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Memberships in the S.F.C. for any part of the period August, 1980-August, 1981 are \$2.00 (and more is welcome). Paid (and exempt) memberships entitle one to Handbook, these bulletins and the newsletter in July, 1981 as well as the current Roster of 1100 fan names and addresses in the south and the forthcoming Roster #10 (Summer 1981 version). IF YOU WILL PLEASE CHECK THE FINAL PAGE, you can tell if you have become a dues-paid or dues-exempt member since Bulletin #24. If unsure as to whether you were listed in #24, if you send \$2 now and it turns out you had already paid, you will be given membership until August 1982!

Since certain clubs are asked to distribute these bulletins to their membership, whether dues paid or not, please check them first - and those reading this announcement are asked to spread the word to clubs and club members to expect a packet of Bulletin 25 in the near future.

Enough.

# SOUTHERN CONVENTIONS OF RECENT PAST (supplementing the Handbook and Bulletin 24)

ROC\*KON 5 - October 17-19 in Little Rock, AR drew 140, according to CHAT reporter, Mike Rogers; A.J. Offutt was GoH and the Lynches were Fan GoH. Dick address his speech to the Hugo problems of fanzines and Nicki to the commitment required by fanac. Lee Killough and Jo Clayton were also guests there. Other events noted were the famous filksinging sessions, a very good and successful art show and auction, and a banquet brunch which about 50 attended. All signs point to a continued series.

RoVaCon 5 - Oct. 10-ii in Roanoke, VA honored GoM Fred Pohl with an award, the Rova, for his writing and Welly Freas one for his art. Programming, in addition to large numbers of movies, also featured Robert Preston of STAR and Dr. John Brodrick on ET intelligence. Mrs. Warner was unable to attend this year. CHAT reporter Ralph Roberts opined that the art show was great and the programming, excellent, and that Paul Dellinger was a very able M.C. Details on the annual event may be obtained from P.O. Box 117, Salem VA 24153.

SCI-CON II - Nov. 7-9 in Hampton VA was attended by about 200 paid and 100 free (?) members, according to SFC reporter Victoria Smith. GoH speeches were givem, Wendy Pini appeared on a panel, and a surprisingly good masquerade was held. ''Few problems existed with this con, except that it had a limited number of 'science fiction' items on the single-track program and a surfeit of horror films...' (Your reporter was used to the huge Balticons, regionals with multi-track programming rarely seen at the largest of southern cons). No word has been received as to whether this fall con will continue.

CHATTACON 6 - Jan. 16-18, 1981 in Chattanooga TN broke the previous attendance record with over 600 paid registered members, becoming the largest sf con held in TN. GoH Jack Chalker had yeomens duties during the con and his interesting main address concerned realistic evaluation of the U.S. Space Program. M.C. Forry Ackerman was a hit again with his pun filled banquet talk. Panel members included Barry Longyear, Sharon Webb, Gordon Dickson, Somtow Sucharitkul, Ralph Roberts, Jerry Pagen &c. Films were The Haunting and Fearless Vampire Killers and video. The art show was large (30+ artists represented) and sold well. James Madden mentions in the ERSFI Newsletter that there were programming shifts, a delayed masquerade with songs by David Pettus to fill the judging period, which was well-remaived, and possibly a different hotel next year.

SHORT NOTES ON OTHER PAST CONS:

Stone Hill Launch II was a one-day minicon in Tampa with GoH Richard Lewis Newman on February 14, 1981.

Unreported todate is Stellarcon VI in Greensborough NC on Feb.27-March 1, which was to have had guests George Takei, Gordon Dickson, Ken Matchurney, M.A. Foster, Kelly Freas and Robert Adams.

con I, March 6-8, 1981 in Panama City FL is the first venture by The Alliance, one of two clubs in that city!

The March 13-15 weekend offered southern fans a geographically dispersed choice. Coastcon '81 in Biloxi MS had Dr. Jerry Pournelle as GoH, Wendy and Richard Pini, Jo Clayton, Fan GoH James Madden, and gamesters, while in Bowling Green, KY Con Cave Two a/k/a UpperSouthClave XI repeated its non-pro fannish con with Ken and Lou Moore as GoHs. Moore was expected to arrive there in his new plane (no, no fans we know of have a personal Lear -or any other-jet.) Plans for the same weekend next year can be made by contacting Coastcon at PO Box 6025, Biloxi MS 39532 and Uppersouthclave, Box U-122, College Hts Sta, Bowling Green KY 42101.

A star-studded non-fannish event is slated for March 18-21, 1981 in West Palm Beach FL at Florida Atlantic Univer sity. The Conference on the Fantastic features John Barthm Brian W. Aldiss, Fritz Leiber, Gene Wolfe, Marion Zimmer Bradley. The Thomas Burnett Swann Foundation is sponsor and information on next years event may be obtained from their College of Humanities, Boca Raton FL 33431.

### FORTHCOMING SOUTHERN CONVENTIONS

SATYRICON - April 3-5, 1981 at the Ramada Inn West, Knoxville TN has been reorganized after the loss of Anne McCaffrey for medical reasons and now will feature Gordon Dickson as GoH, Andrew J. Offutt as M.C., Fan GoH Guy H. Lillian III, Stan Schmidt and Karl Edward Wagner. \$10 to PO Box 323, Knoxville TN 37901 (\$12 at door). The APAs will be an unusual feature since the venerable S.F.P.A. will celebrate its 100th mailing at the con, attended by apns from as far away as Massachusetts and Brizgomaia! Also The Robert E. Howard United Press Association will have its 50th mailing celebrated by Wagner and fantasy illustrator John Mayer We cannot resist a plaudit to the con-com for requiring : peacebonding of all weaponry, edged or not, which should help my constant fear of a little kid running head on into an unsheathed axe or sword such as dangle about drunken waists with uncomfortable frequency at cons (even those at which the name of Crom or Conan is never heard). This is more than my typical paranoia talking but is based upon a near-miss by Eric Sean with an unsheathed double-razor-edged battleaxe which was concealed up a SCA-robe sleeve (when not being brandished) at AsfiCon. For some of us children at a con are inevitable and if it comes to a show-down for edged weaprony- or children in hotels, I vote to put SCA back in the pastures it came from. -END EDITORIAL, RUN CON PROGRAM-

KUBLA'S NINTH KHANPHONY - May 8-10, 1981 at the new Holiday Inn (at Elm Hill Pk. & Briley Pkwy) in Nashville TN is Ken and Lou Moore's annual bash, this 9th time with GoH Charles L. Grant, M.C. Andrew J. Offutt, the 1981 Frank P. Paul (art) award winner Jack Gaughan and special guests Ferrest J. Ackerman and Stephen King plus other pros. In addition to usual KK fare, they promise a boo-ful bad film festival. \$8 to the Moores, 647 Devon Dr, Nashville TN 37204.

CANCELLATION - MidSouthCon II had been announced for June 3-5 but has been cancelled.

SOUTHERN CON 2 - billed as Nashville's second Science Fiction Media Convention, July 3-5, 1981 announced special guest Dirk 'Starbuck' Benedict. Memberships are \$26.50 to May 31, then \$30 to PO Box 3347, Nashville TN 37219. Other guests will be announced.

RIVERCON 6 - July 24-26, 1981 at the Galt House in Louisville KY will faature GoH Jack Williamson and MC. Frank Robinson. Fan GoHs are Mike and Carol Resnick. The full range of con features, including riverboat ride, will be offered. Write PC Box 8251, LVL KY 40208

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SPACE 1999 CON 4 - is advertised for Sheraton Airport Inn in East Point GA on August 7-9, 1981 by the International Space 1999 Alliance, 86 First St., New London Chio 44851 which requests an SASE with inquiries.

B'HAMACON II - August 28-30, 1981 at the Birmingham Hilton & Comference Center, Birmingham, AL is the 19th annual DeepSouthCon with special features such as presentation of the Rebel andPhoenix awards, S.F.C. business meeting and return of many prodigal (?) fans from other parts of the country. GoH is Bob Shaw from Ireland, a twice winner of the Hugo for fan writing; M.C. is Gerald W Page and Fan GoH is Hank Reinhardt. The Hearts Championship of the entire Universe is decided at these events. \$10 to Bhamacon 2, PC Box 57031, Birmingham AL 35259 (\$12 after August 1). Jim 'Standing Bufallo' Gilpatrick and the Birmingham SF Club are hosts.

IMAGICON - Sept. 25-27, 1981 in Memphis TN is a repeatcon
 for Nancy Collins (1257 No. Parkway #3, Memphis
TN 38104) and Memphen. GoH is Andrew J. Offutt and Fan GoH
is Arthur Hlavaty. \$8 to 7/4; \$10 to Sept. 10, then \$12.

ASFICON 2 - Oct.30-Nov.1, 1981 at the Morthlake Hilton (the site of the first AsfiCon last August) in Atlanta GA will feature GoH Robert Sllverberg, Fan GoH Joe D. Siclari, and M.C. Michael Bishop. Memberships are \$8 until March 31, \$10 to 9/30, then \$12, to Cliff Biggers, 6045 Summit Wood Dr. Kennesaw GA 30144

Some group will probably host a Halfcon in December somewhere. There are an increasing number of partycons in the south, some of them thrown by midwestern fans, such as Rubicon in Lexington KY and even the 32nd annual Midwestcon, an event of fannish togetherness and no programming, migrates across the river to the Drawbridge Motor Inn in Ft. Mitchell KY on June 26-28.

Jim Madden will have an open house called SwampCon II with GoH Jo Clayton on Saturday, May 23, 1981 for local fans.

With the world science fiction convention so far away in Denver this year, there will be some impetus for many of us to make our own gatherings choser to home. The newsletter in July will carry any news of same to dues-paid/exempt members.

---All of the foregoing information is subject to change--\*\*\* \*\*\* \*\*\* SF CLUB NEWS UPDATES \*\*\* \*\*\*

Official contact has been made by the Stlanta Star Trek Society (c/o Cwen Ogletree, Jr., Rt.4, Box 426, McDonough GA 30253). The ASTS is about two years old and has an average of 70 members. They print a newsletter and hold events in the Atlanta area. The annual publication, Linguacode, is an attractive 36 page publication and sells for \$3 by mail.Copies were announced as being limited. Another is due in July, 1981.

After years of publication by Greg Bridges, the official organ of the Mid-South Fantasy Association in Memphis TN, recently renamed memphen, is under the editorship of Rusty Smith, 2977 Sycamore View, Bartlett TN 38134. Greg remains President of MSFA and Chairbeing of the MSU SF Club, who can be called about meetings of either club at 458-1596 (they were 2d Sundays and last Thursdays of each month). Active memphan F.L.Caruthers and AR-fan Nancy Collins have changed their abodes and club activities, P.L. to Little Rock and Nancy to Memphis(from Jonesboro). ((the change in Memphen editorship made moot a phrase I liked for its previous frequency, semi-bi-hebdomadary - neat word, Greg)).

The Baton Rouge LA club was recently incorporated as The Baton Rouge Science Fiction League, Inc. for purposes of being ready to sponsor cons. The first Board is Jim Madden, Marine & Clay Fourrier, Bennie Whiddon and Sheil Strickland. Jim ''Mad Dog'' Madden also writes What the Baton Rouge and Jackson MS club (below) plan joint functions. Jim also edits and publishes the Newsletter which of late has been bimonthly '' and over 20 pages.

The Chimneyville F&SF Society continues with Rickey Shields as Pres & Treas, Garry Starr VP and Ruth Minyard as Sec'y. Its newsletter, Smart-Ash, purports to be bi-monthly and issues #15 and #16 have recently arrived. They may be contacted at PO Box 10895, Jackson MS 39209.

CLUB NEWS - continued



New officers of the Atlanta SF Club are Angela Howell, Pres. Cliff Biggers, VP, and Iris Brown, Secy-Treas; program director is Dann Littlejohn. Cliff continues to produce the excellent ATARANTES as a clubzine, with over 40 regular monthl issues to his credit. 12/\$3.50 to Cliff at 6045 Summit Wood Dr., Kennesaw GA 30144.

The Alliance, PO Box 1865, Panama City FL 32405 publishes its regular semi-monthly newsletter, FAR REACHES, and reports establishing a relationship with a small club in Dothan, AL. Officers of the club change every six months and newsletter editor currently is Harry Hendon - Tim Riley is Pres, Marion Russ, publicity officer, Allen Collamore, club historian. They sponsored Fan-Con I into which they put a lot of work and we hope that it was successful.

Nova Cdysseus.c/c Robert Teague, 1900 Clay Av, Panama City FL 32405 continues to meet semi-monthly and publishes a newsletter, Transmissions, which reports among other things that the Stone Hill (FL) charter bus to worldcon in 1981 fell through, Robert's zine, Panazine #8 will be devoted to Alan Dean Foster and Michael C. Goodwin (the ST cartoonist). The club has had over 75 meetings by this time.

New officers of the FEDs in Anniston, AL are Brenda Callahan Pres, Vicki Stroop VP and Terri Yates, Chief of Engineering. The newsletter, Static from Sub-space, states that it is not purely a Star Trek club.

The Corellian Coalition, c/o Tia Nichols, 745 Drewry Et., Atmata GA 30306 is another small club like the above-listed and will be hosting their own awards' banquet in Atlanta on June 27, 1981.

Following last years DSC, Mike and Nelda Kennedy, 7907 Charlotte Dr, Huntsville AL 35802, organized the North Alabama SF Association, whose various members have been signing up for SFC (thank you!). Rocket City has been in need of a club for some time now - newsdealers tell me it has an extremely high sf book consumption, so the potential is definitely there for a reader (versus media)-oriented club.

Another year-old club is Starfield Space Organization near Ormond Beach FL but the letter fails to state an address.

The Birmingham SF Club now has Wade Gilbreath, Pres., Charlotte Proctor, VP, Beth Pointer as Secy-Treas, James Cdom, program director and Jim Gilpatrick, Anvil editor and con chairman. The club address remains PO Box 57031, Birmingham AL 35259 and meets in the Homewood Public Library.

The Nashville SF Club reveals a roster with 109 names, some of whom still dwell in Nashville! This appears to be like unto the Los Angeles club where reported time, space and death do not serve to sever ones club affiliation.

The Auburn University SF Club (Pres. Noel Sheffield, 233 West Glenn Av, #10, Auburn AL 36830) sponsors Lloyd Biggle as their sf guest for a lecture this spring (April 6?).

### AMATEUR PRESS ASSCCIATION NEWS

Guy H. Lillian III of Greensboro NC was resoundingly returned to office as Official Editor of the S.F.P.A. and will collate and distribute the 100th mailing at Satyricon on April 3 where he is Fan GoH. Bob Jennings, the first editor, will serve in that capacity for the 20th anniversary mailing later in 1981.

SAPS, still under the control of Nicki Lynch, 4207 Davis Ln. Chattanooga TN 37416 has a full roster of 30 but no waitlist. The recent influx of Kissoff (the Knoxville Science-Fantasy Federation) talent has seemingly done this venerable second-oldest apa in the universe a power of good.

APA-VCR, one of the newest apas, is almost full and welcomes sf&f fans who have videorecorders. Details from Meade Frierson, PO Box 9032, Birmingham, AL 35213 (familiar address?)

The rotating-editor letter-apas, TAPS and Cult, have a strong contingent of southern fans.

While rarely do apa-parties play an official role in a con as in the case of Satyricon, there are apa parties at most southern conventions. This is not a motization to join an apa, of course, but it is a decidedly nice fringe-benefit from apa membership for people who sometimes feel a little lost at conventions.

The Good News - Despite Dick Lynch's resignation from the project, an attractive 44-page SUNCATCHER has emerged ''produced by the ABC, the combined Atlanta, Birmingham, and Chattanooga SF Clubs.'' edited by Cliff Biggers, Wade Gilbreath and Jim Gilpatrick, and priced at \$1. Another issue was promised by July on the proposed twice-a-year schedule. Letters of comment should be sent to Cliff at 6045 Summit Wood Dr.. Kennesaw GA 30144 while contributions, trades and everything else should go to PO Box 57031, Birmingham, AL 35259. The editors indicate their hope that SUNCATCHER (\$1.00 from the po box) will become a showcase for southern fan talennts.and bee welcome contributions for the next issue. They are off to a good start - David Pettus interviews Joan Vinge at Chattacon, Ward Smith imagines what more Gor books might be, Meade Frierson warns about sf cons. Grant Carrington writes about the Clarion of workshop (continued in #2), the section on the south's great fannish tales contains an installment by Joe Calko about the 1969 DSC, Fred Pohl's GoH Speech for Midsouthcon is reproduced, Cliff Biggers writes about The Demolished Fan, Biggers and Gilbresth collaborate on Fandom Through the Ages, Beth Pointer pens a librarian's lament, and Sharon Webb contributes a pro's seduction by the genre at age 11 (with icee). 10 area artists illustrate with Charlie Williams bearing the brunt of the work. It will be a tragedy if this project does not receive the support of the area's talent

& the Bad - After 40 issues as Chattanooga's clubzine published by Dick and Nicki Lynch, CHAT has been retired effective February, 1981. The lynchi may try a genzine or a different kind of newsgine with or without the name but this incarnation is at an end, thus reducing with regret where the S.F.C. can steal news from. Rusty Burke, Charlie Williams and Vermon Clark penned an obit which bears repeating in part: -"For at least 3of us here in Knoxville, the passing of CHAT is an event of deep personal significance. CHAT was the vehicle that propelled us into fandom, this crazy subculture we've come to embrace as a daily part of our lives. CHAT and the Lynchi were instrumental in introducing us to fandom in general, Southern Fandom in particular, and perhaps most importantly, right here in Knoxville....we respect the Lynches' move on to new endeavors, though it means leaving behind something we, and they, love. We look forward to following their adventures, knowing their zines will be every bit as good as CHAT has been for forty issues." Amen. Butit is undeniable that CHAT's visible sign of success has been in unearthing talents like columnists Dave Pettus and Ralph Roberts, A.J. Barker and Ken Scott, the entire wonderful Kissoff crowd, and other illustrators and fan writers, like Mike Rogers (we dare not try to name them all for fear of overlooking some). Because CHAT is not there, we hope that these-people will not allow that to be an excuse not to do their thing in any new clubzine which may come from Chattanooga and/or Knoxville, THE SILVER EEL (Bob Barger and David Pettus), SUNCATCHER or other existing or future outlets. Other News

We have not seen any FOSFAX issues for some time now?

Marion Russ of Panama City abnounces that INNER REALM #2 will be out anytime now, bigger and better than the first issue at 60-75 pages. Details from PO Box 1865, P.C. FL 32405.

Rusty Smith, 2977 Sycamore View, Bartlett TN 38134 and Reggie Aadair, 5695 Pimola, Bartlett TN 38134 are publishing a fan-zine called MIDNICHT SUN.

The Mobile Area Comics Society, 402-C Crenshaw St., Mobile 36606 was formed in October, 1980 separate from Steve Barrington's Mobile Panelology Association, which still functions. Pres is Ron Hayes, Secy-Treas Alan Easley. Their newsletter is 20¢ stamp for each issue you want, and they will carry comics related ads.

ATARANTES, THE AsfiC clubzine is heading toward its 50th issue. Subject to increase in postage, it seals for 12/\$4, from editor Cliff Biggers (address elsewhere).

FANHISTORICA - from Joed Siclari. 4599 NW 5th Av. Boca Raton FL 33431, \$1.50 or the Usual (5 for \$5) reprints significant articles from the fanpress of the past. The Sugust 1980 issue is 50 pages with material about F. Tower Laney and by Walt Willis with locs by Bloch, &c.





The Alabama Science Fiction Association newsletter continues from Tim Morgan, Rt. 3, Box 208, Phil Campbell AL 35581. The Fall issue features an eight page bulletin with a striking color centerfold by Robert Hester. The March 1981 issue presents upte-date info on SF clubs in the state and solicits histories of the club for the next issue, plus another gorgeous color centerfold from Robert Hester, and media and con news. Contributions of at least \$1 per year are solicited.

ANVIL - the clubzine of the Birmingham SF Club edited by Jim Gilpatrick, PO Box 57031, B'ham AL 35259, 6/\$2. #13 talks about an Atlanta worldcon, a column by Wade Galbreath, book reviews, Charlotte Proctor on club meetings, Jim GilpatricIk's account of Druidcon, fanzines received and reviewed and letters from all over. #14 contained Jim's fannish musings, Cosmos review, book reviews, article by David Pettus, and locs from all over.

Cheap Street Books, Rt.2, Box 293, New Castle VA 24127 published a reprint of an early Fritz Leiber story, Ervool, in a limited press edition of 200 copies. There is a new foreword by Leiber and an afterword by Alva Rogers. Limited numbers remain at \$6 but SASE must be enclosed in case they are out of print. Future publications will be of new works and artwork as well as rescuing worthy works from obscurity.

PERSONALZINES have not yet faded from the scene in the South - bne of the longest (and most irregular) lines is Irvin Koch's MAYBE. #57 was a slim 8-page apporach - loaded with information which crosses Irv's paths as one of the South's most informed fans in numerous disparate areas.

Consciousness is Nancy Collin's personalzine from her new address: 1257 No. Parkway #3, Memphis TN 38112.

Runway 37 #6 came from Margaret Middleton, Po Box 9911, Little Rock AR 72219 (still ''somewhere near quarterly''), with con reports, book reviews and letters.

BARYON - #19 comes from Barry Hunter, 8 Wakefield Place, Rome GA 30161 for the Usual or 4/\$5. Reviews books and has A lettercolumn.

The SPECULATOR - #6 is 30-pages, double-spaced printed by computer for the Western Kentucky University Speculatibe Fiction Society. Editor Tony Cannon apologizes for the year delay in the issue but offers sound excuses. Some articles are a little dated but on the whole interesting.

SCIENCE FANTASIA - Darrell Fox, PO Box 632, Panama City FL 32-401 sent us the 32-page photofilled special EMPIRE edition including an interview with Ira Friedman of the Star Wars Fan Club. He writes that the publication is in the process of branching out into better (and bigger) things than being just a reviewzine (of movies). He plans a Science Fantasy/Fiction Annual. The last tri-fold (2 pages) issue was #6 devoted to Flash Gordon (the movie).

Tim Riley, PO Box 871, Panama City FL 32401 submitted a 12-page New Horizons #1 which is free for 30¢ postage and seeks subs on the basis of \$2 for four quarterly issues of 10-20 pages by mail or if you see Tim at a con or somewhere he will sell individual issues for 25¢ each.

Richard Davis, Box 1327, Harlan KY 40831 plans an offset. 8 xll zine dedicated to Diana Rigg, Patrick Macnee and THE AVENGERS series with many photographs which have not appeared in other zines dedutated to this series. Prepub orders should be rushed at \$2. \$1 off the cover price.

Fanzine editors are urged to submit copies of their publication for the S.F.C. Archives and description in the pages of these Bulletins.

### PRO NEWS

Steve Vance of the Chattanooga area writes that F&SF will carry his story, 'Last Night on Dugan's World' and Tower Books has accepted THE HYBRID and Laura Books has taken THE LIONS OF SPACE.

Grant Carrington, PO Box 2909, Baltimore MD 21229 regrets that he will not attend many southern cons now that he has left SC. His first southern con was Cyrcon in 1976 and he attended all the DSCs after that as well as Atention, Chattacon 80 and Just imagiCon. His novel, TIMES FOOL, should be out from Doubleday

and he and Tom Monteleone have a story in the new publication. TWILIGHT ZONE magazine. He will have a story, End of the World, in the next NIGHT VOYAGES.

The February issue of IASFM has a lead novellette by Sharon Webb, ''The Dust of Creeds Outworn''.

With Zebra Books' publication of the non-fiction THE COMPLETE COUPLE in 1976, John Cleve and his various pennames retired, but in 1981 he will re-emerge (from #1 Offut Blvd, Haldeman KY) as a writer of serious sf for adults since Sharon Jarvis asked him to create a series for Playboy Books. The books are reputedly far from as sexy as previous Cleve work - bearing the overtitle SPACEWAYS, the novels are set in a future sometime between now and A.D. 2900. The first novel of four is called SPACEMAYS: Captain Cautious, to be followed by Capt. Corundum and Capt. Janja. It and its sequels do conatin extrapolation from most modern science and Cleve is researching constantly.

Andrew J. Offutt writes that Berkeley will publish the 3rd novel in his War Among the Gods on Earth series about now, entitled The LADY OF THE SNOWMIST. The 3rd novel in the Offutt-Richard Lyon trilogy about Tiana, a female hero, is Web of the Spider, scheduled by Pocket Books loosely for the end of 1981. King Dragon from Ace is into an early second printing and sells

A word to the southern-based professionals reading this issue: With the demise of VERTIGO we have lost touch with the on-going projects of Dave Drake, Karl Edward Wagner and Manity Wade Wellman unless they undertake a few minutes to write us - with the demise of CHAT, we may not stay in touch with the progres of East Tennessee writers unless they, like Steve Vance, get in touch with us from time to time. We likewise urge the Haldeman brothers in FL who get these Bulletins regularly to let us know their news. We are not diligent about perusing Science Fiction Chronicle and Locus to extra ct news about our area writers but will have to do so if we were don't get direct word from these fine writers. Offutt and Cleve are to be commended for their conscientious contact with usi

### MORE NEWS AND VIEWS

There should be some new features to the SFC Bulletin this time in addition to the typeset headline by Don Markstein, fable N.O. fan reposing in AZ. The questionnaire I keep threatening to circulate in advance of the future S.F.C. publications is becoming a reality at last - zine publishers, clubs, pro writers and artists, are receiving an easy to answer questionnaire with this mailing to be returned. Dues-paid members will get the results in the July newsletter and the general public will have benefit of the more enduring news items in the next regular Bulletin #26 this fall.

Irvin Koch Bulletins: There is a big new club in Morehead KY which showed up for Imaginizacon in Memphis last fall...Bob Barger has been remiss in furnishing us copies of the new KSFS clubzine...Dan Taylor (550 Baulevard S.E., Atlanta GA 30312) publishes a SCA newszine and Suzanne Owen does Merrides Kingdom official newszine for SCA... Rich Howell's genzine, SIRIUSNESS is distributed at ASFiC meetings... The Alternative Factor in Atlanta meets 3rd Sundays at 3:30 p.m. in Atlanta, but the contact has been misplaced.

T.K.F. Weisskopf also reports on the meetings of the new Huntsville club but also mentions that there have been two Dracons held in Huntsville for D&D playing, often in costume.

Southland Distributors, Inc., 4966 Byron Av, Baton Rouge LAX 70805 offers a wholesale comic subscription service at good discounts. Inquire with SASE

Samuel G. Joyner, Rt.3, Box 257B, Tarboro NC 27886 seeks zines desirous of SF related art (usually movies) at infrequent in-

A big fandom directory (all kinds of fans) ise being assembled by Harry Hopkins, PO Box 873, Langley AFB VA 23665.

Pro writer Jean Lorrah writes that in November 1981 the South AtlanticModern Language Association will meet in Louisville KY and she seeks presentations of pros and academia on SF - many academicians know much about sf but little about fandom. Inquire of 301 South 15th Street, Murray KY 42071.

### GENERAL NEWS -continued

Fandom Plays Cupid - Bob Barger of TN annouced his engagement to Sandy Paris of AL, wedding to be at the Birmingham DSC(at?); Jerry McKnight of AL (SAM) has married Valerie Proctor of BSFS. Tim Riley reports that the section of the Handbook which asked

about by-gone fans like Shelby Vick can be amended because Mr. Vick lives in P.C., was a member of the original ST club there and is still a fan although not active with either club.

Tim also mentions that he has opened a min@-warehouse store of science fiction & fantasy near the Isle of View Drive-In on East Business 98 in Panamam City, open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Star Horizons Unlimited is the name.

Randy Satterfield, ASFiC member and book entrepreneur, announced his World of Words bookstore in Kennesaw GA is open with new and used of and a 10% discount to ASFiC members.

The Mobile Area Comics Society meets the 2nd Saturday of every month in the 2d floor conference room of the Mobile Press-Register Bldg, 304 Government St. from 10:30-12 noon.

Harry Hendon reported that the first episode of the new radio shaw of Star Wars, debuting at different times on various FM stations (WEHM, 90.3, 6:30 Sundays here in Birmingham) in the public radio net  $(13\frac{1}{2}$ -hour sessions in all) is very well done, much more detailed than either the movie or novelization. With this rebirth of an imaginative media, who knows - there may even be a return to reading books to exercise imagination by fans under 30 currently hung up on media sf! (p.s. that was not a put-down, we love ya) but some of us over 30 believe withat sf is more than TV shows and movies Let's take a poll and print the results here this fall .... can interest in ST/SW lead to involvement with sf literature, written or drawn creativity not derivative of the ST/SW milieu, or better appreciation of general sf clubs, cons, and zines? Acknowledged or anonymous replies, cogently expressed, pro and con, from personal experience are welcomed

### BUSINESS SECTION

Official Business - Notice is hereby given that any official business to be placed before whe memership for action at the 1981 Annual Meeting at B'hamacon 2 in Birmingham, August 27, must be submitted before June 1 in accordance with the Constitution as follows: nominations for office, by-law changes or additions, or other resolutions must be written and signed by at least 10 dues-paid or dues-exempt members. By-law 3.

Finances (Printing expenses of #24 contributed by Friersons) Balance at 11/7/80 - \$270.42 Dues and Contributions+54.00 Expenses of Mailing

#24 and Handbooks \_-86.39 Balance at 3/9/81 = \$238.03

NEW MEMBERS THROUGH AUGUST 1981 (except as noted): - add to those on p.4 of Bulletin #24-

Alabama - Rhett Mitchell; T.K.F. Weisskopf; Debbie Burden(pat

Arkansas -- none-Sherry Lendall

Florida - John & Becky Thomson: Thomas B. Swann Fund; Craig Newmark (11)

Georgia - Marsha Price; Atlanta Star Trek Society

Kentucky - Rob Griffith

Louisiana - Bennie W. Whidden

Mississippi - Jimmy Zuber; Chimneyville F&SF Society (patron)

N.C. - Sam Joyner

S.C. - Lawrence G. Hardin

Tennessee - Robert Clifford (W.VA); Janie Lamb (patron); Bill Zielke; Franklin Jordan; James Woosley

Texas - Becky Matthews; Greg Bennet Virginia -Chris Martin

I have the feeling that my records did not reflect all who sent in their dues and so I am contributing the \$80 printing of #24 but still would like to hear from those who may have sant money since 11/7/80 which did not get recorded on the above list.

REMEMBER: WE ARE GOING FOR ROSTER #10 AND NEED ADDRESSES FROM THESE NEW CLUBS MENTIONED HEREIN AS WELL AS COAs from Roster 9 you may have noted.



Guert of honor: Charles L. Grant

Marter of Ceremonies:

andrew J. Offutt

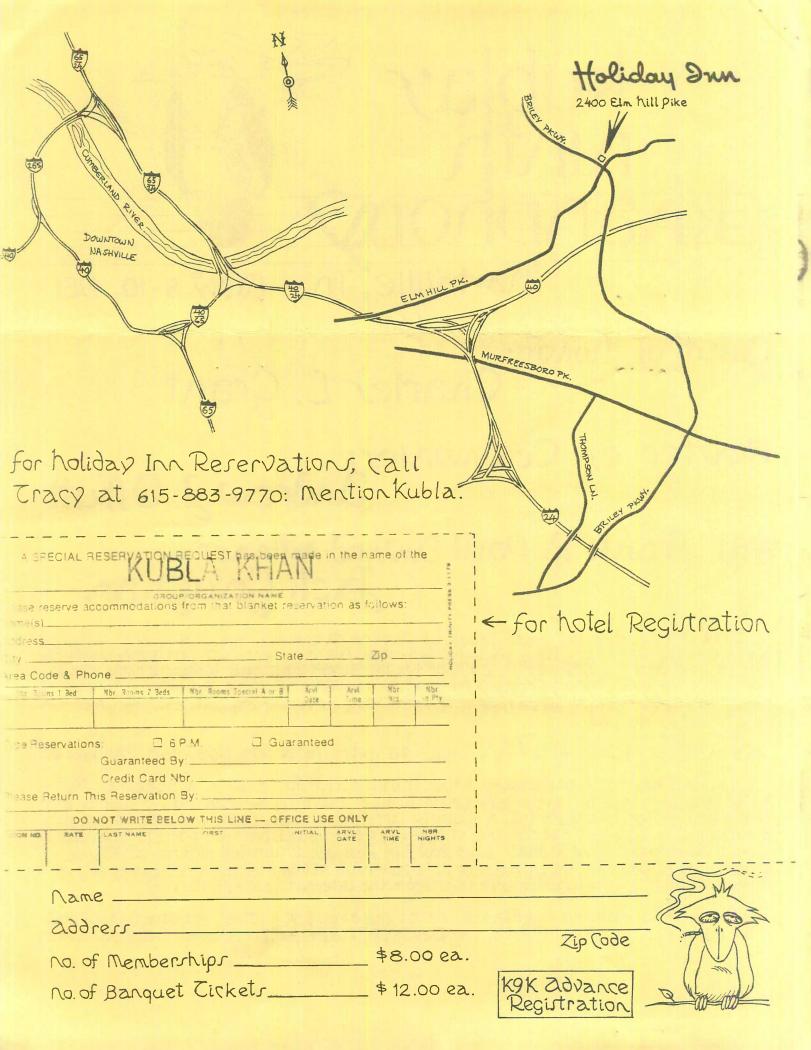
1981 Frank R. Paul award Winner: Jack Gaughan

The ninth annual presentation of Moore merriment & madness will be held for the very first time in a new hotel, Nashville's just-completed holiday Inn at Elm hill Pk. & Briley Pkwy; for travel directions, plus Khan & hotel registration, a map & cutout forms are provided overleaf. The holiday Inn features the holidome and an all-weather enclosed pool, so those aquatically inclined may pack their swim gear.

Room rates: \$38/single, \$44/double - \$6 extra for a poolside room. Banquet: \$12.

K9K will have the customary Khan hospitality Suite with a bheer-&-softdrinks bathtub, large huckster areas (including some rooms rented by hucksters to both huckster & crash in), a goodly art show, banquet, midnite maskeraid, & much, much moore. Entertainment includes the usual parties, panels & screenings (film & videotape), plus Kubla's first Badfilm festival (subtitled "Kitsch-as-Kitsch Khan"), where you can hoot, groan or hold your nose at some of the most campy or just plain insulting-to-intelligence offerings from the international film industry.

K9K membership: \$8 in advance, \$11 at the door. For further registration or art show info, kontact Ken Moore, 647 Devon Dr., Nashville, Tn 37220, ph. 615-832-8402.



THE 19th DEEP SOUTH CONVENTION HAUGUST 28-30, 1981 BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

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**MASTER OF CEREMONIES** 

# Gerald Page

**FAN GUEST OF HONOR** 

# Hank Reinhardt

# **MEMBERSHIP:**

to October 15, 1980

October 16, 1980 to August 1, 1981

at the Door \$17

The Birmingham Science Fiction Club invites you to attend the 19th annual gathering of Southern Fandom at the Birmingham Hilton and Conference Center.

This hotel is newly renovated and has over 15,000 square feet of meeting space. All of this space has been reserved for B'hamacon's activities, which will include the traditional Hearts Tourney, Trivia Quiz, and Masquerade, as well as the reinauguration of the lank Reinhardt awakening ceremony.

We will, of course, have all of the usual DSC events, such as a Huckster room, Art Show, and a 24 hour con suite.

For more information Contact:

# 3'hamacon.

P. O. Box 57031, Birmingham, AL. 35259

# Information

## **OUR GUESTS**

B'hamacon's Pro Guest of Honor is **Bob Shaw**, well known British writer and fan personality. He is the author of *Medusa's Children*, A Wreath of Stars and Orbitsville, among others. Bob has won the British Science Fiction Award and the Hugo for best fan writer in 1979 and 1980.

Master of Ceremonies for B'hamacon 2 is **Gerald Page**, southern fan and writer and former editor of DAW books' best horror series. Jerry was also the chairman of DSC V in 1967.

Our Fan Guest of Honor is that legendary figure of Southern Fandom, **Hank Reinhardt**. Active in fandom since 100 B.C., Hank is most famous for his delicate manners and exquisite taste in clothes.

## THE HOTEL

Our hotel is the Birmingham Hilton, 20th Street and Eighth Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35205. Phone: (205) 933-9000. Room rates are \$40 for singles and \$46 for doubles. We will send a hotel reservation card to each preregistered member of the convention. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. The hotel also has a free parking garage for guests.

## BANQUET

Our banquet will be at a different time than past DSC's: 1 p.m. Saturday. The price is \$10. The banquet will feature Hank and Jerry in "Dueling Egos," plus a few other surprises. Such towering entertainment should not be missed.

## **PROGRAMMING**

We plan to have all the usual DSC events, including a Hearts tournament, trivia quiz, masquerade, panels (including the worst SF novel panel), readings, a video room, wargaming, movies and much more. The Guest of Honor speeches and the Rebel and Phoenix awards presentations will be Saturday night. Sunday morning will, of course, bring the annual meeting of the SFC board of directors. For more information, or if you have any programming ideas or suggestions, contact B'hamacon's program director, **Beth Pointer**, at 1422 10th Place South, Birmingham, AL 35205, or phone (205) 252-4515.

## **HUCKSTER ROOM**

B'hamacon's huckster room will be large and diverse. We still have plenty of tables available. Tables cost \$20 for the first, \$25 for the second or third, with a maximum of 3. At least one convention membership is required and is not included in the cost of the tables. **Andy Purcell** is running our huckster room. His address is: Rt. 1 Box 32219, Leoma TN 38468 — phone (615) 852-4473.

## **ART SHOW**

We plan to have a large art show, including both hanging displays and space for 3-dimensional art. For information and entry forms, contact **Wade Gilbreath** at 4206 Balboa Ave., Pinson AL 35126 — (205) 853-0713.

## **MASQUERADE**

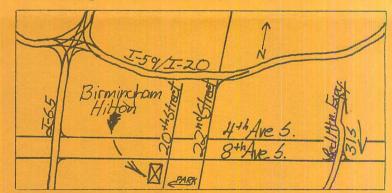
For many fans, a con just doesn't feel like a con without a masquerade. We are planning a masquerade this year. If you want to participate, write to **Nancy Brown**, 1031 26th Street South, Birmingham, AL 35205 or phone (205) 939-0548. She can give you a registration form and any other information you may need.

## PROGRAM BOOK ADVERTISING

We will sell ads in the B'hamacon 2 program book for \$20 a page or \$10 for a half page. The inside back cover is available for \$30. These rates may vary. Contact **Bill Brown**, 1031 26th Street South, Birmingham, AL 35205 or phone (205) 939-0548.

## **HOW TO GET THERE**

The Birmingham Hilton is in the south part of the downtown area. If you are coming from the North on I-59, get off at the 22nd Street exit and go south for 18 blocks to Eighth Avenue South. Turn right for two blocks. The hotel will be on your left. If you are coming from the south on I-65, take the Eighth Avenue South exit and proceed east for 10 blocks. The hotel will be on the right. If you are coming from the north on I-65, get on I-59 going east and take the 21st Street exit. Drive straight ahead on block and turn right on 22nd Street.



### **OVERSEAS FANS**

B'hamacon is less than a week before convention. Convenient air connections are available through to Birmingham via Atlanta from Frankfurt am Main, and London Gatwick on British Caladonian and Delta Airline. January airfare for London to Birmingham and return was £336. Plan to make B'hamacon a stop on your trip to the Worldcon in Denver.

### OFFICIAL SFC QUESTIONNAIRE TO VARIOUS PEOPLE

Hi, people - this is your promised questionnaire on various things, depending on who you are

- 1) If you run an sf or ST or SW club, please send the following:
  - A. Roster of names and addresses of your members
  - B. Frequency of meetings, time and place if held regularly, types of programs conducted
  - C. Dues required do you have membesships available for people outside your area
  - D. do you have a publication can you send a sample
  - E. phone number for locals interested in learning more?
- 2) You publish a fanzine what back issues are available and for what price When is the next issue due? What will its price be?
- 3) You are an artist what publications have carried your artwork in the recent past?
  - Any details about sales to publications, sales at conventions?

    Do you wish to be listed as one who will contribute to the fanzines?
- 4) You are a fanzine writer what zines have recently published your work?
- 5) You are a professional writer please send us a listing of forthcoming publications or any news about works in process we may print
- 6) You are our contact with regard to the following forthcoming convention -
  - A. Who is on the con committee we'd like to give them some egoboo
  - B. If this Bulletin #25 did not carry the place, dates, etc of the convention, please furnish same.
  - C. If you want about 300 copies of a flyer for the con circulated with the July newsletter, please send 300 copies and \$3 by June 15
  - D. If you want about 600 copies of a flyer for the con circulated with Bulletin #26, please send 600 copies and \$6 by September 15 or hand deliver to me or Penny at the Birmingham DSC if you are coming
- (7) Will you please furnish a brief report about the following convention number of attendees, special features, how many in masquerade, other details you consider relevant: **Conference on FantAstic** 
  - 8) an you supply any fannish addresses, not fringe fans but interesting potential, you did not find in Roster #9 or recent ones we might not have in the file?





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