MAIN COMPUTER

Newsletter of the NATIONAL SAVE:1999 ALLIANCE Volume 1 Number 2

A SPACE:1999 Movie!

Our letters have paid off! We've just received word that ITC is definitely going to release a feature length SPACE: 1999 movie, DESTINATION: MOONBASE ALPHA, in 1979. But D:MA is simply a reworked "Bringers of Wonder", the two part episode from Year 2.

The news is a mixed blessing to 1999 fandom. Foremost, it brings to mind the realization that ITC does acknowledge 1999's audience; we haven't been totally ignored as it may have seemed. The release of the film could spark new interest in our favorite series, gain new fans, maybe draw enough attention to bring the series back. Many of us have been without 1999 for so long that any glimpse of Alpha will be met with open arms.

On the other hand, is it really fair to retitle an old episode and hope it will satisfy fandom? "Bringers" was not one of the most popular segments, not really very representative of the series as a whole. Could the film hurt our cause more than help it? What if D:MA is released to coincide with the TREK film opening? It isn't fair to have fans compare (yes, people will no doubt continue comparing the two series) several weeks' production with months of work.

We'd like your impressions of this news. Write to Chuck Raue, Editor, MAIN COMPUTER, P.O. Box 402, Mobile, AL 36601. We'll let you know the overall reaction in MC #3. Meanwhile, we'll be digging for further news and developments to report.

Convention '79

Convention '79 is scheduled for July 27-28-29 at the William Penn Hotel in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Alliance headquarters is just 20 miles south of the city and this will allow close contact with the hotel throughout the planning. Pittsburgh's International Airport has very convenient transportation right to the door of the hotel; busses and trains are within walking distance, and parking is free for overnight guests. The William Penn is a special experience; it's in the center of the city, has 800 rooms and is decorated in an elegant fashion rarely seen today. We've reserved the entire 17th floor and the layout will allow for greater security than the first con.

All the stars will be invited again and already we've received word from Gerry Anderson that he will attend! Episodes will be shown by use of video cassettes and large screen TV; we'll also have movies and hopefully, some of the other Anderson series. Of course we'll have another costume party, dealers' rooms, more of those great lectures, an art show, a banquet, and our scouts are out now rounding up some super items for auction. All profits from this con will go to the Pittsburgh Children's Hospital. Start saving up now, start designing and sewing those costumes, start those paintings and get lots of sleep because it's going to be a fast-paced, exciting weekend.

Order blanks for tickets, etc. will be mailed with MC#3. We hope you'll all support this con and make it even bigger and better than our first.

Watch For...

BARRY MORSE in the NBC mini-series adaptation of THE MARTIAN CHRONICLES sometime this season.....MARTIN LANDAU in the $16,000,000 feature film METEOR.....PRENTIS HANCOCK and INA SKRIVER (A in "AB CHRYSALIS") in reruns of THE NEW AVENGERS.....NICK TATE in the film DEVIL'S PLAYGROUND opening at various theaters around the country.....CLIFTON JONES in ABC's production of EISENHOWER sometime this season.

The Board of Directors

*NORTHEASTERN U.S. SECTION REPRESENTATIVE: GAIL PARADIS
Gail's bio will appear in MC#3.

*EASTERN U.S. SECTION REPRESENTATIVES: KATHY & JOHN VON KAMP
Kathy and John live in north central Ohio where they grew up together. Kathy taught fifth grade for 7 years, now is at home with Heather Barbara who was born just a few days after Con '78. John is a chemical engineer at Goodyear Adhesives & Sealants. Both have a wide variety of interests including science fiction, antiques, bike riding and visiting historical sites. Kathy and John are well-known to most Alliance members because of their work with the first convention. They would like to "put in a quick thanks to all who helped at the con no matter how big or small the task."

*SOUTHERN U.S. SECTION REPRESENTATIVE: ANN HESTER
Ann is 30, married, has a 7-year-old son who is also a big SPACE fan. Her interests in science fiction, writing and photography, along with her civil service job for the Air Force keep her very busy. Ann says, "I started watching SPACE mostly because other members in a local sci fi group told me how much they enjoyed it. I found it could be thought-provoking and fascinating. I am interested in the relationships of people to each other and the world around them; I enjoyed the growing relationships between the characters and their reactions to the alien beings they met." Ann's favorite character is Victor Bergman.

*CENTRAL U.S. SECTION REPRESENTATIVE: SUSAN (SUE) COLE
Sue became interested in sci fi when she read LOGAN'S RUN back in 1968. STAR TREK was O.K., but THE MAN FROM U.N.C.L.E. was better. After both of these shows went off, she lost most of her interest in sci fi until U.F.O. When she read about SPACE her interest grew and she has been a very active Alliance member for some time now. Says Sue, "As long as there is the Alliance I will keep with it." Sue is now a dealer in buttons and stationery and is a great fan of Maya.

*WESTERN U.S. SECTION REPRESENTATIVE: MARY TCHIR
Mary lives in Portland with her husband, two little girls and three dogs. Mary writes, "I have loved good sci fi since I was a teenager, and when SPACE: 1999 came on three years ago, I watched because it was all there was except for STAR TREK reruns. I kept watching because I enjoyed it. Year 2 was even better. It is, for the most part, believable. The actors can act. They make you believe in and care about the characters. Tony Verdeschi is Mary's favorite Alphan.

We also hope to have Section Representatives for CANADA, AUSTRALIA and ENGLAND/EUROPE.

*PRESIDENT OF THE ALLIANCE: MARE (MARYBETH) FITZGERALD
Mare's been a commercial artist and married for the past 7 1/2 years. She now has her own free lance commercial art business called Fawn Graphics. She's always loved sci fi and believes that SPACE is the very best. Mare says, "When asked to become president of the Alliance, I have to admit that I was terrified. I didn't know if I could handle it. Well, our Section Reps, and all of our members for that matter, have been tremendously helpful, and the fear has now been replaced by a desire to make the Alliance the greatest fan group ever." Mare's an Alan Carter fan.

We Need Answers

BATTLESTAR GALACTICA has taken hold of the ratings, but already controversy has begun in fandom. What does our membership think of the series?

Did anyone see the Nov. 11 WONDER WOMAN episode "Time Bomb"? The segment opened with some of the effects from 1999, including Alpha and Texas City. Did anyone notice Brian Johnson's name in the credits?

Please write to Chuck Raue, Editor, MAIN COMPUTER, P.O. Box 402, Mobile, AL 36601.

Fan Clubs/Publications

*ALPHA CHRONICLE c/o Matt Butts, 4567 Cerise Ave., New Orleans, LA 70127
Newsletter/fanzine. Price: 35¢ plus one 15¢ stamp per issue.

*ALPHA NEWSLETTER c/o Steve Eramo, 5 Kimball Dr., Stoneham, MA 02180
Newsletter concentrating on all aspects of 1999. Each issue includes stories, artwork, reviews, news section, raffle, ad page, current info and news on many actors and actresses who appeared in 1999. Send SASE for info.

*ALPHAN'S CLUB c/o Diana Sue Majesty, P.O. Box 254541, Sacramento, CA 95825
Newsletter "Out of This World", three issues in summer 1978. Subscription is $5.00 which includes lifetime membership in the club.

*BRITISH NICK TATE FAN CLUB 69 Francis Rd., Acocks Green, Birmingham B27 6LT, ENGLAND
Official fan club for the talented actor who played Alan Carter in SPACE: 1999. Send SAE for details (overseas send 2 International Reply Coupons please.)

*COMLOC c/o Chuck Raue, P.O. Box 402, Mobile, AL 36601
1999 discussion fanzine. Reviews, ads, etc. 20-28 pages. Price: $3.00 for 6 monthly issues. Guaranteed to make you think!

*EAGLE I c/o Karen Robinson, 15 Rockledge Pl., Cedar Grove, N.J. 07009
$5.00 brings you a membership card, newsletters, photos and biographies of cast.

*FELGERCARB Deborah Walsh, c/o Duro-Eco Corp., 240 Commercial St., Boston, MA 02109
New fan publication with poetry, art, ads. Send SASE for complete information.

*MAIN MISSION ALPHA 5 Lamson St., East Boston, MA 02128
President: Mary Bloemker; Vice-President: Gail Paradis. Membership is $5.00 a year which includes member card, 2 photos, 6 bi-monthly issues of Command Center newsletter and the yearly Alpha Log Journal. SASE for more info and member form.

MOONBEAM #5/6 D. Walsh, c/o Duro-Eco Corp., 240 Commercial St., Boston, MA 02109
How would you like 200 pages of pure SPACE: 1999 fiction? This is the largest 1999 fanzine ever published. Illustrated by some fine artists, the 11 stories included are the next best thing to a Year 3.
Due to the expense of printing a zine of this length, Ms. Walsh must have at least 100 advance orders by the beginning part of December. If enough orders are not received, all checks will be returned and the whole project will have to be scrapped. Are we going to let this important publication go unsupported? If you haven't ordered your copy, please do so right away. While you're ordering, remember it's a terrific gift idea too. Price is just $6.00 which includes first class postage.

*MOONBUGGY c/o Paul Bens Jr., 2328 1/2 Dixie Hwy., Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017
New fanzine for 1999 fans. Trial issues available. For info send SASE.

*PSYCHON 100 SOCIETY c/o Mary Bloemker, 5 Lamson St., East Boston, MA 02128
Past history, culture, social mores, population of Psychon is explored. SASE and 25¢ for first issue of the newsletter explains the club and the concepts behind it.

FROM DOWN UNDER...

*ALPHA: 1999 c/o David Lacey, 69 Nangor St., Waramanga A.C.T., 2611, AUSTRALIA
Newly formed club looking for support from other Australian fans as well as welcoming international members.

*NAT'L ASSOC. FOR S.F. Frank Macskasy, P.O. Box 6655, TE ARO, Wellington, NEW ZEALAND
General interest SF club. Sponsors many membership activities as well as regular meetings, book-lending library, bi-monthly newsletter/zine. Seeking to arrange trades with other zine publishers so they may expand their library.

***NOTE: Always include an SASE (Self-Addressed, Stamped Envelope) when writing for information. Enclose an International Reply Coupon when writing to other countries.

~Want Ads~

WANTED: SPACE: 1999 book THE TIME FIGHTERS (Yr. 2, #5). New to fair condition. J. Yorkston, R.D.#3 Box 521, Wharton, N.J. 07885

WANTED: One COMMLOCK & LASER GUN. Must look reasonably authentic. Ruben Avila, 962 Warden Ave., San Leandro, CA 94577

WANTED: Everything from 1999. Program books, dolls, etc. Please inform about prices INCLUDING foreign postage. Karl Yden, Olivedalsgat 13, 41310 Gothenburg, SWEDEN

WANTED: Super 8 SPACE: 1999 movies. Send prices to Greg Frazier, 2245 Portcarlisle, Newport Beach, CA 92660

WANTED: 1999 SCRIPTS and back issues of 1999 FANZINES. Send SAE to Derek Gibson, Box 340, Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan, S0M 1V0, CANADA

WANTED: Model or toy 'Thunderbird One' from ITC-TV's THUNDERBIRDS. Mr. A. Jones, 1600 18th St., Port Arthur, TX 77640

WANTED: Infor, photos on PLANET EARTH and THE STAR LOST. Send lists! G. Eichler, 1088 E. 43rd St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11210

WANTED: Quasar Video tape (color) of "One Moment of Humanity". Susan Hertz, 18902 Floorwood Ave., Torrance, CA 90504

WANTED: FILMCLIPS. Buy-sell-trade. SPACE, STAR TREK, others. Send SASE and your list. G. Nilsen, 59-27 68th Rd., Ridgewood, N.Y. 11227

WANTED: Correspondence with any 1999 fan who's also interested in Sax Rohmer's FU MANCHU series. Amy Kisil, #8 1377 W. 80th St., Cleveland, OH 44102

WANTED: Science fiction fans to correspond with. Also interested in the future and phenomenae. Debbie Stoy, 21 Marion Ave., Sumter, S.C. 29150

WANTED: Some <u>really</u> good pictures of the Servant of the Guardian. I'll pay. Thanks! Shimane Oderkirk, 1737 A Ave. N.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402

WANTED: Betasystem Videocassettes of all episodes of: U.F.O., THUNDERBIRDS, SUPER-CAR, JOE 90, SECRET SERVICE, FIREBALL XL-5. And Betasystem Videocassettes of INTO INFINITY, THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW, DOPPLEGANGER, THUNDERBIRD 6, THUNDERBIRDS ARE GO and other Anderson productions. Send SASE for info to Michael Liebich, 2171 N. Rockwell, Chicago, IL 60647

WANTED: Any pix of Zienia Merton. Will only buy. Send list and prices to Paul Bens Jr., 2328 1/2 Dixie Hwy., Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017

WANTED: New or used Hawk model. "Metamorph", "Dorcons", "Dorzak", "Chrysalis", "Journey to Where" tapes. Terry Lemons, 129 Cardinal Pl., St. Louis, MO 63103

WANTED: Any material (photos, etc.) relating to actress Catherine Schell (Maya), especially from RETURN OF THE PINK PANTHER, MOON ZERO-2 and ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE. Steve Dailey, 3040 Wilshire, Springfield, MO 65804

WANTED: Information concerning the purchase of SPACE: 1999 fanzines. M. J. Stenson, 279 Bannon Pl., Massapequa Park, N.Y. 11762

WANTED: Will buy the 6th book in the Warner Book series of 1999, Yr. 2. M. J. Stenson, 279 Bannon Pl., Massapequa Park, N.Y. 11762

WANTED: Buy or trade for items from any Gerry & Sylvia Anderson production. Especially want Multiple Plastics 'Fireball XL-5', Remco "Supercar', Lakeside 'Sting-ray', XL-5 themes record, Warner 1999 calendar. Bill Earle, 73 Leslie St., St. Johns, Newfoundland A1E 2W1, CANADA

WANTED: Material on the U.F.O. series by Gerry Anderson. Need for exhibit and book. Bob Caudill, 513 N. 4th St., Flaywoods, KY 41139

FOR SALE: Marvel comics. Also Charleton SPACE: 1999 MAGAZINE and comics. Send want lists for 'down to moon' low prices. Charles White, 1200 First National Bldg., Detroit, MI 48226

FOR SALE: Nine different patches for 1999 jacket made by professional patch maker. $17.00 includes postage. Judy Shevlowitz, 4453 El Camino Corto, LaCanada, CA 91011

FOR SALE: 1999 books. PLANETS OF PERIL, ASTRAL QUEST and ALIEN SEED. $2.00 each includes postage. Mary Tchir, 1101 S.E. 184th, Portland, OR 97233

WORLD OF GERRY & SYLVIA ANDERSON. Advance orders now being taken. $2.50 including postage for 64 offset wraparound pages. Postage money orders only! Save 75¢--order now! Jim Main, 85A Prospect Hill Rd., New Milford, CN 06776

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VEGA SPACE ACADEMY. The total experience in SF TV and movies. SASE for information. Write Vega Space Adademy, 1088 E. 43rd St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11210

FANTASTIC JOURNEY FAN CLUB. Dedicated to the short-lived SF TV series. SASE for information to Fantastic Journey Fan Club, 1088 E. 43rd St., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11210

STAR WARS Fanzine: FALCON'S FLIGHT. #1 still available. #2 soon. Send SASE for further information. Falcon's Flight, Box 5117 TTU, Cookeville, TN 38501

SCIENCE FICTION, STAR TREK & SPACE: 1999 stories and artwork for new fanzine. SASE for information. Debbie Stoy, 21 Marion Ave., Sumter, S.C. 29150

RED ALERT! 45 minute sequel of "War Games". For information: Doug Lutz, 549 W. Aurora Rd., Northfield, OH 44067

MODEL BUILDER & PAINTER. For more information call Leonard Hamby in New York at (212) 285-6390 between 7:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M. all week.

HOW WOULD YOU RATE AS AN OFFICER IN STAR FLEET? Send $3.00 and stamp for the Academy Test. Jon Horn, Rt. #1 Box 227, Wapakoneta, OH 45895

DEADLINE FOR ADS IN MAIN COMPUTER #3 IS JANUARY 10, 1979.

Dealers' Listing

STAR TREK GALORE, 436 E. Orange Ave., Longwood, FL 32750
SPACE: 1999 merchandise. Moonbase Alpha Section I.D. Cards and Eagle Pilot I.D., Alpha plastic badge, Alpha glitter necklace & keychain, glitter bumper sticker, mini-posters, 12 B&W stills, stationery, pen. Send 50¢ for catalog.

INTERGALACTIC TRADING COMPANY, 733 Logan Dr., Longwood, FL 32750
Set of 8 B&W pictures from 1999 ($2.00), complete uncut set 1999 gum cards ($7.50), 1999 white on black T-shirt, adult medium ($6.00), bumper sticker ($1.00). STAR WARS, TREK, GALACTICA, SF. Send 25¢ for catalog. Wholesale, retail.

SCIENCE FICTION PHOTOS, 3 Woodland Ave., Keansburg, N.J. 07734
95 different 1999 color and B&W photos illustrated in TV science fiction catalog. Also included are HULK, WONDER WOMAN, VOYAGE, QUARK, LOST IN SPACE, many more. Send 25¢ for catalog.

T-K GRAPHICS, P.O. Box 1951, Baltimore, MD 21203
Buttons, stationery, memo pads, badges, lithos, etc. SPACE: 1999 as well as TREK, STAR WARS, GALACTICA, etc. Catalog free. SASE appreciated.

SUSAN COLE, 2710 Rohlwing Rd., Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
1999 stationery and buttons (sayings and photos). Send SASE for list.

CAPRICORN INDUSTRIES, Dept. MC, Postbox 133, Scarsdale, N.Y. 10583
Write for our free full-color catalog of fine gifts.

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Write In...

One of our members has informed us that FunDimensions has recently stopped all production on the SPACE: 1999 models. They believe there is no longer a market for the kits. Let's get together and let them know we're here. Write to:

MPC/FunDimensions Model Products
A Division of the General Mills Fun Group, Inc.
126 Groesbeck Highway
Mount Clemens, MI 48043
Attention: Director of Product Development

Write short, neat, polite letters. If we all write individual letters (no petitions), they should get the message loud and clear.

New Alliance Service

THE LUNAR BULLETIN BOARD c/o Kathi Lynn Higley, 354 Hewitt Rd., Mystic, CN 06355 Looking for other 1999 fans? We hope to have an official membership list in a few months, but if you're anxious to get in touch with others right away, this is a perfect opportunity. The Bulletin Board is an Alliance-affiliated service that works like this. Mail Kathi your name, address, age, favorite episode/character, other interests and occupation. Your name will then be added to her pen pal list which will be updated every few weeks/months. For each list you want to appear on, send 50¢ to cover the cost of printing and postage to send the listing to all participants. Remember, this is the ultimate SPACE: 1999 pen pal service!

All About Alpha MOONBASE ALPHA TECHNICAL NOTEBOOK

From STARLOG Magazine, written by David Hirsch. Fold-out blueprints of Alpha, personnel section, timeline, episode guide, lots more. The only manual approved by Gerry Anderson and ITC, recommended by the Alliance to all members. Send name & address with $9.95 for each (add postage...U.S.: $2.00; Canada: $2.50; Foreign: $3.50). Mail to: STARLOG Magazine, Alpha Tech Notebook, Dept. 2001, 475 Park Ave. S., 8th Fl., N.Y., N.Y. 10016

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Here's your membership card. Welcome to the Alliance.

I'm your section rep. If you have any problems or any questions feel free to write any time. I'll do my best to answer or I will find out for you. Postage being what it is, SASE, please.

1999 Lives!

Mary Tchir

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