



Goat Droppings

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

PROGRAMMING CHANGES

Thursday:

There is an error in the Pocket Program grid for today—Midwinter Faire is at 5:30pm, not at 7:30pm.

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The panel "Dogs and Other Companions in SF & F" has been moved from today at 5:30pm to Friday at 1pm, in Birch B.

Friday:

"Dramatic Readings from the *Weekly World News*" at 2:30pm has been cancelled. We promise that Bat Boy will fly again next year.

Follow us on Facebook (Capricious G Oat) and read our blog at:

<http://capricon.org/blog/>

See what we're up to all year long! There's something fun and fannish happening every month—Don't miss out!

WELCOME BACK TO CAPRICON 34!

Wow! Wasn't Capricon 34 AMAZING?! We had so much fun, we decided to do it all over again—especially that thing on Saturday. Now we can go to some panels we missed the first time around (pun intended), and we're definitely going to bid on that piece in the Art Auction and choose a different song in Live Band Karaoke. Oh yeah, about that first karaoke song—sorry!

Time—the 4th Dimension is an enduring staple in science fiction and fantasy. We love the idea of going back for a

do-over, or jumping ahead to see how things turn out. This year, we celebrate all things timey wimey at Capricon.

Please join us in welcoming our fabulous Guests of Honor and Special Guests. Spend some time listening to them on a panel. Catch them in a reading or a concert or a docent tour of the Art Show. Look for the special section in your program book identifying events featuring our GoHs, and enjoy!

Each day, be sure to pick up

a copy of *Goat Droppings* so that you have the most up-to-date program changes, suggestions for things to do that day, and interviews with our Guests of Honor. *Goat Droppings* can be found at Registration, Info Desk, and Con-suite.

We also take submissions, particularly of our Out-of-CONtext quotes! If you have something to go in the newsletter, the submission box is in Ops.

Welcome back to Cap 34!

MAY WE SUGGEST: THURSDAY

Ah, Thursday. The start of our weekend of fannish fun! New to Capricon? No worries! Join our **Docent Tour of Capricon** in the hotel lobby at 5:30pm. The tour will end at the **Midwinter Faire**...

...which starts at 5:30pm. This is a great opportunity to catch up with friends, or to make some new ones. Join us for pizza, games, and a variety of other activities.

Our **Art Show** and **Dealers' Room** open today! Buy all the things! Twice!

Why not sample a **Media mini-track of panels and events**? At 4:00pm you can discuss genre television series that overstayed their welcomes in Birch A at 'SF Media That Should Have Flopped', or learn the finer points of Twitter in Birch B at 'To Tweet Or Not To Tweet'. Feel a moment of Serenity with fellow fen at 'Firefly: The Show That Just Won't Die' in Birch A at 5:30pm, then take in a little after dinner **Anime** starting at 7:00pm in River B.

Opening Ceremonies at 8pm are not to be missed—meet the Guests of Honor, and who knows what Capricious will do this year!

Finish your day with the **Little Shop of Horrors Sing-A-Long** at 10pm, visit our 24 hour **Gaming Room**, catch some **parties** on the 15th and 16th floors, and at midnight, come take in the first night of our **Bad Films Festival**.

Then catch some zzzzz's, and we'll see you tomorrow!

"I've always been a big fan of time travel, and I'm very into the notion that some day we'll be able to do it. Beam me up!" - Scott Bakula

INTERVIEW WITH THE GOH: TADA O TOMOMATSU

How did you first find fandom? (Or did it find you?)

It was a piece by piece puzzle? I'm the 2nd generation Japanese (Mom & Dad-From Japan). So the family in Japan took pity on the misplaced one and kept sending me books and toys (sadly in Japanese that I can't read!) and it was SF/Fantasy Stuff. Flash forward to *Dr. Who* on WTTW. Flash forward to U of Iowa and a very odd incident: In short the "Phannish" Community took the time to, well, "hide me" for two days. Then the conventions: Tardis 21/22, Icons, Demicon and voila. So it was separate paths that lead me to Fandom and the wonderful wackiness.

What S / F book(s) have you read so many times that the binding fell apart?

Tough call! I seem to have made friends with lots of writers and oddly they keep giving me books...I would love to read them ALL the time but hence the binding would fall apart! The conundrum of books. I will admit I also have the odd fondness for "technical manuals": The Space Shuttle, USS Enterprise, Star Wars, Gatchaman (Japanese-Battle of the Planets), Zendaman(JPN), Aliens Colonial Marine's Manual, "Q Manual" (James Bond RPG), The Jedi Path, Indiana Jones Handbook...I will admit on those - the bindings are falling apart.

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

To be honest there is not just one person and I would love it to be at least more than one: It would be like the old time MGM Reveal Luncheon: Where everyone who is Anyone would be there.

(Editor's Note: There is then a very long list of everyone Tadao would like to be at the Luncheon - too long to print, but it would be an AMAZING luncheon!)

What is the thing you love to talk about that nobody ever asks you about?

Hmm. Really, since I hang in fandom and have friends from all over and in every conceivable work/mind sets, I've not encountered this subject yet.

What Science Fiction concept from your childhood has become a reality?

My wireless Can-String project = Cell phones

Favorite acting role you've ever played? What is your dream acting role?

Favorite Acting Role: Tadao. Really it's a role! Otherwise the Paid gigs are my Favorite. :-) Dream Acting Role: Dr. Who, James Bond or some similar "Lead Role" for the Asian guy.

You teach comedy. Best pro tip?

"Never Let them see you Bleed. Always Have an Escape Plan" Now as silly as that sounds (it's a Q-James Bond quote), it's mostly true for stand-up.

If you weren't working as an actor, what would you be doing instead?
Panicking.

PARTIES!

So many parties—good thing we have a time turner!

We would like to give a tremendous Thank You to all our party hosts. Please note — they host parties out of love, and out of their own bank accounts. Please be respectful of the party hosts, and give them some thanks as well—either verbally or in the tip jar.

Two really important rules: First, **no alcohol off the party floors (15 and 16)**. Second, **wear your badge**, please, and **be prepared to show photo ID as well to prove you're over 21**.

As we always do, we're asking you, the attendees, to vote for your favorite parties. This year's categories are: **Best Thursday Night Party**, **Best Themed Drink**, and **Best Overall Party**.

Ballot boxes can be found on the 15th and 16th floors during the evenings, and in Operations during the day. You must provide your badge number, and you can only vote once!

Thursday Night Parties

1525	Not The Film Room
1534	Party at the End of the Universe
1601	Cow Asylum
1607	Chi-Fi
1634	Detcon1: The 2014 NASFiC Cocktail Party

OUT OF CONTEXT

"I have acquired suitable fleece." - Gretchen Roper

"Some of those require higher levels of 'not moron' than others."

- Jason Betts

"I thought these were nuts when I grabbed them" - TANSTAAFL

"His theology gave you a swirly?" - Dan Berger

"Nobody wants to hit the beard." - Paul Schreiber

"You know it's heartfelt when it comes from between your toes." - Blake Hausladen

"Now I have to add the puppies." - Jesi Pershing

"Can we borrow you as a nurse?" - Helen Montgomery

"If you have a specific flavor of gopher you like to use."

- Jason Betts

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