

Noreascon Three

Progress Report



July 1988

Questionnaire Responses Summarized

We appreciate all those who responded to our questionnaire in *Progress Report 3*. Over 10% of the approximately 2500 mailed were returned.

We won't even attempt to present all of the responses or additional comments and suggestions here; a more detailed analysis of the responses will be discussed in an issue of our fanzine *The Mad 3 Party* (\$1.00; please specify that you want the issue with the questionnaire results). We'll be glad to provide the actual response data for a particular question or section to anyone interested; just send us a note indicating which figures you'd like to see, with a SASE. The following items are what we thought you would find most interesting....

I. PROGRAM

More people are interested in genre SF and space programming than in any

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Andre Norton To Give Fantasy Award

Andre Norton will sponsor an award, The Gryphon, for the best unpublished fantasy work by a woman writer new to the field. She will present the first annual award at Noreascon Three. Besides the trophy, a prize of \$500.00 will be given, and probable publication.

The award will go to a published author who has sold no more than two books or short stories at the time of judging. Deadline for the first award reading is July 1, 1989. Submissions should be mailed to Andre Norton; 1600 Spruce Ave.; Winter Park, FL 32789.

Judging for the first year will be done by Andre Norton and two associates. A judging committee, including the award winner, will be established for future years.

other type. The least interest is in program items on writing and publishing. Of our respondents, 80% are interested in seeing film previews and/or new releases, 60% are interested in classics and recent features, and about 50% are interested in seeing animated and short fea-

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Affinity Group Accommodations Available

Noreascon Three will be a big convention, and we know it's often easier to attend a big event when you know where to find your friends and people with similar interests. So we are going to try our best to help members of clubs, special interest and affinity groups to stay in the same hotel if they wish. For this to work, we need to get information about such groups *early*, before we are flooded with hotel reservation responses from *Progress Report 5* in early 1989.

Important Points:

- We need to know in advance only

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Facilities Update: Sheraton Signs Contract

The latest news is that we have signed a contract with our headquarters hotel, the Sheraton-Boston Hotel and Towers. It covers our use of all of the Sheraton's function space and 1,000 of their sleeping rooms. We expect the same accommodating service from the Sheraton as was shown at Noreascon Two in 1980 and Noreascon in 1971.

Function Space

With over 75% of our function space, the John B. Hynes Convention Center will be the focus of Noreascon Three. It shares a common wall with and has two direct connections to the Sheraton-Boston.

We have reserved two and a half of the renovated Hynes' three floors of space. This includes three exhibit halls of over 35,000 sq. ft. each, a 5,000-seat auditorium, a 24,000-sq. ft. Ballroom, over 30 additional function rooms, an

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Progress Reports

There are three progress reports still to be published in the year remaining before the convention. Two will be in a glossy, 8½" by 11", magazine format, the last in newsletter format (like this one) with lighter paper stock and folded for mailing. We anticipate that the magazine PRs will be of lasting interest and retained, while the newsletters will be of temporary use.

All pre-registered members will receive a complete set of the magazine-style PRs. A limited number of the newsletters are printed, so they will not be available to members who join after their publication.

Progress Report Schedule

PR, Style	Ad copy deadline	Publication date	Print run
#5, Magazine	November 1, 1988	January 1989	7000
#6, Magazine	February 15, 1989	April 1989	7000
#7, Newsletter	May 15, 1989	July 1989	6000

Agents

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Your Mailing Label

Your mailing label contains the following information:

- Your name as it appears in our records or possibly a more "familiar" form that you prefer, e.g., Debbie instead of Deborah.
- Your membership number followed by your status code (a=attending; s=supporting; c=child, who won't receive publications, but will get a children's mailing in early '89).
- Your address.

Note that any change in membership status from that published in previous progress reports and herein is reflected on your label.

We would appreciate it if you wrote us to correct any errors.

Advertising Rates

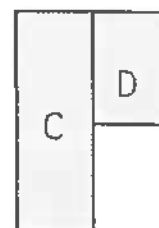
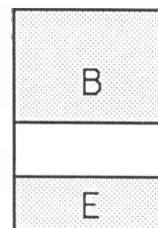
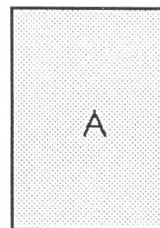
Two magazine-style progress reports remain to be published before the Worldcon. Complete rates are available by writing us for a ratecard. The ad copy deadlines for PRs 5 & 6 are November 1, 1988 and February 15, 1989, respectively. Program book rates will be available after September, 1988. (Please contact us directly for PR 7 advertising rates.) The following rates apply to PRs 5 & 6:

Size	Image Area	Professional	Fan
Full Page	7½" x 10" (A)	\$250	\$100
Half Page	7½" x 4¾" (B)	\$140	\$60
	3½" x 10" (C)	\$140	\$60
Quarter Page	3½" x 4¾" (D)	\$80	\$40
	7½" x 2¼" (E)	\$80	\$40

- For newsletter format, no bleeds or half-tones are acceptable.
- All magazine-style progress reports will be distributed to all members who join before the convention. Newsletters will be sent to new members only until the next progress report becomes available.
- Please write to us with requests for special processing (including a full description of what is desired). Information on availability and costs will be sent to you as soon as possible.
- We request that payment accompany ad copy.

For more information, please contact:

Rick Katze
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Box 46, MIT Branch Post Office



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Membership Information

Memberships

Noreascon Three has two types of memberships: Attending and Supporting. Both include voting privileges on the Hugo Awards and on site selection for the 1992 Worldcon. Members registered before the convention will receive copies of all our major publications. This includes all magazine-style progress reports, all newsletter progress reports published after the time you join, the Program Book, and any post-con publications. An Attending Membership also gives you the right to attend the convention and the World Science Fiction Society business meeting.

Conversions

A Supporting Membership may be converted to an Attending Membership at any time by paying the difference between the Supporting price (\$20) and the Attending Membership rate at the time you convert. If you plan on attending Noreascon Three and currently have only a Supporting Membership, you should consider converting at this time, since the rates will only increase.

Membership Rates

All of our rates are in U.S. dollars. You can send U.S. or the equivalent Canadian funds to us, or the equivalent in their local currency to our agents (see page 3 for addresses). (Canadians may send us a check in Canadian dollars; we have a Canadian bank account.) We also accept MasterCard or Visa. Until the pre-registration cutoff our rates are:

	(to 9/15/88)	(9/16/88 - 3/15/89)	(3/16 - 7/15/89)
Attending	\$60	\$70	\$80
Supporting	\$20	\$20	\$20
Conversion from Supporting to Attending	\$40	\$50	\$60
Children's Admission	\$40	\$45	\$50

Please note that preregistration ends on July 15, 1989. All memberships after that time must be purchased at the door.

Children's Admission

Children who will be less than 12 years old at Noreascon Three have three options:

- 1: Attend as a kid-in-tow.
- 2: Buy a full Attending Membership.
- 3: Buy a Children's Admission.

Children who stay with their parents/guardians throughout the convention are considered kids-in-tow and pay no attendance fee. However, they may not attend any convention activities alone and may not participate in Children's Programming or Babysitting.

Children can, of course, buy full Attending Memberships. This gives them the same rights as any other member: They can vote for the Hugos and future Worldcons and will receive all publications. They can attend any event (including Children's Programming) on their own. In addition, they can use babysitting with no additional charge.

The third option is to buy a Children's Admission, which may be purchased only in conjunction with someone else's Attending Membership. Children's Admissions entitle children (under 12 at the convention) to take part in any at-con activity on their own and to use babysitting for free. The difference from Attending Memberships is that the children do not receive any publications (including the Program Book), nor do they have the right to vote on the Hugos, or site selection. (Note that since they will not be able to vote on the 1992 site selection, they will not be eligible for any special voter rate.)

A Children's Admission may be converted to an Attending Membership at any time by paying the difference between the amount paid for it and the current Attending rate.

Transfers

We can not give membership refunds; however, a membership may be transferred by sending us a letter signed by the original member giving the name and address of the membership's new owner. To avoid errors, please include your membership number in the letter.

Missing Fans

If you move, please send us your change of address. The convention is approaching and we do not wish to lose you.

Department of Missing Fans

The Post Office tells us that we no longer have current addresses for the following members:

Miriam Benson,	
Bob Benson	New York, NY
Theresa Berger	Hoboken, NJ
Lynn M. Borkowski,	
Rudy T. Borkowski	Hainesport, NJ
David Chaplin	Ottawa, ONT, CANADA
Susan B. Collingwood	Alachua, FL
Lisa Cox	Chatsworth, CA
Don Levey	Waltham, MA
D. Lites	Kansas City, MO
Barry C. Marin	East Orange, NJ
Lyn Saunders	Ottawa, ONT, CANADA
Nick Smith	Brooklyn, NY
Nancy J. Stone	St. John, NB, CANADA
Shinsuke Takeuchi	Yokohama, JAPAN

If you know any of them or their present addresses, please send us their current addresses or let them know we need it. Thanks for your help.

WHICH 1992 WORLDCON BID OFFERS YOU:

- Facilities that are the perfect size for the 50th Worldcon?
- A committee with decades of convention **experience?**
- A charming southern city noted for its traditional southern hospitality, history, museums, cultural life, nightlife and much more?
- A calendar/art portfolio especially for fans?

Nameless Division Covers Many Areas

In PR3 we announced contests to find a good name for the "mixing area", and also a name for the entire division. We have received several entries, and we will continue to accept entries until the end of Nolacon (September 5, 1988).

The Nameless Division includes Registration, Information, Daily Newsletter, Hucksters' Room, Exhibits, and Hall Events. We will also be setting up the mixing area in the Hynes Convention Center, which we hope will be a pleasant area where people can get together and talk about their interests. The mixing area will include such things as special interest group tables, exhibits, refreshment areas, and scheduled visits by pros.

One of the exhibits will be a display of photographic portraits of notables in the science fiction field. Professional pho-

tographer Christine Valada has volunteered to take these portraits and provide us with mounted prints. We hope that people she contacts for this project will be willing to sit for her.

Other exhibits are in progress and we will have more details in the next progress report. We invite any sf clubs that would like to set up an exhibit, or to help us with any of our currently-planned exhibits, to contact us.

Hucksters' Room rates and other information will be sent later this year to all those who have requested it. We are considering some new options for the Hucksters' Room (such as a special part-time area for members who would like to sell their used books) and we may be sending out a questionnaire. If you have any opinions on what you would like to see in the Noreascon Three Hucksters' Room, please send us your name and address.

Art Show Info

The Noreascon Three Art Show will operate similarly to the Noreascon Two and Boskone art shows, charging space fees rather than commissions on sales, and with most items selling by written bid rather than at a voice auction. It will be about the size of Noreascon Two's art show, with 250 to 300 panels (4' high by 6' wide) and 20 to 30 tables for 3-D art.

Artist check-in will probably be on Thursday, with the Art Show open to the public on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The auction(s) and sales will be on Sunday and/or Monday.

Art show information for artists will be available starting in January 1989. Due to the physical constraints on our facilities, artists and agents *may* need to be attending members or to buy day-memberships in order to get into the show for check-in and pick-up.

Affinity Groups

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about large groups. If you are traveling with a group of friends and want a few rooms in the same hotel, it will be much easier to just send in all of your reservation forms together with a note to that effect. Even medium-size groups that promptly send in all their reservation forms from *Progress Report 5*, will have a good chance of being assigned to one hotel. The affinity-group mechanism is intended for large groups and those where the reservations can't be sent in together.

- It is *extremely* unlikely that any groups will be assigned to the Sheraton-Boston. To be honest, one of the reasons we are offering "affinity group" hotel assignment is to make some of the hotels that are a bit farther from the convention site more attractive. If you are part of a group, it's easier being a few blocks away from the main convention facilities.
- Note: we are *not* accepting individual hotel room or party room reservations at this time. None of the hotels are accepting reservations yet.

What We Need to Know

If you would like to set up affinity

group housing, please write and provide us with the following information:

- Who you are. This means some sort of name for your organization or common interest so we can refer to you (for example, the Cleveland Kucinich Fan Club).
- Your contact person. We need to be in touch with someone responsible for organizing your group to let you know what's going on, ask questions, etc. Try to make sure this person isn't moving to Tanzania in early 1989, but will be around.
- Is your group "public" or "private"? When we release hotel information, we will list all public affinity groups and any attendee will be free to request assignment to that group's hotel. If you prefer, your group can remain "private" and will not be listed. The choice is yours.
- Parties. We would like to know if you plan to run one or more open parties, since this may affect which hotel you are assigned to. (An open party is any party that either advertises itself or leaves its door open and admits almost anyone.) Do you plan to have the party in your room(s) or will you wish to reserve a separate party suite? If the latter,

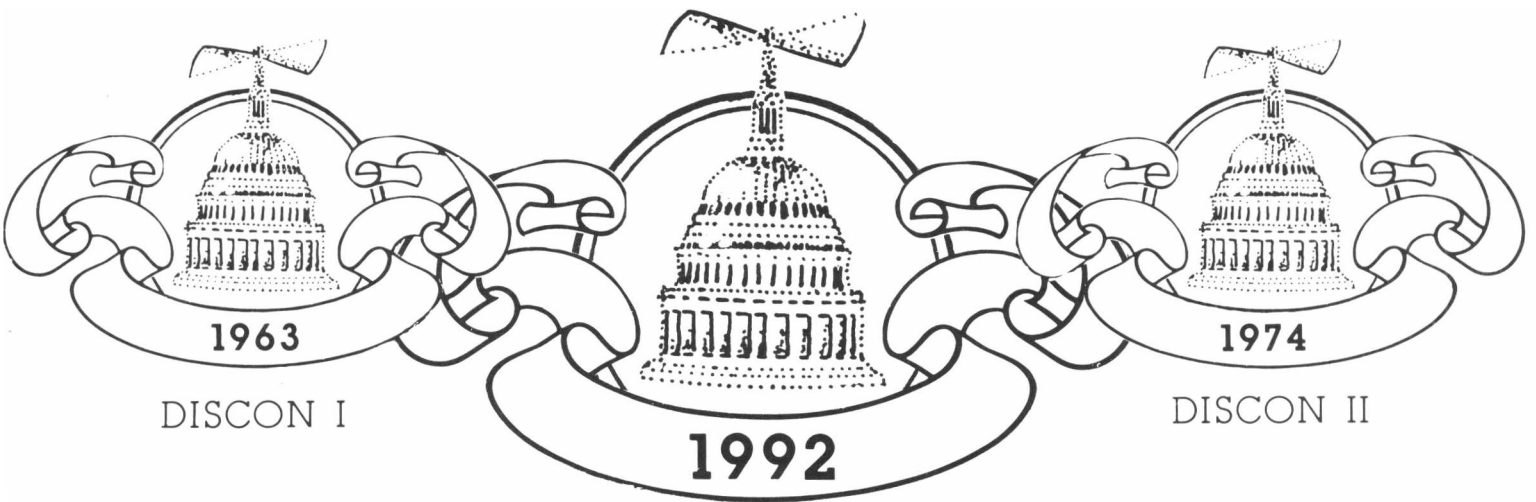
roughly how many nights would you need a party suite? This is not an irrevocable decision, as you should be able to add or drop a party room in early 1989.

- Group size, preferences. To successfully assign groups to hotels we need to know roughly how large they will be. The number and type of hotel rooms to be taken are the critical factors. Other factors and preferences, such as whether you expect any handicapped/disabled persons requiring special rooms, or if the group will tend to arrive on an earlier day and/or depart on a later day than most attendees, etc., should also be mentioned.

Deadline

In order to ensure that we know who you are and what your needs are, we must hear from all affinity groups by *October 15, 1988*. Although we can't guarantee this will work, we will do our best to accommodate groups we hear from before that date. The earlier you write to us, the better. Write to:

Facilities Division, c/o Noreascon 3
Box 46, MIT Branch PO
Cambridge, MA 02139 USA



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Washington, D.C. welcomes your support for our bid to host the 50th World Science Fiction Convention. **DISCON III** has the facilities, experienced leadership, and location to provide a great worldcon.

First, our facilities are superb. Preliminary agreements with the Sheraton Washington, Omni Shoreham, and Washington Hilton give us 3000 sleeping rooms, 370 suites, over 100 meeting rooms, 95,000 square feet of exhibition space, and a massive ballroom that can offer 4200 people an unobstructed view of the stage. **DISCON III** will give you plenty of room to enjoy all the con events.

In addition to top notch facilities, **DISCON III** offers experienced convention leadership. We entertained the science fiction community at Worldcons in 1963 and 1974, and have run Disclaves for over 35 years. Our committee is a large, stable, organized group of local fans and pros who have worked on conventions of all sizes - locals, regionals, Worldcons - on all levels of responsibility and in all departments. These people have the experience to guide you to your best Worldcon ever.

Finally, our location can't be beat. Washington, D.C. is one of the world's great cities, full of broad streets, spacious parks, and a huge array of monuments, museums, and historical sites easily accessible by public transportation. A subway ride from your hotel, for example,

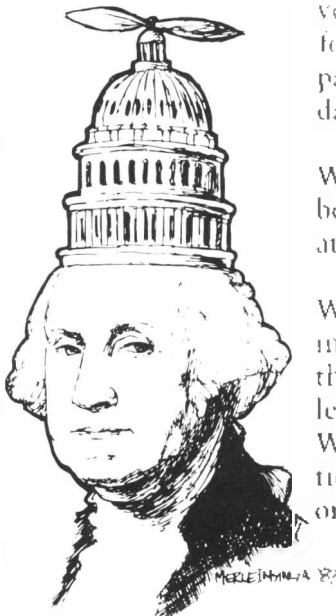
will take you to The Mall, site of the Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Washington Monument, Vietnam War Memorial, US Capitol Building, National Gallery of Art, Air and Space Museum, and numerous other attractions. Another must-see is the National Zoo, home of the giant pandas Ling-Ling and An-an: it's just up the street from the Sheraton Washington Hotel.

All of Washington is connected to your hotel by a fast, reliable subway system, as well as an extensive bus line. DC is also served by Amtrak, Greyhound, and three airports.

In addition to our ever popular t-shirts and buttons, we have created a 16-month tannish calendar/art portfolio with work by a number of award-winning artists. Beginning May 1988 the calendar will be available at conventions for \$5.00, or by mail order for \$5.00 plus \$3.00 postage per package, with a limit of six calendars per package.

We also offer pre-supporting memberships at \$5.00 and pre opposing at \$19.92.

We know you'll agree that Washington offers you the best location, the best facilities, and the best leadership for an enjoyable 50th Worldcon. For additional information, talk with us at our bid parties, or write to us at:



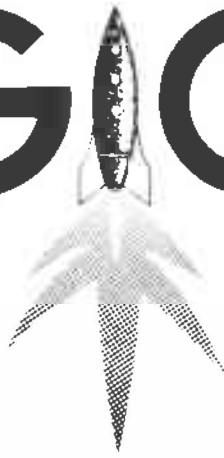
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**ORLANDO
IN '92**

Whether your favorite ride is a flying carpet or a space shuttle, the destination is clear in 1992: Orlando. For locale, facilities, and committee, there's no better place for the 50th World Science Fiction Convention.

Our city: "You can pull fun out of this area like rabbits from a magician's hat." Of course you've heard of EPCOT, the Magic Kingdom, Sea World. But that's only the beginning of the fun and excitement that make Orlando unique. Here you can also stroll among hundreds of acres of flowers at Cypress Gardens, cheer the jousts at Medieval Times, browse at the giant, fantasy-filled Mercado shopping mall (where the tulips talk to you), sail the rivers of Florida on a romantic cruise ship, wax nostalgic at Boardwalk & Baseball, make a splash in Disney's new Typhoon Lagoon, visit not one, but 2 major motion picture studios, etc. And if all that palls, Cape Canaveral and the Kennedy Space Center are only an hour's drive away.

Getting to Orlando is almost as much fun as being there. Orlando International Airport ("absolutely gorgeous. . . beautifully decorated, futuristic") is one of the world's easiest-to-reach airports, served by a host of North American airlines and British Airways. Or you can come by Auto-Train, AMTRAK, bus, or car ("a road system much envied by more populous areas. . . four- or six-lane highways streak into the area from every direction").

Our facilities: Midway between the airport and Disney World, the Orange County Convention and Civic Center will be one of the most spacious and attractive Worldcon sites ever. When expansion is complete later this year, the Center will boast 388,000 square feet of exhibition, meeting, and function space (99 percent on one level), plus 55 covered loading docks, state-of-the-art lighting, round the clock security, and superb architecture, landscaping, and interior design.

Across the street is our headquarters hotel. "Not many hotels are tourist attractions. Orlando's new Peabody Hotel is." Not only does the Peabody have 58,000 square feet of function space, five restaurants, a 7,500 square foot swimming pool, and professional day care; it is also the home of the East Coast's only troupe of trained mallard ducks! To supplement the Peabody, we have booked additional rooms at other close-at-hand hotels, including 150 at the elegant Park Suites, and 600 at the inexpensive (but definitely not cheap) Quality Inn. Our current room block at all hotels exceeds 3800, and many more can be added if necessary.

All convention activities will take place at the Convention Center or the Peabody, so that long treks will be unnecessary, and all events will be readily accessible to the handicapped.

Our committee: The people who want to bring you the 50th Worldcon are experienced convention fans. Members of the Orlando in '92 committee have been responsible for major divisions at past Worldcons (including programming, dealers, and hotel liaison), have founded or chaired regional and local cons, and have devoted thousands of hours to other con activity of all sorts. Our large, enthusiastic local group forms the base that any Worldcon needs. Of course, we'll also look for help from fans around the country and world in order to give you the best possible MagiCon in '92.

Our supporters: We know that it's unseemly to brag, but Orlando in '92 has gotten more support more rapidly than any other Worldcon bid in history. Although the balloting is still more than a year away, we already have over 900 pre-supporting members, and expect to reach the thousand mark soon. You, too, can join this throng. For five dollars, you will receive a spiffy "MagiCon / Orlando in '92" button, a subscription to our informative bidzine, discount prices on our four-color MagiCon t-shirts, at least five dollars off your MagiCon attending membership (after we win, naturally), and - best of all - the satisfaction of helping to bring the Worldcon to Orlando in 1992.

Besides your support, we also need your vote. To cast a ballot for Orlando in '92, you must be an attending or supporting member of Noreascon Three, the 1989 World Science Fiction Convention, to be held in Boston, August 31 through September 4, 1989. Attending memberships vary in price (\$60 through 07/15/88 - higher thereafter). Supporting memberships (which include all con publications and the right to vote on Hugo Awards and Worldcon site selection) cost \$20. Voting itself will cost another \$20 (for which you will automatically become a supporting member of the 1992 Worldcon, and will be entitled to a special rate for attending membership).

To join Noreascon Three, send your name, address, and money to:

Box 46
MIT Branch Post Office
Cambridge MA 02139.

Our future depends on you. We're confident that a vote for Orlando is a vote that you'll never regret. But, if you're not yet convinced, why not come see us at Nolacon, or one of the many other conventions at which we'll be throwing parties? There's lots more to say about Orlando and MagiCon.

Come, Share The Magic!

For more information, or to pre-support, write to:

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Hugo Award and Site-Selection Update

All Noreascon Three members are eligible to nominate and vote for the Science Fiction Achievement Awards (the Hugo Awards) for the best SF and related work of 1988. Hugo nomination ballots will be distributed with *Progress Report 5*, scheduled to be mailed at the end of December 1988. The deadline for nominations will be sometime in late March 1989. (If you haven't received your *PR 5* by the middle of February, let us know and we'll rush a ballot to you.) Final Hugo ballots will be mailed around the end of April, and will be due back sometime in July. As always, the Hugo winners will be announced at the Hugo Awards Ceremony at Noreascon Three.

If a pending constitutional change is ratified, members of Nolacon II (the 1988 Worldcon) will also be eligible to make Hugo nominations in 1989 (but not to vote on the final ballot unless they are also Noreascon members). We do not expect to be doing a separate mailing to these people, however; they would have to write to us and ask for ballots, or obtain them elsewhere.

On the subject of obtaining ballots elsewhere, any fanzine or semiprozine editors who'd like to distribute Hugo nomination ballots with their publications should write to us, and we'll send them advance copies of the ballots around the beginning of December 1988.

Site Selection

All members of Noreascon Three are eligible to vote on the location of the 1992 World Science Fiction Convention. Site-selection ballots will be distributed with the final Hugo Ballots (at the end of April), and may be cast either by mail or in person at Noreascon Three. A voting fee (\$20 unless the bidders and Noreascon Three agree to a different figure) must be paid, and all voters automatically become members of the 1992 Worldcon.

Potential 1992 bidders (in the Eastern region of North America, or outside North America) are reminded that bids

must be filed with the Noreascon Three committee by September 5, 1988. As of this writing, we have received a formal bid from Washington, D.C., and one is expected from Orlando, Florida.

Questionnaire Responses

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tures. Less than 35% have an interest in author lunches or a roast, although 65% do have some interest in autograph sessions. Less than 12% are seriously interested in the scavenger hunt or trivia bowl, and only about 35% expressed any interest in any of the workshops listed.

II. EXHIBITS

Interest in the art show and art exhibits is very high, although responses for the auction, print shop, and demonstrations were more evenly distributed between those who weren't sure and those who definitely weren't interested. About 65% are interested in a book exhibit, about 80% are interested in a NASA/space exhibit, but less than 50% are interested in a fan history exhibit.

III. ONE-SHOTS

The items that most people plan to attend are the Hugo Awards ceremony (65%), the Masquerade (62%), and a film premiere (54%). The banquet, closing ceremony, dance, and cabaret did not receive strong responses either positive or negative, but the Masquerade photo area did receive almost equal responses of "definitely attend" and "no interest", with little in between; people either use it or don't, but very few don't care.

Those interested in watching an event on closed-circuit TV outnumbered those who weren't sure they'd see it at all only for the Hugo Awards ceremony, Masquerade, Guest of Honor presentations, and film premiere. For most other events, the ratio of "not sure I'll see it" to "I'd watch it on closed-circuit TV if available" was 2:1, 3:1, or 4:1.

We asked how long the Masquerade and Hugo awards ceremony should last. The most frequent answers were 3 hours for the Masquerade, 2 hours for the Hugo Awards.

IV. MEMBER SERVICES

Almost everyone wants a con suite, newsletter, freebie table, and pocket program...Other items of interest to many are the information desk, fannish tourist information, and a restaurant guide. Most people said that they would not need to use babysitting, handicapped services, an official airline or travel agent, a repro room, or ride- or room-mate-matching services. However, it was nice to see the special comments from all the fen who wrote in the margins requesting that we maintain the babysitting and handicapped services for the people who do need them.

V. SOUVENIRS

The only items in this section that a majority of respondents indicated they would definitely or probably use are the program book and progress reports. None of the other items received a definitive preference for either "use/buy" or "no interest".

VI. SPECIAL INTERESTS

About 30% indicated that they planned to spend at least some time in the fanzine room; the same percentage expressed an interest in the filksinging. Board gaming, computer gaming, fantasy role playing, and the radio soundtrack room each received interested responses of about 10%, and wargaming received interested responses of about 5%.

OTHER QUESTIONS

Most people said that the earliest they would attend a program item was 9:00 or 10:00 a.m., and most plan to leave convention activities at midnight or later. We asked people to indicate where they would spend most of their time at Noreascon 3; the answers varied widely, and one person even wrote "in the elevators". More than 85% plan to attend evening parties. The ratio of people who said they felt it was important that there be no smoking in various areas ranged from 4:1 to 10:1, and applied to every listed area except "open spaces".

Of our respondents, 8-9% either have never attended a Worldcon or have not attended one in the last five years.

Facilities Update

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over-10,000-sq. ft. entrance hall and registration area, plus lots of wide hallways and prefunction spaces.

The Hynes renovations are continuing, and several conferences have been held using the new first floor and part of the new second floor. However, it is still a bit hard to settle our plans until all of the new Hynes is in actual operation, later this year.

Besides the Hynes and the Sheraton-Boston, we have reserved all of the function space at the smaller Back Bay Hilton Hotel, just across Dalton Street from the Sheraton. With over 90% of our function space under one roof in the Hynes and Sheraton, and the rest just across the street, all of our program facilities are conveniently concentrated in one area.

Hotel Rooms and Reservations

In addition to our 1,000 rooms at the Sheraton-Boston, we have secured large room blocks at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel and Towers, the Back Bay Hilton, the Lafayette Swissôtel, and a number of

others. With commitments for over 3,000 rooms, we are confident there will be no shortage.

We will negotiate special convention room rates, for which only attendees will be eligible, about a year out from Noreascon Three. A reservation form and information on the participating hotels will appear in *Progress Report 5*, to be sent out in early 1989. We will process reservations centrally and allocate them to hotels. This arrangement was used very successfully in 1980 by Noreascon Two, which used six hotels. We also hope to provide a service allowing affinity groups that request it to be put in the same hotel (see page 1).

Please do not try to reserve directly with any of the hotels at this time.

Parties

We expect to have a variety of suites and party rooms available for those interested in running a party that either is too large for their room, or would not be allowed in their room because they want a quiet-area room. We expect to solicit requests and give rates for such rooms along with the regular room reservations in *Progress Report 5*.

Program Takes Shape

Staffing and plans for Noreascon Three's Program are moving along rapidly (yes, we know we have over a year—but this is the Big One!). Here are some things we'd like people to know:

- Program Participants shouldn't expect to be hearing from us until after Nolacon II. We would appreciate it if those who have written to us already would inform us of any change of address.
- If you have any ideas for Young Adult (ages 9-15 years approximately) Program items, please write to us—we'd love to get suggestions.
- In fact, if you have *any* ideas (topics and/or people) for a program item of *any* sort, we'd love to hear of it!
- If your Club or Special Interest Group wants to have a meeting at Noreascon Three, or set up a program item of some sort, please write to the Program Division and let us know. We will have Club tables of some form available, and we want to emphasize the diversity within the field. Write us!



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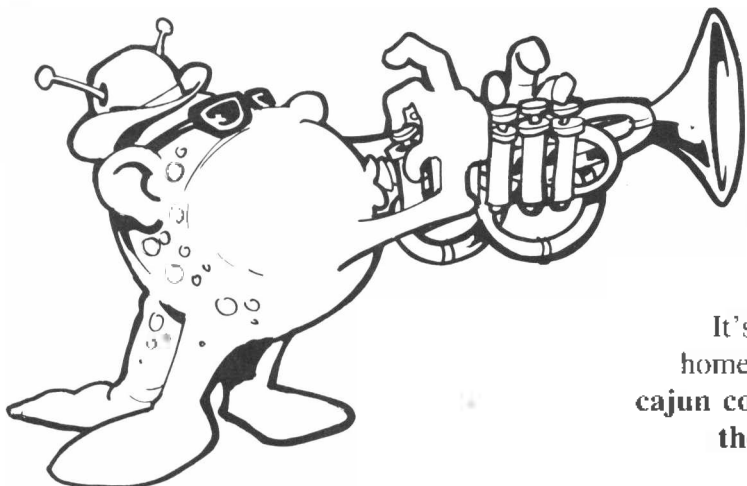
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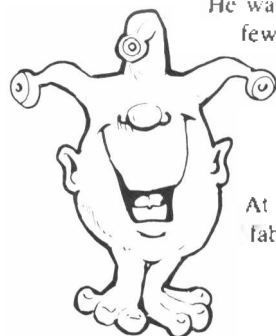
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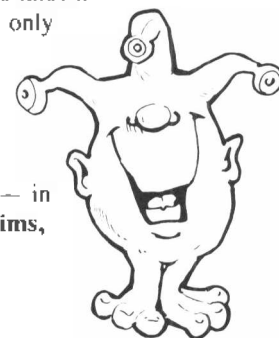
GUESTS OF HONOR **PRO GUEST: DONALD A. WOLLHEIM**

He was one of the founders of SF fandom. He has written over 25 books. As an editor he has known few peers, and as a publisher he stands alone at the pinnacle of his profession. He has not only done everything, he has done it the **best**. He's **Donald A. Wollheim**, the **Professional Guest of Honor at Nolacon II!**



FAN GUEST: ROGER SIMS

At the first **Nolacon** in 1951 he was among the hosts of the greatest fan party of all time — in fabled Room 770. He was co-chairman of **Detention**, the 1959 Worldcon. He is **Roger Sims**, and now he returns to New Orleans as **Fan Guest of Honor at Nolacon II!**



TOASTMASTER: MIKE RESNICK

He is one of the premiere costumers of the Science Fiction family, with his wife Carol many times winner of Best of Show at Worldcon masquerades. He is the author of **Santiago**, of **Tales of the Velvet Comet**, of **The Dark Lady** and **Stalking the Unicorn**. He is a world traveler, a world-class wit, and now **Mike Resnick** is **Toastmaster** for the 1988 **World Science Fiction Convention — Nolacon II!**

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New Memberships

between December 2, 1987 and May 1, 1988

Membership Codes

The number and letter appearing next to each name represents the membership number and status as follows: a=attending, s=supporting, c=child. Updates will appear in future progress reports.

2466a	Saul D. Abraham	2518a	Wendy Conrad	2471a	Trudy Leonard
2464a	Steven R. Aines	2484s	Craig Alan Cook	2578a	Robert J. MacIntosh
2475a	Joseph Altairac	2569a	Glen Cook	2498a	Ben Marsden
2508a	Tina Anderson	2556c	Paula M. Cooper	2473a	Dominique Martel
2448a	Corey Araujo	2567a	Tim Covell	2444a	Sally Martin
2523a	Rudy J. Balliro	2449a	Mary Crane	2507a	Guest of Jeff Maynard
2428s	Miquel Barcelo	2429a	Bill Curry	2504a	David McCabe
2527a	Jonathan B. Bayer	2431c	Brian Curry	2505a	Guest of David McCabe
2490a	Howard G. Beatman	2432c	David Curry	2463a	William Melle
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2492a	Andrew Bennett	2450a	Jay Dalco	2472a	Karen Meschke
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2481a	Mark Bernstein	2570s	Barbara L. Delhotal	2455a	Jack Moir
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2436a	Jody Bobbitt	2574a	Brian Diaz	2503a	Scott R. Morgan
2576a	Charles K. Bradley	2439a	Robert Dobson	2560a	Cathy S. Mosley
2561a	Michael Braithwaite	2459a	Peggy Ann Dolan	2546a	Dr. Eugene S. Moulic
2565a	Maria Bucar	2524a	Robin Downs	2510a	Nancy Mowry
2488s	Carolyn Caughey	2519a	Nancy A. Durgin	2562a	Darlene Ney
2521a	Doreen Charbonneau	2579s	Karl W. Ehrlich	2531a	Dave Nicklas
2520a	Ray Charbonneau	2486a	Barbara Emrys	2532a	Donald A. Nicklas
2465a	Elliot J. Chikofsky	2580a	Robert Fenelon	2552a	Vivian Norwood
2511a	Brenda W. Clough	2516a	Daniel Franklin	2563a	E. O'Brien
2512a	Lawrence A. Clough	2477a	Karen Frazier	2564a	K. O'Brien
				2427a	Marlene Okonske
				2573s	Marisa Ong
				2423a	Steve Owens
				2441a	Chris Perkins
				2442a	Mike Perkins
				2566a	James R. Philips
				2548a	Halliday Piel
				2509a	Toni Piper
				2530a	Roy S. Piwover
				2456a	Mary S. Prince
				2461a	Deanna Quiterio
				2496a	Jean V. Ravinski
				2514a	Margaret Rickard
				2424s	W.J. Fremont
				2425a	Guest 2 of Nancy Gerlach
				2495a	Elisa Gilson
				2568a	Charlie Gorton
				2434a	Jonathan Grenzke
				2487s	D. Auriette Hahn
				2501a	Linda Hantzis
				2500a	Peter Hantzis
				2557a	Harry Harrison
				2550s	Teddy Harvia
				2478a	Doug Hazen, Jr.
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				2474a	Ellen Herzfeld
				2476a	Peggy Hogan
				2446a	Kim F. Holec
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				2513a	Delia Huse
				2536c	David M. Iyama-Kurtycz
				2537c	Jonathan F. Iyama-Kurtycz
				2535a	Christina M. Iyama-Kurtycz, MD
				2534a	Daniel F. Iyama-Kurtycz, MD
				2541a	Peter Jako
				2468a	Amy Jewett
				2469a	Rob Jewett
				2462a	Anthony Scott King
				2575a	Charles T. King
				2526a	Janice Stephanie Kitik
				2572a	James F. Klein
				2528a	Elizabeth E. Kobe
				2482a	Arlene E. Kriitcher
				2491a	Suzanne N. Labonville
				2547a	Coleen Lannan
				2426a	Francois-Xavier Lasne
				2470a	Alton Leonard

Geographical Breakdown

as of May 1, 1988

STATE					
Alabama	11	Iowa	5	Ohio	47
Alaska	0	Kansas	13	Oklahoma	7
Arizona	20	Kentucky	18	Oregon	14
Arkansas	4	Louisiana	27	Pennsylvania	78
California	283	Maine	14	Rhode Island	17
Colorado	12	Maryland	111	South Carolina	6
Connecticut	57	Massachusetts	578	South Dakota	0
Delaware	11	Michigan	58	Tennessee	29
D.C.	7	Minnesota	22	Texas	62
Florida	86	Mississippi	1	Utah	4
Georgia	34	Missouri	19	Vermont	6
Hawaii	1	Montana	0	Virginia	91
Idaho	0	Nebraska	4	Washington	25
Illinois	127	Nevada	3	West Virginia	13
Indiana	26	New Hampshire	56	Wisconsin	21
		New Jersey	124	Wyoming	2
		New Mexico	8	COUNTRY	
		New York	238	Australia	14
		North Carolina	13	Bahamas	1
		North Dakota	0	Belgium	2
				Bermuda	1
				Brazil	1
				Canada	88
				Denmark	1
				Dominican Republic	1
				France	5
				Holland	7
				Ireland	1
				Japan	10
				Mexico	1
				New Zealand	3
				Norway	2
				Spain	1
				Sweden	1
				Switzerland	1
				UK	23
				USA	2413
				Yugoslavia	1
				Total	2578

Noreascon Three Financial Statement

for September 6, 1986 through March 31, 1988

Assets	
Cash	\$29,981.29
Accounts Receivable ¹	14,479.28
Capital Equipment	<u>3,670.22</u>
Total assets	\$48,130.79

Expenditures

Administrative	\$30,559.08	Division Expenses	\$449.16
Meeting & storage	\$3,907.05	Membership	\$6,257.31
Copier	780.00	Computer	\$1,723.95
Legal fees	20,229.30	Supplies ³	3,752.19
Other legal expenses ²	272.76	Mailing and postage due	180.77
Public Relations ²	154.51	Stamps, phone, etc.	160.82
Stamps, phone, etc.	1,175.44	Credit card charges	439.58
Committee newsletter	897.40	<i>Mad 3 Party</i> Publication	\$2,111.57
Depreciation	2,338.12	Supplies	\$382.49
Other	804.50	Printing	32.50
Publication of		Mailing	1,661.59
Progress Reports	\$11,491.89	Stamps, phone, etc.	34.99
Computer	\$1,733.79	Other	\$4,427.73
Waxer	589.00	Repayment to Friends	\$1,165.03
Supplies ³	696.13	TAFF/DUFF	50.00
Printing	7,255.46	Smofcon III	2,538.78
Mailing and postage due	1,112.53	Boston in 1989	673.92
Stamps, phone, etc.	104.98	Total expenditures	\$55,296.74

Income	
Memberships	\$88,477.83
Advertising	775.00
Subscriptions	1,998.00
Interest & donation	2,958.19
Overage (net)	679.75
Smofcon III	3,168.00
Boston in 1989	<u>1,247.89</u>
Total income	\$99,304.66

Income	\$99,304.66
Expenditures	<u>55,296.74</u>
Net income	\$44,007.92
Cash as of	
September 6, 1986	<u>4,122.87</u>
Assets	\$48,130.79

¹This entry includes advance accounts of members, both positive and negative, and monies collected on our behalf and held by NESFA, Inc. ²Formerly part of Hotel Relations. ³Many of these supply costs are for software.

- 2443a Scott Robinson
- 2497a Michael Rowe
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- 2480a Jeanne Roy
- 2457a Mary Rubasky
- 2458a Tom Rubasky
- 2515a Mary-Beth Santarelli
- 2554a Dora Schisler
- 2538a Lee Schlesinger
- 2539a Teri Schlesinger
- 2551a Bill Sears
- 2435a Joey Shoji
- 2445a Mitchell L. Silverman
- 2460a Nancy A. Slezak
- 2438a Jannelies Smit
- 2506a Paul Snook
- 2545a Sallijan Snyder
- 2533a Keith W. Stokes
- 2529a Robert Taylor
- 2451a Ted Thibodeau
- 2558a Denice M. Thornhill
- 2447a David Toal
- 2522a Robert F. Trifiro
- 2493a Rita Vasak
- 2494a Tom Tillson Vasak
- 2485a Jan Veldhoen
- 2440a Peggy Wajert

- 2422a David M. Watson
- 2452a Kevan Whitten
- 2549a Jane Wiley
- 2453a Kim Williams
- 2571a Susan C. Winters
- 2542a David Wolff
- 2543a Judy Wolff
- 2540a James J. Zaccaria
- 2544a Robert A. Zaccaria
- 2433a Anne Elizabeth Zeek
- 2581a Gary J. Zelmanovics



Convention Newsletter Available

Noreascon Three fanzine, *The Mad 3 Party* (More Than You'd Ever Want To Know About Running A Worldcon), is available to convention members at \$1 an issue. We plan to publish 9 more issues before the convention. Please write to us if you'd like to purchase a subscription.

Damaged or Lost Progress Reports Replaced

We will gladly replace any PR lost or badly damaged by the Post Office. Please write us to request a replacement copy. Back copies of newsletter-style PRs are limited.

Hotel Cards to be Sent Out in January '89

Hotel reservation cards will not be sent out before January 1989. Please do not contact the hotels directly. All hotel reservations will be handled by Noreascon Three.

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