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THE SECOND REGRESS REPORT FOR THE HOLLISTER IN 2008

The First Steps Towards Casa de WorldCon Dos Mil Ocho!

Things have been rolling along at the headquarters for the Hollister in 2008 bid. Chairman Andy Trembley has been learning the required elements for driving a tractor. I'm not sure why he's doing so, but he seems to be having a good time doing so.

I, on the other hand, have been studying the history of Agriculture in Science Fiction and the article later in this report is a direct out-growth of that study.

The BidCommittee is an excited and driven group of folks who can only visualize one outcome: A WorldCon where most of the programming would be held in showy-pastoral glory that lives between Highway 101 and I-5.

More and more support is coming in from around the world...well, mostly it's California, but I think we've got New Yorkers and maybe even a Brit or two (you can check the stats page at the back of this report)

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Proof that Casa de WorldCon's Home is in the Middle of Everything!

Casa de FACTS!

Casa de Fruta is a location that is rich in history and national importance. Here are just a few of the reasons the CdF matters to you!

- An important link in the US Chain of Security. Casa de Terrorist Spotting Programming is a little-known CIA covert operation.

- All the food at Casa de Fruta is 100% toxin free...and mostly without a trace of FruitBat meat!

- So many people get sick (or even die!) in all the other cities that are bidding for WorldCon 2008 that they've had to build multiple hospitals to deal with all of the medical problems. Hollister has no hospitals, and must therefore have no sickness.

- The former area known as Casa de Leper Colony, has been closed, burned and the Earth salted.

- The inventor of the Internet, one Mr. Albert Gore, was once photographed at CdF. Other who have visited include Burt Reynolds.

- Each of the Chairmen of the Hollister in 2008 bid are able to kill at 100 yards using mothign but mindbullets.

- While Chicago is known for gangsters and political chicanery, Denver for the Broncos, and Columbus for...for...didn't they...never mind. Hollister has none of these problems.

- Casa de Fruta's train passes through a Haunted Tunnel! What other site can claim that? Huh?

*The Proper Reading of Stars Wars
Episode IV: A New Hope
by The Mayor of Casa de
WorldCon: Christopher J. Garcia*

Let's get one thing straight off at the beginning: Star Wars has nothign to do with a Joseph Campbell Hero's Journey or any other poppycock. It's not a tale of The Christ or any ancient type of tale. It's a story of a seriously selfish young man and his abandonment of his agrarian way of life.

Let's first talk a bit about the world of Tatooine. There's almost nothing there. Why people decided to inhabit that little rock is hard to imagine, but they did. There were few ways to make a living, but like the first wave of all different settlers (and the last remaining settlers, as history has proven), farmers were the most important permanent residents of the planet. While it cannot be denied that being on the the 5709-DC Shipping Lane of the Triellus Trade Route was certainly a piece of importance, it was the farming of most of the permanent (and typically non-political) resident that made Tatooine a real home world adn not just an 'Eat Here; Get Gas.' planet.

Luke Skywalker is born



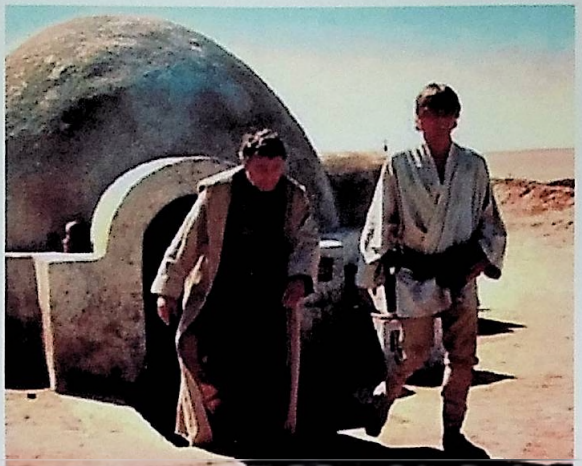
onto the planet Tatooine. Well, we think he is, at least for a little while in the series, but we are then told that he was delivered to Tatooine by an old hermit named Ben, but that's neither here nor there. Luke is a typical boy with a head of ideas...ideas that do NOT include improv-

ing the conditions on his Uncle's Moisture farm. This leads him to constantly bug poor Uncle Owen and Aunt Beru about going to the academy. This petulent little bastard didn't understand that he was most important to teh way of life and his constant nagging can only be seen as the whinging of a little boy who's seen the toy in the window and won't let it go.

When a small droid delivers a sort of mystery to this young man, he immediately jumps on the chance for adventure. He removed the restraining bolt, which allowed R2D2 (the Bastard Droid) to roll away and lead Luke to the sand-people and eventually to this old Ben Kenobi.

The matter of the Droids is interesting. Luke, the vile betrayer, led his uncle to purchase the Droids. Though not specifically mentioned, it is almost certain that it was Luke's idea to get more droids, which would have allowed him to attend The Imperial Academy. Sadly, Luke was looking for any way to get that golden ring, and by bringing the two new Droids in, he invited great damage.

By going to find the Droid D2, he invited



trouble. He had symbolically given up his ties to the way of life that his family kept alive by going off on some fool-hearted adventure. He had chosen the path of action and excitement over truth and what was right for the greater good. Moisture Farming, while obviously tedious, allowed plants to be watered and populations to be maintained. Uncle Owen had always been a good man, and though Aunt Beru served some sort of blue milky substance to the family, she was an honourable woman as well. The price of Luke's betrayal is clear: his Aunt and Uncle are found dead when he gets the slightest idea that he might have turned his back on his way of life.

After that shock, does Luke vow to continue on where Uncle Luke left off? Does he go and follow the final wishes he heard from his Uncle to wipe the memory of the troublesome R2D2? No, he goes off to follow that crazy hermit Kenobi and his damn fool adventures. He shows little to no remorse, he simply goes about 'saving the Universe'...if you can call his cowardice such!

The parallels to our current situation is obvious: by choosing any bid other than the agriculturally-tied Hollister in 2008, you are choosing for your family to die!

CASA de FRUTA Directory



The Lay-out of Casa de Fruta. Note the number of eating options

On The Subject of Our Facilities

As you can see above, Casa de Fruta is a multi-use venue of fun and excitement. With strong facilities for everything a WorldCon could possibly want and MORE! Here's a break-down:

1) Casa de Burger- Food, in all of it's glory. Faster than most other locations, CdB also provides essential greases that will keep you going!

2) Fruit Stand- Now this is the heart of the Beast, this is. This location offer fruits, vegetables, garlic, chocolate, preserves, funny hats, candies, garlic, and nuts. It's a unique location that no other bid for 2008 can match!

3) Gift Shop. Attached to the

Fruit Stand.

4) Casa de Coffee- Once home to the famous Cup Flipper. Now home to dependable coffee shoppe Fare.

5) Restrooms- Ample (if not luxurious)

6) Train Station- when was the last time a WorldCon had programming on a train? CdF's train runs a short loop and is the perfect site for the business meeting, right Kevin Standlee?

7) Animal Area- It's... well...there are goats!

8) Candy Factory. 'nuff said

9) Casa de Vino- Wine. Yes, sweet, sweet wine...and cheese!

10) Casa de BBQ- Awe-some meats cooked home style and

served sloppy!

11) Service Stations. They've got Diesel!

12) Country Store (note: country rotates regularly. Recently, they've included Spain and Bahrain)

13) Casa de Motel- Comfort at an affordable price. Now mostly Goat-smell free!

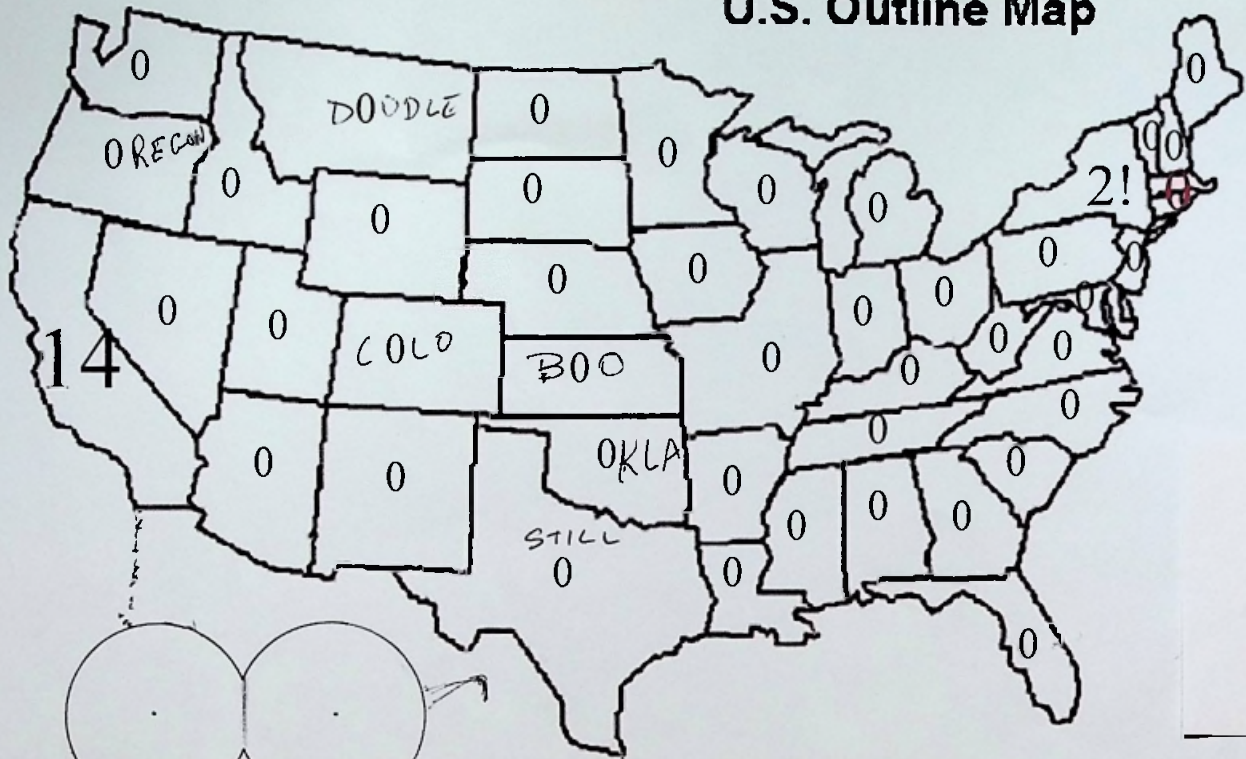
14) Swimming pool- a great location for sending the kids when you wanna do programming.

15) Music Hall- Masquerade goes here. Once home to some of the World's Finest Fiddlers!

16) Ball Diamonds- ideal for Pro vs. Fan Kickball tourney

17) Picnic Areas- An Outdoor Hugo Ceremony? You bet!

U.S. Outline Map



Alabama- 0
 Alaska- 0
 Arizona- 0
 Arkansas- 0
 California- 14
 Colorado- 0
 Connecticut- 0
 Delaware- 0
 Florida- 0
 Georgia- 0
 Hawaii- 0
 Idaho- 0
 Indiana- 0
 Illinois- 0
 Iowa- 0
 Kansas- 0
 Kentucky- 0
 Louisiana- 0
 Maine- 0
 Maryland- 0
 Massachussetts- 0
 Michigan- 0
 Minnesota- 0
 Mississippi- 0
 Montana- 0
 Nebraska- 0
 Nevada- 0

New Jersey- 0
 New Mexico- 0
 New York- 2 (Seriously!)
 North Carolina- 0
 North Dakota- 0
 Ohio- 0
 Oklahoma- 0
 Oregon- 0
 Pennsylvania- 0
 Rhode Hampshire- 0
 South Carolina- 0
 South Dakota- 0
 Tennessee- 0
 Texas- 0
 Utah- 0
 Vermont- 0
 Washington- 0
 West Virginia- 0
 Wisconsin- 0
 Wyoming- 0

48 US States total (because Rhode Island Corp. and New Hampshire have agreed to merge into one state and I'll be dead in the cold cold ground before I recognise Missouri!)- 16

Selected International Totals
 England- 0
 Scotland- 0
 Wales- 1 (though California, Wales and Australia are currently embroiled in a battle to see who can claim Cheryl Morgan as their own)
 Norwegia- 0
 Swaziland- 0
 Belgium- 0
 Pepsi presents New Zanzibar- 0
 Australia- 0
 India- 1 (but we understand that several memberships from California will be outsourced there)
 Spain- 0
 France- As if they'd lower themselves to this level.
 Canada- 0
 Burma- 0
 Myanmar- 0
 Sri Lanka- 0
 Ceylon- 0
 Peru- 0
 International total- 1

