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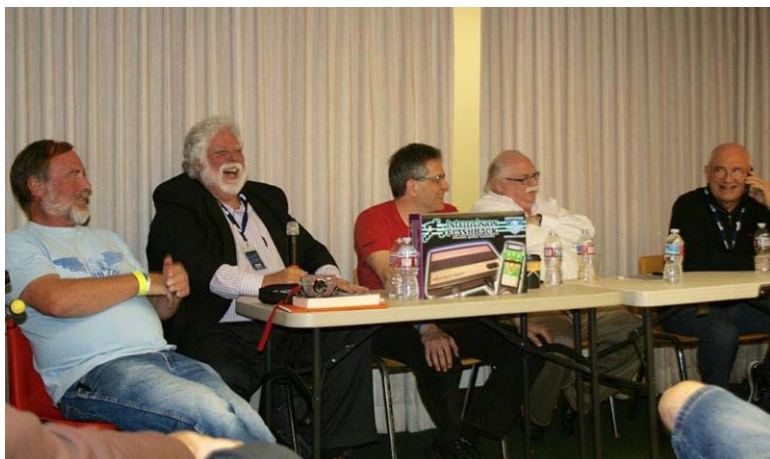
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We here at Intellivision Productions, Inc. hope your new year is starting out great! We've been quite busy this month, which is why this new sletter is a bit late, but plan to make 2016 a terrific Intelliyearch!

**Get an Intellivision Flashback Now!**



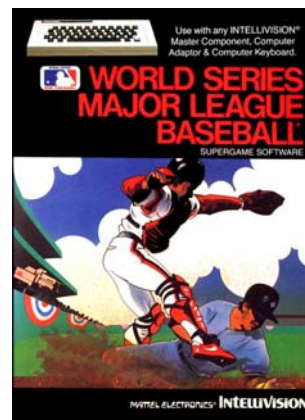
## Great time had by all at Arcade Expo 2.0



Intellivision Flashbacks are back in stock in our [webstore](#). And we will have them in our booth at the [SoCal Retrogaming Expo](#) this weekend where you can get one signed by a half-dozen or more **Blue Sky Rangers!** [Visit our store!](#) (Note: We are still waiting for more of the [Supplemental Overlay Packs](#). Until we have them, you can [print out](#) paper copies of the overlays [here](#).)

The **Arcade Expo 2.0** held at the **Museum of Pinball** in Banning, California, over the Jan 16th weekend was a great success! Attendees had free play on a thousand pinball machines and classic arcade machines. Five of the **Blue Sky Rangers**, the original **Intellivision** programmers held a panel discussion in front of a full house in the museum theater. Programmers **Mike Winans** (*Lock N' Chase*), **Keith Robinson** (*TRON Solar Sailer*), **Bill Fisher** (*Space Hawk*), **John Sohl** (*Astrosplash*) and **Don Daglow** (*Utopia*) told stories of creating the games and answered audience questions. Afterward, the programmers returned to the **Intellivision** booth to meet the fans and sign autographs.

## TRIVIA CONTEST!



## Come to SoCal Retro Gaming Expo! Meet the Blue Sky Rangers!



If you missed **Arcade Expo 2.0** earlier this month, you have another chance to meet the **Blue Sky Rangers** in Southern California. The **SoCal**

**Don Daglow**, with **Eddie Dombrower**, created the



## Retrogaming Expo in City of Industry this

weekend, **January 30th and 31st** features a weekend of events and 50 vendors selling classic game collectibles. **The Blue Sky Rangers** will hold another panel to talk about creating your favorite **Intellivision** games. Scheduled to appear: **Stephen Roney** (*Space Spartans*), **Bob Newstadt** (*Pinball*), **Mark Urbaniec** (*Vectron*), **John Sohl** (*Astrosplash*), **Dale Lynn** (*Quality Assurance*), **Connie Goldman** (*Graphic Artist*) and **Keith Robinson** (*TRON Solar Sailer*). The panel will be held at 3pm Saturday. Following the panel, the **Blue Sky Rangers** will be in the **Intellivision** booth to sign autographs and pose for pictures. By the way, attendance and parking for the **SoCal Expo** is **FREE!!!** Find the details [here](#).

## From the files of The Blue Sky Rangers



**Don Daglow**, one of the two Directors of **Intellivision Game Development** at **Mattel Electronics**, had an idea for a baseball video game based on actual stats of historic baseball players. Working with programmer **Eddie Dombrower**, the two created a revolutionary game: *World Series Major League Baseball* for the **Entertainment Computer System** module for the **Intellivision** console. Players could create a team with dream players: **Babe**

**Ruth**, **Sandy Kofax**, **Shoeless Joe Jackson**, etc. Unfortunately, at the last minute Mattel's lawyers stepped in and said we couldn't use the real names of the players in the game. So the last names of the programmers were used instead with nicknames replacing their first names. For example, executive secretary **Vickie Dahlgren**, who is left-handed, became **Lefty Dahlgren**; Vice President **Hugh Barnes**, from Texas, became **Tex Barnes**. Unfortunately, coming out just before the 1983 video game crash, the game was pretty much ignored. Don and Eddie went to **Electronic Arts** where they created the statistic-based computer game *Earl Weaver Baseball*, which is still recognized for its innovations.

statistic-based baseball game for **Intellivision**: *World Series Major League Baseball*. The game uses the last names of the **Intellivision** staff for the players, with nicknames replacing their first names. What nickname is given to the **Daglow** player in the game?

Email your answer to [trivia@intellivisionlives.com](mailto:trivia@intellivisionlives.com).

Winner will be selected at random from all correct answers received before noon PST February 2nd, 2015. An additional winner will be awarded to the first correct answer received. Both winners will each receive an autographed copy of **Don Daglow's** murder-mystery novel *The Fog Seller*. Good luck!

## THE DECEMBER TRIVIA CONTEST

Last month's question: "The 1986 INTV Corp. Christmas Catalog featured Santa bringing an Intellivision console and games to a kid obviously on the nice list. Which Blue Sky Ranger is portraying Santa in the cover photo?"

The answer: **Keith Robinson**. Keith did most of the art direction for **INTV Corp.** from 1985 through 1989, including the 1986 Christmas catalog. He stepped in as Santa. **Dana Champion** and **Steve Orth** will each receive an **Intellivision Deck of Playing Cards** for being the first to answer and for being selected randomly from those that answered correctly, respectively. Congrats!

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