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I'M JUST A
HUNKA HUNKA
BURNIN' LOVE!

art by Frank Wu

FROM THE LIZARD'S LIPS

Welcome to the first Progress Report for Conzilla. On behalf of the San Diego in 2006 Westercon bid committee, and the Conzilla staff and committee, I would like to thank all the members of ConKopelli for selecting San Diego as the site for the 59th Westercon. The convention will be held from July 1st through 4th, 2006 at the Marriott Mission Valley hotel and is called Conzilla! My thanks also to everyone who helped make the bid successful. It was a lot of fun traveling around the west promoting it. (continued pg 5)

PRE-SUPPORTERS NEARLY EXTINCT! CONVERT, CONVERT! BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!

Due to the delay in sending out the first Progress Report, we have extended the deadline for conversions to March 31, 2005. 🐉

CONZILLA GUESTS

Bios by Kevin J. Anderson

THE LETTERED LIZARD

GUEST OF HONOR - WALTER JON WILLIAMS

This guy is all over the map! But then, so were Lewis and Clark, and so was Captain Cook, and any number of explorers who cracked the Terra Incognita code and opened whole new landscapes. New York Times bestselling author Walter Jon Williams is currently entertaining us with his impressive and complex space opera Dread Empire's Fall (THE PRAXIS and THE SUNDERING), while also penning the STAR WARS New Jedi Order novel DESTINY'S WAY. (continued pg 3)

THE ARTISTIC LIZARD

ARTIST GUEST - BOB EGGLETON

Not many people can make a living drawing and painting dragons, spaceships, weird landscapes, sea monsters, Martians, Godzilla, and anything else that can come out sideways through the imagination. But Bob Eggleton was born for this stuff.

His paintings have graced the covers of numerous novels from every major SF publisher. His art books range across the (continued pg 3)

DEALERS' ROOM

Jane & Scott Dennis
Dealers' Room, Conzilla

The Dealers' Room is a main attraction at any science fiction convention, and Conzilla will be no exception. Expect to find loads of books, fantastic jewelry, great t-shirts, books, costumes and accoutrements, filk tapes, books, art prints, gadgets, toys, books, and stuff that hasn't even been thought up yet. We also expect there will be plenty of books.

For Dealers: if you are interested in tables at Conzilla you should contact us at dealers@conzilla.info or send a note to the Post Office Box.

THE NEW DIGS

Conzilla invades Marriott Mission Valley
Sandra Childress, Facilities Division, Hotel Liaison

We are very excited at being at the Mission Valley Marriott located at:
8757 Rio San Diego Drive
San Diego, California 92108

They have just finished a massive remodel; which includes wireless access in the lobby and meeting rooms, high-speed access in the rooms and a fresh look to the property.

LOCATION

The Marriott is located in the heart of San Diego's Mission Valley, close-by to hundreds of restaurants, shops, and other amenities. A number of these destinations are within two blocks walking distance. The hotel is directly connected to the Rio Vista San Diego Trolley station, which gives easy access to restaurants and attractions in Old Town, Little Italy, Downtown, and other popular destinations.

FUNCTION SPACE

Conzilla has secured all function space for the run of the event. That's over 22,000 sf of space to hold Programming, the Dealers' Room, Art Show, the Masquerade and all the usual accoutrements of a Westercon.

There will be information about Dealer Table purchase in detail later this year. Until then, this is what you need to know:

Tables will cost at least \$100 each. We do not currently know what length they will be, but we hope to have 8 ft. tables. We do not know if there will be any wall space available.

Tables will only be sold to members of Conzilla. Since you're getting this PR, you probably already have a membership (check the member list on page 7 to be sure).

Detailed information about the Conzilla Dealers' Room will first appear in our next Progress Report. You can request that we send you information via mail/email soon after the Progress Report is mailed. 🐾

ROOM RATES

Our room rate is \$139 for single/double/triple/quad. This is an excellent room rate for a very busy holiday weekend in San Diego.

PARKING

We have been able to secure free parking for all attendees. This will require showing your membership badge when leaving the parking structure, so make sure you have it with you at all times!

MAKING YOUR RESERVATION

While we think it's time to have a booking code and be able to reserve a hotel room for 2006, Marriott feels that we are a little ahead of the game. Reservations and the booking code will be available starting June 2005.

PARTIES AT CONZILLA

We will be working closely with the hotel to make sure that your party room is located close to the Con Suite. To make sure that we have all our parties in the proper location, please email us at parties@conzilla.info with your Room Type request. We will be placing you in a specific room, so make sure to include anything special you need (e.g.: two beds, non-smoking, hypo-allergenic, etc.).

We are all excited about this hotel. It's been a long time since Westercon has been in San Diego, so let's make Conzilla a smashing success!! 🐾

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in volunteering for Conzilla, please contact us at info@conzilla.info or come to our next open meeting. 🐉

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Guest of Honor - Walter Jon Williams

Walter wowed us with a startlingly original take on Fantasy in METROPOLITAN and CITY ON FIRE, he threw a huge disaster at us with THE RIFT, pioneered cyberpunk in HARDWIRED, and wrote a really cool SF mystery set at Los Alamos in DAYS OF ATONEMENT. He's got more award nominations than he can wear on a convention badge, he likes to scuba dive (no easy thing when you live in New Mexico, but he manages!), calls himself a kenpo maven, and he's a self-proclaimed "fantasy iron chef" (serving off-the-cuff recipes using dragon meat?). Read his books, meet the guy, come to Conzilla! 🐉

THE ARTICULATE LIZARD

TOASTMASTER - KEVIN J. ANDERSON

Other writers might have an ethereal soft-voiced muse for inspiration; Kevin J. Anderson has a gravelly drill sergeant. He has published over 90 novels and hundreds of comics and short stories. With 31 national and international bestsellers to his credit, sixteen million copies in print, and a shelf full of awards, he is best known for his work with Brian Herbert in writing new prequels to DUNE based on Frank Herbert's original notes. He is also a familiar name to STAR WARS fans, writing more projects for Lucasfilm than any other author. And did we mention THE X-FILES? Or his huge original SF series, The Saga of Seven Suns? Or other acclaimed novels such as CAPTAIN NEMO, HOPSCOTCH, ILL WIND, CLIMBING OLYMPUS... well, we'd better stop before we get carried away.

In 1997 he set the Guinness World Record for "Largest Single-Author Book Signing" (which goes a long way to counteract an earlier "trophy" he received for collecting more rejection slips than any other author at a writers' conference). Kevin is an avid hiker and mountain climber; he has summited all 54 peaks in the Rocky Mountains over 14,000 ft. But it's not "relaxation" since he carries a tape recorder with him and does most of his writing on the trail. Some job! 🐉

OPEN MEETING

Conzilla's next open meeting will be July 9th, 2005. Location to be announced, check the website or e-mail info@conzilla.info for more information. 🐉

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Artist Guest - Bob Eggleton

landscape of the fantastic: DRAGONHENGGE, SEA MONSTERS, GREETINGS FROM EARTH, ALIEN HORIZONS; even a lavishly illustrated edition of H.G. Wells's THE FIRST MEN IN THE MOON. He's worked on the Star Trek Experience theme ride in Las Vegas and the motion picture *Jimmy Neutron*. He and his lovely wife Marianne even have a microscopic part in the film GODZILLA AGAINST MECHAGODZILLA 2.

An avid Godzilla fan, Bob has written a Godzilla comic for Dark Horse, painted numerous spectacular portraits of the Big Guy, and even did two illustrated children's books (WHO'S AFRAID OF GODZILLA and GODZILLA LIKES TO ROAR).

Bob has won two Hugos, is a consummate professional, and is a hardcore Fan all the way down to his bone marrow. Hey, he even has an asteroid named after him! 🐉

THE FANGIRL LIZARD

Bio by Glenn Glazer

FAN GUEST - BOBBI ARMBRUSTER

Bobbi Armbruster is both the most organized fan and the most organizing fan I know. She has been on a large number of convention committees and started her Worldcon career at Chicon 4 in 1982. At the more recent conventions, she has focused on fixed functions and facilities; bringing to bear a wealth of talent from negotiation with convention centers to organizing the often multilayered flows of information going to and from the concom. She is one of the very few con-running fen who actually work in the business, running Bobbi Armbruster Convention Management, and is a founding member of SCIFI.

More importantly, Bobbi is fond of the finer things in life - good conversation, good food and a bottle or two of sweet wine to share with friends at home, where she lives with her husband, Warren and her cat, Livingston. 🐉

PROGRESS REPORT #2 AD RATES

Full Page (Pro)	\$60
1/2 Page (Pro)	\$30
1/4 Page (Pro)	\$15
Full Page (Fan)	\$40
1/2 Page (Fan)	\$20
1/4 Page (Fan)	\$10

Half and quarter page ad rates are for either vertical or horizontal. The reservation deadline is 6/10/2005 with submission by 6/15/2005 🐁

ART SHOW

Glen Wooten, Art Show director

Welcome to the Conzilla art show! While it's a bit in the future at this point, we're still getting things organized for the first mailing - so if you'd like to receive information, be sure to drop us a line either at the post office box, or at artshow@conzilla.info (you might already be on the list I have, but it won't hurt to check...). We're planning on having a great show (like I'd tell you we were planning a bad one), so come be a part of it! 🐁



THE FOURTH CONJECTURE

Science fiction on the edge of your seat!

www.conjecture.org

October 7-9, 2005

Doubletree Club Hotel
Mission Valley, San Diego

Guest of Honor:

**JACK
MCDEVITT**

Registration: \$35 now
\$40 May 1 – September 8
\$45 at the door

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With a fabulous line-up of guests: Walter Jon Williams as Guest of Honor, Bob Eggleton as Artist Guest, Bobbi Armbruster as Fan Guest, and Kevin J. Anderson as Toastmaster, we trust you'll have a great time.

We're about a half-year from winning the bid and things are starting to get rolling: We have a budget. We have a firm block of rooms and we have exclusive lock on all function space in the hotel.

This Progress Report includes a current registration form; the current rates are good through March 31, 2005, at which point all conversion rates expire and the registration price will increase.

If you are already a member of Conzilla, thank you for your support. Please, bring a friend (or several) to Conzilla! If you aren't a member yet, we hope you'll take advantage of the current rates before they rise. In any event, we'd be delighted to have you visit us in San Diego for 4th of July in 2006.

Please also visit our website, www.conzilla.info, for the most up-to-date information.

We are looking for fans who are interested in helping with the convention, either in advance or at the Con. If you are interested in becoming a member of the committee and working on the convention, please contact us and let us know what you would like to do. There are still plenty of positions available, and we sure would appreciate the help! There will be an open meeting for Conzilla staff and prospective staff on July 9th at 2:00pm; check the website a little closer to the date for the location. I hope to see you there.

James M. Briggs
Chairman, Conzilla

SITE SELECTION RESULTS

No Preference	3
None of the Above	7
Roswell	1
Gila Bend	1
Chico	1
Crawford	1
Ididacon	1
"Both"	1
"My House"	1
San Jose	1
San Diego	147
Total	165
Total expressing	162
Required to win	82

San Diego wins.

David M Hungerford, III
Site Selection Administrator
ConKopelli

Official results provided by ConKopelli did not distinguish between mail-in and at-site votes, as stipulated by the Westercon Bylaws, therefore we cannot present them.

STALKING THE LIZARD IN 2005

ConDor XII ~ March 25 - 27, 2005 (Easter Weekend)

LepreCon ~ May 6 - 8, 2005

Due North (Westercon 58) ~ July 1 - 4, 2005

Comic-Con 36 ~ July 14 - 17, 2005

Interaction (Worldcon 63) ~ August 4 - 8

Conjecture 4 ~ October 7 - 9, 2005

Orycon ~ November 11 - 13, 2005 (dates tentative)

LosCon 32 ~ November 25 - 27, 2005

Other conventions to be added as we fill our committee!

COMMITTEE

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James M. Briggs, Sandra Childress, Chaz Baden, Christian McGuire, Gregg Reynante, Regina Reynante, Thomas Benson, Scott Beckstead, Joan Steward, Kris Bauer-Exline, Darrel L. Exline, Ruth Sachter, John Lorentz

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	Sandra Childress
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Conzilla 2006, the 59th Westercon

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MEMBER LIST

A - Attending	65 AC	Daugherty, James Stanley	95 A	Linker, Rebecca	31 AC	Sbarsky, Sharon	
C - Committee	64 AC	Daugherty, Kathryn	96 A	Linker, Shannah	15 A	Schoenhuth, Spring	
G - Guest	204 G	Dawe, Sue	97 A	Linker, Sheldon	47 A	Scott, Cindy	
K - Kid	151 A	Dazzo, Genny	10 A	Linneman, Mark	21 A	Scott, Eric P.	
S - Supporting	52 A	Deneroff, Linda	129 AC	Lorentz, John	116 A	Sheets, Elisa	
	28 AC	Dennis, Jane	99 AC	Lutton, Alan	234 A	Siders, Ellen	
	29 AC	Dennis, Scott	237 A	Mahoney, Michael M.	103 A	Siladi, Michael	
	30 A	Dickinson, Jules	123 A	Manning, Jim	112 A	Smith, Henry A.	
219 A	Aahz,						
144 A	Achorn, Brett	238 A	Dyer, Craig L.	125 A	Manning, Kirsten	236 A	Smith, Victoria
224 A	Allis, Todd	152 A	Edison, Laurie	124 A	Manning, Sandy	241 A	Sobo, Adina
187 A	Allwood, Paul	3 G	Eggleton, Bob	126 A	Manning, Sarah	222 AC	Sperling, Joyce
39 A	Alves, Carol	7 G	Eggleton, Guest of Bob	100 A	Marble, Beth	16 A	Spero, Sarah
40 A	Alves, James	153 S	Elliott, Russ	101 A	Marble, Chris	17 A	Spero, Steve
4 G	Anderson, Kevin J	179 AC	Evans, Barney	13 A	Mason, Michael	49 A	Standlee, Kevin
226 A	Anthony, Mark	178 A	Evans, Kate	33 A	Massoglia, Alice	175 A	Standlee, Mrs. Kevin
2 G	Armbruster, Bobbi	77 AC	Exline, Darrel	83 A	Massoglia, Benjamin	43 AC	Steward, Joan
6 G	Armbruster, Guest of	154 A	Finder, Jan Howard	19 A	Massoglia, Marty	57 A	Stockdale, Ian E.
225 A	Armstrong, Nadine	180 A	Fish, Leslie	210 A	Matthews, Pam	127 A	Sullivan, Geri
41 A	Autore, John	216 A	Flynn, Guest of P.	135 A	McAllister, Linda	114 A	Swanson, Anders
73 AC	Baden, Chaz Boston	215 A	Flynn, Peter	134 A	McAllister, Rich	44 A	Swaty, Gary L.
93 A	Baden, Lynn Boston	155 A	Frazer, Cynthia	53 A	McCharles, Randy	223 A	Taylor, Bill
145 A	Bam, Bam	156 A	Frazer, Donald	240 A	McConnell, Michael	199 A	Teel, Rebecca
146 A	Bandit,	157 A	Freeman, H. Denise	78 AC	McGuire, Christian	217 AC	Thornton, Katt
239 AC	Bannon, Stephanie L.	87 A	Gallaher, David	211 A	Meriwether, Cary	81 AC	Tilghman, Adam
131 A	Bard, Barry	48 A	Gelb, Janice	166 S	Merritt, Scott	195 A	Toleson, Christine
130 A	Bard, Friend of Barry	141 A	George, Jeff	107 A	Mesert, Edouard	63 A	Trembley, Andy
74 AC	Bauer-Exline, Kris	228 A	Gerds, Elizabeth	132 A	Metz, Paul	115 A	Trousdale, Teresa
147 S	Bauer-Landes, Valentina	227 A	Gerds, Eric	133 A	Metz, Stephanie	70 A	Tutihasi, Laurraine
88 A	Beckstead, Catherine	189 A	Gibbons, Paul	167 A	Miller, Craig	128 A	Van Lydegraf, James
121 A	Beckstead, Patrick	35 A	Gish, Ray	104 A	Mills, David	203 A	Volckmann, Michael
92 AC	Beckstead, Scott	201 A	Goddin, Jean	168 S	Moen, Deirdre Saoirse	173 A	Wallerinson, Denise
139 A	Bemis, Judith	54 A	Gold, Lynn	169 S	Moen, Rick	71 A	Weasner, Mike
34 A	Benoun, Sherri	55 AC	Green, Ed	8 G	Moesta, Rebecca	91 A	Webbert, Doreen
11 A	Benoun, Tony	122 A	Hachiya, Shouichi	56 A	Mortensen, Liz	90 A	Webbert, Jim
75 AC	Benson, Thomas	59 A	Hales, Barksdale	194 A	Moseley, Craig	89 A	Whiteside, Lee
42 A	Bollerud, Kristine	158 AC	Hallman, Stacy	196 A	Moseley #1, Guest of	233 A	Wible, Jim
36 A	Bollerud, R. Merrill	108 A	Hanson, Eric	197 A	Moseley #2, Guest of	5 G	Williams, Guest of Walter Jon
177 A	Book, Catherine	109 A	Hanson, Liz	12 AC	Mullican, Cathy	1 G	Williams, Walter Jon
176 A	Book, Ron	206 AC	Harold, John	45 A	Murray, Maria A	200 AC	Willmoth, Mike
205 AC	Bourget, R.C.	159 A	Harrigan, Harold	24 A	O'Halloran, Chris	72 AC	Wooten, Glen
142 A	Bradley, John M.	161 A	Harrigan, Lisa Deutsch	25 A	O'Halloran, John	186 G	Wu, Frank
119 A	Breidbart, Seth	160 A	Harrigan III, Harold	207 AC	Oliver, Katherine	113 A	Yalow, Ben
18 AC	Briggs, James M	162 S	Harrison, David	208 AC	Oliver, Thomas	174 A	Yankovich, Catherine
148 K	Brown, Grant	185 AC	Hay, James	84 AC	Ontell, Ron	202 A	Yeager, Kathryn
60 A	Brown, Jordan	184 AC	Hay, Nancy	85 AC	Ontell, Val		
61 A	Brown, Kim	82 AC	Helton, Stacey	118 A	Pappas, James J.		
188 A	Brussel-Gibbons, Terry	27 AC	Hertz, John	138 A	Parker, Tony		
221 A	Cady, Chuck	105 A	Hiatt, David	170 S	Patten, Fred		
220 A	Cady, Tasha	106 A	Hiatt, Kim	232 A	Pearce, Joe		
218 A	Carlson, Roberta	26 A	Hooper, Edward	102 AC	Pelz, Elayne		
23 A	Carpenter, Amy	32 AC	Hooper, Joyce	212 A	Plummer, Jack L.		
143 A	Cassady, Lois	235 A	Howlett, Craig	229 A	Poliner, Eylat		
149 A	Chapman, John	163 AC	Jira, James	230 A	Poliner, Mark		
150 A	Chapman, Judith	209 A	Johnson, J'anna	98 A	Poper, Toni		
76 AC	Childress, Sandra	86 A	Jones, Angela	198 A	Post, Jonathan		
137 A	Chisholm, Walter	164 S	Kahn-Landan, Michele	14 A	Rankin, Nora		
9 A	Clark, David	120 A	Kapschull, Raymond	46 A	Rau, Marilyn B.		
190 A	Clothier, Sandra	192 A	Kato, Keith	136 A	Reed, April		
22 A	Cohen, Sandy	193 A	Klingler, Steve	79 AC	Reynante, Gregg		
66 A	Colter, Sue Ellen	67 A	Kovalcik, Rick	80 AC	Reynante, Regina		
191 A	Cookson, Robin	165 S	Landan, Stephen	38 A	Robinett, Linda		
213 A	Cosner, Karen	37 A	Larson, Bob	62 AC	Roche, Kevin		
181 A	Creasey, John	68 A	Lazar, Judy	171 S	Rodriguez, Maria E.		
182 A	Creasey, Mary	231 A	Lazzelle, Fred	110 A	Rood, David		
183 A	Creasey, Richard	58 A	Leibig, Ruth	214 A	Ross, Robert		
20 A	Ctein,	140 A	Lewis, Allen	172 A	Rupp, William		
51 A	Dashoff, Joni Brill	69 A	Lichtenberg, Jaqueline	117 AC	Sachter, Ruth		
50 A	Dashoff, Todd	94 A	Linker, Rachael	111 A	Sapientza, Peggy Rae		

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March 31, 2005.

Check the website for new rates
after the conversions expire.

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		Child	\$25	_____
			Total:	_____