

# CONCAVE 21

Feb. 25 - Feb. 27, 2000 Park City Kentucky





# Son of BeachCon



DeepSouthCon 38  
May 19 - 21, 2000  
Jekyll Inn,  
Jekyll Island, Georgia

Jekyll Island is located on the Southeast coast of Georgia,  
half-way between Jacksonville, Florida and Savannah, Georgia.  
The hotel phone numbers are (800)736-1046 and (912)635-2531

Guest of Honor: Jack McDevitt  
Fan Guests: P L Caruthers-Montgomery  
and Larry Montgomery  
Artist Guest of Honor: Ron Walotsky  
Toastmaster: Jack Haldeman  
Special Guest: Allen Steele

*Son of BeachCon will feature all of the usual DSC trappings:*

The Hearts Tournament of the Known Universe.

The Rebel/Phoenix/Rubble Awards on Saturday evening.

The SFC Business meeting and DSC 40 site selection for 2002  
on Sunday morning.

The ever popular Sand Castle (Mermaid) contest on Saturday (between the tides).

Plus: Con Suite, Huckster Room, Art Show, and miles of beach with jellyfish  
and sunburn (bring your Sunblock 5000).

Memberships: \$20.00 thru Aug. 8, 1999 (DSC 37)

\$25.00 from Aug. 8, 1999 to Apr. 30, 2000

\$35.00 thereafter and at the door

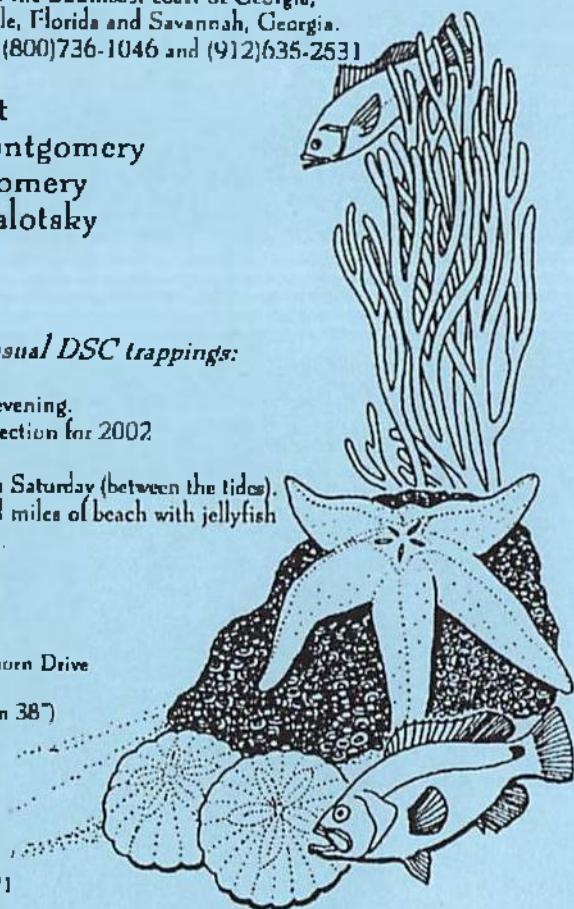
Send memberships to: Steve Francis, 5503 Matterhorn Drive  
Louisville, KY 40216-1326

(Make out checks or money orders to "DeepSouthCon 38")

Huckster Room: Klon Newell, 305 Stoneland Dr.  
Athens, GA 30606-2455

Art Show: Carolyn Morgan, 219 Tennessee Ave.  
St. Simon's Island, GA 31522-2620

General Information: Son of BeachCon (DSC 38),  
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# GRUMBLES FROM THE CAVE

So, here we are at Concave 21. I thought we should do something special to mark this milestone, so we have a real Southern fan as our guest of honor this year. Southern Hemisphere, that is! If that's not special enough for you, then let me know what would be. One person wrote in "Sarah Michelle Gellar waiting in my room" in the Preferences section of a hotel confirmation form. I said that anyone can *request* anything. I just don't promise much. If this is your first Concave, we are glad you could make it. We pride ourselves on carrying on the earliest traditions of SF conventions. This means that Concave is an unstructured weekend of socialization between SF fans with no planned activities beyond what's in the schedule. With limited space and staff, we won't be able to please everyone, but please bring problems to our attention. I should be easy to recognize--look for the guy in the strangest shirt!

It is very satisfying to hear all the comments made as to how different and enjoyable our convention is. We must be doing something right to be going strong into our third decade of running Concave! There will be a lot of people working hard this weekend to make Concave a success. Take time to thank them, or better yet, sign up for a shift as a helper in the consuite! WE LOVE VOLUNTEERS! Helpers in the consuite, art show, art auction, and drivers are always extremely welcome. There will be a sign-up sheet posted on the cabinet doors on the Barn Room kitchen for anyone interested in working. It's a great way to meet people.

I agree that the room lottery is less than perfect, but it's the best way I know to equitably assign rooms. There are room lottery forms for Concave 22 at the registration table and in the consuite. Be sure that you fill out one of these forms to be included in next year's drawing. Please simplify my job by making sure that your name only appears on one entry. I purge out name duplications, so it only wastes paper and annoys me when people fill out lottery cards with each combination of people sharing a room.

We will hold the Art Auction in the Barn Room on Saturday night. I am sorry that we have to close it down for the auction, but there isn't another room large enough in the hotel. If you help us move the furniture, the interruption will be that much shorter.

Most of you should not need an introduction to the Park Mammoth Resort by now. Once again, we will have the famous Saturday afternoon banquet. Seating is limited, and admission is \$10 per person, so buy early and often. There always seems to be something that makes Concave memorable--the weather, the people, or the place. We have adapted to the changes and hope that we continue to make Concave the best possible for all of us. If all the people who have said they are hosting parties carry through with their plans, this should be a really great bash! Go and enjoy!

Gary R. Robe

*In Memoriam*

Maurice (Boris) Beyke

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Friday February 25, 2000

12:00	Registration Opens - Hotel Lobby Consuite Officially Opens - Barn Room & Patio Room (1. Huxter Room Opens for Dealer Setup - Blue Room Art Show Setup - Rooms 134 - 136.
5:00 pm	Huxter Room, Art Show and Gaming Rooms (234-236) & Video Room Open (2.
7:00 pm	Opening Ceremonies - Patio Room
11:00 pm	Registration Closes. Late Registration in Barn Room

## Saturday February 26, 2000

10:00 am	Registration, Art Show, Huxter Room and Gaming Reopen
12:30 pm	Registration Closes. Late Registration in Barn Room
1:00 pm	Banquet & Guest of Honor Speeches - Hotel Restaurant
6:00 pm	Art Show Closes to Bidding
8:00 pm	Art Auction - Barn Room

## Sunday February 27, 2000

10:00 am	Art Show Checkout - No Sales After 11:00 am
11:00 am	Business & Site Selection Meeting - Room 266
12:00	Hotel Checkout. Gaming Room Closes. Taking Reservations for Concave 20 - Room 266
TBA	Huxter Room Closes when the Huxters have made enough money to pay for the weekend. Dead Dog Party for the survivors. Volunteers working on teardown will get a pizza dinner on Concave's tab.

(1. The Barn Room, the stairwell and the hallways  
are **NO SMOKING** areas.  
Smoking is permitted in the Patio Room

(2. The opening times for these functions are approximate, and depending  
on the speed of setup. Volunteers are always welcome. The closing times  
for these functions are not set and will be determined by the people  
running them.

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be Room Parties!**  
Look for announcements.

# GOH STEPHEN BOUCHER

## Three True Things and a Bunch of Lies About Stephen Boucher

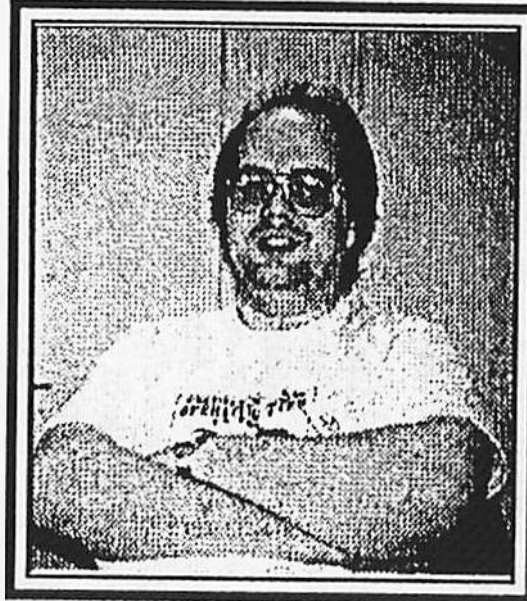
By People Who Know Him

Steve was born in Launceston, Tasmania in 1938. He graduated from the University of Hobart, Tasmania, with a joint degree in Fine Art History, and in Public Relations. Before discovering fandom, he trained performing dolphins at Marineland, managed a chain of miniature golf courses, and worked

in public relations for the National Party of Australia. His years with the Koala Preservation Society, fighting to protect marsupial habitat from urban encroachment, instilled him with a passionate love for the unique fauna of Australia. As he tenderly nursed orphaned koalas back to health, he swore never to eat meat again. "Thank God for Vegamite!" Steve exclaims. "I never feel the need to apologize to my broccoli before eating it."

He discovered fandom through his intense interest in the Dr Who series, and is well known for recreating entire episodes, playing all the parts, for the entertainment of his friend. He has long expressed a desire to travel to overseas conventions, but is reluctant to fly over water. He remains committed to a vision of fandom in which the interests of media fandom and literary fandom are as one.

His interests are wide ranging. He is a founding member of the Australian



Vegetarian Society, and co-author of the vegetarian cookbooks *Never Eat Anything With A Face*, and *Exciting Evenings with Tofu*. He was a founding member of the Adelaide University Temperance Society.

After a long career with IBM, he provided much of the public relations in Australia for the

introduction of the Apple Lisa computer, and Microsoft Windows 95. Recently, however, he has decided that computing is a passing fad and now works as an international marketing consultant for Foster's Beer Co. It is through his new career that he has realized his dream for travel by providing security on container ships for export shipments of Foster's Lager. "I'm only here for the beer," quips Steve, a lifelong temperance advocate, as he tours the US promoting his company's product among fandom.

He lives in Melbourne, Australia although he often pines for the fondly remembered Tasmanian countryside of his youth. He is married to the lovely Jenelle, and they have three children Vera, Charles, and David.

There will be a door prize at Conclave for the first person correctly identifying the three true things in this article. It's up to you to find the real Stephen Boucher.

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# A FAN'S GUIDE TO THE CAVE AREA



## FOOD:

The Park Mammoth Resort (PMR) restaurant is a perennial fannish favorite with excellent home-style cooking and their justly famous cinnamon rolls. If you want to explore, turn left on US-31W (the main road running in front of the hotel), and drive 6 miles to KY 90 in Cave City. Turn left, and you are in fast food Nirvana. If you are looking for something fancier, Bowling Green offers several choices within a 30 minute drive. Ask the con staff for recommendations and directions.



## DRINK:

If you need something that's not in the consuite, you'll discover you are in a desert, and the nearest oasis is Bowling Green. Just get on I-65 and drive to either Exit 28 for the basics, or Exit 22 for a larger selection. Since Bowling Green is the only wet area in a 50 mile radius, there are liquor stores within sight of these exits.



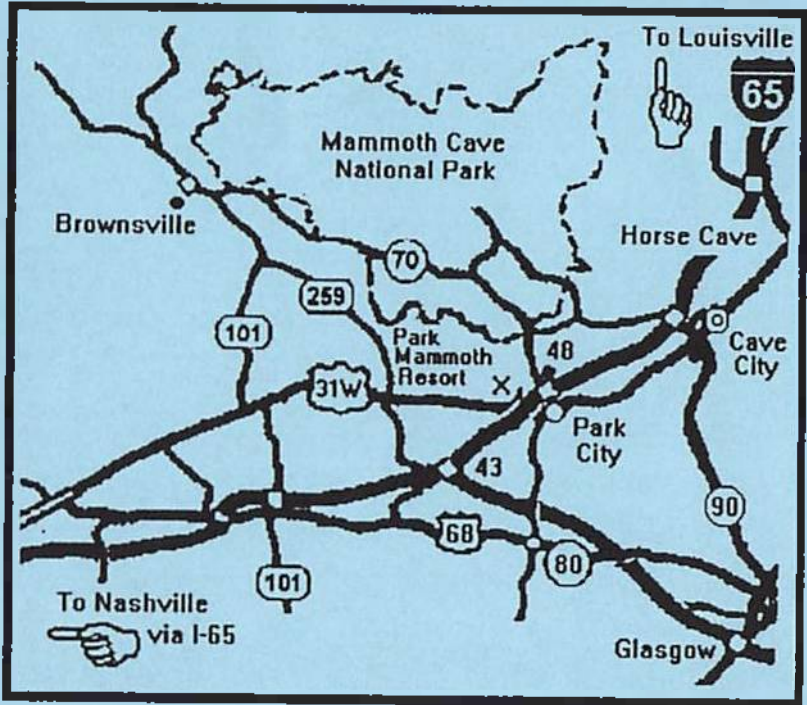
## SHOPPING:

There is an outlet mall in Horse Cave just 10 miles to the north on I-65. Bargains are mixed with the rip-offs, so caveat emptor! There is also an ATM machine located inside one of the restaurants in the center of the mall. This is the closest cash machine to the PMR. If this machine is not in line with your current banking system, Bowling Green or Glasgow are your second and third options.



## GASOLINE:

There are two gas stations on KY 255 in Park City. There are other flavors, including a 24 hour Super American, in Cave City.



## CAVE TOURS:

Mammoth Cave National Park is located about 8 miles from PMR on KY 255, and is well marked. The PMR front desk has tour schedules available. Tours often sell out, so make reservations as soon as possible. Advance tickets are available at the National Park site. Plan to get to the Visitor's Center at the Park at least two hours before departure to decide which tour you wish to take and beat the crowds.



## THE RESORT:

The PMR is a big part of Concave's success. It has many features that are unusual for a SF con hotel. The front desk can equip you for the sauna or miniature golf. Pool cues can be checked out in the consuite. The riding stables may be open if the weather permits. Follow your nose to find them! The mini-train is not running, but walking the 1.5 mile track is a Concave tradition in good weather. Other favorite outdoor activities include a walk to Lookout Point and the Tilt House, plus the tennis courts, playground and the 18 hole golf course.

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**Con Chair:**  
**Gary Robe**

**Registrar:**  
**Corlis Robe**

**Huxter Room:**  
**Steve Francis**

**Con Suite:**  
**Annette Carrico**



## **Additional Departmental Officials**

**Sue Francis - Consulte First Officer**

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**John Hans - Game Room**

**Liz Williams - Con Chair's Wardrobe**

**Patty Teague - Game Room**

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**Pat Molloy - Art Show**

**Betsy Hirst - Consulte Morning Miracle**

**And The Ever Present Elevator Committee**

## **Thanks to the ConCave 21 Volunteers**

**To Pat Sims  
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