

The Duplicator's Apprentice

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MEET THE VIP'S, Thursday night, Clarion

- Richard Brandt

"Is he bingo calling?" somone asked as MC Mike Resnick intoned an endless litany of names, representing the notables supposedly present somewhere in the dim, cavernous hall.

I was jotting down notes at the Press table, pressed up against a far wall, when a functionary with an Events gizmo came trotting over and demanded who had raised the lights.

"You're backing up against the dimmer switch," he told me. "Nobody touches the dimmer switch."

"Heavens forfend," I replied, straining my eyes to see if I could recognize my date. I think she had stepped outside for some light.

Pat Mueller wandered by in her VIP lei. "Someone at the door asked me if I was famous," she explained. Meanwhile, Hawaiian music played, people danced the limbo, and the climate *felt* Polynesian.

George R. R. Martin was handing out fliers for screenings of his ABC-TV pilot, "DOORS." Show times are 10:00 PM Friday and 11:00 PM Saturday in O4C 20 D-G. "MagiCon Membership Not Required for This Event," it says here (but then why are you reading this?)

Programming Notices

TAFF-DUFF AUCTION: 9:00 PM Friday in the Fan Lounge. Copies of *The Enchanted Duplicator*, *HYPHEN*, and an *autographed* copy of Hugo nominee Harry Warner's *A Wealth of Fable*, his Fifties fan history; plus Aussie and Brit souvenirs and other assorted goodies.

FILM NOTES: At last report, Francis Ford Coppola will make the presentation on his *Bram Stoker's DRACULA* at 3:00 PM Saturday in O4C, A1.

The MagiCon collation of APA-NU has been moved to Bayhill 1 in the Peabody. Time is still 3 PM Saturday. Contributors, collators, kibitzers and the curious are welcome. Copy count is 90.

ROCK DANCE, 11:00 PM Friday in the Clarion B, C and D.

CEILIDH ("Kay-lee") is Scottish dancing and singing. It will be at 8:30 PM Friday in the Main Lobby of O4C.

The Electronic Fandom Awards, Prometheus Awards and the Japanese Seiun-sho Awards will be presented in a separate award ceremony hosted by Guy Gavriel Kay tonight at 9:00 PM in Room 11E of O4C.

Thank you, thank you, thank you

The MagiCon Committee would like to thank the Xerox Corporation and Warren Davis for donating the paper used for printing this newsletter.

AHEM!!

Will the person who "BORROWED" the signed Heinlein speech fanzine from the History of the Worldcon Thursday morning please return it to Bruce Pelz. THANK YOU!

Important Correction

Atlanta in '95 met with Glasgow in '95 Thursday night to discuss the "Don't read this ..." flyer distributed Thursday. Glasgow requested the following changes, which Atlanta agrees with *in toto*:

- 1) Hotels; Facilities; Experience: No changes.
- 2) Restaurants: Under Glasgow, "Four restaurants on-site" should read "Four restaurants within one block."
- 3) Expense: The sentence beginning, "Also, plan on renting a car ..." should be deleted (some of the airports offer free shuttle service from the airport).
- 4) Vacation: Loch Ness distance should be 142 kilometers, not miles. Atlanta in '95 apologizes for any confusion.

To Arms, to Arms

Many areas of the convention still need volunteers. If you are at all intrigued, please contact the Volunteer Desk next to Registration.

The U.S. Snail Is Here to Serve You

There is a full-service U.S. Postal Service booth that is available for your snailing mailing needs. The Post Office is located Hall B/C in the convention facility right next to Hole #1. Hours of operation are as follows:

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 5:45 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM - 4:45 PM Monday: 10:00 AM - 3:45 PM

Party Notices!!

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	1538	Glasgow in '95
	1401	Furry Party6:00 PM
	1009	Kansas City in 2K
	938	San Antonio in '979:00 PM
	907	Hartcourt, Brace Jovanovich9:30 PM
	852	@9:00 PM
	830	Niagara Falls in '989:00 PM
	738	Atlanta in '958:00 PM
	552	Jedi Knights/Callahan's Place
	509	Boston in '98
	Clarion	
	643	FosFAX9:00 PM
	641	FASA9:00 PM
Quality Inn		
	3111	APA-VCR9:00 PM
	1128	Magic Carpet Con7:00 PM
Best Western		
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Astronaut Quotes H.G. Wells, Shows Pictures of Grandkids

- Tom Becker

Astronaut John Young spoke and showed slides of his moon trip to a full house of appreciative and enthusiastic science fiction fans. Understating his own accomplishments, he emphasized the fragility of our planet and the need for us to work together to explore space, learn more, and find new solutions to humanity's problems. Quoting H. G. Wells, he said we are in "a race between education and catastrophe". He finished with a slide showing the best reason for the space program: his grandchildren, playing on the beach, with the launch towers of Kennedy in the background.

The Feather Ceremony

- Seth Breidbardt

After the Opening Ceremonies had ended, the Feather Ceremony was held in the same room. Spider Robinson officiated, and Joel Rosenberg assisted from the Pro side. On the fannish side, the tech crew participated eagerly. Afterwards, Chip Hitchcock declared, "if it weren't for the honor of the thing, I'd just as soon not have bothered."

The dropcloths contained the tar fairly well, and the remnants were easily removed before the next program item.

Prize-winning Badge Numbers

The people wearing the following badge numbers have won daily random drawings. To pick up your free surprise, stop by the LIGHTYEARS table in the exhibit area.

Thursday's winner: #3612 Friday's winner: #1248



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Thursday Parties Meet Hopes

-- Kurt Baty and Scott Bobo

MagiCon Thursday night fulfilled our hopes with six very good parties, three of them major bid parties.

We stopped first at the St. Louis in '97 bid party, and discovered a chocoholic's dream in three varieties of chocolate. We found plenty of fans and conviviality and had a chance to talk with Glen Cook. Bubbly alert: bottled, single-serving champagne!

We tripped over for an international flavor at Glasgow's '95 bid party. Plenty of fans provided lots of talk, and the shots of single-malt Scottish whiskey (Dalmore, among others) kept 'em talking. The GEnie folks popped out of their network and hosted a relaxed gathering.

Texas fandom brought out the 'dildos' 'dillos and a great F.A.C.T. flag designed by Sherlock. At 12:45 a.m., the Texans still had plenty of Lone Star spirit and neat party decorations of homemade cowboy hat beanies (nuts and bolts attached).

The folks who produce DragonCon in Atlanta have designed one of the best party stickers we've seen— a stylized dragon clutching a sword and lightning bolt.

DragonCon was a good introduction to their neighbors, the Atlanta in '95 party. We award Atlanta Thursday night's Party of the Night. Fans flowed throughout the suite, decorated with bowls of M&Ms and orchids. We were never thirsty with peach daiquiris and a blue concoction aptly named Whatizit. The low lighting and skillfully-stacked fans provided good circulation of air and fans, ensuring a lively atmosphere still partying at 1:30 a.m. These folks are organized, and they'll be serious party competition.



Miscellaneous Notices of Significance

Athena Sunnie Katlin Wright and Jose Raul Andreu-Custodio will be married Saturday at 2 PM at the Clarion. The ceremony will be performed by Dave Ratti. The bride, who met the groom last year at Chicon, will pass out candy necklaces in the hope that others have the same kind of luck in love that she has.

The H.M.S. Fenzance is recruiting crew members to distribute Rum and Chocolate (especially on the West Coast). To arrange for your party kit, please contact Baltimore Worldcon 1998, P.O. Box 13436, Baltimore, MD 21203, or come by our party.

Brazilian artwork is available to editors of fanzines and semiprozines. Please look for Roberto de Sousa Causo near the World Science Fiction Society sign.

A fanzine sales area has been set up in the Fan Lounge. Fannish not-for-profit publications are available for sale there.

Alexander Korzhenevski, a writer and translator from Moscow, is here with no hard currency at all. The Glasgow in '95 committee would like to find people to take him out to lunch, dinner, etc. Please contact the Glasgow in '95 desk if you're interested.

The Jack Vance Festival of All Worlds is still looking for performers. Sign up at the Information Booth. Check-in for the Festival is 7 PM Friday night at the stage area, near the SciFi Channel exhibit.

Our loss is your gain! We have two of the discounted 4-day Disney World passes, but she can't deal with the heat outside. We'll sell them unused for \$116 each. Call Al or Megan at the Quality Inn Plaza, Room 4811, or leave a message at the Masquerade table, across from Registration.