## Southern fandom Confederation Bulletin

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#### Two DeepSouthCon Bids for '95

There are two announced bids for the DeepSouthCon for 1995. To help you make your site selection decision, I have asked for a letter from each of the bid chairs to tell us a little about their bids. Irvin Koch of Alexandria, VA and Ken Moore of Nashville, TN have both filed with Conjuration (DSC XXXI) letters of intent to bid and letters of intent from their prospective hotels. Following are their verbatim responses.

Irvin Koch, Bid Chairman

Name: DSCXXXIII = Arlington, VA DSC (Just like DSC XX was Chattanooga DSC except I have to distinguish it from Arlington, TX, which is also eligible for DSC and where our button maker is based). "Northern VA," for those not from this area, is the 3 VA counties/cities that are the center of the VA suburbs of DC: Fairfax, Arlington, and Alexandria. They are actually further South than Louisville and certainly further South than Winchester, VA.

Place: Rosslyn Westpark Hotel (Best Western), (Rosslyn is technically a neighborhood in Arlington, a fancy one, but ....).

June 2-5, 1995: Standard DSC with committee present in hotel the night before "just in case," registration starting about noon Fri ... put it this way, we have the facilities from

8 am Fri. to 5 pm Sun. There will of course be some sort of Dead Dog party in the Con HQ Suite, Sun PM. There will be one track of program, starting from about 6pm Fri and running until as late as 2pm Sun though I doubt it'll really go past Noon, wrapping up with the Site Selection for '97. Other than the fact about 2 or 3 dozen pro sf writers and artists are in local phone distance, it'll be a standard DSC program. We hope to concentrate just on those in "Northern, VA." The fan aspect and fans coming to see their friends aspect will be much higher priority than the program. On the other hand, if we get swamped, we can upgrade VERY fast. We're also only using a VERY small fraction of the facilities and this Hotel is normally empty on weekends, especially at that time of the year.

There will be a standard DSC Art Show/Auction, Huxters' Room, and Masquerade. We'll be running them on the standard DSC/TN/KY/GA schedule, not like the cons up here do. You don't even want to know how they run cons up here.

The Con Suite will run 24 hours (except during the dance) and is a function room style suite but there will be plenty of chairs. Yes, there will be a Dance, Sat PM after the masquerade or maybe during. The Hotel has it's peculiarities: one is that they INSIST on throwing in \$X amount of food and drink at no extra charge for the price of the facilities. Another is they don't want the consuite in a sleeping room and threw in an extra function room at no extra charge. (We won't tell them about the dead dog party....) A third is they want the Con suite closed during the dance. Hmmm; they must think they can sell stuff at a

cash bar then. Oh well, that'll be a good time for everyone to party anyway. Or people CAN walk down the street to the local night-life — this IS NOT an inner city — but its not a real suburb either — it's Arlington, VA.

Basically, were not trying for a big fancy con for everyone in the universe. We could if we had to, but DSC has settled down, I like it or not, to a small specialized con for "Southern Fandom." If you're reading this, you're one of them and so are your friends. If you're NOT reading this and are in a movie tonight, instead, you ain't. (NO, I don't promise we won't have movies or video. We just don't plan any. Gamers can game from their rooms if they want and so can Computerists; I'll even give them the phone numbers of good local

BBSes.) IF there is enough interest, there might be a Live

Role Playing Game but I didn't book facilities for them. Committee: Irv Koch, Chair, Frank Ney, Keith Lynch, Jean Yarsawich, Zanny Leach, Mike Dillson, Ellen VarTanoff, Vern Clark, Rusty Burke, Dick and Nicki Lynch, and Terrilee Edwards-Hewitt. Basically, there were enough people from Tennessee who'd moved up here, plus some locals I've done stuff with over the last few years, plus the Leach-Dillson household, we could do a con. So we will, if y'all vote us in.

Irvin Koch

#### Ken Moore, Bid Chair

We are bidding for DeepSouthCon 33 in 1995. Our site, the Clubhouse Inn, is located in downtown Nashville, three straight blocks from an interstate exit and about a mile and a half from the Parthenon in Centennial Park. It was the downtown Sheraton formerly, and Kubla Khan was located there for several years. Our intention is to hold DeepSouthCon in conjunction with our annual convention, and we have selected the dates of May 12th through the 14th.

The facility has been renovated, but not just cosmetically. Such features as the air conditioning have been modernized. Also, a portion of the former ballroom has been closed off and is now an amphitheater which can seat 90-130 people. There are six function rooms on the main floor and two on the second floor. We are being provided with a separate (garage level) room as consuite space; it was the lounge, and is pleasantly roomy and functional, including bathrooms. It is handicap-accessible via the elevator from the lobby (and other floors). The function space is great!

Room rates will be \$75.00 for 1-4 occupants per night. Suites will be \$85.00. Each registered hotel guest will receive a free ticket for the breakfast bar (a full breakfast, not just pastries and coffee). Regarding handicap access, there are sleeping rooms which meet current requirements, and they are scheduled for bathroom renovations that will better serve those needs. Twelve spacious suites are available for parties.

Despite its downtown location, the hotel provides free parking in a garage underneath and also an adjacent surface lot. Surrounding businesses which are closed over

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the weekend have surface lots that we can utilize if need be.

We want to bring DeepSouthCon to Nashville. It is our desire to engage the interest of fen throughout the southeast, and elsewhere, through our choice of guests and our varied programming concepts. The committee is really excited about the hotel and the ideas we have, not only for making this a DSC to remember, but also as a chance to promote southern fandom.

Committee: Ken Moore, Chairman; Bill Payne, Dave Shockley, Vance Martin, Debra Hussey, Dan Caldwell, John Hollis, Mark Edwards, and Susan Stockell. If you have any questions, please contact any of us. My number is (615)832-8402; Bill's number is (615)385-3848. We will be attending MidSouthCon and Phoenixcon, hope to see you at Kubla, and then Conjuration!

Sincerely, Ken Moore

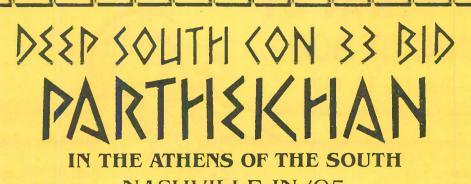
#### What's happening to the DSC?

In the last issue I asked everyone's opinion of what is happening with the DSC, and I did receive a few replies. They are as follows:

Irv Koch: DSC never did catch hold as the Southern version of Westercon. For 3-5 years, a few people tried to turn it around. It was too late. It was started by one regional circle of friends, and that is now all it is POSSIBLE to get plus some locals plus what would normally come to another con with which DSC is combined. "Southern Fandom" got what it asked for, 25 years ago; "you get what you wish for." Fortunately this group of 150-250 people, plus locals and/or the normal population of a local con with which DSC is combined, is a viable permanent convention. It's just that its a specialized con rather than a general purpose con. The group is self perpetuating enough to continue for the near or mid-future. That time range has always been good enough for this group; it'll have to do. If it does dwindle back to people's living rooms, no one outside those living rooms will care-because "they" made sure of it. My point is, "Don't sweat it."

As far as combination with local cons: that too has been a DSC tradition, not a bad one. It can be combined with a local con in the May-Oct (preferable Jun-Aug) time range, and run by that con com... or an independent group can do it... preferably on the first weekend in June (the new "traditional" date). History and pragmatism have shown what works and what doesn't. The voters have been more often than not willing to vote for what does not...and in most cases the con operators have been prepared to pay for it with few complaints.

Again, "Don't sweat it." (It wouldn't hurt, though, to change the minuscule written DSC rules to proclaim the



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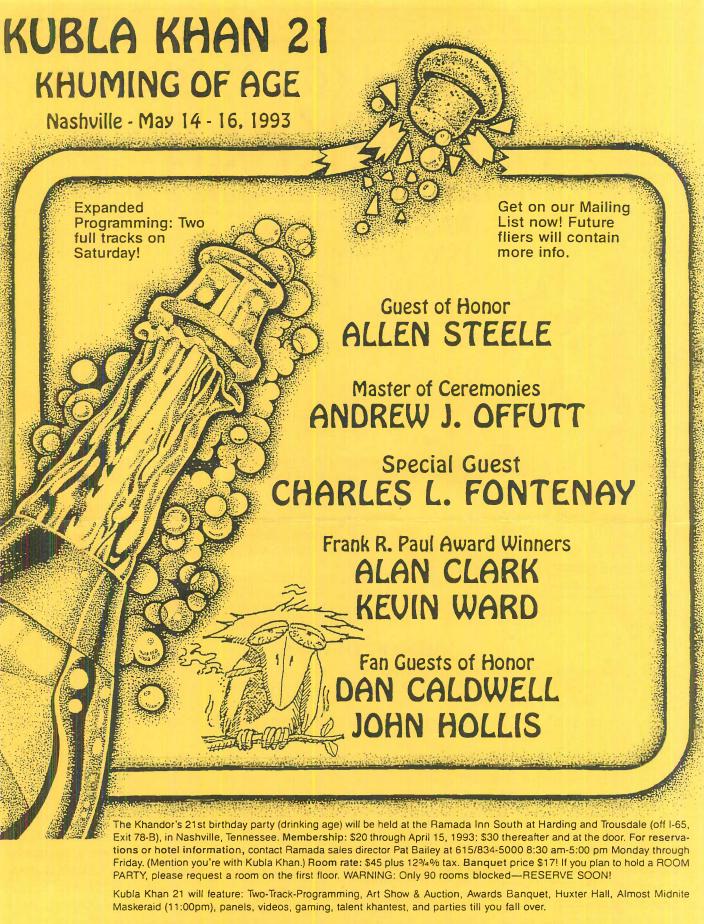
DANCE: Friday and Saturday nights (til you or D.J. drop)

MID-NIGHT MASQUE: (11:00 p.m. Saturday) Especial (weird) awards for this event from the Khandor, good stage, plenty of seating.

STAFF: The full Kubla Khan staff is committed, however it is our intention to recruit "the best" from the central south to aid in this effort.

PROGRESS REPORTS: We intend to publish progress reports listing guests, staff, program items, and other developments. These reports will be available in time for Chattacon 1994 and 1995.

For more info: Ken Moore D.S.C., 647 Devon Dr., Nashville, TN 37220



Maskeraid (11:00pm), panels, videos, gaming, talent khantest, and parties till you fall over.

For additional info and memberships, contact: Khen Moore, 647 Devon Dr., Nashville, TN 37220, 615/832-8402; or Susan Stockell, 1708 Acklen Ave. #25, Nashville, TN 37212, 615/297-7195. Art show info packet: Dave Shockley, 410 N. 16th St.,

Stockell, 1708 Acklen Ave. #25, Nashville, TN 37212, 615/297-7195. Art show info packet: Dave Shockley, 410 N. 16th St., Nashville, TN 37206, 615/226-6172. Please include two first class postage stamps with your request. Art submissions should be mailed to Khen Moore. Huxter info: Steve Francis, 5503 Matterhorn Dr., Louisville, KY 40216, 502/448-6562. Maskeraid: Bill Payne, 3708 West End Ave., Nashville, TN 37205, 615/385-3848. Talent Khantest (Fri.): Charlie Williams, 1415-A Russell St., Nashville, TN 37206, 615/227-2968. RPGA Gaming: Doc Couch, 3211 Orleans Dr., Nashville, TN 37212, 615/269-9934.

first weekend in June as the "preferred date" and outright forbid anything earlier than May 1, later than Sep 30, less than 9 months or more than 15 months from the con before it. Of course, no one will enforce the rules ....) DSC never was WesterCon. It maybe should have been. It wasn't. We can live with what we have. Don't cry now.

Ed. note: Irv, no crying just questioning. Of the last Il DSC's, 7 were in June. I still would like to see the DSC have the stature of being the Southern convention to attend. If all of the Southerners supported and attended the DSC there would be several thousand fans at the convention. Okay Southerners, why don't you support the DSC?

Sunn Hayward: Oh, boy-- how to stop the decline of the DSC?? Perhaps there are too many Southern cons, or maybe Southern fandom is shrinking. For my vote, the DSC could be combined with an existing local or regional con, as these are the personnel who are most likely to put on a DSC anyhow. As for fixed dates, that may impact negatively on hotel availability. Support could be increased by making the younger fen aware of DSC's existence. It has, for instance, no focus aside from fellowship (that is, DSC is not a Trek, or horror, or gaming con), which concept may be a bit intangible to young whippersnappers. Send out emisaries! Having GAFIATED, that's all the valid input which I have.

Ed note: Thanks, Sunn, for your comments. Many of the DSC's have had gaming, but only as a small part of the convention itself. Naomi Fisher: I don't know what, if anything, could stop the decline of the DSC's. I tend to support the idea of a fixed weekend to bid on, but in practice that might be pretty difficult. Everyone seems to agree summer is the right time (real pool parties), but glancing over J.R.'s listing of cons. it's hard to see what weekend wouldn't conflict too badly with a pre-existing con. Plus, since the site moves around, while one weekend in, say, Louisville wouldn't conflict with nearby conventions, it might well cause problems in Mobile or Knoxville. It's also a nice idea to say DSC should be combined (as indeed it so often has been) with a pre-existing convention, but that sets up the double problem of 1.) possible difficulty in changing pre-existing hotel agreements (is it just me, or do hotels like to be able to count on a full weekend at the same time each year?) and 2.)not being able to throw a DSC unless you're already "entrenched" in the local fannish power structure. We all know outstanding fans who've been closed out of the local con committee, sometimes even after they helped start the convention. I figure that if someone wants a DSC, hasn't been caught and committed, is able to make the appropriate logistical arrangements and can WIN the bid, let'm have it. Can you guess I don't wanna be a BNF; I'm much too unambitious. There aren't any easy solutions. I personally think more publicity would only help the average DSC and

would be inclined to mail a few fliers/registration forms to every club I could get a listing for, to be distributed at their meetings. If you're not in con-going fandom it may be hard to find, let alone believe in. That's one of the SFC's problems, too. By its nature it's pretty much limited to con-goers, since that's the only place you're likely to find out about it.

Ed. note: Thanks for your comments on the DSC. My main reason for bringing up the subject was to get different people brain-storming about the DSC's. I don't know if there will be changes, or if people will be willing to set a (preferred) weekend for the DSC, but it might help.

We also heard from: David Robinson, Hugh Cave, Rich Gutkes, RE Burke, R'Ykandar Korra'ti, Rosie Falcon, Marie Miesel, Andrew Wooldridge and Teddy Harvia.

#### Convention Reports

This is something new for me, as I have never reviewed a convention. I have attended a lot of them, and talked with Steve and others about them, but haven't put it in print. If you are totally bored with what I write, then please volunteer to write con reports for me. Well, here goes...

CHATTACON: Chattacon is the first convention Steve and I attend each year. We try to leave the house by 6 a.m. so we can arrive at the hotel by noon. It was amazing that we managed to leave on time. We arrived at the Read House about noon, and I went in to register while Steve parked the car. I ran into Lee Sessoms at the hotel registration desk and talked to him while the hotel folks finished taking care of his business. The front desk person that we dealt with was helpful in taking care of our reservations and was fast and efficient. We took our keys and went upstairs to check out our suite. We had requested a larger suite, as we were planning to do a Rivercon party. It was a decent-sized room in the old part of the hotel. If you haven't stayed at the Read House, then you do not know that the size and layouts of the suites vary greatly. However, they all still cost the same. We went down to get our luggage and ran into Jack Heazlitt. He volunteered (was shanghaied) into helping us unload our car, party supplies included. Thanks, Jack. We then went to the con registration desk for our badges and program books. The first programming we attended was opening ceremonies where they introduced their guests. GoH: David Gerrold, GoH: Glen Cook, Artist GoH: Larry Elmore, Special Guest: Ben Bova, TM: Brad Strickland, Regional Artist GoH's: Lori & David Deitrick. Their FGoH was drawn out of folks who had pre-registered for the convention. The winner was Jim Arnold who lives in Chattanooga. They

had to send rovers out to find their FGoH. Unfortunately Bob Tucker was to have attended Chattacon, but could not due to the illness of his son, the (real) Bob Tucker. Friday we went to room parties: Phoenixcon (Atlanta), Constellation (Huntsville), Baltimore in '98, Conjuration (1993 DSC), and the Jeff Barnes (welcome home) and Zielke party. Because of our early Friday morning and no nap we crashed about 1:00 a.m. Sorry, guys.

Saturday morning we went down to the restaurant for breakfast, only to find it closed. It does not open until lunch time. We then decided to check out the con suite. They had instant oatmeal, packages of sweet rolls, cold cercal, hot chocolate, coffee and tea. Steve and I chose instant oatmeal and a cup of hot chocolate. Morning is definitely the time to go into Chattacon's consuite. It wasn't full of smoke. I guess if I had any complaint about Chattacon, it would be that there is not a non-smoking consuite. I usually just avoid the consuite there because my eyes do not like the smoke and get irritated. I was on an 11 a.m. panel titled "If this was my first Con." The other panelists were J. Webb, and Jim Arnold (FGoH). All of the panelists told stories about their first con, and if they could do it over what they would do now. We also asked the audience the same questions. The panel started out slow but turned out to be a lot of fun. It was the first appearance of our FGoH. After the panel was over we wandered through the huckster room and talked to friends. We then went to lunch in the hotel restaurant which was pleasant until the cooks got into a disagreement. Our waitress went over and told them that they were too loud and to be quiet. Steve, Susan Stockell and I went shopping for party supplies. We used Susan's car, because Steve didn't want to lose his great parking spot. We found the local Sam's Wholesale, bought what we needed and headed back to the hotel. Susan was very lucky and found a great place to park in the garage. We unloaded our party supplies and both started setting up our individual parties for that night. The only party other than RiverCon's that I attended was the Nashville DSC bid party. They had a Greek theme for their party, and I had to go see Ken Moore in a toga, a sight no one should miss. Thanks to Jeff Barnes and the Zielke party for their donation of the leftover keg of beer. It lasted through all of our party, and then was taken down to the consuite Sunday morning.

Steve was on a panel Sunday at 12:00 noon on "Fannish Myths and Legends." Ken Moore was also on the panel and they asked Jack Heazlitt to sit in as well. We left after the panel was over as we had a 6-hour drive ahead of us. I turned the radio on to listen to the 49ers game on the way home. After the third quarter I turned off the radio. Steve does not like it when my team loses, as I'm not a good loser. We had a good time at Chattacon. Their

attendance was approximately 1500.

RUBICON: Rubicon was held in Lexington at the Marriott Griffin Gate. It is a small relaxacon of about 60 fans. They have two consuites, the main one (where most everyone hangs out) was for non-smokers, and the other one was used for gaming, video and was also for smoking. Some fans smoke in the elevator lobby. Larry Smith, Bookseller was the only huskster at the conselling books. Jane and Scott had some buttons available also. Sally Kobee brought in two jigsaw puzzles which kept 7-8 people (not necessarily the same ones) busy from Friday evening until late Saturday evening. The puzzle was a picture of boxes of Cracker Jacks with loose cracker jacks for the background.

This was a very active group of fans, demonstrating it by breaking the table leg Saturday evening. I'm glad I didn't have to explain that to the hotel. Saturday we went with a group (Gary, Corlis and Dominick Robe, Mark Linneman, Jodic Offutt, Pat Molloy, Naomi Fisher, and Debra Hisle and her husband) to the Red, Hot and Blue Barbeque specialty restaurant that Naomi recommended. The food was great. We then went back to Rubicon to an Indian Party in the con suite. Gall Walker and Jane Dennis had on Indian dresses and provided head bands with feathers for those who wanted to participate. We had a good time talking with everyone. In December Jane and Scott will be hosting a Smofcon in the same hotel.

CONFABULATION: We attended this con for Saturday only. The GoH was Mike Resnick, Filk GoH Bill Roper, and Fan GoH Grant Conan McCormick. They had one track programming, a 24-hour video room, and smoking and non-smoking consuites. We attended several programs but the one that stands out was the PREMIERE showing of Mike Resnick's video of his Africa trips. Seeing Roger Sims taking a shower in the wilds of Africa has given a nexv meaning to bathing. Mike will be showing this very entertaining video at RiverCon as well. We attended the banquet which was held at a local Amish restaurant serving a very fine buffet. The dinner and drink was only \$7.10. Such a deal! After dinner we stayed around for a while visiting with people and then decided we should head home. Their attendance was about 130.

Tim Bolgeo (also known as Uncle Timmy) has had several heart attacks. According to our source (Marsha McCoy), he has had two angioplasties and seems to be doing okay. The doctors are waiting to see how the angloplasty does hoping to avoid bypass surgery. All Southern Fans wish him well.



Deep South Con XXXI

Louisville, Kentucky

June 4, 5 and 6, 1993

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RiverCon returns in 1993 for its 18th year with all its traditional features and activities, including extensive programming for both adults and children, a larger huckster room, art show and auction, masquerade, filking, video and gaming rooms, roundthe clock hospitality suite, babysitting, and of course lots of parties, parties, parties. We're very excited about our move to the Hurstbourne Hotel and Conference Center, located southeast of downtown just off I-64 at Hurstbourne Lane. Among other features, all convention facilities are easily accessible on the ground floor. Hotel room rates start at \$58.00 for single/double, \$62.00 triple, and \$65.00 quad, with a variety of suites also available, some even located poolside. Membership for the entire convention is \$20.00 until July 20, and \$30.00 thereafter and at the door. For memberships or information on specific departments--including art show, huckster room, masquerade, and program book advertising-please write to the address below.

#### Mad Dog's Southern Con List

This listing was compiled by J.R. 'Mad Dog' Madden, February 5, 1993, from various sources such as LOCUS, Science Fiction Chronicle, Starlog, Fandom Directory, flyers picked up at cons (I plan to attend only one con in 1993), and, very rarely, from the convention committees themselves who send the information out in good time. If any of our readers know of other cons which might be of interest to Southern fans, PLEASE forward the information to me at P. O. Box 25167, Baton Rouge, LA 70894-5167.

NOTE: In all cases, when writing to a convention for information, be sure to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) with your request in order to speed the reply.

World Horror Convention #3 (March 4-7 '93), Sheraton Stamford Hotel, Stamford, CT. Guests: Peter Straub, Les Daniels, J. K Potter, Stephen Gervais, John Zacherle, Stanley Wiater. Membership: \$65 to 8/31/92, then \$75. Attendance limited to 1,000. Info: World Horror Convention, P. O. Box 191, Andover, CT 06232.

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RevelCon '93 (March 12-14 '93), Houston, TX. Relaxacon. Membership: to be announced. Info: Revelcon, P. O. Box 980744, Houston, TX 77098. (713)-526-5625.

Star Trek Featival (March 13 '93), Holiday Inn, I-181, Johnson City, TN. Guests & membership: to be announced. Info: Star Trek Festival, c/p O. Ogletree, 1809 Club Lakes Parkway, Lawrenceville, GA 30244. (404)-381-7272.

14th Annual Conference on the Fantastic in the Arts (March 17-21 '93), Pt. Lauderdale Airport Hilton, Dania, FL. Academic conference. Guesta: Ursula K. LeGuin, Devendra Varma, Michael Bishop, Brian Aldiss. Membership: \$70 to 12/31/92, then \$80 for members of IAFA; fees to Mary Phart, IAFA Treasurer, English, Edpt., Florida Southern College, Lakeland, FL. 33801. Infe: International Association on the Fantastic in the Arts (IAFA), College of Humanitites, 500 NW 20th HU-50 B-9, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. 33431 (717)-532-1495.

BamaCon VII (March 18-21 '93), Sheraton Capstone Inn & Bryant Conference Center, Tuscaloosa, AL. Guests: Jonathan Frakes, Hal Clement, Brom, Stewart Wieck. Membership: \$35. Info: Bamacon, University of Alabama, P. O. Box 6542, Tuscaloosa, AL 35486. (205) 758-4577.

CrackerCon 2 (March 19-21 '93), Baymeadows Holiday Inn, Jacksonville, FL. Guests: Ben Bova, Jeff Adams, Walter Miller, Jr. Membership: \$15 till 11/92, \$20 to 2/15/93, then higher. Info: CrackerCon, P.O. Box 8356, Jacksonville, FL 32239-8356.

MidSouthCon 12 (March 26-28 '93), Memphis Airport Hotel, Memphis, TN. Guests: Alan Dean Foster, Carl Lundgren, Wilson "Bob" Tucker, Hal Clement. Membership: \$20 to 10/31/92, \$25 to 3/1/93, then \$30. Info: MidSouthCon 11, P. O. Box 22749, Memphis, TN 38122. 901-274-7355 or 901-763-3629.

ComiCon (March 28 '93), Lexington, KY. Info: Steve Logan, 115 Locust Hill Drive, #106, Lexington, KY 40509. (606) 269-6633.

Magnum Opus Con 8 (April 1-4 '93), Hyatt Regency Greenville, Groeaville, SC. Guests: Ben Bova, C. J. Cherryh, Melanie Rawn, Jane Fancher, Robert Asprin, Brad Strickland. Membership: to be announced. Info: MOC-8, Box 6585, Athens, GA 30604 706-549-1533.

CoastCon XVI (April 2-4 '93), Holiday Inn Express, Biloxi, MS. Guests: Timothy Zahn, Lawrence Watt-Evans, Michael Stackpole, Keith Parkinson, Andrew J. Offutt, Mary Scott. Membership: \$15 to 12/1/92, \$20 to 3/1/93, then \$25. Info: CoastCon XVI, P. O. Box 1423, Biloxi, MS 39533-1423. (601)-864-6064.

Houston Future Fest (April 8-11 '93), Hyatt Regency Downtown, Houston, TX. Guests: Dr. Jerry Pournelle, Michael Pondsmith, George Alec Effiner, Roland Mann, Bjo Trimble, Sidney Williams.. Membership: \$18 to 9/15/92, \$22 to 1/1/93, \$35 at the door. Infe: Houston Space SF3, P. O. Box 1770, Priendswood, TX 77546-1770.

TechniCon 10 (April 9-11 '93), Donaldson Brown Center, Blacksburg, VA. Guests: Scott "Hobbes" Quirk. Membership: \$18 to 9/30/92, then more. Info: Technicon 10, c/o VTSFFC, P. O. Box 256, Blacksburg, VA 24063-0256. (703)-552-0572.

Con-Troll (April 16-18 '93), Marriott Astrodome, Houston, TX. Guests: Larry Niven, Steven Barnes, Ed Greenwood, Dell Harris, Judy Dugas. Membership: \$15 to 9/15/92, \$20 to 1/15/93, \$22 to 4/1/93, then \$25. Info: Con-Troll, P. O. Box 740969-1025, Houston, TX 77274.

PhoenixCon 8 (April 16-18 '93 '93), Sheraton Century Center Hotel, Atlanta, GA. Guests: Lois McMaster Bujold, Darryl Elliot, Allen Steele, Tom Dietz, Thomas Fuller, Ed Kramer. Membership: \$20 to 1/17/93, \$25 to 4/1/93, then \$30. Info: PhoenixCon 8, P. O. Box 1513, Smyrna, GA 30081-1513, 404-578-8461.

Amigocon 8 (April 16-18 '93), Holiday Inn Sunland Park, El Paso, TX. Guests: Walter Jon Williams, Teddy Harvis, Thorarinn Gunnarsson. Membership: \$15 to 4/9/93, then \$18. Info: Amigocon, P. O. Box 3177, El Paso, TX 79923. (915) 833-1495.

Nebula Awards Banquet (April 17-18 '93), Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, New Orleans, LA. The annual awards function of the Science Fiction Writers of America (SFWA). Byent open to all except for the business meeting which is for SFWA members only. Banquet cost and other info: to be announced.

"Pop Con" (24 April '93), L.S.U. Student Union, Baton Rouge, LA. Videos, souvenirs, and vendors. Sponsored by the Pop Entertainment Committee. Info: L.S.U. Union, P. O. Box 25123, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70894-5123.

Magic Carpet Con 1 (May 7-9 '93), Holiday Inn, Dalton, GA. Guests: Andre Norton, Susan Schwartz, P. M. Griffin, Steve Vance, Mark Poole, Mary Hanson-Roberts. Membership: \$15 to 10/31/92, \$18 to 12/31/92, \$20 to 2/28/93, then \$25. Info: Magic Carpet Con 1, P. O. Box 678, Rocky Pace, GA 30740. 706-226-5126.

Kubla Khan 21 (May 14-16 '93), Ramada Inn South, Nashville, TN. Guesta: Allen Steele, Andrew J. Offutt, Charles L. Fontensy, Alan Clark, Kevin Ward, Dan Caldwell, John Hollis. Membership: \$20 to 4/15/93, then \$30. Info: Kubla Khan, c/o Ken Moore, 647 Devon Drive, Nashville, TN 37220. (615)-832-8402.

OASIS 6 (May 14-16 '93), Altamonte Hilton, Altamonte Springs, FL. Guests: Connie Willis, Michael Whelan, Holly Bird, Ben Bova, Richard Lee Byers, Scott Ciencin, Sarah Clemens, Charles Fontensy, Joseph Green, Joe & Gay Haldeman, Jack & Vol Haldeman, Ann & Kendall Morris, Andre Norton, Rembert Parker, Gary Roen, Ron Walotsky, Rick Wilber. Membership: \$15 to 9/30/92, \$18 to 1/31/93, \$21 to 4/16/93, \$24 at the door. Info: OASFiS Treasurer, P. O. Box 940992, Maitland, FL 32792-0992.

Dixie Trek (May 14-16 '93), Sheraton Century Center Hotel, Atlanta, GA. Guesta: Nichelle Nichols, David Hedison, Gary Conway, Peter Greenwood. Membership: \$27 to 5/1/93, then higher? Info: Dixie Trek, 780 Wayside Drive, Lawrenceville, GA 30245. (404)-513-4868.

SeaTrek '93 (May 16-21 '93). Sea cruise with Star Trek guests. Info: Seatrek Enterprises, 8306 Mills Drive, Box 198, Miami, FL 33183. 800-326-8735 or 305-388-2890.

Southwest Mystery & Suspense Convention (May 27-30 '93), Austin, TX. Guests: Sharon McCrumb, D. R. Meredith, Loren Estleman, Joan Lowery Nixon, Robert J. Randisi. Membership: to be announced.

12th Annual International Space Development Conference (May 27-31 '93), Huntsville, AL. DC. Sponsored by the National Space Society. Membership: \$55 for NSS members, \$70 for others (prices good until

11/1/92). Info: Huntsville Alabama L5 Society, 1019A Old Monrovia Road, Suite 168, Huntsville, AL 35806.

93rd ABA Convention & Exhibit (May 29 - June 1 '93), Miami, FL. American Booksellers Association trade show. Info: ABA, 137 W. 25 St #11, New York, NY 10001.

DeepSouthCon XXXI / Conjuration (June 4-6 '93), Executive Inn East, Louisville, KY. Guesta: Emma Bull, Will Shetterly, Genny Dazzo, Andrew J. Offutt. Membership: \$15 through ChattaCon '92, \$20 through DSC '92, then \$25 and \$35 at the door. Info: Jennifer Wilson & Jack Heazlitt, Conjuration/DSC '93, P. O. Box 5231, Louisville, KY 40205.

Mobi-Con '93 (June 11-13 '93), Mobile, AL. Guests: David "Zeb" Cook, Margaret Weis. Membership: to be announced. Info: Mobi-Con, Box 161257, Mobile, AL 36616.

MountainTrek '93 (June 11-13 '93), Hyatt Regency, Knoxville, TN. Guests: Jean Lorrah, Roland Castle. Membership: \$25 in advance, \$35 at the door. Info: Mountaintrek '93, c/o 2116 Belle Terra Rd #CC, Knoxville, TN 37923. (615)-632-7497 or 690-8595.

Galaxy Fair '93 (June 18-20 '93), Sheraton Park Contral, Dallas, TX. Guesta: to be announced. Membership: \$15 to 1/30/93, \$20 to 4/1/93, \$25 to con, \$30 at the door. Info: Galaxy Fair '93, P. O. Box 150471, Arlington, TX 76015-6471. (817)-467-0681.

New Orleans SF&F Festival 6 (June 18-20 '93), Clarion Hotel, New Orleans, LA. Guests: Robert Silverberg, Bob Eggleton, Walter Jon Williams. Membership: \$15 to 12/01/92, \$18 to 3/31/93, \$20 to 5/31/93, \$25 at the door. Infe: NOSF3 1992, P. O. Box 791089, New Orleans, LA 70179-1089. 504-837-9462 or 504-837-9462.

Atlanta Fantasy Fair (June 25-27 '93), Atlanta, GA. Info: Terry Crissman, 4175 Eliza Court, Lithonia, GA 30058. (404) 985-1230.

Origins '93 (July 1-4 '93), Tarrant County Convention Center, Radisson Hotel & Worthington Hotel, Pt. Worth, TX. The National Gaming Convention & Exposition. Guests and membership: to be announced. Info: Gemeo, P. O. Box 609, Randallstown, MD 21132. 410-298-3135.

Tec-Trek '93 (July 2-4 '93), Arlington Convention Center / Sheraton Centereark Hotel, Arlington, TX. Guests: Gates McFadden, Colm Meaney, Bjo Trimble, Shane Johnson, John Vornholt, Grace Lee Whitney, Walter Irwin, Lucy Synk. Membership: \$25 to 9/1/92, \$30 to 3/1/93, then \$35. Info: TexTrek 93, P.O. Box 353, Lillian, TX 76061.

LibertyCon 7 (July 9-12 '93), Comfort Hotel River Centre, Chattanooga, TN. Attendance limited to 450. Guesta: Michael McCollum, John Maddox Roberta, Mark Fulta, Wilson "Bob" Tucker. Membership: \$25 to 6/15/93, then \$35. Info: LibertyCon 7, Box 695, Hixson, TN 37343.

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Dragon-Con '93 (July 16-18 '93), Atlanta Hilton and Towers, Atlanta, GA. Guests: Porrest J. Ackerman, Jerry & Sheron Ahern, Steve Antezak, Mark Bagley, Anne Balsamo, Susan Barrowa, ward Batty, Cliff Biggers, Robert Bloch, Mark Bode, Ted Boonthanakit, Ben Bova, Time Bradstreet, Joe Bob Briggs, Darwin Bromley, Breet Brooks, Terry Brooks, Charles N. Brown, Stan Bruns, Bob Burden, Richard Lee Byers, Bob Camp, Joe Christ, Nancy Collins, Roger Corman, Peter David, Tom Deityz, David Dorman, Larry Blmore, Phil Poglio, Franchesco, Thomas E. Feller, Richard Garriott, Richard Gilliam, Owl Goingback, Christian Gore, Nabile Hage, Lurene Haises, Craig Hamilton, Cully Hamner, Bo Hampton, Dave Hanson, David S. Hardmer, Scott Harring, Gary Kim Hayes, Steve Haynic, Tracy Hickman, Bill Holbrook, Adam Hughes, Steve Jackson, Bill "Spist" Johnson, Dave Johnson, Edward E. Dremer, Laura & John Latkey, Joe R. Lansdale, Jeff Laubenstein, Stan Lee, Bill Lovy, Brad Linaweaver, Ron & Val Lakey Lindahn, Joseph Michael Linamer, Bran Lumley, Anya Martin, Kathy Mar, Nathan Massengill, Bob Maurus, Joseph M. Monka, Charles & Lisa Moore, Patricia Kennealy Morrison, Doug Murray, Pam Murray, Gregory Micoll, Marty Nodell, Philip Nutman, Gerald W. Page, Keith Parkinson, Jason Peason, Joseph Phillips, Joe Preuett, Jean Rabe, Fred Olon Ray, Mark Rein-Hagen, Hank Reinhardt, Jame A. Riley, Patricia Ross, Steve Rude, R. A. Salvatore, Mike Sakuta & Micole Harsch, Forrest Schultz, Julius Schwartz, Bart Sears, Steve Smith, S. P. Somtew, Rozanne Starr, Bran Schifresze, Clifford Stoll, Karl Story, Brad Strickland, Greg Theakston, Roy Thomas, Jill Thompson, Don & Maggie Thompson, Wayne Vansant, Charles Vess, Lamar Waldron, Mike Weeaver, Margaret Weix, Larry Welt, John Weyler, Stowart Wicck, Dave Wolverton, Bill Wray. Membership: \$26 to 12/14/92, \$30 to 3/14/93, \$35 to 6/14/93, \$40 at the door. Info: Dragon Con '93, P. O. Box 47696, Atlanta, GA 30362.

Tachy Con (August '93), Deland, FL. Info: USS Paegan, 426 S. Lakemont Avenue, Winter Park, FL 32792. (407) 628-5047.

RiverCon XVIII (August 6-8 '93), Hurstbourne Hotel & Conference Center, Louisville, KY. Guests: Joe Haldeman, Jane & Scott Dennis, Vincent Di Fate, Bob Tucker, Carolyn Clowes, Robert Don Hughes, Lynn S. Hightower, Sharon Porath, Mike Resnick. Membership: \$20 to 7/20/93, \$30 at the door. Info: RiverCon, P. O. Box 58009, Louisville, KY 40268-

ConFrancisco / 51st World SF Convention (September 2-6 '93), Parc Fifty Five, ANA (aka Le Meridien), Nikke, San Francisco Hilton hotels / Moscone Convention Center, San Francisco, CA. Gueste: Larry Niven, Tom Digby, Alicia Austin, Guy Gavriel Kay, Wombat (jan howard finder), Mark Twain (Dead Golf). Membership: Attending — \$30 to 12/31/90, \$70 to 12/31/91, \$85 to 9/30/92, \$95 to 12/31/92, \$110 to 3/31/93, \$125 to 7/16/93, higher at the door; supporting — \$25 till 77. Info: ConFrancisco, 712 Bancroft Road, Suite 1993, Walnut Creek, CA 94598 U.S.A: 510-945-1993.

Outside Con (September 17-19 '93), Dickson, TN. Info: R. W. Empbler, P. O. Box 835, St. Bethlehem, TN 37155. (615)-552-2130.

Concat V (October 8-10'93), Rodeway Inn Codar Bluff, Knoxville, TN. Guesta: Octavia E. Butler, Pat Morrissoy, Wendy Webb. Membership: \$20 to 1/30/93, \$25 to 10/1/93, then \$30. Infe: Concat IV, 805 College Street, Knoxville, TN 37291. (615)-522-3470.

Alabama Renaissance Faire (October 23-24 '93), Wilson Park, Florence, AL, Info: Alabama Renaissance Faire, P. O. Box 431, Florence, AL 35631. (205)-766-3234.

World Fantasy Convention '93 (October 29-31 '93), Radisson Hotel South, Minnespolis, MN. Guesta: Poul Anderson, Roger Zelazny, John Crowley, Tom Canty, Neil Gaiman. Limited to 1,000 members. Membership: \$75. Info: World Fantasy Convention 1993, Box 2128, Loop St. Stn., Minnespolis, MN 55402.

Con\*Stellation XII: Orion (November 12-14 '93), Hilton Hotel, Huntsville, AL. Guests: Jim Baen, Julie Schwartz, David O. Miller, Marcia McCoy. Membership: \$15 to 1/17/93, \$20 to 10/10/93, then \$25. Info: Con\*Stellation XII, P. O. Box 4857, Huntsville, AL 35815-4857.

ConTex '93 (November 26-28 '93), Houston, TX. Guests & membership: to be announced. Info: ConTex, c/o Friends of Fandom, Box 266996, Houston, TX 77207-6996. (713) 526-5625.

MidSouthCon 13 (March 25-27 '94), Memphis, TN. Guests: Barbara Hambly. Membership: \$15 till 3/28/93, then higher. Info: MidSouthCon 13, P. O. Box 22749, Memphis, TN 38122. 901-274-7355.

Dragon-Con '94 (July 15-17 '94), Atlanta Hilton and Towers, Atlanta, GA. Guesta & Membership: to be announced. Info: Dragon Con '94, P. O. Box 47696, Atlanta, GA 30362.

DeepSouthCon XXXII / B'hamaCon III (August 26-28 '94), Radisson Hotel, Birmingham, AL. Guesta: Lois McMaster Bujold, Mike Resnick, Bob Shaw. Membership: \$20 to 6/6/93, then higher. Info: B'hamacon Registration, 8325 7th Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35206.

Conadian / 52nd World SF Convention (September 1-5 '94), Winnipeg, Manitoba, CANADA. Guests: Anne McCaffrey, George Barr, Barry B. Longyear, Robert Runte. Membership: Attending — \$60 to 12/31/91, \$75 to 12/31/92, \$85 to 9/30/93, then higher; supporting — \$30. Infe: Conadian, P. O. Box 2430, Winnipeg, Manitoba, CANADA R3C 4A7 or P. O. Box 7111, Pargo, ND, U.S.A.

World Fantasy Convention '94 (October 28-30 '94), New Orleans, LA. Limited to 1,000 members. Guests & membership: to be announced. Info: World Fantasy Convention 1994, Box 79 1302, New Orleans, LA 70179-1302. 504-769-3766.

NASFIC '95 / Dragon\*Con (July 13-16 '95), Atlanta Hilton & Towers, Atlanta, GA. The convention for those unable or unwilling to attend the WorldCon in Scotland. Guests: Bjo Trimble, Timothy Zehn, Michael Whelan, Orson Scott Card, George Alec Effinger. Membership: \$25 to 3/15/93, \$30 to 9/15/93, then higher. Info: Dragon Con '95, P. O. Box 47696, Atlanta, GA 30362. (404)-925-2813.

Dragon-Con '95 (July 14-16 '95), Atlanta Hilton and Towers, Atlanta, GA. Guests & Membership: to be announced. Info: Dragon Con '95, P. O. Bex 47696, Atlanta, GA 30362.

World Fantasy Convention '95 (October 27-29 '95), Baltimore, MD. Guesta, membership, and info address: to be amounced.

Intersection / 53th World SF Convention (August 24-28 '95), Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre & Moat House International Hotel, Skribition & Conference Centre & Most Plosse International Plout, Glasgow, Scotland. Guests: Samuel R. Delany, Gerry Anderson. Membership: Attending — \$65 to 777, then higher; supporting — \$25 to 777. US Address: Theresa Renner, Box 15430, Washington, DC. UK Address: Bernie Evans, 121 Cape Hill, Smethwick, Warley, West Midlands B66

Dragon-Con '96 (July 11-13 '96), Atlanta Hilton and Towers, Atlanta. GA. Guests & Membership: to be announced. Info: Dragon Con '96, P. O. Box 47696, Atlanta, GA 30362.

#### In Memoriam

#### Dave Ryan

1954 - 1992

Host and Big Brother to the Little Rock Science Fiction Club, indefatigable Roc\*Kon organizer, brilliantly twisted humorist/cartoonist. Fabulous Furry Fan Brother, Dave Ryan passed away January 4, 1992. Southern fandom has lost a treasured friend.

#### Keith Laumer

1925 - 1993

It is with deep regret that we inform you of the death of author Keith Laumer on January 22, 1993. There was a memorial service held at his home for friends.

Fanzines & club newsletters received:

Mimosa 13: Edited by Dick & Nicki Lynch, P.O. Box 1350, Germantown,

MD 20875 USA (The 1992 Hugo Award Winner)

Stet 7: Leah Smith, Editor and Dick Smith, Publisher; 17 Kerry Lane. Wheeling, IL60090-1306 USA (The Smiths are the 1993 DUFF winners.) NASFA Shuttle, Huntsville, AL

MTSFA Monthly Planet, Nashville, TN

#### Southern Club Listing

This time out, the column only contains information that I have received since DeepSouthCon. If your organization would like to be included in this listing, please write to let me know about your club and their activities, at P.O. Box 9135, Huntsville, AL, 35812. If you require a response from me, please include a SASE. You can also call me or my answering machine at (205) 830-4471.

-- G. Patrick Molloy

#### Alabama

BIRMINGHAM: Birmingham Science Fiction Club. c/o Charlotte Proctor, 8325 7th Ave. S., Birmingham, 35206. Meets 2nd Saturday each month at the Parke Memorial Branch of the Birmingham Library on Southside. Dues for like-minded people who have shown up for at least 3 meetings: \$15/year, \$20/couple.

HUNTSVILLE: North Alabama Science Fiction Association (NASFA). P.O. Box 4857, Huntsville, 35815-4857. Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month, 6:00 (business meeting), 7:00 (program), at Teledyne Brown Engineering Bldg 1 on Sparkman Dr. Monthly clubzine "NASFA Shuttle." Dues: \$15/year. Subscription only: \$10/year. Family rates are also available. 1993 Officers: President: Rhett Mitchell; Vice President: Mike Kennedy; Secretary: Sam Smith; Treasurer: Ray Pietruszka; Program Director: Cynthia Padget; Publicity Director: Jack Lundy.

#### Arkansas

LITTLE ROCK: Little Rock Science Fiction Society. Meets every other Saturday at Marc and Libby Singleton's home, 321 S. Fourth St., Benton, AR, 72015, phone (501) 776-1146

#### Florida

ORLANDO: Orlando Area Science Fiction Society (OASFIS). P.O. Box 940992, Maitland, 32794-0992. Meets 2nd Sunday each month, 2:00 pm, at Enterprise 1701 (2814 Corrine Dr., Orlando). Monthly "OASFIS Event Horizon." Dues: \$15/attending, \$12/subscribing, additional family members \$6. Officers: President: Mike Mize; Vice President: Curt Harmon; Secretary: Jay Tyne; Treasurer: Beverly Ferguson; Editor: Louise Kleba; Librarian: Tim Hoog; Programming: John Ferguson.

#### Georgia

(NO RECENT INFORMATION RECEIVED)

#### Kentucky

BOWLING GREEN: Western Kentucky University Speculative Fiction Society. c/o Annette Carrico, WKU Dept. of Chemistry, Bowling Green, 42101. Meets every Wednesday when school is in session, at the Downing University Center. A program usually follows the business meeting. Open to non-students as well as students.

LEXINGTON: The Lexington Fantasy Association (Lex-FA). 1409 Raleigh Rd. #3, Lexington, 40505-2457. Minister of Propaganda: Rickey Hite, 224 State St., Lexington, 40505

LOUISVILLE: Falls of the Ohio Science Fiction Association (FOSFA). P.O. Box 37281, Louisville, 40233-7281. Meets on the second Sunday of the month, 1:30 pm in the Student Union Building of the University of Louisville. Bimonthly clubzine "FOSFAX." Dues: \$18/year (individual), \$24/year (couples). FOSFAX Subscription: \$12 for 6 issues.

NOTA - The Science Fiction Club. c/o Okolona Branch Library, 7709 Preston Highway, Louisville, 40218, Attn: Susan Baugh.

#### Louisiana

(NO RECENT INFORMATION RECEIVED)

#### Mississippi

JACKSON: Chimneyville Fantasy and Science Fiction Society. c/o Tom Feller, P.O. Box 13626, Jackson, 39236. Frequent meetings and social activities each month. Quarterly clubzine "Smart-Ash" & irregular newsletter "Smoke Signals." Dues: \$10/year. "Smart-Ash" subscription: \$5/year. Current Officers: President: William Pigott; Corresponding Secretary: Tom Feller; Recording Secretary: Ruth Shields; Treasurer: Rickey Shields; Officer at Large: Resa Shields.

#### North Carolina

(NO RECENT INFORMATION RECEIVED)

#### South Carolina

(NO RECENT INFORMATION RECEIVED)

#### Tennessee

NASHVILLE: Nashville Science Fiction Club. 647 Devon Dr., Nashville, 37220. Meets 1st Thursday each month, 7:00 pm at the Cumberland Science Museum. Monthly newsletter.

#### Texas

(NO RECENT INFORMATION RECEIVED)

#### Virginia

(NO RECENT INFORMATION RECEIVED)

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