

1976 INTERCON



Progress Report

Here it is at last, Intercon's Progress Report #2. Why is it so abominably late, you ask. We'll tell you!

You see, so much progress has been made that we have not had time to report it! The con committee is made up, for the most part, of people who have to work for a living and cannot devote every waking hour to Star Trek (much as they'd like to). Of course we devote every waking hour not at work to Star Trek (and sometimes--unavoidably--a few working and sleeping hours) but somehow it just doesn't seem to be enough. Hence, a late progress report.

Another thing that sometimes gets put off rather badly is letter-writing. The phone rings so often whenever any of us are home that sometimes the typewriter gets ignored. We are sorry and hope you have not been too badly inconvenienced. But this is our first time, and we really were not expecting some of these hassles!

Since we have so little time, and you are no doubt eager to get to the rest of the PR, we will sign off.

Intercon '76 Committee

WRITING CONTESTS

The deadlines on the writing contests have been extended. . . up until the very days of the convention! So many people wrote saying they had not received information on the convention until too late to enter that we decided to extend the deadlines.

Material we already have will be considered for the program booklet, to be handed out at the con with the registration packets. That which is turned in from now on through the convention will be considered for the souvenir book, which will be sent to every member of the convention. There will be a designated place at the convention to turn in any stories or poetry you have not yet had a chance to send in.

Send material to Intercon, P.O. Box 11057, Salt Lake City, UT 84147. If you wish anything returned, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your entry.

INTERCON 1976
Committee

SCHEDULE
OF EVENTS

THURSDAY EVENING

Lynette Allen

Steve Anderson

Carol Andrus

Laurie Andrus

Elaine Backus

Melvin Baker

Camille Bammes

Brad Boyle

Cathy Lee Brown

Betty Jean Browning

Jeanette Burningham

Lillian Cahoy

Kathy Christensen

Susan Dastrup

Michael Goodwin

Diane Howarth

Julia Howarth

Wendy Howarth

Beverly Jones

Lucy Miner

Kathy Murray

Larry Neer

Charles Olds

Marge Pagel

Eileen Ranck

Lynne Russell

Michael Scott

Karen Serassio

Henny Van Werd

Mike Van Werd

David Lee Wilhite

Nerissa Wilhite

5 p.m., 7 p.m., 9 p.m.--gofer orientation sessions

7 p.m. to midnight--games rooms and films

FRIDAY

8 a.m. to midnight--films and games rooms

9 a.m. to 7 p.m.--dealer's room

1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.--play "In Memorium"

8 p.m.--Catspaw Party/Costume Competition

SATURDAY

8 a.m. to 10 p.m.--films and games rooms

9 a.m. to 7 p.m.--dealer's room

9 a.m.--"Spock for President" rally

1 p.m.--Luncheon Banquet

4 p.m.--General Auction

9 p.m.--Major film (or something special)

Detailed schedules for art and sales rooms, films, panels and other activities will be in the program book and posted at various locations around the convention.

Art for this progress report:

Cover: Mark Waki

Spock for President and back cartoon:

Michael Goodwin

Utah or Bust: Wendy Howarth

A special thanks goes to Matthew Waki for Intercon's stationery design and official seal, and to Cathy Lee Brown for Intercon's patch design.

CONFIRMED CELEBRITIES

Kathie Browne--Deela, "Wink of an Eye"

Alan Dean Foster--Author of the Star Trek Log books

Darrin McGavin (barring work commitments on a new "Airport" movie)--
"Kolchak--The Night Stalker"

Jerry Pournelle--Co-author of The Mote in God's Eye

John and Bjo Trimble--The First Family of Star Trek fandom

Grace Lee Whitney-- Yeoman Rand of Star Trek

Bob Wilkins--Host of "Creature Features" and producer of "The Star
Trek Dream"

CONVENTION RATES

Although anyone receiving this progress report should be a paid member, you may wish to let friends know of the convention rates.

Both days: \$12.00

One day: \$7.00

Supporting: \$5.00 (will receive program and souvenir books)

Please make checks out to Intercon.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be set up in the lobby of the Goldfield Convention Center at the Tri-Arc Travelodge.

Thursday (August 12)	6:30 - 9:00 pm	General
	9:00 - 10:30 pm	Preregistered only
Friday (August 13)	8:00 am - 9:00 pm	
Saturday (August 14)	8:00 am on	

INFORMATION

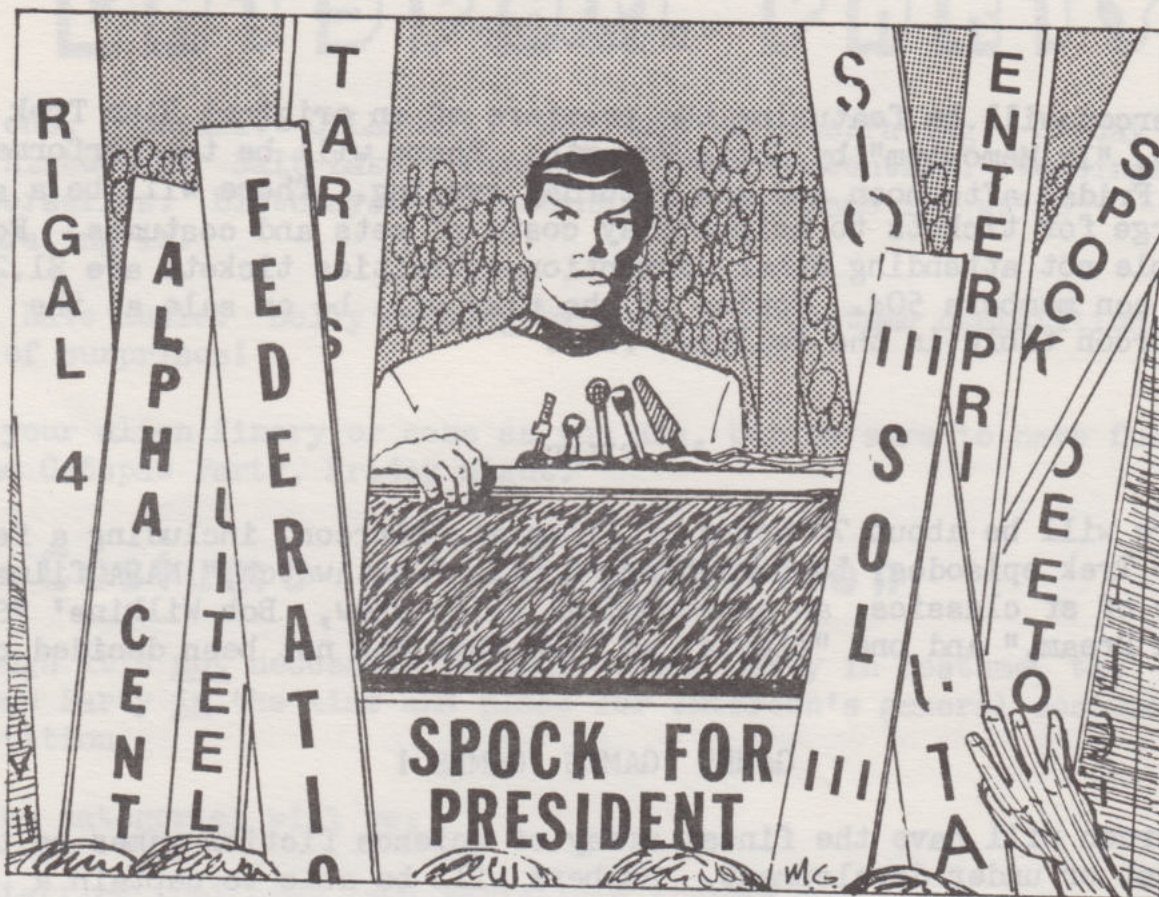
Intercon will be split into three convention areas: The Goldfield Convention Center and Tri-Arc Convention Rooms at the Travelodge, and Coy's at the Rodeway (across the street.) We will have an information table at each area, kept in touch by walkie-talkie. Maps will be abundant, signs posted to keep you on the right track through the maze, and the committee/gofer staff will be on hand if all else fails.

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW EVEN THOUGH YOU DON'T WANT TO HEAR ABOUT THEM

Not everyone will be in the film rooms to listen to the crackle of your candy wrappers, so eating will be restricted to the back rows.

Utah law prohibits smoking in public places--convention rooms included. If you must smoke, do it outside or in your own hotel room. (Even Bob Wilkins won't be lighting up his famous cigars!) There will, however, be a few tables at the banquet where smoking will be permitted, so if you want to smoke at the luncheon, please so indicate when purchasing your ticket.

The convention will be shut down at midnight Thursday and Friday nights--hotel policy. All-night parties will just have to be held in individual hotel rooms. (Aw shucks!)



With all the fervor of any major political party, the Federation Party announces its first rally in the 20th century. Spock has been selected as our Presidential candidate, but it's up to you to select his running mate. Will it be James T. Kirk? Uhura? Gene Roddenberry? Bob Wilkins? The choice is YOURS.

Intercon's "Spock for President" rally will be one of the highlights of the weekend. We invite you to participate fully.

If you belong to a club or other group attending Intercon together and want your very own standard to gather round at the rally, please contact Nerissa Wilhite, 2815 South 2580 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119, (801) 298-6627 by August 7. (No collect calls please.)

Fascinatingly Illogical

"IN MEMORIUM"

Intercon will be featuring the premiere of an original Star Trek play, "In Memorium" by Julia Howarth. There will be two performances, one Friday afternoon and one Saturday evening. There will be a small charge for tickets to help defray costs of sets and costumes. For people not attending other convention activities tickets are \$1.25, for con members 50¢. Copies of the play will be on sale at the Intercon table in the dealers' room.

FILMS

There will be about 70 hours of films at Intercon, including a few Star Trek episodes, Leonard Nimoy's film "Deathwatch," NASA films, lots of sf classics, an astronomical slide show, Bob Wilkins' "Star Trek Dream," and one "biggie" sf film that has not been decided on yet.

GAMES GAMES GAMES !

Intercon will have the finest array of science fiction games on the market or under development. Members will be able to captain a Federation starship in three-dimensional Star Trek games, take a landing party down through an exploration adventure, or investigate the world of computer simulations.

BANQUET

Intercon's luncheon banquet will be Saturday at 1 pm. The fashion show has been cancelled, but we will still be featuring entertainment, awards, and good food.

The menu will be baked ham, potatoes au gratin, vegetable, tossed green salad, rolls and butter, choice of beverage, and sherbet. Get your ticket early--they're limited. Only \$8 for the best (and possibly only) meal you'll get at the convention. ((If for religious or medical reasons you cannot eat ham, contact us as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made for other food. We want you to enjoy the banquet, after all.))

CATSPAW PARTY

Come one, come all! CELEBRATE! What are we celebrating? Friday the Thirteenth. Salt Lake's first Star Trek convention. Weddings. Anniverseries. Birthdays. Bicentennial. You name it, we're celebrating it.

We'll have music. Belly dancing by Shalali. Costume competition. Lots of surprises!

Wear your alien finery or come as you are, but be sure to have fun at the Catspaw Party, Friday night.

Costume Competition

Although it's not necessary to come to the party in costume, the Catspaw Party is the time and place for Intercon's general costume competition.

Judging categories will be:

- 1) Starfleet uniforms (and variations thereof)
- 2) Vulcans/Romulans/Klingons
- 3) Other Star Trek
- 4) Science fiction/fantasy/comic literature
- 5) SF/fantasy media (tv and movies other than Star Trek)
- 6) Original designs

There will also be a special junior category for kids age 12 and under. Judging in this category will take into consideration whether the costume was made with or without adult help.

Kids ages 9 through 12 have the option of entering the junior category or the regular category in which their costume would be classified.

There will be at least a 20-minute break between judging of each category. If you desire, you may wear more than one costume for judging, although naturally you'll be limited to one costume per category.

ART SHOW

MODEL BUILDING AND ALIEN LANDSCAPES

Intercon's art show rules are very simple. Bring your art, models and dioramas to the convention, no later than 9:00 a.m. Friday. If you cannot bring it yourself, send it with someone else or send it (preferably UPS) to Nerissa Wilhite, 2815 South 2580 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84119. Be sure to include address and phone number and return postage if it is mailed.

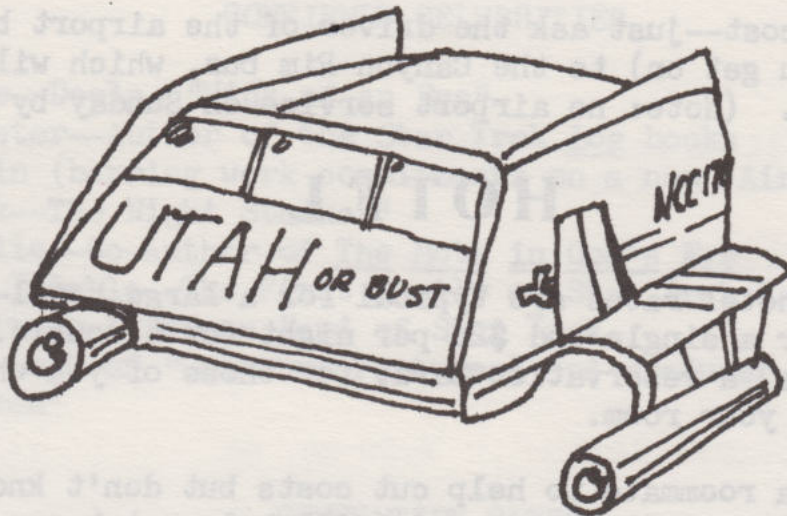
Entry fees for art are \$1.00 for the first piece, 50¢ for the second, and 25¢ for every piece thereafter per artist. Art must be framed or matted for display. For models and alien landscapes entry fee is 25¢ per piece. Models will be judged considering the age of the builder, whether original or made from a kit, and by subject matter. Alien landscapes are dioramas or terrariums (use your imagination!) and will have size limits of 3' x 1½' and 2' high. Please contact us on these so we will know how much table space to allot to the alien landscapes. Also let us know by August 7 if your piece is unusually large or bulky or needs special hanging arrangements.

Art will be hung on a first come-first served basis. If it becomes apparent that space will be limited, we may have to cut down on the number of pieces each individual artist can hang. So be prepared to pick your best piece or two, although this probably won't be necessary. We will not charge an entry fee for any pieces not actually hung in the show.

Art can be auctioned off at the general auction Saturday afternoon or sold on your own, but Intercon will get 20% of anything sold in the art room. There will be sketch tables and art racks for unhung art. This will be in the art room and will be sold through the art show. We have outstanding and qualified judges for the show.

Free Plug!

If you like the cartoon on the back of this progress report, you'll love Michael Goodwin's book "Who Was That Monolith I Saw You With Last Night?" More info at Intercon!



Intercon '76 will be held at the Tri-Arc Travelodge, located at 161 West 600 South in Salt Lake City, Utah. The Tri-Arc, by the way, is the world's largest Travelodge and one of Salt Lake's major hotels.

If you're driving in from out of town, we expect you'll be arriving on Interstate 15. (If you're on I-80, don't worry. It will run into I-15.) Take the 6th South Street exit...and there it is, the huge hotel with the big orange Travelodge sign on it. There is a parking lot entrance on 6th (600) South as you come off the freeway. For the benefit of out-of-towners, we will mention that 6th South is a one-way street, running east off the freeway. To get back onto the freeway, go north one block to 5th (500) South, which is one-way the opposite direction.

If you're already in Salt Lake, it's easiest to come along West Temple. Enter the Tri-Arc parking lot between 6th and 7th South.

City bus: Take #13 - Canyon Rim.

If you're flying into Salt Lake: Airport limousine service is available direct to the hotel for the cost of the \$1.50 per person. Cab fare is about \$4.50, however, cab fare can be split, so if you run into a couple other con-goers at the airport, it may be cheaper to share a cab.

If you arrive at SL International Airport at the right time and don't have too much luggage, you might even be able to hop the local city bus, which will get you to the hotel for only 15¢. Utah Transit Authority (UTA) has buses leaving the airport at 3:15, 3:45, 4:15, and 4:45 pm. This bus will take you downtown where you can transfer

(for no extra cost--just ask the driver of the airport bus for a transfer as you get on) to the Canyon Rim bus, which will take you to the Tri-Arc. (Note: no airport service on Sunday by UTA.)

HOTEL

The Tri-Arc's hotel rates are typical for a large hotel--cheapest is \$23 a night for a single and \$28 per night for a double. Enclosed with this PR is a reservation card, for those of you who haven't already gotten your room.

If you'd like a roommate to help cut costs but don't know anyone else who's coming, write to us and we'll help match you up. Just let us know your sex, age, and whether or not you smoke/drink. We will do what we can to get you in touch with someone to share a room with.

gofers

It's still not too late to sign up to be a gofer. All that's necessary is to be able to come Thursday night for orientation. And have lots of enthusiasm! Gofers are the backbone of a convention like this one--there can never be too many. Gofers will be working throughout the convention, but schedules will be arranged so that you'll be able to attend any of the regular activities that interest you particularly.

DEALERS

Sorry, folks, but the dealers' room is full up now. No tables are left. Shoppers, look forward to lots of exciting Star Trek and science fiction merchandise to choose from.

FANZINES

Fanzine editors: Intercon will sell your zine for you if you can't attend the convention or if you don't want to spend time selling that you could spend watching films. The convention will keep 20% of the money collected, 80% going to the publisher. Fans always complain that there aren't enough zines at cons and publishers always complain that it costs too much for a table just to sell a zine. We're trying to eliminate that problem. If you're interested in having

your zine on sale, send up to about 75 copies per issue as soon as possible to: Julia Howarth, 156 Third Avenue, SLC, Utah 84103. If you're coming to the convention and would like us to sell your zines, just bring them directly to the Intercon table in the sales room. We will also consider handling sales of other merchandise, but contact us first to okay it. Call (801) 355-3986 or (801) 532-2608. (No collect calls from dealers.)

FLIERS

There will be a table set up in the main convention center where fliers or other freebies will be available to folks. There is no charge whatsoever if you bring your own fliers. If you want the committee to keep your items available on the table (if no-one in your group can come), there will be a \$2 charge. Fliers should be sent to J. Howarth (address above).

PUBLICATIONS SEMINARS

Have you ever published a fanzine? Written for one? Illustrated one? Sat up all night typing one? Then you are the one who will be interested in our fan publications workshop. Admittance to this one will be by showing at the door a copy of a zine you have personally worked on. In this workshop we will discuss the problems and pleasures of fanzines, swap ideas and suggestions, and generally talk shop.

The publications panel will feature representatives picked at the workshop. Fan publishing will be the topic—how to begin, printing and paper, getting material, etc. In other words, anything the beginner in the world of fanzines might want to know. Everyone will be welcomed.

SUGGESTIONS, ANYONE?

Intercon will have a suggestion box for any ideas you may have for improving immediate conditions or next year's con. They will be read frequently and acted upon if at all possible and feasible.

AD RATES

If you would like to place an ad in the program book or souvenir book, there is still time. We will need the ad by August 5 for the program book and by September 1 for the souvenir book.

All ads should be black and white, inked. Photos and art with gray shading are 40¢ extra for each square inch of art/photo area (they have to be screened for printing).

		One	or	Both
Full page	(8½ x 11)	\$30.00		\$52.00
Half page	(8½ x 5½)	\$22.00		\$36.00
Quarter	(4¼ x 5½)	\$15.00		\$24.00
Eighth	(4¼ x 2½)	\$8.00		\$12.00

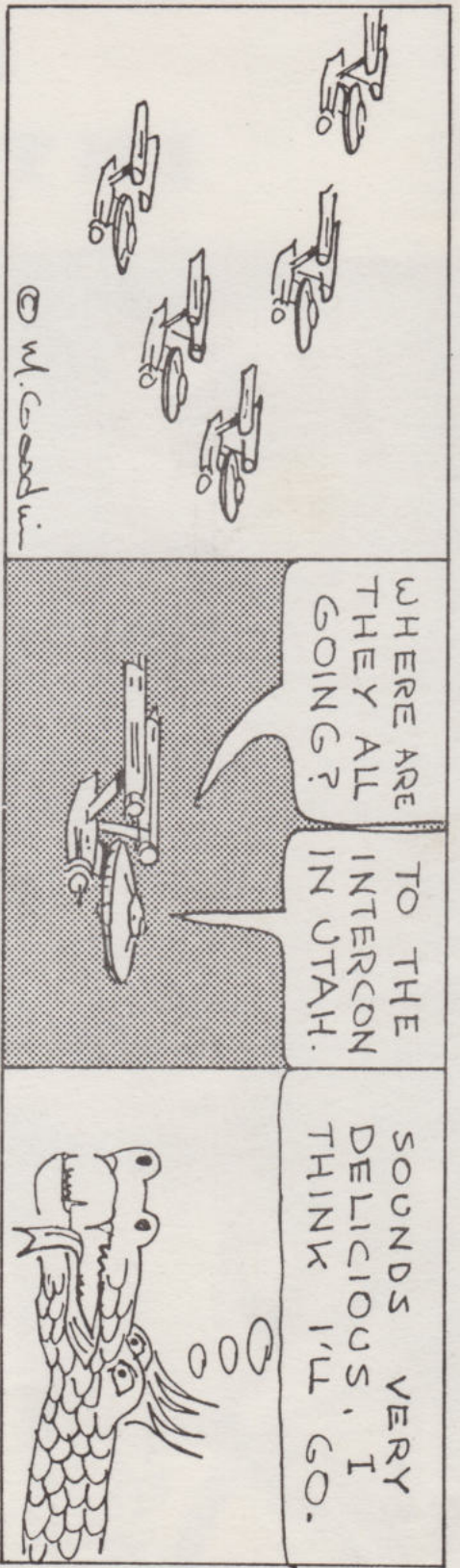
Classified ads are \$3.50 for each insertion, in either publication (specify which publication you would like them to appear in). They are up to 5 lines, 60 spaces per line, and will be retyped.

GAME SHOWS

Instead of the traditional convention trivia contests, Intercon has a new twist. Our game shows, adapted from your favorites on TV, will test your knowledge of Star Trek, science fiction and fantasy trivia (as well as comics). If you would like to participate as a contestant, please drop us a postcard and let us know, so we can judge how many will be interested. Elimination for contestants will be before noon Friday. We will have hard and medium Star Trek trivia, general SF, fantasy, and comics trivia, and the entertainment type of game shows (like Rhyme or Reason).

THANKS

We wish to thank the following people/organizations for their help in many areas: Mr. Frisbey and the Villa Theater, Lotte Guertler, Michael Goodwin, Postal Instant Press, All Makes Office Things, Walker Bank (ZCMI Center), David and Nerissa Wilhite, Bob Wilkins, Helen Young and KathE Donnelly and Catherine Keegan and Joyce Thompson and the rest of STW, Frank's Campus Graphics, United Postal Service, the U.S. Postal Service (Pioneer Station), Leslie Fish, Starbase Babel, Jackie Bielowicz, Halkan Council, Jim Rondeau, KCPX Radio, ANALOG Magazine, and probably a lot more that we should have on this list and don't. . .

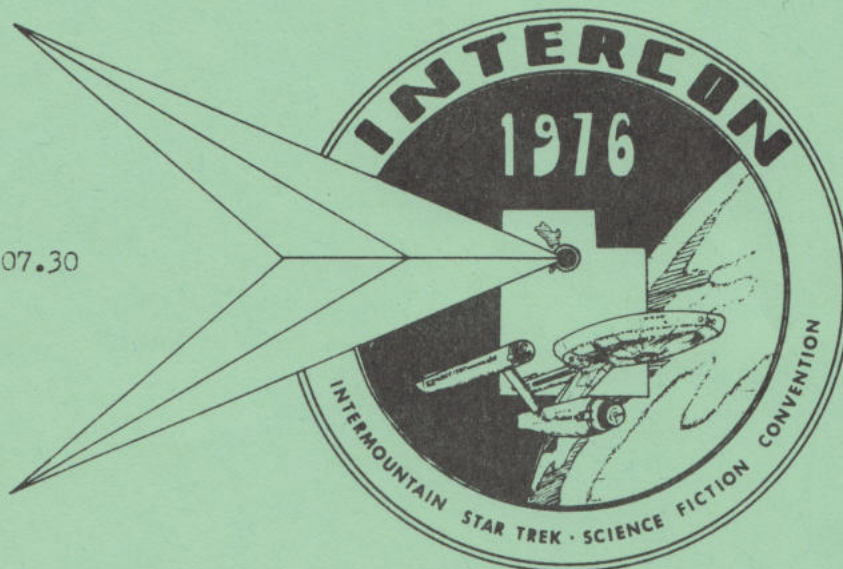


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FIRST CLASS

Address correction requested.

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Dear Intercon member,

Like we said in the progress report, things are progressing so fast that we just can't keep up with them. This update is to bring to you the news that has happened in the two days since the progress report went to the printer.

Due to filming commitments (on a new "Airport" movie), Darren McGavin and Kathie Browne will be unable to attend Intercon. They both expressed their sadness at missing the convention. However, we can add a new attraction to our list of guests and activities. Bill Blake and Paula Crist, who worked on "Planet of the Apes" and "Logan's Run" will be coming and will bring original costumes and demonstrate makeup from these movies. We hope this will be something that will interest you.

That's about it with the updates. We do hope you will enjoy Intercon!

Peace and Long Life,

Julia Howarth
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Intercon Secretary

The city bus-UTA - now runs route 18B from the airport directly to the Tri-Arc! (Mon-Sunday, too!) Inbound (airport to Tri-Arc) starting 7: a.m. every half hour 'til 10:30. Outbound (Tri-Arc to airport) starting 6:15 a.m. every half hour 'til 9:45. And all for 15¢!!
UTA's phone # is 531-8600 if you get to the airport & need more information.