

All The News That's On The Bus

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Over? But It's Just Getting Started!

Dead Dog Party	The Con Suite
Non-Smoking Music	Mpls-in-73
Tor (smoking music)	The Tor Suite
Mpls Munchie Movement (Real Food)	722
¡Viva Krushenko's!	2214
Rex Party (Video Madness)	2nd floor poolside

One Last Call For Volunteers!

We need all the help we can get to haul the last of the convention out of the hotel. If you can come out and help on Tuesday at 11:00 A.M. you will join the ranks of Minicon Superheros (if you haven't already).

Come to the con suite and pack, carry, organize, clean, pitch-in and be a pepper!

Confidential to the authors of the "SF Ghetto" parody flyer.

If you're going to work in the genre of satire, particularly mean-spirited satire, you have to be funny. Unintentional humor, e.g., getting the date of the con wrong, doesn't count. Close, but no cigar.

Who interviews the interviewers?

Blood Drive a Success!

100 people donated blood this year, more than double the number from last year! Efforts like this are what make Minicon a community, and all participants deserve our heartfelt thanks.

Minicon Moments

What Minneapolis fan hasn't dreamed of the opportunity to carry a life-size papier-mache dodo through a crowded Minicon? A common dream, perhaps, but rarely realized. Yet, it happened to me. Unbelievably, when I realized that the dodo that was supposed to be backstage getting its toenails painted was still reclining up in the '73 Suite, I thought of it as more of a chore than an opportunity. But I have to tell you that it was more fun than I had ever imagined. On my way backstage, Dodo even had the opportunity for a photo op with David Ossman and Phil Proctor! What a thrill for all concerned! -- *sharon*

Parodies Unnecessary

Final preliminary warm body count for Minicon 33 is 3350. Last year's Registration figures are iffy, but this year certainly felt smaller... and smoother.

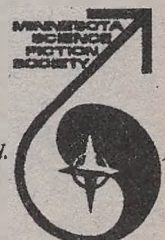
Thanks to everyone who didn't attend this year.

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Con Winds Down — Depts. Closing

The Volunteers Dept. hopes to hand out the rest of the mugs and t-shirts to you hard workers by having you stop by the Bridge. Failing that, drop in at the post-mortem and check with Hannah.

Volunteers also regrets that more of you helpful folks aren't still here reading this. Thanks for your help everybody!

The Info Dept. reports that all available information has been dispensed. They also had some remarks about weasels that we can't read in our notes.

Art Show told us that they've got a dozen or so bought-but-not-yet-paid-for pieces. Kris will be trying to contact you buyers to pay for and pick up your art from him. He'll be at the Post Mortem, too. Art Show also tells us that a certain artist sold four framed photographs which have been paid for and picked up. The artist in question apparently didn't understand that she was selling the art framed and would like her frames back. She'll be contacting people directly.

A visit to the Green Room allowed us to catch the end of a conversation about the multiple talents of Japanese toilet seats, and we'll leave you to wonder which pro said he'd just move his computer right into the bathroom, given such options.

Dark Star was doing its now-customary excellent job of getting things broken down, cleaned up and put away in short order. Nice job, guys.

Sales and Registration were both getting things put away as of early Sunday afternoon, and the Programming Bridge seemed to have closed promptly, too, since we didn't get there in time to get their news for the BBT.

Parties is out of milk, but otherwise ready for tonight's Dead Dog party. Their statement: "f.y.i.f."

It was about sheep jokes, and it wasn't about chatting about gaming, because the phones kept ringing. You almost certainly had to be there. The same was probably true of the Excitement on Eleven, about which many things were said. Rangers were promptly dispatched. In other events, Kathy Routliffe's mom called, but it wasn't anything important.

Ed's First Con

He got the jokes. Thought the diversity was as much fun as the Renaissance Festival, but without the mosquitoes. He plans to jam tonight.

Filk's Comments on "MidWestside Story"

"We had a great time. The rehearsals were long, but the fun of performing more than made up for it. This was the best audience I've ever had!"

"bla-ba-ba-bla-ba-ba" — Martin Schafer

Notes for Next Year

The badges the players in *Midwestside Story* were more legible than Minicon 33's badges. Make 'em easy to read, please.

Big Honor for Michigan Fan

GT/PFFRC member and fine fannish photographer Kevin "Mr. Bunny Hands" Nickerson has earned the respect of all fandom such that he and he alone has been chosen as Duckon 7's Fan Guest of Honor. In the totally random drawing at a Duckon party here at Minicon 33, Nickerson was heard to scream, "Ghod, no!"

And on the subject of other cons to go to, Congenial 9's guest list of Neil Rest and Bill Higgins & Barry Gehm sounds to us like the stuff good parties are made of. And of course, we'll be at Flashback in MPLS in October.

Minicon 34 Signage — What's Up with That?

Minicon 34's Convention Coordinator David Dyer-Bennet responds to numerous questions about those "red interlineation" signs by telling us that all the other sentences came from the following SF works: Heinlein's *Rocketship Galileo*, Sturgeon's "More Than Human," Dick's *UBIK*, Doc Smith's *Spacehounds of IPC*, Pat Frank's *Alas Babylon*, and Zelazny's *Creatures of Light and Darkness*. And, no, he doesn't remember which sentences came from where.

Dealer's Room-er

We heard reliably that someone went through the dealer's room and asked the dealers what they were planning to do at Minicon 34, since they wouldn't be getting tables next year. Our next year's Huckster's Room head points out yet again that no decisions have been made about who will be getting tables at Minicon 34.

And about the Post Mortem...

It's on April 26th, 2 PM here at the Radisson. Be there. Aloha.

TAFF/DUFF wants to thank auction item donors: Linda Lounsbury, Jeanne Mealy, Bruce Pelz, and Joyce Scrivner. The fan funds appreciate everyone's support.

Overheard: "Hi, sweetie. Ghod, I'm so tired!" "Tell me about it!" Such is the level of our intellectual functioning at Minicon on Sunday evening.

Ed Cox doodle here: