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Tarzine of the APAs

Packed Fannish Calendar

Missed another collation; I'll simply continue as if nothing happened and catch up.

My fortunes have indeed turned and I will have the consolation of a crammed spring/summer of Cons, beginning with Disclave in exactly one month (Memorial Day weekend); then Westercon in early July, MythCon in late July, and NASFiC begins September.

In between, there is Renaissance Pleasure Faire and the usual SFALB parties and D&D games. I could even make it to Conspiracy if the ☉✳️*! hotel rooms weren't already all taken!

Meanwhile, back to the APAs, 'L and -v and *Frefanzine*; hope to see you at all these con parties, especially the Frefan parties! As always, you're all invited! The bheer flows darkly...

Cheetah Types Shakespeare Comments To Comments on...

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In Response To... (*George Jumper*) Personally, I'd rather see toner replaced when LaserWriter goes Beyond 300. ¶ Jackie Vernon's not around any more? ¶ Sean Connery plays Sean Connery; you call that acting? ¶ (Ct Andy) Evolution is not a proven fact, but it's a fully demonstrated theory. Are you complaining that most people are ignorant as to what constitutes proof and where it's appropriate, or do you quarrel with genetic theory *per se*?

Software Over The Rainbow (*Charles R. Lembke*) Down time? Know how you felt. ¶ Gct Johnsons.

Texting The Test Editor (*Joe Zeff*) (Ct Merrigan) Species prejudice on *Raise Dead*? Since when?

Lewis Gray/Nola Frame I see you left Long Beach, Lewis. Rest of your zine is unreadable.

Flyer (*David Gerrold*) David Gerrold teaching authorship is like Jerry Pournelle teaching pacifist self-reliance is like Robert Heinlein teaching socialist redistribution techniques is like Barry Malzberg teaching scientific optimism is like ____ [fill in your own simile].

Dave's Not Here (*Dave Buches*) Another dunger? Come on down to Long Beach (style).

De Jueves (*Len & June Moffatt*) (Ct Lee) I'm sure there's a flaw in my logic somewhere, but here goes ...why not swim just prior to your hairdressing appointment? ¶ I

lean to *bun-goog-ac* myself, treating w as uu. ¶ But are other beings worthy of love and consideration and why? ¶ (Ct Rita) And I object to wasting talk on baseball with any sex. Sports is not gender-biased; degree of brain-damage, however... (I still haven't got over otherwise-reasonable Arthur Hlavaty putting football[!] in a genzine.) ¶ Since one does not get lung cancer from smoking, however, the lady's regret may have been to give up pleasure for other people's pushy stupidity. On the other hand, the New Prohibitionists will soon claim that Smoking Causes Freeway Death. Truth is no barrier to repression. ¶ (Ct Lee) But if you *were* a purple cake, would you suffer? Do cakes have feelings? ¶ Agree with Ct. Anora on *LotR*. ¶ (Ct Jumper) Considering *Mary Poppins* is set in Edwardian England, it would be near-miraculous if it did not contain "racist" remarks, if only of the Kiplingesque condescending type. ¶ (Ct M. Joyce) But *you're* reasonable and do not make a living Mau-Mauing the Flak Catchers.

Flyer (*Victor Koman*) First of many accolades, old buddy! ¶ Looking forward to your *next* flyer announcing an Autograph Party, which should be next disty announcing your May 15 Dangerous Visions *soirée*. Or will that be in *this* disty. (How about putting in some comments?)

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Cover We could have left it blank...

ToC Is there a way, Marji, to keep your art (from fading)? I've noticed a lot of that. ¶ Oops! Just noticed the drop in copy count. Then again, it may have increased again since this. ☉✳️*!

Dee Dee Dispatches Something (*De-Vera M. Joe*) Same number of comments right back to you!

Nis Natter (*Lee Gold*) Ah, the Bicycle Shop still serves that wonderful French Onion Soup. I must go back there again... Also no problem with bay leaves. ¶ (Ct Digby) Perhaps you could have another thyroid transplanted (but where would you put it?). ¶ (Ct Hertz) But is Earth a *mean* mother or somebody's Harsh Mistress?

Eyore's Other Tale (*Mistie M. Joyce*) (Ct Carl) Typo of the month: *insolation*. Possible definition: *inserting into the sun*.

Taxing The Text Editor (*Joey Saffe*) But Tax Is Theft! ¶ Dane? Bruce Dane? ¶ Ah, this is a hoax. But why bother?

BFD (*Rita Prince Winston*) (Ct Fred) I still think they're trying to control their kids but I do like your bill-dodger scenario. ¶ (Ct Lee) "...than that they should associate morality with drudgery." Well said, indeed; and the following paragraph, too. What a woman! ¶ (Ct Lee) There was a time when "spaceship battles" were "strange" and wonder-filled. But soon the great Doc Smith had to keep escalating the strangeness to keep up interest (both series) and, I suspect, burnt out Space Opera – until the next genius. Maybe L. Neil Smith? ¶ [Lee's right bracket?]

[Hey, Lec. where's your right bracket? Where does Rita resume?] ¶ (Ct Kevin) Some of those people would settle for teaching their kids what they want and let the Evolutionist Secular Humanists and even us atheists teach our kids whatever we want to. The real problem is the existence of "public" (compulsory monopoly theft-financed) schools. Not my problem; I consider sending a child I had the power to send to a state school to be High Child Abuse. ¶ (Ct Zeff) All governments brainwash all the kids under their control to trash their parents for the good of the State. It's called *patriotism*; the opposite is *treason*. ¶ (Ct June) Do you still have your Dress of Many Colours? Care to model it at the next con/party?

What Can A On Think? (John Hertz) (Ct Fred) Shirer is highly unreliable as an historian; he was a virulent propagandist for the New Deal axis during the events and tends to believe his own flackery (or persists in error). On the other hand, your relation of events sounds accurate to my revisionist memory. The best way to evaluate the Vatican positions in the 1930s is to remember that it considered itself a world power and looked out for its own interests. Sometimes it would "collaborate," sometimes it would hide out persecutees. Most people and states acted that way in 1933-45; the residual war hysteria makes it hard to believe that few people at the time saw any Extraordinary Menace. ¶ (Ct Lee) On the other hand, that was a very interesting piece of religious revisionism and new to me. (Tree of foreknowledge...) ¶ (Ct Moffatt) How does one make "arúchoke butter" in the sense of making any butter without milk fat as the base? ¶ (Ct Andruschak) Someone comparable to Sherlock Holmes (as prominent in the sf genre as he was in the Mystery genre)? I nominate Kimball Kinnison.

The Latigid Explorer (Gary Louie) Must be a different train. I thought you had to start with a bus to Oxnard, as I had to for Sacramento. ¶ (Ct Tom) How could syringes be misused? Is someone going to stab someone else in a fit of playful insanity or in rage? (Of course, they should be kept out of the hands of dentists...) ¶ (Ct Mistie Joyce) Assuming there is a wrong way to use syringes (see above), why should you be blamed? Unless you are susceptible to such unknown self-destructive urges (care to share them with us?) and are crying out for us to save you from yourself. ¶ (Ct Hertz) Creative Typo: *Know Space* is obviously that part of space where knowledge is possible, as opposed to *Ignorance Space* (wherein Earth largely lies). ¶ (Ct Hertz & Johnsons) If you're "definitely thinking" about turning someone into the postal gestapo, you are either surprisingly innocent or truly evil. If only for your own sanity (if not morality), eschew sacrificing your ego (or, if you prefer, immortal soul) on the Altar of Bureaucracy. ¶ Is "Will Tracz" a real name?

The Owlet Hoots (Harry Andruschak) I'll be reducing that overprint clutter; I should pick up the last four disties tonight. (Hah! See note at the end of comments.) ¶ (Ct Rita) I'll stick to muscle tissue burgers and steaks. Why the gratuitous swipe at Rita?

The Multitude of Temporal Events (Mari & David Johnson) Joy Unbounded! My first comment upon my return! There goes the fatted calf... ¶ (Ct Digby) Check your simplification of the court's definition. I believe "that people are worth something, and life is what you make it" but I am not a humanist. I suspect a more precise summary would be "the philosophy which believes humanity is the highest value (or greatest good)." Also, "life is what you make of it" sounds a lot closer to existentialism, not humanism. ¶ (Ct Rita) "Miss Manners is an idiot" sounds impolite to me. Seriously, many people (particularly fen)

do not want a guide to Modern Manners; that does not make her less of one. ¶ (Ct Mistie Joyce) Then again, you could assume *contra* Einstein that the platinum bar is a fixed standard and light waves vary in wavelength. ¶ (Ct Kent) Yeah, I should ask Kent why *fairy* is a pejorative as applied to school. Only pejorative version of *fairy* I remember was as the Canadian version of *faggot*. (Since a *fag* is a cigarette in Canadian slang.) ¶ (Ct George) And some people can't even get to the *cogito* stage. ¶ (Ct Charles) What are "Fundys," people from Nova Scotia?

The Right To Own Manticores Is The Right To Be Free (Dan Goodman) Sure, I'll go for that (title). Got any for sale? ¶ (Ct Mistie Joyce) "How much freedom can one person have before infringing on the freedom of others?" All of it. Beyond that boundary, none whatsoever. And, yes, "shaped" persons are really free if they choose to be; they can even choose to overcome their "limits."

Nine And Sixty Ways (Anton Sherwood) "Wee Pais, possibly America's most politically correct comic strip." It has a lesbian welfare mother in it now? ¶ (Ct Jim) All jihads before the advent of monotheism were polytheist. Furthermore, all wars under early polytheism (and monotheism) were holy wars because secular wars would not be invented before Greece and Rome got around to the concepts. Even so, all States (save Jacobin France and Bolshevik Russia) have invoked gods to win their adherents to their side. On the other hand, no purely religious wars ever happened. *Chercher l'argent*, as Deep Throat advised.

Harpists Are Dandy Musicians (Harry Andruschak) You have more comments in your NOMIC zine than in your commentzine! ¶ Russian is the dominant language of Russia and the USSR; it is the predominant language only in RSFR. ¶ Nonsense. Hong Kong could be a major space center. You are confusing politics and economics; space expansion is primarily economic and a free-trader base will expand much faster than Statist Russia/America. ¶ But I love your revisionist view of the Statist Space Programme. One more step towards the Free Space position, Andy; well done!

Three Years Sober (H.A.) And three zines in one disty. A record? ¶ Congratulations. I respect triumphs of Will. ¶ But it ruined my day. The craziest driver is always to be preferred to a Statist on wheels. After it seized its prey, did you stay around to watch it feed for additional jollies?

Given The Stresses Involved, Ringworld Cannot Be Made Of... (Tom Digby) (Ct Rita) The State will spend money on AIDS research when the ruling class is threatened. ¶ (Ct Lee) Your analysis confirms my prognostication that The Great Religious Divide of tomorrow is between the Modernist Plastic-Reality types (Liberal Christians & Jews, Agnostics, neopagans) and Hard-Reality types (Fundamentalist Christians, Muslims, and Pagans, Orthodox Jews, Atheists). My experience with the Softies shows the line between rubber-reality views and evasion-of-reality attempts gets frayed a lot. ¶ (Ct Nomic - to my surprise!) I *did* check it with a psychologist friend and *multiple personality ≠ schizophrenia*. ¶ Great ct Johnsons concerning Ponzi schemes in an infinite population! But I think the pyramid would gobble up aleph-null people at an \aleph_1 approaching rate.

Factsimile (Anora nha Thursday) (Ct Hertz) But babies must be lacto-ova veggies! ¶ (Ct Johnson) You have learned the Inner Secrets of Fandom well, Initiate. Yes, "...in fandom not being weird lost you status points." You are now ready to enter the Second Circle of Enlightenment.

My Adventures In Israel (Eylat Eleasari) I admire your honesty in definitions but...paradise? (To be Continued)

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