

# DUFFUND NEWSLETTER 5

Published and edited by Lesleigh & Hank Luttrell, 525 W. Main St., Madison, WI 53703. This is the first issue of this newsletter published for the 1975 DUFF campaign. We will probably publish once more during the course of the current DUFF race, and the final issue will be published shortly after the deadline for voting. This issue is going to all DUFF voters, contributors, etc. A donation of 10¢ stamps will earn you the gratitude of the administrators. November, 1974. Weltanshauung Publication #123.

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## DUFF '74 - FINAL REPORT

Since the DUFF winner, Leigh Edmonds, has gotten back home, the 1974 DUFF race can be considered officially closed. I think the DUFF trip was a big success, but Leigh's DUFF report will tell more about it. Leigh's visit to the Discon was highlighted by the banquet, where he was called upon to make a speech. I'm sure many of you heard his plug for DUFF. I'd like to thank the Discon committee and Ron Bounds in particular for giving Leigh the opportunity to be seen and heard by most of the convention attendees and also for providing a complimentary room at the convention for the DUFF winner. Another high point of the convention was the DUFF/TAFF party held Saturday night at the convention. Dick Eney is to be thanked for providing the room for the party, and Leigh Edmonds and Pete Weston for being so charming to all the TAFF and DUFF supporters who attended.

The final financial report on the 1974 DUFF trip shows that DUFF collected enough money to pay for Leigh's trip, with some left over to help start this race off. The total monies collected by the American Administrator included \$314.36 donations with ballots, \$390.00 other contributions and \$371.01 from the auction, sale of fanzines and interest on the account. The final total was \$1075.37 of which \$918.00 was granted to Leigh for his trip (in addition to the Australian funds.) This leaves a total of \$157.37 in the American account. Leigh may have had a dollar or two left when he got back to start off the Australian fund collecting.

## CURRENT DUFF STATUS

There is currently \$480 in the DUFF account. Besides the funds left over from last year's race, I have received a donation of \$50 from Westercon 27, \$108 from the auction at the Windycon held in Chicago in October and \$150 anonymous donation. Our goal this year is \$1200. This is just about the minimum that will cover the winner's travel to and from the Aussiecon. Any amount collected above the goal will be used to pay the winner's other expenses and perhaps to start off the next DUFF race.

## AUCTIONS

We don't plan to have a mail auction for the benefit of DUFF this year. Instead, we are doing additional fund raising by auctions at some regional conventions. \$108 was raised from the auction at Windycon, most of it from the sale of a tape of filksinging by Anne Passovoy, Juanita Coulson and others. The rest of the money was raised by the sale of Mother Joni's Jams and Jellies donated by Joni Stopa. Special thanks for this help to Mark and Lynne Aronson (co-chairpeople of Windycon) and Jackie Franke, Bob & Anne Passovoy and Joni Stopa.

We plan to have another small auction at the Chambanacon (Nov. 29 - Dec. 1), and there may be more. If you wish to donate material to be sold at such an auction, please get in touch with us.

VOTING

As is noted on the ballot, the deadline for voting is May 31, 1975. However, all ballots received before March 29, 1975 will be eligible for a special raffle. Sandra Miesel has donated a beautiful embroidery as described on the ballot. It is her version of Jack Gaughan's illo "Striding Murderer" from Jack Vance's The Dragon Masters. This raffle is being held, not only as an added inducement for voting, but also to encourage people to vote early in the race. Receiving the ballots earlier makes vote counting a bit easier. Also, it helps us get a better idea of how much will be collected, and so we are better able to plan for the DUFF trip.

We would like to have ballots available for distribution at most regional conventions between now and the voting deadline. Also, we hope to have people collecting ballots and contributions at some of these conventions. If you are planning to attend a convention before the voting deadline and would be willing to take this responsibility, we would really appreciate it.

FANZINES

Copies of my DUFF report, "Lesleigh's Adventure Down Under (And What She Found There)" are still available for \$1, proceeds to DUFF. There is a possibility that Leigh Edmond's will have his report written before the end of this DUFF campaign (but no guarantees.) If it does become available, we will give you all the details in the newsletter.

This newsletter will be published at least once more during the course of the campaign to bring you up to date on the then current DUFF status. The final report will be sent to all DUFF voters and contributors and will be sent out as soon after the voting deadline as is practical.

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