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(That's so the ice cream can drip through)

This was typed on a typewriter at work and on the same Smith-Sorona that Ethereal Vibrations was typed on. All of the Art work used is my own . Any useful assistance that was received was done by Kitty - Kitty who is purring in my lap.at the moment.

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The above are just a few of my husbands helpful comments of this literary masterpiece.



I'mmmmmmmmmmmmm Scarred :::::

The High Command saith to WRITE.

Artwork - yes, Word Searches - yes, Trivia Questions - yes;

WRITING - NO.

A voice crying to above for inspiration.

I could start off and tell you of my life history (as per my husband)
but that's been X - rated. I could tell you of my fannish life but that's XX - rated.
Oh hum.

I am not much of a reader of Science Fiction but I have currently discovered Farmer and Anderson/ Dickson and am having a good time with their books. I was an East Coast fan until 1969. I belonged to WSFA and was a mail member of NESFA. Ah! those were the days. Coming to the Midwest was a fannish and a social let down.

I have taken refuge in a great number of hobbies and am trying to work some of them into my Science Fiction world. I enjoy needlepoint, knitting, crochetting, and embroidery. These are the easiest to word in for me. There are many a fantastic Pulp magazine cover that can be re-done in needlepoint. I think that in the future I will publish some original patterns, if you use them all I would ask is that you sent me a photo of what you did and NEVER give away the pattern without my name on it. If anyone would like to start a creative discussion on how to make use of different media in science fiction art I'll be glad to add my 99¢ to it.

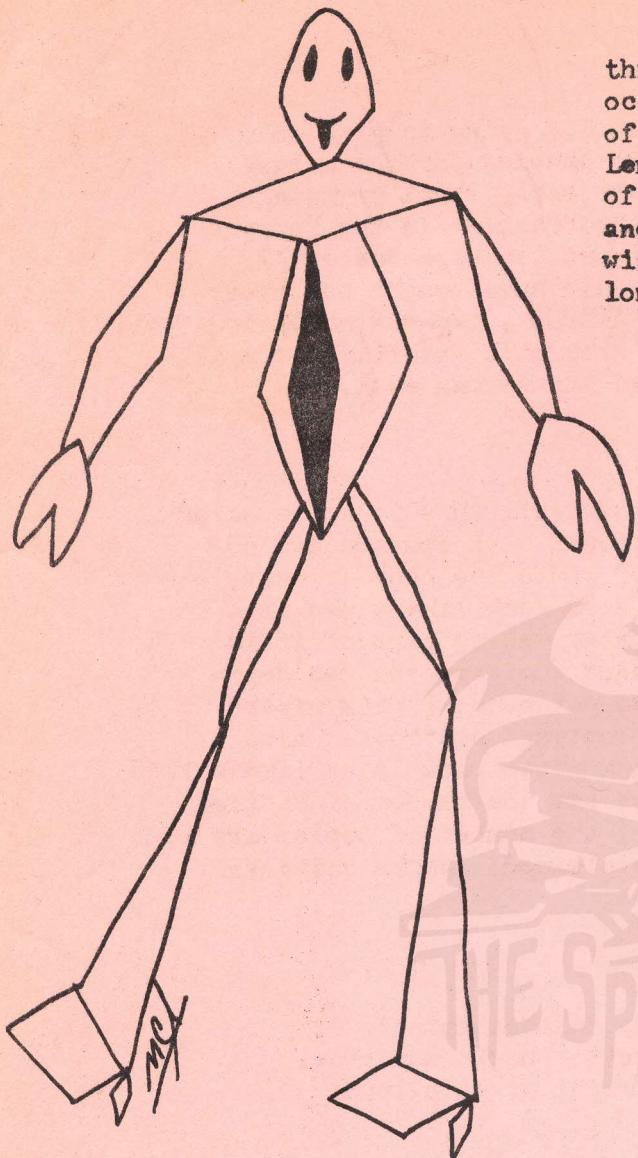
I haven't been painting since I married but that will soon change since I took over a room ; line drawings are about it for now.

One "hobbie" that wasn't hard to include was my love of comic books and Pulps. The comic books have been sold but the Prozines are growing very fast. The messcellanea begins in the early 30's and fills 8 paper boxes (11" x 17" x 10") I don't really know what I have. There are also four cartons of fanzines.

There are other hobbies. Since I was given a "wedding gift" of a Ruger 10-.22 carbine from my loving husband, I have come to enjoy that what I was very afraid of. There are now four guns that I call mine including a .44 cal. blackpowder revolver (Lots of fun until it comes to washing the Crisco off of EVERYTHING). Every so often I make attempts at sewing. I paint Easter eggs for trees and turn out a great many of those jeweled Christmas ornaments.

If anyone would care to join in a continuing tale of what ever I will keep up one or two versions of a story that has the following begining:

There wasn't anything more that could be done. There I was giving a final glance at scarred craft that was once my womb on this strange planet. The fireball taken away her beauty and also the lives of the other mission members less than a day ago. I began feeling the heat of the gray sands as I turned and started walking away.



My girlfriend and I kept three of these things alive for over two years and they occupied over one hundred and fifty sheets of paper. We used characters out of the Lensman series. Sorry to say I think most of the work has been destroyed , the last lines and illustrations were added in 1967. If you do wish to add make it no more than five full lines long, anything used will be credited.

There has been some discussion here in Columbus about science fiction courses in high schools. I thought I'd add my 2¢ about this. This is how I started reading the jolly good stuff. I went to a private, Catholic, all girl highs school (sub-named snobb hill) and the library nun happened to like science fiction. I was a member of the library club and at the meetings we had book discussions. Through the years I can remember talking about Perelandra, 1984, Animal Farm, Martian CHRONICLES and Seven Footprints to Satan. The poor nun had troubles with the other ones who thought Agatha Christie was far out.

We are thinking about going camping for Easter this year. So far my parents haven't made up their mind where they want to go. Since they gave us the camper in August we camp in a spot they like. By the way the camper is a Pleasuremate PM13,with Hard roof, beige body and a gold interior. My father is a weird sort and at times he gets fits of generosity he also has the opposit fits (at far longer periods). I think we will end up in Pennsylvania.

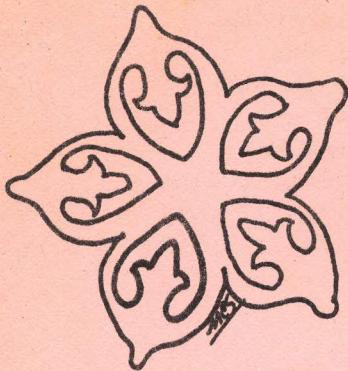
Have you noticed that I did not major in spelling , at all, ever. 1 !

Have you also noticed that I miissed having to take typing lessons!

Did any of you receive Bjo's art newsletter? I think I am developing a tinge of jealousy over their new house. Sounds like a fantastic place.

The Conners have come up with a great idea for their meeting. We are all going to meet at their place and then we afe going to a Chineese resturant that their friends own. The resturant is ours for the night . The cost is less than \$4.00 a piece. Great Wall here we come.....

Pick, pick, pick. Have you ever tried to hunt and peck with a critical husband and a mother - in - law who regularly publishes for Battelle (and types 120 wpm) hanging over you. AAAaaaaarrrrrrrgggghhhhhh!!!!!!.



If this weather keeps up I'm going to grow mold. Those few hot days sent me dashing for the garage for my garden tools. I went madly about pruning roses and getting rid of the brambles in the berry patch. I was ready to get out the barbecue grill. If I had had any money I would have bought out every garden center in town. MADNESS, madness ah Spring fever speaking of fever the cold resulting from all this madness has just ended its second week.

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By the way I work for an insurance company, don't back off this is not a sales pitch. This is to explain how we get this stuff run off. I operate a 2650 (automated) multilith. If it is in a well balanced state the copy is near perfect, if not it might pass for mimeo. It will also look like mimeo if you use a lousy typewriter like this one. The master making part of it is a converted Brunning copy machine (they are the ones who gave you the Sepia colored copies). You now slide in an original and out comes a pink paper master. Reducing is not possible but it does have contrast controls. Also the original must be on white paper. The printing press part looks like a 1250 with a few extra switches. To make duplicates you set the number of desired copies and push a button. The master is inserted, the number of copies are run and the master is ejected and your blanket is cleaned. Works quite well until there is a malfunction or a paper jam happens.

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Would you believe I have been working the whole day on this thing? If I'm going to make the mailing after this one I'd better begin tomorrow. Larry didn't tell me when this was due until last night, It slipped his loose little mind for over a week.

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One way that we have found to beat the cost of food is a variety meat called Tripe (cow's stomach). If you aren't squeamish it is a very good meal. The cost is about 59¢ per pound. You pre cook it and cut it up in ~~in~~ squares. After that you can french fry it, cook it with tomato sauce and onions or use it in stews and casseroles instead of higher priced beef. It does have a beefy taste. If anyone would like a recipe for it I have several of them.

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My Gardania bud opened today!! The miniture rose has flowers!!!!

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My mother - in - law came up with the title to this zine. I was trying to think up an opposite for Ethereal Vibrations and all I came up with was Earthly Peace which does not sound like a fanzine (Which is not saying ~~in~~ that this should be called a fanzine.)



And in closing (ah bliss) I would like to leave you ~~but my~~
~~husband has no children to this point~~ with a few words of wisdom. But there
are none.

... the airplanes didn't kill him ... it was beauty that killed
the beast.

Good ole Larry is in a tizzy because he thinks that i will be mistaken
for some kind of illiterate. He just doesn't reconize creative writing
(or spelling) when he sees it. (OR for that matter creative typing)

I must mention that before this I was very picky with his quickly
assembled and typed 'zine.

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COLUMBUS IS PLANNING TO BID FOR THE 1976 WORLD CON. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

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My husband is sitting here eating FROZEN strawberries Oh, brrrrrr.

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By the way this illegal printing operation is being reffered to as the
Grimsmithy Press. The name was assembled by Ray Reideneur in a cartoon
he gave to me.

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If there are any changes that you would like to see at Marcons
please drop us a note. I was thinking of a midnight Science Fiction
Olympics with books autographed by the GOH as prizes. Our biggest
problem seems to be the banquet and the panels..

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Richard Centing is trying to compile some sort of list of Ohio fanzines
(name, # of issues, dates etc.) for the special collections department of
the Ohio State Library. Send any firm information to Richard Centing,
111 West Hudson, Columbus, Ohio 43202. APT. 1C

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This has been a lot of fun and mabey I'll improve with practice
and a little preporation and a dictionary. I have sat here and had a few chuckles
I hope you get one to. just to make sure CUT HERE

(Your free ticket entitling you to one free ~~chuckle~~
chuckle.)

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I think this font of wisdom has run temporally dry
but it should be ready for another spouting before the next mailing is due.

Clear ether, god eating,

Celia

This is my very first fanzine so I have to take the blame.

ONLY ONE IN IT'S NAME

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All of the names in the word list appear in the box to the left. The names run in every direction; bottom to top, right to left, corner to corner etc.

HAVE FUN !!!

WORD LIST

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| Shield (Anderson) | Dune (Hebert) | Thorns (Silverberg) |
| Omnivore (Anthony) | Almuric (Howard) | Hyperborea (Smith) |
| Timepivot (Ball) | Bloodworld (Janifer) | Zothique (Smith) |
| Yonder (Beaumont) | Colossus (Jones) | Stardreamer (Smith) |
| Starburst (Bester) | Impllosion (Jones) | Hellflower (Smith) |
| Daymares (Brown) | Timeslip (Leinster) | Mindswap (Sheckley) |
| Quicksand (Brunner) | Perelandra Lewis) | Iceworld (Stubbs) |
| Pendulum (Christopher) | Bumsider (MacApp) | Beyond (Sturgeon) |
| Anarchaos (Clark) | Shock (Matheson) | Caviar (Sturgeon) |
| Earthlight (Clarke) | Dragonflight (McCaffrey) | Spacehive (Sutton) |
| Starbreed (de Mey Clow) | Dragonquest (Mc Caffrey) | Lifeboat (White) |
| Transit (Cooper) | Restoree (Mc Caffrey) | Limbo (Wolfe) |
| Rork (Davidson) | Ringworld (Niven) | Triumph (Wylie) |
| Nova (Delany) | Catseye (Norton) | Chocky (Wyndham) |
| Nerves (del Rey) | Davy (Pangborn) | |
| Flesh (Farmer) | Supermind (Phillips) | |
| Plunder (Goulart) | Star (Pohl) | |
| Doomstar (Hamilton) | Sardonicus (Russell) | |
| Deathworld (Harrison) | Wasp (Russell) | |
| Waldo (Heinlein) | Berserker (Saberhagen) | |