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promoting the candidacy of  
**GUY & ROSE-MARIE LILLIAN**  
for  
**the Down Under Fan Fund, 2003!**

**Guy & Rosy's** campaign platform for the DownUnder Fan Fund, 2003, reads like so:

*Rose-Marie Lillian grew up with Arthur Clarke, Robert Heinlein and John Campbell – as guests in her home. Her father, writer Joseph Green, worked for NASA and hosted fabulous Apollo launch parties for the SF world. Guy Lillian's true distinction is his marriage to Rosy, but he also publishes the Hugo-nominated Challenger, has served three terms as Southern Fandom Confederation President, and been awarded DeepSouthCon's Rebel Award. Both thrill at the chance to export American fannishness downunder. Rosy will bring beauty, wit, class, charm and charisma to her 2003 DUFF duties. Guy will climb Hanging Rock, and bring you down a scrap of calico.*

But that's only part of the story. Allow us to tell more ...

Guy and Rosy met at MidAmeriCon in 1976, in the lobby of the Muelenbach Hotel. Had Guy been quicker on the uptake, they *could* have met at the DeepSouthCon in New Orleans in 1968 – but he got his dates mixed up and missed the con by a week. Rosy was there with her mother and father, SF author Joe Green – but she was only 13. Guy was 19, and jailable; perhaps things worked out for the best as they did.

“Things” worked out through a friendship that truly began at the DSC in 1977, blossomed at the ‘86 Atlanta worldcon, and took full root at Chicon 2000 – where and when Guy & Rosy became engaged. On the day they married, June 30, 2001, a rocket launched from nearby Cape Canaveral, carrying a satellite designed to investigate the origins of the universe. It was all but ignored: Rosy & Guy, you see, Knew.

They took differing paths to that moment. Rosy’s mother Nita and father Joe hosted many of the field’s greatest names – and many fans – at launch parties during the Apollo era, instilling in their daughter a love for the genre and its people that has never faded. SF has contributed greatly to her dual careers in journalism and academia. At the time of her marriage to Guy, she was most of the way to a doctorate in Communications, the science of how minds meet and speak. She brings to the marriage – and to their DUFF candidacy – a scholar’s intelligence and curiosity coupled with a second-generation fan’s veneration for science fiction – and, says her husband, all the beauty and charm and warmth and charisma that one human being could possibly possess.

Guy came to SF fandom through his frequent teen-aged forays onto the letter columns of the super-hero comic books. His many published letters to DC Comics brought him his first job, and lifelong friendship with Julius Schwartz, senior editor of that line and, incidentally, founder of the science fiction fanzine. Guy became an SF reader as a natural adjunct, and in college, joined SF fandom – first through the Bay Area’s fabulous Little Men, then through the New Orleans SF Association. The NOSFAns led him into fanzines – amateur press alliances like the Southern Fandom Press Alliance (SFPA, in which he maintains a 32-year-long membership), FAPA, LASFAPA and SAPS – and, in recent decades, genzines. His **Challenger** has thrice been honored with Hugo nominations, to go with two listings he’s won as fan writer.

Along the way he’s picked up other honors – Southern fandom’s Rebel Award — and offices – publications chief for the 1988 worldcon, and three terms each as Southern Fandom Confederation President and Official Editor of the aforementioned SFPA. Both he and Rosy have “won” DSC’s satiric *Rubble* Award – Guy for being an opinionated blowhard, and Rosy for making him a *love-struck* and *giddy* blowhard. Very true. Being Rosy’s husband is the only honor that really matters to him.

So why do they run for DUFF? Together and on their own, Rosy and Guy have attended dozens of local, regional and world SF conventions, and befriended hundreds of grand SF fans, local, regional, and from all over the world, including Australia. Neither has been there, nor to New Zealand or other ports south of the equator, except through the cinema – thus the platform reference to **Picnic at Hanging Rock**. They want to see the turf and talk to the people, to bring a happy helping of Mardi Gras spirit (New Orleans, remember) to the 2003 Swancon – and bring back the wonderful story of their journey, well-told. They humbly ask for your support.

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