

# Helmuth

celebrating 50 years of fandom....



This is the first issue of Helmuth, Speaking for Boskone. Helmuth will be produced (I hope...) twice a day on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. One issue will be out by about 1:00 p.m. (which will contain most program changes for upcoming events), and the other will be out by 7-8:00 and will contain party listings. The newsletter will also include information about registration, contests, awards, a cryptic crossword puzzle, gossip, information and [gasp] news. We will distribute it throughout the convention - Information Desk, Con Suite (night issues), near the Huckster's Room/Art Show, near the main Program area, etc.

Helmuth needs news from you! Contributions (information, parties, etc.) should be written up LEGIBLY and left at the Information Desk. Help us find out what's happening (please!) Artwork (specifically fillers) will be appreciated and credited - the header above (and we do have enough headers already...sorry) is by Merle Insinga.

(Back to our Sponsor.....)

As you might note from the header, the theme of Boskone XXIII (23, for those who don't read Latin) is "Fifty Years of SF Fandom." We are taking note of 1986's being the 50th anniversary of the 1936 Philcon (the first ever US (and at most the 2nd)con) by having a strong emphasis on the history of SF fandom in the main program, some films of historical interest, and a general emphasis on organized SF fandom. Relating to this, Friday night is "Regional Party Night" - we are encouraging local clubs and groups to run open parties.

Speaking of Parties - if you are planning to hold an open party (one which we will list in Helmuth and on a notice board), please tell Information about it as soon as possible (one day's notice - if you can manage that!). We will have you fill out a form that will help us "seed" your party with supplies (usually a few cases of soft drinks and munchies - to be picked up at Logistics at least 2 hours pre-party). See the Program Book and Information for more details.

Information will be near the Registration area in the Republic Foyer on the Plaza level - 2nd floor. They are open today from noon - 8:00 p.m....go there if you need answers to (Boskone-related) questions, etc.

Registration: If you are not registered, cost is \$25.00. This includes free babysitting for kids (see Information for further details on that). Registration is located in the Republic Foyer on the Plaza level (2nd floor), and is open from 3:00 to 9:30 tonight. Pre-registration is currently 2445. This includes Life Members (more info. on that at NESFA sales table), Guests, etc. Numbers will henceforth be listed as the first item in Helmuth.

Interesting Pre-reg statistics: the most popular first name is "David" with 84. Massachusetts had 1306 preregistrants, NY-304 and (dropping quickly) NJ-150, NH-143, CT-126, and PA-57. Iowa, Utah, and Wyoming each had one preregistrant. 16 states had no preregistrants - if you can name them all, you'll get a prize from the newsletter (no kidding! First correct list only!)

We need your HELP. Science fiction conventions are run totally by volunteers. If you have even a few hours, anytime, please volunteer. Come to People Mover (a.k.a., the "Gopher Hole" (sp.??)) on Liberty A (2nd Floor-Plaza level) Fri. 9-9. All volunteers receive a Helper Button. Those who work more than 8 hours get a terrific T-shirt! HELP!!!

**PROGRAM:** Program items will take place on Friday evening through Sunday night, and will cover all areas of SF: history, book production, art, fandom, etc. Program changes will appear in Helmuth and (we hope) on the schedules outside the appropriate room. People interested in the Artists' Workshop (starting tomorrow) should check Helmuth and the sign outside Liberty C, where this program item will be based. Trivia Bowl is also running again. Check it out. If you would like to sign up for, or run, a Discussion Group - we'd like to help! Check with the Information Desk for this...we'll be listing these groups in Helmuth. Helmuth will also contain a listing of Autograph sessions, and other special events.

**ART SHOW:** Open from 8 to 10 tonight, in the Sheraton's Exhibit Hall (one floor below the lobby. The HUCKSTER'S ROOM is right next to it, and will be open tonight between 5 and 9 p.m. Both will reopen tomorrow morning at 10 a.m.

The **CON SUITE** (Commonwealth Room and Jefferson Room for smokers, both on 3rd Floor) will be running round-the-clock----starting at 3 p.m. today. Enjoy Boskone's longest-running open party.....

**NESFA Sales** - Newly available from NESFA Press, in the Huckster's Room!  
Out of my head by GOH Robert Bloch - in (200) boxed (at \$18.00 at-con) and unboxed (\$9.00) versions. Buy now.

and  
 Boskone XXIII T-Shirts, with artwork by our Official Artist, Bob Eggleton. T-shirts are \$8.00, sell fast, and come in men's and women's S - XL

**Hotel** - We are filling nearly the entire hotel. Because of this, we will have some mundanes on most floors...it really can't be avoided. We're trying to do our best to make this work out, and hope you can help us all enjoy ourselves.

Try not to slam doors - apparently most noise complaints at the Sheraton Boston are due to this! We'd really like to come back here next year, and a little self-control (like don't set off explosives at 3 a.m., or skinny dip or do other obviously anti-social stuff...) on everyone's part will help. As far as dress codes (a major problem last year), some kind of shirt and footwear (besides the minimum requirements, obviously!) is required by the Boston Board of Health - jeans and T-shirts are acceptable at any restaurant in the hotel except Apley's. But - please don't overdo it... "if it flakes off into the soup" it probably shouldn't be worn into a restaurant! After all, the hotel is not scotch-guarded, and worries about (even unintentional) damage.....

Also, there will be an Express Elevator (Fri. 5 - 1) stopping at 1, 2, 3, 15 and 25. And remember - rooms from the 6th floor up are in 2 separate towers. If the number is -(less than)50 it's in the North Tower, -50+ it's in the South.

Frank Herbert died on Tuesday (2/11) of cancer. Herbert was 65 years old, and was working on a 7th Dune novel with his son at the time of his death in Madison Wisconsin. He will be missed.

L. Ron Hubbard died on January 24. One of our first shapers of science fiction (as we know it today), he was also involved in Dianetics/Scientology. Another loss to the SF community.

Last words for now: More information is available in your Program Book, Pocket Program, Dealer's Room Directory, Film Schedule, Video Schedule, Restaurant Guide, etc. etc. ....Helmuth (and information, and people wearing green ribbons, generally) will probably be able to help you find answers to any questions you have. We're here to help you have a good time, and to learn what science fiction fandom is all about. So, relax (better - volunteer and HELP us!) and remember.....

# COMET

Friday  
Late  
edition

# HELMUTH

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SPEAKING FOR BOSKONE ...

Numbers: At 5:30, 502 people who preregistered showed up (not counting Program, Art Show, Dealers, Life, etc.) and 281 showed up at-the-door, bringing total warm bodies at con to 783 (+ the 200 or so just mentioned....)

Late night Registration will take place in Hampton 8 from shortly after 10 until 1 a.m.

Locations: Freebies of all sorts are in the Constitution Foyer

Rekon is in room 1934.

The Gay Hospitality Suite is in room 2008 - everyone is welcome

The Grill 23 & Bar is on the corner of Berkeley and Stuart Streets, on the other side from Newbury (near the Park Plaza) They have asked for our business, and will accommodate reasonable costumes too.

Program (changes, etc.) I know it's too late, but: Michele Lundgren and Mark Norton, off

John Skipp and Craig Spector read at 7 p.m. "Bidding for Art"

Bruce Pelz is off the 9 p.m. Regional Fanac panel

Rick Hautala is off, and Craig Spector is on the 10 p.m. "Horror Literature" panel

Judith Tarr has been added to the "Historical SF" panel at Sat. noon

Discussion Group (1 p.m., Beacon H - Saturday) on Costuming.

The "Meet the Pros/Costume Party" will be shown live on video - Hotel channel 3.

Autographs (in Huckster's Room): Carl Lundgren, 8 p.m. Friday

Sat. - 10 a.m. - Chris and Janet Morris, Bob Eggleton

11 a.m. - Darrell Schweitzer and someone else (our original person JUST switched!)

12 noon - Charlene Taylor and Joan D. Vinge

1 p.m. - Judith Tarr and Gardner Dozois

Artists Workshop - Liberty C (and maybe D) - see sign in front of door for details

11-11:30 - Bob Eggleton 11:30-12 - Charles Lang 12-12:30 - Taylor Blanchard

12:30-1 - Kathy Blanchard 1-1:30 - Janny Wurts 1:30-2 - Ron Walotsky (more when current....)

Dragonslair - (Beacon D and E): At 10 a.m. Sat., Hal Clement talks about his new book, and at 2:00 p.m., he discussed creating a universe. Also - if you want to play D&D in the Dragonslair, sign up there - when there are enough on the sheet, there will be a game.

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6-midnight - rm. 608/9 - Nolacon II (New Orleans in '88)

7:30 - rm. 1434 - Monty Python/Rocky Horror, also 1708/9 - Philip K. Dick Society (to 10:30)

8 - rm. 942 - HUMANALO SF Society of Rhode Hampshire, also rm 865 - Holland in '88

10 - rm 840 - Ista and Segel Wehrs also rm. 1408 - Cincinnati in '88

also ... somewhere on the 11th floor (North?) Bunch of Fans (Western Mass.)

Other one-time-reported OPEN Parties (without rooms? - check boards) are:

University of Hartford SF Society, Rhode Island Christian Fandom, Hoboken in '89,

St. Louis in '88, Tallmadge/Westbury (wedding?), and the Society for Intergalactic

Fictional Interests (late information - rm 937 at 8)

Note: If you are walking to the subway

and you'd like people to walk with - go to the "I" sign on the 2nd floor at the top of the escalator that goes down to the hotel lobby. It might be safer to walk with others

LOST: A small Art Folio and Artwork. Folio is brown cloth with a black handle - if found, please bring to Boskone services for Mark Norton (Hampton room)

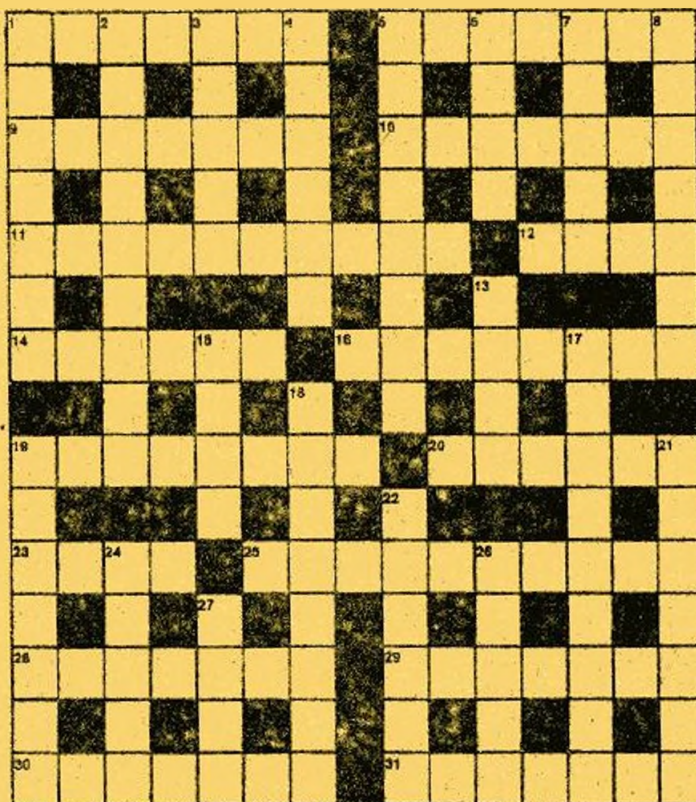
CRYPTIC CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across

1. Is floss improper for mastodon teeth, for example? (7)
3. Before long, this dead person rose again. (7)
4. Might be EST or DST, or whenever? (3, 4)
10. Tolkien hero appears just around March 21 - April 19 (symbolically). (7)
11. I heard a McKillip character danced wildly in a Harrison series. (10)
12. Tow Ramoth off, perhaps? (4)
14. Changing direction and confusing low-key hicks. (6)
15. It sounds like you changed in poetry - but was really whole cosmos! (8)
16. Dawn is noisy on Bradley's world. (8)
17. Re., TV - it might be supportive. (6)
23. Dig up bottom, removing Dr. Asimov's foundations? (4)
24. Possibly, on what planer is Estcarp? (5, 5)
26. Kim was rude - initially lost manners, and lost right too! (7)
29. "I run con," raved the mythical beast. (7)
30. Relaxing might fluster? (7)
31. Seats Ferman awkwardly, then calms down. (7)

Down

1. Dominic may cook in Earth orbit. (7)
2. Luke initially seemed kind, yet would always lynch koalas (even Roger's!) (9)
3. I see sir: is he from Emerald City (well - Isle...)? (5)
4. Was he lobotomized by a giant spider? Apparently. (6)



5. Doesn't start or finish glib cat story by Heinlein. (4, 4)
6. Nothing can be easy or badly done! (4)
7. Either drink or gossip. (5)
8. Grape we objectively mashed for initial liquid (and then decamp?) (7)
13. Lose something somewhere? The rainbow will put you on top! (4)
15. Short record about 2 loves and One Ring? (4)
17. Due to disorderly riot, brave farmer and the twain met on this vessel. (9)
18. Large ion storm reveals Boskone? (8)
19. Person who lives well within the German border. (7)
21. Obnoxiously digs into endless reports. (7)
22. Boys and girls cost us confusion. (6)
24. Canine chromosomes. (5)
26. Eccentricly, I drew old tales. (5)
27. Foams up without a big beater, maybe? (4)

"You need not mean what you say, but you must say what you mean." - "Afrif's" law of cryptic construction. I (hope I) followed it here.....

# helmuth - 3

Saturday  
early  
edition

(Note: last header was  
by Bob Eggleton....)

Numbers: as of Friday 10 p.m. - 1150 Pre-reg. showed up, 890 at-the-door, 2040 total  
(Dan Delaney, Mark Blackman are Registration Staff too!) <sup>HP 30¢ from last page</sup> (Sorry about that angle....)

Awards- Susan L. Williams won the NESFA Story contest, for "The Crystal Rose"  
Wilson ("Bob") Tucker won the Skylark Award - it was accepted for him by Robert Bloch  
The first Jack Gaughan Award was awarded to Steve Hickman - it was presented by  
(flik award announced Sat. night) Kelly Freas  
Costumes... 9 Garish Ribbons Awarded (Devils Escape, Gravity Researchers Rush off to publis  
Gregory Novelli and Jim Whalen - Lord Dauntor of the Dulkalath and Viceroy Sucherzerain  
Wendy Anne Conant and Wendy McGraff - Morgana and her Dragon  
Karen Kinsley - Artanrhod  
Bradley Munn - Norma Bates  
Honorale Mentions..... Drew Sanders - Dr. Dealgood  
Henry L Welch - Erector Man Gravity Research Team, The Red Devils  
and.... "Searchers for The Lost Temple of (please let us know your names!!!!)  
Boxboro Fandom" - Brigid Cassidy, Hans Kernast, Richard Lesses, Steve Koon, Anne  
Norton Winter, Lee Winter, Paul Norton, Mark Norton

Program changes, etc. NOTE: Cut through the Constitution Room to avoid traffic and  
get to the Liberty Complex and other neat areas - allowed  
Autographs: (Sat.) and advised!  
2 - Jeff Carver, Nancy Kress 3 - Lawrence Watt-Evans, Ellen Kushner, Esther Friesner  
4 - Robert Bloch 5 - James Patrick Kelly

Discussion Groups: (Don't be shy, sign up!) - Liberty B  
1 p.m. - Magic in the Modern World (Lars Colson)

Andy Chaikin off "Halley's Comet" (1 p.m.)  
Main Program: Larry Niven is off the 3 p.m. "My Worst Story" panel. Bill Kerby at 4 p.m.  
George Wilhelmson has been added to "Electronic Fanac" (8 p.m.) and  
David Hartwell to 9 p.m. "The Problems With Writing Awards"

\*\*\*The Boxed Books (i.e., Bloch's Out of My Head sold out about 15 minutes after the  
Huckster's Room opened.....we warned you. T-shirts also going ridiculously fast.

Also in the Huckster's Room - please note that the Lunarians are selling  
memberships for Lunacon (3 weeks) and PSFS is selling memberships for Philcon (November?)

And Next Year at Boskone (#24....we plan ahead....): get your membership now at the  
NESFA Sales table. Cheaper (\$16.00) and a status (low) membership number. C. J.  
Cherryh will be the GOH (more info when available.....)

(DISCUSSION GROUPS - Continued.....) 2 p.m. - Chet Twarog: Sex, Space Tourism,  
and Geocentricity  
4 p.m. - Jim Frenkel will have a slide  
show and discussion about cover art and Bluejay Books

Check the schedule boards in the Registration/Information lobby for late  
additions - also the signs in front of Program rooms for late changes.

Want Ad: Filmmaker (sic) desires short story to make into film. Contact Michael  
Phillips at Gloucester Wine and Spirits (in the Mall) or write Box 663, Boston MA  
02199

Next issue deadline at about 5.....

GOFERS will receive a T-shirt with art by Charles and Wendy Lang (who will autograph the shirts in the Gopher Hole from 11:30-12 noon on Sunday. People who have thus far earned this neat shirt are: Thomas Schaad; Lucinda Kaye, Sarah Kaye!!! (Note: Watch for the Travelling One Shot.....)

There will be a Writing Workshop run by Jacqueline Lichtenberg starting at 12 noon in Beacon A (or B). No spectators - writers only - all welcome

The "Gamilon Embassy once again invites you to come and enjoy Japanese Animation - showing in rm. 1431 - Sat. 5 p.m.

\*\*\*LATE NUMBERS (as of about 11 a.m. - Sat. - pre-reg (showup) - 1201+ at-the-door: 890 (+ 100?) total: 2091 (and counting up.....)

Lost: a red and black earring (small red rectangle with red and black triangles) - bring to Lost and Found (at Information....)

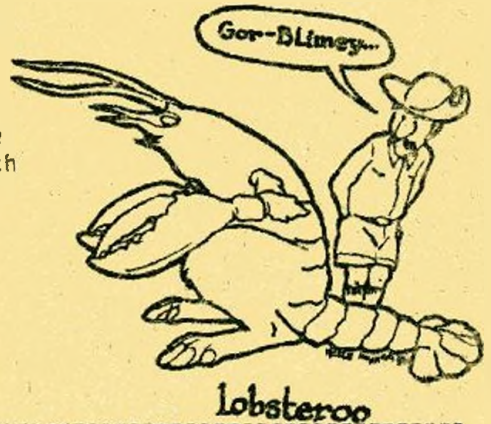
The Coffee Shop in the hotel closes at 4 p.m. - they don't have the staff to stay open longer - sorry.

There will be an Express Elevator tonight. It will stop on 3, 15, 25.

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"Prepare to embrace your creators in the stygian haunts of hell, barbarian, gasped the first soldier."  
...Does this sound like the worst story ever written? It may well be. This is an excerpt from "The Eye of Argon," a story which first appeared in an obscure fanzine many years ago.

Boskone will present a reading of the complete "Eye of Argon" (we hope). This will be a group reading, with each person reading for as long as possible - nobody has read very far without cracking up. Come to the reading - participate as a reader. Find out more of the adventures of Grignr the Ecordian (with a heavy reward tacked over his head), his girlfriend (with the lithe, opaque nose), and their quest for the scintillating, many fauceted scarlet emerald - THE EYE OF ARGON!

BE THERE!!!!



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T H E F T   P R E V E N T I O N



Large conventions such as Boskone unfortunately attract professional thieves. In the excitement of the convention, people sometimes forget normal caution and leave valuables such as cameras or pocket books in the open, unattended. With convention attendance in the thousands, one can not even assume that all of the convention members approach things with an appropriately friendly attitude. There have been thefts and other incidents at previous Boskones. Please use common sense, watch your valuables, follow hotel suggestions concerning your security and safety, and report vandalism and similarly inappropriate activities to the hotel and the Boskone committee. Note that no one on the Boskone committee has authority to take custody of, or responsibility for, your valuables.

extraterrestrial  
insurance salesperson  
thing

Art by Merle Insinga. Good stuff.

\*\*\*Party Announcements should be put in the Helmuth box (if you want to advertise) by 5 p.m. tonight!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

ALL NEW! NEVER BEFORE SEEN!!!!

Saturday  
late  
edition

# GODZILLA vs. HELMUTH

(SPEAKING FOR BOSKONE.....)



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Numbers: as of 3 p.m. - We have recalculated, based on the assorted Program/Dealer/  
Art Show/Staff numbers... now: 1955 (+ Dealers, +1207) pre-reg showups, (about 400  
no-shows?), 1264 at-the-door... totals: 3259 attending (about 1/00 total)

PARTIES (this list as of 4 p.m. - sorted by N/S Tower, then floors)

Crossover is 5th floor and below

- (S)
- 865 - Holland in 1990 - 10 - 2
- 1159 - Open doors at the Adele Leone Agency: for pros and serious aspiring writers  
only - sales pitch (cut-rate agenting for first-timers) with party; 7-9 only
- \*1255 - The Galacticon Committee presents a "triple music party" (details on sign) 7-midnight
- 2654-L-5 Society, 10-12

(N)

- 608/9 - Nolacon II - New Orleans in '88 - 9 p.m. - ?
- 742 - Hatcon 4 (June 6-8) - 9 p.m. - 3 a.m.
- 833 - I-Con V (April 5-6) - 10 p.m.
- 936 - Prisoner Party - 11:30
- 941 - Maplecon/Canada Party - 9
- 1104 - "Rachel's Still in Albany and Rita's Still in Alaska"  
(The Foundation) - 10:30
- 1413 - LA con III Party - 10 p.m.
- 1501 - St. Louis in '88 Worldcon Bid Committee - 9 p.m.
- 1508/9 - Bermuda Triangle in '88 - 10 p.m. (Worldcon Bid)
- 1539 - RISFA North - 10 p.m. - non-smoking
- 1609 - Secrets of the Lost Temple of BOXBORO - 9:30 (always a recommended party....)
- 1706/9 - Readercon Party - 10 - ?
- 1908/9 - MIT Tangent Gaming Group and SF Music Appreciation Party (7-11-onward....)
- 1932 - Tallmadge/Westbury Party - 6-11 (nonsmokers welcome)
- 2008 - Gay Hospitality Suite - 9 p.m.
- 2031/2 - Genericon/Lastcon (chocolate) Party - 10-2
- 2226 - Open Backrub Party... 8:30 - ???
- 2231 - Philadelphia 50th Anniversary - 10 p.m.

(note: Helmuth believes  
this to be a complete and  
reasonably-correct list,  
based on many scraps of  
paper with cryptic comments.  
Just the basics, here.....)

(that's all for now - late  
arrivals on back???)

Autographs (tomorrow, Huckster's Room)

- 10:00 - Roger MacBride Allen, William Sleator, Jacqueline Lichtenberg
- 11 - Real Musgrave, Marvin Kaye
- 12 - Ben Bova, James Gurney, Craig Shaw Gardner
- 1 - Jane Yolen, Craig Spector, John Skipp
- 2 - Somtow Sucharitkul, Joe Haldeman
- 3 - Joel Rosenberg, Barry Longyear

note: a Writer's Circle, based  
in the Brighton, Brookline,  
Newton area is interested in  
attracting new members. If  
you're interested, contact  
Pamela Mallory-Ricker, at

### Discussions

- Sat., 8 p.m. - Beacon G - Friends of Darkover, Arilinn Council
- Sun., 1 p.m. - Liberty B - Tarot Workshop with Jacqueline  
Lichtenberg
- Sun., 2 p.m. - Liberty B - Hacking Today and Tomorrow - an open forum (mod. by  
Glen Daniels (GUSE MIT-G2)

46 Atkins St - 2, Brighton  
MA, 02135 (783-0369)

Scavenger Hunt Judging - Sunday, 1 p.m. in Beacon H. Awards and Presentations follow.

Program CHANGES -----

- 8 p.m. - Electronic Fanac moved to Independence West - add George Wilhelmsen
- 9 - add David Hartwell to "The Problems with Writing Awards"
  - Move "Costumes of the Past" to I-West
- 10 - Move "Misfits" show to I-Center (bût wait! there's more.....)
  - Move Folk Dancing to Constitution
- 11 - Move Mindless Mush to I-Center, also move midnight Eye of Argon to I-Center

Sunday: 11 a.m. - add Bruce Colville to "Young Adult Literature"  
11 - Bill Fawcett replaces Clayton Emery on "Fantasy Roles" panel  
11 - Andrew Su and Janice Eisen will appear on the MITSFS panel  
noon - add David Hartwell to "Lovecraft" and remove Larry Niven from "Winning..."  
and (final change, at the moment) - Nick Smith replaces Sharon Green at 3 p.m. reading

Family Emergency - Joseph Oldham, please call home IMMEDIATELY  
Special thanks to those who stayed the night with the "Campbell Soup" guy

Lost: Small black pouch with IDs - contact Chet Dobro in People Mover  
Found: Personalized ID bracelet, after Baen dance party - see L+F in Info. area  
Costume corrections (?) - It was Lord Bauntor of the Bulkatoph's: also...a dispute over "which Red Devils" - either Debbie Zeigler and Susan Drozda OR "I of Newton" (Steve Semken, Ken Meltzner, Janice Eisen, Leonard Foner, Doug - rm. 1939)  
I have no idea (I only report this stuff.....) Fight it out elsewhere!!!!  
Sales - all of the Men's T-Shirts (except some S) are sold out - also Women's Large sizes

Gophers - 4 more earn T-shirts!!!! Victoria Smith, Pete Dilworth, Ruth Cahoon, Franz Cahoon  
There will be a special Gopher get-together (wow) on Sun. 11 a.m. in Gofer Hole  
The header this issue of Helmuth is by Honorary Gopher (and Guest Artist)

Helmuth Helpers- Jamie O'Keefe, Greg Costikyan, Bob Eggleton  
and Bob Lipton (on mimeo, etc.)

Important HOTEL stuff: The hotel is being nice to us - let's be nice to them. .  
Don't put tape notices on the walls, and don't dump trash around - there are 3200+ of us here (we outnumber them) and obnoxious behavior of any kind really hurts us more than anyone else....Shape up guys! - Enjoy yourselves, and help everyone else (fellow fen and helpful hotel) have fun too!!!!  
Note: the Huckster's Room and Art Show are located one floor below the lobby - some people seem to have trouble finding it.  
\*\*\*\*\*ART SHOW CLOSES SUNDAY AT NOON - "guard your ART!\*\*\*\*\*

Trivia Bowl Finals start at noon on Sunday - featuring last year's winners ("The Center City Kill Zone" from Philadelphia) vs. "Fred" (a group composed of winners from Worldcons). Good luck!

late stuff: Sat., 9 p.m. (Beacon G) Amiga Discussion  
"James Scott" SF Radio Show, etc. - Suite 908/9 - party at 9 -- live concert by "The Sophist" at 1:30 a.m.....

Bluejay Books will have a slide presentation in Beacon G at 3 p.m.

Somtow Sucharitkul will do his thing (reading?) Sunday at 4 p.m. in Beacon G



hermit dragon  
(more nifty Helmuth Art)  
by Merle Insing.....

.....and that's the way it is.....(next news at about noon-to-one p.m. on Sunday)....

.....PARTY TIME.....



PROGRAM CHANGES (cont. from page 1):

- Saturday, 10 PM, Room 405: "Sacred Harp and Other Multi-Part Singing" (with Clam Chowder).
- Saturday, 10 PM, Room 410: The previously announced "Clarke's Law" item is a talk by Lars Colson.
- Saturday, 11 PM, Room 410: Tarot Discussion after Lars' talk.
- Sunday, noon-1 PM, Room 405: Massconfusion I/Technicon XI sponsors discussion on "The value of coffee & donuts on Sunday morning at an SF con".
- Sunday, 1 PM, Room 405: "Lasers - Non-Military Applications", Jeff Hecht.
- Sunday, 1 PM-3 PM, Room 406: Panel discussion on "Japanese Animation".
- Sunday, 1 PM, Room 410: Diane Duane, reading from "Deep Wizardry" and "The Door into Shadow".
- Sunday, 4 PM, Room 406: "Costuming" - Masquerade; Hall; How to Do It; Hints and Techniques.

THE FAN ROOM DOES EXIST

Despite rumors to the contrary and the lack of notice in the Program Book, the Fan Room is in operation in the Fairfield Room on the mezzanine. It will be open from 1 to 6 PM on Sunday. There are old fanzines on display, new fanzines for sale, and maybe a few for free. Moshe Feder is on hand to answer your questions about fandom (special free-wheeling fanzine discussion session from 3 to 4 on Sunday) and give out the milk and cookies.

Remember that BOSKONE XXII memberships are available at the \$15 rate through tomorrow only, at the NESFA table in the Hucksters' Room; the rate goes up to \$17 after tomorrow. Life memberships \$300, also tomorrow only.

Attention all Costumers or those interested in Costuming. There will be a Costume discussion group at 4:00 PM Sunday in Room 406. Sponsored by the Columbi Fantasy Costumers Guild. Learn more about Hall and Competition Costuming from Master Costumers Janet Wilson, Phil Mercier, and Kathryn Mayer. Get makeup tips from Richard Hill. Learn how to build anything from Gregory Anderson. And how to present it successfully from Jonathan Howard Funder.

I just (7:15 PM) checked the box again, and collected the following additional news:

PARTIES:

- 9 PM-midnight, Room 831 -- Gamelon Embassy.
- 9 PM, Room 830 -- Montreal Group open party (Canadian beer).
- 10 PM, Room 998 -- RISFA North.

The VIDEO watching room has switched to 421, and the BOARD GAMES room has been switched to 409, due to technical difficulties.

PROGRAM CHANGE:

Sunday, 1 PM-3 PM, Room 406: (more details) Japanese Animation discussion panel; question and answer session.

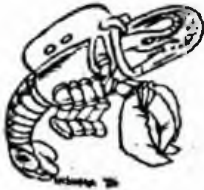
Attention, anyone with Japanese-animation costumes (or cameras): There will be a photo session Sunday at noon near the telephones near the Plaza Ballroom (by the checkroom).

Please DON'T RUN in the corridors, and especially not in the stairwells. (The editor decided to include this message after a young woman running upstairs tripped and threw herself at his feet.)

OK, that's all for now. Next (and presumably last) issue should be out around noon Sunday.

\* Mimeo Problem - sorry this  
(+ #6) might be late !!!

Sunday  
early  
edition



# Helmuth — 5

art by Merle  
Insinga

NUMBERS - as of 11:25 a.m., we stand at almost 4000 total registration.....  
Better numbers in #6.....ARRGH!

- BOSKONE 23 Art Show Awards: Best Artist, Popular Choice - (Pro) Michael Whelan (1st)  
HM - Dawn Wilson (1), Bob Eggleton (?).....Director's Choice - Bill  
Bond - "Enchanted Forest" Chairman's Choice - Michael Whelan - "Foundation"  
Best 3-D - (Pro) Sabbia "Time Machine" (1), Bill Bond "Enchanted Forest" (HM)  
(Am) Jim Mueller "Maxwell's Demon I - The Stripper" (1), John and  
Nancy Buford "Nautilus" (HM)  
Best Textile - (Am.) Rosemary Sherman "Silk Jacket" (1), Cathy Bence "Shadow" (HM)  
Best Spacecraft - (Pro) - Joe Bergeron "Galileo! Galileo!". (Am) - Bill Spitzak "The  
Best Old Dutch Master Long Shot" (1), John Osborne "Crossing Sunset" (HM)  
Best Astronomical - (Pro) Dean Morrissey "Le Malade Imaginaire" (1st), Tom Kidd  
"Conquerors from the Darkness" (HM)  
Best SF - (Pro) Ron Miller "Galileo Probe" (1), William Hartmann "Red Spot  
from the Ring" (HM)  
(Am) - Michael Whelan "Foundation" (1), Wayne Barlowe "Ecological Envoy" (HM)  
(Am) - Merle Insinga "Protector"  
Best Artist - Popular Choice: Charles Lang (1) - Randy Laguna, Linda Michaels, Patrick  
Wynne (HMs)--Staff: Dawn Wilson "Secret Journey" (1) - Bill Bond "Enchanted  
Forest", Thomas Canty "Renose", Gary Lippincott "Merlin Unravels the Future" (HM)  
Best Horror - (Am) - Charles Lang "Bacon, Lettuce, and Terror" (1) + "Charley Sent Me" (HM)  
Best Cute - (Pro) - Real Musgrave "Tournament Insurance"  
Best Hacker - (Pro) - Lee Moyer "The Mad Hacker" (Am) Vernon Grant "Hacker Duck"  
Best Print - (Pro) - Lela Dowling "Flight of Fancy" (1), Darlene P. Coltrain "Deep Dreams" (HM)  
Best Fantasy - (Pro) Jill Karla Schwarz "Slain Dragon" (1), James Gurney "The Dragon Griaule"  
(Am) - Linda Michaels "Square rigger among the Trees" (1), Timothy Standish "Beware  
the Sorceress" (HM)  
Best Use of Family - (Pro/1) - David Cherry "Lady of Light"  
Best BBW - (Pro) Gary Lippincott "Nightshade" (1), Jill Karla Schwarz "Spring" (HM), A.C.  
Farley "Chuft Captain" (HM)  
(Am) Patrick Wynne (overall work) (1), William Filios "King Lear" (HM)  
Best Color - (Pro) Ron Walotsky "The Eclipse" (1), William Filios "King Lear" (HM)  
(Am) Randy J. Laguna "Judge of the Ninth Circle" (1), David Amaral "Riding the  
Solar Wind" (HM)  
Best Humor - (Pro.) - Ken Macklin "Unspeakable Deeds in the Dead of Night" (1), Bob  
Eggleton "Guest Speaker" (HM). (Am) Jane T. Sibley "The Martyrdom of St.  
Vidicon of Cathode" (1)  
Best Illustrator - (Pro) - Michael Whelan "Foundation Triptych" (Arkady, The Mule, Foundation  
(1), Bob Eggleton "Arrakis Triptych" (Arrakis, Moons of Arrakis, Sandworm of  
Arrakis) (HM)

PROGRAM - SPECIAL 2-HOUR **LUCASFILMS** PRESENTATION 3-5 in Grand Ballroom...this will contain  
the (previously messed-up) Saturday slide show, and other good stuff on "Labyrinth  
and "Howard the Duck" -----Be there!!!!

Discussions: Fannish Cat Stories (Beacon G, 2), Starmaster PBM Info Session (Beacon A, 3)  
SF Poetry (Elissa Malcoln - Liberty B-4), Fantasy Role-Playing Worlds (Beacon A, 2)  
Japanimation (Rob Fenlon-Beacon H, 3), "The Subgenus vs. the Mundane (Beacon G, 1  
and "Thirty Years of Godzilla" (Frank Strom and Jim Mann - Beacon H, 4)

Note: Last night's fire alarm, like Friday's, was caused by someone smoking under a  
fire alarm/smoke detector. Please be careful.

DEADLINE for Helmuth 6 (Parties, etc.) is about 4.....

EYE of ARGON - "Cathi" won HELMUTH #5 - p. 2 ((TOP))!!!

Filk Contest Winners: Duane Elms (fannish) - The Transfiguration of Joe Mundane

Leigh Ann Hussey (fantasy) - Alma Mater: Miskatonic U.

Jack Carroll (science fiction) - Half a Flying Wreck

Honorable mentions --

Carol Clawser (fantasy) - You Must Have Come a Long Way to the Con

Duane Elms (most libelous) - The Jerry Pournelle Marching Song

T. J. Burnside (fannish) - Dreamer's Lament

The MITSFS Scavenger Hunt - starts at 1 p.m. in Beacon H

Saturday Hall Costume Winners: Arienrhod as "Rainbow Warrior", Fred Isaacs as "NESFan"

Dylan Tuatha Teġānaān as "Bodicca" Walter Baric and Laura Moding as "Harlequin"

The Red Devils are Debbie Zeigler and Susan Drozda...enough already!!!!!!

A Special Commendation goes to Gopher Peter Markus for service above and beyond the call of duty - he was hauled away for a quick Logistic pickup, and was stranded in Medford (MA) for 3 hours.....(but you can still volunteer! Go to People Mover ~~and visit Medford~~ now!)  
-- and John Willis has been promoted to Registration Staff

(these are the answers to the puzzle in Helmut# 2 - No Cheating!)

- 27. Smof - Charade, etc. Invert foams, remove a, and think of a fan as a big beater....
- 26. Weid - Anagram, I DREW; "Weird Tales" magazine
- 25. Genes - Double definition (with poetic license) Gene Wolfe's (wolf's is canine...)
- 22. Scouts - Anagram, COST US
- 21. Tidings - Curtailment and anagram, DIGS INTI
- 19. Dweller - Container, D-well-er (der is a German form of "the")
- 18. Regional - Anagram LARGE ION; Roskone is a regional sf convention
- 17. Riverboat - Anagram, RIVER BRAVE; built by "Mark Twain" on Farmer's Riverworld
- 15. Loop - Container and Charade, L-oo-P ("love" = zero....)
- 13. Over - "Somewhere over the rainbow" (OZ), with something lost....
- 8. Sprague - Anagram GRAPE US (objective case of "we"....): L. Sprague DeCamp
- 7. Rumor - Double definition, Rum or
- 6. Zero - Homophone and anagram, RZ(easy) OR
- 5. Life line - Rehead and curtail "glib"....Lifeline: Heinlein classic
- 4. Shelob - Container, was HE Lobotomized; Tolkien
- 3. Irish - Container, SIR IS He....sorry about Oz, there....
- 2. Skywalker - Charade, initials of words after indicator....(Star Wars)
- 1. Flandry - Container, F-land(Earth)-ry:Anderson series

Down

- 31. Sedates - Anagram SEATS ED (Ferman)
- 30. Restful - Anagram FLUSTER
- 29. Unicorn - Anagram I RUN CON
- 28. Lensman - Anagram L(ost)MANERS (remove R(ight)(oo):Kimball Kinnison
- 25. Mitch World - Homophone; Norton series
- 23. Edge - Beheading DR("Dr."edge...."Foundation's Edge"
- 20. Trivet - Anagram, RE TV IT
- 19. Darkover - At dawn, dark is over....right?
- 16. Universe - Homophone and Charade - You = U(in) verse
- 14. Yoke's - Change "West" to "South", then anagram IO(S)-KEY"
- 12. Drag - Dragon (Ramoth from McCaffrey series) and "not on" (i.e., off)
- 11. Deathworld - Homophone; Beth whirled
- 10. Faramir - Container:Fa-(rae="Aries")-ir
- 9. Any time - A "New York" time (EST, DST) charade
- 5. Lazarus - Double definition; Lazarus Long
- 1. Fossils - Anagram, IS FLOSS

Across

One more issue due out in early evening.....

(Finally.)

# HELMUTH

Speaking  
for  
BOSKONE

Sunday  
late  
edition

Last numbers: Well, we did go over 4000....best estimates are 4014 (+ 13). About 200 pre-reg no-shows....about 3800 "warm bodies"

# 6

This issue one page: last issue 2 sheets!

## Gophers who have earned 8-hour T-shirts-----

Jamie O'Keefe	Wilma Meier	John Willis	Cher Schleigh
John Carmichael	Fred Newcomb	Nick Simicich	Charles Seelig
Sandy Hunkin	Richard Shetron	C.G. Crater	Mark Partridge
Peter Makus	Dana Farmer	Karl Ginter	Steve McDonald
Bill Lehrman	Stevanne Lehrman	David Kushner	Sarah Brown
Barry Lehrman	Jeff Jordan	Chris Costanzo	Jack Costanzo
Jody Nolin	Ginny Kirwin	Stacey Goldstein	Julie Lehrman
Mike Perkins	Mandy Slator	Chris Perkins	Chris Mueller
Sara Willig	Jill Corwin	Dave Kessler	Rebecca Scudder
Megan Brown	Stephen Blake	Paul Taylor	Laurie Atwell
Carol Paolucci	David King	Helgi Dagsson	Cindy N'Louise
Lynn L'Grecca	Ben Levy	Jennifer Holst	Mark McHill

.....and last (but surely not least) - Leslie Turek

To the person who lost the 12-foot python: the hotel sent it to the Animal Rescue League

Trivia Bowl Winners: "Fred" (Roger<sup>B<sup>2</sup></sup>) Hagen, John P. Lamur, Lee Doroschenko, Jonathan

Scavenger Hunt Winners: First Place - Bernie Armato (also- Most Creative) <sup>Boot</sup>.....

Team Awards - 1, Lunarians (team captain Elaine Litt) - 82.5

-2, Lithuanian Conspiracy (Ed Meskys) - 68.5

3, Generic Fandom -40.5 4, University of Hartford - 38.5

PROGRAM thanks L-5 Society for the loan of a slide projector. Next year we hope to get the costume video taping into the video program (contact Suford if you can help) and....remember PUNDAY tonight (so far, 13 pre-registrants?)

PARTIES (as of 3:15 - check boards and walls for late details, etc.!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!)

Boston in '89 - room 909 at 9:09 p.m.

LAcon II (help use up their surplus supplies....) -rm. 1413, 9 p.m. onward

Boxboro "Sacrificial Dog" - rm. 1609 at 9:00 (about 1200 last night. Oh, my.)

MIT SF Society - "Dead Puppies Party" - rm. 1939 - 7-midnight

Information - Janet Johnson would like to thank her assistants Elizabeth Carey and Carol Botteron - also LuAnn Vitalis, Lynda Carey, Amy Prurzanski, David Shorter, Mike Taylor, and Charles Gallella. (And Helmuth thanks Information - for everything.....)

NEXT YEAR AT BOSKONE (#24....still crazy after all these years.....)

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.....and that's the way it is. See y'all next year? (Arrgh.)

Priscilla, speaking for Helmuth, speaking for Boskone (23) - speaking for NESFA

The end.