

The BBB Bulletin

The Weekly Newsletter of the Bring Bruce Bayside Fund

Don't Delay, Contribute Today

That's exactly the type of glib, rhyming catchphrase I'd like to avoid as we collect money for the Bring Bruce Bayside Fund. An idea as good as bringing Bruce Gillespie to Corflu and Potlatch in late February-early March 2005 doesn't need Mundane sloganeering to reach its goal.

Fortunately, a lot of you agree and have contributed. There is still plenty of need, though, so it's time to pony up. Whether you can afford to become a One Percenter or can only spare a few bucks, send it now and we'll give your money a nice, new home.

Welcome Aboard!

Alan Rosenthal, the most famous "AR" since Arnold Rothstein, has joined the team running the BBB Fund. He'll be the liaison between the BBB Fund and Corflu, Potlatch and other conventions we hope will help and support the Fund.

Like his "initials-sake," our AR will be on hand to fix anything that isn't going to turn out the right way.

Joyce Katz Gets... The Chair

Recuperation at the home of Ken and Aileen Forman (and with the assistance of Ben and Cathi Wilson) continues. Joyce is getting used to moving between the bed and her wheelchair and the open layout of the Forman's Yucaipa, CA home makes it fairly easy for her to move from room to room (with some timely pushes).

Although she won't be much more mobile for some weeks, Joyce has regained Internet access and, as you can see from this issue, she is updating the Fund's financial status

The One Percenters

A One Percenter is a supporter of the BBB Fund who helps prove that

fans are special, one-in-a-hundred people by contributing one percent of the total of \$2,500, minimum, needed to Bring Bruce Bayside

We'll send Jason Burnett's nifty "One Percenter" symbol to any such benefactors that wish to display it on their fanzines and websites.

As of today, the One Percenters are: Robert Lichtman; Earl Kemp; Arnie Katz; Joyce Katz; Art Widner; Randy Byers; Curt Phillips; Janice Gelb; Hope Liebowitz; Rich Coad; Bruce Townley; Jack Calvert; Thomas Bull; Eric Lindsay & Jean Weber; Smyth-McMullen Family; David Russell; Peter & Mariann McNamara; Irwin Hirsh.

To follow their example, send at least \$25 to Joyce (330 S. Decatur Blvd., PMB 152, Las Vegas, NV 89107) for the BBB Fund.

The Wright Stuff...Wounded in Action

Bill Wright, the Australian BBB Fund Administrator, followed the lead of co-chairman Joyce Katz a little too closely. Fortunately, the consequences don't appear to be as severe:

"I had another fall myself, at Conflux. I boogied at the masquerade on Sunday night, April 25th, 2004, from 8:00 to 11:00 PM when I tripped over an irregularly-shaped stage that was inconveniently located near the band. Fortunately, it was a double-tiered stage, so I fell head first (therefore safely) on

top and then, by successive maneuvers that I am told were wonderful to behold, to the floor. Somewhat shaken, I sashayed off to bed, which turned out to be a blessing in disguise. It seems I was the only one who was NOT disguised on the last day of the con.

"My roommate Robin Johnson says he has an incriminating photo of my antics prior to the fall. He muttered something about my needing to "swing it, not throw it" before abruptly falling asleep about 3:00 in the morning." — Bill Wright.



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Auction Update

Robert Lichtman cheerfully reports that the BBB Fund Auction drew a lot of opening week action. Small wonder, considering the great items on the block. Here are the results so far:

A1 - [3] - *Contrary Modes* - Robin Johnson \$28

A2 - [**] - Donated by Mike McInerney, "a set of two hardcover Stephen King books, *Desperation* and *The Regulators*, shrinkwrapped along with a free 'keep you up all night' book light." Minimum bid: \$15.

A3 - [3] - Complete ConJose membership package - Irwin Hirsh \$5

B1 - [**] - *The Directory of 1960 SF Fandom*, produced in January 1961 by Ron Bennett, 16 quarto pages. Cover by ATom. A list of 494 fans who were active enough in 1960 to be on Ron's radar screen, with addresses and, where available, phone numbers and the speed(s) of their reel-to-reel tape recorders. Minimum bid: \$3.

B2- [3] - *Triode* No. 19 - Robin Johnson \$7

B3 - [3] - *Warhoon* No. 12 - Damien Warman \$15

B4 - [3] - *Warhoon* No. 17 - Damien Warman \$25

B5 - [3] - *Redd Boggs Selected Works, Volume One* - Rich Coad \$15

B6 - [3] - *Sky Hook* No. 9 - Rich Coad \$18

B7 - [3] - *Sky Hook* No. 16 - Arnie Katz \$26

B8 - [3] - *Sky Hook* No. 17 - Peter Weston \$25

B9 - [3] - *Skyhook* No. 22 - Peter Weston \$25

B10 - [3] - *Skyhook* No. 23 - Damien Warman \$25

The first round is still underway, so if you want to see Robert's enticing descriptions and get information about how to participate, download *4B#4* from Bill Burns' efanazines.com. New items hit the block next issue.

How to Send the Money:

We'll take your money in just about any form, but some ways are easier.

Contributions from outside the USA should be sent in American funds, if possible. Otherwise, we'll incur some fees — but we'll happily accept what is left!

Make checks payable to: Joyce M.

Katz (PMB 152, 330 S. Decatur Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89107, USA).

We also accept cash, but senders beware. We'll soon be set up to accept PayPal payments over the Internet. This is the best possible way to contribute, since the payment can be in American funds, you don't have to write a check, and you don't need to address and stamp an envelope.

If you have a PayPal account and you wish to use this convenience, wait until I send the proper information in the next newsletter. If you drop me an email when you send your contribution, I'll send you an acknowledgment.

The Gillespie Anthology

The volume is taken shape under the direction of Irwin Hirsh. We'll have the contents list for you soon, but for now what we can tell you is that the title will be *The Incomplete Bruce Gillespie*.

The Bottom Line

All of this effort comes down to one thing: money. Here are the latest contributors:

11. Hope Liebowitz
12. Rich Coad
13. Bruce Townley
14. Jack Calvert
15. Andrew McRae
16. John Davies
17. Ori Shifrin
18. Thomas Bull
19. Eric Lindsay & Jean Weber
20. Smyth-McMullen Family
21. David Russell
22. Robin Johnson
23. Anne Devrell
24. Peter & Mariann McNamara
25. Irwin Hirsh

The fund's current balance is \$1,395, figured in US dollars. That's more than halfway to our goal!

The Total

\$1,395

See you all next week with more news about the Bring Bruce Bayside Fund.

—Arnie Katz
Las Vegas, NV