

HOGU Awards Ranquet: The 1989 HOGU Awards Ranquet was held this morning at the Boylston Burger King. A few surprises and the exchange of much money made the ceremony a great success. Elst Weinstein (Helminth of the Bored), the administrator of the awards, claimed to have made enough money in the voting to pay cash today for his trip to Holland.

The Guest of Honor was Lawrence Watt-Evans, who acknowledged the great honor by giving a long and boring speech. In his thirty-second oration, Watt-Evans discussed the importance of science fiction in America by noting that there were 11 million copies of Lord of the Rings in print, which is about one quarter the number of people who have seen every episode of *My Mother the Car*.

Among the winners were:

BEST BLOCK VOTE: Hugo Committee Blockheads

THE DeROACH AWARD: John Guidry III THE ARISTOTLE AWARD: Leona Helmsley

BEST NEW FEUD: The Hugo Committee vs. Hamilton

and Beese

BEST TRAUMATIC PRESENTATION:

Exxon Productions' "Oils Quiet on the Western Front"

BEST HOAX AWARDS: The Hugo Awards

BEST FAN HOAX: NolaContest

WORST FANZINE TITLE: Freeze-Dried Wombats Dun Et My Settee

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BEST HOAX CONVENTION: NoIaContest

BEST HOAX BID: DC in '92

MOST DESIRED GAFIATION: Robert Sacks
MOST BIZARRE HALL COSTUME: Elvis Alive!
MIXED MEDIA AWARD: Ellison's Geo Commercials
BEST JESSICA RABBIT LOOK-ALIKE AWARD: Kees
Van Toorn.

BLACKHOLE AWARDS:

INVISIBILITY AWARD: NoIaCon Committee GREED AWARD: DC Sheraton HALF-ASSED CON OFFICIOUSNESS AWARD (the "Connie"): Noreascon 3 THE BROWN HOLE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALISM:

Pete Rose.

The highlight of the awards ceremony was the Elvis sighting at 12:02 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time. The entire audience was moved to tears by this wondrous and miraculous event. The awards ceremony also featured the exchange of much money, as the audience bought votes for their favorite (or not) nominee. The biggest sacrifice in the name of the integrity of the vote buying process came when one fan cut his Exxon card in half to buy the vote for the Best Traumatic Presentation Award. Alaskan seals everywhere thank this brave and noble fan.

The Devo Award was voted at the Ranquet to Mary Mason and Bridge Publications, with the proviso that they be tied together, placed in a sack, and thrown off the nearest bridge. However, in true HOGU tradition, the award was bought exclusively for Mary after the ceremony had concluded.

Inquiring Minds Already Know: What Well-Known, Short, West-Coast Author had a complete list of the Hugo Winners a week ago? Does the fact that Pete Rose is betting on the Hugos because he needs money NOW indicate that the WKSWCA told?

A Nation of Ribbon Clerks: Due to the excessively high cost of refreshments in the Hynes, admission to the con suite is by invitation only. What did you think those Hoax Division ribbons were for?

David Zontar Elvis Rowe Sighted at Noreascon Three: Four-month-old David Rowe was sighted yesterday afternoon with his shirt unbuttoned to his chest, causing all the women in the room to remark that, now that he's taken the weight off, he no longer looks like Winston Churchill but like the reincarnation of Elvis. Several women immediately registered for 20-year terms of cryonic suspension so they will be available to bear Elvis' child when he's of age.

The rock celebrity was promptly withdrawn from the Noreascon Three baby warehouse (he was wondering what all the crying was about anyway) so that he can help Gardner Dozois publicize the forthcoming Ace Double of Zontar Elvis Rowe's autobiography.

Zontar Elvis is already on his way to becoming a media maven. Though still breast-feeding, his favorite television show is "The Frugal Gourmet". What does he like about it? Probably the way the guy waves his arms. By the way, between meals Zontar Elvis does a great Jack Chalker imitation.

Yes, Boston IS Wheelchair Accessible: ...If your wheelchair is on the turret of a Sherman tank, that is. Doug Friauf reports his motorized wheelchair took a spill on an alleged curb cut while he was trying to negotiate an intersection. The curb cuts are nowhere near the ends of the sidewalks. But Doug is unhurt and of good cheer, and says, "Like a typical Boston driver I've already managed to run into a parked car."

Doug has also discovered distances between parties here are long enough that he has to recharge his chair batteries frequently, often at parties. When the battery runs down, says Doug, "I'm supposed to go suck wall." ...If somebody wants to meet Doug, he'll be at the Minneapolis in '73 party tomorrow night -- sucking wall.

FORMERLY DANA SIEGEL'S OFFICIAL PARTY REPORT: Now being written by young David Zontar Elvis Rowe, giving you the crib's-eye view of Noreascon Three.

"Since this is only my second con, and my first WorldCon, I'm not sure what to make of all this. The babysitting area is staffed with warm, friendly fen who have nice shoulders and large, inviting chests to drool on. The food and refreshments look great (but I bring my own food with me) and the cribs are spacious and very comfortable. The only drawback has been all those crying babies. Why don't their

parents get them and take them around to the fun stuff -- the huckster room, Concourse and parties? That's where all the action is.

The Louis Wu Boxboro Party was really dull. No cute babes and the milk was in short supply. Otherwise, the party was loud and bright -- just the way the best parties should be. (My mom's been giving me party lessons. Or maybe it's in the genes -- everything else is....)

Speaking of Louis Wu: Elvis' mom, Dana, said the \$17,000 paid for the Boxboro Fandom party would have been better spent going to the homeless. The editors explained that although it didn't go to the homeless, at least it did go to derelicts.

And Rick Foss added there is at least one fan living in the 3rd Floor Men's Room of the Hynes...perhaps where he comes from transport booths have flush levers.

Bruce Farr skeptically replied, "Rick Foss has told us before that we had airline tickets, too --" Seth said,"Hopefully Rick Foss knows the difference between a men's room and an airline ticket."

Other Party Coverage: Seeing two dozen fans lined up for ARA hamburgers in the Hynes assures us the Ranquet has a future at Worldcons. (*Worldcon* is a lavish, no-expense-spared service mark of the World Sci-Fic Society. Hey, don't mess with us!)

The NoReason Three Committee announces that in addition to the twelve tons of ice on the South Loading Dock, they can also supply Saturday night party hosts with 50-lb. sacks of Ralston-Purina Party Animal Chow.

Confidential to Incarcerated: Next time, try not selling the stuff back to the huckster you stole it from.

