

Perelandra 2

The Return of the Literati

A member of the Diplomacy hobby has provided a \$450 no-interest loan to fund a restart of Perelandra. From June 1981 to August 1986, Pere was the hobby's only literary zine, providing reprints of classic fantasy literature, poetry, and short stories. The zine folded for financial reasons, and the loan will not only cover outstanding debts but also provide a seed fund to make the zine self-supporting.

Both 'Santa Claus' and I have imposed conditions on the new zine. Santa's main condition, obviously, is that he remain anonymous until the loan is repaid. My primary condition is that the zine be free from financial trouble, and that I be able to keep my own-out-of-pocket expense very low. To that end, I am forming a non-profit corporation which will produce the zine under a business name and account.

Because I've been told many subscribers will want to sign up again, I'm not sending refunds now. However, if you're owed any money, YOU'RE ENTITLED TO A COMPLETE REFUND NOW. You may instead choose to apply some or all of your balance to a new subscription; a form is provided so you can inform me of your choice.

Players in 1985CS and 1986AH are entitled to a sub for the length of their games. Also, some subscribers have already asked that their refunds be applied to a sub whenever the zine gets rolling again. If this is the case, it's noted on the form.

If all this sounds formal and stuffy, then understand that's only because I am very sorry to have put everybody through all this. In order to avoid trouble in the future, the zine's financial affairs will be entirely separate from my personal finances (with an occasional audit going to Santa).

On the other hand, I will be changing the tone and style of the zine only a bit. Perelandra will be more literature-oriented, with longer excerpts, more of them, and an occasional commentary or review on authors or works, especially after I get my master's degree in May.* There will be a regular Diplomacy gamestart sometime this spring, and probably openings in Snowball Fighting and Downfall of the Lord of the Rings (Glover Rogerson's "Definitive Edition"). Glenn the leprechaun will still sit on the masthead, and there will be new prizes for the Literary Quiz (especially prizes for those who submit questions to be used!).

Whether you have read Perelandra in the past or not I respectfully invite you to try it in its rebirth. Thanks to the whole hobby for the patience and understanding I've been granted in this project.

Pete

P.J.P. Gaughan

*I'll also be getting married in May!

Please cash all refund checks promptly.

Make all payments payable to Perelandra. "Memberships" in the new zine cost \$12 per year (\$18 in Europe).

- You do not have a balance, but you're invited to join the new Perelandra.
- You have already requested a subscription:
 - Your balance of \$ ∞ gives you Perelandra through issue # E.
 - In addition, you are receiving a refund of \$ _____.
- You are a player and are entitled to receive the zine until the end of:
 - 1986AH
 - 1985CS
 - whichever game is longer
 - In addition, you are receiving a refund of \$ _____.

Return this half of the form if you have money coming to you:

- Your balance of \$ _____ has not yet been resolved.
- Because of the size of your balance, you'll be receiving a minimum refund of \$ _____.

- CHECK ONE {
- Please refund all of my balance.
 - Please apply \$12 of my balance to a membership and refund the difference.
 - Please apply all of my balance to a membership.

*Sony - DW's too expensive
for my blood.*

