

March 11-13, 1988

# LUNACON

Westchester Marriott Hotel  
Tarrytown, New York

'88



## **Guests:**

**Writer:** Harry Harrison

**Artist:** N. Taylor Blanchard

**Fan:** Pat Mueller

**Toastmaster:** Wilson Tucker

## WELCOME TO LUNACON '88

We hope to make this the best LUNACON ever. Information about what we are doing appears in this progress report. If you have any questions or suggestions please send them to us @ LUNACON '88, PO BOX 338, New York, NY 10150-0338.

### GUESTS OF HONOR & TOASTMASTER

#### WRITER GOH: HARRY HARRISON

We are very pleased to have another visitor from Ireland--albeit originally a Connecticut Yankee not a native Irishman. Harry Harrison first encountered SF as a reader when he was 7 and has been involved as fan, artist, writer and editor ever since. His initial work in the field was as a commercial artist mostly with comics. While Harry was a member of the New York City Hydra Club--a group of SF professionals, fellow member Damon Knight commissioned his illustrations for Worlds Beyond for which he later bought Harry's first story ("Rock Diver" in 1951). Since then Harry Harrison has had a prolific writing and editing career in the sf field. Some of his well-known works include: the popular Stainless Steel Rat novels, Deathworld trilogy, Bill, The Galactic Hero, Make Room! Make Room! (film version--Soylent Green), A Transatlantic Tunnel, Hurrah!, several different anthology series, some in collaboration with Brian Aldiss, and, his latest work--the "Eden" trilogy, so far West of Eden, and Winter in Eden. Through his travels and residence in Mexico, Ireland and various European countries Harry Harrison has become well-acquainted with the international sf scene and learned several foreign languages including, of course, Esperanto.

#### ARTIST GOH: N. TAYLOR BLANCHARD

Taylor Blanchard is so eagerly looking forward to LUNACON that he is keeping most of his artwork not for sale at other convention art shows to save it for us. Since starting to paint in 1980, Taylor has quickly risen from talented amateur to professional status. He is basically a self-taught artist, although his undergraduate education at Princeton in astrophysical sciences and MFA in sitag design at New York University have not been of no avail. Taylor's professional works include covers for Fantasy Gamer Magazine and work for other gaming publications and companies; illustrations for Aboriginal SF; covers for German sf/fantasy; and, most recently, the cover for Vonda McIntyre's novel Barbary from Houghton Mifflin. Since LUNACON '81 was not only his first LUNACON but his very first sf convention, he's especially pleased that LUNACON is the first (but surely not the last) convention to select him as Artist GOH.

#### FAN GOH: PAT MUELLER

Pat Mueller discovered fandom in 1976 while a student at Michigan State University at East Lansing. She is a real fannish workaholic with her fanac running the gamut from various apazines and perzines to worldcon committees. While living for several years in the Phoenix area Pat kept busy with a heavy load of pre- and at-con office and administrative work on Iguanacon. After that she worked for a local wargaming company. Pat is not only a good fanwriter and editor but an talented artist and designer. She now lives in Dallas and is a past board member of FACT, the Fandom Association of Central Texas, Inc. and the current editor of its fanzine--the Texas SF Inquirer, one of the 1987 fanzine Hugo nominees. At the 1985 NASFIC Pat was publications director doing the daily newsletter, progress reports, pocket program, etc. and art show liaison. Most recently Pat dashed home from Conspiracy to attend and produce the daily newsletter for the 1987 NASFIC in Phoenix.

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#### TOASTMASTER: BOB TUCKER

(Arthur) Wilson "Bob" Tucker's long fannish career began in the early 30's. As a measure of his stature in the field, he has twice been honored as Worldcon Fan GOH: Torcon 1--1948 and Mycon 3--1967. In addition, in 1970 he received the fan writer Hugo. Tucker is a consummate fannish writer especially as a humorist. Two of his most famous zines are The Planetoid and Le Zombie. In the 40's Tucker started writing professionally in addition to continuing his fanac. His professional works include mysteries and science fiction--both short stories and novels including: Ice and Iron, The Long Loud Silence, Tomorrow Plus X, The Time Bomb and The Lincoln Hunters (an alternate history novel). His novels have included characters named after fellow fans and writers--a process now referred to as being "Tuckerized." An Illinois native, Bob Tucker visits east coast cons all too seldom; this is a good opportunity to enjoy his wit and wisdom.

#### PROGRAMMING

LUNACON '88 is again planning a diverse multi-track program which will range from the more literary panels through an introduction to Japenimation and costume workshops--we hope to have items of interest to all fans. We are expecting to have panels, slide presentations, GOH speeches, authors' readings; discussion groups and workshops. Of course, with Harry Harrison and Bob Tucker humor/satire will be a prime topic. If we can find both the participants and the right size bags we will be attempt to fulfill our Chairman's request for a "write your way out of a paper bag" contest. Another item that has been requested is a workshop for faneds on selecting computer hardware/software. If this interests you please let us know. Both hackers and neos are needed. Your ideas and suggestions for LUNACON's program are eagerly sought--please address them to Louise Ruth Sachter @ the LUNACON PO BOX. Discussion groups are being coordinated by Paul Birnbaum. Address inquiries to him @ the LUNACON PO BOX.

Friday night will have the first three program items--5:30-8:30 pm and will feature our "meet the program participants gathering". Many of the writers present will be available for autographing. As usual there will be a cash bar. Saturday will be the fullest day of programming with three tracks. The Writer GOH speech is tentatively scheduled for 9 pm on Saturday and will be followed by the masquerade. Program on Sunday will probably run until 4 pm. Program participants so far include: Jay K. Klein, Stuart Shiffman, Patrick & Teresa Nielsen Hayden, John Betancourt, Gary Farber, Bruce Pelz, Moshe Feder, Debbie Notkin, John Douglas, Tom Kidd, and Darrell Schweitzer. Many more have not yet been confirmed.

#### MASQUERADE

Continuing the LUNACON tradition started last year, there will be a masquerade at LUNACON '88. It will be held on Saturday night, and while we cannot promise to have Vanna Snow-white return, we are planning to have a celebrity co-host. There will be masquerade related programming during the convention for new and experienced costumers, as well as some demonstrations and technical panels on costuming and make-up. We are planning to have quite a surprise in store for the best of the entrants, so plan on a great time with lots of great costumes.

For information on or registration for the masquerade please write to Richard Hill @ the LUNACON PO BOX.

#### MEMBERSHIP RATES

\$17.00 through February 15, 1988  
\$22.00 at the door

Group rates are available. Contact Ron Ontell @ LUNACON '88  
PO BOX 338  
New York, NY 10150-0338

Please fill out the enclosed registration card, and mail it with your check

or money order made payable to LUNACON '88 to Ron Ontell @ the PO BOX. DO NOT SEND CASH THROUGH THE MAIL. Your cancelled check is your receipt. We will not mail membership cards in advance. No refunds will be given for advance registrations if you are unable to attend. We will, however, transfer them to another person upon receipt of a written request from the current holder of the membership.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

PLEASE send us any changes in your address as soon as you move. This will allow us to keep our mailing list current so that you will receive information on this and future LUNACONS as soon as possible.

REGISTRATION HOURS:	FRIDAY	2 pm - 10 pm
	SATURDAY	9 am - 9 pm
	SUNDAY	9 am - 1 pm

#### DRINKING AGE/WEAPONS POLICY

Remember, you must be at least 21 years of age to purchase or be served any alcoholic beverages in the State of New York. The hotel bars and restaurants will automatically question anyone they believe to be underage and will not serve you if you do not have proper I.D.

This has already been stated on our flyers, but it bears repeating. NO WEAPONS. New York State laws are very strict and very complicated. Therefore, if it looks like a weapon, it IS a weapon (and the final decision rests with us). Violators will have their memberships revoked, with no refund (and may be subject to immediate expulsion). You can't say you weren't warned.

#### MEMBER SERVICES

The information desk will again be in the coat room across from the art show. Any fans with disabilities or special needs please write us @ the LUNACON PO BOX, ATTN: Member Services.

While LUNACON will not provide babysitting, those parents who are interested in doing cooperative babysitting for each other may write to us and we will put them in touch with each other before the convention.

#### STAFF

A con is only as good as its staff--and that means YOU. Therefore, if you are willing to provide Live Aid to the convention by filling any of the various positions that are open, please fill out the volunteer form and mail it to Jean Curley @ 112 Popular Court, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060; phone #: 609-261-8316.

#### FILMS PROGRAM

This year the theme of the film program is originals and remakes. We will show the original version of a film followed by its remake. "The Fly" is one such pair. If you have any suggestions contact James LaBarre @ the PO BOX.

#### STARBLAZERS VIDEO ROOM

The hours are: FRIDAY--7 pm to 4 am, SATURDAY--10 am to 4 pm and SUNDAY--10 am to 4 pm.

This year's Japanese Animation video room will feature some movies, OAV's, and some of the latest television series from Japan.

There will be a separate program booklet with schedules and short explanation of the shows as well as narrators.

**Please clearly print the names and  
addresses of all additional memberships**

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# LUNACON '88

LUNACON NEEDS YOU!

The New York Science Fiction Society/The Lunarians, Inc. is once again sponsoring Lunacon. It promises to be a great convention with HARRY HARRISON as Guest of Honor, TAYLOR BLANCHARD as Artist Guest of Honor, PAT MUELLER as Fan Guest of Honor, and WILSON "BOB" TUCKER as Toastmaster.

But, as always, in order to make the convention a total success, volunteers are needed to fill the staff positions listed below. If you want to help make this an outstanding event, please fill out and return this form as soon as possible to: Jean Curley; 112 Poplar Court; Mount Holly, NJ 08060. Phone: (609) 261-8316.

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I wish to volunteer for (indicate first, second, etc. choice):

[ ] ART GUEST [ ] REGISTRARS [ ] BOOK EXHIBIT







# Reservation Request

Lunacon '88  
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Single           \$75.00  
Double          \$85.00  
Triple/Quad    \$92.00

Plus Tax  
Reservations due by 2/15/88

PLEASE CONFIRM RESERVATIONS AS FOLLOWS:  
If room is not available at rate requested, reservations will be made at  
nearest available rate.

- Single  
 Double   1 Bed  
 Double   2 Beds

Number of people \_\_\_\_\_

Suites/Concierge rooms on request.

Please contact our Reservations Department.

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for rooms shared by 2 or more people.

ARRIVAL      DAY           DATE           YEAR

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CHECK IN TIME IS 3 P.M.

CHECK OUT TIME IS 1 P.M.

Reservations will be held until 6 p.m.  
unless guaranteed for late arrival by  
1st night's room deposit, company  
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## GAMING

This year, we continue the tradition of gaming. We will have fantasy and science fiction board games, role-playing games, and computer games. We will also have an Dungeons and Dragons (copyright TSR, Inc.) tournament. There will be several panels and discussions with some of the leading lights of the industry. If you are willing to help, as a professional, gamemaster, or player, contact David Stern @ the LUNACON PO BOX.

There will be a live role playing game--**DOUBLE EXPOSURE**--based on Piers Anthony's APPRENTICE ADEPT series. For information on **DOUBLE EXPOSURE** only please contact Vincent Salzillo @ 2535 Matthews Ave., Bronx, NY 10467 (212-881-4575).

## CON SUITE AND PARTIES

LUNACON's Con Suite has always provided a haven for the weary con-goer--and this year is no exception. Goodies will be provided, with a few "specials" planned.

We will again be seeding parties. Sign-up, and further information will be available at the information desk at LUNACON.

## DEALERS' ROOM

In keeping with LUNACON's tradition of celebrating the literary side of science fiction/fantasy, the printed word in its many forms will fill our dealer's room. You'll find new books, used books, collectible books, art books, movie books and maybe a few comic books. And to rest your eyes between the tables of books we will have toys, posters, stationery, jewelry and other unusual items of a fantastic bent. LUNACON policy is no sales out of hotel rooms. The dealers' room hours are: FRIDAY--5 pm to 8 pm, SATURDAY--10 am to 6 pm and SUNDAY--10 am to 3 pm.

Anybody with questions should contact Fred Ramsey @ the LUNACON PO BOX.

## ART SHOW

The LUNACON Art Show is fast becoming the premier Science Fiction Art Show in terms of quality and management. We are planning to build onto that reputation using the same facilities as last year as we maximize our display space to the fullest extent possible while keeping the viewing as comfortable as possible.

Our Art Show will include works by some of the finest professional artists in the field as well as many talented amateurs. Many of these pieces of original will be for sale. There will be an auction sale on Sunday of the pieces of original art that have received multiple bids. Our chief auctioneer will be Elliot Shorter.

In addition, we will once again have a **PRINT SHOP** where copies of various works by a variety of artists will be for sale at a flat price. **This will be the only location at LUNACON where art prints will be sold.**

We will accept MasterCard and Visa on all at-convention sales only. If you would like to participate in our Art Show, please be aware that there is a limited amount of display space and you must reserve in advance.

Our comprehensive Art Show rules will provide detailed instructions on how to enter our Art Show. **Please read all of the Art Show rules and forms before submitting artwork. DO NOT SEND ARTWORK TO THE POST OFFICE BOX! Artwork sent without forms or sent to the PO BOX will be returned.**

For the complete set of Art Show rules and forms please send a #10 SASE to Stuart C. Hellinger @ the LUNACON PO BOX.

## BOOK EXHIBIT

LUNACON's most popular exhibit will be back in force again. Over 100 publishers are being contacted and we hope to have an even bigger exhibit than last year.

Thanks to the generosity of these publishers, we plan a comprehensive

exhibit of contemporary SF and fantasy materials which will be raffled off Sunday afternoon.

#### PROGRAM BOOK ADS

This year, our program book will be chock full of articles, and, we hope, with ads. All attendees of the convention will receive a copy.

Camera-ready B&W advertising will be accepted as follows:

	<u>Image Area</u>	<u>Pro Rate</u>	<u>Fan Rate</u>
Vertical Full Page	4½" x 7½"	\$125	\$ 70
Horizontal Half Page	4½" x 3½"	\$ 75	\$ 40
Inside Front/Back Cover	4½" x 7½"	\$140	----
Centerfold	9" x 7½"	\$290	----

Ad closing date is a definite January 15, 1987. Ads received after the deadline cannot be guaranteed insertion.

Send payments (payable to LUNACON '88) and finished art to:

Andrew Rosenthal, 304 East 30th Street, #2, New York, New York 10016.

#### HOTEL

LUNACON will again be at the Westchester Marriott, located at 670 White Plains Road (Route 119), in Tarrytown, New York.

The hotel has committed a 300 room block for LUNACON's use, as well as all of its function space. There is an indoor atrium containing the hotel's swimming pool, as well as an exercise room and sauna. There are also two restaurants and three bars, including the Lobby Lounge.

A large number of restaurants are located within a few minutes of the hotel. There are also several nearby supermarkets for convenient purchase of party supplies. An area restaurant guide is being prepared. The hotel is only a few minutes drive from downtown White Plains, which contains many stores of different kinds.

Room rates will be \$75/night for a single, \$85/night for a double and \$92/night for a triple or a quad. These rates do not include local taxes. Guests rooms should be paid for at check-in for the entire stay. The hotel accepts cash, American Express, Diners Club, Visa or MasterCard. The first guest registering for the room is responsible for the entire payment.

Room reservations are due by February 15, 1988 and should be made by using the enclosed hotel card. If you desire, you may also make reservations by contacting the hotel at 914-631-2200. **DO NOT USE THE MARRIOTT TOLL-FREE NUMBER.** Remember to mention LUNACON when making your reservation.

There are a very limited number of suites in the hotel. These may be booked **ONLY** through the convention. If you are interested in booking a suite please contact the convention for further information (ATTN: Ben Yalow on any inquiries @ the LUNACON PO BOX).

#### DIRECTIONS

The Westchester Marriott is just a few minutes drive from New York City and conveniently accessible by car and mass transit. The hotel faces Exit #1 West off the Cross-Westchester Expressway (I-287), and is less than a mile east of the Tappan Zee Bridge off the New York State Thruway (US 87). You can see the hotel from near the intersection of the New York State Thruway and the Cross-Westchester Expressway.

#### FROM NEW YORK CITY

1. Go north on the NYS Thruway to Exit #9--the sign says "Last Exit before Tappan Zee Bridge." Turn right on Rte. 119 and go east ¼ mile to the hotel.

2. Go north on the Saw Mill River Parkway to the exit marked "Route 119 West Tarrytown." Go west ¼ mile on Rte. 119 to the hotel.

3. Take Rte. 9 north to Rte 119, opposite the Tappan Zee Bridge, turn right on Rte. 119, and go east 1 mile to the hotel.

#### FROM THE EAST

All major arteries--#684, Merritt Parkway, Hutchinson River Parkway, and US 95--intersect with the Cross Westchester Expressway. Go west to Exit #1, which faces the hotel.

#### FROM THE NORTH

Take Rte. 9 south to Rte. 119, opposite the Tappan Zee Bridge.

All major arteries (except the Sprain Brook Parkway) intersect the Cross Westchester.

#### FROM WEST OF THE HUDSON RIVER

North or south, all major arteries intersect with the NYS Thruway. Go east on the Thruway over the Tappan Zee Bridge to exit #9 right after the toll booths. Turn right at the traffic light (Rte. 9 North) and go 1/4 mile to the next traffic light, turn right at that light onto Rte. 119 and go 1 mile east to the hotel.

#### MASS TRANSIT DIRECTIONS

The hotel is accessible by train from New York City. Take Metro-North from Grand Central Station to either the Tarrytown station on the Hudson line or the White Plains Station on the Harlem line (Tarrytown is the closer station). From the train station there are several options.

1. Westchester Bus #13 goes between the Tarrytown Station, the hotel, and past the White Plains station. This bus runs along Rte. 119 and passes directly in front of the hotel. Bus fare is currently \$.90. The last bus on Friday leaves Tarrytown at 9:40 pm. The bus takes about 15 minutes.

2. Take a taxi (\$3.00 - \$4.00) from the train station to the hotel.

3. The hotel shuttle van will run between the hotel and the Tarrytown station using the following schedule:

FRIDAY	6 pm - 9 pm
SATURDAY	10 am - 1 pm
SUNDAY	1 pm - 4 pm

The schedule will be arranged to attempt to meet the trains to/from Grand Central. The van holds a limited number of people and seating will be on first-come/first-serve basis.

Buses are also available from other points in Westchester and the North Bronx. For further information and the latest schedules, contact the Westchester Dept. of Transportation @ 914-682-2020.

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Poison Pen Press has begun collecting material for a book on fannish nametags (personalized/illustrated ones not convention badges). LUNACON is one of the conventions at which they will be set up to photograph nametags. For more information, contact Devra Langsam, Poison Pen Press, 627 East 8th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11218 (not LUNACON).  
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