

GUFF FUNDIES FIVE

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THE STATE OF THE FUND:

In Australia the GUFF coffers are now full up to the \$762.89 mark and I hope that by the time the fund closes it will be up to almost the \$900 mark. \$54.54 was raised at the mini-convention held by Peter & Elizabeth Darling (this includes the proceeds from Jillian's GUFFwater stall as well) and apart from another \$12.50 I raised selling some fanzines in WA the rest has come in with votes.

The total number of votes recorded for GUFF now stands over the 100 mark with over 80 of them being recorded in Australia. I bet you'd love to know who is winning and if anybody really want to know they can buy a hint from me for a mere \$75, not that I think anybody is that keen. Voting closes at the end of this month so if you want to vote and haven't done so yet you have only a short time left to get your ballot forms returned to me. I'm not asking John to send out another ballot form with this sheet as I assume that you all have quite enough copies already. However if you somehow have escaped the plague you will be able to get a voting form from me at the EasterCon or if you are really desperate I'll accept votes on ordinary pieces of paper provided that the voter is eligible under the rules.

Do we have enough money yet? Well with about \$760 here and about 220 Pounds stored in the UK (making approximately \$1100) I would have thought so except that the people at OPEC have decided that they want to be even richer and as yet I have no idea what sort of increase that is going to put on airfares. We can only wait and see.

MAKING MORE MONEY:

In a couple of weeks time at EasterCon GUFF will be holding its last (just about) fund raising event, an auction of several and various interesting artifacts. Below are listed most of the things that I have to hand so far.

- 1976-77 Jet Propulsion Laboratory Report of 36 glossy pages with many interesting photographs and reports of different activities.
- A NASA Publication entitled "Voyager to Saturn and Jupiter", 58 pages booklet describing the mission and the spacecraft itself with many photos and illustrations.
- Viking Project Mission Operations Status Bulletins 1 to 37 covering the Viking project to soft land on Mars from March 31, 1975 to August 4, 1976. About 120 pages of the best documentation of Viking that you are likely to get with many photographs taken of Mars from the orbiters as well as the by now familiar photos from the surface.
- 6 colour reproductions of artists renditions of things like Space Shuttle in orbit, Voyager and Seastat about 240mmx180mm.
- 3 photographs (1 colour) taken on the Martian surface, each photo about 240mm long but of varying widths.
- 1 black and white photo of Phobos 240mmx190mm with various geographical (?) features marked.
- 3 colour photos of the surface of Mars taken by the Viking orbiter, two looking directly down to the surface and the third taken as the spacecraft still approached the planet showing a good half of the planet although most of it is dark with the terminator running across the top of the planet. All are in colour and sizes about as above.
- 1 colour photo taken by Viking lander of Martian Sunset, size as above.

- 1 colour photograph of Saturn with photo of Earth inset to same scale as Saturn to give an idea of the size of the different planets.
- 1 colour photograph taken by Voyager One showing Earth and the moon in the one picture frame. To me this is an even more impressive picture than some of those taken of Earth from the moon. (By the way this same photo is also reproduced on the cover of the JPL report previously mentioned.)
- Abstracts from the magazine SCIENCE of 29 March 1974 covering various aspects of the Mariner 10 encounter with Venus including such topics as "Preliminary Infrared Radiometry of Venus", "Venus Mass, Gravity Field, Atmosphere, and Ionosphere" and "Magnetic Field Observations near Venus". 37 pages with colour cover of the issue of SCIENCE showing Venus.

(All the above items were supplied by Harry Andruschak, a fan who lives in the US and works for JPL. He tells me that a similar bundle is also on its way but probably won't be here in time for Easter. I forgot to mention that all the reproductions of photos and paintings mentioned are from NASA and have commentaries printed on their reverse sides. Moving onto even better material, Lee Harding has supplied us with the following...)

Original manuscripts from ROOMS OF PARADISE, copy-edited:

- GENE WOLFE : Our Neighbour by David Copperfield
(autographed - in two places - by the author and inscribed "This manuscript is donated in support of the First GUFF fund".)
- IAN WATSON : The Rooms of Paradise.
- SAKYO KOMATSU (trans. Judith Merril) : The Savage Mouth.
- CHERRY WILDER : The Falldown Man.
- DAMIEN BRODERICK ; A Passage in Earth
(PLUS the corrected first-draft of this story)
- PHILIPPA C. MADDERN : Ignorant of Magic.
- KEVIN McKAY : Pie Row Joe
- DAVID LAKE : Re-deem the Time

... ALSO : One (1) set of corrected galley/proofs for ROOMS OF PARADISE and
One (1) set of corrected page proofs for ROOMS OF PARADISE.

(We hope to have other manuscripts to auction by Easter but at the moment we have no details to give you. Come prepared however. Other items we have to auction will include...)

- a small red book entitled "Philosophy of God's Mathematics of the Atomic Energy" by one Timothy O'Mahoney, Esq. The contents are too amazing to even attempt to describe although it contains verse which among some of the worst I have ever seen. a copy of this book was auctioned at WAYCON and I think that it was sought mainly as a fearsome weapon that could be used in D & D.
- SKYCON 78 Programme Book. SKYCON was a convention held in the UK last Easter and it contains the usual convention booklet material. It also contains the signatures of the writers at the 1978 Milford Writers' Conference including such people as John Brunner, Ken Bulmer, Richard Cowper, Robert Holdstock and Christopher Priest.
- the 64th mailing of ANZAPA. This is the last unattached copy of the 10th anniversary mailing of ANZAPA with over 400 pages of some remarkably good fannish material. A copy was auctioned at WAYCON for \$15.
- "Dipping into ANZAPA", about seventy pages reprinting some of the best material from the first 20 mailings of ANZAPA. A copy of this is included in the 64th mailing of the apa.

MAIL AUCTION

There is no mail auction as such but if you are not going to be able to attend the Easter convention and are interested in any of the above items you can write to me telling how much you would be willing to bid to for any of the items. The sum you nominate will then become the reserve on the item and if nobody else wants to go beyond that price I'll contact you right after the con for your money.