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The primary access to Tonopah is by private vehicle. We encourage organizing group travel/vehicle sharing, especially for those flying to one of the "gateway" airport cities. We will publish suggested sightseeing itineraries for travel to Tonopah. For help with your travel plans, write to our travel coordinator, Sandra Childress, at travel@westercon74.org. She will help you organize ride-sharing arrangements with others coming to Westercon 74.

Tonopah, Nevada is located approximately halfway between Las Vegas and Reno, Nevada. There is no public transport (bus/rail) to Tonopah. The nearest major airports (LAS/RNO) are located approximately 220 miles/360 km away.



Getting to Tonopah

Westercon 74 Registration Information

Through February 29, 2020

Attending Membership: \$40

Voted in 2021 Westercon Site Selection: \$10

To convert a voting membership to attending at the \$10 rate, please send payment to the mailing address below rather than online, due to online handling costs.

Attending Membership after February 29, 2020

March 1 – June 30, 2020: \$50

July 1 – December 31, 2020: \$60

January 1 – June 30, 2021: \$70

Conversion from Supporting/Voting: \$20 off above rates

We reserve the right to limit registration to 450 attending members due to the capacity of the Convention Center.

Supporting Membership: \$20

If you voted in 2021 Westercon Site Selection, you automatically have a supporting membership.

Youth Memberships (Age as of July 2, 2021)

Kid-in-Tow (Under 7): Free

Child (7–12 inclusive): \$20

Young Adult (13–19 inclusive): \$30

Register online at westercon74.org

Register by mail to Westercon 74,

PO Box 61363, Sunnyvale CA 94088

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Kevin Standlee, Chair, Westercon 74 location a reality. make our vision of a fun convention in an exciting Topopah Convention Center. We invite you to help us take full advantage of the impressive facilities in the of activities around town, and a hospitality area that four days of programming, a dealers' room, a variety of masquerade/costume contest. However, we will have guests of honor, an art show, or a formal not going to be a typical Westercon. We will not have As we said while we were bidding, Westercon 74 is a memorable and fun event for all participants. convention, and making plans to make Westercon 74 center and hotels, recruiting staff to run the working on refining our plans with our host convention you for your support. Since then, we have been received 61% of the votes with a preference. Thank the 2021 Westercon in Tonopah, Nevada, where we the members of Westercon 72 in Layton, Utah to host It was a great honor for our group to be selected by

From the Chair

THE WILD WILD WESTERCON



The 74th West Coast Science Fantasy Conference

PROGRESS REPORT 1

January 2020

Tonopah Convention Center

Mizpah/Belvada Hotels

and other hotels to be announced

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Tonopah Hotels

Tonopah boasts more than 500 hotel rooms, with even more coming in 2020. Our headquarters hotel is the beautifully restored historic **Mizpah Hotel**, (July 2020 rates \$109–\$149/night) located only 450 ft / 140 m from the Convention Center. For budget-minded members, the Mizpah's **Old Brewery Hostel** is located behind the hotel. The Mizpah's soon-to-open sister hotel, the **Belvada Hotel**, will be the closest hotel to the Convention Center (300 ft / 90 m). Also in the downtown area are the **Jim Butler Inn & Suites** (525 ft / 160 m / \$71–up) and **Best Western Hi-Desert Inn** (1450 ft / 450 m / \$119–\$158)

Slightly farther away is the **Tonopah Station Hotel**, which also includes an RV park with full hookups (1 mi / 1.6 km / \$73–\$135); the **National 9 Inn** (0.8 mi / 1.3 km / \$62–\$67); and the newly-opened **Quality Inn** (1.2 mi / 1.9 km / \$120–up).

Of course, no survey of Tonopah Hotels would be complete without the **World Famous Clown Motel** (0.6 mi / 950 m / \$59–\$69), recently refreshed and renovated and ready to house adventurous travelers.

Rates shown are examples for comparable 2020 dates and do not include 9% transient occupancy tax. We are currently negotiating with the Tonopah hotels to secure room blocks and preferred rates for our members, and expect room reservations to open no later than January 2021.

Dealers Room

We currently plan to host a small Dealers Room in the Buckboard Room, located off the Main Hall of the Convention Center. Based on our inspection of the space and the measurements we have taken, we expect to be able to hold around ten dealer spaces of 1–3 tables each comfortably.

We are not charging for dealer spaces, although all persons staffing such tables must be attending members of Westercon 74. To apply for a dealer space, write to us at dealers@Westercon74.org. We reserve the right to select which dealers will be able to participate.

Programming

The Tonopah Convention Center has two separate programming spaces in addition to the Main Hall. We also have reserved the 150-seat ballroom above the Mizpah Club (adjacent to the Mizpah Hotel). The Convention Center rooms are fully equipped with hookups for built-in data projectors with screens, and there is complimentary wi-fi throughout the building. We expect to be able to equip the 50-seat Blue Room for remote programming to allow non-attending members and even panelists to participate in some programming remotely during the convention.

Convention programming will start around Noon on Friday, July 2 and continue through the late afternoon of Monday, July 5, with Hospitality open until late Monday night.

Hospitality / Parties

The Tonopah Convention Center, which was once the USO Club serving the Tonopah Army Air Force Base, boasts substantial hospitality facilities, including a serving kitchen with refrigerators and warming ovens, an industrial ice machine and dishwasher, extensive serving areas, a full bar, and a built-in outdoor barbecue grill. All of these are at our disposal without additional fees such as “corkage” and “forkage” or any requirement to use a catering service. In other words, the building is ours to use around the clock, and we intend to use it!

Because there is so much space and so many amenities available to use in the Main Hall, we invite fan groups to host hospitality functions in the Main Hall (rather than traditional “room parties” in hotel rooms), along the lines of the “Fan Villages” at the 2014 and 2016 Worldcons. Unlike those functions, there is no “captive” vendor or catering charges at the Tonopah Convention Center. Bring your best stuff and serve it in the Main Hall!

Code of Conduct

Westercon 74 wants all of its members to have a good time and respect their fellow members. Accordingly, we have adopted a Code of Conduct available on our web site at <http://westercon74.org/about/code-of-conduct-policies/>

Committee/Contact Us

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Party Coordinator:

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Programming:

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