San Francisco  
www.sfbrowncoats.com  
SF Firefly/Serenity fans usually meet up on the second Saturday of the month. 
Noon

### Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club
Borderlands Books  
866 Valencia, San Francisco  
www.borderlands-books.com  
Meets the third Sunday of the month. Please contact Jude at jfeldman@borderlands-books.com for more information. 
6 p.m.

### Night of the Living Book Club
Books, Inc.- Mountain View  
301 Castro Street, Mountain View  
www.booksinc.net/night-living-book-club  
Monthly book club discusses classic and contemporary selections from suspense, thriller, and horror fiction genres. Meets every third Sunday of each month. 
5 pm

### USS Defiance
5026 Don Julio Blvd, Sacramento  
1566 Howe Ave, Sacramento  
www.myspace.com/d2121978  
Star Trek fan group meets the third Friday of the month. 
7 p.m.

### USS Northern Lights
sites.google.com/site/ussnorthernlights  
Contact firstjedi2000@yahoo.com for specifics.  
The ‘Lights is a chapter of Starfleet International and a swell group of science fiction fans. We do more than Trek. Usually meets the third Friday of the month, with social event TBD. 
7 p.m.

### Micro Gods, Inc.
Berkeley Public Library, West Branch  
1125 University Ave, Berkeley  
mgisciaf.angelfire.com  
groups.yahoo.com/group/MGIFamilyClub/  
Family Club for fans of Science Fiction, Fantasy, Movie, Anime & Manga. Meets every 3rd Saturday, please check Yahoo group for updates. 
1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

### Religion & SF Book Club
First United Methodist Church  
1183 “B” Street, Hayward  
Meets the 4th Sunday of the month. Please contact Rev. Randy Smith at RSmith2678@aol.com for more information. 
7 p.m.

### Sci-Fi/Fantasy Book Club
Inklings Books and Things  
1855 41st Avenue, Capitola  
www.inklingsbooksandthings.com/  
Meets every fourth Tuesday of each month. 
6 pm

### Sci-Fi Book Group with Kym
Barnes & Noble  
El Cerrito Plaza, 6050 El Cerrito Plaza, El Cerrito  
store-locator.barnesandnoble.com/store/2113  
Meets the fourth Friday of the month. 
7 p.m.

### Legion of Rassilon
Carl’s Jr.  
2551 N 1st St, San Jose  
www.legionofrassilon.org  
Doctor Who fan group usually meets the fourth Friday of the month: Episodes of Doctor Who, news, discussion of recent movies, and a raffle. 
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