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MASTON MOVES TO LOUISIANA,  
LATEST NEWS ON AWARD ELECTIONS,  
BLACK AND BLUE BOOK,  
THE IDHOF ARCHIVES, and even  
A BIT OF GAME RESULTS...



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UPDATE

This mailing is intended to bring you the latest uptodate information on our recent move and several projects, including the DNMA/RWA elections, the publication of the 1985 BLACK AND BLUE BOOK, and the 1985 PEERICON. Most regular features have been deferred for later publication. If developments warrant a second part to this issue will be published in late August. If not, all materials will be included in the October issue.

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## INTRODUCTION

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This is the smallest issue of XENOGOGIC to appear since we resumed publication in 1981; but it took two deaths, a move, and much other trial and tribulation to bring our page count down. I'm sure the hobby will be grateful.

The purpose of this mailing is to get the latest information on some important projects: the 1985 DNMA and RWA elections, the publication of the 1985 edition of the BBB, and news of PEERICON to you in good time. Everything else can and will wait; although we did slip in a few goodies to keep you interested. It is unfortunate that we had to delay some of the materials we had planned for this mailing because they are of exceptionally high quality. But, instead of rushing into print just to be on time I decided to delay the bulk of the issue and do it right.

Doing it right, right now is impossible. Things are in too great a state of disorder around here.

Just to give you an idea of what was going on: on May 10th I buried my last remaining cousin, Leslie. He was only 30 or so. He was killed in a van accident. On May 8th, although I didn't know it, my half brother, who I didn't even know existed, died in Syracuse, Sicily. It took his employer and the US State Department three days to track down his nearest relatives. It took until May 20th to get him home to San Diego and buried. In the meantime, on May 15th Mike and I were in court on our unlawful detainer suit. We lost, although we didn't find that out until May 27th or so. We spent the first weekend of June moving. And since then I've been painting, one room a weekend. Fortunately, we are starting to see daylight at the end of the hall. Literally.

But it is going to take time, probably months, to get things organized and situated here. Fortunately, we have enough space that we will both be able to do our own thing without getting in each other's way. Thank God.....

While we are getting ourselves put back together I intend to spend some time thinking about our future direction, as a zine and as a hobby activist. There is only so much time, money, and energy available for us to spend on this hobby. And some changes are inevitable. What they will be is uncertain. Your suggestions and input are welcome.

So, just because you don't see an 80 or a 100 page issue of XENO in your hands don't make the mistake of thinking we've been sluffing off. We haven't. We've never been more active. You just aren't seeing the results of it at the moment.

So, in a nutshell this is your final warning, so to speak.

Get your 1985 DNMA/RWA ballots in now. And if you are dissatisfied with the way the awards are going volunteer to serve on one of the committees responsible for the nominations.

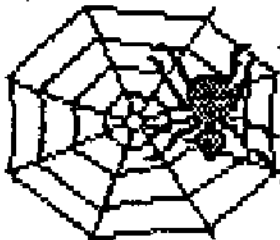
Be sure to order your copy of the 1985 BBB now because you may have to wait if you wait. It's only \$4.00 and it just might be the best investment you ever make in the hobby.

And start planning to attend PEERICON V on August 10-11th. Consider it an appetizer for this year's DIPCON. An event to sharpen your knives and perfect your psych warfare techniques.

And for the players of 1984 Q. No I haven't forgotten. The game analysis and your comments are all typed up. But I've no maps to use for illustrations so I'm stalling until I can get some done.

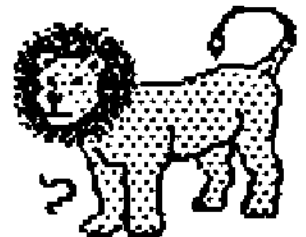
In the meantime have a safe and fun summer.

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My name is Igor.  
I hate Diplomacy.

My name is Leo.  
I love Diplomacy.



You'll be hearing from us...

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

We have moved. After eight years in the same place we've moved about 10 blocks from where we were before into the lower level of a duplex. Although this is a one bedroom it is actually larger than the old place. We'll miss our old friends at Webster Manor and the pool but we took away many, many good memories. Our new place has lots of potential and I've been busy painting and getting it squared away. Hopefully it will all be done by PEERICON. There is a large garage and I plan to use that as a Dippy office and library. But it will take time to get it all in shape. So, you'll have to have some patience for the next several months while I get things organized here. One of the reasons this issue is so small is that many of my files and materials are stored in some 160 boxes out in that garage. And none of them are marked. So, it is going to be a long game of hide and seek.

In the meantime, our new address is 2242 Madison Ave., San Diego, CA 92116 (Mail should continue to go to the Post Office Box.) and our new phone number is 295-6248.

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THE NOT SO MERRY MONTH OF MAY

May was not a particularly good month around here. There were many bad things that happened. I had two deaths in my family including my last remaining cousin and a half-brother I didn't even know existed. Mike and I lost our unlawful detainer suit so we had to move, on five days notice, from our home of almost eight years. All in all, I can't remember ever having so many major emotional traumas in such a short time.

Still, in the midst of all that trauma there were good things that happened. I'll save my thoughts on them for next time. In the meantime I want to thank Ron Spitzer and Mike Bohannon for their help in the move. Without them, and our other friends, I'd still be piling boxes of Dippy zines by the pool.

I hope the bad is behind us and that we can look forward to a good summer and better times. I certainly intend to do what I can to make things move in that direction.

First off, PEERICON V is now taking shape. See the flyer enclosed. I hope you'll come and help us break this place in right.

Second, the BLACK AND BLUE BOOK is now taking shape. See the flyer enclosed, if one is.

Third, the remainder of the summer issue of XENOGOGIC is now taking shape. You'll know its arrived when your mailman groans as he drops his load in your box. On the other hand there may only be a small second part to the summer issue of XENOGOGIC. It depends on the time I have available and the money I can spend on the zine. My inclination is to use the time and money now to do the things that need to be done to get this place in shape. That will give me a good working environment for the long haul. In addition, some of our current projects don't lend themselves to short term deadlines. So...

Family losses and moving does things to you. I know I have a much more detached attitude about things seen from here. Leaving Kansas St., after all that time, left many memories behind. All those games, all those visitors, all those good times. Now we have a new place. New things to look forward to. I know my inclination is to dive into those archives and forget about the postal and face to face hobbies and their problems. Dusty old zines don't argue, don't fling insults (Well, some of them do...), and don't cause hurt the way so many current hobby zines do. That's a powerful attraction. On the other hand, they aren't half as interesting, either.

Normally, I don't bring my personal life into KENO or my hobby activities into my personal life but, this time, I thought it appropriate and necessary. If you are going to understand where we are going (Or at least where I think I am going) it is important that you understand where we are coming from.

One thing I've learned from moving so many times and from the loss of so many family members in such a short time is not to rush into taking hasty action to compensate for such things. This mailing is a small one, but that may not be indicative of things to come in the future. I did want to get out a timely mailing, especially with the news of PEERICON V. On the other hand, this may be an indication of what is to come. I'll let you know.

Already our attention is shifting away from what has happened in May to what will happen in July. Neat shift, huh?

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KEN PREL DEPT.

*Banana Republic*  
**DIPLOMATIC T-Shirts**  
 \$9 ppd; 2 for \$17


No republic, we feel, can have too many, especially rich, thus we're expanding our cabinet instead of purging it. Naturally, we've designed a soft, heavy cotton for our crack diplomatic corps and offered it for 100% discount.




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There is just enough time to remind you to get your ballots for the 1985 Don Miller Memorial Award and Rod Walker Award to me as soon as possible. The final deadline for receipt of ballots is 4 July, 1985.

Voting so far has been heavy. I want to thank all the publishers who reprinted the ballots and instructions and those who sent contributions to the various hobby awards funds.

Next mailing will contain a complete list of all the articles nominated for this year's RWA; a most interesting letter from Rex Martin, editor of Avalon Hill's THE GENERAL; my own thoughts on this year's elections; a complete financial report on donations received; and a list of potential committee rosters for next year. And, depending on the timing of the mailing it may, or may not, contain the official results of the voting. Be sure to vote if you haven't because this year, more than ever, a single vote could make the difference.

A number of individuals have volunteered to serve on one of the three awards committees and I hope to have a roster and specific comments for you next time.

The recipients of the 1985 DMMA and RWA will be announced at this year's DIPCON and in a simultaneously published edition of DIPLOMACY LAURELS. Recipients will be presented with their individual plaques and custody of the perpetual trophy at either DIPCON, if they are there, or an appropriate local con.

A number of people have expressed an interest in working on the John Koning Memorial Award project so we will go ahead with that award. Hopefully we can schedule its first election to coincide with those for next year's DMMA and RWA.

It has become obvious to me, if not to you, that there is considerable interest in these hobby awards. The number of people who voted, those who made financial contributions, those who volunteered to help with the projects indicates that these awards are alive, well, and healthy. Far more so than some other aspects of the hobby. I appreciate the many constructive suggestions I received this year and they will be forwarded to the appropriate committee.

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DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF THE 1985 DON MILLER MEMORIAL AWARD AND  
ROD WALKER AWARD BALLOTS IS JULY 4, 1985. THAT IS ALSO THE  
DEADLINE FOR VOLUNTEERING TO SERVE ON NEXT YEAR'S AWARDS COMMITTEES.  
Send ballots to: DMMA/RWA, Box 8416, San Diego, California, 92102

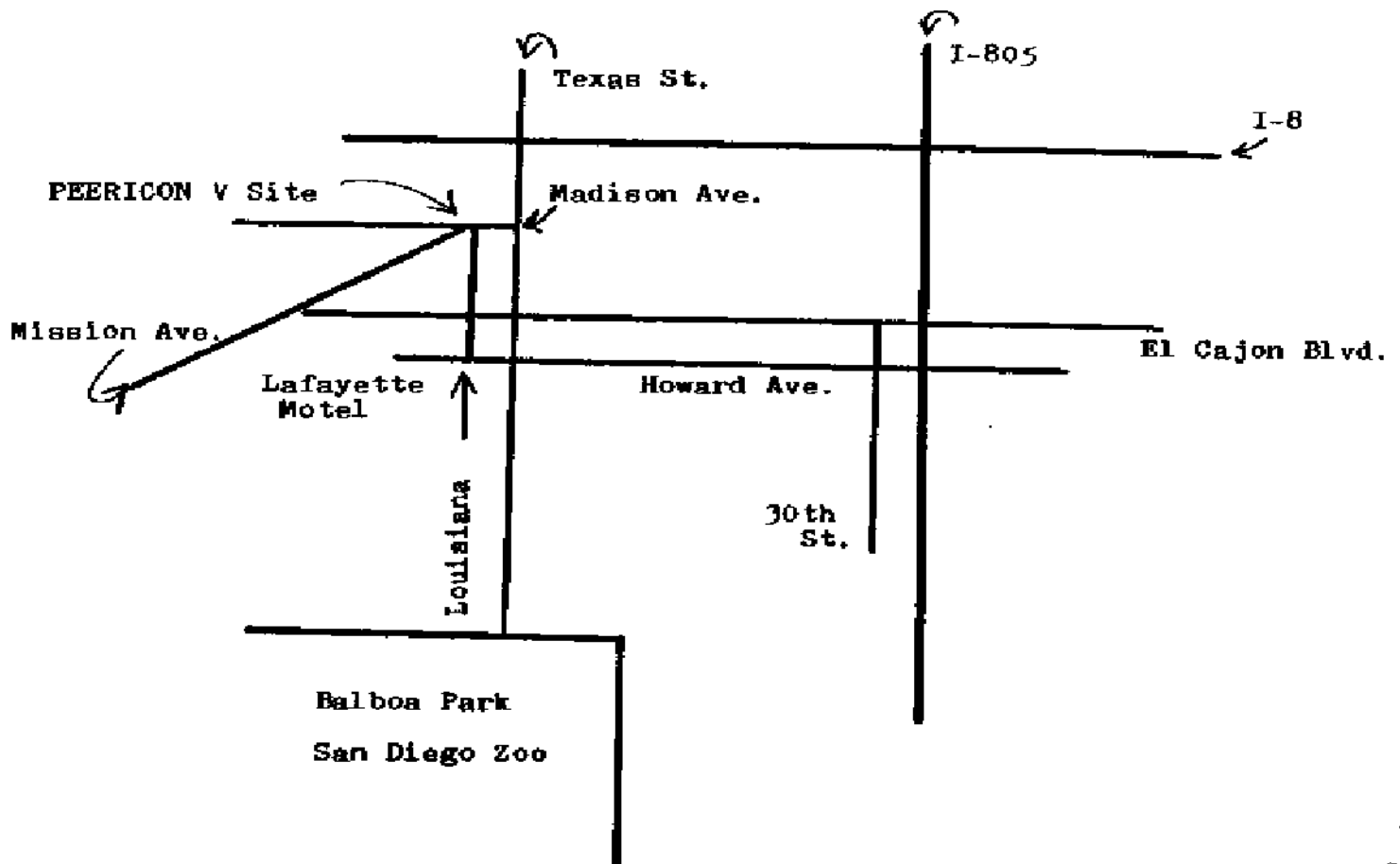
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JUNOPEERI SERRA DEPT.

Those attending this year's PEERICON will be able to see the first public display of what is being called The Throne of Peerijavo, Diplomacy's equivalent to the famous Shroud of Turin.

The Throne represents the first physical evidence supporting the Theory of Peericratic Infallibility which was first stated by Fr. Junopeeri Serra centuries ago, and which has made him a controversial figure in the Church for years. The Throne's existence has been a carefully guarded secret until now and its display is sure to cause an uproar in the Diplomacy hobby.

Scientists, charlatans, and witch doctors are even now examining the Throne to see what secrets it can tell us about the early days of the hobby.



#### DIRECTIONS

From I-5 go to I-8 east, From I-805 to to I-8 west.

Take Texas St. south.

At the top of the hill (Mobil Station and traffic light), turn right (west) one block. It will be a five sided intersection (Madison Ave., Louisiana St., and Mission).

Site is approximately 7 blocks west and 5 blocks north of last year's location.

If all else fails call 619-280-2239.

2242 Madison Ave.

Corner of Madison, Louisiana, Mission.

619-295-6248.

Look for the French, Italian, and Alaskan flags.

WHAT: PEERICON V  
San Diego's premier DIPLOMACY event

WHERE: 2242 Madison Ave., San Diego (One block west of Texas and Madison Ave.)

WHEN: August 10, 11, 12th

August 10th (Saturday)

0900-1000 Registration  
1000-1800 Round I (Time start is fixed, time ending is flexible)  
1800-2400 Round II (Time start is fixed, time ending is flexible)  
2400- Midnight Pinochle Game

August 11th (Sunday)

0900-1000 Registration  
1000-1800 Playoff Game/Open Gaming (Time start is fixed...time ending is flexible)

August 12th (Monday)

1000-1100 Ron Spitzer Memorial Service

WHY: To play DIPLOMACY, and have a good time, and irritate the neighbors!

WHO: Hosted by Larry Peery and Mike Maston

COST: Pre-registration by mail: \$8.00 for both days  
Registration at the door: \$10.00 for both days  
Deadline for pre-registration is August 8th. Complete information will be sent to all those who pre-reg.

EVENTS: DIPLOMACY TOURNAMENT

PINOCHLE, BRIDGE, COMMODORE 64 GAMING, RAIL BARON, COLD WAR GAME  
and other types of games and pleasurable pursuits too numerous to say...

INFO: For more information call Larry Peery, 619-295-6248 or write:  
PEERICON V, Box 8416, San Diego, CA 92102.

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PEERICON is an annual event held for members of the postal and face to face DIPLOMACY hobby in southern California. The emphasis is on playing Dippy and having a good time. During the weekend you may play anywhere from 1 to 5 Dippy games, as well as other similar games. You will meet and play with some of the best DIPLOMACY players in the entire hobby, of all types and backgrounds. And you will enjoy it; whether you win or lose. Sodas, beer, and wine are available. Hard liquor is not allowed. Smoking indoors is not allowed. Players of all ages are welcome and a beginners game will be offered Saturday if enough novices are interested. Prizes and awards are given for best performances. Hundreds of players have taken part in in the first four PEERICONS. You are invited to join us for the fifth such event.

PEERICON is not a D&D event. Nor is it intended for wargamers, role playing gamers, or those looking for an excuse to get drunk for a weekend. But if you like to play DIPLOMACY and games like it and you enjoy the company of those who do you will enjoy this event.

Your pre-registration simply allows us to better plan for the event.



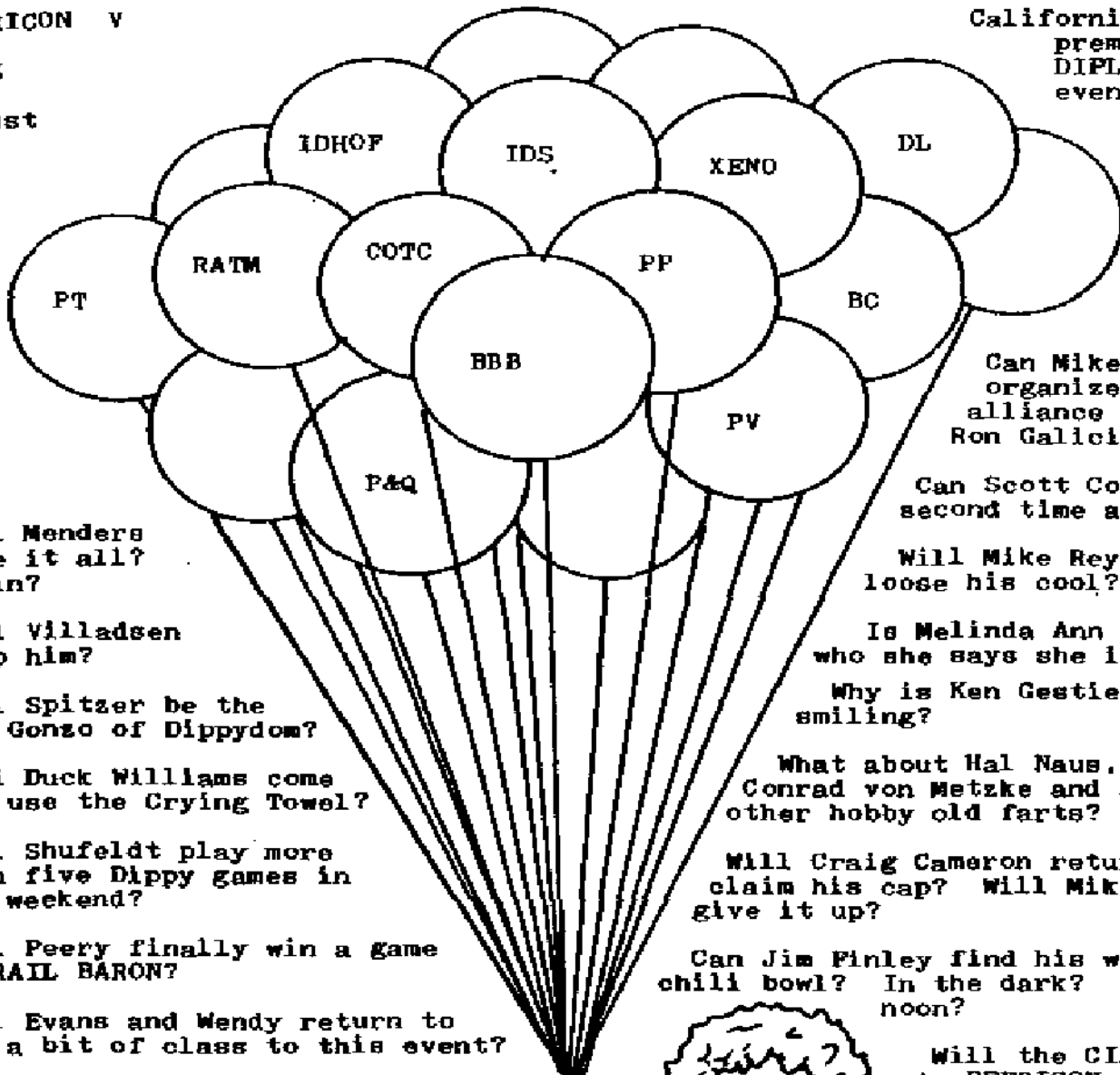
PEERICON V

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California's  
premier  
DIPLOMACY  
event



Will Menders take it all? Again?

Will Villadsen stop him?

Will Spitzer be the new Genzo of Dippydom?

Will Duck Williams come and use the Crying Towel?

Will Shufeldt play more than five Dippy games in one weekend?

Will Peery finally win a game of RAIL BARON?

Will Evans and Wendy return to add a bit of class to this event?

Will Clark Knapp finally get the trophy done?

Can Ken Hager analyze his way to 18 black dots?

Or win a game of bridge?

Does Ron Lay have a bald spot under his Padre hat?

What is the connection between LP's Banana Republic shirt and CIA cap?

Can Mike Bohannon organize a six way alliance against Ron Galicia?

Can Scott Cox do it a second time around?

Will Mike Reynolds loose his cool? Again?

Is Melinda Ann Holley who she says she is?

Why is Ken Gestiehr, Sr. smiling?

What about Hal Naus, Rod Walker, Conrad von Metzke and all the other hobby old farts?

Will Craig Cameron return to claim his cap? Will Mike Maston give it up?

Can Jim Finley find his way to the chili bowl? In the dark? At high noon?

Will the CIA return to PEERICON V?

How about the IRS?

Come to PEERICON V and learn the real truth about what caused the Byrne/Caruso and Peery/Maston moves.....

PEERICON V: AUGUST 9,10,11,12 in Sandy Ego, Kalifornayea!!!

1985 PEERICON V REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ PH \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is: \_\_\_\_\_ (check or money order only in US funds. Make checks payable to Larry Peery.)

This is for: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$8.00 pre registration for PEERICON V which includes refreshments, Saturday dinner, coffee/donuts; per person, non-refundable.)

\_\_\_\_\_ (\$10.00 for a PEERICON tee shirt.  
S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ (\$4.00 to reserve a copy of the 1985 Black and Blue Book).

\_\_\_\_\_ (\$50.00 check made payable to Lafayette Motel for room reservation for night of 8/10 or other. Up to 4 people in a room)

\_\_\_\_\_ (\$75.00 check made payable to Town and Country Hotel for room reservation for night of 8/10 or other. Up to 2 people in a room)

Check items you are interested in:

\_\_\_\_\_ DIPLOMACY Tournament \_\_\_\_\_ RAIL BARON \_\_\_\_\_ COLD WAR

\_\_\_\_\_ PINOCHLE \_\_\_\_\_ BRIDGE \_\_\_\_\_ COMMODORE 64 GAMING

\_\_\_\_\_ OTHER (Such as \_\_\_\_\_)

\_\_\_\_\_ I need a space to stay Friday, Saturday, or Sunday night (Circle as needed).

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be bringing \_\_\_\_\_ people with me.

\_\_\_\_\_ I/we are interested in carpooling from the \_\_\_\_\_ area.

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1985 BLACK AND BLUE BOOK  
ORDER FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ PH \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$4.00 (check or money order in U.S. funds, made payable to Larry Peery) for 1 copy of the 1985 BBB. Publication date 14 July 1985. Copies will be available at PEERICON V.

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Return to: 1985 PEERICON, Box 8416, San Diego, CA 92102

IDHOF ARCHIVES UPDATE

In a single move the IDHOF Archives has become the single largest collection of Dippy materials anywhere. The challenge is now to make them the best collection around, and to make it available to hobby members to use. Last month Scott Marley, the hobby's official archivist, and I brought down to San Diego some 20 cases of Dippy zines and records. His collection, aquired during his tenure as official hobby archivist, added more than 10,000 Dippy zines to our own collection, including many bound complete sets of most of the hobby's major zines. During our recent move I found some 35 cases of Dippy publications. I know because Ron Spitzer and I lifted them all, several times. Sigh... assuming that there are some 500 copies/issues in each case (a conservative estimate) we now have some 17,500 Dippy zines on file.

At the moment my main concern is with preserving such collections, where ever they exist. Brux Linsey has promised a major donation to the Archives. And I hope to get the rest of Doug Beyerlein's personal archives. Any donations are welcome, of course. Duplicates will form the basis of our lending library and, in time, perhaps a spin-off archives. I discovered by accident that I've also inherited Scott's job and title as official hobby archivist. That's the one job I said I would never accept in the hobby. Oh well...

What has been aquired is a vast amount of raw materials which must be put into some kind of useable order. So first we must arrange these materials in somekind of working order. Then we must catalogue them. And finally they must be put into somekind of permanent filing/storage arrangement. All that will take time. At least a year or two. Keep that in mind as you read our ramblings about our future hobby activities. In the meantime; if you happen to have a spare 20,000 3 by 5 cards, or a couple of thousand filing folders, or a dozen or so filing cabinets you don't need; send them along. I'm also looking for suggestions on how the Archives lending library can be organized and run.

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GAME OPENINGS

Yes, we do have game openings. A number of people are signed up for them including one of the hobby's oldest names and one of its brightest young stars! In addition a number of people who volunteered for stand by positions in 1984 P and Q are also entitled to play in the new game.

In addition several people expressed an interest in the Young Turks Game, although I haven't done much about recruiting people for the Hobby/Old Farts Game. I'm still working on it.

But new games there will be, although it will take a while to get them going. So be patient.

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DIPCON 1985 AND BEYOND

This year's DIPCON is being held in Seattle on August 23-25. If you can go I urge you to do so. For more info contact Pete Gaughan, 3121 E. Park Row, #171A, Arlington, TX 76010 (817-633-3208). A number of people from southern California will be attending and presenting a bid to host next year's DIPCON in this year. At least that's the plan for the moment.

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Spring 1906  
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NEVER HAVE SO FEW BEEN STABBED BY SO MANY SO OFTEN....

GERMANY ATTACKS FRANCE AND RUSSIA, ITALY DOUBLE CROSSES GERMANY,  
FRENCH AND RUSSIANS SUFFER SETBACKS...

AUSTRIA (Ron Spitzer: 761 N. Bundy Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90049)

Fleet West Mediterranean Supports ITALIAN Fleet Gulf of Lyon to Spain south coast.

ENGLAND (Jim Meinel: Box 832, Anchorage, Alaska, 99510)

Army Edinburgh Holds.

FRANCE (Ed Menders: 294 S. Voluntario, #J, Santa Barbara, CA 93103-3464)

Army Liverpool Holds, Fleet Clyde-Edinburgh, Fleet North Atlantic Ocean-Mid Atlantic Ocean, Fleet English Channel Supports North Atlantic Ocean-Mid Atlantic Ocean, Fleet Marseilles Supports Army Spain, Army Spain Supports Fleet Marseilles /DISLODGED; Portugal, OTB, Gascony/, Army Burgundy Supports Fleet Marseilles /DISLODGED; Picardy, Paris, Gascony, OTB/.

GERMANY (Pete Gaughan: 3121 East Park Row, no. 171A, Arlington, TX 76010)

Fleet Skaggerat-Norway, Fleet North Sea Supports Skaggerat-Norway, Fleet Sweden Supports Skaggerat-Norway, Army Silesia-Warsaw, Army Kiel-Ruhr, Army Munich-Burgundy, Army Belgium Supports Munich-Burgundy.

ITALY Conrad Minshall: 3702 Tarragona Ln., Austin, TX 78727)

Army Serbia-Rumania, Army Galicia Supports Serbia-Rumania, Army Budapest Supports Serbia-Rumania, Army Bulgaria Supports Serbia-Rumania, Army Piedmont-Marseilles, Army Venice-Tyrolia, Fleet Smyrna-Hold, Fleet Constantinople Supports Fleet Smyrna, Fleet Naples-Tyrrhenian, Fleet Rome-Tuscany, Fleet Gulf of Lyon-Spain south coast.

RUSSIA (Mark Keller: 2 Seaside Ct., Sacramento, CA 95831)

Fleet Norway-Hold /DISLODGED; Norwegian, OTB/, Fleet Barents Supports Fleet Norway, Army Ukraine-Warsaw, Army Sevastapol-Moscow, Army Rumania-Bulgaria /DISLODGED; Sevastapol, OTB/, Army Ankara-Constantinople, Army Armenia-Smyrna.

There is a proposal for a French/German/Italian/Russian Draw Proposal. Please vote with your fall orders. Fall orders are due Monday, July 29th.

#### PRESS OF SORTS

ENGLAND:

England-France; YOU'RE NO FUN ANYMORE!

ITALY:

Italy-Germany; Sorry about Warsaw, old chap, but you really shouldn't have sent that letter to Austria.

PEERIJAVO:

Peerijavo-General Telephone: I suggest you cut all the wires in and out of Bundy Dr.

#### MINI-CONTEST

There is something unique about the game adjudication this season. Whatever it is has never happened before in all my years of face to face or postal gamemastering. Can you guess what it is? (And don't tell me it was doing the results at my new residence!).....

The 1985 edition of the BBB is in the process of being prepared for publication. We had originally intended to have it done by now but because of the move and some technical problems with the project's hardware and software we don't have it done yet. The new scheduled publication date is 14 July. Most of the problems have been caused by the far greater than expected response from the hobby. We suffered from an over-dose of information input. Not that we are complaining, mind you. And yes, Kathy, there is still time to send your mailing list in because even if it is too late for the initial printing it will be available for future print outs direct from the computer. At the moment we have over 900 names of individuals from all over the North American hobby and representing every significant subset within the hobby. Over 100 publications are also listed in the 1985 edition. The entire print out of the material, with the various special sorts, will run to over 150 pages. We have, together, created the most comprehensive single collection of data on the hobby's members ever. The challenge is to put it into a form that makes it easily useable to the hobby's members. To do that and to do it well will require a bit of time. And, frankly, I figure it is worth the time to do it right the first time.

Mike is busy working on the material and trying to find the best software to go with his hardware to produce a package that is useful, attractive, and cost efficient. He's already put about 100 hours into this project and I'm sure he'll put in many more before we are done. I am sure the end results will justify his efforts and our expectations.

I am holding the price for the 1985 BBB at \$4.00, although it may end up costing more than that to produce. I won't let the cost run much more than that, however. It is my feeling that a project such as this should pay for itself. In the meantime, if you want to reserve a copy send a check or money order for \$4.00 (U.S.) payable to: Larry Peery, Box 8416, San Diego, CA 92102. Be sure to indicate it is for the BBB. And yes, I'll still give 10¢ credit for each name, address, and telephone number (with area code) you send in from your Dippy mailing list. We've received close to 30 different mailing lists ranging from a handful of names to many hundreds. But we're still looking for more; especially for face to face players.

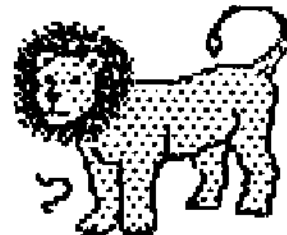
Details on ordering special computer sorts and print outs will be included with the BBB. If you want one I strongly suggest you order one now to make sure you get a copy from the first printing.

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I hear they want to change the name of the BBB to something more respectable. Is nothing sacred??

Yes.  
Maston's Peerage is what Maston wants.  
Peery isn't saying.

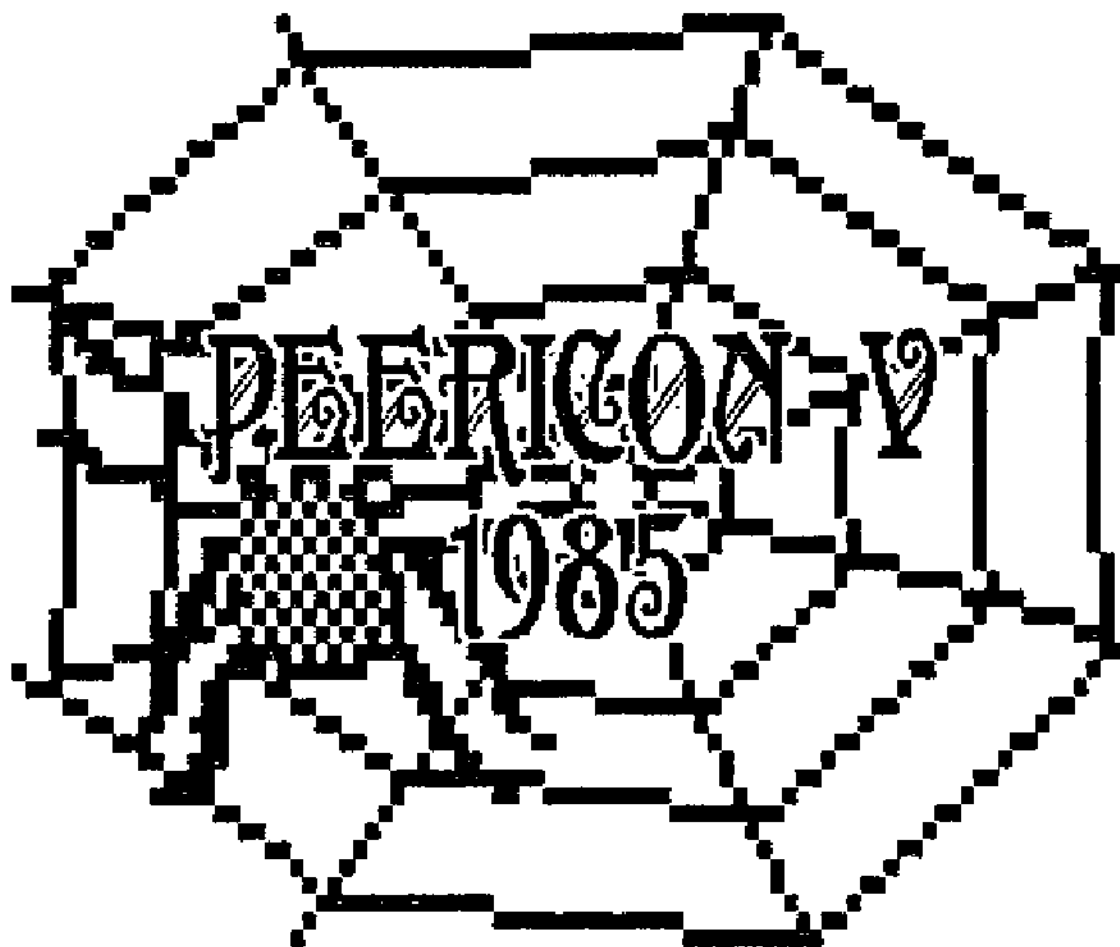


How about War and Pieces?

Presenting

DIPCON V

The fifth annual classic for DIPLOMACY players in southern California will be held on August 9, 10, 11, and 12th with a full DIPLOMACY Tournament on Saturday and Sunday. Prizes and awards to the winners. A good time for all.



Pre-registration is advised as space is limited. For info: Call Larry Peery or Mike Maston at 619-295-6248, or write: PEERICON V, c/o Institute for Diplomatic Studies, Box 8416, San Diego, CA 92102.

Come and test your skills as a DIPLOMACY player against some of the best players in the hobby.

PEERICON V: IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN

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Yes, Melinda, there will be a PEERICON V. It will run from August 9th (Friday) through August 12th (Monday) with the main events and tournament to be held on the 10th and 11th (Saturday and Sunday). This weekend coincides with GAME TOWNE'S GAMEFEST, their annual August gaming event, so if you have someone who wants to come along who doesn't play Dippy they'll have a major event to attend while you are at PEERICON.

This year's event will be a bit more formal than last year's but a bit less formal than PEERICON II. In addition to DIPLOMACY we'll have the traditional Saturday Midnight Pinochle and Bridge games, a wide selection of Commodore 64 games, and probably some RAIL BARON and COLD WAR. The focal point, of course, will be the DIPLOMACY tournament, based on multiple rounds of play the first day and a seeded play off game the second day.

In addition there will be some special activities and I hope to have the Archives in at least a preliminary arrangement so people can see what's there.

Since we've moved we've changed the location for this year's PEERICON. Our new place is about 10 blocks from the old apartment and within easy walking distance of the Lafayette Hotel so if we need more room it will be available. This place is arranged a lot differently than the old one and we'll have the room to handle 3 or 4 games simultaneously and comfortably. We'll also have two refrigerators to handle refreshments. There will be limited space available for over-night guests here and I'm sure other locals will open their space if needed.

We'll have prizes and awards for the winners and this year we've even added a door prize which you can win just by pre-registering or registering at the door. Clark Knapp again promises to have the PEERICON trophy ready for this year and we'll have PEERICON tee shirts available. One thing I hope to have available is a composite results of all previous PEERICONS showing individual standings on an over all basis. It should be interesting to see whose got the best over all record over the last four years.

There will be a registration fee to help cover expenses, refreshments, etc. Last year's fee just about covered the cost of refreshments and the other expenses were covered by donations or by us. That seems a good formula. So I'll stick with that. The pre-reg fee will be \$8.00. The reg fee at the door will be \$10. That covers both days and includes dinner on Saturday night. I think this year I'll fix it myself although the pizza/Chinese/junk food option is always available.

Those of you who have attended past PEERICONS seem to have had a good time. At least you keep coming back. And each year we attract a few new faces with some fresh blood. We need it. So, plan to come spend the weekend of August 10-11th with us here at PEERICON V. Don't be a Visitor, be a Peericat!

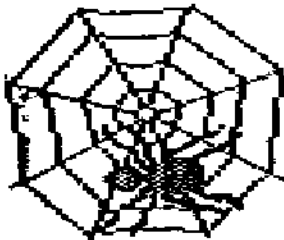
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Did Peery really win last year's Grand Prize?

Yes. He stayed awake until 0500 and everybody else fell asleep or went home.

That's not fair.

That's Peery.



FROM: IDS  
PEERICON V  
Box 8416  
San Diego, CA 92102



*All is forgiven*



Steve Knight  
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# GAME-FEST VI

## AUG. 9-18

### san diego's 6th annual game festival

#### A 10-DAY GAMING EXTRAVAGANZA!

- \*over 60 game tournaments!
- \*scores of game demonstrations!
- \*over \$1500 in prizes!
- \*on-site game sales by Game Towne!
- \*special raffles (win \$10 gift certificates!)
- \*costume contest on Saturday, Aug. 10!
- \*and fun galore!!!

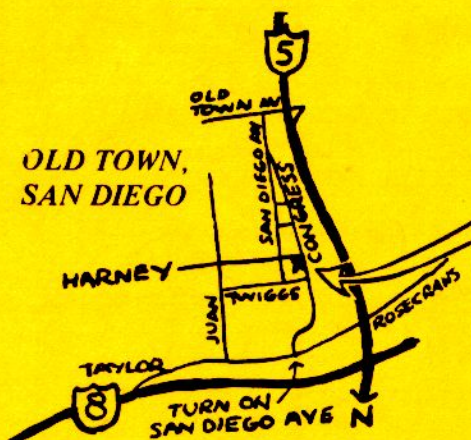
#### HOW TO REGISTER

Sign up at Game Towne, 3954 Harney St., San Diego, CA 92110. Make checks payable to Game Towne, and mail-in entries must be received by Aug. 8. In the rare and unlikely event a tournament is overcrowded, entrants will be determined by registration date.

The entry fee is \$16 until Aug. 8 and includes entry to all the gaming events for all 10 days, a \$24 value gaming coupon book (for purchases), plus more. Entry is \$22 at the door for all 10 days, or \$8 for one day.

#### HOW TO GET TO GAME-FEST VI

Game-Fest VI will be held at Game Towne in Old Town, San Diego on the corner of Harney and Congress Streets:



Street parking is plentiful, with 2 parking lots nearby (2 blocks east up Harney, or 2 blocks north on Congress.)

#### ACCOMMODATIONS

While no specific accommodations have been reserved for Game-Fest, San Diego has all the usual chains: Motel 6, Holiday Inn, Hilton, Sheraton, etc. (The nearest are the Padre Trail Inn on Taylor St., the Easy-8 on Pacific Highway, and the Hotel Circle Motel 6, in that order).

#### THE SCHEDULE

Game-Fest VI runs from Friday, August 9 to Sunday, August 18. The hours schedule:

Friday, Aug. 9:  
Festival: 1000-1700; Game Towne: 1000-1800  
Saturday & Sunday, Aug. 10 & 11:  
Festival: 0930-1900; Game Towne: 0900-2000  
Monday to Thursday, Aug. 12-15:  
Festival: 1200-1700; Game Towne: 1000-1800  
Friday, Aug. 16:  
Festival: 1100-1800; Game Towne: 1000-1900  
Saturday, Aug. 17:  
Festival: 1000-1900; Game Towne: 1000-1900  
Sunday, Aug. 18:  
Festival: 1000-1630; Game Towne: 1000-1900  
Awards: 1630-1800.

#### KEY

See the reverse side for the schedule of events during these times. Any game event marked with an \* denotes that a short demonstration precedes the tournament. Astericked (\*) events are suitable for players generally familiar with the genre of that event.

A † denotes that the game is either simple enough to learn in the demonstration, or that the event is an introductory approach to the game. Events marked with a † are suitable for all festival entrants.

The approximate time of the event follows, subject to modification depending on the number of players and unforeseen circumstances. The time is in military notation: 1000 = 10:00 am, 1800 = 6:00 pm.

The following dollar amount refers to the value of the purse for that event. Itemized prize listings will be posted and updated during the festival. "\$tba" means the purse is "to be announced".

#### GAME-FEST BOOTH

The Game-Fest Information Booth will be set up with special event displays, sign-up sheets, updated lists of winners, Old Town maps, and current information about Game-Fest. The special Game-Fest VI shirt will be available there, but supply is limited, so hurry to get your size. Game Towne will take advance orders for Game-Fest VI shirts. (4-color shirts are \$7.50, tax incl.)

#### AWARDS

Game-Fest VI has a guaranteed purse minimum of \$1500.00. Most events have prizes for the first three placers, depending on the number of people in the event. In addition, every 1st place finisher in an event receives a blue-ribbon certificate. All awards will be presented at the awards ceremony on Sunday, Aug. 18, scheduled from 4:30 - 6:00pm.

Game Towne thanks all the manufacturers that sponsored their game tournaments.

#### SPECIAL GOLD KEY AWARD

The Game Towne Gold Key trophy is awarded annually to an overall winner of Game-Fest. The recipient of this coveted award must have meritoriously participated in a broad spectrum of gaming events. Events will be weighted according to the number of participants and general level of skill involved. Nominees will be posted during the festival.

Gold Key Required Events:

- \*Trivia Open
- \*Ace of Aces and/or Lost Worlds
- \*at least one roleplaying event
- \*at least one boardgaming event

(The Steve Jackson Pentathlon is a recommended Gold Key Event.)

#### SPECIAL CONTESTS

All 10-day festival entrants receive one entry into each special contest.

Figure painting: (sponsored by Ral Partha). \$tba. Any gaming figure from 15mm to 100 mm scale is eligible. Judged on painting skill and subject matter.

Diorama: (sponsor tba) \$tba. Size restrictions are 18"X18"X18". Judged on diorama content (does it tell a story, evoke thought, emotion, or humor, and/or does it "Paint" a situation), and on crafting skill.

Costume: Saturday, Aug. 10 is the costume contest. All entrants will receive a small surprise, winners purse tba. People's Choice, Best-in-Show, and Most Exotic. Please note costumes stress gaming, real weaponry is not acceptable.



# GAME-FEST VI TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS, AUGUST 9-18, 1985

*Tentative schedule only, subject to change*

GAME-FEST VI: held in Old Town, San Diego, at GAME TOWNE, corner Harney & Congress Streets  
Phone (619) 291-1666 for more info.

\*\*\*\*\*Competitions held throughout the festival hours\*\*\*\*\*Competitions held throughout the festival hours, (ending Sunday, Aug. 18 at 2:00pm)\*\*\*\*\*

**ACE OF ACES, \*†, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Nova Games*  
Ace of Aces runs throughout the festival.

**LOST WORLDS, \*†, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Nova Games*  
Lost Worlds runs throughout the festival.

**TRIVIA OPEN, \*†, \$tba**  
*Sponsors to be announced.*  
Questions from Trivial Pursuit, Trivia, Time,  
Superquiz, Trivia for Kids, others tba.

**GRASS, \*†, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Euro Commerce Corp.*  
Grass runs throughout the festival.

**COSMIC WIMPOUT, \*†, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Cosmic Wimpout*  
Cosmic Wimpout runs throughout the festival.

**STEVE JACKSON PENTATHLON, \*†, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Steve Jackson Games*  
(Ogre, Illuminati, Car Wars, other tba). The Steve  
Jackson Pentathlon runs throughout the festival

## FRIDAY, AUG 9

**PARANOIA, \*, 1100-1600, \$tba**  
*West End Games*

**THIEVES GUILD, \*, 1100-1600 \$tba**  
*Gamelards*

**BASIC DUNGEONS & DRAGONS, \*†, 1100-1600**  
*Sponsored by TSR Hobbies, Inc.*

**CIVILIZATION, \*, 1000-1700, \$15**  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*

**ASSAULT/BOOTS & SADDLES, \*, 1000-1700**  
*Sponsored by Game Designers Workshop (\$tba)*

**MONOPOLY \*†, 1400-1700, \$tba**  
*Parker Brothers*

**NUCLEAR WAR, \*†, 1100-1300, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Flying Buffalo, Inc.*

## MONDAY, AUG. 12

**SUPERGAME, \*, 1200-1700, \$15**  
*Sponsored by DAG designs.*

**TALISMAN, \*†, 1300-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Games Workshop*

## TUESDAY, AUG. 13

**TFT, \*, 1200-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Game Towne*

**BACKGAMMON, \*, 1200-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsor to be announced*

**ASSASSIN, \*†, 1200-1500, \$tba**  
*Southhold Game Corp.*

## WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

**MIDDLE EARTH RPG, \*, 1200-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Iron Crown Enterprises*

**CHILL, \*, 1200-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Pacemaker*

**UP FRONT, \*, 1200-1700, \$15**  
*Sponsored by Avalon Hill Game Co.*

## THURSDAY, AUG. 15

**CALL OF CTHULHU, \*, 1200-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Chaosium*

**AVALON HILL ANCIENTS, \*, 1200-1700, \$25**  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*

Trireme, Caesar, Circuit Maximus, Gladiator,

**COSMIC ENCOUNTERS, \*, 1200-1600, \$tba**  
*West End Games*

## FRIDAY, AUG. 16

**TWILIGHT 2000, \*, 1200-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Game Designers Workshop*

**VILLIANS & VIGILANTES, \*, 1200-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Fantasy Games Unlimited*

**SIXTH FLEET, 1100-1800, \$25**  
*Sponsored by Victory Games.*

**PAX BRITANNICA, \*, 1100-1800, \$15**  
*Sponsored by Victory Games*

**RISK, \*†, 1200-1600, \$tba**  
*Parker Brothers.*

## SATURDAY, AUG. 17

**CHAMPIONS, \*, 1000-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Hero Games*

**CHIVALRY & SORCERY, \*, 1000-1400, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Fantasy Games Unlimited*

**JAMES BOND, \*, 1000-1400, \$75**  
*Sponsored by Victory Games*

**TRAVELLER, \*, 1430-1900, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Games Designers Workshop*

**ADVANCED DUNGEONS & DRAGONS,**  
1500-1900, \$tba  
*Sponsored by TSR Hobbies, Inc.*

**STAR FLEET BATTLES (no. 2), 1000-1900, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Task Force Games*

**DIPLOMACY, \*†, 1100-1800, \$30**  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*

**SQUAD LEADER, 1000-1900, \$30**  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*

**RAILROAD TRIATHLON, \*†, 1100-1800, \$30**  
*Sponsored by Avalon Hill and others.*  
(Rail Baron, British Rails, Rails thru  
the Rockies)

## SUNDAY, AUG. 18

**RUNEQUEST, \*, 1000-1630, \$25**  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*

**STAR TREK, \*, 1000-1630 \$tba**  
*Sponsored by FASA*

**KINGMAKER, \*†, 1030-1600, \$25**  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*

**TSR/SPI CLASSICS, \*(†), 1000-1630, \$25**  
*Sponsored by TSR Hobbies, Inc.*  
Blue & Gray, Napoleon's Last Battles,

**AIR TRIATHLON, \*(†), 1000-1630, \$25**  
*Sponsored by Avalon Hill, GDW, & others*  
Air Force, Richtofen's War, Blue Max, —,

**SUPER SLEUTH SPECIAL, \*†, 1030-1630, \$20**  
*Sponsor to be announced*  
221-b Baker St. (Hansen), Consulting Detective  
(Sleuth), Scotland Yard (Ravensburger).

*To register and receive updated info, write:*  
**GAME-FEST VI**  
c/o GAME TOWNE  
3954 Harney Street (in Old Town)  
San Diego, CA 92110

## SATURDAY, AUG. 10

**GRAND AD&D OPEN, 1000-1400, \$250**  
*Sponsored by TSR Hobbies, Inc.*  
(Winners proceed by rounds: round 2: 1500-1900)

**AVALON HILL CLASSICS PENTATHLON,**  
1000-1900, \$75  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*

**CHESS, 1100-1800, \$tba**  
*Sponsor to be announced*

## SUNDAY, AUG. 11

**GRAND AD&D OPEN, FINAL ROUNDS**  
*Sponsored by TSR Hobbies, Inc.*  
(For winners only: 1000-1400 & 1500-1900)

**TUNNELS & TROLLS, \*†, 1100-1700, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Flying Buffalo, Inc.*

**SPECTRUM, \*, 1100-1700, \$tba**  
*Leading Edge Games*

**STAR FLEET BATTLES, \*, 1100-1900, \$tba**  
*Sponsored by Task Force Games*

**DEMO: BITTER END, 1100-1700**  
*Hobby Japan, Quarterdeck Games*

**NAVAL WAR, \*†, 1200-1500, \$15**  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*

**AVALON HILL SPORTS PENTATHLON, \*,**  
1030-1700 \$30  
*Sponsored by The Avalon Hill Game Co.*  
Statis-Pro Baseball, Basketball, Paydirt, Titlebout,  
Speed Circuit.