

PORSFIS NEWSLETTER

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THE NEWSLETTER ~~XXXX~~ TALKS!

Hi! I am your newsletter. I don't have too much to say for myself this month, because my editors decided to have 'Deadlines'. They're trying out the idea of having everything in by the 10th of each month. Unfortunately, nobody got anything in by the 10th this month, so I'm stuck with some last-minute stuff. sigh Please take pity on my plight!

CONDENSED ~~XXXX~~ MINUTES OF LAST MEETING July 7, 1979

For those of you who weren't at Looking Glass bookstore on Tuesday July 3, when Vonda McIntyre was there, PorSFIS represented itself well. Marc Wells graciously presented Vonda with a light blue T-shirt that had 'PorSFIS' on the front and "Follow me to DRYCON" on the back. She told us she'd wear it to WesterCon.

Bryce played selections from the audio workshop held at his place recently. PorSFIS now has some, uh, very interesting spots for the radio. Among other things, they announce that the PorSFIS Light-Line is 761-8768. There is a telephone-answerer on that phone, and this will serve us for a source of information on PorSFIS doings.

IMPORTANT! Run right over to the phone and call 236-1366 or 761-8768 to volunteer to help the John Wilkes committee prepare the booth for Neighborfair. (Or, if this paper comes out late, run right over to Waterfront Park and visit the booth)

And speaking of such matters - NEIGHBORFAIR! - As previously mentioned, Waterfront Park (You can't miss it) The Downtowner will have programs and maps. Neighborfair will have booths (such as ours) food & handicraft stalls, and continuous free entertainment. Your fair President, Sue, will be dancing at the Folkfest Center stage at 2:00 P.M. From noon 'till 8:00 on Sunday, July 22, this will be an event worth seeing. Stop by PorSFIS' booth, and give us your ~~X~~moral support.

Remember the Alamo! On second thought, remember the picnic! On August 4th, PorSFIS will have its 2nd annual Picnic. Come one, come all, and bring food. As of this writing, it's yet to be seen whether the Picnic will be at the Hoyt Arboretum or Mt. Tabor park. Never fear, Gentlebeings! There will be rides for all who show up at the downtown library (Room E) at 2:00. Call 761-8768 as the date approaches for more details.

CONVENTION CALENDAR

Sept. 29-Oct. 1--MosCon 1 GoH: Verna Smith, Alex Schomberg, maybe even Robert Heinlein! Membership: \$6 until Sept. 9, \$10 thereafter. Best Western University Inn, Moscow, Idaho. Write: Beth Finkbinder, PO Box 9141, Moscow, Idaho, 83843

Oct. 5-7--NonCon II Pro GoH: Gordon R. Dickson; Fan Goh: Eli Cohen; Toastmaster: Doug Barbour. Membership: \$8 until Sept. 1, \$10 thereafter. Edmonton Inn, Edmonton, Alberta. Write: NONCON, Box 1740, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T5J 2P1

Nov 9-11---DRYCON-GoH: John Varley; Toastmaster: Steve Perry; non-participating Fan GoH: Richard Geis. Membership: \$6 until October 1, \$8 thereafter. Room rates: \$29 Single, \$37 Double. Sheraton Portland Hotel, Lloyd Center, Portland. Write DryCon, PO Box 985, Beaverton, OR 97005

Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 1980--NorEasCon 2 (the World Science Fiction Convention) GoH: Kate Wilhelm and Damon Knight. Information: NorEasCon 2, PO Box 46, MIT Branch Post Office, Cambridge, Mass. 02139

BOOK STORE REVIEW

SERENDIPITY CORNER

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| 1401 SE Division | 2000 SF Paperbacks |
| Portland | 150 SF Hardcover |
| 233-9884 | 120 SF Magazines |

Serendipity Corner has a large selection of used books, but only a small amount (less than 5%) are science fiction. The selection that they do have in science fiction is also quite limited, and at a higher price than found in most used book stores. They also carry new and used comic books--having a large variety of these, though mostly from recent years.

PORTRAIT OF THE WRITER AS A YOUNG FAN by John Raymond Lorentz

I have a confession. I've tried to keep it in, ever since I discovered this about myself, but it's no longer any use to try. You see . . . well . . . I'm--uh--a *Fan* (choke!). Not just a fan, but a real, full-fledged FAN.

I started out gradually, reading Heinlein and Burroughs and watching Tarantula and The Deadly Mantis on Saturday mornings. But it didn't stop there. Soon I was reading Fantasy and Science Fiction, and Galaxy, and talking to other people about science fiction. Finally it got to the point where I was going to PorSFis meetings and even helping to plan a real convention. I'm even planning my summer vacations around World Science Fiction conventions! Boston in '80! Please help!! *

*The printing of this article reflects desperation on the part of the editor. Please help!