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Gene Wolfe - guest of honor

I'm very happy to have Gene Wolfe as GoH this year. Author of "Mathoms from the Time Closet" in A,DV, <u>Fifth Head of Cerberus</u>, <u>Davil in a Forest</u>, and just nominated for a Hugo for "Seven American Nights." We're still working on just what he'll be doing, but panels and/or readings are definite possibilities.

- PROGRAMMING: Good question. Haven't really decided on anything yet, especially since most people will be surfeited with program items from SEACON or the NASFIC. The PgHLANGE tradition of relaxation above all else will be preserved.
- MOVIES: Nothing but videotapes---on this humongous 7' TV screen. No titles, as the Sony/MCA-Disney trial makes alot of items hypothetical, but there should be features and shorts for all tastes. Anyone with Beta or VHS tapes who would like to bring them to show (or their machines) will be more than welcome. (hint)
- HOTEL: A miracle! We'll be at the same hotel as last year! Could this be the start of a tradition? The magnificent Marriott Inn, just three miles south of downtown Pittsburgh, is anxious (?) to have us back again, with its enormous Con Suite, comfy Movie Room, and cozy huxters areas. For those of you who weren't here last year (and those of you who were and have forgotten), the Marriott has several dining rooms, an indoor-outdoor pool, sauna, pinball/ airhockey/pool room, and very large sleeping rooms. Singles are \$28, doubles are \$33. Our block goes off September 14, and the hotel has promised to try better in getting us closer together. See me for cards, or write them at 101 Marriott Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15220, or call 412-922-8400. Mention "Western Pennsylvania Science Fiction Association."
- BANQUET: There will be no banquet this year, due to the fact that we'd have to charge about \$13 to get enough food per person to keep the fannish appetite satisfied. And that's too damn much! There is an abundance of fast food places down the road, for those who don't like the hotel's food (?), and we're working on a car-pool idea for food shuttling. Details at ll.
- HUXTERS: Three nice small rooms, but still big enough to move around in and find what you're looking for. Tables are \$20 each, and include one membership. Second tables are \$25, with no membership.
- COSTS: \$7 in advance; \$9 after September 15. Register early and save me lots of last minute rushing. (Thanks).

ANYTHING ELSE: I'm always open to suggestions and ideas. If you need further information,

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