

# The World-Tribune Insider

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THE WORLD TRIBUNE INSIDER is the daily newsletter of Westercon 41, Phoenix, Arizona. Issue #4 and last, Monday, July 4th, 1988. Edited by Bruce D. Arthurs, with the assistance of Karl Florshute (Printer) and Bill Hart (Assistant). Illo by Teresa Nielsen Hayden.

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## AN EDITORIAL INTERRUPTION

Con Security has asked me to write a few words to the scattered individuals who have done such things through out the con as pitching beer bottles off the roof, a smoke bomb in the Hyatt elevator, the broken lightbulbs in the Sheraton elevators, and various other not-nice activities.

Fellows, is this really any way to spend a weekend? Damaging others' property, risking the health and safety of people you don't even know, and damaging the good reputations of science fiction conventions (not to mention the cost)?

You're putting yourself at risk. If one of your bottles hits someone on the sidewalk, if your smoke bomb chokes someone with asthma, if your broken lightbulbs get stepped on by someone's bare feet, you can go to jail...for YEARS. And if I see you do it, I'll help put you there.

Really, guys, there are better ways to compensate for being impotent.

## PORTLAND WINS SITE SELECTION

Despite the "Vote For Nobody" flyers seen on the freebie tables, Portland, OR rushed to an overwhelming victory in the site selection for Westercon 43 in 1990.

Out of a total of 255 votes, Portland received 205 (28 by mail, 177 at-con. "None of the Above" received 17 votes, "No Preference" received 13 votes, and there were 4 invalid ballots. There were a wide variety of write-in votes: Saskatoon received 4, Redding 2, and 1 vote each for Red Bluff, Los Angeles, Spuzzum, Maui, Both (Portland/Phoenix), Both (no cities), Santa Clara, Bloom County, Fort Bragg, and Portland, Maine.

Guests of Honor will be Ursula K. LeGuin, Vonda N. McIntyre, and Kate Wilhelm.

Westercon 43 will be at the Red Lion Jantzen Beach Center. Co-Chairs for Westercon 43 are Patty Wells and John Lorenz. Hotel Liason is Debbie Cross.

**MEMBERSHIPS:** Following the official announcement at 1:00 today, memberships will be sold at the site selection table in the Hyatt Atrium. Everyone who voted is a full attending member. New members can join at the following rates: Thru July 4th, 1988 --\$15; thru December 31, 1988 -- \$20; thru July 4th, 1989 -- \$25; after that -- to be announced. Checks should be made payable to Westercon 43. By mail, send to: Westercon 43, PO Box 5794, Portland, OR 97228. Phone: (503) 283-0802.

A celebration party will be held in 530 Sheraton at 9:00 PM tonight.

**OTHER WINNERS**

Donna Barr provided a few winners from the Masquerade. "Owl and the Pussycat" won Best of Show. "The Desert Peach" (Ron Stevens, T. Brian Wagner, and Richard Wright) won Most Humorous and Best Presentation. And that's all the Masquerade info I got. I guess you'll have to read LOCUS for a full list. (God, I'm such a failure....)

Davis Publications (ANALOG and ASIMOV'S) announces the following winners of their champagne drawings: Ingrid Nielson (Monday), Judith Bemis (Saturday), and Michael Underwood (Sunday). The final drawing will be held at 1:00 today at the Davis booth at the entrance to the Dealer's Room.

TWTI also received the following note: "Congratulations to 'the sly' one who managed to win most of this con's miniature painting awards!"

**PROGRAMMING CHANGES -- MONDAY**

Prosaic Things In Exotic Environments, 11:30-1 PM, Remington C  
add Vivian Perry

Teaching SF, 11:30-1 PM, Cowboy/Artist  
add Vicki Horner and Rick Cook

Are Your Characters Anemic?, 1-2:30 PM, Cowboy/Artists  
Libbi Goodman, John Barnes

World Myths in SF & F, 1-2:30 PM, Remington A  
add Frederick Mayer and Kathleen Woodbury

The Bulwer-Lytton Contest, 1:30-3 PM, Phoenix A/B  
judges: John Theisen, Jan Howard Finder, Mark O'Green,

Ryan Effner, Paul Edwards

Everyone on the programming staff hopes that you had an enjoyable convention. See you next year at Westercon 42!

**LOSING ONE'S HEAD**

Lost: Venezuelan shrew skull in ziploc bag. Please return to Marji Ellers. Sentimental value.

**HELP!**

"Con Staff member needs ride to El Paso, Texas ASAP after con. Will share expenses. Leave message with Press Relations in Con Ops or call Room 1829 Hyatt. Thanx."

**THE 4 AM REPORT**

Chapter 1: "Ops has the most amount of awake 'persons' left. The reasoning being that RADIOS ARE SUCH FUN to play with (and nobody has the intelligence to turn off the lights).

Chapter 17: "And Samantha's Romper Room is occupying the only gaming room left open (not her fault -- more of the Mystic Drunk Conspiracy)."

Chapter 19: "And those mystic, mythical and O, so fun drunks did not -- as previously reported -- coat any of the elevators in 'a paste-like substance'."

Chapter 26: "And thanq Ghod nothing exploded."

(The missing chapters are still missing.)

## CLASSIFIEDS

Anyone interested in an SF/F/H writer's group in the Phoenix area: Leave name & means of contact on bulleting board in Consuite, 510-Sheraton, addressed to "Eclipse".

"Which committeemember has had his badge punched so many times it looks like Swiss cheese? Did he really stuff the elevator or was he just making lemonade?"

"Oreo Gang -- There is no substitution!"

"Question -- will there be a bitch, er, suggestion panel on Monday? I'm sure it would be the most attended panel at the con...."

"And the "Rye" comment for Monday, July 4, 1988 is..."If it looks like it belongs in a Spanish whorehouse -- don't."

## THANK YOU'S

"Mama Pati and Mama Julie wish to express their great thanks to all the people who have helped get the Con Suite and Staff Lounge up, running, and cleaned up. You all are terrific people. Thank you."

The convention would also like to express their thanks to Pac-Tel Pagers for donating the use of the staff pagers. They helped things run a lot more smoothly and quickly. A lot.

And the TWI editor would like to thank the people who've provided news, entertainment and help in producing this newsletter.

## PEACHES IN SEASON

From Donna Barr: "The Desert Peach" will be appearing in his own comic come July. It's put out under the Thoughts & Images label, and Donna Barr does everything but print it. Ask your comic shop for it -- and tell 'em where they can get it! (Thoughts & Images)"

From a later submission: "Did you enjoy the Desert Peach at the Masquerade? Would you like to see him perform at Worldcon this year? So would we. But we need your support! A Desert Peach Travelling Fund has been set up and already \$97.96 (plus a \$1 Atra razor rebate coupon) has been contributed. If you would like to also support this noble cause that is destined to become a permanent part of Convention history, please send your donation to:

Donna Barr  
1318 North Montgomery  
Bremerton, WA 98312

IPS: Look for the musical opening later this year. (This is not a joke.)"



"Desert Peach:"

1/2 Jigger Amaretto  
Jigger Peach Brandy  
Fill up with Dry Champagne.  
DON'T HAVE MORE THAN  
ONE!!