

WE TRY HARDER...

...AND OFFER THE BEST

WE TRIED TO MAKE EVERY CON WE COULD THIS PAST YEAR. WE MISSED A FEW, BEING UNABLE TO BE IN BUT SO MANY PLACES AT ONCE. BUT IF WE MISSED YOU (OR IF WE DIDN'T) WE'D LIKE TO TELL YOU MORE ABOUT BALTICON.

AS THE FIRST ANNOUNCED BIDDERS WE'VE HAD MORE TIME TO PREPARE. EVEN AS WE BEGAN (BACK IN 1963) PLANNING FOR THE BEST CON POSSIBLE, WE DISCOVERED WE HAD A CITY THAT CARES. THE MAYOR'S OFFICE, HOTEL ASSOCIATION, MERCHANT'S ASSOCIATION, CONVENTION BUREAU, ETC., GOT WIND OF OUR BID THROUGH SOME EARLY NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY -- AND THEY CALLED US AND OFFERED ALL HELP AND SUPPORT FOR FANS. YOU'LL GET THE RED CARPET TREATMENT IN THIS CITY; YOU'LL NEVER BE LOST IN THE CROWD. BALTICON WILL HAVE ALL PRIVILEGES -- INCLUDING FULL TV AND PRESS COVERAGE.

AS WE SAID ON THE REVERSE SIDE, OUR HOTEL IS UNBEATABLE IN ANY DEPARTMENT. BUT THE HOTEL IS ALSO LOCATED IN THE HEART OF AMERICA'S 6TH LARGEST CITY. WITHIN A FEW BLOCKS ARE HUNDREDS OF RESTAURANTS, BARS, LIQUOR STORES. POE'S GRAVE (FROM WHENCE COMES OUR RAVEN SYMBOL) IS ONLY A FEW BLOCKS NORTH. HISTORY SURROUNDS YOU IN THE MIDST OF A MODERN METROPOLIS.

LIQUOR PRICES BOW TO NO OTHER BIDDER. THE AMERICAN BARTENDER'S UNION CERTIFIES THESE PRICES AT BETTER THAN 20% LOWER THAN ANY COMPETING CITY.

WE HAVE PLENTY OF WATER, TOO.

CIGARETTES ARE 29¢ A PACK.

THE HOTEL HAS AIRPORT LIMOUSINE SERVICE TO THE DOOR. IT'S A BLOCK FROM TRAILWAYS AND NOT MUCH MORE FROM GREYHOUND. B&O/C&O TRAINS COME IN THREE BLOCKS SOUTH.

THE AMERICAN TAXICAB ASSOCIATION INFORMS US THAT BALTIMORE TAXI RATES ARE THE LOWEST IN THE NATION.

ALL BARS, RESTAURANTS, AND MOST LIQUOR STORES ARE OPEN ON SUNDAYS -- INCLUDING HOLIDAYS.

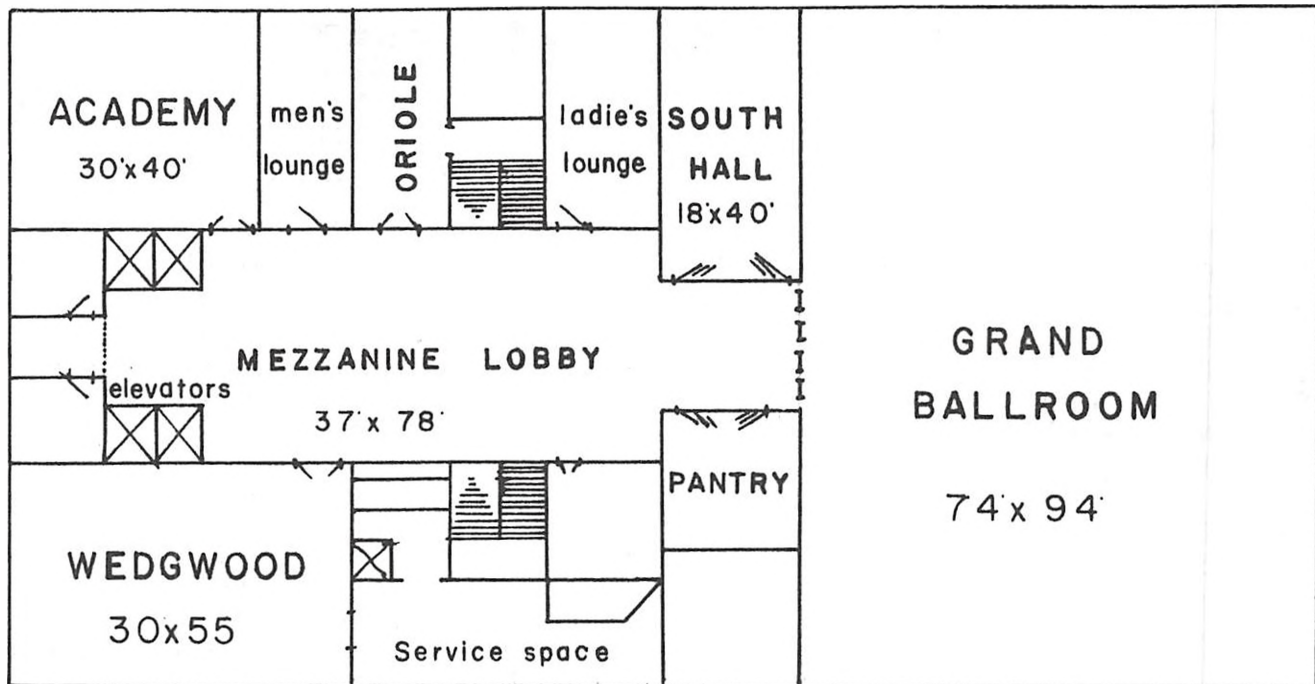
YOUR BALTICON COMMITTEE IS EXPERIENCED; ALL HAVE WORKED ON PUTTING TOGETHER PREVIOUS REGIONALS AND WORLDCONS. BACKING THEM IS THE BSFS -- A VIGOROUS GROUP, KNOWN FOR ITS WILD PARTYING AND SERIOUS READING AND COLLECTING BOTH.

OUR MIDWESTCON PARTY WAS THE LOUDEST, MOST CROWDED, AND WETTEST. AND WE THREW NO ONE OUT (WE CARRIED A FEW OUT, THOUGH). BUT PARTYING'S ONLY A PART OF A CON. OUR PROGRAM WILL BE BALANCED, CREATIVE, INTERESTING.

Quoth the Raven:



✓ CENTRALIZED, FUNCTIONAL CON FACILITIES FOR PROGRAM, PRIVATE MEETINGS, ART SHOW, RETAIL SALES & DISPLAYS -- AT THE HOTEL EMERSON!!



Your Hotel is YOUR WORLD CON!

CHECK THESE FEATURES!

✓ ROOM! PLENTY OF IT! WE HAVE THE ENTIRE HOTEL! NO OTHER CONS, PARTIES, WAKES, WEDDINGS, ETC. WE DON'T ENGINEER!

✓ PRIVATE PARTIES LOVED! AFTER ALL, WHO CAN YOU DISTURB EXCEPT OTHER FANS? AND -- 24 HOUR ROOM SERVICE.

✓ RATES FROM \$8-11-13. AN ENTIRE 3-ROOM LUXURY SUITE FOR \$32 (NONE HIGHER). AND EVERY ROOM AROUND 20% LARGER THAN THE AVERAGE SHERATON OR HILTON.

✓ THREE IN-HOTEL BARS, INCLUDING THE FABULOUS SKULLDOGGERY (SERVED IN SKULL, OF COURSE). OPEN UNTIL 2, INCLUDING SUNDAYS AND LABOR DAY!

✓ THREE IN-HOTEL RESTAURANTS -- INCLUDING THE HAWAIIAN ROOM, WITH LIVE POLYNESIAN ENTERTAINMENT -- AND A LUNCHEON BUFFET -- ALL YOU CAN EAT -- FOR \$1.98!!! NEVER A COVER OR MINIMUM!

✓ ALL ROOMS 100% AIR CONDITIONED -- AND FREE UNDERGROUND HOTEL PARKING!!!

✓ (AND ONLY A BLOCK FROM THE BLOCK; MOST COLORFUL AREA NORTH OF BOURBON STREET.

WHY SETTLE FOR LESS?

✓✓✓ BALTIMORE IN 1967!!!

