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***THE COMPLETE REGRESS REPORTS OF THE BID TO BRING
THE GREATEST CONVENTION OF ALL-TIME TO THE GREAT-
EST AGRICULTURAL ROADSIDE ATTRACTION OF ALL-TIME***

The Pacheco Progress

A Report for Casa De WorldCon



Have Big City WorldCons got you in a funk? Are you looking for something more rural to recharge your fannish batteries? Have you been just plain begging to go and party like it's 1985 in an agricultural setting that's been around since 1908?

Yeah, I knew you did.

The Bid for the 2008 Hollister WorldCon committee is proud to unveil their first progress report on the path to bringing the first WorldCon to Southern Santa Clara County's most famous location for truck drivers and families needing to pee on the way to Highway Five: Casa De Fruta!



Casa de WorldCon

Located in Hollister, California, Casa de Fruta is a multi-use landmark of California's agricultural heritage.

Situated between highways 101 and Interstate 5, Casa De Fruta is a square mile of fun and frolic with venues for all WorldCons traditions. Over the following Regress Reports, we'll outline the joys of Hollister and the surrounding Metropolitan area (featuring cities like Los Banos and Gilroy) as well as the history of Agricultural ties to SF, the joys of the venues and the all of the other wonders that await you at Casa De WorldCon 2008!

A Bid for the 2008 World Science Fiction Convention Regress Report #1

An Experienced Con Committee Responsible for
Such Legendary Conventions As:

- MonkeyCon XVIII (1997, Kettleman City)
- BikerCon (1998, Sturgis, South Dakota)
- GarliCons I-XXII (Gilroy, CA)
- GarliqueCon (Imitation GarliCon in 2001
with George Kennedy as GoH)
- MonkeyCon IXX (subtitled DyslexiCon,
Up and Down Highway 101)
- VatiCon II



Our Lovely Con Hotel

Every WorldCon needs a good hotel to use as base of operations and Casa De WorldCon will feature Casa De Motel. A Fourteen Room wonder that will give us a comfy site to party and take part in all the after-hours activities that define a well-run WorldCon in the Twenty-first Century.

The Casa de Motel is a World Class, Tourist Grade, Side of the Road Motor Lodge with several amenities, including in-door plumbing (in many cases)



These photos were taken in the beauty of the Winter at Casa de Fruta. Not pictured, the Casa De RV.

What Can Casa de WorldCon Offer that other Venues can't?

- ***Easy Access to the Garlic Capitol of the World: Gilroy***
- ***It's a popular spot for various Motorcycle Enthusiasts such as the Hell's Satans***
- ***Mundanes will stop by, but none will stay for very long.***
- ***Ample Bathrooms!***
- ***The highly under-represented Trucker contingent of Fandom would FINALLY be served.***
- ***Green Mountains will calm the besieged SMOFs in their Darkest Hours***
- ***Everyone goes by Casa de Fruta on the way to wherever else they're going, meaning hitch-hiking to Con will be a breeze!***
- ***Casa de Fruta is on no Government Agency's watch list.***

PACHECO PROGRESS

THE SECOND REGRESS REPORT FOR THE HOLLISTER IN 2008

The First Steps Towards Casa de WorldCon Dos Mil Ocho!

Things have been rolling along at the headquarters for the Hollister in 2008 bid. Chairman Andy Trembley has been learning the required elements for driving a tractor. I'm not sure why he's doing so, but he seems to be having a good time doing so.

I, on the other hand, have been studying the history of Agriculture in Science Fiction and the article later in this report is a direct out-growth of that study.

The BidCommittee is an excited and driven group of folks who can only visualize one outcome: A WorldCon where most of the programming would be held in showy-pastoral glory that lives between Highway 101 and I-5.

More and more support is coming in from around the world...well, mostly it's California, but I think we've got New Yorkers and maybe even a Brit or two (you can check the stats page at the back of this report)

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Page 2- The True Meaning of Star Wars, Page 3- Facilities Break-down, Page 4- Membership Stuff



Proof that Casa de WorldCon's Home is in the Middle of Everything!

Casa de FACTS!

Casa de Fruta is a location that is rich in history and national importance. Here are just a few of the reasons the CdF matters to you!

- An important link in the US Chain of Security. Casa de Terrorist Spotting Programming is a little-known CIA covert operation.

- All the food at Casa de Fruta is 100% toxin free...and mostly without a trace of FruitBat meat!

- So many people get sick (or even die!) in all the other cities that are bidding for WorldCon 2008 that they've had to build multiple hospitals to deal with all of the medical problems. Hollister has no hospitals, and must therefore have no sickness.

- The former area known as Casa de Leper Colony, has been closed, burned and the Earth salted.

- The inventor of the Internet, one Mr. Albert Gore, was once photographed at CdF. Others who have visited include Burt Reynolds.

- Each of the Chairmen of the Hollister in 2008 bid are able to kill at 100 yards using nothing but mindbullets.

- While Chicago is known for gangsters and political chicanery, Denver for the Broncos, and Columbus for...for...didn't they...never mind. Hollister has none of these problems.

- Casa de Fruta's train passes through a Haunted Tunnel! What other site can claim that? Huh?

***The Proper Reading of Stars Wars
Episode IV: A New Hope
by The Mayor of Casa de
WorldCon: Christopher J. Garcia***

Let's get one thing straight off at the beginning: Star Wars has nothing to do with a Joseph Campbell Hero's Journey or any other poppycock. It's not a tale of The Christ or any ancient type of tale. It's a story of a seriously selfish young man and his abandonment of his agrarian way of life.

Let's first talk a bit about the world of Tatooine. There's almost nothing there. Why people decided to inhabit that little rock is hard to imagine, but they did. There were few ways to make a living, but like the first wave of all different settlers (and the last remaining settlers, as history has proven), farmers were the most important permanent residents of the planet. While it cannot be denied that being on the the 5709-DC Shipping Lane of the Triellus Trade Route was certainly a piece of importance, it was the farming of most of the permanent (and typically non-political) resident that made Tatooine a real home world and not just an 'Eat Here; Get Gas.' planet.

Luke Skywalker is born



onto the planet Tatooine. Well, we think he is, at least for a little while in the series, but we are then told that he was delivered to Tatooine by an old hermit named Ben, but that's neither here nor there. Luke is a typical boy with a head of ideas...ideas that do NOT include improving the conditions on his

Uncle's Moisture farm. This leads him to constantly bug poor Uncle Owen and Aunt Beru about going to the academy. This petulant little bastard didn't understand that he was most important to the way of life and his constant nagging can only be seen as the whining of a little boy who's seen the toy in the window and won't let it go.

When a small droid delivers a sort of mystery to this young man, he immediately jumps on the chance for adventure. He removed the restraining bolt, which allowed R2D2 (the Bastard Droid) to roll away and lead Luke to the sand-people and eventually to this old Ben Kenobi.

The matter of the Droids is interesting. Luke, the vile betrayer, led his uncle to purchase the Droids. Though not specifically mentioned, it is almost certain that it was Luke's idea to get more droids, which would have allowed him to attend The Imperial Academy. Sadly, Luke was looking for any way to get that golden ring, and by bringing the two new Droids in, he invited great damage.

By going to find the Droid D2, he invited



trouble. He had symbolically given up his ties to the way of life that his family kept alive by going off on some fool-hearted adventure. He had chosen the path of action and excitement over truth and what was right for the greater good. Moisture Farming, while obviously tedious, allowed plants to be watered and populations to be maintained. Uncle Owen had always been a good man, and though Aunt Beru served some sort of blue milky substance to the family, she was an honourable woman as well. The price of Luke's betrayal is clear: his Aunt and Uncle are found dead when he gets the slightest idea that he might have turned his back on his way of life.

After that shock, does Luke vow to continue on where Uncle Luke left off? Does he go and follow the final wishes he heard from his Uncle to wipe the memory of the troublesome R2D2? No, he goes off to follow that crazy hermit Kenobi and his damn fool adventures. He shows little to no remorse, he simply goes about 'saving the Universe'...if you can call his cowardice such!

The parallels to our current situation is obvious: by choosing any bid other than the agriculturally-tied Hollister in 2008, you are choosing for your family to die!

CASA de FRUTA Directory



The Lay-out of Casa de Fruta. Note the number of eating options

On The Subject of Our Facilities

As you can see above, Casa de Fruta is a multi-use venue of fun and excitement. With strong facilities for everything a WorldCon could possibly want and MORE! Here's a break-down:

1) Casa de Burger- Food, in all of it's glory. Faster than most other locations, CdB also provides important greases that will keep you going!

2) Fruit Stand- Now this is the heart of the Beast, this is. This location offer fruits, vegetables, garlic, chocolate, preserves, chocolates, candies, garlic, and nuts. It's a unique location that no other bid for 2008 can match!

3) Gift Shop. Attached to the

Fruit Stand.

4) Casa de Coffee- Once home to the famous Cup Flipper. Now home to dependable Coffee Shoppe Fare.

5) Restrooms- Ample (if not luxurious)

6) Train Station- when was the last time a WorldCon had programming on a train? CdF's train runs a short loop and is the perfect site for the business meeting, right Kevin Standlee?

7) Animal Area- It's... well...there are goats!

8) Candy Factory. 'nuff said

9) Casa de Vino- Wine. Yes, sweet, sweet wine...and cheese!

10) Casa de BBQ- Awe- some meats cooked home style and

served sloppy!

11) Service Stations.

They've got Diesel!

12) Country Store (note: country rotates regularly. Recently, they've included Spain and Bahrain)

13) Casa de Motel- Comfort at an affordable price. Now mostly Goat-smell free!

14) Swimming pool- a great location for sending the kids when you wanna do programming.

15) Music Hall- Masquerade goes here. Once home to some of the World's Finest Fiddlers!

16) Ball Diamonds- ideal for Pro vs. Fan Kickball tourney

17) Picnic Areas- An Outdoor Hugo Ceremony? You bet!

U.S. Outline Map



Alabama- 0
 Alaska- 0
 Arizona- 0
 Arkansas- 0
 California- 14
 Colorado- 0
 Connecticut- 0
 Delaware- 0
 Florida- 0
 Georgia- 0
 Hawaii- 0
 Idaho- 0
 Indiana- 0
 Illinois- 0
 Iowa- 0
 Kansas- 0
 Kentucky- 0
 Louisiana- 0
 Maine- 0
 Maryland- 0
 Massachussetts- 0
 Michigan- 0
 Minnesota- 0
 Mississippi- 0
 Montana- 0
 Nebraska- 0
 Nevada- 0

New Jersey- 0
 New Mexico- 0
 New York- 2 (Seriously!)
 North Carolina- 0
 North Dakota- 0
 Ohio- 0
 Oklahoma- 0
 Oregon- 0
 Pennsylvania- 0
 Rhode Hampshire- 0
 South Carolina- 0
 South Dakota- 0
 Tennessee- 0
 Texas- 0
 Utah- 0
 Vermont- 0
 Washington- 0
 West Virginia- 0
 Wisconsin- 0
 Wyoming- 0

48 US States total (because Rhode Island Corp. and New Hampshire have agreed to merge into one state and I'll be dead in the cold cold ground before I recognise Missouri!)- 16

Selected International Totals
 England- 0
 Scotland- 0
 Wales- 1 (though California, Wales and Australia are currently embroiled in a battle to see who can claim Cheryl Morgan as their own)
 Norwegia- 0
 Swaziland- 0
 Belgium- 0
 Pepsi presents New Zanzibar- 0
 Australia- 0
 India- 1 (but we understand that several memberships from California will be outsourced there)
 Spain- 0
 France- As if they'd lower themselves to this level.
 Canada- 0
 Burma- 0
 Myanmar- 0
 Sri Lanka- 0
 Ceylon- 0
 Peru- 0
 International total- 1



The Unexpected Endorsement

A strange package was found in the far closet of the Hollister in 2008 committee headquarters. It was a cassette tape labeled "Hunter 2008" Investigation has discovered that it was made shortly before Mr. Hunter S. Thompson passed away and that he was interviewed by someone who was with the committee (though everyone seems to deny it). Here's is the transcript

Hunter S. Thompson: Yeah, go ahead and come in.

Voice #2: Hello, Mr. Thompson, I'm...

HST: Did you bring the smokes like you said? God help you if you forgot the smokes.

Voice #2: Yes, here they are, Mr. Thompson.

(The sound of a pack of cigarettes being opened following by a match being struck.)

HST: Alright, what did you want to talk to me about?

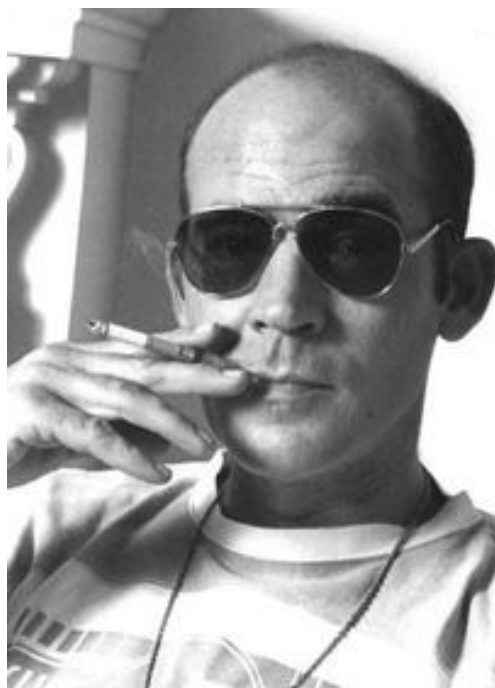
Voice #2: Well sir, it's about the 2008 bid for...

HST: The White House? Well, I'm sure that Hilary will find a way to make us...

Voice #2: No sir, it's about the 2008 bid for WorldCon.

HST: For what?

Voice #2: WorldCon, the World Science Fiction Convention.



HST: Science fiction? You mean that crazy Buck Rogers stuff?

Voice #2: Well, yes, but in recent years...

HST: where are you thinking that you'd like to hold this WorldCon?

VOICE #2: Well, we're bidding for Hollister, Califor...

HST: Hollister you say? Hollister. Really, I haven't thought of that place for nearly twenty years. You know, I rode with the Hell's Angels once. Spent some time in Hollister.

Voice #2: That's why the commit...

HST: If I were you, I wouldn't ask the Hell's Angels to do security for your convention. The Rolling Stones would second that opinion.

Voice #2: No, we're bidding to hold it at Casa de Fruta, so we won't need...

HST: Casa de Fruta? That place on the side of the road?

Voice #2: Yes sir, it's...

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The Third Regress Report for Hollister in 2008

HST: well, I know that place. They had this guy there, crazy bastard. I'd almost say he was Gonzo, but there's no food services equivalent of it. He would flip cups, pour coffee while it was still in the air. Madness. Always a fraction of an inch away from ladling hot coffee onto some unsuspecting sonuvabitch who might have thought it necessary to get a cup of coffee while driving south from San Francisco.

Voice #2: Yes, there was a...

HST: You know, one afternoon, the boys and I stopped there and went in to get a cup of coffee. I was sitting with a guy, I don't remember his name, but he was three bills and change, hands like

Christmas pies and a forehead like a retarded trogladyte. We had a seat and this cup flipping fellow came alongside our table and did his little show. The big man, well he started crying, crying like it was the most beautiful thing he'd ever seen. It was a testament to the power that Cup Flipping bastard had over his hungry audience. It was either that or the threebuttons of mescaline that I had traded to the big bastard.

Voice #2: That's...

HST: So, what did you want from me? Some form of encouragement that you should hold the convention in a location where anyone might just end up with a pot of coffee flung in their face by a physical specimen of a waiter? Is that what

you want? Well, here it is: Hunter S. Thompson says Casa de Fruta is a good place for the World Science Convention.

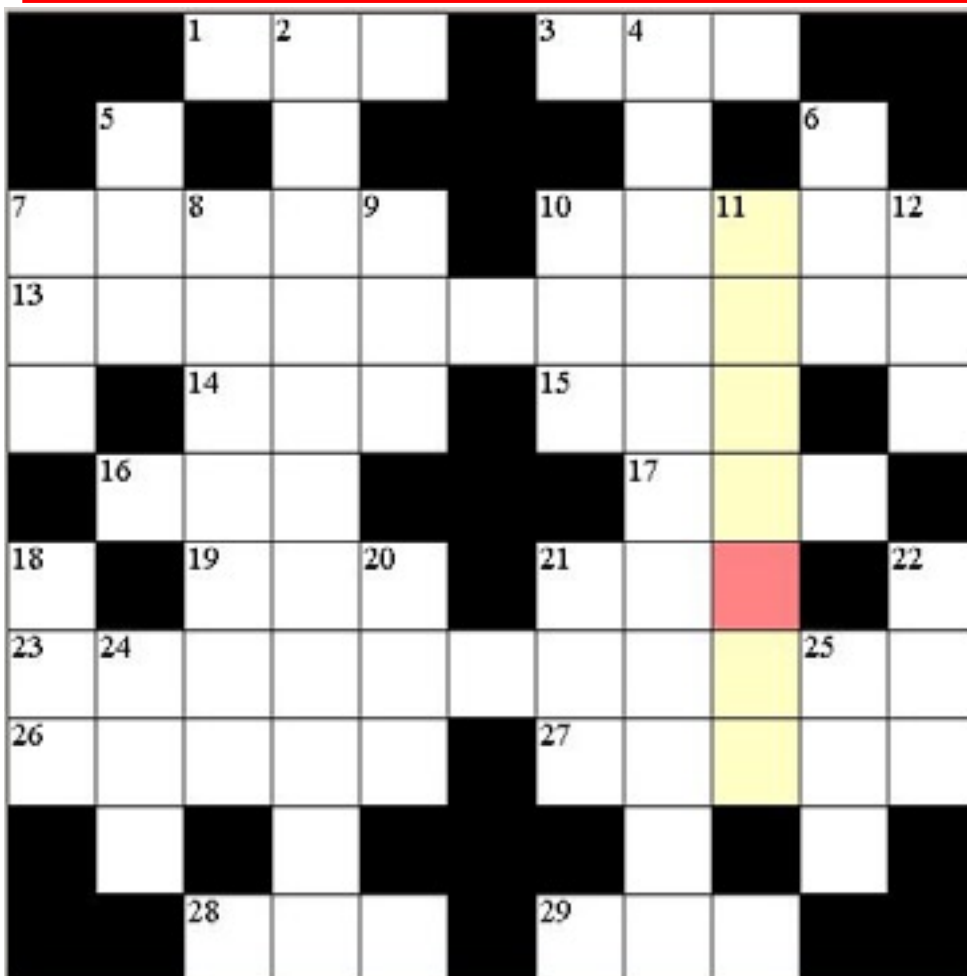
Voice #2: World Science Fiction Convention.

HST: Don't correct me. It sickens me.

Voice #2: I'm sorry Mister...

HST: Now, you've got what you wanted, get off my property. I'll count to ten by fives now, son. Five...

(there's a sound of a bullet being put into the chamber of a hand gun followed by the sound of a man carrying a tape recorder running for his life)



Clues

Across

- 1- Kickin' song by Metallica
- 3- sort of thing that ruins a picnic
- 7- Dead Greek Dude who would support Hollister in 2008
- 10- Barnum's family
- 13- Colbert-ism for the flavour of your truth
- 14- That guy at every bar
- 15- A really bad overdose
- 16- A fish you eat
- 17- what you'd have to be taking to think that Columbus could win the Site Selection in LA
- 19- Your own personal culpa
- 21- The sound of Goofy laughing
- 23- Something a young Porn Star might be described as
- 26- Where you should offer sacrifice for Prime Time quality
- 27- I B Old, so...
- 28- The Other bids ____ not as good as Hollister in 2008

Down

- 2- Where should the 2008

WorldCon be awarded?

4- What city could win?

5- Some kind of cleaning product
or cable

6- What I had a lot of as a kid

7- Harper Valley ____

8- Dirty cars go to the...

9- A Measure of something of an-

other in electricity

10- Bloody Palmed Padre

11- If you flense a child you'll have
leftover...

12- Bill ____, the Science Guy

18- ____t-Putt Golf

19- Place for Wrestling

20- What we should be selling to

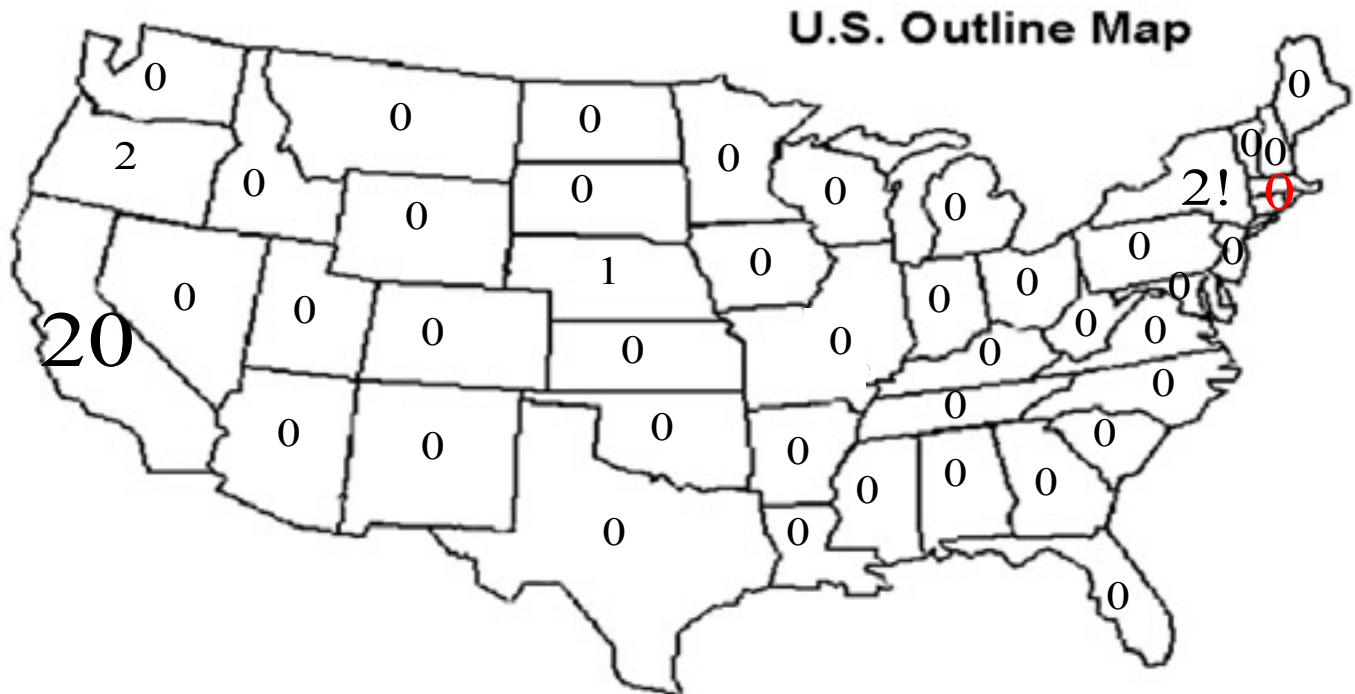
pay for all of this frivolity

21- Who should vote for Hollister
in 2008?

22- init. A Growing Weed

24- What else we should sell

25- What they chase you with
when you're crazy (according to
cartoons)



Alabama- 0

Alaska- 0

Arizona- 0

Arkansas- 0

Canada- 1

California- 20 1/3

Colorado- 0

Connecticut- 0

Delaware- 0

Florida- 0

Georgia- 0

Hawaii- 0

Idaho- 0

Indiana- 0

Illinois- 0

Iowa- 0

Kansas- 0

Kentucky- 0

Louisiana- 0

Maine- 0

Maryland- 0

Massachusetts- 0

Michigan- 0

Minnesota- 0

Mississippi- 0

Montana- 0

Nebraska- 1

Nevada- 0

New Jersey- 0

New Mexico- 0

New York- 2 (Seriously!)

North Carolina- 0

North Dakota- 0

Ohio- 0

Oklahoma- 0

Oregon- 2

Pennsylvania- 0

Rhode Hampshire- 0

South Carolina- 0

South Dakota- 0

Tennessee- 0

Texas- 0

Utah- 0

Vermont- 0

Washington- 0

West Virginia- 0

Wisconsin- 0

Wyoming- 0

49 US States total (because Rhode
Island Corp. and New Hampshire
have agreed to merge into one
state, Canada (sans Quebec) having
recently been annexed and I'll be

dead in the cold cold ground before
I recognise Missouri!)- 25 1/3

Other Countries

Finlasia- 1

Wales- 2/3 (compromise made
between CA and Wales that also
allows CA to claim any future
Welsh transplants as 1/3)
That is all.

Totals

International: 1 2/3

US- 25 1/3

Total Membership- 27

Breakdown:

4 Pre-supports (*cough*cheapskate
s*cough*)

2 Pre-Opposers

6 Nuts

13 Bidcomm Members

Wow, them's good numbers, eh?

Pacheco Progress Number 4



Raving Derelict Endorses Casa De WorldCon: Asks for quarter

In a stunning development, a raving maniac of a Hobo has endorsed the Casa de WorldCon bid to host the 2008 World Science Fiction Convention in Hollister. This just one week after the World Congress of Gypsies, Tramps & Thieves officially endorsed the bid to bring the 2008 WorldCon to Chicago.

"It wasn't...I...Are you?...got a quarter" said the man only known as Columbus John when asked to comment on his reasoning for breaking with the ranks to endorse Casa de WorldCon. "I wasn't tryin' to hurt nobody." the hobo was heard to add.

Chicago's recent endorsement comes a month after the Sneakthief Union (Chicago Local # 136) announced that they were willing to aid the bid in any way possible, including helping set-up for dealers room and providing cashiers to the Art Show.

When asked why he wouldn't support the bid for the city whose name he had adopted as his own, Columbus John replied "Are you kidding? Columbus? No...no, no, no" and then wandered off a few steps before turning and staring closely at the jacket of this reporter.

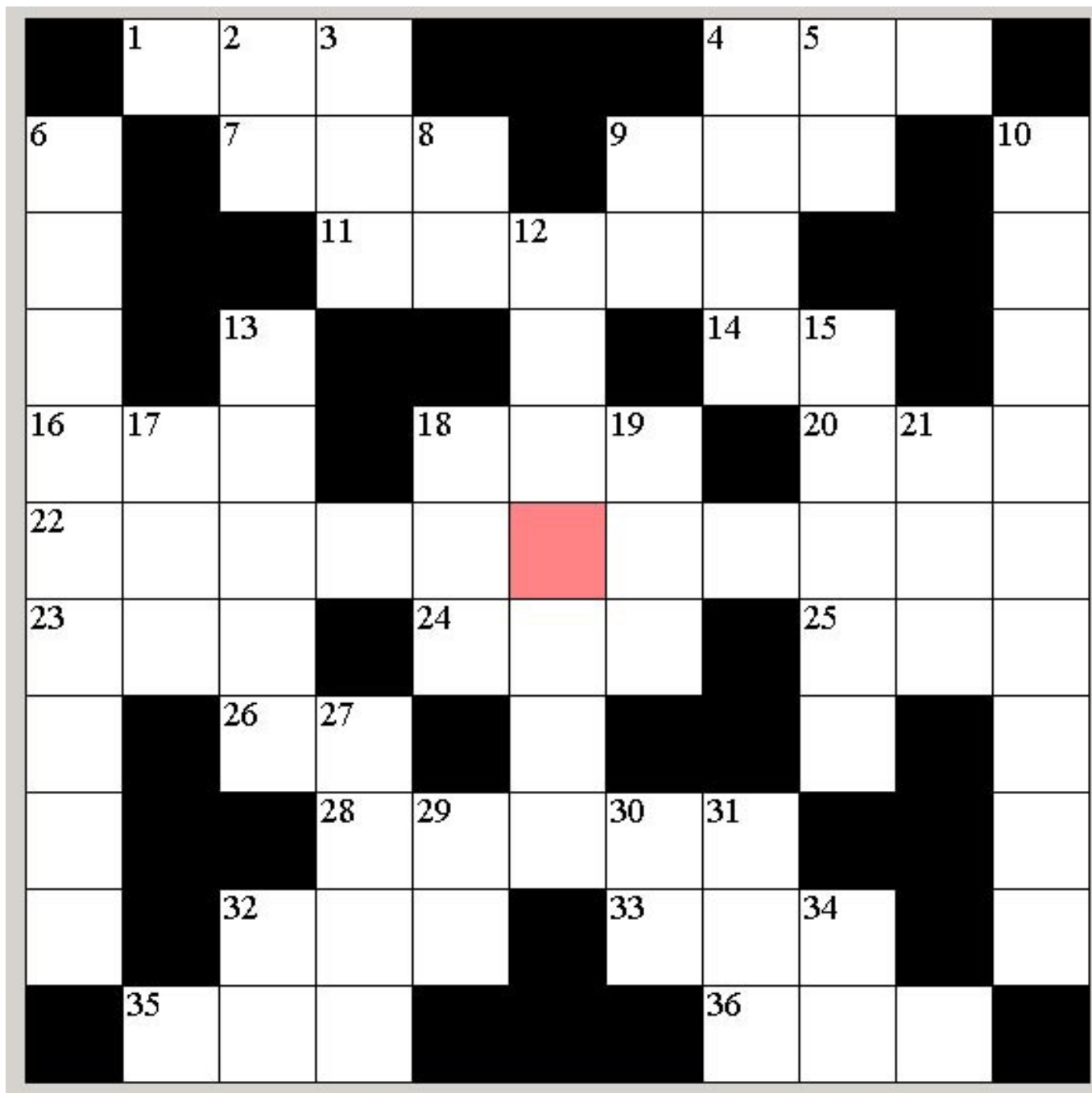
There was controversy following the announcement where Denver Bid committee members accused the Hollister Bid Team with providing Columbus John with incentives including promised use of the shower facility during the convention and a bottle of pomegranate wine.

"It's disgusting that they'd sink to such levels to gain favour and get press with an endorsement, especially after he turned down our offer of chili and free Denver Bronco tickets.

Denver and Chicago, now looking elsewhere for endorsements, are both said to be making strong plays towards the Deadbeat Dad and Slumlord lobbies which are gaining notice in and around the US.



The Regress Report for the Hollister in 2008 Casa de WorldCon bid for the 2008 World Science Fiction Convention



Across: 1- Brits use the _____

4- A good name for a Mobster

7- ____ Hunter

9- A Welsh-Chinese Hybrid Last Name

11- I'd be surprised if Columbus got this many votes

14- Man, if only ____ could host WorldCon every year

16- Same as 1 across

18- Abbr. Student Body Office

20- Really Cool Cable network

22- If I were Forced at gunpoint to vote for Columbus, Chicago or Denver...

23- Abbrv San Diego University

24- Ore-____ potato company

25- I wish I owned one

26- Yes to someone from Nuevo Laredo

28- Chicago wins the 2008 WorldCon! Oh wait, it was just a terrible ____

32- MMMMMM...delicious bottom-dwelling ____

33- Do it up or down or all together

35- What I wear in my Drag Review

36- Random Access Memory

Down

2- Abbr Official Liason

3- Pretention Abbrv for Famous Dictionary

4- Abbrv for Local Bomb Lab

5- Urge Overkill, for short

6- Where should he hold the 2008 WorldCon?

8- Frank's Last Name, but with an O instead of a U

- 9- My favourite French pronoun
- 10- This year's site selection is a _____ affair
- 13- _____ Notes of _____ 1-2-3
- 15- If Columbus wins, I'll be taken _____
- 17- If you vote for Chicago you're _____
- 18- Go to Denver to _____, not for WorldCon
- 19- Abbrev. Our Dirty Answer
- 21- When we get there, for short
- 27- A good fanzine of the 1990s
- 29- Mr. Stine of Goosebumps
- 30- The Most expensive type of registration is done _____ Con
- 31- Russian Space Station where we could have had a WorldCon
- 32- Disneyland Capt. played by Michael Jackson
- 34- Maker of crappy Sports games



While we here at the Hollister in 2008 Casa de WorldCon Publications Centre often make ourselves feel like a better option to the other, lesser bids, I feel that I can now say something very positive about our bid that the other bids can not touch.

While at least one of the other bids has a buffalo (or, more accurately, an American Bison) as its mascot, only Casa de WorldCon can guarantee that there'll be a live Buffalo on the premises DURING THE CON!

That's right, the Zoo at Casa de Fruta, in the heart of beautiful Hollister, California features a Buffalo that will be there to delight the fans who gather to celebrate with us.

So, if you're tired of Convention Centers or really like Buffalos, you can't go wrong with Hollister in 2008!

For the Answers to the last Crossword Puzzle, please pre support and pre oppose Casa de WorldCon. Otherwise, you're on your own!!!



There are 41 peoples on that big blue marble up there that are pre-something-or-another for Hollister in 2008, Casa de WorldCon! Since I didn't get a break down, I'll just leave it at the coarsest possible grind.

The Hollister in 2008 Committee would like to thank BayCon for letting Kevin Standlee have the space and timeslot to do Match Game SF. The Casa de WorldCon people did a great job not only getting the name of the bid out there, but also making fun of it! Well-done!



Pacheco Progress Cinco

The Hollister in Dos Mil Ocho Regress Report

CHICAGO DENVER AND COLUMBUS DECLARED NUCLEAR DEATHZONES

In a stunning turn of events, The cities of Chicago, Denver and Columbus have been declared "Nuclear Deathzones of Fiery Hell" by the Atomic Badness Committee. Levels of radiation are believed to be so high that even placing a number one next to the name of any of these cities may cause fatal radiation poisoning.

"We're not sure how it happened, but we do know that the levels of radiation present will turn the listed cities into a post-apocalyptic doom scenario worthy of the lesser fiction of Harlan Ellison." said ABC chairman Garris Chica.

While details are sketchy, much like Columbus chances of actually winning the WorldCon bid, a group of dedicated Americans headquartered halfway between the Silicon Valley and America's Main Vein, I-5, had been studying the effects of years of Atomic testing on Urban areas. While Chicago was found to have a reading of 50k Rads, Denver was discovered to have a reading of 'only' 30k Rads, making exposure to it slightly less deadly.

"To be honest, we didn't test Columbus." Chica said, "We just kinda assumed in case we really didn't wanna go all the way out there."

The Bid Committees for the 2008 WorldCons seem unaffected. Hunkered down in a bunker twenty-floors below the savage Downtown bloodsports that have risen since the irradiated fall of law, the Chicago committee has gone about their business, produced a zine that will make Geiger counters wig-out and has said they have no plans on slowing regardless of the

Road Warrior-like conditions.

"We're hoping that one of the roving gangs of the Damned will build a Thunderdome-like structure that we can use for programming.

Denver, meanwhile, has responded by burrowing deep into the mountains on which it rests and has announced that their position being so high above sea level has left them completely free from serious radiation effects.

"Aside from giant bugs, we're completely fine." said one Bidcomm member.

When the Headquarters for Columbus in 2008 were visited, there was found a sign on the door saying that they were napping and only to wake them once they win the 2008 WorldCon site selection vote at Anaheim. It is unknown whether or not such delusions were caused by the radiation poisoning or not.

Meanwhile, Chair-



man Chica announced the cities likely to cause your skin to melt on a five minute visit. Heading that list was Hollister, California, home of Casa de Fruta. The Chairman said that there was a nearly zero percent chance that anyone visiting Hollister would ever be exposed to the evil gamma and the recently discovered Iota radiation that is constantly emitted by the cities of Chicago, Columbus and Denver.

The President when asked for comment simply said "the fact that three American cities have been declared Nuclear Hellholes overlooks the fact that much of the rest of the country is only mildly glowing.

His staff then answered questioned from reporters. It is believed that the Administration will launch an investigation into how to pin this on either Gay Marriage or Stem-Cell Research.

Regress Report Recipe Round-Up by Robert Hole

Casa de Macaroni and Cheese Dinner

1 box of your favorite storebrand mac & cheese
1 can pineapple chunks, drained
1/4 -1/2 lb ground buffalo (bison) meat, browned
(amount to taste)

Make macaroni and cheese According to box directions. Just when you think your finished, leave on medium heat, add browned buffalo meat and drained chunk pineapple. Stir mix together until meat and pineapple are warm. Serve.

May substitute other ground meat if you're not near a buffalo. May leave out meat entirely if you don't eat the stuff.



Casa de Fruitie Pizza

1 pizza dough (make your own or buy it pre-made)

Pizza sauce
Parmesan cheese (the cardboard stuff)
Buffalo cheese, grated
Toppings:
1 apple, coarsely diced
1 small can pineapple chunks
Buffalo sausage, sliced

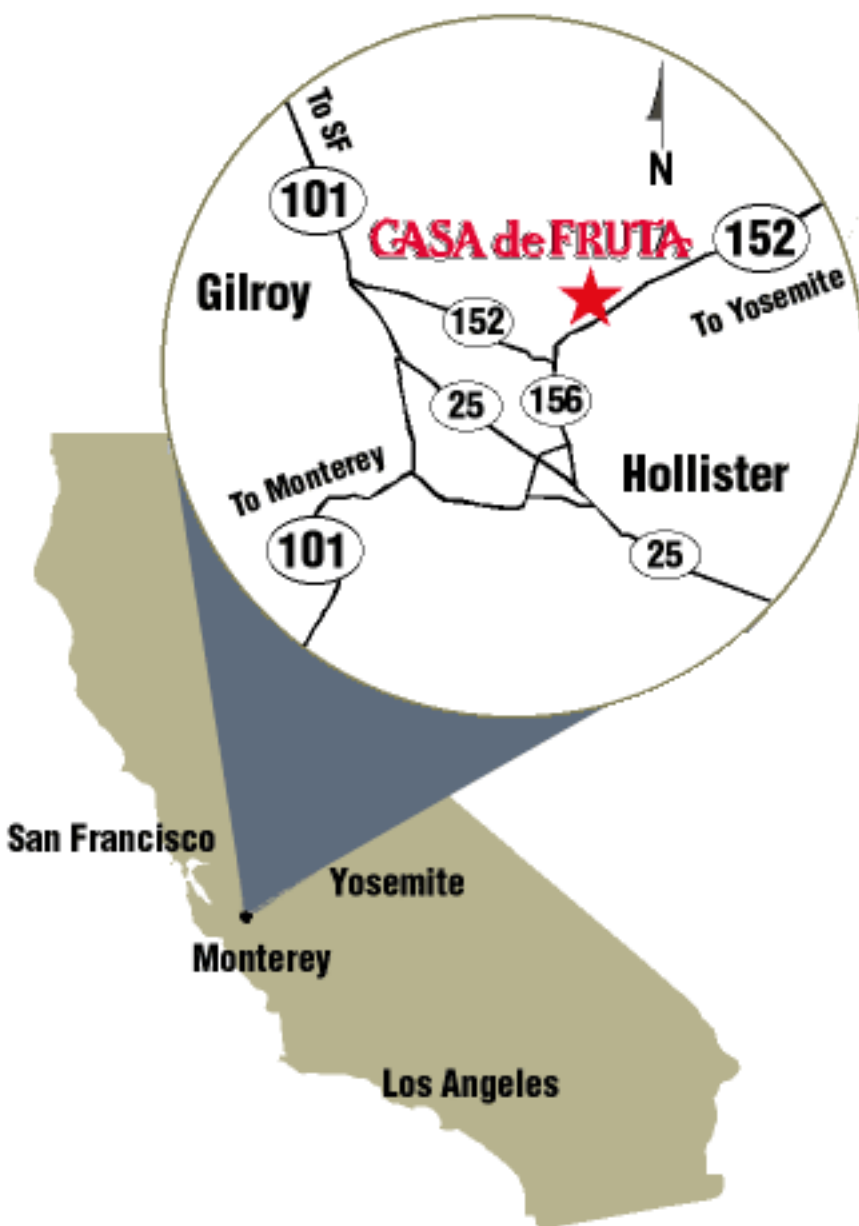
Make pizza dough. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese over dough. Cover with pizza sauce, leaving just the edges of the dough unsauced. Sprinkle good layer of grated buffalo cheese over sauce. Add toppings, top off with more cheese if desired. Bake on pizza pan in 400°F oven for 15 minutes or until crust edge is golden brown or follow dough directions. Cut into slices and serve.

May substitute non-buffalo cheese and sausage, but it just won't be the same.



Did You Know...?

Hollister and the surrounding area is home to fine wine-making? Among the fine wines you can find there are Fortino Winery (<http://www.fortinowinery.com>) which does an excellent Charbono, Hecker Pass Winery (<http://heckerpasswinery.com>) which has a lovely Syrah and a pretty good Ruby Port, and there's always Kirigin Cellars (<http://www.kirigincellars.com/>) which is good if you've already drank enough of the first two (though I like the Vino di Moca and they do great vinegar). Can you name three wineries in Chicago or Denver? Well, can you? Yeah, I didn't you think you could.



We here at Pacheco Progress know that you have options when it comes to your WorldCon Site Selection voting. Why, you could vote for Chicago and spend the hottest weekend of the summer in the most humid place on Earth swatting away flies that will try and carry-off your children. Or you could choose Denver where you'll have to remember your oxygen mask and maybe even be forced to sit in the hotel bar and watch a Denver Broncos game. Or you could choose Columbus...well, you could in theory, anyways. But we're here to let you know that there is another choice, a place where a guy used to flip cups, where an American Bison roams his tiny enclosure, where fruits and berries are as freely available and in your face as Porn and Pestulence are in any of those three other cities.

That place is Hollister.

The Casa de WorldCon committee, with members in California, Oregon, Nebraska, Wales, Kentucky, and Wisconsin, hopes that you'll vote Casa de WorldCon Numero Uno on your ballot at Anaheim in August. We can't offer you the giant convention center or massive number of rooms required to house fandom, but the little things are all you'll need...hopefully.

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The Regress Report for Hollister in 2008

Casa de WorldCon

ALL OF YOUR BISON ARE BELONG TO US!

BY

ANDY TREMBLEY

CASA dePRESS – Friday, July 7, 2006, Colorado Springs was rocked by a savage invasion of biker-pirates. Terrified citizens huddled in their homes amid rumors of wild fruits, white slavery and buffalocide. Yet, as quickly as they arrived, they were gone.

“I feel that Colorado isn’t safe anymore,” said resident Norman Nary. “One minute we’re minding our own business, and the next these... these... heathens are among us. It’s almost as bad as if a Worldcon was happening here!”

Brent Koom was an eyewitness to the atrocities. “It was horrible! They broke into my house! I could only sit in my easy-chair and watch them handcuff and haul away hundreds of innocent gnomes!” Gnomes were just part of it, though. When Koom was finally left alone, he found his prize herd of flying buffalo missing. All that was left was a few feathers and some brown, brillo-pad like fur.

This reporter followed a path of feathers, little red pointy hats and tire tracks to Las Vegas, Nevada, where Burning Fan was celebrating its site selection victory. There we found a bunch of fans munching on giant

barbecued wings.

“These’ll be perfect for the hospitality suite.” Stanley James and his wife Karen were inordinately pleased with the giant wings. “We got a freezer case of these. As in a refrigerated shipping container. They’re delicious, and they’re hot! It’s the perfect Burning Fan snack!” When asked where it all came from, Mr. James was more than happy to explain. “These bikers came through. They had a bunch of toddlers dressed in light blue, wearing safety harnesses and leashes. The white stubble on their faces – the kids, not the bikers – was a bit strange, though. They were towing these two trailers, a large stock trailer full of buffalo and a freezer trailer full of these great wings! They cut us a great deal, and

even let us keep the trailer. Said something about going to San Mateo next.” Mrs. James was equally enthusiastic, but did notice something strange. “They kept saying ‘Gnomeward Bound’ to each other and laughing. I don’t know what was so funny.”

We finally caught up with the bikers in a parking lot in Palo Alto. As we pulled up, we saw a pair of full school-busses that read “San Mateo Public Schools,” one driven by a large man in



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a blue gnome hat and the other driven by a smaller woman in a fedora, leave.

Rather than giving us trouble, the bikers were very talkative.

“White slavery? Naah. It was pest control. We got a report that there was an infestation of unwanted gnomes. We knew there was a buyer in San Mateo, so we put in a low bid and live-trapped the little buggers. Then we found out about the bison.”

The lead biker (unidentifiable under his helmet and scarf) pointed back to the stock trailer. “Buffalo my ass. Those are American bison. They don’t belong in some suburb. They belong on the range. We’re taking ‘em back to Hollister.”

But what about the wings?

“Bison don’t have wings! We cut ‘em off. They didn’t seem too upset about it. Ran into this ‘animal psychic’ near four corners; she kept babbling about ‘getting into heaven if they can get to this church in Jersey’ but we all figure that was just a bunch of hooey. Anyway, Jersey is a long way from San Benito County. We sold the wings to these ‘Burning Fan’ folks in Las Vegas. It’ll be a whole new ‘Burning Fan’ if they eat ‘em. Those wings burn coming and going.”

The bikers, stock trailer still in tow, headed out towards Highway 101. This reporter found the nearest unprotected wi-fi, filed this story, and will be heading for the nearest bar to get very drunk.



I WAS A SCHOOL-AGED TEST PILOT

BY

KEVIN ROCHE

One of the features of the fabulous Casa de Fruta venue chosen by the Hollister in 2008 bid is its family- (and hence child-) friendly nature. Among the attractive nuisances on display for kids has always been an intriguing assortment of playground equipment.

As a grade-schooler, I got to test that equipment.

You see, my father’s cousin married Joe Zanger, one of the Zanger brothers who owned Casa de Fruta. (Their kids, my second cousins once removed, still do). We used to go visit them at their ranch house nestled in the orchards north of Hollister, on Zanger Road, just down the highway from the current location of the Casa De Fruta megaplex. My first horseback ride took place perched in the saddle with my cousin Wendy (wayyyyy up high... this was no small horse, or so it seems in memory), walking, trotting and finally galloping around the orchard. Bumpy Slide Of Doom

In the yard in front of the house was always an interesting assortment of wonderfully rickety looking steel-framed playground equipment. In particular, I remember the tallest set of swings I ever got to ride, and the Bumpy Slide Of Doom. The ladder seemed 20 feet tall, and the long narrow slide back to earth was slightly wavy, slightly bumpy, and guaranteed to be hot enough to scorch you right through your shorts.

I loved it. We all loved it.

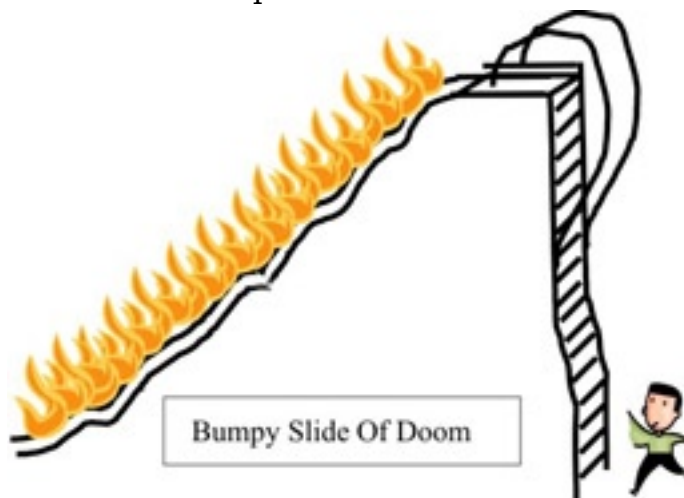
Casa de Fruta started as roadside fruit stands selling the fruit from the Zanger orchards, and later a family restaurant located (if I recall correctly) a bit south of the intersection of 156 and 152. When that original Casa De Fruta restaurant burned down and the family started building the first part of what is now our favorite internationally known rest and relaxation

resort, what did I discover on our next visit to my cousins?

The Bumpy Slide Of Doom was gone. It had been installed as part of the facilities at the new Casa de Fruta. So, of course, we had to go visit the new location so I could test it and make sure it still worked.

Later, alas, saner minds and legal advisors prevailed, and less precarious equipment was installed at the growing Casa De Fruta complex. To my tremendous relief, however, the B.S.O.D. was not destroyed, but moved back to the yard at my cousin's ranch house, where we exacted several more seasons of excitement, terror and scorched hineys from its gleaming if battered frame.

Besides its contemporary collection of playground equipment, Casa de Fruta today includes various and sundry pieces of antique farm and orchard equipment, complete with pointy bits. Some of them are actually safe for children to climb. Others are even deadlier than the Bumpy Slide Of Doom. All guarantee a quality family entertainment experience.



SOME RANDOM NUMBERS

I've been running some of the numbers of our members, both Bid-Comm and pre-sup/ops and I've discovered several nifty things.

- The Member from the ZIP Code with the Highest Property Values: Dave Clark
- The Member from the ZIP Code with the Highest Rate of Library Spending: Robert Hole
- Member from ZIP Code with Most 7-11s- Fred Moulton

WE ARE THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS, PEOPLE!

Besides the fact that we are less than 30 days away from WorldCon 2006: The site of the site selection, we're almost there. SO very close.

With the extra time that I've had over the last few weeks, I've started working on Alternate Reality Systems. Basically, I've been looking into futures to see what would happen if different combinations of things happen. Here is what happens if each of the bids wins the Site Selection.

-Chicago: The con goes off smoothly for the first ten minutes. Then the main hotel collapses under the weight of it's own self-importance, burying decades of fannish history in the rubble. When Anthropologists dig around the ruins in two hundred years, they discover all these weird relics of a time they obviously have no understanding of at all.

-Denver- The Con goes off without a hitch until a group of fans discover the switch that turns the entire convention center into yet another new Denver Airport. Fans are then stuck waiting for the shuttle to the other terminal.

-Hollister- Peace and Love reign over man and every participant is given +3 to charisma. No one has to wait for an elevator the entire con and there's free WiFi EVERYWHERE!!!

-COLUMBUS: My system was destroyed when I tried it. It just can't happen.

HOLLISTER ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF EDUCATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

The Hollister in 2008 Bid for Casa de WorldCon was proud to host an essay contest for children ages 2-12. The entries were amazing, with children from around the greater AmericaLand area sending in essays. The winner was an easy choice as young Khalfin was the only one who took the time to illustrate his words so they'd really shine. So we hope you enjoy his essay as much as we enjoyed having our assistants summerize it for us.

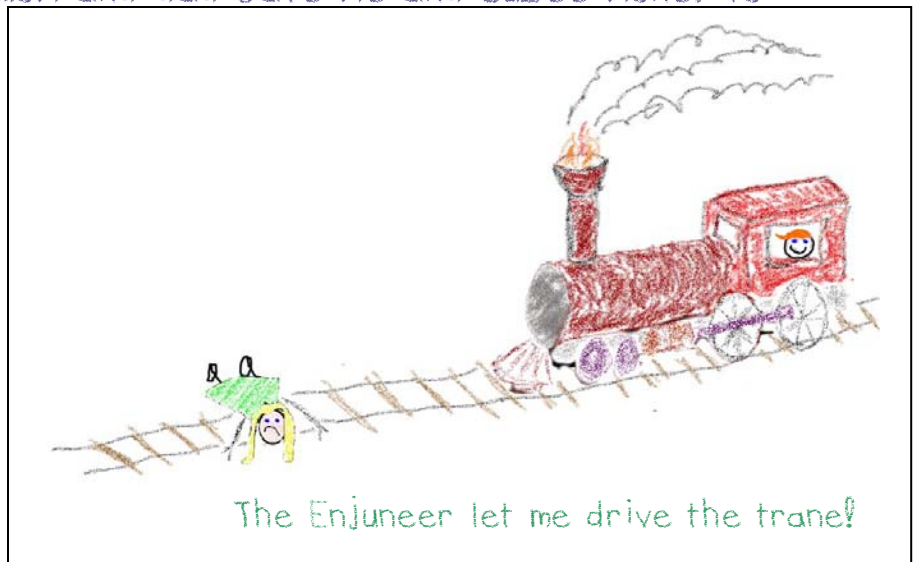
My visit to Casa de Fruta

By Khalfin

This summer my Mom and dad took me and ~~the loathsome and vile~~ my good friend Suzee to go see the animals and stuff at Casa de Fruta, which is in Hollister, where I heard that there are grate big motorcycl gang's, but we did not see any big motorcycles or gang's fitting on our visit. There was a big hairy guy riding a scooter, but he wudent talk to me when I rolled down the window.

That dint mattur, tho, cuz when we got to Casa De Fruta there was a TRANE! Mom and dad gave me and Suzee money to play while they went to Casa de Vino to drink lots of whine.

The trane was cool but way too little, but the enjuneer let me drive, so I went thru the tunnel as fast as we could to try and catch up with Suzee. I never new she cud run faster than a train.



Next we went to see the ~~buffalo~~ bison in his Casa. Did you



know "Casa" means

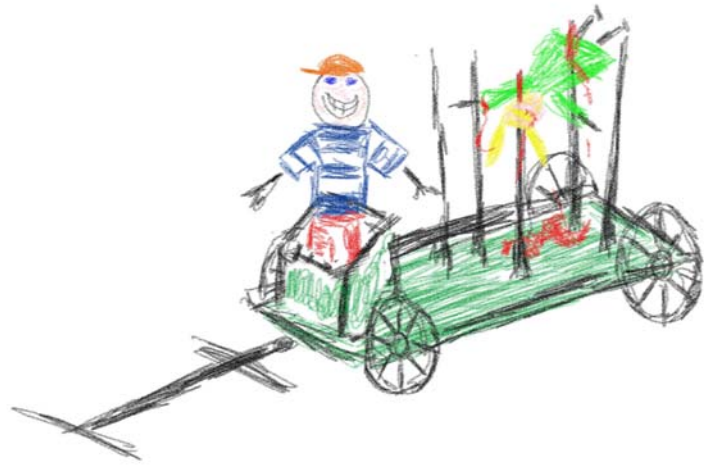
"house" in Spanish?

Stupid, huh? The bison likes to eat hay, which is stiff and yellow, and then he lets you touch his back. I gave him lots of stiff yellow hay, and then helped Suzee feed the bison too.

There's also lots of cool old farm machines all over the place, with signs telling you how old they are and not to climb on the signs. They'd be even more cool except they unhooked all the horses and put them someplace else... probably in their own stupid Casa since it was so hot and smelly there.

Suzee and I climbed on one of the big trailer thingies and jumped all over, then I pretended to drive while she hung around in the back.

Mom and dad finally got tired of drinking all that wine, so they came and got us and took us home. Next time I'll have to remind Suzee to bring Mr Bunn so I can find out if bisonse eat rabbits.



Their wuz lots of kewl old farm stuff

Hollister in 2008:

A bid for *Casa de Worldcon*

<http://hollister2008.livejournal.com>

Hollister? Casa de what? What is this crazytalk?

- There's this whole bidding process by which organizations campaign to hold a [Worldcon](#) at their site. This year at [L.A.con IV](#), Chicago, Columbus and Denver are bidding to win the 2008 Worldcon.
- Bidding and voting is regulated by the [World Science Fiction Society](#) (an unincorporated literary society that holds the Worldcon trademarks)
- These regulations are only important if you intend to win. If you intend to lose, break at least one to ensure you're ineligible
- There is a grand tradition of hoax bids, bids that don't qualify and can't win but are fun and silly
- Some people get offended by hoax bids. We call them *easy targets*
- There are two major routes between Los Angeles and the SF Bay Area. One takes you right past [Casa de Fruta](#) on CA Highway 152
- Casa de Fruta is a major California landmark.
- Casa de Fruta has a 14 room hotel (Casa de Inn), a 300-space RV park (Casa de RV) and a conference center (without a cute name)
- 2008 is the centennial of Casa de Fruta
- You see where this is going, don't you?

Would you like to be a part of the most memorable bid for a Worldcon in years? You can support us in several ways.

Join Hollister in 2008

Pre-Supporting Membership:	\$10
I'm a Nut! (Friend of the Bid):	\$20
BidCom Member:	\$30
Pre-Opposing Membership:	\$40

What do these membership levels get you? Pre-support gets you the satisfaction of helping with a great hoax. "I'm a Nut!" also gets your name on the *Casa de Worldcon* Wall of Fame at our bid party at L.A.con IV. BidCom membership gets your name in our program book ad (if we sell enough memberships to pay for a party *and* a program book ad) and the opportunity to help with the party. Pre-opposing gets your name on the *Casa de Worldcon* Wall of Shame at the party.

Name

Address/email

☐ Pre-Sup (\$10) ☐ Nut (\$20) ☐ BidCom (\$30) ☐ Pre-Op (\$40)

Hand-deliver your registration to Andy Trembley, Kevin Roche or Chris Garcia

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"We do these things not because they are easy, but because they are weird!"