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There may be a few copies still available of this almost-lost Discordian classic and if so you might well consider buying one, wrapping it in silk, and leaving it to your grandchildren.

Meanwhile however, and while the folks at BTB toil mightily to prepare a second edition with reworked illustrations by the original illustrator, they've given permission for the release of this free PDF version so that you may know, recognise, and defend yourself against the mind-eroding, souldestroying, creativity-consuming, and freedomphobic Forces Of Standardization that lurk unseen all around you.

Kallisti! Hail Eris! All Hail Discordia!
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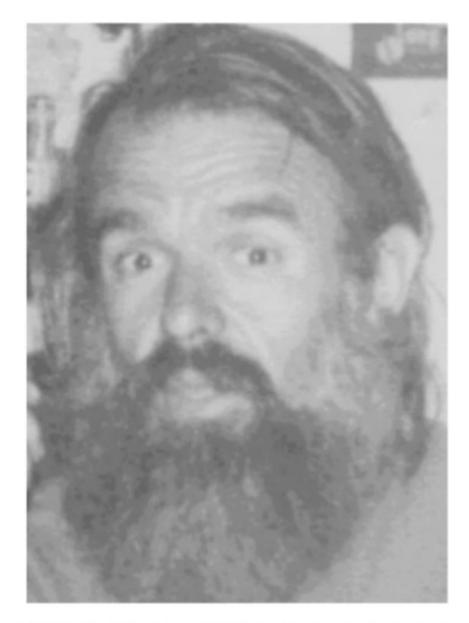
GOETIA DISCORDIA

The Book Of The Demons Of The Region Of Thud



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Foreword (and Back Again)

Kerry Thornley sent me his outline for this book sometime in the 1980s...the exact details escape me for reasons explained elsewhere.

We'd met by mail while we both contributing to a "small press" 'zine called "Inside Joke" out of New York. I'd heard of Kerry through the "Illuminatus!" books so I got off a letter of introduction to him.

At the time he was into his "Wall-Op" project, a plan to use posters as a means of communication outside of the even then ever-encroaching Official Channels and I ended up doing some illustration for him.

Then one day I got a letter.

Now getting a letter from Kerry is a unique postal experience. He tends to write from corner to corner diagonally in a handwriting that has an exhilarating illegibility that guarantees hours of de-coding fun. Sometimes there's no written message, just random pages of Xerox copies, newspaper clippings, café menus, matchbook covers, postcards from other correspondents, and such like.

This letter, however, contained the outline for a Book.

In it Kerry described the Demons of The Region Of Thud (or as its prisoners call it, "The Real World") and suggested that I have a go at drawing them. I had a look. Kerry had given detailed descriptions of each demon as well as a hierarchical status and function. When I got to "He has thirty one mouths each having two tongues". I was hooked.

How could I resist a challenge like that? I got out my pens and had a set of sketches off to him in a few days, receiving an approving reply - with some suggestions shortly after.

That, if I recall aright, was our last communication.

I don't know what Kerry had planned to do with the book but he never got around to doing it. I'd kept the original drawings, having sent Kerry xerox copies in case any changes were called for and for the next few decades it followed me through various abodes, stashed in a manila envelope and, later, on hard-drives, until now when my planless path led me to Bathtub Books.

So here it is, finally and at last - The Goetia Discordia.



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TECHNOCRUST



GRAND GUARDIAN OF THE ENTRANCE TO THUD. WHEN STRANGERS APPROACH HE SHOUTS "ADVANCE AND BE MECHANIZED".

HE IS ALSO THE HEAD OF THE REDUNDANCY DEPARTMENT.

TECHNOCRUST

Appears in the form of a being with a human head but a body made up of household appliances.

He can be summoned by signing a credit card application in blood.

FLAGSTONE



ARCH-DEMON OF MINDLESS ACTIVITY AND UNTHINKING OBEDIENCE. HE CONTROLS 55 LEGIONS OF ROLE MODELS AND HACK WRITERS

HE IS THE PATRON OF AMPLE CLOTHING
AND DECENT DECORUM

FLAGSTONE

Appears as a muscular human male with a crew cut and wearing a grey business suit and a tie with thirteen knots. His shoes are always highly polished and his face never shows any expression.

He is summoned by deliberate or unconscious intellectual indifference.

EVANGELICUS



COMMANDS TWENTY-THREE LEGIONS
OF CHARISMATIC DOGMATISTS

HE IS IN CHARGE OF THE PROPIGATION OF SERIOUSITY AND THE "EITHER/OR" VIEW OF LIFE

EVANGELICUS

Appears in the form of a street corner preacher with four arms, having a head in the form of a Book Of Unarguable Truth. On close examination it is noted that he grows out of his soap box.

He is summoned by any form of deliberate or unconscious spiritual apathy

BABBITY



COMMANDER OF THIRTY-FIVE LEGIONS

HE IS PRESIDENT OF THE IMAGINATION SUPPRESSION DEPARTMENT

BABBITY

He appears as a nondescript man in a Shriner's fez, shabby clothes, and worn-out bedroom slippers, carrying joke-shop "novelty" items and a can of diet soda.

He can be summoned by any form of creative laziness.

STARBUCK



COMMANDS 73 LEGIONS AND IS IN CHARGE OF SUPERSTITIONS, ERRONEOUS CONCLUSIONS, AND POPULAR MISCONCEPTIONS

STARBUCK

Appears in a form resembling Andy Warhol dressed in a Little Lord Fauntleroy suit, wearing ink-blot sunglasses and juggling items considered to be tokens of good or bad luck.

He is summoned by not walking under ladders

GRIMPIL



PATRON DEMON OF VICE COPS AND CAPTAIN OF DIVERSITY PREVENTION

GRIMPIL

He appears as a small, gaunt, leering man in close-fitting Puritanical style clothes.

He is summoned by the desire to impose one's idea of morality on others.

FILIBUSTER



COMMANDS 17 LEGIONS OF GOSSIPERS, NAME-CALLERS, AND REPORTERS

HIS SACREMENT IS THE 35 CENT FUDGE BROWNIE

FILIBUSTER

Appears in the form of a Fakir. He has thirty-one mouths, each having two tongues.

He is summoned by long-winded hypocrisy and self-importance.

AZAZEL



GUARDIAN OF THE EXIT OF THUD YOU CAN'T GET OUT WITHOUT AN APPLE OF ERIS FILLED OUT IN TRIPLICATE

AZAZEL

Takes the form of a man with the face of a prophet. In his right hand he holds the Apple Of Eris and his left arm is a serpent.

He cannot be summoned but you may meet him unexpectedly.

UNCLE ALBERT



GRAND DEMON-KING OF THUD
HE IS BOTH BENEVOLENT (ABOUT IMPORTANT
THINGS) AND MALEVOLENT (ABOUT TRIVIAL
THINGS)
HE IS EMPOWERED TO ENFORCE DRESS CODES

UNCLE ALBERT

Manifests with a body, which has a muscular male torso growing out of a serpentine lower half. He has two heads, one being that of a woolly mammoth and the other a human face carved from granite. In his hands he carries the symbols of Energy - a leaking barrel of oil and a Wand made of a nuclear rod.

He is summoned by repetitious acts of consumerism.



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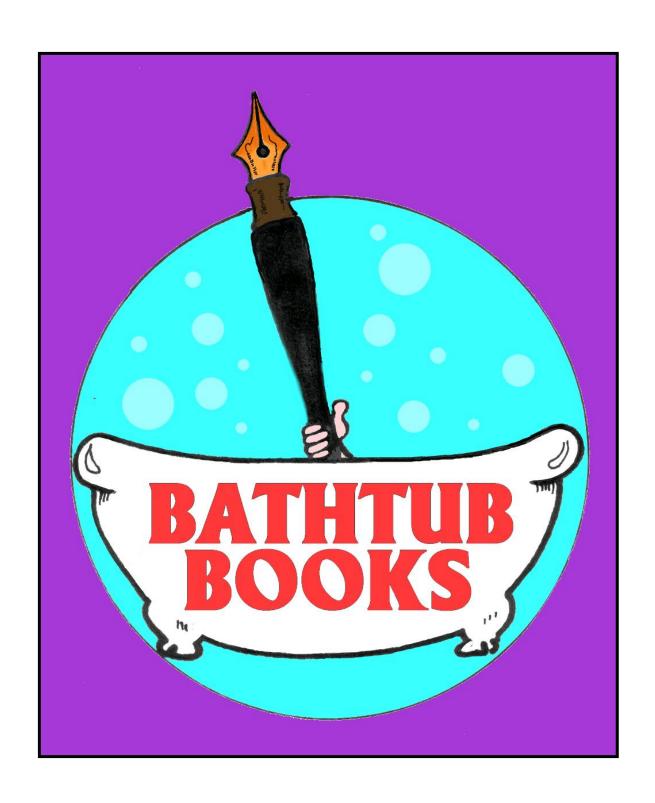
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