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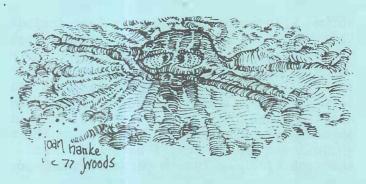
NOTICE TO RECIPIENTS

CONACS is a quarterly newszine devoted primarily to publishing con listings. If you are putting on a con, please add me to your mailing list so that I can publish info. about your upcoming con in this zine. In future issues, the content of this zine will also be expanding to include con reports and other con related information. CONACS is currently distributed free to a mailing list of about 200 (currently mostly in the midwest). This will continue through CONACS 5 (1 July 1980) and CONACS 6 (1)ctober 1980). However, beginning with CONACS 7 (1 January 1981). CONACS will only be provided free to the conventions listed or reported therein. For all others, CONACS will be available for the per copy, \$1.00 for a four issue subscription, for utilized contributions and/or info. of a nature considered substantial by the publisher, or in prearranged trade for other zines. (I simply can't continue to foot the publication and mailing expenses without at least partial reimbursement).

SHORT CON REPORTS

Confusion 6 and/or 7: Jan. 18-20, 1980. Plymouth, MI. GOH: Stan Schmidt. FGOH: Elliot Kay Shorter. TM: Rusty Hevelin. CMN: Larry Tucker & Dave Innes. I worked as an Operations Shift Supervisor. This con definitely belied its name. It was well organized and operated very smoothly. The problems that occurred were generally minor (except for one medical emergency which was very expertly handled) and rectified with a very minimum of hassle. Mr. Shorter was a most intriguing FGOH. He dropped by Con Hq. about 2:00 am Sunday morning and regaled the staff on duty with fascinating "war stories from Cons I have attended". It was truly a fun

weekend and I would surely reccommend future Confusions as ones to definitely attend. I finally made it to the point, however, where I realized I'm not as young as I used to be. I didn't get enough sleep at the con and if Mike Stein and Joan Hanke-Woods hadn't rode home w/me...Well, never again: From now on, I get a min. of 5 hours sleep per night. OK, Ross???



POSTCON SPLAT
by: Joan Hanke-Woods

Bosklone: Feb. 15-17, 1980. Danvers, MA. GOH: Spider & Jeanne Robinson. I worked on Logistics Staff for Bob Spence. This was a relaxicon since NESFA is heavily tied up in Worldcon planning this year (See Noreascon Two Con listing below). Nevertheless, the con was the epitomy of organization. "All crises must be scheduled in advance; no crisis will be allowed to proceed unless it has been previously approved and properly placed on the Logistics schedule!" I'm not kidding! I can vividly recall sitting in the restaurant, sharing brunch with Ross Pavlac, and having to say, "Well, I've got to be going. I have a crisis scheduled for 10:15 and I have to get upstairs to handle it." Except for the idiocy of the hotel restaurant and the surliness of its



HEY, GOFER:

GRAB ME THAT LAST BHEER:
by: M. David Johnson

personnel, the con was absolutely perfect. Much of my time was spent in various meetings with the Noreascon Two committee. A tour of the Worldcon facilities was included in the trip and I was able to glean a lot of important information concerning the security requirements for the Worldcon. (I am Director of Security for Noreascon Two). The Chicago in '82 Bidding Party at Bosklone was a huge success (See Chicon IV Update below). On the whole, if Bosklone was this good, think what Noreascon Two is going to be like. Wow:

Hoosier Con I: Feb. 29 - Mar. 2, 1980. South Bend. IN. GOH: Bob Asprin. FGOH: Juanita & Buck Coulson. Cmn: Kent Lucas. I was Director of Security. This was the Michiana Science Fiction Society's first con and I and most of the attendees that I spoke to thought it came off really well (except. of course, for the problems with the hotel which included all floors completely torn-up for renovations despite their promises to have the work done before the con, stairways that you could get into from any floor but could only get out of on the first floor, and one of the two small elevators that was out of order for most of the con). Those who worked with me on the Security Team included Linda Hanson, John Thorsen, Todd Hamilton, Rich Curth, Bill Krucek, Nellie Petersen, Alan Salmi, Fruma Chia, Joel Gainer, Ed Zamora, Steve Herr, Michael Gator, Jennifer Goodwin, Carole Kamber, Darrow Woods, Raymond Lang, Bill Savage, Barbara Archer, Ben Thomas, Dale Thelander, and Bill Hainley. All of these fans performed their duties enthusiastically and professionally and I was most thankful for their assistance, without which my job would have been impossible. Unfortunately, because of the sudden passing of my father while I was at the con, I have been unable to find the time to send each one of these fans a personal thank-you note. I hope they will understand and accept this note in lieu of personalized thanks and believe that I am most grateful for their support and able performance during a very difficult time for me. I love you one and all. Thanks:

NOTICE

The Spectrum Amateur Press Association (SPECAPA) is now forming. For info, send an SSAE to M. David Johnson, P.O. Box 485, Glenview, IL. 60025.

CON LISTINGS

Albacon: Easter, 1980. GOH: Colin Kapp. FGOH: Jim Barker. Info: 2/L 244 W. Princes St., Kelvinbridge, Glasgow G4 9DP, Scotland.

Unicon IV: Easter, 1980. Victoria Hotel, Melbourne, Australia. GOH: Joe & Gay Haldeman, Lee Harding, Merv Binns. \$15 to: MUSFA, c/o Univ. of Monash, Vic. 3168.

Minicon 16: April 4-6, 1980. Radisson Downtown Hotel, Minneapolis, MN. GOH: C.J. Cherryh, Jon Singer, Ken Fletcher, Nate Bucklin. \$8 till 3/15, \$15 at door to: MINICON, P.O. Box 2128, Loop Station, Minneapolis, MN. 55402. (Oops! It's already past 3/15 isn't it???).

Urcon II: April 5, 1980. Univ. of Rochester, NY. GOH: Frederick Pohl. \$5 at the door. Info: Urcon II, Box 6647, River Station, Rochester, NY. 14627.

Collegecon '80: April 10-13, 1980. Univ. of Houston, TX. GOH: Harlan Ellison & George Takei. \$7 to: Collegecon '80, P.O. Box 94123, Houston, TX. 77018.

Shuttlecon (Trek): April 11-13, 1980. Arts & Crafts Ctr., Ohio State Fairgrounds, Columbus Ohio. GOH: Jimmy Doohan, Grace Lee Whitney, Bruce Hyde, others. Single: \$12.50. Group: \$20 for first two + \$5 for each additional. One Day Single: \$5. All at the door. Info: Shuttlecon Columbus, 3740 Atkinson Rd., Columbus, OH. 43227.

<u>Faglecon</u> '80: April 12-13, 1980. Mount Royal Hotel, London, UK. ±1 to:
R.W. Bayliss, Flat 4 Grasmere Lodge, 4 Grasmere Rd., Bromley Kent BR1 4BA,
UK.

The Great Milwaukee Star Trek Convention: April 20, 1980. Details: New Eye Studio. P.O. Box 10193. Elmwood. CT. 06110.

Eurocon 5: May 1-4, 1980. Palazzo dei Congressi, Stresa, Italy. \$6.25 supporting/\$31.25 attending to: Jan Howard Finder, P.O. Box 428, Latham, NY. 12110 or Eurocon 5, c/o Editrice Nord, Via Rubens, I-20148, Milano, Italia.

Kubla Khanate: May 2-4, 1980. Quality Inn, Nashville, TN. GOH: Stephen King. MC: Andrew Offutt. \$7.50 mail/\$10 at door to: Ken Moore, 647 Devon Dr., Nashville, TN. 37220.

Marcon XV: May 2-4, 1980. Holiday Inn-on-the-Lane, Columbus, OH. GOH: L. Sprague De Camp. FGOH: Brian Earl Brown. TM: Catherine De Camp. \$10 at the door. Info: Marcon, P.O. Box 2583, Columbus, OH. 43216.

Leprecon VI: May 2-4, 1980. Hyatt Regency Hotel. Info: 3112 N. 26th Pl., Phoenix, AZ. 85016.

Orgasmacon: May 6-9, 1980. Info: Doc Strange, Box 84 Macdonough Hall, State University College, Plattsburgh, NY. 12901.

Whatcon II: May 23-25, 1980. Ramada Inn, Champaign, IL. GOH: Larry Niven. FGOH: Doug Rice. \$7 till 5-1/\$10 at door to: Whatcon, P.O. Box 2802, Station A, Champaign, IL. 61820. (217) 344-4718.

V-Con: May 23-25, 1980. Delta River Inn, Vancouver, BC. GOH: Roger Zelasny. FGOH: George Metzger. \$10 to: V-Con 8, P.O. Box 48701, Vancouver, BC. V7X 1A6.

Mos' Eastly Con: May 23-26, 1980. Sheraton Inn, E. Elmhurst, NY. \$3 supporting/\$15 attending (+2 business sized SSAE's in either case) to: Devra Langsam, 627 E. 8th St., Brooklyn, NY. 11218. (Make ckecks payable to: "Poison Pen Press").

Starbase Baltimore (Trek): May 23-26, 1980. Hunt Valley INN. GOH: George Takei, Walter Koenig. \$20 to Starbase Baltimore, P.O. Box 426, Randallstown, MD. 21133.

Phantasmacon '80: May 23-26, 1980. Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. Info: Two Worlds, 439 S. La Cienega #112, Los Angeles, CA. 90048.

<u>Disclave</u>: May 27-30, 1980. Hospitality House, Arlington, VA. GOH: Spider & Jeanne Robinson. Info: Alexis Gilliland, 4030 8th St. S., Arlington, VA. 22204.

X-Con 4: June 6-8,1980. Red Carpet Inn. GOH: Katherine Kurtz. FGOH: E. Michael Blake. \$7.50 till 5-15/\$10 after and at the door to: X-Con 4, 6107 W. Lisbon, Milwaukee, WI. 53210.

Ad Astra: June 13-15, 1980. Downtown Holiday Inn. GOH: James P. Hogan. FGOH: Steve Simmons. \$8 till 6-1/\$10 after and at the door (make checks payable to: "Dragon Star") to: Ad Astra, c/o 2010-88 Bloor St. E., Toronto, ON. M4W 3G9.

Empiricon 2: July 4-6, 1980. Prince George Hotel. GOH: Hal Clement, Samuel Delany, Freff, Barry Maltzberg. FGOH: Marc Glasser. \$7.50 til 6-21/\$9 after to: Empiricon, P.O. Box 682, Church Street Station, New York, NY. 10008. Note: This info gleaned from File 770 (Mike Glyer) as is a lot of other con info herein. The Empricon Flyer lists David G. Hartwell as the official GOH. Additional guests include those listed above as well as Stephen R. Donaldson, Larry Janifer, Barry Maltzberg, John Prados, and Redmond Simonsen. I didn't see this flyer until early March so Mike hadn't probably seen it when File 770 came out in early Feb. (OK, nitpickers: Which GOH's name did I accidently list twice???)?

Mysticon: July 4-6, 1980. Sheraton Red Lion Inn, Blacksburg, VA. GOH: Gordon Dickson. TM: Nelson Bond. \$5 (? - The only info. I have on this con is from File 770 and Mike isn't sure about the price either) to: P.O. Box 12294, Roanoke, VA. 24024.

Westercon 33: (Ook ook - Mikes home town con (plug)). July 4-6, 1980. Hyatt Hotel, Los Angeles. GOH: Roger Zelazny. FGOH: Bob Vardeman. \$15 till 5-31/\$20 after to: Westercon 33, Box 2009, Van Nuys, CA. 91404

*** NOTE ***: Mike Glyer's zine, File 770, from which I profred research a significant portion of my con info. (I do do a significant amount of beating the bushes on my own too!), is available from Mike at 14974 Osceola St., Sylmar, CA. 91342 at the inflation fighting rate of 4 issues for \$2.00. It comes out "at least every six weeks". Naturally, Mike knows he is welcome to the way info. he wants from my zine too.

Archon 4: July 11-13, 1980. GOH: Robert Bloch, Wilson Tucker. TM: Ed Bryant. \$4 supporting. Attending: \$7 til 6-1/\$10 after to: Archon 4, Box 15852, Overland, MO. 63114 (The con will be in St. Louis but the flyer doesn't say exactly where).

Phringecon I: July 11-13, 1980. Adams Hotel. GOH: Stan Lee, George Takei, Shirley Maiewski. \$15 mail/\$20 at door to: Phringecon, P.O. Box 1072, Phoenix, AZ. 85001.

Spacecon Two: July 18-20,1980. Relaxacon. Cmn: Rusty Hevelin & Bill Bowers. \$5 till 6-1/\$7.50 after/\$10 at door to: Bill Bowers, 2468 Harrison Ave., Cincinnati, OH. 45211 (Oh! Yeah! I almost forgot: the con will be held at the Holiday Inn in Wapakoneta, Ohio (Hey! That's right next door to the Neil Armstrong Air & Space Museum at Exit 111 off Interstate 75)).

OKon '80: July 19-20, 1980. Mayo Hotel. GOH: Alan Dean Foster. FGOH: Shelby Bush III & Mary Kay Jackson. TM: Gordon Dickson. \$7.50 till 7-1/\$9 at door to: OKon '80, P.O. Box 4229, Tulsa, OK. 74104.

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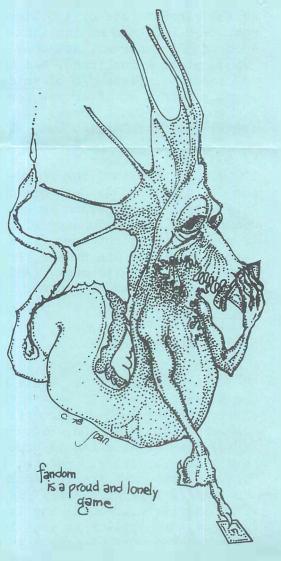
Assembly: July 20-25, 1980. Toronto
Hilton Harbour Castle Convention Ctr.
\$130 til 4-30/\$145 til 6-30/\$160
after to: 49 Front Street E., 2nd fl.,
Toronto, ON. M5E 1B3.

1999 Con '80 (Space:1999): July 25-27, 1980. GOH: Barry Gray & Prentis Hancock (& possibly Martin Landau & Gil Gerard). Info: Kathy & John Von Kamp, 86 First St., New London, OH. 44851.

Autoclave 4: July 25-27, 1980. Radisson-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, MI. GOH: Jeanne Gomoll, Dan Steffan. TM: Ted White. \$6 mail/ \$10 at door to: Diane Drutowski, 2412 Galpin, Royal Oak, MI.

Rivercon V: August 1-3, 1980. Galt Hse. GOH: Roger Zelazny. FGOH: Lou Tabakow. TM: Vincent DiFate. \$7.50 til 7-15/\$10 after to: Rivercon V, P.O. Box 8251, Louisville, KY. 40208.

Augustrek '80 (Trek): August 1-3, 1980. Sheraton Inn Northwest Washington, Silver Spring, MD. GOH: Jacqueline Lichtenberg & Jean Lorrah. FGOH: Rich Kolker. Other Guests: Howard Weinstein, Dr. Jesco von Puttkammer of NASA, Jeff Maynard, & Shirley Malweski. \$7 til 5-15/\$10 after and at door to: Augustrek '80 Registration, c/o Gail Pittaway, 5005 Howser Ln., Lanham, MD. 20801. (You must also enclose two SASE's with your check or money order).



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Son of Paracon: August 1-3, 1980. Sheraton Penn State Inn. GOH: Charles Grant, F. Kelly Freas, Richard Frank. \$6 till 6-30/\$8 after to: Bob Castro, 425 Waupelani Dr. #24, State College, PA. 16801.

Michicon (Trek): August 15-17, 1980. GOH: Theodore Sturgeon, Alan Dean Foster, Boris, Mike Jitlov, Joan Winston, Jeff Maynard, others. \$20 to: D.L. Carey, Program Director: Michicon, 1916 Cadillac, Flint, MI. 48504.

Deepsouthcon/Assicon: August 22-24, 1980. Northlake Hilton, Atlanta, GA. GOH: Ted White. FGOH: Mike Glyer (It's about time:::). MC: Michael Bishop. Info: Assicon, 6045 Summit Wood Dr., Kenesaw, GA. 30114.

Swancon 5: August 22-25, 1980. (19th Australian National Science Fiction Convention). Park Towers Hotel. GOH: Anne McCaffrey. FGOH: Shayne McCormack. Info: Rob McGough, GPO Box N1060, Perth 6001, Australia.

** NOREASCON TWO **: (38th Worldcon). Sheraton-Boston Hotel and Hynes Civic Auditorium. GOH: Damon Knight & Kate Wilhelm. FGOH: Bruce Pelz. As of 6 Feb. 1980, membership was 2857 (2337 attending). Over 5000 pieces of mail have been received since the bid was won at Iggie in '78 and, at the current rate of 150 pieces/week, should top 10,000 pieces by the con. Over 100 Hugo nominations have already been received, the Dealers Room is 30% reserved, Art Show is 25% reserved, Main program items are 30% complete & confirmed, and Sheraton-Boston Sleeping rooms are already 85% reserved. Issue 5/6 of Voice of the Lobster should be out either shortly before or after you see this. It is at 76 pages and growing as of 27 Feb. 1980. Don't forget to vote in the Site Selection Ballot. (I hope you'll vote for Chicago but, either way, PLEASE VOTE!). Memberships are now \$8 supporting and \$30 attending. After 7-1, attending memberships will be \$45. To: Noreascon Two, P.O. Box 46, MIT Branch P.O., Cambridge, MA. 02139. CMN: Leslie Turek. OPNS: Donald E. Eastlake III. Communications and Coordination HQ: Seth Breidbart. Logistics: Bob Spence People Mover: Gail Hormats (the person to see if you want to help-out at the con). Security: M. David Johnson (I may still have a few staff positions left if you hurry - first come, first serve). Committee Denmother: Krissy. Member Services: Jim Hudson. Program: Tony Lewis. Exhibits: Ellen Franklin. Functions: Chip Hitchcock. (And, oh yes, Daily Newsletter: Mike Glyer!!!). Several others too of course. I just don't have enough room to list all.

Beneluxcon 7: September 5-8, 1980. Fabiola Home (Univ.), Overpoortstraat Ghent. Info: Vernon Brown, Dept. of Pharmacy, Univ. of Aston, Gosta Green, Birmingham B4 74E, UK.

Windycon VII: October 24-26, 1980 (THE DATES HAD TO BE CHANGED BECAUSE OF HOTEL AVAILABILITY). Hyatt Regency Chicago (The Chicon IV 1982 Worldcon Bidding Hotel - If we win the bid, come to Windycon VII and get a preview of the 1982 Worldcon facilities). CMN: Midge Reitan. OPNS: Curt Clemmer. Info: Windycon, P.O. Box 2572, Chicago, IL. 60690. Guess what the enthusiastic fan is Director of Art Show Operations and Security this year....yep, you guessed it: good ole with play Dave Johnson. Hey! Windycon Art Shows are fur though. If you'ld like to get in on some of this play had hotel. He was fun, drop me a note at P.O. Box 485, Glenview, IL. 60025 and I'll be happy to the put you to work. If I get more applicants than I need (and I'm close to that point already) I'm sure even more interesting work will be found for you by Curt Clemmer to whom all my overflow personnel will be assigned.

Darkover Grand Council Meeting: November 28-30, 1980. Hunt Valley Inn, Baltimore, MD. GOH: Katherine Kurtz, Marion Zimmer Bradley, Jack Chalker. \$8 til 11-1/\$10 after to: (Checks payable to:) Armida Council, P.O. Box 7501, Newark, DE. 19711.

Loscon 7: November 28-30, 1980. Sheraton-Anaheim Hotel. GOH: Larry Niven. \$7.50 till 7-6/\$12 after to: LASFAS, 11513 Burbank Blvd., North Hollywood, CA. 91601.

Aquacon: February 12-15, 1981. Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim, CA. GOH: Philip Jose Farmer. FGOH: Janice Bogstad & Jeanne Gomoll. Info: Aquacon, P.O. Box 815, Brea, CA. 92621. CMN: Paul Abelkis.

Lastcon: January 23-25, 1981 (Oops! Out of order. *sigh*). Albany Ramada Hotel. GOH: Hal Clement. FGOH: Jan Howard Finder (Wombats forever!). \$6 til 7-4/\$9 til 12-25/\$12 til 1-16/\$15 at the door to: (Checks payable to "Lastcon): Marla Baer, 216 8th St., Troy, NY. 12180 or Tina Connell, 50 Dave St., Albany, NY.

Westercon 34; (Ook ook again) July 4th weekend, 1981. Red Lion Inn, Sacramento, CA. GOH: C.J. Cherryh. FGOH: Grant Canfield. \$10 til 7-10-80 to: Jim McLeod, 6745 Gold Run Ave., Sacramento, CA. 95842. (How can this also be Mike Glyer's home town con, you ask??? Wellll...Despite where Mike's postal address is, his home town is Westercon!).

Denvention II: (39th Worldcon) September 2-7, 1981. GOH: C.L. Moore & Clifford Simak. FGOH: Rusty Hevelin. Info: Denvention II, P.O. Box 11545, Denver, Colorado 80211. (Whew: this is a long ish. Got to be more careful. starting to miss things: Denvention II will be held at the Denver Hilton and the TM is Edward Bryant).

***** CHICON IV UPDATE ***** : (1982 Worldcon Bid). Bidding Committee Membership: \$33. Increases by \$3 per month through August, 1980. Once you become a committee member, you are subject to a \$3 per month head tax through August, 1980. To: Chicago in '82, P.O. Box A3120, Chicago, IL. 60690. Presupporting membership: one valid U.S. currency note of any denomination to the same P.O.B.

Bidding activity has continued since <u>CONACS 3</u> (1 January 1980). Bosklone was one of the cons at which a bidding party was held. Since the 1982 Site Selection will occur at Noreascon Two in Boston, Bosklone was considered to be a very important con for the Chicago in '82 Bidding Committee to throw a bidding party at.

In addition to the usual bheer, pop, and munchies normally found at bidding parties, we also provided freshly prepared popcorn and hot buttered rum. We passed out approximately 300 "Go Chicagoing" stickers and sold over 30 new presupporting memberships. In addition to those who actually purchased these memberships, we also picked-up lots of other supporters among the fans who were in attendence, In any event, we were certainly one of the most popular parties at the con. The party has to be considered an unqualified success in my opinion.

The Detroit in '82 bidding committee was not present at Bosklone and no Detroit in '82 bidding party was thrown there. The only evidence of their existance was some flyers on the freebie table. I'm not privy to Detroit's planning sessions so I don't know their reasoning for not being present at the major regional con in the area where the 1982 Site Selection will

take place. I can't believe, however, that their absence did their bid any good.

In any event, their absence should not be taken as a signal for us to relax our efforts. We <u>still</u> have a long way to go before the bid is won and we have to continue to reach those who are going to vote with the information about the superiority of our facilities, location, and philosophy. (And, I truly believe they are superior: otherwise I wouldn't be on the committee).

YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR EFFORTS WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED!

Australia in '83 info: Jan Howard Finder, P.O. Box 428, Latham, NY. 12110.

Baltimore in '83 info: 8 Charles Plaza, Suite 1807, Baltimore, MD. 21201.

Johnstown in '83: (Hoax Bid) 420 Bantel St. Johnstown, PA. 15905 (New Add.).

Los Angeles in '84: I don't have any info. on this bid but I imagine you can get info from LASFAS (See Loscon 7 entry above for address). I also don't have any info. about whether anybody else is yet bidding for '84. If you hear anything, please fill me in.

I also have no info. on '85 bidders, if any.

New York and Philadelphia are bidding for '86 but, again, this is all the info. that I have.

WOW! There sure were a lot of con listings for this ish. That's it! To heck with this noise. I'm going upstairs for a bheer. See you next time with CONACS 5.

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