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A Progress Report on the next *Mimosa*

Hello again. It's been a little over four months since we last published an issue of *Mimosa* so it's probably time for an update on our next issue. The new issue, *Mimosa* 22, is coming along nicely and will appear in early June. Once again the lead article belongs to Dave Kyle, who this time describes events leading up to and things that happened at NyCon 1, the very first World Science Fiction Convention. And speaking of worldcons, Mike Resnick returns with the first installment of a new series of remembrances of past worldcons, while Richard Brandt writes about how he was asked to impersonate a deity at the most recent worldcon.

And there's more. We'll have two entertaining stories about show business productions as different as you can get — Ian Gunn describes his pre-fandom involvement with an amateur performance group, while Lowell Cunningham gives us a behind-the-scenes look at the top-grossing movie of 1997. We're happy to report that both Walt Willis and Forrest J Ackerman will continue their autobiographical series in the new *Mimosa*; Walt tells us about another legendary fan, while Forry describes meeting some legendary authors. Dal Coger tells about the most famous fan residence of all time, while Greg Benford writes a farewell to one of the most famous fans of all time.

And there's *still* more. Curt Phillips provides a fascinating "true life adventure" that happened this past summer, while Ron Bennett tells us about the an energetic little fanzine that existed more than three decades ago. And if that isn't enough, the new *Mimosa* will even trace a connection between fanzine fandom and movie director Quentin Tarantino. (Bet you didn't know about *that*, did you?) The covers this time will be a collaboration between Teddy Harvia & Peggy Ranson, and we'll also have interior illustrations by many other fine fan artists, including Joe Mayhew, Charlie Williams, Julia Morgan-Scott, Diana Stein, Kurt Erichsen, Kip Williams, Alexis Gilliland, Ian Gunn, and Sheryl Birkhead. So look for our new issue in June — coming to a mailbox near you!

Web Site Additions

For those who *aren't* yet on our mailing list, we'll be posting an "electronic" version of *Mimosa* 22 to our web site (address above) about a month after it appears in print, taking care to make the web version look as much like the printed version as we can. There are already twelve different issues of *Mimosa* at our web site, the most recent addition being *Mimosa* 10 from July 1991. We hope to have the entire run up there eventually (and thanks to our webmaster, Roxanne Smith-Graham, for helping to make it possible).

Out of room! There's barely enough space to mention the travelogues that are also at our web site: "A Postcard Diary of Eastern Europe" from November of last year and its sequel, "A(nother) Postcard Diary of Eastern Europe" from earlier this month. We hope you'll enjoy the new *Mimosa* and we're looking forward to hearing from you. This brief update is meant to let you know we haven't forgotten about you. Thanks again for not forgetting about us.