

THE JACKALOPIAN

AREA 51 (TEMPE MISSION PALMS)

SUNDAY 2ND JULY

WELCOME!

Welcome back for edition #2 of *The Jackalopian*, which has been described as the very best convention sponsored news publication Westercon 70 has ever had. We aim to please.

EVENING PROGRAMMING

Our evening programming tonight includes a traditional Masquerade, to be held in Palm E/F at 8.00pm.

Our Artists' Reception will finish up the Art Show hours from 5.00pm to 7.00pm with complimentary snacks and a cash bar.

We have a few panels running at 7.00pm and one special one at 8.30pm: *Milk Junkies and Velociraptor Love Tabasco*, at which our panelists will attempt to dramatically read the very worst of erotic fan fiction aloud and inevitably fail in hilarious ways. Check it out in Xavier.

Of course, our Filk Room and Gaming Hall continue on into the night in Joshua Tree and Abbey respectively.

If enough people signed up for games, then Captain Hedges will once again open up a Dawn of the Dice Gaming Lounge at midnight. Chelsea Kelsey and Michael Falinks will also run the Houses of the Blooded LARP Outlands again, starting at 7.00pm.

Open Filk will run from 9.00pm onwards and tonight's Theme Filk at 8.00pm is on Teaching Songs.

DEALERS' ROOM EXTENSION

When you explore our Dealers' Room, don't forget that there's a lot more if you just keep on walking. We have a few merchants just round the corner with our GoHs, Larry Elmore and Tom Deadstuff, including Mystic Publishers Inc. and Michael Bradley Books. After you've bought all their books and had the authors sign them for you, keep going to the Art Show, which is full of amazing art. Just don't bid on the items I'm planning on buying! Buy everything else!

LOST AND FOUND

Our Lost and Found department is in Operations (which is in Colonnade). If anyone has lost a pair of glasses, please pop in and collect them.

PARTIES

While I'd love for you to read *The Jackalopian* for its wild, cutting edge journalism, you're just here for the parties:

Suite 2052 - Sime~Gen, Inc. and the Academy of Science Fiction, Fantasy & Horror Films will host a Sime~Gen Faith Day Party from 9.00pm, with door prizes and good food.

Suite 3038 - The United Federation of Planets will be celebrating Bjo and John Trimble at a *50 Years of Star Trek* party, which will run from 7.00pm until whenever.

Suite 3039 - Lord Craig of the White Cliffs will be serving food and cordials once again at a WesternSFA party.

Suite 4029 - Michael Bradley Books invites you to a pizza party, from 7.00pm onwards.

Suite 4069 - Westercon 71 will be hosting a steampunk themed room party from 8.00pm until the wee hours. If you haven't bought your membership yet, buy one tonight.

SUNDAY HOURS

Art Show (Palm B/C) - 10.00am-2.00pm

ConSuite (Suite 2038) - 8.00am-1.00am

Dealers' Room (Palm A/D) - 10.00am-7.00pm

Gaming Hall (Abbey) - 12.00am-6.00am, 9.00am-11.00pm

Programming (various rooms) - 9.00am-11.00pm

Registration (Lobby) - 8.30am-6.00pm

AUCTIONS

David Gish, one of our Art Show Directors, reminds me to let you know that, if you want to bid on Art Show items, do so before 2.00pm, because the Art Show will close.

Any items with less than three bids will need to be paid for and picked up. Any with more than three bids will go into our Art Auction which will be in the Cloister at 4.00pm.

AUCTIONS

The Art Auction will follow our **huge** Charity Auction at 1.30pm, held in aid of Challenger Space Center in Peoria, AZ. Guides will be available at Registration. What's on offer is currently on display in the Art Show.

Bid high and often, folks, except when I'm bidding.

SITE SELECTION

Voting for who will host Westercon 72 in 2019 has now ended. The winner will be announced at the Westercon Business Meeting on Monday at 12.30pm in Sand Lotus.

Westercon 70 thanks Kevin Standlee for stepping in at the last minute because of unforeseen circumstances.

NERF BATTLE CHANGE

The Royal Manticoran Navy's NERF battle is moving from 9.30am on Monday to 5.00pm. It remains in San Pedro.

OTHER GAMING

While our Gaming Hall is mostly for, well, gaming, there are other related activities going on in Abbey.

Learn how to paint miniatures with Michael Duckett, Sr. in Abbey North at 2.00pm.

Pilot a spaceship with a collection of crewmates in the Artemis Spaceship Bridge Simulator, which runs every two hours in Abbey South.

Also every two hours is the Oculus Rift VR Experience, so check that out in Abbey South also.

ISLE OF GAMES

Captain Hedges, who's running our gaming track, which is dubbed CONflagration, wants to thank Isle of Games for being one of our sponsors.

They're running a special coupon for us that knocks 20% off any one item priced at \$19.99 or higher from their booth

in Abbey South. They will be leaving on Monday afternoon, so we highly recommend you use this coupon tonight or tomorrow morning. The Gaming Hall, Abbey South, will be open until 11.00pm and will re-open on Monday at 9.00am.

TODD VANHOOSER

Captain Hedges would also like to thank Todd VanHooser of Laughing Moon Productions, who is the other sponsor of the Gaming Hall. When not gaming, he will be signing his RPG books or novels until Tuesday.

GRIFFIN MARIA

With him will be model Griffin Maria, in costume as a character from *Laughing Moon: Wheelhouse*. Griffin was the model whom Mark Greenawalt painted on Saturday night in his body painting event. She will be signing prints, so stop by and say hi!

GAME UPDATES

In addition to published program items, WarMachine Demos are happening tonight from 7.00pm to 11.00pm, so stop on by and see Schretz from Isle of Games.

Also tomorrow morning, Captain Hedges will be running Scooby Doo games in our kids track. Parents with kids are encouraged to come and game from 9.00am to 1.00pm.

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If you have anything to submit for tomorrow's edition, the best place to leave it is my black box in Operations.



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