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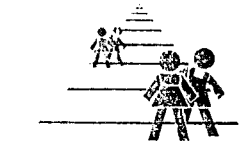
The above speaks for itself.....despite many problems and disappointments, Con '83 was a financial success. This club is now on steady financial feet and Cincinnati Children's Hospital has a donation of $1500.(below) I want to thank all of you for your help and support. I couldn't have done it without you.....it is my turn to say'Bravo' for a job well done!

As most of you know, I will again carry on as Alliance President for another year and plans for Con '84 ... in Covington, Ky are in full swing. Those details are enclosed in the newsletter.

This has been a most rewarding year for me.....with many ups and downs and I know 1984 will be just as exciting! If you like.....I'll arrange for next year's fire drill to be later in the day! For those of you who do not know what I'm talking about.....come to Con '84 and find out!!

Hope is better than despair! Take good care and for all who are waiting to get a letter from me..... I'm working on it - honestly! Also.....anyone wanting to order Trilogy II, may do so now - we'll be going to print at the end of September....cost is $6.00 (postage included)!

All my love! Rosie



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Dear Miss Badgett:

Thank you for your gift of $1,500 to Children's Second Century Fund. Your unrestricted gift will be used to support the Ricky King Fund.

The Board of Trustees joins me in thanking you for your support of our campaign. Your gift is very important to Children's Hospital Medical Center.

We very much appreciate your generosity.

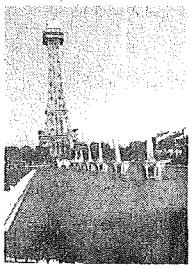
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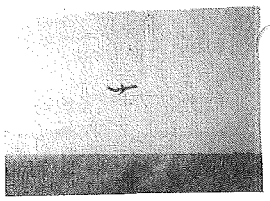
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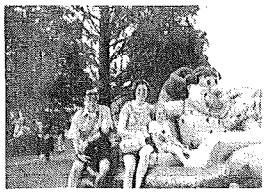
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While some people arrived in Cincinnati Monday night to begin a long con week, our con week , which also began on Monday, started with us picking up Sandra Sprecker at the Cleveland airport. She stayed with us during a hectic night of packing and we were all off for Cincinnati Tuesday morning.

We arrived at the hotel early Tuesday afternoon in time for a presentation by one of the possible hotels for next year's con. Everyone agreed the hotel sounded terrific but the prices were a little too high. Spent the rest of the day visiting other members rooms and particularly a room full of "spirited" LBFA members.

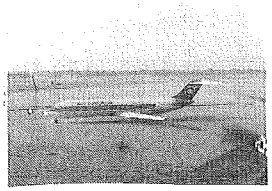


On Wednesday spent part of the morning in the Mall buying a new flash for my camera. (What a time for a flash to go bad!!) Left late in the afternoon for King's Island. As hot as it was, it was much nicer later in the evening.

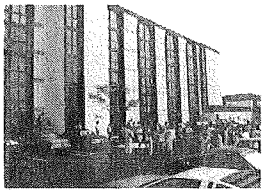


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On Thursday, made another trip to the Mall and agreed to go to the airport to help pick up new arrivals. Didn't quite know what I was getting into. Bonnie Yoman drove her van and Sandra Sprecker and I were in my car. There were 7 people arriving on 4 different flights within 30 minutes on 3 different airlines and nobody told me that Delta had their own terminal what seemed like 10 miles from the other terminal when you were in a hurry to get from one arriving flight to the next at the other terminal. Somehow we managed to round up all arriving Alphans and stuffed them into ground transportation. Then it was back to the hotel and more room visiting and planning for the big day to begin on the morrow. We were all anxiously waiting news from Ann Hester and Ron Butler who had a perilous trip to the con and did not arrive until very early Friday morning almost too late for the "wake-up" call (6:15 AM false fire alarm).



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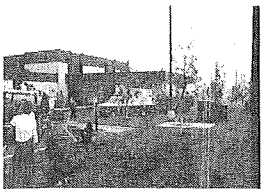


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Friday everything got underway and everyone had a great time. Ann Lockhart did not arrive until late Friday and was not able to attend the banquet but everyone had a good time anyway. Saturday started well with Ann's lecture and autograph session. I also watched the LBFA members help support the hotel wall during their meeting. Then came the charity auction which went quite well and immediately after the Alpha Match Game, a huge success. The day ended with a fantastic costume call. Ann's lecture and autograph session and the charity auction on Sunday went well and all to soon it was over. So many wonderful friends and such good times, it seems only a blink of the eye, but there is always next year.



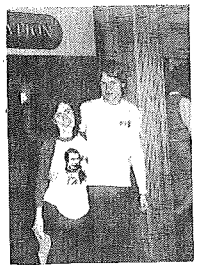
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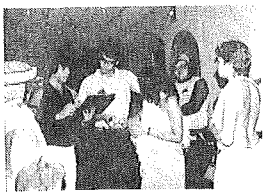
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PICTURE DESCRIPTIONS

1 Minature Eiffel Tower and fountain lake at entrance to King's Island where early arrivals spent some of their Wednesday time.
2 Kathy, John & Heather Von Kamp and friend at kids world
3 People standing outside the hotel after Friday's "wake-up" call
4 Emergency vehicles outside hotel after "wake-up" call
5 Some of the cast of Alpha Commlock Network newscasts during filming of the intros to the amateur films which were created, produced and directed by Tom Cicirelli and James Driscoll.
6 Darla Vasilas, Judy Moore & Sandra Sprecker in costume waiting for the costume call to begin.
7 Ann Lockhart, Mare Fitzgerald & Ann Hester (seated L to R) about to judge the costume competition.
8 & 9 Most of the costumes that were in the competition.
10 Ann Lockhart with Susan Wilt in her costume after the contest.
11 Juanita Cunnigham doing what <u>most</u> of the rest of us were doing late Sunday night.
12 Paul Bens & Rosie Badget in the lobby on Monday before everyone left for home. Tired but happy for a job well done.
13 Continuing a tradition started in 1982, we got together for a group farewell picture.
14 On the plane bound for home. Next year can't come to soon!



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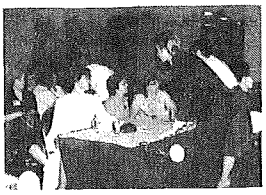
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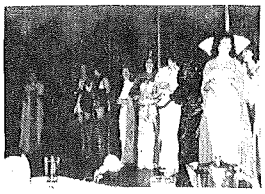
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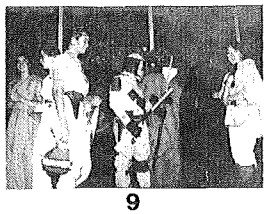
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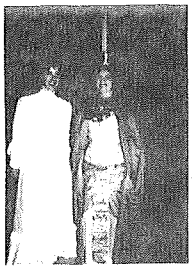
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The Way to the City

by TERRY SHEWMAKER

What has gone before. The moon is approaching the single planet of a strange white star. Alan and Alix have gone to investigate and have not been heard from since. The rescue Eagle finds a crash site and some strange conditions. It seems they are being directed to a very ancient city that appears to be deserted, but was it? It was not. The rescue team was directed through the ancient city and down an ages old stairway to a darkened room. There they found Alan and Alix in beautifully resplendent crystal caskets. Or so they thought. They were soon informed by a disembodied voice that all was not as it appeared. Upon closer examination the crystal chambers turned out to be stasis chambers and both Alan and Alix were ..... ALIVE!

"Is that true?" for Annette didn't want to believe the so-called evidence of her eyes. "Already, you are closer to true wisdom," and the voice warmed again. "Their injuries were such that we had great fear for them. And yet, though the spark of life flickered, it did not go out. They were brought hither, and, using methods known to ourselves alone, we ministered to them and they responded... save for but one thing. A certain element exists in our air, we are accustomed to it. They were not, and of itself it would have killed them very swiftly, had not special measures been undertaken at once. The air they breathe within yonder chambers has been purged of the offending compound; and when they awaken they will be well and strong, and with no knowledge of us. Their chambers may be lifted. You must take them from this place, to the place that is their own, for our peace must again be undisturbed. So, Go! Depart, Ones-from-Outside, while you still may..... "

"I know how to open them, once we get there," said Spencer, for the way had just come to him, in the same flash of instinct that had taken Annette earlier.

Bergman was silent. How, he pondered, could such ostensibly-advanced beings draw so sharp a distinction between such compassion toward human strangers and such ruthlessness toward supposedly-ignorant savages! So many mysteries to be pondered about this place.....and for now, they'd have to wait. He listened with but half an ear, as Spencer drew his commlock and called the Rescue Eagle, giving his team directions to the city.....

Helena was at once indignant: "John! You get off that leg, right now!" "If I sit still one more minute, I swear I'll sprout roots," he declared, but he sullenly submitted to her no-nonsense manner. "You're a dreadful patient," she said. "I have Ed's report on Alan and Alix, if you're prepared to behave yourself....." "Yes, Doctor," still pouting. "Good," sitting down next to him. "Now.....it went just the way They-of-the-City said it would. When Alix woke up, she gave Alan one of those withering regal glares of hers, and then smiled a little and said, "That was the worst landing I have ever seen!" He agreed with her. "No after-effects?" "Ed says they're a little tired, but otherwise they'll be just fine," she said. "They have only very sketchy memories of the crash, and nothing whatever after that." Pausing for a breath, "Something strange happened, too. They've disappeared--those crystal caskets. Ed sent them to Victor's lab as soon as Alan and Alix were taken out of them. The Security guards swear they vanished into thin air. Perhaps because their purpose has been served."

"They-of-the-City, protecting their secrets," Koenig sighed. "And their privacy--just what sort of race are they, anyway? On the one hand , they extend themselves to save two human lives; and then they turn around and practically throw us out./We've given you what you want,now leave us alone./ Judging from what Victor's been telling me, it'sjust as well I had to stay behind and play the wounded starling."

"John, we don't even know if they were human! They could've adapted the semblence of a human voice, and learned just enough of our language to make themselves known to us. I can't bear thinking about how they terrorized those poor primitives--even now, long after giving up living in the 'outer world', They-of-the-City still have them in a grip of fear....." She stopped, forced herself toward another subject. "We're not going to tell Alan and Alix about it, are we?"

"No," he said, "we're not. Who- or whatever took them away to that city, doctored their minds as well as their bodies. If we say otherwise now, we'll be interfering. They won't listen to us, anyway--they believe only what they've been told to believe."

Helena slid slender fingers over his shoulder. "John.....even though They-of-the-City were wrong about some things, couldn't they have been right about others? We shouldn't believe only what we see--we ought to look beyond. Perhaps we'll find that 'greater wisdom,' when we do....." "Or at least be well on the way to finding it?" "Perhaps....." "Well, let's hope we're still here by then."

She smiled slyly. "Oh, you'll be here, all right--just so long as you adhere to my admittedly-more-conventional medical wisdom, and you stay off that leg. Or else!"

Koenig was altogether content to go on 'playing the wounded starling' if that could lead to finding out what she'd meant by 'or else'--pleasant contemplation for any man with a broken leg. Then he sighed, and decided he probably ought to have Bergman in for company and conversation, since he wanted to hear more of what had gone on down on that planet. (That would pacify the drill sargent here,) he surmised. Bergman would be equally happy for an audience, to mull his ponderings aloud. Perhaps the reclusive They-of-the-City had recognized in themselves the burgeoning seeds of their own undoing, turning their backs on the powerful culture they'd built and simply walking away. Given that context, their saving of the two Alphans could have been an attempt towards atonement. Not that those huddling forest-savages might see it that way. Such baser passions as fear and terror take a very long time to die out.....if they ever do.

He sighed again, and took small satisfaction, at least, in the fact that They-of-the-Ctiy still had a long way to go to atain their own "greater wisdom". Even the purportedly-mighty, it seemed, still had a few toes of clay.

The End

NOTE: This story is part of a series of stories on Alan and Alix(new character) which have been advertised in past MC's. For more info on past stories Write: Terry Shewmaker/310A NW Second Ave./Visalia, Ca 93277

CREATION IS BETTER...

In this issue we will complete the report by John Drake on Omnicon IV held in February. We also have report on Costume Con I which Judy Moore, Anaheim, Ca attended and on the first Visalia Street Faire which Terry Shewmak attended in costume as a life size chess piece.

Omnicon IV was a Dr. Who con. (see your last MC for the first half of the report)

The BBC is now searching for co-production money for, hopefully, making a four part- all on film- episode of Dr. Who in America! Lionheart Productions, which now distributes the program in the U.S. is considering putting up the necessary funding. All who care should write! (see address at the end of the report)

Fans of Sandra Dickinson can see her this spring in "The Hunger", a strange sort of vampire movie starring David Bowie, Catherine Deneuve and Susan Sarandon. Sandr has only a small part and will be wearing a hat and veil as well as using a deeper voice than her natural one (which is what she used in "Hitchhiker"). This summer she will have another small part in a large film, "Superman III". She'll be getting a grapefruit in the face. She also has a part in "Lonely Lady", a film mad from Harold Robbins novel, which stars Pia Zadora.

The only standing exhibit (if you can call it that) was a television running a videotaped trailer for "Krull". This is an SF/Sorcery film, taking place on the planet Krull,and starring Ken Marshall (televisions Marco Polo). A recent issue of the English SF film magazine "Starburst" devoted most of an issue to this film. There was a masquerade but the costumes I saw didn't impress me so I didn't attend. There was also a dealer's room where I drastically overspent.

Of course I couldn't include everything about the convention but these were the highlights of my favorite parts of the convention. I hope you enjoyed the report. To wrap up, I'll list again what you may want to write about. 1) ABC-TV regarding "the Phoenix" 2)Lionheart Productions regarding Dr. Who 3) Columbia Pictures with ideas on the cast for "Hitchhiker". Most fans would prefer the TV cast but perhaps one of you has some better idea; for instance - Burt Reynolds as Zaphod Beeblebrox? NAH! Thanks for your time. HAVE A BETTER ONE!

John Drake

Address Lionheart Television International/40 West 57 Street/New York, NY 10019 or 476 Plasamour Dr. NE/ Atlanta, Ga 30324

COSTUME CON I



Costume Con I was a success! Held at the Bahia Hotel, a seaside resort in San Diego, the convention was the first of its kind to be totally devoted to costuming. Hollywood has never even seen the likes of an event like this before. Convention highlights included a Science-Fiction & Fantasy competition, a Futuristic Fashion Show/Design Contest, a banquet and a Historical Masquerade. The place was crawling with talent! Costumes varied from Salome and John the Baptist, to bird men, indian maidens, Roaring Twenties, Victorian and Medieval. Panel discussions and demonstrations included the how to's of 'head dressing', 'pattern making', 'historical recreations', 'stage presentations', and the 'proper use of feathers'(which is: anything goes!).



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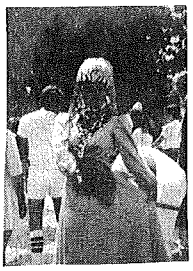
During the three days, SPACE:1999 costuming was well represented. Various photographers slide shows included slides of the California Delegation (as it used to be a few years ago) in uniforms, Maya's dress, Vana's dress and the DEVIL'S PLANET whip wielders. On display in the exhibit room were recreations of two of Maya's dresses on mannequins, from THE METAMORPH and ONE MOMENT OF HUMANITY. Also display was a photo book of SPACE:1999 costumes as worn by fans over the years.

The Bahia Hotel staff was very pleasant as were the vacationing tourists who weren't sure they hadn't stepped back in time having found themselves in the middle of a parade of costumes! What a way to beat the winter blues, it beats flying south for the winter!

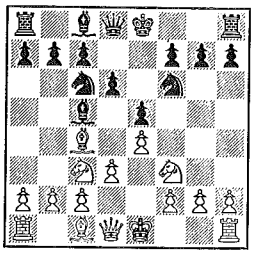
There will be a COSTUME CON II some time around the spring of 1984. The committee is currently scouting the San Diego, Los Angeles and Phoenix, Arizona areas for a site, and in the future there will be an East Coast COSTUME CON III! For more information write: COSTUME-CON / PO Box 1947 / Spring Valley, Ca 92077

PHOTOS: 1) Humanity dress in exhibit room 2) Victoria Ridenour & Sherri Butterfield in Victorian costume

FIRST VISALIA STREET FAIRE



Visalia's first Street Faire, held on Saturday May 21, 1983, was conceived as a fun way to get out the word about various services offered by city departments. Among the many activities of the day-long event were a crafts show, classic car show, a dunk-tank with city officals as dunkees, and various entertainments including an appearance by the reigning Miss California, Lisa Davenport of Visalia. A several-city-blocks area of Downtown was specially roped off for the day's goings-on, attended by some 8000 people.



Prominent amongst the morning's activities was the Colossal Chess Tourney, in which I participated, reprising my Vana costume which you may recall from Con '82 in Springfield. I was the Queen's rook on the white team. Our board was set out on the city hall lawn. There was great originality and diversity in our costumes since the Visalia Community Players participated in the proceedings. There were some pretty live wires on both

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sides of the board. In fact, in character banter flew back and forth across the board constantly. Now, would we all agree Vana isn't quite the snappy one-liners type. I decided to try to look as cool and coy as possible. We all had to try to look cool--yr's first heat-wave was in progress that weekend; and although Valley heat is dry heat, hot is still hot and the temperature hit mid-90s that day! It will be duly noted that Chessmasters Art Strobbe (white) and Larry Klein (black) played the game in generous tree-shade while the live pieces sweltered out in the full sun! Fans like mine and Black Queen Christine Davis', amongst others, were an absolute necessity.

The Visalia Times-Delta's recounting of the game described us as "an Alice-in-Wonderland array of chess pieces (trading) insults and puns...(and refusing) to hold still...(the black team) put up a good fight but the sun, the constant punning, and the back talk of the pieces took their toll and ultimately.....Black King Gary Long was symbolically beheaded," ending the game. White King, John Holden, looking very dapper in his white suit and gold sash, officiated; and King's Knight Ray Mulford, who ought to get a medal for standing in the heat in a full suit of armor, did the actual "honors". VICTORY!

This was the first time such a Living Chess Game had been staged in Visalia; and I think we were pretty well received. It took a lot of work by a lot of people, most notably Denise Lapp, who was a major moving force behind the entire Street Faire. Also, our in-residence chess experts, who showed us less-initiated how to move on the board when our moves were called out!

And, yes, I couldn't help recalling that episode of The Prisoner wherein Number 6 participates in just such a chess game. Visalia isn't quite the Village, though; we were all out there for fun, and for a good cause.

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Out of work? Want more excitement from life?

Alpha Security Guard Aptitude Test

Due to the ever increasing lack of security guards for Alpha, the security office has issued this test to find out if you have the qualifications to be a security guard. Please fill out all of this test and send it to: John Koenig, Commander/ Officers Quarters/ Room 42/ Moonbase Alpha, Moon 1999

NAME:_____

ADDRESS:_____

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DO YOU HAVE LIFE INSURANCE?_____ DO YOU WANT LIFE INSURANCE?_____

QUESTIONS

To the best of your ability, answer the following questions. These questions will show if you are the type of Alphan we want to employ.

I consider aliens _____.

1) very interesting. 2) a blemish on society. 3) tame, if they do not posses a gun.
4) as harmful as the Black Plague. 5) bad dreams.

Stun guns are_____.

1) neat. 2) better than nothing. 3) beautiful, like fish scales.
4) dangerous in the hands of a security guard. 5) silver.

If I was trapped in a hallway with Balor standing right in front of me, I'd _____.

1) ask him to lunch. 2) wonder if I had a will made out. 3) sob uncontrolably
4) sit down and write a will. 5) wait for the cavalry to arrive.

Chlorine gas is quickly becoming the number one killer of security guards. What would you do if you were trapped in a room fast filling with chlorine gas?

1) Panic. 2) Find a door and beat on it. 3) Assume that it's just part of life.
4) Hope that chlorine is not as bad as they say. 5) Scream, "DORCONS!!" and fire my stun gun as many times as possible before falling down and crying.

You are in an Eagle (John Koenig is flying) that is about to make a new crater on the lunar surface. What do you do?

1) Quickly buy flight insurance. 2) Beat on the controls. 3) Look for gremlins.
4) Wonder why I did not take the moonbuggy. 5) Look for tribbles.

Computers_____.

1) flash lights that mean nothing. 2) are needed to play "Asteroids".
3) make sparks when fired at by a stun gun. 4) will take over Alpha 5)_____

I think that closed doors_____.

1) should be opened. 2) should be opened violently. 3) should be opened violently by way of a stun gun. 4) should be opened violently by way of a stun gun set on kill.
5) should be opened violently by way of a stun gun set on kill; and if that doesn't work, there is the rocket gun in the case down the hall.

I think violence_____.

1) is violent. 2) is not for me. 3) is the only way to settle a difference of opinion.
4) is not for pansies. 5) is an important ingrediant to all aliens.

Orders are meant to be_____.

1) lost. 2) forgotten. 3) queried. 4) ignored 5) debated to the last centon.

You are one of two guards facing the Beta Cloud creature. You are armed with a stun gun and a rocket gun. The creature is not affected by the rocket that you just fired at it. The creature is coming toward you. What do you do?

1) Rush at it and hit with my fists. 2) Start to hope for a miracle.
3) Watch the other guy rush at it and beat it with his fists. 4) Wonder why I did not call in sick today. 5) Wonder what John Wayne would have done in a situation like this.

TRUE OR FALSE SECTION

Dorcons are nice people.
True False Maybe

A Commander never makes mistakes.
True False Maybe

Plastic explosives make neat tennis balls.
True False Maybe

Important Alphans do not become security guards.
True False Maybe

The Force will be with you, always.
True False Maybe Who can tell?

Maya is not a dangerous alien.
True False Maybe Before or after she is fed?

Air-locks are places where air is kept.
True False Maybe

Explosive decompression is a once in a lifetime thrill.
True False Maybe

Normally, security guards are expendable.
True False Maybe All of the time.

The term "high risk" does not adequately describe the job done by an Alphan security guard.
True False Maybe

Thanks to Tom Cicirelli of Wickliffe, Oh for this test of our abilities.

Oh, by the way, answering ANY of the questions above, knowing what this test was for, indicates you have the aptitude to be an Alphan Security Guard.

FLASHBACK SPACE:1999

CATHERINE SCHELL AS RESIDENT ALIEN OF SPACE:1999 IS "THE NEW WONDER WOMAN OF SCI-FI"

Catherine Schell, star of ITC's motion picture, "The Return of the Pink Panther," the highest grossing comedy of all time, plays the coveted role of the resident alien, Maya, in the second year of SPACE:1999, starring Martin Landau and Barbara Bain.

The introduction of Catherine Schell to play the incredibly exciting and enchanting alien, Maya, came after a series of casting conferences held by Fred Freiberger, the new producer of SPACE:1999, and Gerry Anderson, executive producer, in which top stars from throughout the world were considered.

In Catherine Schell's new role as Maya, she possesses the incredible power of molecular transformation, an unlimited ability to transform herself into fascinating objects, creatures and other life forms, including a lioness, a panther, a tigress, a dove, a dolphin and more, as well as different human beings and beings never before imagined. She also possesses a computer brain, so fantastic it defies all scientific experience and explanation. It is a role which intensifies the excitement of the sci-fi adventures of the Alphans as they seek to find a compatible planet to Earth.

Catherine Schell is no stranger to SPACE:1999, since she has guest starred in the episode, "Guardian of Piri." Recently winning world-wide acclaim for her performance with Peter Sellers in " The Return of the Pink Panther," Miss Schell has a host of motion picture and television credits, including the feature film, "On Her Majesty's Secret Service," and television series such as "The Persuaders," "The Adventurer," and "The Rivals to Sherlock Holmes."

Born in Hungary, Catherine is the daughter of the Baron and Baroness Schell Von Bauschlott, but her father renounced his title when the family fled to the United States during the Communist take-over in Hungary. Formerly a diplomat in the Hungarian Embassy at Washington D.C., he returned to Washington with his family and became tours manager for visiting European orchestras until going back to Europe.

Catherine therefore spent her schooldays in America, first of all in Washington and then Staten Island, New York, completing her education at the American School in Munich, Germany. When embarking on a stage and screen career, she changed her name to Caterina Von Schell, later changing it to its present Anglicised form of Catherine Schell.

Catherine is blonde and 5'7" in height. (Ed.for those of you who are saying Blonde? I'm afraid only her hair dresser knows for sure.)

This months feature was taken from a second year fact sheet distributed to TV stations as part of their second season promotion.



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This year's convention is again being held in the Cincinnati area. Covington, Ky is directly across the river from Cincinnati and is actually closer to the Cincinnati airport than Cincinnati since, as those of you who came this year already know, the Cincinnati airport is in Kentucky. Last year's convention was a success even though we only had an attendance of 180 people and in spite of Friday morning's early morning wake-up call (see con report).

In spite of this success, we have decided to change hotels. We think you will enjoy the choice of hotels this year since it is a little different from past years. As you can see from the heading on this page, the hotel is circular. It also has one of the largest revolving restaurants on the top (18th) floor. Each room has a balcony and many of them have a view overlooking the Ohio River. The hotel has a spacious indoor pool with a retractable skydome. The two restaurants in the hotel are the Riverview Room on the 18th floor and Kelly's Landing on the Con floor which recreates the charm and hospitality of a mid-nineteenth century riverfront pub with generous drinks and hearty breakfasts, lunches and dinners. The hotel has four deluxe suites and 236 guest rooms. It is located off I-75 and is only 10 minutes from downtown Cincinnati. It is also about 10-15 minutes from the airport. There is also a large public park across the street from the hotel (more on this later). We feel this will be a very nice hotel and should provide a perfect setting for Con 7.

ACCOMODATIONS: Room rates are $39 for a Sing; $49 for a Dbl; $54 for a Trpl; $59 for a Quad and $85 for a suite (suites have 1 queen size bed and a couch that pulls out into a double bed). Since there are only 4 suites, if you intend to get a suite, please let us know as soon as possible since we will have to let the hotel know how many suites we will need.

TRANSPORTATION: The hotel provides free transportation to and from the airport on an hourly basis. They also provide free van service to Downtown Cincinnati. Bus and Amtrak services are both located across the river in Cincinnati but both are only 10-15 minutes from the hotel. If there are any questions about cab fare from these points, write either Paul Bens or Rosie Badgett for further information.

ADMISSION: 3 day tickets are $15 until May 31; $18 thereafter and at the door. 3 day rates for children under 14 are $8 until May 31; $10 thereafter and at the door. One day rates are $6 for adults & $4 for under 14 until July 4. After July 4 & at the Con, 1 day tickets will be $7 for adults & $4.50 for children. Nonattending tickets are $10. Banquet with celebrities (limit 100) is $25 at all times for those who did not attend last year's banquet. We expect to extend a special fee to those who attended last year's banquet and did not get a chance to meet Ann Lockhart at the banquet due to her late arrival. More on this next issue.

CELEBRITY GUESTS: At this time we are in the process of sending out invitations to celebrities and have not had time to get any responses. Persons who indicated a desire to attend this year although they could not attend last year include: Majel Barrett Roddenberry, Richard Hatch(BSG), Laurette Spang(BSG), Tim O'Conner(Buck Rogers), Patricia McPherson and David Hasselhoff (Night Rider) and Martin Landau and Barbara Bain(keep your fingers crossed). Others who will also receive invitations include: Barry Morse, Zienia Merton, Prentis Hancock and Anton Phillips. As replies are received we will notify you.

CONVENTION ACTIVITIES: As in past conventions in addition to the celebrity speakers, we will have a dealer's room, a costume party and contest, an art show/contest and auction, fan club meetings, a charity auction of SF collectibles, a celebrity attended banquet(limit 100), a film room for Space:1999 and other Gerry Anderson and general SF episodes and movies, an amateur film contest(don't miss this), autograph sessions and discussion panels. Other special events for this convention include two events scheduled for last year which are definately supposed to be held this year; a spoof of daytime Soaps and a talent show. Other events include the possibility of another food function open to all con members and the possibility of a picnic in the park for those who come in early in the week(anybody for volleyball, baseball etc.). Please let Rosie, Paul, Kathy or John know what you think of these last two ideas. Addresses for special activities will be in the next MC.



MAYA'S MOONBASE MERCHANDISE

Welcome back to M - M - M. Now that things have quieted down after the convention, we will begin to unveil some new ideas for merchandise. As soon as we can get new items in we will present them to you for your inspection. At the same time, we will also hold a fire sale. That means, anything that is not sold in the sale will go into the fire to make room for the new material. Interest in an Alliance merchandise catalog has been quite good and we will issue that also as soon as the merchandise is ready. We also hope to have another calendar ready by the next issue but don't hold your breath; besides that's at least two months away and I can't afford to lose customers to asphyxiation. If any of you have ideas or sources of items that you think the Alliance should provide for it's members, please write us and let us know the item and where it might be purchased. Thanks.

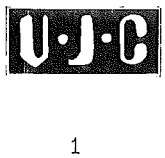
Below is the first picture list for the 83-84 Alliance year. All pictures are $3\frac{1}{2}$ x 5 color pictures. The Cost is 80¢ each plus postage as follows:

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1-4	20¢	40¢	10-15	37¢	$1.20
5-9	20¢	80¢			

Please circle the number of the pictures you want. You may send a xerox copy of the sheet or a list on a plain piece of paper, but please list the numbers clearly on plain paper.

251 John & Helena in beds in Medical Center with Tony, Maya & Sandra in attendance. (Beta Cloud)
252 String of space mines in orbit above the planet Astheria (Collision Course)
253 Vindrus and Maya in matter/anti-matter transfer chambers (A Matter of Balance)
254 Two Darians in space suits walking down a corridor of their ship (Mission of the Darians)
255 Exterior night shot of living quarters on alternate Earth (Another Time, Another Place)
256 Victor being revived by a bolt of energy after his mechanical heart failed (The Infernal Machine)
257 Maya walking down hall of her home on Psychon (Metamorph)
258 John and Victor questioning Lee Russell in darkened room with guards in background (Matter of Life and Death)
259 Maya as transformed "Hyde" character after drinking Tony's beer (Journey to Where)
260 Model of Moonbase Alpha on table under model of force field (Black Sun)

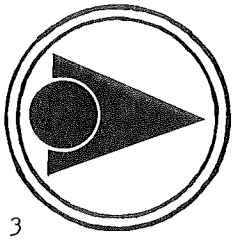
Below is a presentation of possible patches which the Alliance will offer if there is enough response to each design. We would need to have at least 10 people want any particular patch before we will have them made up. The minimum order from the manufacturer is 15. The patches are 3 inches in diameter for the circular patcches and 3 x 1 3/4 for the AMC patch and 2 x 1 for the V·J·C patch. Cost for the patches would be about $3.50 to $4.00 for the circular patches depending on the number of colors in the patch. The AMC patch would be $4.50 and the V·J·C patch about $2.75. The colors of each patch are described below.

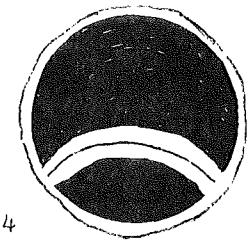


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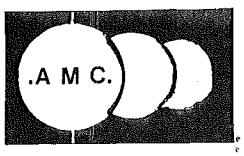
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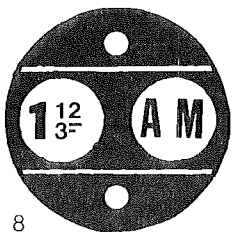
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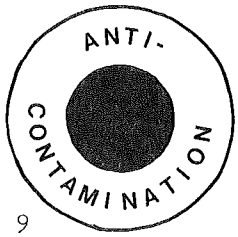
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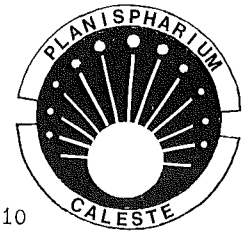
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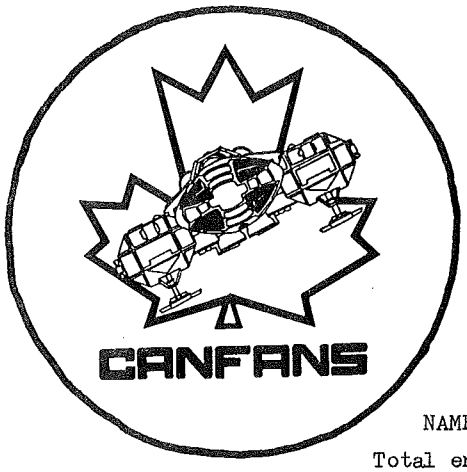
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COLORS

1. White letters on a red background
2. White background with red lines and red upper half, black letters on lower white background
3. White background with red lines around the edge, red triangle with black circle
4. Light blue edge, darker blue upper portion with yellow, orange and black bands on the bottom.
5. Purple line around the edge and purple center circle
6. Two tone blue background with largest circle yellow, next is dark yellow then brown
7. Black lettering and center circle on a white background
8. Red background with black letters in the white decorations
9. Black letters and center circle on a white background
10. Black letters on the white rims, yellow sun with white spokes radiating out to white spheres on a blue back.

For a better description of the use of these patches on Moonbase Alpha, consult your 1979 convention program book, which explains the meaning for the symbols used in the patch designs, which section issued the patches and the color scheme.

(cont.)



We have also received another suggestion from the Canadian section. We currently have an Alliance patch. On Alpha there were many patches other than the one for Moonbase Alpha and it has been suggested that we should have a special patch for each section of the Alliance. We think this is a good idea. We would like to ask for submissions of designs from the people of each area. One has already been submitted from the Canadian section. (left) We will wait until the new year to allow time for submissions to come in and then we will present all the submissions to each section for a vote to pick the patch design which will be used for each particular section. Please note that the Eagle in the design at the left may have to be simplified before being made into a patch. If you think this is a good idea let us know and send in your design ideas.

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L A S T M I N U T E A D D I T I O N S

On Entertainment Tonight,Martin and Barbara were seen in a quick shot on the segment concerning a benefit dinner held at the home of Mary Pickford to support the National Athletic Sports Association to help make sports safer. The segment was shown on 6-28-83.

On the 9-8-83 "Entertainment Tonight" show, Jack Klugman and Martin Landau were seen in rehearsal for a play to raise funds for the Jewish Television Network.

Member Carsten Andresen, Denmark, and co-editor of Intercom One, suffered a tragic accident last March. He passed away this past June 19th. He did the marvelous interview with '1999' script editor and writer Johnny Byrne that appears in Intercom One. We are all saddened at the loss of a fellow Alphan.

Until the next MC, keep those stories, ideas and letters coming. We are always glad to hear from you and now that Heather is in school, we should have a little more time to get back to you sooner.

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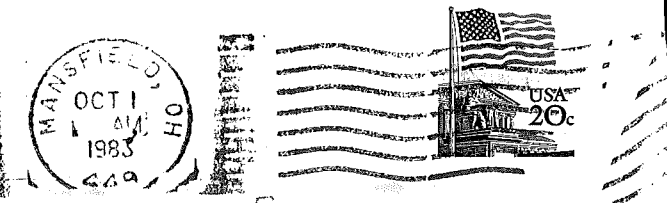
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