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GROUP: Atlanta Science Fiction (dis)Organization (ASFO).

CONTACT: Joe Celko, Box 10558, Atlanta, GA 30310. home: (404) 373-1801.
WHEN & WHERE: 1983 Apr 24 at 12:30 hrs, at 402 Lakeshore Drive. Between Ponce de Leon and McLendon, east of Little Five Points.

WHAT: Sunday brunch. Booze and omlets. Bring anything else you wish. Might put on some radio show cassettes, might just loaf around. Low key sunday afternoon. I cook omlets to order, and we key in the next issue of ASFOAWN or stuff 250 envelopes.

GROUP: Atlanta SF Club, Inc. (ASFiC)
CONTACT: Ron Zukowski, Box 16272. Atlanta, GA 30321;

WHAT: To be announced.
COST: \$10.00 per year dues
WHEN & WHERE: 1983 Apr 16 at 20:00 hrs at the Decatur Federal Bank on Mount Vernon Hwy. This is located near Perimeter Mall off of I-285. Meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.

GROUP: Birmingham SF Club
CONTACT: Charlotte Proctor at (205) 933-0548.

WHAT: Party. ASFiC people automatically have memberships in the Birmingham group.
WHEN & WHERE: 1983 Apr 9 in Birmingham, AL.

GROUP: Neat Hold of Atlanta
CONTACT: Rich Howell, Lord Holder, 959 Waverly Ct #A, Norcross, GA 30071; 925-1843.

WHEN & WHERE: 1983 Apr 23, at 959 Waverly Ct #A, Norcross, GA. Meetings are on the fourth saturday of each month.

WHAT: Promote Anne McCaffrey's works.

GROUP: The Alternate Factor
CONTACT: Damon Hill (acting president). 3261 Circle Oak Dr NW, Atlanta, GA 30339; 432-0245. Becky Williams (secretary-treasurer) 589 Bonaventure Ave #B, Atlanta, GA 30306; no phone.

WHEN & WHERE:
WHAT: Media SF & Fantasy group meeting on third sunday of each month at a members home. No dues until third meeting attended. Dues are \$12 per year. Star Trek, Star Wars, Japanese animation, Elfquest, D&D and many other interest. Visitors welcome.

GROUP: ATLANTA STAR TREK SOCIETY
CONTACT: Owen Ogletree Jr. Rt 4 Box 426, McDonough, GA 30253; 957-3522.
WHEN & WHERE: 1983 April 23 at the Sandy Springs Library on Mt. Vernon highway east off of Roswell Road, just north of I-285. Meeting starts at 14:00 and runs until 18:00 hrs.

WHAT: Laura Wilson will talk on the episode "Requiem for Methuselah" and then the episode "Balance of Terror" will be shown.

GROUP: Atlanta ST Realist Association
CONTACT: Tim Farley, Box 31587 Georgia

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Tech, Atlanta, GA 30332. phone: (404) 894-7788 or 894-7789 until 22:00 hrs.
WHEN & WHERE: 1983 April 9
WHAT: Star Trek group

GROUP: PSI PHI (Emory Univ SF&F Club)
CONTACT: PSI PHI (put no other name on address), Box 21205 Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322; 633-9251
WHEN & WHERE: ??
WHAT: ??

GROUP: Space Atlanta
CONTACT: Calvin Bobbitt, 2947 Main St, East Point, GA 30344
WHEN & WHERE: Last Thursday of each month at the Georgia Tech Library, Room 107 at 1900 hrs.
WHAT: One to two hour meetings on space exploration. See also SpaceWeek Atlanta

GROUP: BARONY OF SOUTH DOWNS (Atlanta) of the SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, Inc.

CONTACT: Rhonda Johnson, 965 Alloway Pl SE, Atlanta, GA 30316; 627-4444 from 1730 to 2300 hrs weekdays or "keep trying" on weekends.

WHEN & WHERE: Regular weekly meetings are every Wednesday 1930 hrs (officially 2000 hrs) on the third floor (usually room 316, but ask the guard if in doubt) of the Georgia Avenue Community Center on Hill St.

WHAT: On alternate weeks there are business meetings plus a class. Other weeks are "Arts & Sciences." They also have "events" which tend to be at campsites. Their local newsletter is \$5 per year from Wilho N. Suominen Jr, 1617 Bussell Place, Norcross, GA 30093; 449-1469 OR Nancy Fabian, 795 Lancelot Dr, Norcross, GA 30071; 443-2300)

SUBGROUP: SHIRE OF SANDALWOOD (Snellville)

CONTACT: James Gazaway, home: 979-1543 from 1930 to 2030 Hrs or work: 972-0767 from 0900 to 1200 hrs.

WHEN & WHERE: Meetings each Tuesday at Snellville Christian Church, 2485 Scenic Hwy South, Snellville, GA 30278
WHAT: Dancing, blacksmithing, armouring.

GROUP: L5 SOCIETY
CONTACT: Bill Gardiner, 624 Camelot Dr, College Park, GA 30337; home: 766-6821 and work: 761-2414 OR Darrell Preble, 343 Canterbury Dr, Jonesboro, GA 30236; home: 477-9143 and work: 658-2683.
WHEN & WHERE: ??
WHAT: ??

GROUP: WORLDCON ATLANTA, INC (Bid for 1986 World SF Con)

CONTACT: WorldCon Atlanta, Inc. Box 10094, Atlanta, GA 30319.

COST: A pre-supporting membership is \$5.00, which gets you the bidzine, "South on Peachtree". Tee shirts and other such goodies can be had also.

WHEN & WHERE: Room parties at all kinds of conventions, newszine coming out.
WHAT: Trying to get a worldcon in 1986, just like the name says.

GROUP: DIGRESSION (Oglethorpe U.SF&FO)

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CONTACT: Kevin Kinchloe, Box 266, 3000 Woodrow Way, Atlanta, GA 30319; home:237-7622.
WHEN & WHERE: ??
WHAT: ??

GROUP: WORLD FUTURE SOCIETY
CONTACT: Perry Ginn, 1671 MusketrIDGE NW, Atlanta, GA 30327; 262-7221.
WHEN & WHERE: Normally meets the third Monday for dinner at 2000 hrs at Admiral Ben Bow Inn on Spring St,
WHAT: Variable

GROUP: Georgia Tech Wargamers/D&D Club
CONTACT: ??
WHEN & WHERE: Every Friday at 19:00 Hrs in the Student Center Room 319.
WHAT: Wargamers, Dugeons and Dragons Club

GROUP: WABE Radio (FM 90.1)
CONTACT: WABE Radio, 740 Bismarck, Atlanta, GA 30324. Ask about their monthly program listing (\$5.00, tax deductible).
WHEN & WHERE:
WHAT: SF and fantasy programming

GROUP: Goethe Institute
CONTACT: German Cultural Center, 400 Colony Square, Atlanta, GA 30361.
COST: Free.
WHEN & WHERE: now until April 15, at the above address.
WHAT: Exhibition on the new German film
WHEN & WHERE: now until April 17, at the above address.
WHAT: Exhibition of Max Ernest's books and graphic work.

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COST: Free.
WHEN & WHERE: Wednesday at 19:00 hrs at the above address.
WHAT: Films, some in English, some in German, and some with subtitles.

GROUP: Center for Puppetry Arts
CONTACT: Center for Puppetry Arts, 1404 Spring Street NW, Atlanta, GA. Phone: (404) 873-3391.
COST: Free.
WHEN & WHERE: 1983 July 11-16 at the above address.
WHAT: Puppetry Theatre for Children, sponcered by the Goethe Institute. "Theaterra Figuretheater: Don't be Afraid of the Animals". Will use puppets made from everyday object such as spoons, bottle openers, and so forth.

** CONVENTIONS **

CONVENTION: Atlanta Fantasy Fair
CONTACT: Atlanta Fantasy Fair, Box 566, Marietta, GA 30061. Send self-addressed stamped envleopes for information. Progress report due out in 1983 March.
WHEN & WHERE: 1983 August 5-7 at the Omni Hotel.
COST: \$13 until 1983 March 20 and \$16 until 1983 Jun 30 and \$19 at the door. Ask about club and family rates on tic-

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kets. The hotel has a flat rate of \$44.00 for a room with 1,2,3 or 4 persons. There must be at least roommate of age 18 over.
WHAT: Forry Ackerman, Chuck Jones, Richard & Wendi Pini, Ted White and Bob McCloud are now confirmed guests.

CONVENTION: IstaCon I
CONTACT: IstiCon I, 959 Waverly Ct #A, Norcross, GA 30071.

Rich Howell, Chairman; Angela Howell, Treasurer; Scotty Mathreus, programming; Ron Zukowski, operations; Laura Bulman, Secretary; Laura Taylor, Registration; Kathy Kaufmann, art show.
WHEN & WHERE: 1984 Mar 30 - Apr 1 at the Rivera Hotel on Peachtree Street.
COST: \$12 until 1984 Jan 1; \$15 until 1984 Mar 1 and \$20 at the door, Delaers tables are \$20 plus membership (fifty are available).
WHAT: Fantasy convention with Guest of Honor Anne McCaffrey (this will be her birthdy party). Polly & Kelly Freas are Masters of Ceremony. Michael Whelan is the artist guest of honor, and Bob Maurus is the special guest.

CONVENTION: ASFiCON 4
CONTACT: Cliff Biggers, 6045 Summit Wood Drive, Kennesaw, GA 30144.
WHEN & WHERE: 1984 April 1-3 at the Northlake Hilton, at the LaVista-Tucker exit of I-285.
COST: ??
WHAT: Science fiction convention with Guest of Honor Greg Benford (this will be her birthdy party). Doug Chaffee is the artist guest of honor, and Brian Earl Brown is the fan guest of honor.

CONVENTION: Balticon XVII
CONTACT: Balticon XVII; Box 686; Baltimore, MD 21203.
WHEN & WHERE: 1984 April 1-3 at the Hyatt-Regency Inter-harbor in Baltimore, MD.
COST: \$12.00 for adults; \$6.00 for children (7-12 years); free for infants (0-6 years. You must buy tickets by mail and attendance is limited to the first 1500. make check or money order payable to Baltimore Science Fiction Society.
Hotel rooms are \$50 for singles and doubles, and \$60 for triples and quads.
WHAT: Guest of Honor: L. Sprague DeCamp and Catherine Cook. Fan Guest of Honor: Eva Whitley & Jack Chalker. Art Guest of Honor: Anna Trembly. Other guests are C.J. Cherryh, Joe Haldeman, Andy Offutt, Hal Clement and a telephone interview with Andre Norton.

CONVENTION: Medieval Faire
CONTACT: Houston White phone (404) 452-8212
WHEN & WHERE: 1983 April 22-24 at Lake Lanier Islands, Buford GA. Go up I-85 North from Atlanta to Georgia 365 exit and follow signs to Lake Lanier Islands.
COST: Free public demonstration, but it is a good idea to bring some cash for food and other purchases.
WHAT: The SCA sets up a Medieval Faire,

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