

## OK....here is my "A" List of D2K.7 Pins.

Remember that this is my opinion. It is based on a number of factors: the creativity of the "theme" or "concept" of the pin, the artwork, the physical design, and the desirability or tradeability of the pin.

If your pin is not there and you are interested in some feedback +/- or constructive criticism, please email me off list. I would be more than happy to help with ideas and designs for next year. My goal is to get all Affiliate pins (and nonAffiliate pins as well) on the "A" list. If that can be done, then it will be a win win situation.

OK....I will step off my soap box and fire away:

Dr. Frank's D2K.7 "A" List....aka Pins that "rocked"!

Brazil Left foot Flip-Flop (what are they going to do for an encore next year.....Crocs?)

CA Butterfly Set (great concept, very tradeable and beautiful pins)

IN Fire Phoenix and Ice Phoenix (Elizabeth Newell strikes again)

LA Jack Sparrow/MarDI Gras pins (he's hot and so were the pins)

MI So. Lyon "You Are Not a JeDI Yet" Pin (May the Force Be With You)

MN "Newly Discovered Creatures" Set (weird by nice)

NY Somer's "QT Pi" Pins (esp the hot pink version)

OR Frog and Dragonfly Set (psychadellic but beautiful))

PA Shoe Fly Pi Pin (How are they going to make an "Apple Pan Dowdy" pin for next year??)

SC Blue Sea Turtle (the question is....is it dreaming?)

UK Big Ben w Dragon (#1 International Pin IMLTHO)

WV Mothman Pins (next year's pin will feature Richard Gere...not!)

WI Dragons (watch out next year. These beauties are bound to be back)

WI Glitter Babies (according to Dicky V, this year's Diaper Dandies)

WI Toilet Seat (nothing like a bit of "potty humor")

Pewter Dragon Set (what can I say, I'm a sucker for big beautiful pewter dragons....and so was everybody else!)

Dr. Franks D2K.7 "A-" List...aka the "runner ups"

CA Region IX Einstein w Dragon Sets

China Beijing Panda Pin

CO Darth Elmo Pin (don't tickle him!!)

CT "Creativity on a Roll Pin" (next year..."Brains on a Bun"??)

ID Spaced Potato ("....bet you weren't ready for that")

IN Harlan "Chicken Pot Pi" (aren't we done with the Pi thing yet?)

OH, TX, and WI/MN/IA Wii sets (I did say desirability was a factor)

TX Set of 4 Winged Dragons (Glitter + Dragon = got to have it)

VA Keswick "Barrel of Monkeys" Pin (Here they come, walkin down the street....)

Poison Dart Frog Set (rainforest jewels...look but don't touch)

This year's "Pin on Steroids" Award:

Tx Shreddallos "Direct Flight" 3 pin set (whoa, is all I can say. Imagine how much they must have weighed on the trip to Knoxville)

Runner's Up: TX "Disco Fever", Amazon Creatures Temple, Poison Dart Frog Waterfall, Lutheran High Dragons, and Lubbock Flying Snake Pins

Finally.....my pick for D2K.7 Pin of the year...yes folks, those Newells did it again.....The Ice Phoenix pin. No question, Numero Uno!! It was so cool, that it was hot and it was so hot, that it was cool!!!

OK, those are my favorites....if you don't agree, that's too bad because it's my list...na na na boo boo....get over it, get a life, get out of Dodge, have a great summer, remember your sun block, listen to your parents, listen to your children, remember 3-a-Day, buckle up, and stay happy and healthy.

Peace,

Frank