
Corflu 33 – the Chiflu Program

Thursday May 12th

7:30pm – Pre-welcome party for early birds.

Off-site directions have been provided to attendees who RSVP'd.

Friday May 13th

1:20pm - Baseball Outing to Wrigley Field (tickets must have been pre-purchased)

Watch the Chicago Cubs play the Pittsburgh Pirates in the historic confines of recently renovated Wrigley Field. The game starts at 1:20pm, allowing for enough time to return to the hotel for the opening ceremony at 6pm. Visit the Cubs website: <http://chicago.cubs.mlb.com>

3:00pm – Registration Opens

Generally, registration will be open a few hours each day, and when the desk is not manned, (personed?) assistance is just a few steps away in the main Corflu function room. The con suite is also a place of money-changing, snacking and zine reading refuge.

4:00pm – Con Suite opens

6:00pm – Official Opening, Welcome, Guest of Honour Selection and other notes of interest

Join us in the main function room, the Clark/Adams on the second floor.

6:30pm – Dinner Break

9:00pm – Desert Island Zines

Oh no, the S.S. Inchmery is taking on water and you have to abandon ship. Thankfully all of life's essentials are packed into a waterproof bag, but there's only room for three fanzines. What would you choose to take? And why do those deserve to be saved, over all the thousands of others carefully lining the ship's hulls in hand-built wooden shelves. Join Rich Coad, Claire Brialey, Ted White, Sandra Bond and Christina Lake, as they paddle ashore, and share their favourite articles, letters, and more. Of course this will lead amiably into the next item, of fanzines still waiting to be saved.

10:00pm – Fanzine Launch Party and Bheer Tasting (Con Suite)

Saturday May 14th

6:00am – Fannish Yoga, followed by a 5k run in the park (Hah!)

9:00am – Registration and Con Suite Opens

10:30am – Chicago Fandom Remembers

Chicago fannish memories from those who were there, come and contribute your stories.

11:30am - MidAmeriCon Fanzine Mimeography Workshop Video

Join Geri Sullivan as she showcases wondrous, just-digitized movies from MidAmeriCon, the 1976 Kansas City Worldcon. See hysterically brilliant footage of Jon Singer imitating a mimeograph with Gary Farber at the crank and PNH slip sheeting. Also, see the London Gestetner Works factory, in a promotional film from 1927. Time-tripping down Memory Lane fer shur.

2:30pm – "The Readable Fanzine Page"

Never mind the content, observe the kerning. An exploration into the practice and theory of design in fandom. Is design driven by content, or deliberate choice? How does the method of reproduction influence these options? Is the editor always expected to be a designer? John D. Berry, Ted White, Jeanne Gomoll, Geri Sullivan and Pat Virzi ponder these questions.

3:30pm – FAAn Awards, IF THIS GOES ON...

The Fan Activity Achievement awards were first presented for fanzine activity in 1975 so we could count this as their fortieth anniversary. Is it time for a makeover? Join the 2016 FAAn Awards administrator, Claire Brialey, and some of her predecessors for a participatory session about *What To Do* in future. Bring your thoughts, opinions and ideas, and prepare to get involved in how to get more fans, more involved. This year's awards will be presented at the Sunday Banquet.

4:30pm – Corflu Auction

The traditional auction, benefitting various Fan Funds, Corflu50, and Corflu 33. Many rare, interesting and fun items have been donated so far, Bring along other items before the auction so they can be included. Please provide details as to where the funds should be distributed. A veritable army of celebrity auctioneers will do their best to entertain, delight and separate you from your money for items you might not actually need. But it's all for a good cause, or three.

6:00pm – Dinner break

9:00pm – Convention Tops Trump!

An Ian Sorensen designed activity giving insight into what would happen if the current presidential candidates were instead bidding to run a Worldcon and not the free world.

10:00pm – Art Widner Memorial Fanball Classic

Remember those hazy, lazy days of yore, when one could lie around on the grass and watch Popeye-sized men hit the heck out of a little ball? We that's how Art used to describe his softball tossing days. With a tip of the hat to our favourite softball playing fannish hero, the Fanball Classic is a quiz designed to test the mental and physical skills of everyone stepping up to the pitcher's mound. Two teams will compete against one another to find the one true Fanball Championship winning team. Form your teams now, and study the rules.

11:30ish – Con suite continues to be open.

Sunday May 15th**9:30am – Con Suite opens****10:45am Adams/Clark Banquet Hall Opens, food at 11am**

The official Corflu 33 banquet with a selection of local delicacies, presented in a pleasing manner. Alcoholic drinks will need to be procured from the Elephant and Castle Bar downstairs.

Order of Ceremonies:

Guest of Honor Speech

FAAn Awards

Lifetime Achievement Award Presentation

2017 Site Selection

FWA Election

2:30pm - MidAmeriCon Fanzine Mimeography Workshop Video (repeat screening)**3pm – Dead Dog party in the Con Suite****Virtual Con Suite**

Digital impresario Rob Jackson assures me that this will be happening throughout the weekend. There have been test runs, and the iPad is up to the challenge of simultaneously simulcasting Corflu 24/7. And if you have an Oculus Rift virtual reality headset... well, congratulations, you have been appointed Digital Engagement chief of Corflu 34. Visit www.corflu.org connection details.

Nebula Awards Weekend

During the weekend of May 13th, the annual SFWA Nebula Awards ceremony is being hosted in Chicago at the Palmer House Hilton, just a few short blocks from the Club House Quarters. There are a number of free activities open to Corflu members.

Friday May 13th

9am – Chicago Walking Tour. Learn about Chicago's architecture and history while starting the day with a little exercise and fresh air. Meets downstairs by the Palmer House Starbucks.

8pm – SFWA Mass Author Autographing Session in the Red Lacquer Room. Free to the public and books for sale.

Saturday May 14th

9am – Chicago Walking Tour. Learn about Chicago's architecture and history.

8:30pm – Nebula Award ceremony. Tickets are available at a reduced price.

Learn more at: <http://www.sfwaweb.org/awards/awards-weekend>

Corflu Fifty Fund

If you see the man to your right hanging around the hotel, go up and say hello. In fact, run up and hug him and say thanks for the fanzine. Grant Canfield produced the wonderful **Xenotect 1** which you should have received at registration.

As the recipient of this year's Corflu Fifty Fund, this legendary cartoonist has traveled to be with us this weekend, and after a lengthy absence, dip his toes back into the fannish waters. Also, during the auction there are several items with his artwork. If you are a successful bidder, maybe he will share the real stories behind their creation.

