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#### Meeting Dates:

Saturday, July 13, 1974, at 1:00 p.m., at the home of the Bucklins, 4701 Park Ave. S., Mpls.

Tuesday, July 23, 1974, at 7:00 p.m., at the Hobbitat, 3755 Pillbury Ave. S., Mpls.

The annual Minn-stf picnic will be Saturday, July 27 (not the 20th, as had been suggested earlier). Watch for more details and a map in Rune 38.

Saturday, August 3, at 1:00 p.m., at 343 E. 19th St., Apt. 5B (Blyly & Young), Apt. 8B (Haskell), and perhaps other fannish apartments in the same building.

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B.Y.O.B.Con 4

July 19-21, 1974

Kansas City, Missouri

This con will be at the Muehlebach Hotel (the worldcon hotel for the K.C. in '76 bid), Baltimore & Wyandotte at 12th St., Kansas City, Mo. 64105. Singles start at \$16, doubles start at \$24. There is a pool and a 12,000 sq. ft. sundeck. There will be an art show with lots of stuff by Tim Kirk and Richard Corben. Huckster tables are \$10. I don't know what films they plan to show. The party suite will feature Coors Bheer (don't take the name of the con seriously). There will be at least a couple of car loads of Minneapolis fans going.

Registration is \$3.00 in advance or \$5.00 at the door. Make checks payable to KaCSFFS, and send them to B.Y.O.B.Con 4, 1915 Mews Dr., Kansas City, Mo. 64131.

When I helped convince the K.C. group that they ought to make this an open con at a hotel, rather than an invitational get-together at certain fans' homes, I promised that the con would be publicized in Rune 38 when it came out the first week in June. Rune 38 still has not come out, and although I had no control over the situation, I would like to publicly apologize to the K.C. fans for making a promise that I have been unable to keep. I would also like to encourage fans to attend the K.C. con if at all possible, not only to have a good time, but also to keep the K.C. fans from loosing their shirts putting on the con.

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#### The Discon Bus Trip

We must have at least 34 people on the bus to be able to rent it. (We can take up to 39.) To date 11 people have confirmed that they want to go on the bus. In addition to Don Blyly and Mark Hansen, these people are:

Ann & Bob Passovoy, Bob Tucker, Susan Guthman, Ken Hoyme, Delores Lenmon, Joan Verba, Patrice Russell (all of whom have paid their \$20 deposit), and Karl Bunday (who has paid the full \$60).

If we can't get enough people to fill the bus, we want to give these people as much time as possible to find alternate ways of getting to Discon. If we do not get enough people to send in money by August 1, we will cancel the bus trip. If we cancel the trip, we will immediately refund all the money to anybody who has sent money in. So, if you have not yet sent in money, mail a check (payable to Don Blyly) for at least the \$20 deposit so that it will arrive before August 1 (address: 343 E. 19th St., Apt. 5B, Minneapolis, Mn. 55404). If you have already sent in your deposit, wait until about August 5. If you have not received a refund by Aug. 5, that will indicate that enough people signed up, and you should immediately send in the rest of the \$60.

The bus will leave Minneapolis on Wednesday, August 28, at 2:00 p.m., with stops later in the day in Madison and Chicago. We plan to arrive at the con hotel about 5:00 p.m. Thursday. We will leave D.C. about 4:00 p.m. Monday, arriving back in Minneapolis around 7:00 p.m. Tuesday. The bus is air-conditioned, and since we are working with Greyhound, if the air conditioner does break down, we can switch to a new bus at the next Greyhound terminal.

The cost of the round trip is \$60. If only 34 people go, we won't be able to afford more than that. If more people go, we will have money to furnish little luxuries like free ice, water, and cups for the bus; a trip to the Smithsonian; party supplies for a bus party; etc. Any money received in excess of the amount needed to rent the bus will be used in a manner that will benefit the bus riders.

A couple of Minneapolis people have expressed interest in riding on the bus to Discon, but finding an alternate, more devious, more time-consuming method to get back after Discon. If anybody out there is interested in visiting Minneapolis after Discon and would be interested in a one way ride on the bus after Discon, please let us know as soon as possible, and we will try to work things out.

To join Discon II, send a check for \$7.00 (attending) to Discon II, P.O. Box 31127, Washington, D.C. 20031. Non-attending memberships are \$3.00. Attending memberships bought at the door will probably be at least \$10.

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Uncle Hugo's SF Bookstore, 2002 4th Ave. S., would like to have more Rune-readers stop by. So, for the month of July, anybody who brings this issue of Rune in with them can get 10% off any books by local authors Gordy Dickson and Cliff Simak.

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