



The Curious Cape-and-Cutlass Crusade

Saturday, November 12
10 am - 10 pm

*Ahoy, swashbuckling
pirates!*

Assemble, valiant superheroes!

Welcome to the Fourth Annual U-Con Scavenger Hunt!

On behalf of U-Con 2016, the Amazons of Paradise Island invite you to participate in the weekend's most challenging and exciting event: *The Curious Cape-and-Cutlass Crusade!* (CCCC for short)

Many great warriors have sought to ply their wits and strength in such a contest, but this year we have chosen only a few—and those few are either Superheroes or Pirates.

We honor and support the efforts of Superheroes to use their special abilities to change the world for the better.

While Pirates can never be accused of such lofty goals, we cannot help but be impressed by their wily tenacity and strength of will.

Hence, we welcome your Superhero and Pirate teams to our great competition!

Here in the hallowed halls of the Eagle Crest, you will prove yourselves to be as strong and brave as a Superhero should be, and as clever and cunning as the greatest Pirates of yore.

To Begin—*And to Win:*

Assemble your team and decide if you are a Superhero team or a Pirate team. Then make up an appropriate and exciting name for your team!



This year's Scavenger Hunt begins at 9am Saturday. We advise you to register early, but you can register up until 5pm.

Pick up your Hunt envelope at the CCCC Announcement Board near Registration. Inside the envelope is your registration card and all the other goodies you need to get started on your adventure, including a special bag for the treasures you collect! Keep everything you are given (clues and such) in your envelope; each item is worth Points.



We will need the names (or aliases) of all of your teammates, the contact person, and a way to contact you (phone or email), in the happy event that your team wins a prize.

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Then see
your clue



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All teams must turn in the Hunt envelope
exceptions!

by 10pm Saturday, no

Winning teams will be announced on the CCCC Announcement Board at midnight Saturday night. More of an early bird than a late owl? Check out the board on Sunday and claim your prize!

You may seek out the Headmistress with any questions or concerns, during the entire period of the Hunt. If you cannot find her, inquire at the Registration Desk, and they can summon her; she can also usually be reached at CCCC.Headmistress@gmail.com or by text at (734) 262-1462.)

Here Be the Rules:

1. Each team must consist of two to four players. Splitting up to solve clues is not recommended—and really, why would you want to do that? It's not nearly as fun, and you never know—the next clue you find might require the whole crew!

2. All ages of players are welcome, but anyone under the age of 18 must be supervised by a parent or guardian at all times.

3. Be respectful! Respect your fellow teams and your fellow teammates. And just as importantly, respect the staff of this lovely hotel, as well as the hotel itself (that means don't litter, don't vandalize, and don't cause a ruckus).

4. The Hunt will keep you in the general vicinity of the U-Con space, but may venture into the main lobby area or the courtyard area outside the convention space entrance. You will not be sent into the bar or restaurant. Nor will be sent into private guest areas such as the pool or exercise room. Please, stay out of private areas and don't inconvenience the other guests.

5. Don't be a jerk! Don't let your competitive spirit lure you into cheating, stealing, sabotage, or copying someone else's work. If you do, your entire team gets disqualified. (Yes, this means YOU too, Pirate teams—you have to follow the rules just this once!)

6. The final decision of the Headmistress is final. No appeals, no take-backs, and no crying. Minor muttering will be tolerated so long as it is out of our hearing.

And Finally . . .

The Rule of Rules: What rules, you say? *These* rules, or course! And then there's the rules of U-Con and the Marriot. And don't forget the laws of Ypsilanti, the county of Washtenaw, the State of Michigan, and the United States of America. Obeying the laws of physics, time travel, and magic are completely optional, however. Wait—on second thought, NO time travel!

This Rule of Rules is pretty important. Anyone in your team breaks a rule, you get disqualified (as well as whatever not-so-fun stuff comes with breaking a law).

The Headmistress will ask you to sign her Scroll as a pledge that you have read and will abide by these Rules.



Helpful Hints:

Inside the envelope is your registration card and all the other goodies you need to get started on your adventure, including a special bag for the treasures you collect! Keep everything you are given (clues and such) in your envelope; each item is worth Points.

As you go through your clues, each task you perform properly, each object you collect, and each question answered correctly will win you Points. So if you get stuck, skip to something else, and rack up all the points you can!

You will get four “sets” of clues, each one geared to proving your worth in certain skills of the greatest Superheroes and Pirates of history. Within each set, many clues will lead into or depend on the other clues, but the sets themselves are independent and can be done in any order.

Many of the clues require you to interact with special Characters. They will be identified by a sparkly red question mark somewhere on their person, and most will be costumed appropriately—but don’t overlook any helpers who may be in the guise of their mild-mannered alter egos!

The special Characters want nothing more than to help you along on your Crusade, but sometimes they *do* have important Things To Do. So please be polite and don’t interrupt them while they’re playing a game, working hard at Registration, or, like, in the bathroom or something. You know, common sense and basic good manners and all.

We offer you best wishes and the favor of the gods in your Crusade!



On behalf of my Sisters,

Mnemosyne,
Headmistress and Chief Historian of
Paradise Island (Themyscira)