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### Abstract

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## A MYTHCON FAREWELL

from the Committee of the 25th Annual Conference of the Mythopoeic Society  
August 8, 1994, at American University, in Washington, DC

by Cary Hoagland and John Stolzenbach

### 1.

Tell me the tales that the Inklings did write  
Long, long ago; long, long ago . . .  
Sing me the mythsongs in which I delight  
Since we all cherish them so.

Now to our guests we must bid fond farewell  
How we've enjoyed you we hardly can tell  
These learned talks would have charmed Rivendell  
In Elrond's house long ago.

### 2.

To hear your knowledge, our high hopes were raised  
Three days ago, three days ago . . .  
Now for your wisdom we still hear you praised,  
We can attest it is so.

Though by long absence our hearts will be tried,  
May the kind hand of Ilúvatar guide  
That in a year we'll again with you bide,  
List'ning with faces aglow.

### 3.

Do you recall when at Mythcon we met,  
Long, long ago; long, long ago . . .  
Those mythic days we can never forget,  
Long, long ago; long, long ago.

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