



THE ZOCALO TODAY

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WHAT'S NEW

JERRY DOYLE CHAT - MONDAY

Jerry Doyle will be over for a chat on Monday night at 9pm ET; 6pm PT. Jerry had a great time chatting with us last time. He got a lot of questions about his campaign and his involvement in Babylon 5. He was in Philadelphia for the Republican National Convention. He's got a number of special events planned for later this month. You should check his website at <http://www.doyleforcongress.com> to see what events he has ahead – as well as his views on the major issues facing California voters.

SEEING EAR THEATRE

JMS' next audio drama comes out on Monday. "The Tolling of the Hour" features Campbell Scott. In the last few weeks, we've enjoyed "The Friends of Jackie Clay", "Rolling Thunder" and "The Damned Are Playing at Godzilla's Tonight". So far, it's a fabulous series and the Seeing Ear Theater is doing a superb job of production. Our hats are off to not only JMS for awesome writing, but to Brian Smith and his staff for terrific productions.

SPREADING THE WORD

FLYERS - Tim and Heather Fleming have been fighting the fight to Save Crusade for a long while now. They have pulled together a number of flyers that can be used at conventions, placed in comic shops, etc. If you would like to pass along flyers, go to <http://www.astro.umd.edu/~hcohen/Flyers.html> and have a look. Print off a few and drop them at your local comic store. If there are readers of Rising Stars there, they may be interested in knowing about Babylon 5!

I worked up a new Zocalo flyer yesterday – at times like this I wish I were more artistically inclined. I've included the connection with Rising Stars on this one, so it will be especially appropriate for comic book stores. Give it a look at <http://zocalo.isnnews.net/flyer.pdf>.

KEEPING UP WITH CAST AND CREW

Claudia Christian had a wild time in Philadelphia last weekend. They were in the city at the same time as the Republican Convention! "We also had a bomb scare while signing autographs and had to leave the hotel. Ended up doing an impromptu photo session on the grass with all the fans and then went to TGI FRIDAYS for a margarita.... making the best out of a crazy situation." Read more about what Claudia is doing over at her website <http://www.claudiachristian.com> or through <http://www.thegalacticgateway.com>.

Bill Mummy and his band, The Jenerators, will have their last gig of the summer at Rusty's Surf Ranch, on the Santa Monica Pier, August 19 beginning at 8:45pm. For more information, call 310-393-7437.

Can't wait to see if Sci-Fi Channel is finally starting to advertise Babylon 5's coming to their network. Over at <http://www.scifinow.com> there is an article is dated, October 2000. Hopefully the magazine will be on the shelves soon!

There are some hopeful notes showing up at www.firstones.com. These are the folks who had been working on the Babylon 5 simulation game "Into the Fire". Nothing is definite, but stay tuned. This is a great site to visit anyway. Loads of superb graphics.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Claudia Christian - August 10
Tim Earls - August 15
Nancy Tarczynski - August 16
Skip Beaudine - August 26

JASON CARTER FANS -- Jason will have a birthday next month - Sept. 23. Want to pass along your good wishes? Visit http://members.tripod.com/JCbirthday_page. Send your birthday wishes to JCbirthday_page@lycos.com along with photos (with or without Jason) to include on the site.

TNT SCHEDULE AHEAD

Monday 8/7/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - The Summoning

Tuesday 8/8/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - Falling Toward Apotheosis

Wednesday 8/9/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - The Long Night

Thursday 8/10/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - Into the Fire

Friday 8/11/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - Epiphanies

Saturday 8/12/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - The Illusion of Truth

Monday 8/14/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - Atonement

Tuesday 8/15/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - Racing Mars

Wednesday 8/16/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 - Lines of Communications

Thursday 8/17/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 – Conflicts of Interest

Friday 8/18/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 – Rumors, Bargains & Lies

Saturday 8/19/00

6:00am TNT Babylon 5 – Moments of Transition

NEWS AROUND THE SCI-FI GENRE

Katherine Heigl talks about her role on "Roswell" over at <http://www.cinescape.com>. "There's gonna be some action, some emotional stuff. We'll run the gamut," she told TV Guide in a recent interview.

Also over at <http://www.cinescape.com/> you'll find some candid shots from the SW Episode II. Some early shots of Ewan McGregor and Hayden Christensen from the Daily Telegraph in Australia.

Jeri Ryan and Roxanne Dawson are talking about this last season of Voyager and whether they would like to see the crew get back home, also at <http://www.cinescape.com>.

Trade papers are talking about Matthew McConaughey's involvement with a new psychological horror-thriller titled FRAILTY. The film will mark the feature debut of director Bill Paxton.

Mark Hamill (Luke Skywalker) is busy at work on a new project, he is the Joker in Batman Beyond: Return of the Joker (the Oct. 24 straight-to-video movie). The Joker isn't quite the same as the character Mark voiced the last eight years. "We're playing him darker this time." Read the whole story over at www.fandom.com.

Thinking about seeing "Space Cowboys" this weekend. Cinescape and [Fandom.com](http://www.fandom.com) have reviews of the film out today. Sounds like something that will be worth seeing.

THIS WEEK'S DISCUSSION TOPIC:

While pulling something else together this week, I started to think about all the great quotes Babylon 5 generated. Do you have a favorite? I know, it's hard to think of just one, so let's make it 2 or 3. Be sure to let us know where it comes from -- it will help remind us of the scene in which the quote was delivered.

I have loved the line from Tennyson from the first time I heard it -- but having it said by Sinclair reinforced it's meaning to me. "To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield" -- is something we can all strive for. My favorite quote?

"No dictator, no invader, can hold an imprisoned population by the force of arms forever. There is no greater power in the universe than the need for freedom. Against that power governments, and tyrants, and armies can not stand. The Centauri learned this lesson once. We will teach it to them again. Though it take a thousand years, we will be free."

G'Kar, The Long, Twilight Struggle

Send your choices to either TheZocalo@aol.com or b5web@aol.com. You can also post your comments on the message board at www.isnnews.net/board. To see what other readers have posted on this and other topics, follow this link to [Current Discussion Topic](#) page.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Gen Con, August 10-13, 2000
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Guest: Peter Woodward, J. Michael Straczynski
For more information, visit their website at <http://www.wizards.com>.

Nexus 2000, September 1-3, 2000
Bonn, Germany
Guest: Mira Furlan, Walter Koenig, Julie Caitlin Brown
For more information, visit their website at <http://www.snafu.de/~agents> or send an e-mail note to agents@berlin.snafu.de.

BonaCon 2000, September 1-3, 2000
Aberdeen, Scotland
Guests: Bill Blair, Stephen Austin
For more information, visit their website at <http://www.lonas.com/bonacon>.

Slanted Fedora, September 8-10, 2000
Raleigh, NC, Place: Durham Marriott
Guest: Mary Kay Adams
For more information, visit their website at

<http://www.sfedora.com> or send an e-mail note to sfedora1@aol.com.

Crusade for a Cure, September 15-17, 2000;
Costa Mesa, California
Guests: David Allen Brooks, Maggie Egan, Julie Caitlin Brown, Tim Choate, Carrie Dobro, Stephen Furst, Peter Woodward, Stephen Austin, Bill Blair
For more information, write to The Ulysses Foundation, 23010 Lake Forest Drive, Suite D, #395, Laguna Hills, CA 92653 or visit their website at <http://www.ulyssesfoundation.org/c4ac>.

Starland, September 22-24, 2000
Denver, CO
Guests: Julie Caitlin Brown
For more information, visit their website at <http://www.starland.com>.

For a full calendar of events, check out the <http://zocalo.isnnews.net/convention.htm>.

That's it for this week. I'll be off on a mini-vacation beginning next week, so don't look for a Zocalo Today next Saturday. Unfortunately (or fortunately, depending on your point of view) the Pittsburgh, PA area I'm visiting has LOUSY internet connectivity. So I'll be working on a few things while I'm away, but probably not updating the website. Don't let that deter you from sending e-mail responses or questions though. I'll get them posted as soon as I get back.

Have a wonderful, safe weekend.
Take care.
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