

THE MANAGEMENT ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE FIRST NEWS
LETTER TO BE DONE ON A GESTENTNER.

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Please feel free to join the BCPSA convention which will ~~be~~ held
April 9-10, 1971 at the Hotel Georgia. The guest of honor will be
Ursula K. LeGuin whom you will remember from our last newsletter.
The cost is \$3.50 for those attending and, will by its own bootstraps
be raised to \$5.00 on April Fool's Day. However, sufficiently enter-
taining excuses will be heard. At this time we have members attend-
~~ing from California, Oregon, Washington, Alberta, and even B.C.~~

Events begin on Friday with a get together party and a panel
on some irreverent topics. Strange liquids of obscure origin will be
available at this party to those who can prove to be over 19. The
next morning, various university professors, fans, and groupies will
participate in panels and talks, ~~interspersed~~ interspersed with films.
Later in the day Mrs. LeGuin will give a talk on Style in Fantasy.
Just before the au revoir party, there will be a special mystery
event.

While you weren't looking, the BCPSA held two meetings.
One on March 21, at the library again, the other, much more informal,
in a secret apartment, #2304 1600 Beach Avenue. As an aside, I'd
like to recommend that anyone intending to ride in a car driven by
our president, Bob Scott, leave your life in a safety deposit box
first.

At the library meeting--remember all you DBCers you are also
BCPSAers--a Sun reporter infiltrated disguised as a nubile female.
Later a Sun photog sauntered in, but he didn't want to take a photo
of our own Ad Hoc Human Pyramid Committee, and left in bewilderment.
We showed two films; UNIVERSE, whence Stanley Kubrick obtained
many ideas for 2001, and STAR TREK BLOOPERSE, a comedy of non-sliding
doors and practical jokes. Also we showed a number of slides taken

Of course the highlight of the meeting was the traditional appearance of James P. Verina, the Galactic Overlord. For those of you not yet deep enough into the secrets of fandom, Clifford Simak based his Hugo winning novel, WAY STATION, on Jim's life. Right after the Civil War, Jim was made Galactic Overlord, and recently it has been traditional for him to put in a token appearance at every official SF meeting in the world. At the library, a gentle flourish of trumpets wavered through the auditorium and (for those who wish to stay ahead in their fashions) Jim materialized slowly wearing chartreuse tights, Arcturus feather xxx boots, an iridescent green strip vest, and a pair of Cool Rays. He had a somewhat harried look and allowed that he would make a special appearance at our convention.

By the way at the March 21 meeting, as predicted in our last issue, we elected X Rob Scott as Vice Chairman, John Park as Publications Officer, Bob Marshall as Librarian and Lin Carter as Literary Advisor. We also learned of something called Intermedia which has some free facilities we may use for our fanzine.

The next day, the Sun reporter presumably having recovered, but still incoherent from the ordeal, Bob Scott received a phone call from the Sun asking for a press release. The edited version appeared in Tuesday's edition on page fifteen. (You say you MISSED it?)

At Sunday's meeting we made arrangements to meet at the secret apartment of the world's greatest pseudointellectual, Ronald Gresham Cameron, ostensibly to criticize each other's works. Brian Gropper couldn't attend as he was tied up in the office, so we took his complete works in the softbound edition. (Hey, gang, why for did you write criticisms of my horridity, breeding, background, etc. on the backs of my stories--that wasn't very nice...Brian). As Cameron accidentally asked Melez Massey to criticize his works, a mistake he won't make again. At this meeting, one of the potential BOSSes casually mentioned that she has had some works published in magazines.

The highlight of the evening was the showing of some green movies. Some highly unusual positions and actions were shown. Free Booze was also in attendance, although he denied it.

If you weren't one of those invited to Harlan Ellison's Special Soiree at the Cave on Thursday, show up at the office and you may be lucky next time. (Since the Cave is known as the Wonderland of ~~the~~ Vancouver's nightclubs, perhaps Harlan's evening out could be called Ellison Wonderland????). Incidentally, Harlan denied all rumors that he is engaged to Bobbie Gentry.

We intend to publish a FANZINE around the end of May. Anyone (ANYONE) with anything (ANYTHING) to offer--but especially fiction, poetry, REVIEWS, artwork, volunteers to report convention events,-- should contact John Park, c/o UBC SF/FAN Sub Box 75, UBC Van 8.

POINT TO PONDER³ who let Harlan out of his cage??

This newsletter is dedicated to ourselves, without whom this whole mess would have been impossible.

May the marvelous member of the blithering blue blorg family tickle your Fancy (or whatever your girl-friend's name is)

REMEMBER THE BCPSA MEETING ON APRIL 4 AT THE VANCOUVER
PUBLIC LIBRARY AT 2:00 pm BRING THE KIDS

SUNDAY, APRIL 4, VANCOUVER PUBLIC LIBRARY