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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 ninth issue of the current round of THE FARR SIDE/STICKY ISSUES.

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, February 28, 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 Other Stuff

OUR NEXT MEETING will be on Tuesday, March 17, 1992 at 7 pm. The location is Bruce and Kim Farr's house at 1844 E. Sesame Street, Tempe. Drinks and light snacks will be provided. As with all general committee meetings, all staff and volunteers are also welcome to attend. However, their sanity in doing so may be open to question. Call 730-8648 for directions.

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.

PARTY! PARTY! PARTY! PARTY! PARTY! PARTY! PARTY! PARTY!
Included in this issue of the FARRSIDE is a flier for a party we're holding at LepreCon convention - Saturday, March 28, 1992 at 8 pm (you don't have to be a member of LepreCon to attend). We're

providing bheer, beans, and beef (soda, too). Other vittles are welcome to be brung by you. We promise that there will be no related work session...this isn't just an unclever way of getting you to show up to fold, collate, and staple 5000000 publications! Check with most anyone working LepreCon to find where the party is being held.

PHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS and others is being reprinted in this issue. Please let Bruce Farr know if you don't want your phone number/address to be listed and if people aren't listed who you've enlisted to work the convention. This list should include all convention volunteers, staff, and committee.

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.

SYMPHONY HALL WALKTHROUGH. Wednesday, March 18, 1992 at 11 am. Those wishing to participate, please meet in front of Symphony Hall prior to 11 am. We anticipate that only the Masquerade personnel will want to participate, but others who wish to tour can contact Sam Stubbs at 968-7833 to confirm.

CONVENTION PROGRESS REPORTS. The second Progress Report has been mailed (about a week ago) to 5,107 households. Copy deadline on the third (and final) PR is April 15, 1992. We need excruciating detail for PR 3 as it needs to let everyone know pro, artist, and dealer names, a complete member list, how to get here, and all the other myriad details to entice someone to come. How widely we distribute it will depend on the results of our second mailing. We may well send a shortened version of it to members of other regional cons.

FUNCTION SPACE FLOOR PLANS. Sam Stubbs requests that floor plans for all departments be submitted to him by April 15, 1992. Changes in setup during the con should be noted by submitting a separate sheet showing the revised setup. Be sure to indicate when you need the room to be available with the indicated setup and when it is available for the hotel to tear down. Sam will redraw them if necessary, but a finished (ie good quality) drawing would be appreciated.

A WORD OF THANKS GOES A LONG WAY. I think that all of us need to keep in mind that everyone putting in the terrific amount of work to do WesterCon are doing this as volunteers. As such, they don't HAVE to do anything. Therefore, it's especially important to remember to say "thank you". That applies to me in thanking a Committee person or a door sitter, and to you and everyone else working on the convention. We couldn't do it without all of you...thank you.

IF YOU WANT TO HAVE A MEETING FOR YOUR DEPARTMENT AT LEPRECON, please let Bruce Farr know. We'll use what will become the party room on Saturday evening. It will be available from 2 pm through 5 pm on Saturday for the meetings.

GENERAL CONVENTION MEETING AT LEPRECON. There will be no general Committee meeting at LepreCon (since many of us will be working the convention). However, there will be a Program item to answer LepreCon attendees' questions...

ITEMS NEEDED TO BE BORROWED. Jeanne Hillary-Burroughs needs to borrow the following for the WesterColt .45 party at LepreCon: cast iron skillet and pots, a bushel basket and a wagon wheel.

HEXAICON CONVENTION

Mark Boniece is chairing HexaCon 2 gaming convention at the Celebrity (formerly Caravan Inn) Hotel at 3333 E. Van Buren in Phoenix. The Celebrity has been completely renovated and is gorgeous! 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.

WESTERCOLT 45 THE PHOENIX 1992 WESTERCON

Committee/Staff List 2/20/92

Chairman	BRUCE FARR
Treasurer	MARGARET GRADY
Chief of Staff	LEA SCHULTZ
Pre-Convention Office	KIM FARR
Hotel Liaison	SAM STUBBS, ANITA BILEK, JIM WEBBERT, SEAN MCCOY
Convention Operations	ERIC HANSON, GREG HILDEBRAND, JAMES KOSKY
Operations Staff	Glenn Glazer
At-Convention Office	EILEEN PHILLIPS
Communications & Coordination	MIKE MORRISON
Logistics	KEN LEMONS
Volunteers	STEPHANIE BANNON

Nympho Desk Security	TERRI LEMONS DAVE FOSTER
Hospitality	JEANNE AND STEVE BURROUGHS, ROBERT OSMAN
Food Logistics	DOUG COSPER
Staff Lounge	LAUREN SHELLNBARGER, BOBBI RAPP
Program	MIKE WILLMOTH
Program Operations	JOHN THEISEN, SUE THING, MARC BIAGI
GOH Liaison	LEE WHITESIDE
Participant Hospitality	CYNTHIA WEBBERT, CRISTI SIMILA, LIZ DUVAL
Green Room	TINA SMITH
Art Program	JEAN GODDIN
Writers Program	MARYEILEEN MCKERSIE
Game Program	JOHN THEISEN
Science Program	PETE MANLY
Comics Program Liaison	STEVE CROMPTON
Costume Program	TERRI LEMONS
Horror Program	SUE THING
Filk Program	ELIZABETH BURNHAM
Regency Dance	CYNTHIA WEBBERT
Art Show	RAY GISH, Jean Goddin, Sandy Starr, Thomas Endrey, Greg Barrett, R. Merrill Bollerud, Richard Bolinski
Video/Film Program	SHANE SHELLNBARGER, Denise Wallentinson
Japanimation	TOM PERRY
Games & Diversions	DON HARRINGTON, JANIS WOOD, Greg Fisher, Rod Smith, Leslie Fitzpatrick
Masquerade	GAIL WOLFENDEN-STEIB, ERIN FEHR, Liz DuVal
Masquerade Judges	JANET WILSON-ANDERSON
Dances	CAREY HOLZMAN
Child Care	CHUCK & TASHA CADY
Memberships/Registration	JULIE DOUGLAS, MOLLY HILDEBRAND IRV HOLT, Ros Lyn Jeppesen, Nora Rankin, Dave Hodge
Computer Room	DAN SMITH, Steve Mintz, Ike Dewey
Historian/Technical Services	JIM CRYER
Publicity	TERRI LEMONS
Publications/Newsletter	MATTHEW FREDERICK
Restaurant Guide	CHUCK AND TASHA CADY
Newsletter/The Farr Side	BRUCE FARR
Dealers Room	DAVE HIATT
SFWA Liaison	M. R. HILDEBRAND
ASFA Liaison	JEAN GODDIN
Business Liaison	BARRY BARD
Business Meeting	JOHN LORENTZ
Site Selection	KEVIN STANDLEE
Insignia Design	Jim Groat

Unassigned Volunteers: Holly Newman, Rob Newman, Bill Armstrong, Gene Bennett, Gordon Saunders (Reg., Art Auction, Masq), Sandy Cohen (Art Auction/Show, Green Room), Mark Stadler (Publications, Publicity, Films), Jan Howard Finder (Art Auction, Masq MC, Masq Judge), Dan Dubrick (Ops, Hosp., Secur, Video), Richard Wright (Prog Ops)

Policies:

- 1) Committee - who are department heads - and senior staff, who generally are department head's chief assistant(s), receive complimentary memberships. Those so considered are IN CAPS above (PLEASE ASK if you thought you were, but you aren't listed as such). We are offering half-price memberships to additional staff and volunteers recruited by department heads if submitted pre-convention. These half-price memberships should be confirmed through Lea Schultz. See Lea Schultz's memorandum in this FARRSIDE for additional details.
- 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. Obviously, people who were comped in are not eligible for a refund.
- 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 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 2/20/92
 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)	30	35	1,050
Memberships at \$40 (to 12-31-91)	30	40	1,200
Memberships at \$40 (to 3-15-92, Special)	200	40	8,000
Memberships at \$45 (to 6-15-92)	400	50	20,000
Comp Memberships (Guest, ConCom)	200	0	0
Memberships at \$60 (avg. full, at door)	300	45	13,500
Memberships at \$25 (1-days)	300	25	7,500
Total Memberships	1700		\$55,350
Dealer's Tables at \$50 (special)	40	50	2,000
Dealer's Tables at \$75	20	75	1,500
Art Show Flats at \$15	150	15	2,250
Art Show Commission	\$10,000	0.12	1,200
Advertising - PR's, Pages	10	\$35	350
Advertising - Prog Bk, Pages	10	75	750
Total Other Revenue			8,050
Interest on Checking Account			600
TOTAL REVENUE			\$64,000

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	Overhead		250
Chairman	Vol. Reimbursements	100	\$30 3,000
Chairman	Contingency (all)		12,000
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		50

Computer Room	Rental - Van			60
Computer Room	Rental - Computers (Comp Mbr)			400
Dances	Overhead			300
Dealer's Room	Overhead			150
Food Logistics	Rental - Van			300
Gaming	Overhead			250
Gaming	Rental - Dividers			1,000
Historian	Overhead			50
Historian	Video Tapes, Film, Devel			300
Hospitality	Supplies	1,700	\$2.00	3,400
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			800
Programming	Promotional Mailings			250
Programming	Per Diem	16	\$50	800
Programming	Supplies - Green Room			100
Programming	Rental - AV			500
Programming	Transportation			900
Programming	Overhead			250
Publications	Program Book/Sched.			2,400
Publications	Progress Reports (2.5)			4,000
Publications	Bulk Mailing (PR's)			1,200
Publications	Misc. Pub. (Guides)			300
Publications	Overhead			250
Publications	At-Con Newsletter			500
Publications	Fliers			300
Publicity	Overhead			250
Publicity	Promotional Meetings			1,000
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				\$55,330
NET RESULT - GAIN				\$8,670

WesterColt .45 Volunteer Hoe Down

YAHOO!!!! Come along liddle dawgies!

Ranch Foremen, Head Drovers, Scouts and Cowpokes--
Iff'n yore a'working on WesterColt .45, this here
shindig's fer yew!

Grab yore Stetson, and come on down to the
Celebrity Hotel, 3333 East Van Buren, Phoenix, Arizona
Saturday, March 28, 1992 at 8:00 pm
(You don't have to be a member of LepreCon to attend)

This ain't no meetin' or ConCom showdown,
This here is a Volunteer Hoe Down!

