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THE FARR SIDE

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THE FARR SIDE (formerly STICKY ISSUES) newsletter is a publication of WesterColt .45, the Phoenix 1992 WesterCon. The purpose is to keep those of us involved with putting on conventions in Arizona, and especially WesterColt .45, informed. The circulation is to CASFS members as well as the committees and volunteers of all Arizona conventions. This is the eighth issue of the current round of THE FARR SIDE/STICKY ISSUES.

SMURFCON 4

Do you want to have an input to convention-running in Phoenix? Find out what fiendish plans we have in store for the next several conventions? Help cure slimewarts in Albanian midgets? Well, that's why we're holding a SMURFCON convention-skills workshop...to give you at two-out-of-three chance at changing the world (whichever two)! The location is the Ambassador Inn at 4727 E. Thomas Road in Phoenix, the date is Saturday, February 1, 1992, and the time is from 10 am to 6 pm (with lunch from 1-2pm - kinda sorta - and party to follow). SMURFCON registration is \$10.00, which will cover room rental, beverages, snacks, etc. We will be in the meeting room next to the lobby. The Ambassador's phone number is 840-7500 - sleeping rooms are \$45.00 single/double for streetside, and \$50.00 for courtyard.

Topics will include discussing how to deal with out-of-control party-hardy members, convention volunteer/Program reimbursements, and sex in conventions (just seeing if you're awake).

POT-LUCK CON SUITE! SMURFCON will provide light snacks and beverages during the workshops section, with a bring-your-own-food party to follow the workshops. The party starts at 7 pm after a break from 6 to 7 for supper. Everyone is invited to the party!

Questions? Call Matt Frederick at 220-9785 or Bruce Farr at 730-8648/470-0494.

CASFS Meetings

The next CASFS meeting will take place at the Newton's Prime Rib Restaurant on the south side of 13th Street and Van Buren, at 8 pm on Friday, January 31, 1992. There isn't a special meeting room set aside, but rather a section of the restaurant near the bar. They have sworn that they will be offering some special menu items for the upcoming meeting.

Phoenix 1992 WesterCon Meeting and ALL

OUR NEXT MEETING will be on Thursday, February 20, 1992 with a 7 pm tour and 7:30 pm meeting at the San Carlos Hotel (NW corner of Adams and Central, downtown Phoenix). The meeting will be in the Senator's or Governor's Room (whichever is still available). We will first gather in the hotel lobby to begin the tour...which will be VERY short since there's little meeting space.

WESTERCOLT .45 BUDGET is again being circulated with this FARRSIDE. Please contact Margaret Grady, Convention Treasurer, at 220-9785 if you need to make any revisions. Everyone who has Committee positions needs to review this budget and submit any changes for the Chairman and Treasurer to review. Otherwise, we'll leave this one we pulled one out of the air (or more disgusting places) and keep THAT official.

PHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS were printed in the last FARRSIDE, so are being skipped for this issue.

ANOTHER @!/?* HOTEL NAME CHANGE. The Sheraton Phoenix is in its newest incarnation the Omni Adams Hotel. Yes, all of our contracts and agreements still apply and that's where we're pitching our tents this July.

CONVENTION PROGRESS REPORTS. The first wide-distribution Progress Report is being worked on right now with anticipated mailing by 1-31-92. The only other planned PR has a copy deadline of 4-15-92 with mailing by 5-1-92. Hotel reservation cards will go out with the 1-31-92 mailing.

HEXACON CONVENTION

Mark Boniece is chairing HexaCon 2 gaming convention at the Celebrity (formerly Caravan Inn) Hotel at 3333 E. Van Buren in Phoenix. Advance memberships (which can be bought through the P. O. box or at many gaming stores) are \$10.00, \$15.00 at the door. The dates are March 13-15, 1992 (Friday to Sunday). Contact Mark at 949-0415.

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LepreCon 18 Convention

THE NEXT MEETING is February 29 (Saturday) at 6:30 pm. The location is Liz DuVal and Eric Hanson's apartment complex's clubhouse. Take the Superstition Freeway to Country Club (in Mesa), go South, first stoplight after Baseline turn left (that's San Angelo), first entrance to left is the Sahara Palms apartment complex - take that turn. Immediately in front of you on entering the complex is the clubhouse/office. Be sure to park in uncovered parking. Potluck housewarming for their new apartment will follow the meeting. Eric can be contacted at 892-2837.

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Committee/Staff List 1/16/92

Chairman
Treasurer
Chief of Staff
Pre-Convention Office
Hotel Liaison

Bruce Farr
Margaret Grady
Lea Schultz
Kim Farr
Sam Stubbs, Anita Bilek,
Jim Webbert

Convention Operations
Operations Staff
At-Convention Office
Communications & Coordination
Logistics
Volunteers
Nympho Desk
Security

Eric Hanson, Greg Hildebrand,
James Kosky
Glenn Glazer
Eileen Phillips
Mike Morrison
Ken Lemons
Stephanie Bannon
Terri Lemons
Dave Foster

Hospitality

Jeanne and Steve Burroughs,
Robert Osman

Food Logistics
Staff Lounge

Doug Cosper
Lauren Shellenbarger

Program
Participant Hospitality
Green Room
Art Program
Writers Program
Game Program
Science Program
Comics Program Liaison
Costume Program
Horror Program
Filk Program
Regency Dance

Mike Willmoth
Cynthia Webbert
Tina Smith
Jean Goddin
Maryeileen McKersie
John Theisen
Pete Manly
Steve Crompton
Terri Birmingham
Sue Thing
Elizabeth Burnham
Cynthia Webbert

Art Show

Ray Gish
Jean Goddin, Sandy Starr

Video/Film Program
Janimation
Games & Diversions
Masquerade
Dances
Child Care
Memberships/Registration

Shane Shellenbarger
Tom Perry
Don Harrington
Gail Wolfenden-Steib
Carey Holtzman
Chuck & Tasha Cady
Julie Douglas, Molly Hildebrand
Irv Holt

Computer Room
Historian/Technical Services
Publicity
Publications/At-Con Newsletter
Restaurant Guide
Pre-Con Newsletter/The Farr Side
Dealers Room
SFWA Liaison
ASFA Liaison
Business Meeting
Site Selection
Insignia Design

Dan Smith
Jim Cryer
Terri Birmingham
Matt Frederick
Chuck and Tasha Cady
Bruce Farr
Dave Hiatt
M. R. Hildebrand
Jean Goddin
John Lorentz
Kevin Standlee
Jim Groat

Policies:

- 1) Committee (department heads and some of the shift managers) receive complimentary memberships. Those considered committee are noted in italics (PLEASE ASK if you thought you were committee, but you aren't listed as such). We are offering half-price memberships to staff and volunteers recruited by department heads.
- 2) Staff and volunteers, except where approved to be comped in advance by the Chair, will be reimbursed if sufficient funds remain post-convention on the basis of a minimum of 16 hours on duty during the convention or pre-convention. 50% refunds will be made (again, if sufficient funds remain) for 8-16 hours worked.
- 3) One night will be comped in advance for hotel accommodations at the San Carlos or Sheraton (at the option of the Chairman and Hotel Liaison) for most Committee members. A few people who are required to be on duty 24 hours will be comped in advance for more days.
- 4) If sufficient funds remain post-convention, some additional hotel reimbursements may be made.
- 5) Service to the convention is on a volunteer basis with no wage, quid pro quo, or other consideration. There is no workman's compensation or other applicable insurance coverage related to wages.
- 6) Function space assignment to departments will be made by the chairman.
- 7) All committee-level positions and appointments need to be previously approved by the Chairman.
- 8) All expenditures must be budgeted. If in doubt, contact the

8) All expenditures must be budgeted. If in doubt, contact the Treasurer. Reimbursements might not be made if unapproved by the Chair or Treasurer and you're over budget.

9) Program Participants, except for SFWA members and other professionals, need to pay for their own memberships. As expected, we received a lot 'o flack on this policy. The present policy is that "professionals" in general don't need to pay for memberships if they are participating in two or more panels in their pro capacity.

WESTERCOLT .45
 Phoenix 1992 WesterCon Convention
 Budget
 Version of 1/16/92
 prepared by Margaret Grady and Bruce Farr

Revenue	Quantity	Rate	Extension
Memberships at \$15 (voting)	200	\$15	\$3,000
Memberships at \$25 (to 12/31/90, Special)	20	25	500
Memberships at \$30 (to 5-31-91)	20	30	600
Memberships at \$35 (to 9-30-91)	40	35	1,400
Memberships at \$40 (to 12-31-91)	40	40	1,600
Memberships at \$45 (to 6-15-92)	550	50	27,500
Comp Memberships (Guest, ConCom)	140	0	0
Memberships at \$60 (avg. full, at door)	350	45	15,750
Memberships at \$25 (1-days)	350	25	8,750
Total Memberships	1710		\$59,100
Dealer's Tables at \$50 (special)	40	50	2,000
Dealer's Tables at \$75	20	75	1,500
Art Show Flats at \$10	150	10	1,500
Art Show Commission	\$10,000	0.12	1,200
Advertising - PR's, Pages	10	\$35	350
Advertising - Prog Bk, Pages	20	75	1,500
Total Other Revenue			8,050
Interest on Checking Account			600
TOTAL REVENUE			\$67,750

Expenditures

Art Show	Overhead	\$200
Art Show	Rentals	500

Chairman	Postage/All Areas			400
Chairman	Telephone/All Areas			500
Chairman	Printing/Sticky Issues			200
Chairman	Vol. Reimbursements	140	\$40	5,600
Chairman	Contingency (all)			15,000
Chairman	Bid Reimb.			2,500
Chairman	Meeting Supplies			600
Chairman	Travel, WesterCons			700
Convention Ops	Equipment Rental			350
Convention Ops	Rental - Comm Eq			700
Convention Ops	Logistics Eq			500
Convention Ops	Supplies			250
Computer Room	Overhead			300
Dances	Overhead			300
Dealer's Room	Overhead			150
Gaming	Overhead			250
Gaming	Rental - Dividers			1,000
Historian	Overhead			50
Historian	Video Tapes, Film, Devel			300
Hospitality	Supplies	1,710	\$2.00	3,420
Hospitality	Rentals			400
Hotel Liaison	Symphony Hall Rental			\$1,300
Hotel Liaison	Symphony Hall Labor	120	\$12	1,440
Hotel Liaison	Guest Hotel Rooms	20	\$45	900
Hotel Liaison	ConCom Hotel Rooms	15	\$45	675
Hotel Liaison	ConCom Hotel Rooms	16	\$45	720
Hotel Liaison	ConCom Hotel Rooms	15	\$69	1,035
Hotel Liaison	Sheraton Catering			1,000
Hotel Liaison	Hospitality Suites	15	\$100	1,000
Hotel Liaison	Overhead			250
Hotel Liaison	Damages			500
Hotel Liaison	Comp Rooms - Hotels	30	\$50	-1,500
Masquerade	Overhead			400
Participant Hosp.	Food/Supplies			700
Programming	Promotional Mailings			250
Programming	Per Diem	16	\$50	800
Programming	Transportation			900
Programming	Overhead			250
Publications	Program Book/Sched.			2,400
Publications	Progress Reports (2.5)			3,100
Publications	Bulk Mailing (PR's)			1,000
Publications	Misc. Pub. (Guides)			300
Publications	Overhead			250
Publications	At-Con Newsletter			500
Publications	Fliers			300
Publicity	Overhead			250
Publicity	Promotional Meetings			2,000
Publicity	Promotional Mailings			1,500
Publicity	Bulk Mail, Promotional Mailings			600
Registration	Supplies			300
Staff Lounge	Food/Supplies			800
Treasurer	Overhead			200
Treasurer	Bad Checks			300
Video/Films	Film Rental			1,800
Video/Films	Equipment Rental			400
Video/Films	Return Postage			100
TOTAL EXPENDITURES				\$60,890
NET RESULT - GAIN				----- \$6,860 =====