## MASQUERADE

As usual the Masquerade Ball will be held on the Saturday of the Convention; however, there will be some features that are new.

- 1. There will be pre-registration of all costumes that are entering the judging. Registration will close at 12.00 Noon on the day of the Masquerade Ball. Fire laws do not allow certain effects (such as the "blasters" used in one costume at St. Louiscon) so, for the sake of safety, there will be a prejudging earlier in the day.
- 2. Contestants entering costumes requiring special effects, microphones, or lights will have to communicate to Stew Brownstein, in writing, the exact details at least 48 hours prior to 12.00 Noon on the day of the Masquerade Ball so that arrangements can be made. To preserve your desired surprise of your costume address your letters to: NOREASCON

Box 547 Cambridge MA 02139 attn: MASQUERADE BALL

They will be forwarded to Stew Brownstein unopened.

- 3. Due to the many complaints by contestants and audience over the years, there will be NO flash or strobe or floodlight photography, except for authorized photographers for the Convention, allowed in the Grand Ballroom during the presentations. A special room for photographers will be equipped with appropriate colored backdrops for photography. In future Progress Reports information will be given as to recommended exposures for various popular films for available light photography.
- 4. The presentation runway will be one of the longest at any convention about 150 feet.

Please forward any questions you have about the Masquerade Ball to Stew Brownstein at the address given above.



NOREASCON urges all its members to support the Trans-Atlantic Fan Fund (TAFF). TAFF sends North American fans to Europe in even years and European fans to North America in odd years to attend the World Science Fiction Convention. After this visit of fannish friendship the TAFFman writes a report which is distributed to fandom via the usual channels (i.e. fanzines) and is later collected and sold as a unit. In order to vote you must use an official ballot which you can get at any of the regional cons this year; it will also be distributed through numerous fanzines. If these methods fail you wite direct to the TAFF Administrator Steve Stiles/427 57th Street #6/Brooklyn NY 11203. There are three candidates for TAFF this year: (in alphabetical order) - Charlie Brown...Bill Rotsler...Flliot Shorter...
Further details will be given on the official ballots (which, unfortunately, are not yet available to be included in this mailing.)

## MASQUERADE ENTRY FORM FOR JUDGES Name \_\_\_\_\_ Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_ Title of Entry Is this a group entry? Yes No If yes, other members of group: Judges' Comments 1. 000 2. 4. Information for judges: (origin of idea, materials, design, designer and/or maker, if different from entrant) FOR ANNOUNCER

Title of Entry (and other commentary to be included in announcement)

If group, name(s) of other members

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## FOR CONTESTANT

IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ - In order to make the Magquerade more enjoyable for everyone, please observe the following simple rules:

- 1. Fill out this form completely and return the upper section to the box marked MASQUERADE in the Constitution Foyer (next to the Discussion Group Desk.
- 2. Pre-judging will begin at 7.15 pm (1915) Saturday. The pre-judging WILL begin on schedule. Only persons in costume will be allowed in the pre-judging; photographers will be admitted later.

3. You MUST bring this section of the form with you to the pre-judging.