

The Pacheco Progress

A Report for Casa De WorldCon



Have Big City WorldCons got you in a funk? Are you looking for something more rural to recharge your fannish batteries? Have you been just plain begging to go and party like it's 1985 in an agricultural setting that's been around since 1908?

Yeah, I knew you did.

The Bid for the 2008 Hollister WorldCon committee is proud to unveil their first progress report on the path to bringing the first WorldCon to Southern Santa Clara County's most famous location for truck drivers and families needing to pee on the way to Highway Five: Casa De Fruta!



Casa de WorldCon

Located in Hollister, California, Casa de Fruta is a multi-use landmark of California's agricultural heritage.

Situated between highways 101 and Interstate 5, Casa De Fruta is a square mile of fun and frolic with venues for all WorldCons traditions. Over the following Regress Reports, we'll outline the joys of Hollister and the surrounding Metropolitan area (featuring cities like Los Banos and Gilroy) as well as the history of Agricultural ties to SF, the joys of the venues and the all of the other wonders that await you at Casa De WorldCon 2008!

A Bid for the 2008 World Science Fiction Convention Regress Report #1

An Experienced Con Committee Responsible for Such Legendary Conventions As:

- MonkeyCon XVIII (1997, Kettleman City)
- BikerCon (1998, Sturgis, South Dakota)
- GarliCons I-XXII (Gilroy, CA)
- GarliqueCon (Imitation GarliCon in 2001 with George Kennedy as GoH)
- MonkeyCon IIXX (subtitled DyslexiCon, Up and Down Highway 101)
- VatiCon II



Our Lovely Con Hotel

Every WorldCon needs a good hotel to use as base of operations and Casa De WorldCon will feature Casa De Motel. A Fourteen Room wonder that will give us a comfy site to party and take part in all the after-hours activities that define a well-run WorldCon in the Twenty-first Century.

The Casa de Motel is a World Class, Tourist Grade, Side of the Road Motor Lodge with several amenities, including in-door plumbing (in many cases)



These photos were taken in the beauty of the Winter at Casa de Fruta. Not pictured, the Casa De RV.

What Can Casa de WorldCon Offer that other Venues can't?

- *Easy Access to the Garlic Capitol of the World: Gilroy*
- *It's a popular spot for various Motorcycle Enthusiasts such as the Hell's Satans*
- *Mundanes will stop by, but none will stay for very long.*
- *Ample Bathrooms!*
- *The highly under-represented Trucker contingent of Fandom would FINALLY be served.*
- *Green Mountains will calm the besieged SMOFs in their Darkest Hours*
- *Everyone goes by Casa de Fruta on the way to wherever else they're going, meaning hitch-hiking to Con will be a breeze!*
- *Casa de Fruta is on no Government Agency's watch list.*

Hollister in 2008:

A bid for *Casa de Worldcon*

<http://hollister2008.livejournal.com>

Hollister? Casa de what? What is this crazytalk?

- There's this whole bidding process by which organizations campaign to hold a Worldcon at their site. This year at L.A.con IV, Chicago, Columbus and Denver are bidding to win the 2008 Worldcon.
- Bidding and voting is regulated by the World Science Fiction Society (an unincorporated literary society that holds the Worldcon trademarks)
- These regulations are only important if you intend to win. If you intend to lose, break at least one to ensure you're ineligible
- There is a grand tradition of hoax bids, bids that don't qualify and can't win but are fun and silly
- Some people get offended by hoax bids. We call them *easy targets*
- There are two major routes between Los Angeles and the SF Bay Area. One takes you right past Casa de Fruta on CA Highway 152
- Casa de Fruta is a major California landmark.
- Casa de Fruta has a 14 room hotel (Casa de Inn), a 300-space RV park (Casa de RV) and a conference center (without a cute name)
- 2008 is the centennial of Casa de Fruta
- You see where this is going, don't you?

Would you like to be a part of the most memorable bid for a Worldcon in years? You can support us in several ways.

Join Hollister in 2008

Pre-Supporting Membership:	\$10
I'm a Nut! (Friend of the Bid):	\$20
BidCom Member:	\$30
Pre-Opposing Membership:	\$40

What do these membership levels get you? Pre-support gets you the satisfaction of helping with a great hoax. "I'm a Nut!" also gets your name on the *Casa de Worldcon* Wall of Fame at our bid party at L.A.con IV. BidCom membership gets your name in our program book ad (if we sell enough memberships to pay for a party *and* a program book ad) and the opportunity to help with the party. Pre-opposing gets your name on the *Casa de Worldcon* Wall of Shame at the party.

Name _____

Address/email _____

Pre-Sup (\$10) Nut (\$20) BidCom (\$30) Pre-Op (\$40)

Hand-deliver your registration to Andy Trembley, Kevin Roche or Chris Garcia

"Hollister in 2008" is a committee of the *Bay Area Science Fiction Society*

"We do these things not because they are easy, but because they are weird!"