



CONVENTION'78
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SHERATON HOTEL
COLUMBUS, OHIO

I must apologize for the delay in completeing UPDATE: 3. It was partly due to the immense amout of work which has recently developed and also partly due to my own laziness. To attempt to prevent this from happening again, UPDATE: 4, which will be out May 1, will by prepared by Mona Delitsky and UPDATE: 5 and 6 by Chuch Raue. You may still obtain your UPDATE copy by sending a SASE to the Columbus address.

Special thanks must go to Susan Cole who is responsible for the printing of all our convention material. Without her we would really have some problems.

We received word recently that Tony Anholt will be attending the convention if his work schedual permits. As Tony puts it "...I would be delighted to be one of your guests at the convention and will be more than happy to do what I can to make it a success. However, as I'm sure you will appreciate, 'showbiz' being what it is, I do not as yet know what my work commitments will be on those dates, so I cannot give you a firm assurance that I will be able to attend. All I can say for sure is, if I can, I'll be there."

The banquet is sold out. For those of you who were not able to get a banquet ticket, we assure you that you will be to see the stars very frequently. If you wish to be put on a waiting list for the banquet, in case someone should cancel please indicate that to us with your ticket order but DO NOT send the \$40 for a banquet ticket. Should a space open up we will notify you.

We have made arrangements with the Sheraton to enable you to make your reservations with them directly. In order to do this, however, you must have the total number of people needed to fill the room. In other words, if you wish to reserve a Quad, then you must have all four people. If you wish to use the rooming service then you must still go through us. So, if you wish to stay in a Quad but there are only two of you, then you will still have to come to us and we will fill the other two spaces.

You may write to the Sheraton at 50 North Third St., Columbus, Ohio 43215. A one night deposit is required and no convention rate reservation will be accepted without it. The only way the Sheraton will accept a reservation without a deposit is if you pay the full room rate which is about $\psi10$ a night more than the special convention rates.

NATIONAL SAVE:1999 ALLIANCE PO BOX 20185 COLUMBUS, OHIO 43220 The membership list has been delayed dur to the rapid increase in members over the last few months. Shortly after the first of the year the list was 13 pages long. Since that time it has almost doubled in size. It seems that every time we get it almost caught up we get a flood of new members and the whole thing is out of date again. We are doing our best to get it up to date. In the meantime, we will try to send those of you who have requested the list a small list of a few of the fans in your area.

We have received word that 15 episodes have been obtained for the convention, in their uncut form. In addition to the SPACE:1999 episodes we will also have some episodes of other Gerry Anderson works such as U.F.O., Fireball XL-5, Captain Scarlet and Thunderbirds. We also have obtained a copy of Mr. Andersons movie 'Journey to the Far Side of the Sun'. We are working on obtaining a copy of Mr. Anderson's movie which starred Nick Tate, 'The Day After Tomorrow'.

For those of you who have been writing in asking numerous questions about SPACE:1999 and about where you can find some information on the series, the best current source is the Moonbase Alpha Technical Notebook. This manual gives a very complete description of the characters, sets, props, time line, and episodes. The manual may be obtained from STARLOG magazine. Only a limited number were printed up so it would be advisable to get one soon if you are interested. We will have them available at the convention if there are any remaining. Also, if you already have a copy, be sure to mail in the registration form located in the back of the notebook. This registers the manual with STARLOG and puts you on a list of those to be notified when the first suppliment is available. If you do not send in this form you will not receive any notice when the suppliment is ready.

Well, that's about it for UPDATE: 3. As mentioned UPDATE: 4 will be available on MAY 1 and will have some very important announcements in it. To receive a copy just send a self addressed stamped envelope to the Columbus address. Till then.

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