



# Ohio Valley Filk Fest 11

**Oct 27 - Oct 29, 1995  
Columbus, OH**

**The Clarion Hotel  
7007 N. High St  
614-436-0700**

**GUEST OF HONOR  
Steve Macdonald**

**TOASTMISTRESS  
Heather Alexander**

**LISTENER GOH  
George "Lan"  
Laskowski**

**INTERFILK GUESTS  
Paul & Catherine  
Macdonald**

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**WHERE:** This year's musical festivities will be held at the same place as last year, BUT the hotel has changed its name. It is now known as the Clarion Hotel, 7007 N. High St., Worthington OH 43085, 614-436-0700. The hotel is located just south of the N. High St. (also known as Rt. 23) exit from I-270 on the north side of Columbus. Room rates are \$68 for one to four people. Be sure to mention that you are with OVFF to get the special rate. A complimentary airport shuttle is available; call the hotel for details. The hotel prides itself on being sensitive to everyone's needs especially allergy sufferers, so please observe the hotel's NO PETS POLICY. The hotel has also asked us to tell ya'all not to bring waterbeds

**ACTIVITIES:** Watch your money vanish into thin air in the Dealer's Room! Expand your knowledge by attending one of the mysterious and mystical workshops. Listen to entrancing performances during the formal concerts and one-shots. Plus, there's open filking. Lots and lots of open filking. And a Jam Session on Sunday afternoon. Replenish your energy in our consuite; we'll have lots of goodies for you to sample. (Contributions will be cheerfully accepted.) Special events include:

## Mad Hatters Tea Party

All of the mediums were busy this weekend, so we larges have scheduled a tea party instead of a seance. Actually, it's TRADITION!, and this year is no exception. Our convention will open with grace and style on Friday evening with an eclectic recreation of a classic Victorian High Tea. With a twist, and we don't mean lemon. Proper attire is requested; it is a Costume Party, after all. Do wear a hat, at the very least. Prizes will be awarded for best hat and best overall costume.

## Pegasus Awards & Banquet

Final ballots sent by mail must arrive by Friday 20-Oct-95. Ballots may also be turned in at the con in person up until midnight Friday 27-Oct-95. You do not need to be a member of the convention to vote. The winners will be announced at the Saturday evening buffet banquet. PLEASE NOTE: Due to requests by a number of attendees, we are moving the banquet to the more traditional dinner hour of 6:00. Tickets to the all-you-can-eat buffet are \$15.

## Song Writing Contests

As announced at last year's con, we are splitting the Song Writing Contest in two. The first will be for original lyrics set to existing music and the second will be for original lyrics AND original music. The 1995 topic for the lyric writing contest is: **Parodies of Show Tunes**. The topic for the second contest is: **Anti-Ose** (perky, bouncy, you know, the opposite of 'ose). Songs will be performed at the con for judging. If you are not a performer, it is quite all right to get a friend to perform the song for you or enter a tape. Songs are judged on the writing quality, not on the performance. Signup sheets will be posted Saturday morning.

## Children's Programming

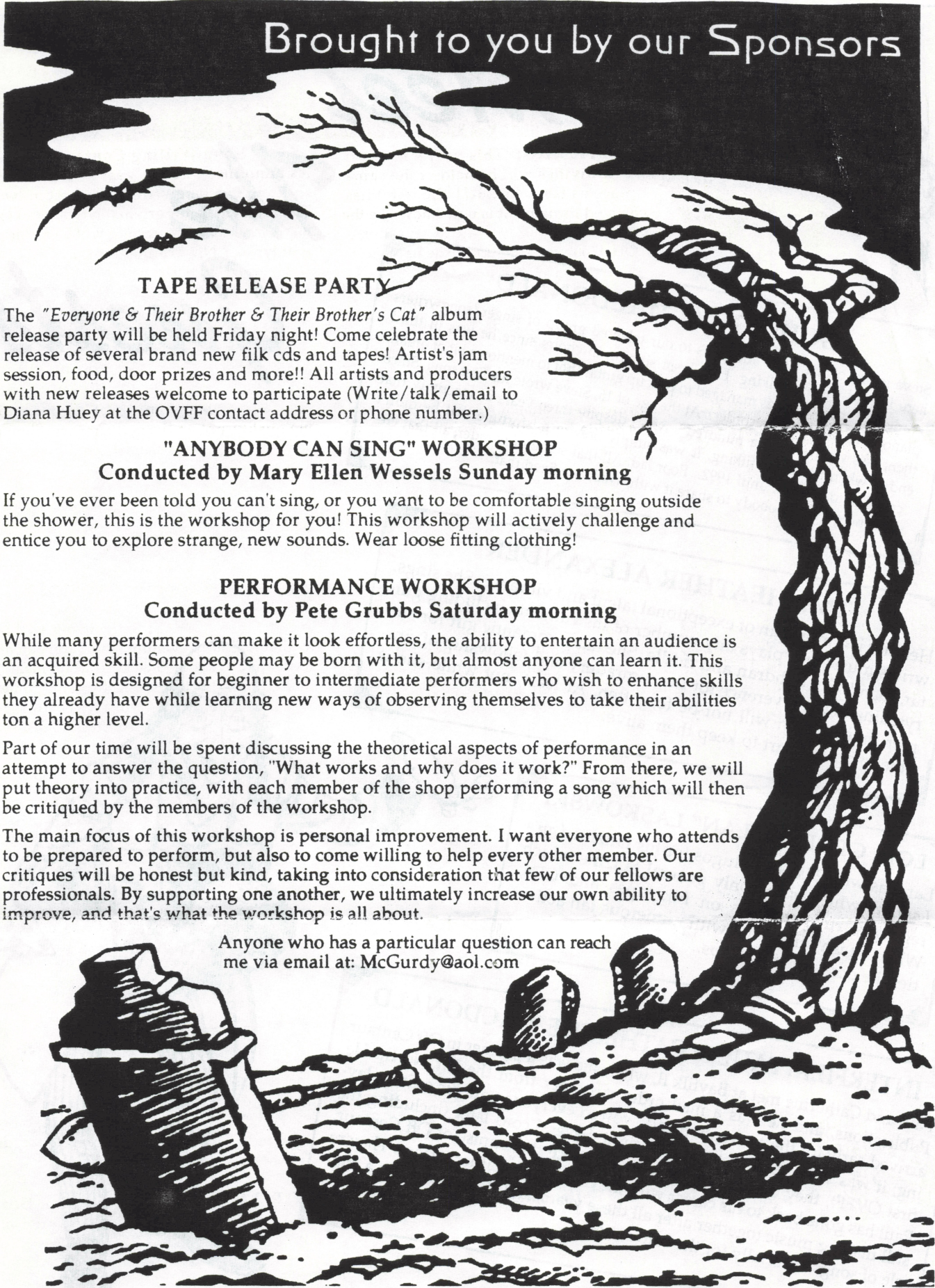
This year we are adding some programming events designed specifically for children. If you have suggestions on what you would like to see, or want to volunteer to help with an event, please drop us a line.

**BABYSITTING:** Babysitting will be available Friday evening, and Saturday afternoon & evening. Snacks, (but no meals), and a limited selection of toys and games will be available. We strongly encourage you to preregister your children to reserve space in the babysitting room; if you can't preregister, at least send us a note telling us the number and ages of the children you think you may be bringing. If you do not, we cannot guarantee there will be room for your child.

**HOW MUCH:** Adult memberships are \$22 until 01-Oct-95, and \$25 at the door. Memberships for children under 12 who don't use babysitting are \$3 until 01-Oct-95, and \$5 at the door. A child's membership with babysitting is \$20 until 01-Oct-95, and \$25 at the door. Toddlers-in-tow who don't use babysitting are admitted free. (Please note the "in-tow" qualifier. If your child is found wandering without an adult in attendance, you will be asked to pay the at-the-door rate for a babysitting membership.) Dealer tables are \$15 each (membership not included). Tickets to the Pegasus Awards Buffet on Saturday night are \$15.

**FOR MORE INFO** write to: Dear Abby, c/o., no, on second thought, write to: OVFF, PO Box 20125, Columbus OH 43220. You may also call 614/851-0936 or email D.HUEY1@GENIE.GEIS.COM.





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### **TAPE RELEASE PARTY**

The "Everyone & Their Brother & Their Brother's Cat" album release party will be held Friday night! Come celebrate the release of several brand new filk cds and tapes! Artist's jam session, food, door prizes and more!! All artists and producers with new releases welcome to participate (Write/talk/email to Diana Huey at the OVFF contact address or phone number.)

### **"ANYBODY CAN SING" WORKSHOP**

**Conducted by Mary Ellen Wessels Sunday morning**

If you've ever been told you can't sing, or you want to be comfortable singing outside the shower, this is the workshop for you! This workshop will actively challenge and entice you to explore strange, new sounds. Wear loose fitting clothing!

### **PERFORMANCE WORKSHOP**

**Conducted by Pete Grubbs Saturday morning**

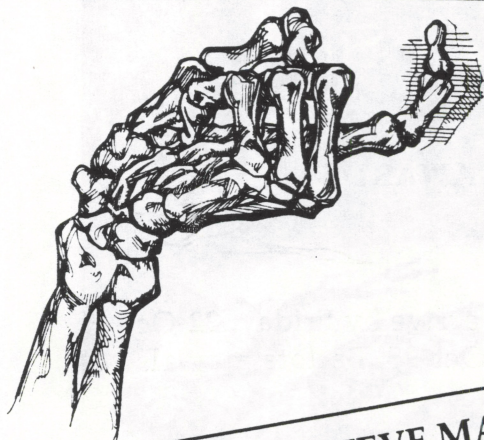
While many performers can make it look effortless, the ability to entertain an audience is an acquired skill. Some people may be born with it, but almost anyone can learn it. This workshop is designed for beginner to intermediate performers who wish to enhance skills they already have while learning new ways of observing themselves to take their abilities to a higher level.

Part of our time will be spent discussing the theoretical aspects of performance in an attempt to answer the question, "What works and why does it work?" From there, we will put theory into practice, with each member of the shop performing a song which will then be critiqued by the members of the workshop.

The main focus of this workshop is personal improvement. I want everyone who attends to be prepared to perform, but also to come willing to help every other member. Our critiques will be honest but kind, taking into consideration that few of our fellows are professionals. By supporting one another, we ultimately increase our own ability to improve, and that's what the workshop is all about.

Anyone who has a particular question can reach me via email at: [McGurdy@aol.com](mailto:McGurdy@aol.com)

# Meet The Guests



## GOH: STEVE MACDONALD

Steve is one of the latest additions to our talented group of singer/songwriters here in Mid-western filking. He's been singing in choirs since he was in third grade, and since then has managed to pick up guitar (not to mention a bit of organ, piano, percussion, and recorder). At the age of 16, Steve wrote his first song. Since then, he's written over a hundred songs - despite three years of inactivity that ended when he found filking. It was simply Steve's misfortune that he didn't "crash" into fandom until 1992. Poor lad. All that sense of wonder, all that creative energy, with nobody to share it with. Well, we fixed that.

## TM: HEATHER ALEXANDER

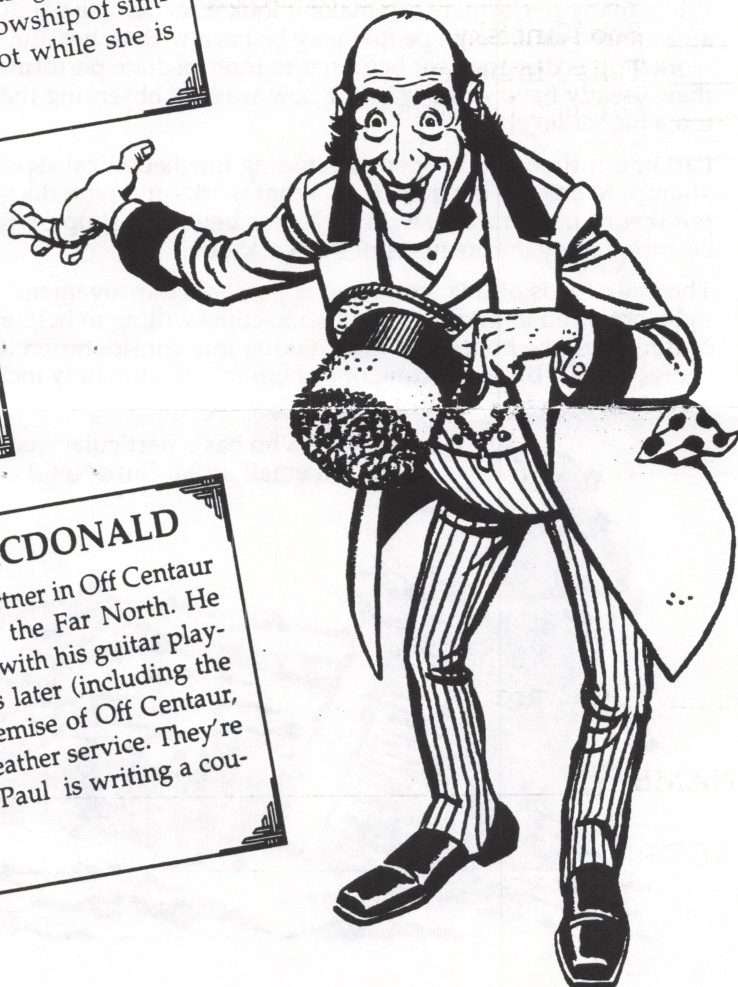
Heather is a musician of exceptional talent and vibrance. She sings, writes music and plays any number of instruments including guitar, mandolin, bohdran and fiddle. She has a romantic gift for storytelling and a reverence for the comradery and fellowship of simpler times which will not be forgotten. At least, not while she is able to do her part to keep them alive.

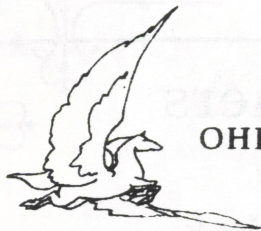
## LOH: GEORGE "LAN" LASKOWSKI

Lan has won 2.000019 Hugos for his fanzine *Lan's Lantern*, which is the only general fanzine which regularly runs reviews on filk tapes and CDs. When he isn't involved with numerous fan activities, he occasionally sleeps.

## INTERFILK: PAUL & CATHERINE MACDONALD

Paul and Catherine met at Bayfilk II, when she was a partner in Off Centaur Publications, and he was a mail order customer from the Far North. He arrived early for the convention and wowed everyone with his guitar playing; it was very nearly love at first sight. Several cons later (including the first OVFF), they decided to get married. Since the demise of Off Centaur, Paul has gone back to his career with the Canadian weather service. They're still making music together after all these years, and Paul is writing a couple of songs especially for the convention.





**FINAL BALLOT**  
**OHIO VALLEY FILK FEST 1995 PEGASUS AWARDS**  
**For Excellence in Filking**



Please vote once in each category. If mailed, final ballots must arrive by Friday, 22-Oct-95. Emailed ballots must be received by midnight Thursday, 26-Oct-95. Ballots may also be turned in at the convention up until midnight on Friday, 27-Oct-95. Mail to: OVFF, P.O. Box 20125, Columbus, OH 43220-0125; email to D.HUEY1@GENIE.GEIS.COM. We strongly encourage you to copy and distribute this ballot wherever you wish. You do not need to be a member of the convention to vote.

**BEST FILK SONG**

- ☐ *Heat of the Blood*  
by Tom Smith
- ☐ *Journey's Done*  
by Steve Macdonald
- ☐ *Magic Carpet Ride*  
by Andrea Yeomans/Dale

- ☐ *Nantucket Sleigh Ride*  
by Graham Leathers
- ☐ *Sea of Stars*  
by Judith Hayman
- ☐ No Award

**BEST WRITER/COMPOSER**

- ☐ Bob Kanefsky
- ☐ Talis Kimberley
- ☐ Graham Leathers
- ☐ Steve Macdonald
- ☐ Mark Osier
- ☐ No Award

**BEST PERFORMER**

- ☐ Heather Alexander
- ☐ Dave Clement
- ☐ Talis Kimberley
- ☐ Michael "Moonwulf" Longcor
- ☐ Urban Tapestry
- ☐ No Award

**BEST MILITARY SONG**

- ☐ *The Ballad of Fleet Sargeant Ho*  
by Lee Billings
- ☐ *Come Ye Knights*  
by Shelia Willis
- ☐ *Ender's Game*  
by Larry Warner
- ☐ *Man of War*  
by Kathy Mar
- ☐ *When Tenskwatawa Sings*  
by Michael Longcor
- ☐ No Award

**BEST SING-ALONG/CHORAL SONG**

- ☐ *Acts of Creation*  
by Cat Faber
- ☐ *Banned From Argo*  
by Leslie Fish
- ☐ *Bold Maurader*  
by Richard Farina
- ☐ *Circles*  
by Gwen Zak
- ☐ *Lord of Time*  
by Peter David

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_



# Recent Pegasus Award Winners



1994

Best Filk Song (Tie): "*Drink Up The River*" by Kathy Mar &  
"*PQR (You Ain't Seen Nothing Yet)*" by Tom Smith

Best Writer/Composer: Tom Smith

Best Performer: The Black Book Band

Best Children's Song: "*Monsters in the Night*" by Diana Gallagher

Best Risque Song: "*Like A Lamb To The Slaughter*" by Frank Hayes

1993

Best Filk Song: "*Green Hills of Earth*" by Robert Heinlein/Mark Bernstein

Best Writer/Composer: Leslie Fish

Best Performer: Tom Smith

Best Humorous Song: "*Rhinotelexomania*" by Michael Longcor

Best Space Song: "*Lightsailor*" by Barry Childs-Helton

1992

Best Filk Song: "*God Lives on Terra*" by Julia Ecklar

Best Writer/Composer: Dr. Jane Robinson

Best Performer: Michael Longcor

Best Tribute: "*Madame Curie's Hands*" by Duane Elms

Best Genre Crossover: "*Return of the King*" by Tom Smith

1991

Best Filk Song: "*A Boy and His Frog*" by Tom Smith

Best Writer/Composer: Tom Smith

Best Performer: Tom Smith

Best Love Song: "*Velveteen*" by Kathy Mar

Best War/Vengeance Song: "*Temper of Revenge*" by Julia Ecklar

1990

Best Filk Song: "*Lullabye for a Weary World*" by T.J. Burnside Clapp

Best Writer/Composer: Julia Ecklar

Best Performer: Mitchell Clapp

Best Fannish Song: "*Weekend Only World*" by T.J. Burnside Clapp

Best Literature Song: "*Daddy's Little Girl*" by Julia Ecklar

1989

Best Filk Song: "*Dawson's Christian*" by Duane Elms

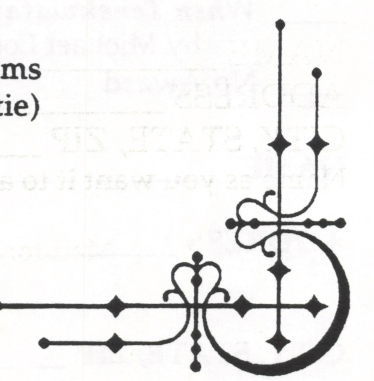
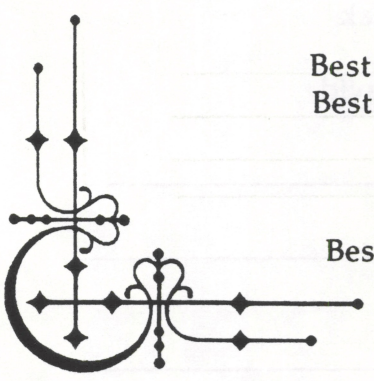
Best Writer/Composer: Kathy Mar & Duane Elms (tie)

Best Performer: Technical Difficulties

Best Fantasy Song: "*Wind's Four Quarters*"

by Mercedes Lackey/Leslie Fish

Best Techie Song: "*Do It Yourself*" by Bill Sutton



## Clarion Hotel Reservation Card

7007 North High Street Worthington, Ohio 43085-2352 614/436-0700

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Organization \_\_\_\_\_ **OHIO VALLEY FILK FEST** \_\_\_\_\_

### TYPE OF ROOM DESIRED

\_\_\_\_\_ Single (1 person) \$68.00 + tax 3 P.M. CHECK-IN  
\_\_\_\_\_ Double (2 people) \$68.00 + tax 12 NOON CHECK-OUT

NOTE: In the event of cancellation your deposit will be returned within 72 hours advance notice of the date of arrival. Deposit applies to last day of reservations only.

Sharing room with \_\_\_\_\_

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE HOTEL BY: **Oct 13**

ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL TIME \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL TIME IF GUARANTEED  
AFTER 4 PM \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CREDIT CARD TO  
GUARANTEE LATE ARRIVAL \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD EXPIRATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTURE DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN ROOM \_\_\_\_\_

## OVFF REGISTRATION FORM

I would like

\_\_\_\_\_ Adult memberships @ \$22.00 (until 01-Oct-95)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Child memberships @ \$3.00 (until 01-Oct-95) Ages: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Child memberships with babysitting privileges @ \$20.00. Ages: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Awards Buffet tickets @ \$15.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dealer Tables @ \$15.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ enclosed

Please preregister me for

\_\_\_\_\_ Performance Workshop conducted by Pete Grubbs  
\_\_\_\_\_ Singing Workshop conducted by Mary Ellen Wessels

If buying more than one membership, please list all names & addresses on a separate sheet.

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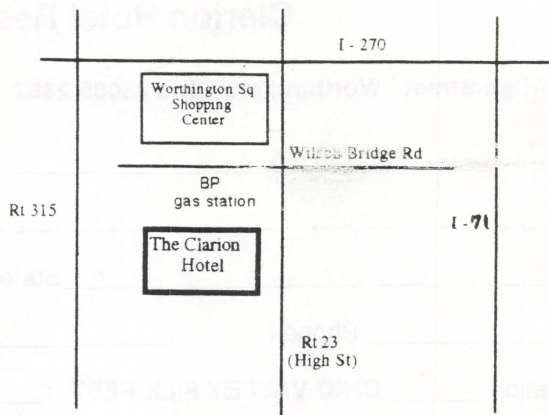
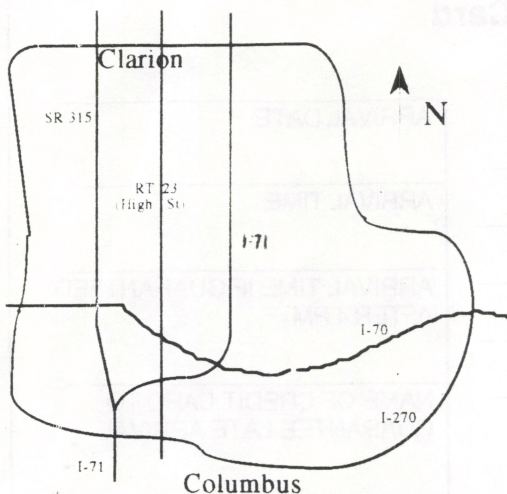
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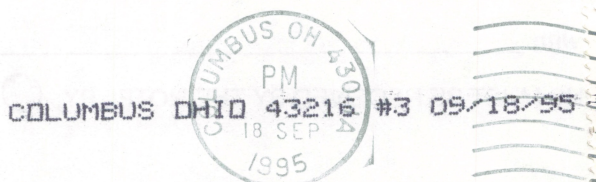


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