

Issue 2

Saturday morning

Bozo Bus Tribune

The Official Organ of Minicon 56

"We're all bozos on this bus!"

Fans of a timeless story!

Some three dozen con members filled the Orchard Room to capacity last night to watch a 1" reel-to-reel recording of *Midwestside Story*, a fannish parody of the classic musical *West Side Story* performed way back at Minicon 12 and recently edited and captioned by **David Dyer-Bennet**. Despite his disclaimer that the sounds and video were not first rate, the audience stayed for the duration and offered plenty of laughter.

Afterward, those involved in the show's 1977 production came forward to field questions. The ensuing discussion covered such topics as who played whom, how the show was conceived (a participant in the previous year's *The Mimeo Man* got excited), and what was done for the revival at Minicon 33. DD-B has collected a commentary track from Denny Lien and hopes to later record commentaries with the show's other two principal authors.

It's not about Toni

Artist Guest of Honor **Sara Felix** brought her family along to Minicon for a reason: her daughter Erin was turning ten, and Sara wanted Minicon's Opening Ceremony audience to sing her a Happy Birthday. (They happily obliged.) In exchange, the audience was given cake. Candles were provided by Joel Phillips and basically nothing related to Toni Brust occurred.

The building blocks of conventions

The Bar did announce, however, that the Galaxy Explorer **Lego set** people have been enjoying this weekend will be raffled off to a random person who **pre-registers for Minicon 57** at this year's con. Save money and pre-register!

Meet the GoHs! (Klatches happening after all)

Coffee/tea/whiskey klatches **will** be held for Sara Felix and Martha Wells in the Green Room!

Sara's klatch: 11a.m. Saturday

Martha's klatch: 9a.m. Sunday

Sign up at Registration if you want to participate. Limited seating available.



The Happy Beholder beholds you!

Visit it in **Room 327**, roll a giant inflatable D20, and collect libations and loot!

Want more birthday fun?

Not had enough of wishing people a happy birthday? Come to the **Bar** tonight at 7:20 p.m. to wish **J's friend Joondo Chang** a happy birthday over Zoom.

Programming Additions

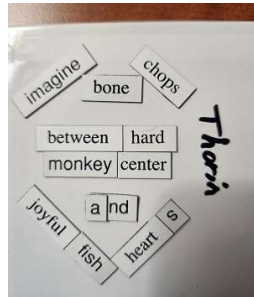
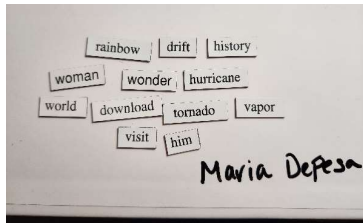
- Author **R. J. Howell** will join the Author Smorgasbord (10a.m. Sat.)
- **Bill Higgins** will join "SF Shows We Think You'd Like" (11:30a.m. Sat.)

Strike that, reverse it

"The Cub strike was averted! Shop there if you please." -*Anonymous*

Friday night poetry from the Glory Scroll

The **Glory Scroll**, a magnetic-poetry-themed party in Room 328, is highlighting winners from each night for your entertainment. Here are tonight's victors, including an entry from your humble editor.



Amusing Friday night chatter

"I have seen some weird crap in this room over the years, but this was tops."

—A Cinema Obscura attendee on Rubber (2011)

"My love language is remembering a single particular word another person says... maybe... sometimes."

—Versatile Fluff

"I hate the fact that this feels like it would actually work."

—Glory Scroll attendee, on the concept of a deck-building game based on Scrabble.

"Being a fan means never having to say 'But where will I wear this?'"

—Beth Friedman, originally attributed to Kathleen Sloan

To Good Home:

Flying Saucer at the Free Will Table

—Mark Richards

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16th Annual Minicon Medallion Hunt!

For the rules, look for an upcoming Medallion Hunt Extra! Or find the Gamekeeper and ask for details.

CLUES: ROUND 1

1. I'm on a surface that is easy to clean. I'm near music, challenges and games galore. Wherever I am, I'm not on the floor.
2. Up and down, like chutes and ladders (or at least one of those), I'm on an inclined plane but by passing me, you only gain a small amount of altitude.
3. I'm somewhat sandwiched between 2 hard working surfaces. You might not be likely to pass me often unless you are specifically in my area.
4. I wasn't found last year so I'm back again (though my number is almost certainly different). I am hanging on a flat surface which is a multiple of my shape.

5. See Medallion Hunt Extra for story!
6. I'm buried but not very deeply. It won't cost you much to dig me up.
7. I'm hanging out near a place where people gather to have fun.
8. I sit in a place you wouldn't expect and one in/on which you wouldn't be able to sit.
9. Mickey Mouse, a flammable gas, "Ugly bags of mostly
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10. I'm in a place not many will venture. All are allowed but almost no one will enter.
15. Many of you will pass right in front of me though I'm rarely in the same place twice. I'm always near someone who works to admit everyone to Minicon
20. I'm on the move too and bouncin' around. Wherever I am, I go, I'm near the ground.
- A. Take a chance on finding me, seek the place where I will be. "Get out of Jail", "Community Chest", if you want to you win, try your best.
- B. I'm hanging around but not in plain sight. In order to find me, try as you might, to check all over, even places you might not need to go but others may.
- C. What do all these things have in common? Coleman, beer, a particular airline, and an Amtrak attendant.
- D. So many will pass right by me at all times of day. When the sun is out, you might not stay.
- E. Mirror, mirror, on the wall, who is the fairest of them all?
- F. Slow and steady wins the race.
- G. I hang here and stare all night and all day, until you find me, here I'll stay.
- H. My area can be loud. If my immediate space stays "quiet" I'll be proud. If I'm disturbed, you will be too. I'd hope the cause of such wouldn't be you... or any of us.
- I. I sit and listen to what people say, I think I'll hang out here all day. Issues of gender, AI and more, I'm chillin' but not on 1st floor.
- J. If "cleanliness is godliness" as some say then come and see me while on your way.
- K. I was here in the past but no one found me. My number and floor were different. I'm hanging out hoping my tape holds. If not, it's the floor for me. I hope someone comes up here and finds me.
- L. If things get hot, you'll want to run right up to me. I may not be of any help, myself but you'll still want to run here.
- π. Once you collect this Medallion, you must recite Pi to as many decimal places as you can when turning it back in to J. (It got knocked loose from its place and will be put back on Saturday.) I'm trying to camouflage myself... I'm not sure how well I'm doing though I will likely not be visible.

Have an announcement, a news story, a review, a personal item, or anything else for the BBT? Drop it in the Submission Box outside the BBT Office or write to bbt@minicon56.mnstrf.org.

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