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*In This Issue: We have absolutely no idea. Do you think we read this dreck?*

## K2 in 2020!



Art by Howard Taylor

### Worldcon bidding raised to new peaks

The K2 in 2020 bid launch party on the roof of the Atlantis pulled out all the stops and took the fun to new heights. The party featured a sherpa motif, which began with costumed guides assisting attendees as they made their laborious climb to the roof. Laughing gas stations were available during the trek to the summit. The theme continued through the yak milk cocktails and freeze-dried ice cream. When asked "Why K2 in 2020?" the response we received

was, "Because it's going to take that long to build the facilities up there." When we asked again, "Why K2?" the bid chairman, Sven "Sven" Svensen, said, "We really feel that our Worldcon will top all others, so we felt we should start with a location that exemplifies that." Sven assures us that even though K2 is located in Pakistan-controlled Kashmir, "everything looks peaceful from 28,251 feet." The convention theme for 2020 will be "Raising the Roof of the World".

## Interviews with New Worldcon Bids

### K2 in 2020

#### What makes K2 the right place for a Worldcon?

First, we can guarantee not to have any elevator queues. In addition, the high altitude will mean saving money on alcohol, and there will be no need to call room service for ice. Also, the lack of oxygen will make the WSFS meetings start to make sense to the rest of us.

#### Do you have any interesting or unique events planned?

We're hoping to work with the local community to put together a Life on Hoth LARP.

#### Why did you decide you wanted to host a Worldcon in the first place?

Because it's there!

**“Keyser Soze and Chuck  
Finley walk into a bar.  
-BOOM-”**

### Texas to Become Foreign Worldcon Spokane to Follow?

Shortly after San Antonio won the 2013 Worldcon, Texas officially seceded from the United States. Should London win the 2014 Worldcon, there will be two back-to-back foreign Worldcons.

This news overshadowed Washington state selling its eastern half to Canada due to budget shortfalls, which could lead to a third straight foreign Worldcon should Spokane win 2015.

Some Renovation attendees thought this didn't make a difference since even when Texas was part of the United States, it considered itself a foreign country. The cities of Moosejaw, Montana; Weed, California; and Buffalo Center, Iowa immediately filed for the 2014 NASFiC when fans from New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana volunteered to dig a ditch around Texas and tow it out to the middle of the Gulf of Mexico, thus physically breaking away from North America.

Dealers and artists weren't too thrilled with this, since they've had enough previous problems dealing with Canadian Customs, and ferrying their goods across "El Ditcho Grande" would be an extra problem. However, it might be a nice test run for punting down the Thames in London in 2014.

The LoneStarCon 3 concom is now setting up a separate State Department to deal with all the ramifications. To make matters worse, the exchange rate between the U.S. Dollar and Texas's new currency, the Gringo, means the full attending rate for the con will be only \$1.

### Demento Demented

Dr. Demento has been committed to the Nevada State Home for the Bewildered. He was found on Friday night in a fez and an extremely long multi-colored scarf, rather than his traditional top hat. He insists people are to call him 'The Doctor' from now on. In lieu of flowers, the good doctor requests fishheads and dead puppies.

### Washington, D.C. in 2015

#### Why did you decide to host a Worldcon?

For the good old American lifestyle: for the money, for the glory, and for the fun ... mostly for the money.

#### What makes D.C. a good place to have a Worldcon?

Washington, D.C. is well known for its experience with fantasy. D.C. is known for its two-party system, so we have a base to work from. We expect this to be the most expensive Worldcon ever thrown; we don't have a problem deficit spending.

#### Do you have any interesting or unique things planned?

We're planning Washington Monument bungee jumping and Tidal Basin paddleboat races. We'll be replacing panels with congressional hearings. And we're going to filibuster the entire WSFS meeting.

## Book Launch Party

Last night's book launch party was a resounding success. Six different entries competed for distance, using a variety of catapult designs as well as one modified potato gun. The winner was Kevin Meraz who launched a copy of *Slave Bride of the Tribbles, Part 2* an amazing 1743 feet using a steam-powered trebuchet. Congratulations, Kevin!

## Team Eddard Lives!

Due to the outrage of fans over the loss of star Sean Bean in the penultimate episode of HBO's *Games of Thrones*, George R. R. Martin said he is completely rewriting *The Winds Of Winter*, the next book in the *A Song of Ice and Fire* series, which will begin with the revelation that all of the events since the execution of Lord Eddard Stark had been a dream. The book is expected to be released.

## Tragedy in Skyway

The first annual Worldcon Scooter Races were held in the skyway last night. Names of winners are being withheld due to a Men in Lavender APB.

A prominent convention organizer investigating rumors that the scooter races were "fixed" was tragically injured when scooter pilot "Lightning McFan" lost control at the pinch point. Organizers were shocked to find gambling going on in this establishment.



## Party Reviews

The best party of the weekend by far was the [REDACTED] Bid for [REDACTED].

Their bold stroke in [REDACTED] three [REDACTED] for one party certainly paid off, as the crowd was [REDACTED] the [REDACTED]. Food was no problem at all, with huge [REDACTED] of [REDACTED], gallons of [REDACTED], and even a [REDACTED] fountain. The beverage cart was equally well stocked, with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and even [REDACTED] in coconuts. (One reviewer thought that the ferrets might have been a bit much, though).

The fact that they were selling [REDACTED] for only \$[REDACTED] came as rather a surprise, but when asked, Mr. [REDACTED], Head of [REDACTED] for [REDACTED] explained that they were making it up in volume. Overall, their party blew the [REDACTED] off the [REDACTED] curve and set a high bar for any [REDACTED] to follow.

Editor's Note: Portions of this review were redacted at the request of the [REDACTED] of [REDACTED].

## Shooting with the Stars

Tomorrow's group of star-pinned celebrities includes the Honorable Weber, Schloppy "Thoomb" Tayler, Judge Dredd, and Captain "Serenity" Reynolds. Due to damage, the event is moved from the O to the K deck, still starting at high noon.

Sign up for tomorrow's outing in the usual way, at the info desk. Mind no weapons allowed while wrestling your way through the info desk lines. The event is limited to a dozen people in the corral, with some reserves for no-shows (no replacements after the event kicks off).

The convention is not liable for wayward shots hitting curious bystanders. If you haven't entered, please keep a safe distance.

## Special Notice from Atlantis

Toucan Charlie's Buffet has run out of food. Manager says he doesn't know what happened; bans cargo pants. Manager also requests that Charlie be returned immediately, preferably uncooked.

## Insomniac Attends Every Possible Renovation Event

We told you about the 6-2-1 Rule early in the convention. We warned you all about following it halfway through. But we actually found someone who attended every possible event there is to offer. When asked how this was possible, Mr. Berry mumbled, "time turner."

### The Drifter Staff

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## D.C. in 2015 Worldcon Bid

The D.C. in 2015 Worldcon Bid Committee announces the formation of a formal bid for the 2015 Worldcon. Applying the lessons learned from watching U.S. politics, we shall run our bid like a dirty political campaign. Our adversaries are lying, cheating scum. We know for a fact that the Spokane's bid is being run by a shadow agency of foreign nationals, and that the State of Washington is planning to sell Spokane to Canada to pay off debts. By 2015 Florida will be completely underwater, except for the top of the Disney World Magic Castle (but NOT because of global warming, which does not exist).

You can join the D.C. in 2015 bid by making a nonrefundable \$20 campaign contribution. People donating \$100 will be appointed ambassador of the imaginary place of their choosing. Committee members and Guests of Honor will be selected based on the size of their bribes. We promise slander, scandals, and back-stabbing.

When we win, we shall make major changes in the way Worldcons are run. As an example, we shall reinvent the Hugo Ceremony to make it more like American Idol with webcasting and phone numbers for live voting (for a small fee). We will also add exciting Hugo categories like Best Hall Costume and Best Party.

### Next Stop...

Following the Closing Ceremonies, the shuttle service will, once again, relocate their stops. The final trip for each bus will pick up passengers outside the RSSC and drop off in front of the Hyatt Regency Chicago. Please note: this trip is scheduled to disembark passengers beginning August 30, 2012. Please pack accordingly.

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constantly foiled by morons?  
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