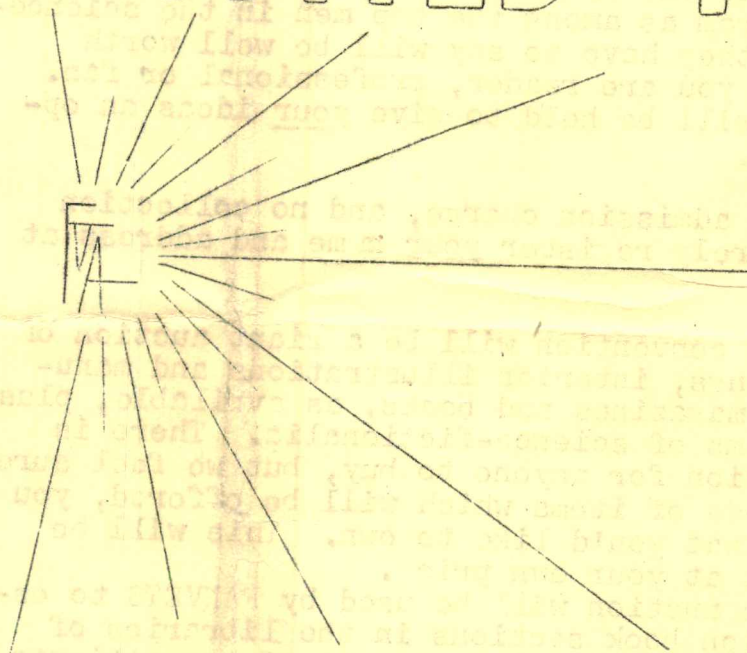


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YOU ARE
INVITED TO:



THE FIFTH
ANNIVERSARY
FANVET CONVENTION

SUNDAY, 17 APRIL 1955, AT:
WERDERMANN'S HALL, 3RD AVE., & E. 16TH ST.,
NEW YORK CITY.

THE FANTASY VETERANS ASSOCIATION
Office Of The Convention Committee
Ray Van Houten, Chairman
438 Main Street
Paterson 3, New Jersey

7 February 1955

Dear Friend,

This letter is a most cordial invitation to you to attend the Fifth Anniversary Convention of this organization which will be held on Sunday, 17 April 1955, at Werdermann's Hall, 3rd Avenue at East 16th Street, New York City, beginning at 1 p.m.

You will recognize the names of the people who will take part in our program as among the top men in the science-fiction field. What they have to say will be well worth listening to, whether you are reader, professional or fan. A discussion session will be held to give your ideas an opportunity to be heard.

There will be no admission charge, and no collection will be taken up. Merely register your name and address at the door and walk in.

A feature of the convention will be a giant auction of original cover paintings, interior illustrations and manuscripts, back number magazines and books, as available, plus other interesting items of science-fictionalia. There is positively no obligation for anyone to buy, but we feel sure that among the hundreds of items which will be offered, you will find something that you'd like to own. This will be your chance to buy it at your own price.

Proceeds of this auction will be used by FANVETS to establish science-fiction book sections in the libraries of service and veterans hospitals, for the use of the patients, while continuing our present service of sending free packages of s-f books and magazines to US servicemen stationed overseas where they can't buy them for themselves.

If you wish to be sure of receiving further information, please drop me a postcard with your name and address and the words "FANVET Con" on it. A second mailer is being prepared, and will be sent to you when ready. If you have any specific questions about the convention, jot them on the card, and I will attempt to answer all that come in.

See you on April 17th!

Ray Van Houten

Fifth Anniversary Fanvet Convention

SPEAKERS:

JAMES L. QUINN

editor and publisher of IF

TED STURGEON

science-fiction's "hottest" author

JOHN W. CAMPBELL, JR.

editor of Astounding Science Fiction

ED EMSH

popular science-fiction cover and interior artist

SAM MOSKOWITZ

old-time fan, author, editor and anthologist

WILLIAM GAINES

publisher of the science-fiction comic, Weird Science-Fantasy

DAMON KNIGHT

author, reviewer, and editor

FEATURE:

GIANT AUCTION

Numerous science/fantasy covers, interior illustrations, all donated by the professional magazines, plus back issue s/f magazines and numerous collection-items. You will find what you need at the price you are willing to pay. Another very important item is that you will know that every cent you spend at this auction will go to the FANTASY VETERANS ASSOCIATION's treasury and will be spent to mail magazines to readers of science/fantasy in the US Armed Forces overseas, and will be used to set-up science/fantasy libraries in Veterans Hospitals in the United States. Not one cent will go into any fans' pocket or to any local science-fiction club! SUPPORT THE FANVETS, BUY AT THE AUCTION!

OTHER FEATURES

Films: We are planning f o r some interesting film shorts of a science/fantasy nature, full details of which should be ready by the time our next mailer is sent out.

Discussion Time: Those attending the convention will have plenty of opportunity to ask any present any question and to discuss a n y science/fantasy topic with them; as we are arranging a part of the program for that purpose.

OTHER PERSONS COMING:

Besides the speakers, we expect most of the authors, editors, artists, fans and readers of the New York-New Jersey area to be on hand, plus numerous fans from-out-of-town. HARRY HARRISON of Science Fiction Adventures; Leo Margulies o f Fantastic Universe; EVELYN PAIGE GOLD of Galaxy Science Fiction; Mary Gnaedinger of Famous Fantastic Mysteries and many others have informed us they'll be on hand. HOWARD BROWNE of Amazing Stories and Fantastic Science Fiction; and ROBERT M. GUINN of Galaxy Publishing Corp. will be down if business does not interfere.

NO ADMISSION CHARGE:

As is our policy, there will be NO admission charge, and no collection o f any kind will be taken at the Fanvet Conventions. Just drop in, sign the regis--ter and enjoy yourself. The Convention is FREE. If you see something you like at the Auction, at a price you can pay, then buy it. It is only from this Auc--tion that we get money to put on the Convention and pay for the many Fanvet ser--vices we give.

REMEMBER:

THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY FANVET CONVENTION, will be held on Sunday, 17 April, 1955, at Werdermann's Hall, 3rd Avenue at East 16th Street, New York City. Doors open at 12 noon, program begins at 1 PM. NO ADMISSION CHARGE, GIANT AUCTION, TOP SPEAKERS, FILMS, and a good time promised to all. If you can come, help us make the proper arrangements by sending us a post card that you will be there. Send that postal, or for any additional information write to: FANVETS, % Ray Van Houten, 438 Main Street, Paterson 3, New Jersey. SEE YOU AT THE CONVENTION.

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