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Thursday Morning
August 30, 2001

PROGRAM CHANGES

Additions/Deletions of People

The following people have been added:

- Kir Bulychev
- David Feintuch
- Allen Dean Foster
- Jay Kay Klein
- Sasha Miller

The following are not attending:

- Constance Ash
- Algis Budrys
- Mark Keller
- Jared Lobdell

Panel Time Changes

A Tribute to Poul Anderson has been moved to Saturday at noon, CC201B

Writer in a High Castle (Philip K. Dick) has been moved to Friday, 4 pm, CC201B

Panel Additions

Catherine Mintz Reads New, Original Fiction by Kathy Tyers,
Thursday, 6 pm, CC202B

Panel Name Change

The *The Liar's Club* (Friday, 5 pm) is now *Gardner, Pat & George Speak*

Panel Cancellations

Philadelphia and the Westward Vision
(Friday, 11 am)

People Added to a Panel

Bob Devney – *Dramatic License*
(Thursday, 10 pm)

Bob Devney – *Political Fantasy? A West Wing Discussion* (Friday, 7 pm)

David Feintuch – *Naval Fiction and SF*
(Friday, 5 pm)

Anne Harris – *Autographing*
(Friday, at 11 am)

Sasha Miller – *Dramatic License*
(Thursday at 10 pm)

Sasha Miller – *The Art of Developing Character Histories in RPGs* (Friday, 11 am)

Gene Olmsted and Tom Purdom –
Welcome to Philadelphia
(Thursday, noon)

People Dropped from a Panel

Susan Casper – *Ghost Stories vs. Serial Killers* (Thursday at 6 pm)

Craig Engler – *What the Frell: A Look at Farscape* (Friday at 5 pm)

"You may already be a Winner"

That's right Charlotte Pre-supporters, stop by the Fandata Table in the Dealers Room and receive your prize of a copy of the newest *Fandom Directory*.

Prize package eligibility limited to all Charlotte 2004 pre-supporters, so sign up now. Offer void where prohibited. Friends, Family, Relations and Hornets of Charlotte 2004 ARE eligible to receive the prize package. Odds of winning are 1 in 1.

Early Closings

The Market Street entrance of the Loews will be closed from 7 pm to 3 am from Wednesday to Friday for restoration work. The valet entrance on 12th Street will be open.

Newsletter Staff Needed

The *Kessel Run* needs people to staff our News Desk, write material, and to deliver newsletters. Go to the Volunteer Desk on the PCC Bridge and tell them you want to work for the newsletter.

Program Participants and Their Pseudonyms

- Eve Ackerman — Darlene Marshall
- Phil Klass — William Tenn
- Yoji Kondo — Eric Kotani
- Igor V. Mojeiko — Kir Bulychev
- Alis Rasmussen — Kate Elliott
- William Sarjeant — Antony Swithin
- David Thayer — Teddy Harvia
- Bryan Toder — Bryan Dean
- Ann Tonsor Zeddies — Toni Anzetti

Picks of the Day

The Millennium Philcon activities may start on Thursday morning, but the traditional **Opening Ceremonies** at 4 pm in the Marriott Grand Ballroom is the official beginning of the 59th World Science Fiction Convention. Sometimes corny and awkward, the Opening Ceremonies present the birth of a Worldcon — the unveiling of the result of years of hard work by the committee. Please attend and share our joy.

The **Meet and Greet** on Thursday evening at 6 pm in the PCC Overlook Cafe is an opportunity to socialize with our Guests of Honor and other program participants. The Exhibit Hall will also be open for your enjoyment with a few surprise activities planned as well.

Gaming Changes for Thursday

A Parent's Guide to Gaming is **Cancelled**.

Be Kind to Your Hotel

- Don't post anything on any surfaces in the Marriott. There are wire grids in the elevator lobbies for posting flyers.
- Please don't hang anything on the fire sprinklers in your room. [As the chair of *Disdave 1997*, I wish to stress that a broken sprinkler can ruin your whole con. – MRN]
- We have been warned to caution people to keep an eye on their notebook computers at all times.
- Make sure your room door is firmly secured whenever you leave it or retire for the evening.

Special Memorial Issue

The *Kessel Run* will be publishing a special memorial issue for all the friends and family fandom has lost over the past year since Chicon 2000.

Please submit a short paragraph in memory of a friend, family member, or someone you admired.

Rogue Writers Unite!

If you are an author and would like to do a reading at MilPhil, sign up at the Rogue Writers booth in the fan area in the Exhibition Hall, starting on Thursday from 6 pm to 9 pm. Half hour reading slots will be available on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The names of all readers will be advertised at the booth, and in future editions of the Newsletter. Let your voice be heard!

Broad Universe will also be sponsoring a group reading, to be held before the Broad Universe tea party. Fiction writers and poets interested in reading short pieces or excerpts (under 5 minutes) should contact Mary Anne Mohanraj (editor@strange-horizons.com) to sign up. We will accommodate as many readers as we can. Broad Universe is an organization devoted to promoting science fiction, fan

Marriott Restaurant Extends Hours

Allies American Grille is extending their Saturday and Sunday hours to 2 am.

JW's Steakhouse will be closed from August 30th the September 4th.

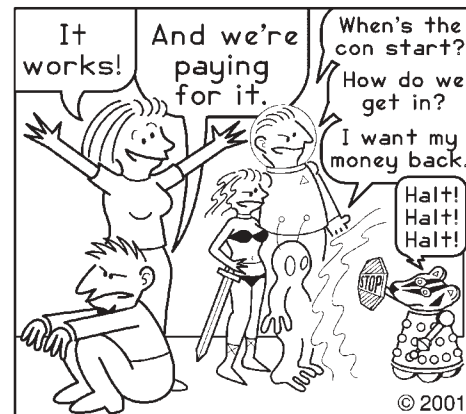
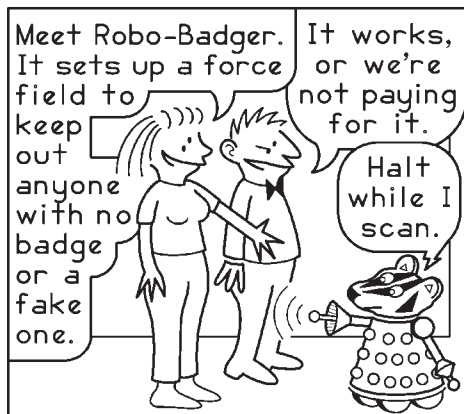
A reminder that all Marriott restaurants will give a 5% discount to all MilPhil attendees when they present their badges.

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Frankly Speaking

Printer and philosopher, scientist and revolutionary, diplomat and lover, Benjamin Franklin may have been the closest thing to a real life Heinlein hero. The Sage of Philadelphia's connection to the worlds of science fiction and fantasy – his fantasy of an autobiography, his mad scientist experiments, and dabbings with alchemy etc. – will be the subject of several hours of frank discussion.

Today at noon, the Ben track opens with *Master of Science, Master of Propaganda* (CC204C). The panel will be followed with *The Wisest Man in the World: Ben Franklin in Fact and Fiction* (3pm CC202B). Move next door at 4 pm for *SF Ben Franklin Could Have Known: The Very Early History of SF* (CC203B). On Friday, there's *Ben Franklin: The Light of Reason and the Light of Alchemy* (10 am CC104B). At 1 pm, panelists will discuss *Radical Philadelphia Visions: Benjamin Franklin and Scott Nearing* (CC104B) At 4 pm, MilPhil will extol *Franklin's Genius and the Genius of Science Fiction* (CC104B). Finally, Saturday will feature *The Future of Science and Technology As Viewed from Franklin's Time* (2:00 pm CC201A).

Kids can enjoy a film about how Ben Franklin owes it all to a mouse in *Ben and Me* (Friday 1:00 pm CC101), part of MilPhil's Camp Franklin track of programming for children (and others), named for you know who.

Anime Program Changes

Anime will start running its 24-hour schedule on Thursday, August 30th, in Rooms M408/409. Thursday's schedule is as follows:

4 pm **Bugs Bunny Tribute**

Different directors and their perspectives on how to direct a Bugs Bunny cartoon.

6 pm **Cowboy Bebop**

Originally scheduled to begin at noon, we will be running the entire series in one marathon! Come see one of the best series to come out of Japan in the last few years! Description: The year is 2071AD: driven out of their terrestrial eden, humanity chose the stars as the final frontier. From the section-by-section collapse of the former nations, a mixed jumble of races and peoples came. They spread to the stars, taking with them the now confused concepts of freedom, violence, illegality and love, where new rules and a new generation of outlaws came into being.

The rest of the schedule, as printed in the pocket program, is correct from 10 am on Friday for the rest of the convention.

Want to get volunteer hours for watching your favorite anime? Ask Volunteers how you can help!

Birth Announcement

2001 Fan Writer Hugo nominee Steven Silver is pleased to announce the birth of his second daughter. Melanie Shira Silver was born at 1:06 am on August 26th. She weighed 7 pounds, 3.4 ounces. Both Melanie and Elaine are doing well.

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