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Sunday Sales Still Available

Artists Win Awards in 8 Categories

WisCon 13 art awards were given in 4 pro and 4 fan categories by popular vote of people attending the art show:

Fan Color: "Keeper of the Light" (infant with crystal) by John R. Gray 3rd.

Fan Black & White: "Batboy" (vampire) by C. H. Burnett.

Fan 3-D: "Hobbes — The Faan" (tiger and scarf) by Giovanna Fregni.

Fan Humor: "Another IBM Compatible" (Commander Data) by C. H. Burnett.

Pro Color: "Nature's Navigators" (whales) by Steven Vincent Johnson.

Pro Black & White: "Bookends" (leonine creatures) by Darlene Coltrain.

Pro 3-D: "Crystal Dragon Shield" by Ingrid Stark.

Pro Humor: "April Fool" (*Wage Slaves of Gor*) by Erin McKee.

The art auction ran from 8:30 to 10:15 PM, quite a bit shorter than in most years. No financial information was available at press time.

Artwork with only a single bid was largely claimed by the bidders on Saturday night. However, some 1-bid and many no-bid items remain for viewing or purchase at the Sunday price. Art still available includes lots of good stuff.

The art show will be open again today from 10:00 to 1:00. Artists and art purchasers should stop in during those hours to claim what's theirs.

The Ear of the Moose

By Isthmoose, society reporter

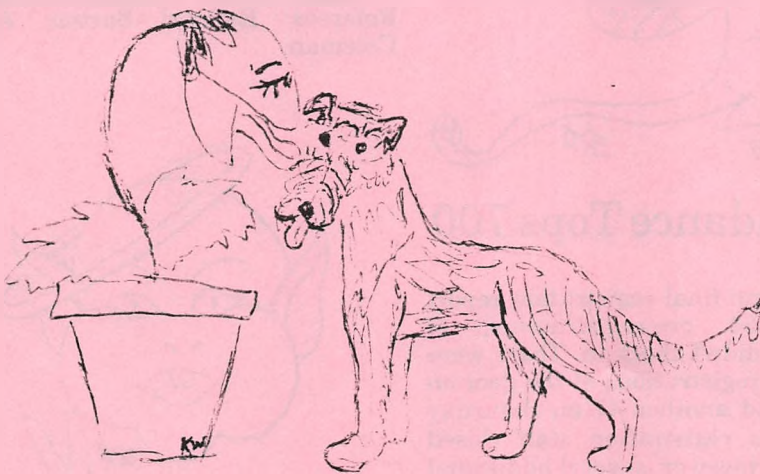
Overheard at the Midnight Vampire Panel: "The Crusades [were a] moral morass of messy nastiness."

A theory propounded at Friday night's room party in 232: Will Ryker is the son of James West and Jessica Rabbit. This is what results from running *Star Trek* trivia contests and letting the participants make up the questions as well as the answers.

Overheard at WisCon HQ: "Knock on particle board." "No, knock on the donuts. They're harder than particle board."

The joke Gardner Dozois didn't use at opening ceremonies: "What's the difference between snot and cauliflower?" "Kids will eat snot." (Hey, we just print what we're handed.)

All Creatures Great and Small



The large gray beast you may have noticed wandering thru the con this weekend is Faolan. Katie Willems here imagines that even Audrey 2 would find the big lug lovable. Other unusual creatures attending WisCon 13 were a couple of brown rats. No snakes this year, tho.

Weekend Update

Here are the winners in the *Mad Moose Gazette's* computer-game tournament.

Gwen Harris topped her previous high score in Tetris and wins with a tally of 7951.

Darrah Chavey crushed the field in Crystal Quest with 2,923,375 (37th wave), despite a valiant 11th-hour charge by Randy Jones.

Darrah chose Eric Hoffer's *The True Believer* as his prize; Gwen can pick between that or Mark Twain's *Letters from the Earth*.

The *Mad Moose Gazette* staff wishes to thank everyone who stopped into our offices to participate in the tournament for helping to keep the place lively.

Hank Luttrell says that anyone who missed (or wants to relive) WisCon 12 can pick up last year's publications for only a buck in the Huckster Room.

Weather Report

NOAA weather radio (WXJ-87) in Madison has issued the following forecasts for Sunday.

WI: Up to 1" accumulation of light snow, mostly cloudy, chance of flurries, highs in the teens north to upper 20s south.

MN: Light snow ending, partly sunny, highs in the teens to mid-20s.

MI: Sunny, low 20s.

IN: Partly sunny, low 30s.

IL: Light snow ending, mid-20s.

IA: Mostly cloudy, mid-20s.

US Highway 151 from Madison to Dubuque is listed as snow-covered and slippery. Other roads have slippery spots, but most are in good winter driving condition.

Drive carefully on the way home so you can come back for WisCon 14 next year.

Women Writers You Probably Never Read

The following is a list of the books recommended this year by the panelists on our regular "Women Writers You've Probably Never Heard of" panel. If you're looking to extend your reading past just those books all of your friends know about, this is always a great place to look.

Karen Axness: *The Silent City*, *Elisabeth Vonarburg*; *The Gate of Ivory*, Doris Egan; *Angel Island*, Inez Haynes Gillmore; *Mundane's World*, Judy Grahn.

Joyce Scryvner: *The Anvil of Ice*, Michael Scott Rohan (this year's token male); *The Boy Who Was Thrown Away*, Stephanie A. Smith; *New Moon*, Midori Snyder; *Labyrinth Gate*, Alis A. Rasmussen.

Tom Porter: *Neena Gathering*, Valerie Colander; *Hellspark*, Janet Kagan; *Uhura's Song — Star Trek #21*, Janet Kagan; *A Place Beyond Man*, Cary Neeper.

Bev DeWeese (not SF books, but books you'll love anyway): *Binding Spell*, Elizabeth Arthur (witchcraft in Indiana); *Eight*, Katherine Neville (intricate chess-inspired adventure); *Vision of Light*, Judith Merkle Riley (historical); *Great Deliverance*, Elizabeth George (psychological mystery).

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time.]

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Attendance Tops 700

The semi-final registration report shows 554 pre-registrations, of whom 42 didn't check in. There were 140 more registrations at the door on Friday and another 47 on Saturday before the registration staff closed up shop. However, several additional people materialized even after that, so the final registration count will undoubtedly be even higher than the 741 derived from adding the above figures. Attendance was 699 plus those later arrivals.



Art on this page: Erika Hagberg.