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*** PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE AVAILABLE ON LINE

The pocket program book just went to press Wednesday, May 7, and that means that the
program schedule is now "frozen." Changes may still be made if absolutely necessary,
but those changes won't be reflected in the Unsurpassed Perfectly Organized Pocket
Program Book. Changes will, however be listed in the WisCon newsletter. Look for the
first copy on Friday. Until then, out the schedule at this address and start planning your
weekend!

<http://www.sf3.org/wiscon/programlist.html>

*** DESSERT TICKETS ALMOST GONE

It seems eCube is always warning you about imminent shortages and deadlines. And
here's another one. There aren't many Dessert Salon tickets left; sales have been brisk.
Possibly this can be explained by the scrumptious desserts, the eagerly anticipated GoH
speeches and Tiptree ceremony, or maybe by the threat of terrorism. (If we can't enjoy
rich desserts with little dollops of whipped cream on top, the terrorists have won, right?)
Whatever the explanation, we're selling dessert tickets like hotcakes. If you don't get a
ticket, you will still be admitted free to the GoH speeches and Tiptree ceremony, but
dessert ticket holders will be guaranteed better seats. If you still need to buy a ticket, we
recommend that you do so when you register at the convention, rather than waiting till
later in the convention. (It's too late to order them by mail.) We will most likely run out
of tickets. Just a suggestion. Dessert Salon tickets cost \$9 each.

DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

"A Momentary Taste of WisCon" is the official at-con newsletter of WisCon 27. Consider sharing your insights with other con-goers by submitting a panel review, an ad looking for a ride home, a notice about exciting spontaneous programming, or something humorous you overheard. Look for the newsletter drop-box at the Registration Table and get your thoughts in print. Please email the newsletter editor Kristina Solheim with any questions at scifiwriter@yahoo.com. Overheard at WisCon 26- "I'd be more willing to believe in Hell if I knew the person who invented self-canceling faucets would be going there."

*** GOT AN ELECTRONIC CAMERA?

Please share your photos with us. Jennifer White will be putting up photos on a virtual WisCon site during the convention. We'd like to publish your convention photos! Contact Jennifer through the SF3 email address and make plans to download your images at the con!

WILL IT SNOW ON MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND?

...asked a member traveling from WisCon from another country. Betsy Lundsten responds:

It seems unlikely there will be snow. This is, however, the upper Midwest of the United States, and we can't totally rule it out.

As for the more likely weather, it will probably be between 40f (4c) and 80f (26c), and since it's spring, it will probably rain.

If you have access to a computer shortly before you pack, check out <http://www.weather.com/weather/local/USWI0411?lswe=madison+wisconsin> which will tell you what the forecast will be.

But operating off the magic crystal ball school of forecasting, you should bring an umbrella, walking shoes, a sweater to throw on if you get cold while walking outside, a pair or two each of shorts and pants/skirts, your bathing suit (it's only that warm in Madison in May in the swimming pool area!), your warm socks, and a few things that can be layered, to take care of the in between temperatures.

Leave the big fuzzy wool coats and moon boots at home, however; if it gets cold enough to need those, we'll probably end up huddling for warmth in the consuite.

Betsy lives in Minneapolis, which is about 200 miles north of Madison. So Madison residents may expect somewhat warmer weather than Betsy. But your best bet is to check out the weather site during the week before WisCon, and see what is predicted. You never know around here.

***** LOOKING FOR A RIDE OR A ROOMMATE?

It has been requested that we provide a way for people looking for rides to/from WisCon or for roommates at the convention to contact one another. As a service to the community, we have set up an electronic bulletin board for this purpose. Use this message board to contact other WisCon attendees at your own risk. WisCon takes no responsibility for agreements made between individuals who contact one another using this message board and does not vouch for anyone who posts to it.

<http://sf3.org/wwwboard/index.html>

***KIDS' PROGRAMMING NEEDS STUFF

The children's room is in need of a bit of used things. We are doing a project that needs lots of the following: buttons, CD's and other shiny things that can be sewn on to fabric.

We could also use some old telephones that you do not need back. Please spread the word and bring any items to the kids room. Thank you very much. —Tom Porter, coordinator of Kids' Programming

*** CURRENT LUMINARY LIST.

Here's a list of names of folks we currently expect to attend. And for the first time, it's actually the SAME list that was published in eCube #8. We must be getting close to WisCon time.

Brian Atteberry
Marleen Barr
Elizabeth Barrett
Christopher Barzak
Judith Berman
Suzanne Alles Blom
Janice Bogstad
Lois McMaster Bujold
Suzy McKee Charnas
Ted Chiang
Richard J. Chwedyk
Bill Clemente
Leah Cutter
Beverly DeWeese
Candas Jane Dorsey

L. Timmel Duchamp
Carolyn Dunn
Suzette Haden Elgin
Heinz Insu Fenkl
Karen Joy Fowler
Diana Pharaoh Francis
Jim Frenkel
Gregory Frost
Terry A. Garey
Sally Miller Gearhart
Molly Gloss
Joan Gordon
Angelica Gorodischer
Hiromi Goto
Gavin Grant
Susan Marie Groppi
Eileen Gunn
M.J. Hardman
Jorjet Harper
Anne Harris
Jed Hartman
Eric Heideman
P.C. Hodgell
Elizabeth Anne Hull
Kij Johnson
Steven Vincent Johnson
Pam Keeseey
Sylvia Kelso
Peg Kerr
John Kessel
Greg Ketter
Paul Kincaid
Ellen Klages
Naomi Kritzer
Ellen Kushner
Justine Larbalestier
Ursula K. LeGuin
David Levine
Kelly Link
Catherine Lundoff
Nick Mamatas
Laurie Marks
Louise Marley
Elise Matthesen
Susan R. Matthews
Elizabeth Matson

Farah Mendlesohn
Mary Anne Mohanraj
Nancy Jane Moore
Lyda Morehouse
Jim Munroe
Pat Murphy
Vera Nazarian
Debbie Notkin
Susan Palwick
Emily Pohl-Weary
Katya Reimann
John Calvin Rezmerski
Carrie Richerson
Diana Rivers
Lori Selke
Nisi Shawl
Delia Sherman
Diane Silver
Kristine Smith
Midori Snyder
Maureen Kincaid Speller
Caroline Stevermer
Susan Stinson
Amy Thomson
Charles Vess
Joan D. Vinge
Élizabeth Vonarburg
Scott Westerfeld
Terri Windling
Laurel Winter
Patricia Wrede

*** FEEDBACK, PLEASE!

Let me know how you liked eCube, and what kind of information you'd like to see in it next year. Please send me a note through the SF3 email address. It's been fun doing eCube, almost like editing a fanzine again... See you all in just a couple days! --Jeanne

Jeanne Gomoll
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