



The Duplicator's Apprentice



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Registration Figures

A total of 4,200 preregistered MagiCon members have picked up their badges. As of 11 AM Saturday, 395 new full attending memberships and 213 daily memberships have been sold. By noon the total attendance was more like 5,453. (Numbers from Registration.)

Site Selection Voting News

Word is that total votes cast for the 1995 Worldcon site selection will exceed those cast at Chicon V.

Hogu and Blackhole Awards Ranquet

The 20th Anniversary Hogu and Blackhole Awards Ranquet will be held Sunday at 1:30 PM at The Sizzler Restaurant on International Boulevard. GoH: Esther Friesner, TM: Elst Weinstein. Meet at Sizzler at 1:30 PM or meet at the Clarion lobby at 1:15 PM for the traditional ranquet run.

Save the Mark

The World Science Fiction Society Mark Protection Committee announced that their current account balance is \$107.25. This is too low. The Committee is charged with protecting the trademarks "Hugo," "WSFS," "NASFiC," and "World Science Fiction Convention."

Donations should be sent to: WSFS Mark Protection Committee, c/o Scott Dennis, 347 W. 2nd Street, Paris, KY 40361.

NASA Bus Tours Leaving Now

The NASA bus tours on Sunday and Monday will leave from the front of the O4C, *not* the Mercado Shopping Center.

Overheard out of context

"Have you seen the guy with goose, and the woman with the weasel?" ... "We'll use the scientific measurement of 'I've done this a lot'." ... "I've got a little leather one to do that stuff in."

Prize-Winning Badge Number

The person wearing the following badge number has won a daily random drawing. To pick up your free surprise, stop by the LIGHTYEARS table in the exhibit area.

Sunday's winner: #4042

WOOF! WOOF!

Remember to drop off your WOOF contributions today at the O4C Office. Copy count is 300. Collation will be 2 PM Sunday in the Fan Lounge.

Bring Them Back!

Would the person who "borrowed" the Walkman, the two small Sony speakers and the Black Eagle Jazz Band tape from the Vance exhibit PLEASE return them?

Party Notices!!

Peabody

2525	ReaderCon	11:00 PM
2421	SCA	After the Hugos
1321	BJB, Inc.	10:00 PM
1538	Helicon	8:00 PM
1401	Confurence	6:00 PM
1249	Alcor Cryonics	After the Hugos
1138	Costumers Suite	After the Hugos
1009	St. Louis in '97	9:00 PM
938	El Paso in '96 (Westercon)	9:00 PM
918	Philadelphia	After the Hugos
907	L.A. in '96	9:00 PM
905	Beltsander Massage	9:00 PM
852	@	After the Hugos
830	Niagara Falls in '98	9:00 PM
738	Baltimore in '98	9:00 PM
737	DragonCon '93	After the Hugos
609	Garage Party	9:00 PM
521	Slightly Higher in Canada	After the Hugos
509	Arisia/Elbows	After the Hugos

Clarion

850	Phantom of the Opera	9:30 PM
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Heritage Inn

263	Friendly Texans	8:00 PM
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Friday Night Fever

— Kurt Baty & Scott Bobo

At the top of the Peabody, we discovered the Louisville Thank-You (For Not Choosing Us) Party. They were good sports who hosted a class act party. Again, the Glasgow '95 bid party had action and lots of plaid: full kilt ahead! Tonight they pipe in the haggis; check it out.

Costume Con II's party was a wonderful fashion show and tres chic. We give them the *Best-Dressed Award*.

Too bad we had dinner earlier because the Kansas City bid (KC in 2K — Fan de Siecle) had a great sandwich and chips spread. But plenty of fans enjoyed the food. Speaking of food, the @ party had sponsors with taste; they rolled out a round of creamy brie, and we wasted no time sampling. Of course, we also sampled drink: Niagara Falls in '98 had a refreshing peach schnapps punch. Mark McNary, the traveling Biohazard Party, also had a "unique" drink which he dispensed from an Infectious Hazards container. We worked up a sweat from so much party hopping so we were pleased to discover the Boston in '98 bid party offered ice cream with lots of toppings.

Friday night was a busy night for good parties so the decision for *Party of the Night* was a close one, but we felt the KC in 2K folks worked gracefully under heavy party pressure and kept their guests satisfied and comfortable.

Rooster Alert

Bantam representative please contact the Info Desk about your books.

New Award for Gender-Bending Fiction

— Spike

The James Tiptree Jr. Memorial Award was created to honor Alice Sheldon. Her insightful short stories — "The Women Men Don't See," "Houston, Houston, Do You Read?" "The Screwfly Solution," "The Girl Who Was Plugged In" and others — were notable for their thoughtful examination of the roles of men and women in society.

The Tiptree Award is intended to reward those women and men who write stories that explore and expand gender roles in science fiction and fantasy.

Judges for the 1992 Tiptree Award will be Michaela Roessner, Eleanor Arnason (1991 winner), Gwyneth Jones (1991 winner), John Kessel and Pamela Sargent. Recommendations are welcome. Contact Karen Joy Fowler, 3404 Monte Vista, Davis, CA 95616 to nominate new gender-bending short stories or novels.

Fundraising for this award has been a grassroots effort. SF readers and writers have raised over \$2,000 through bake sales at cons and bookstores. Wisconsin fans produced a collection of recipes and anecdotes, *The Bakery Men Don't See*, a book that has been nominated for the Best Non-fiction Hugo.

Business Hoedown Agenda for Sunday

Here's the line-up for Sunday's meeting: Site selection report; NASFiC site selection activity, if needed; Committee reports; Worldcon reports & questions period for future bidders.

Live Via Long-Distance

A late-breaking addition to the *About Arthur C. Clarke* program item, being conducted by Fred Clarke, will be A.C.C. himself. He'll be chatting with his brother via long-distance telephone.

Number 1 with a Bullet

Guy Gavriel Kay's new novel, *A Song for Arbonne*, appeared Saturday morning at #1 on the Canadian Best-seller list, two weeks before its publication date. In the U.S., the novel will be released in January from Crown Books.

Committee and Staff Reception

— Mark Olson

There will be a reception for committee and staff at 10:30 PM Saturday, or after the Hugos (whichever is later) in the Art Show. The Guests of Honor will be present.

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Business Meeting Remembered

— Robert Sacks, as interpreted by Spike

All ratifications passed with some minor wording changes. These include adding electronic fan writing to the Fan Writer Hugo eligibility, and restricting Hugo voting and Business meeting participation to natural persons only. Bruce Pelz, Tim Illingworth, and John Lorentz were elected to the Mark Protection Committee. The proposal to forbid reimbursement of bidding expenses was amended to take effect in 2525; the overall proposal was then defeated.

For purposes of 2001 site selection, a new amendment was made to define the Eastern Zone to include the entire world; there would be no NASFiC in 2001. There will be a ratification vote at ConFrancisco on this. Amendments on reduced NASFiC lead time and "states and provinces" wording were also passed. (To better understand the meaning of these amendments and wording changes, please consult pages 145-46 in your program book!)

It was reported that Confiction lost money, but less than it owes its own committee members; no outside creditors are owed money.

I Read It In The Dupe

— Tom Becker

When walking around the convention center, be careful folks! The grounds are really nice, but they are not really meant for pedestrians, that's for sure. There's no real direct route from the Clarion to the Peabody; the best thing to do is go towards the convention center, then cross I-drive when you get even with the PDQ (Peabody Duck Quarters). You also need to watch out when going between the Clarion and the convention center; the most direct way involves crossing at an uncontrolled intersection (but there's not much traffic) and walking along a driveway. Because of that, a lot of cars drive on the wrong side, so they won't hit the fans. The con's missing a great opportunity to have our Aussie, Brit and Japanese friends explain to us the intricacies of right hand drive and roundabouts. Speaking of roundabouts, how about those big round plaza things in the roads and paths around the convention center? Don't they look like UFO landing pads to you? Maybe the place really was laid out by space aliens. The convention center looks kind of skiffy, in a 30's sort of way, and with all those convenient flying saucer pads, who needs to walk or drive? Now if I can just flag one down...

Sounds strange? Well, you can believe it because... *you read it in the Dupe.*

Guest of Honor Teed Off!!

Fan GoH Walt Willis inaugurated the Walt Willis Enchanted Duplicator Miniature Golf Course on Friday night by playing through the course with his long-time golf companion (and wife) Madeleine. Both of the Willises are dedicated golfers in the world beyond fandom, so we inquired as to their score. The course is supposedly a par 60, but Walter gamely admitted to shooting an 80. Madeleine would only say that she'd beaten Walt.

The Birds Apologize to Mr. Hitchcock

— Seth Breidbardt

The perpetrators of the Feather Ceremony would like to apologize to Mr. Hitchcock for the errant piece of feather that lodged in his eye.

Check Please

Hiroshi Miyagi (member A4495), in Quality Inn Room #1124, would like to cash a Chicon refund check from First National Bank. Could someone from the Chicago area help him out?