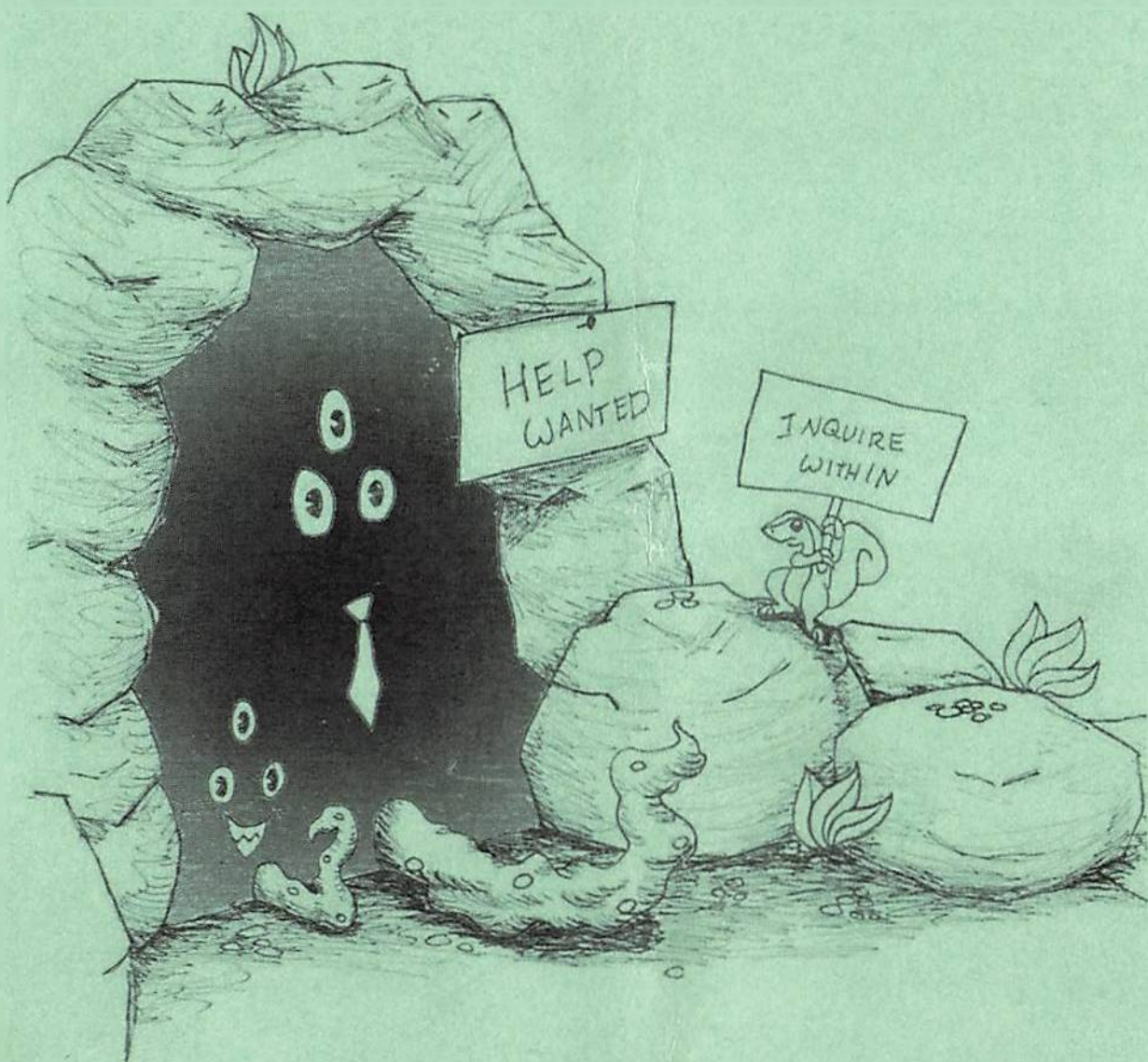


CONCAVE 36

February 20-22, 2015
Bowling Green, KY



GRUMBLES FROM THE CAVE



WELCOME TO CONCAVE 36! I am so glad you made it!

Whether this is your first time or your 36th; or any number in between! You join us now into our second half decade at the same location. Now for the good news... We have a contract in place with this location until February 2019! So this marks the beginning of Concave's own Five Year Mission! Let me start off by saying that this is a mission of Inclusion. Like the worlds of the Federation in Star Trek, Science Fiction Fandom is all about inclusion. Concave even more ; as we are a completely volunteer driven organization. Way back in the Twenty-Oughts when I was approached to take over Concave I did not want to do it. I had seen what it took pretty close-up and whoa... No way. Except Gary had an Ace up his sleeve... It was either take over at Concave 31 or Concave 30 will be the last

one. So... I had to. I didn't want to, but I didn't want it to end. In fact, I never want it to end! I now find great joy in being privileged enough to continue to help Concave exist. It is the cumulative work of so many talented people who give their all just to make sure it continues to happen. Those talented people are all of you!

More good news! We have the Denny's! Which shall, for the purposes of this weekend, be known as... **BOBBYWAYS: THE RESTAURANT AT THE END OF THE HALLWAY!** We will be serving the full meals from there and there is still seating in the facility. Hours will be posted on the entrances. Feel free to come and eat there or take your food back to the rest of the hotel. We do ask that you do your best to help keep everything cleaned up. No one will be coming to bus your table after you leave. When we aren't actually serving meals we will be prepping the rest of the food in there. So come check in with Bob if you want to help out or if you have some reasonable food request (vegetarian, Lent, etc.). We will do our best to make things you can eat but remember we are all volunteers and we're on a budget. Sorry Lobsterarians. Also, there will be a drum circle after dinner service Friday night and **FIVE YEAR MISSION** will perform on Saturday night! We are so glad to have this new space!

Now, the Math... Last year in this very column I lamented our need to increase the rate by \$5 with an additional \$10 increase this year. Well, even more good news, we only went up by another \$5! Unfortunately this may be just a postponement to next year but time will tell. If you want to help us keep the rates low then come with me on this journey of inclusion! Get those like minded folks you know would fit in and bring them next year! We need to be bursting out of the seams of this hotel by 2019! Also, volunteer. The more people helping out the easier it is on all of us. Then we all get a chance to enjoy Concave.

Other notables... This year the Art Show is having a Masquerade opening on Friday evening. So get on your freakiest duds and go and peruse the Artsy goodness in our basement Art Show. Then Saturday go to the auction there and bid, bid, bid!

Finally, I would again ask that we all take care of each other and the facility. If you see a friend who has had a little too much give them a hand back to their room; and maybe a bottle of water. If you see someone who needs a badge then help them to get registered. The only way to insure that Concave will continue for years to come is to make sure that everyone chips in their fair share. One of the things I am most proud of Concave for is the ability to self-Police. So, have fun this weekend (may it last a thousand relative years) and take care of each other!

Geronimo!



-Claude Miles

He was my personal favorite DM and many a weekend was spent in the Lair of Cave Dave battling the forces of monstrous evil he would conjure up from his vast imagination. He had the best sense of humor and I can prove it. Facing an uphill battle with cancer he chose to throw a "Cave Dave Rave: Final Farewell Tour" Party at Concave last year. Now that is guts. He showed more acceptance of his possible fate than I can imagine and he did it with style. Dave was known to roam the halls of the Hospital where he was receiving treatments dressed as the Man of Steel. Which is all too appropriate since he was a Super Man. One of the greats of my Generation he will be missed always. His boundless love for God and people was truly uncontainable. He never met a stranger and he never let the cancer get him down.

Dave shall always be a perfect example of what a Concover should be: conscientious, and jovial. He loved a good party and he hated seeing people unhappy. He now joins the ranks of the hallowed halls of Concave Guests of Honor. So breathe in Life deep folks and take it by the hand and smile as you jump feet first into your next adventure! Because that is what Dave would want! We will miss you always my friend.

R.I.P.
DAVID ANDREW BARRETT
JUNE 4, 1966 – JUNE 14, 2014

ATTENTION: CONVENTION RULES

**YOU MUST BE
AT LEAST**  
THIS *BEARD*
TO ATTEND THIS EVENT

Thank You For Your Cooperation!

— The Management

Stuff and Nonsense in Bowling Green

PROMOTIONS: Although there are literally hundreds of places to eat in Bowling Green a few have gone out of there way to make us feel especially welcome. The hotel has promotional deals with nearby restaurants and stores, so check at Reception for details and suggestions.

ATTRACTIONS: This is Concave! Where could you go that is more entertaining than this?!?! Well, if you must, there are several attractions. BGKY is the Home of the Corvette and hosts the Corvette Museum if it hasn't fallen into a sinkhole (I-65 Exit 28). If you are more adventurous Lost River Cave (Cave Mill Rd - 6th light on US 231 – Scottsville Rd, then left) is one of many parks and outdoor areas around the city. Mammoth Cave is up the road 30 miles to the north on I-65. There are two Great Escape (not the comic store!) Theaters on Campbell Ln (8th light to right on US 231, then left).

PARTY SUPPLIES: Well, it's a wet city, so there are liquor stores within walking distance of the hotel. For the largest selection there is a Liquor Barn located between the Greenwood Mall and Wal-Mart on Campbell Lane. All liquor stores in Bowling Green close promptly at 11 p.m., so plan accordingly. They DO NOT serve people in the checkout line at closing time. Beer, however is sold in groceries until 2 AM Sunday morning.

RESTAURANTS AND SHOPPING: Can be found in abundance on the oh-so-well-planned for growth Scottsville Road. If you need something you can get it , if you can stomach the traffic! We're not kidding--there's everything from new cars to camping gear! Sam's Club, The Greenwood Mall, Best Buy, K-Mart, Kroger and dozens of restaurants are all located between 1-2 miles to the right from the hotel on Scottsville Rd. Turn left 2 miles north on Scottsville Rd to Campbell Lane (Best Buy/CVS on the corners) to find Wal-Mart, Target, Lowes, CVS Pharmacy, Sam's Club, Barnes & Noble, Staples and more restaurants and shopping. As far as restaurants, there is everything from Applebee's to Zaxby's waiting for you along Scottsville Rd and Campbell Lane.

FEEDING OUR MACHINES: There are plenty of convenience stores right here at the Exit 22 interchange offering all types of fuel. For those with the required affiliations, Sam's Club and Kroger offer their usual discounts on fuel.

JAIL: Bowling Green, KY has more police per capita than Louisville and Lexington combined, so be aware they are waiting for you. They are dying to show you the accommodations they take such pride in. Seriously, these cops do not play. The city wants our revenue and the Police are there to facilitate this just as much as the hotel. Be safe and DO NOT DRINK AND DRIVE!!

CONCAVE XXXVI

Schedule of Events

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2015

- 12:00 NOON Registration Opens¹ - Art Show Setup
Consuite officially opens
- 5:00 p.m. Approximate Opening of Huxter Hall, Art, Film, & Game Rooms²
- 8:00 p.m. Opening Ceremonies - **BOBBYWAYS**
- 11:00 p.m. Registration closes. Late registration in the bar room.
- TBA: The pool will be closed only for required maintenance periods

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21, 2015

- 9:00 a.m. Breakfast Served - **BOBBYWAYS**
- 10:00 a.m. Registration and Art Show re-open - Huxter Hall opens
- 12:00 NOON Registration closes. Late registration in the bar room.
- 6:00 p.m. Art Show closes for bidding
- 7:00 p.m. Approximate start of Art Auction - Basement program room
- 8:00 p.m. Evening Meal Served - **BOBBYWAYS**
- 10:00 p.m.-ish **Five Year Mission Concert - BOBBYWAYS**
- TBA: The pool will be closed only for required maintenance periods

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2015

- 9:00 a.m. Breakfast Served - **BOBBYWAYS**
- 10:00 a.m. Art Show Checkout - No sales after 11:00 a.m.
- 2:00 p.m. Hotel checkout. Extensions may be available on request.
Gaming Rooms closes
- TBA Huxter Room closes when the last dime is squeezed from the marks.
Dead Dog Party for the survivors.
Volunteers for teardown are invited to the Sunday Night Pizza Orgy.

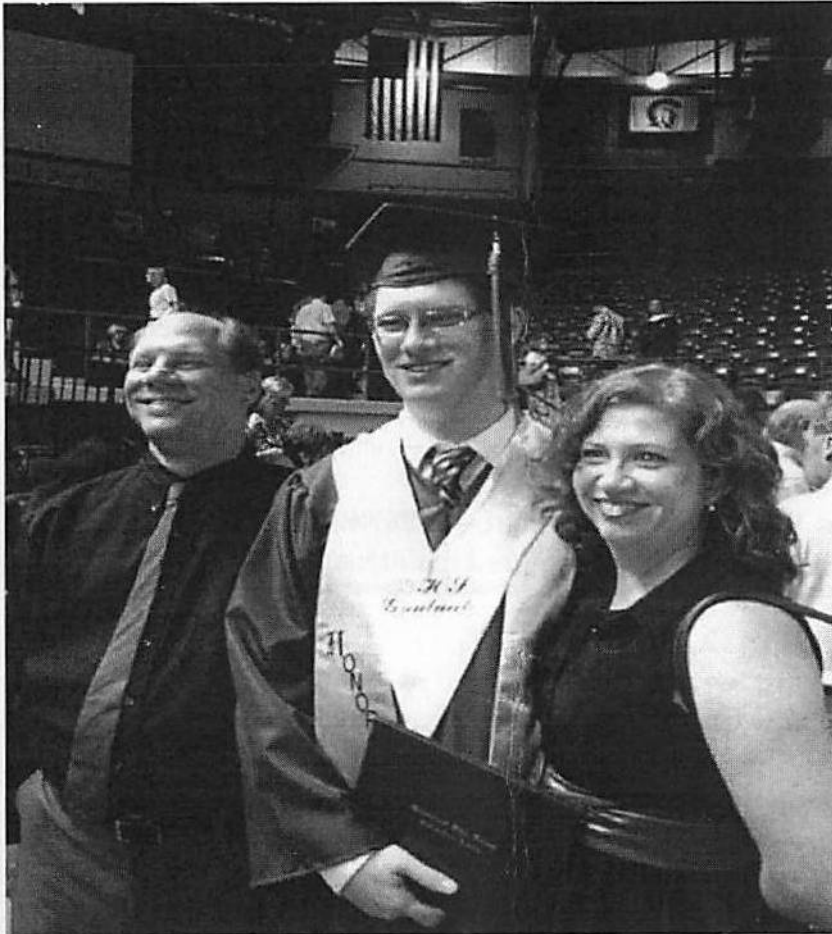
¹ ALL CONCAVE ATTENDEES WILL BE ID-CHECKED AT REGISTRATION. THOSE 21 AND OLDER WILL BE ISSUED A SPECIAL WRISTBAND. This wristband will be used as proof-of-age at all activities, including room parties. Further proof-of-age may be required by servers at their discretion. Lost or damaged wristbands can be replaced with proof of payment.

² Opening times for these areas is approximate and depend on the speed of setup. Volunteers to speed things up 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!

GUEST OF HONOR IN MEMORIAM: DAVID A. BARRETT

A Champion of the Game of Concave



**DAVE BARRETT, SON DREW, AND WIFE
SHEILA**

One of the inescapable realities of getting older is having to say goodbye to friends who have gone to the big Consuite in the Sky. The last few years have been very tough in losing friends like Ken Moore, Annette Carrico, Mike Jameson and now, Dave Barrett. Dave was one of those people who Always made Concave something to look forward to all year. Sadly, by the time of Concave 35 last year it had become apparent that Dave was likely not going to be with us physically this year, but by honoring

him as the Concave 36 Guest of Honor, at least he will be here in spirit.

David Barrett was born in Royal Oak, Michigan on June 4, 1966. Known 'round these parts as 'Cave Dave' he was bigger and bolder than Life. Whether he was looking deep into your eyes for your Spirit Animal, having you make a Saving Throw, or lighting up the Stage with his bigger than Life personality; he was always fully involved. In fact, I can think of few people who live Life with as much vigor as Dave. He was always genuinely interested in people and what they had to say.

Care and Feeding of the The Lovely Hotel

Please treat the hotel with respect! There are some rules we expect all Concave members to respect if we are to get along here.

1. The smoking areas in the hotel are the front unloading zone, outside Door 4 in the back of the hotel and in designated smoking guestrooms.

2. The Lobby / Atrium area and first floor hallways are open to the general public, and occasionally travelers will enter out of curiosity or looking for a room. Please keep activities in the public areas appropriate and considerate of local sensibilities.

3. On drawback of being in Bowling Green the temptation to drive somewhere is greater than it was out in the boonies. It is very important that we all do our best to prevent drinking and driving. The BCPD will be quick to shut us down at the first sign of a DUI complaint! Be your own Police force first and help keep each other out of trouble!

4. Concave is a membership driven convention. The low low cost of our membership is the sole form of revenue that makes this convention happen. So if you see someone without a badge help them to get one or notify Concave staff. This is a **zero-tolerance** issue. If we find you are harboring non-members in your room or sharing your badge then you are out.

5. Don't trash the hotel! There are several trash barrels on each floor and in the atrium area. Please do not allow trash to accumulate in the hallways. The better the job we do in housekeeping, the more welcome we will be next year.

6. Please report spillage and breakage as soon as possible! We understand that accidents will happen, but the sooner we are able to clean up a problem the better!

7. The Jameson Inn section of the hotel is designated the Quiet Area, so no loud talking, room parties or hall parties in this section. Many of the convention workers are staying in this area, so unless you like grumpy bartenders, keep the noise down in the designated Quiet Zones.

We hope you all will join us in thanking the staff of The Greenwood/Jameson Inn for agreeing to host this madness. The management is very appreciative of our business, so let's try to deserve their trust! A **great way to show your appreciation is to leave a gratuity for the housekeeping staff.**

- CLAUDE AND THE CONCAVE COMMITTEE

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And a very special thanks, to the
management and staff of the



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