

Einblatt!

Calendar

- 🌐 Tues, Feb 7, 7PM. North Country Gaylaxians book discussion - *Brain Plague* by Joan Slonczewski. Betsy's Back Porch, 5447 Nicollet Ave S, Mpls. FFI: Andrew Bertke, 612-387-8265, drewan@drewan.net
- 🗳️ Thur, Feb 9. Minn-StF Board Meeting. FFI: Any Board Member
- 🌐 Sat, Feb 11, 1-2 PM. South Minneapolis Clutterers Anonymous, Pillsbury House, 3501 Chicago Ave S, Mpls.
- 🗳️ Sat, Feb 11, 4PM. Minn-StF Meeting. 1st Board Nominations. Marian Turner's, 4042 Wentworth Ave S, Mpls. Children welcome, childproof, no guns. FFI: Marian, 612-825-4423
- 🗳️ Sun, Feb 19, 2PM. Minicon Open Meeting. Room Allocations and Hotel Walk-through. Sheraton Bloomington, Bloomington, MN. FFI: Greg, 612-823-6161, greg@dreamhavenbooks.com
- 🌐 Sun, Feb 19, 2-5PM. Ladies Sewing Circle. Margo Bratton's, 4736 Pleasant Ave S, Mpls. Cats. FFI: 612-825-6549
- 🌐 Sat, Feb 25, 1-2 PM. South Minneapolis Clutterers Anonymous, Pillsbury House, 3501 Chicago Ave S, Mpls.
- 🌐 Sat, Feb 25, 2PM. Auxiliary Ladies Sewing Circle before the Minn-StF Meeting. Laura Krentz.
- 🗳️ Sat, Feb 25, 4PM. Minn-StF Meeting. 2nd Board Nominations. Dean Gahlon & Laura Krentz', 4323 France Ave S, Mpls. Cats, piano rolls, no guns, smoking outside. FFI: 612-929-2150
- 🌐 Tues, Feb 28, 6:30PM. Speculations Reading Series sponsors Rebecca Marjesdatter. Dreamhaven, 912 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: 612-721-5959, ehaideman@dhzone.com
- 🌐 Tues, Feb 28, 8:15PM. After-reading gathering. Dulono's Pizza, 607 W Lake St, Mpls.

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Board Elections, 11 Mar, Dreampark. Minn-StF Meeting, 18 Mar.

Birthdays:

2: Don Fitch; 4: Shandra Duval; 5: Faun Bonewits, Peer Dudda, Miranda Novack; 6: Elizabeth Cooper; 8: Mark Abbott, Kathy Grantham; 10: Bill Colsher; 11: Page Appelbaum; 14: Blue Petal; 15: Erik Biever; 16: John Stanley; 18: Linda Novack, Mary Boyom; 20: Dan Goodman; 23: Bev Elmshouser, Peter Larsen; 25: Charles Piehl, Steve St. Onge; 28: Steven Bush

Announcements:

Starting with the January 7th Minn-StF meeting, the standard starting time will be 4PM. This is a test that will continue through approximately Minicon. Please let the board, president, or vice-president know what you think of it!

Anyone interested in Chairing Minicon 42, please contact either the Minn-StF Board or Greg Ketter ASAP.

MISFITS Team Trivia Challenge, Apr 1. FFI: <http://misfit.org/trivia/index.htm>

New Minn-StF Directory: Scott Raun is planning on publishing a new directory for the 2006 Voting Meeting. He will have a draft copy of the directory at the Nominations Meetings. Please send CoA's to sraun@fireopal.org.

Publishing News

Naomi Kritzer, *Freedom's Sisters*, Bantam Spectra pb, due August 2006

Susan Sizemore, *Master Of Darkness*, pb, due February from Pocket Star

Adam Stemple (with Jane Yolen), *Troll Bridge*, hc; also tp reprint of *Pay The Piper*, both due July from Tor/Starscape

Local Publishers:

Fedogan & Bremer, *Weird Shadows Over Insmouth*, hc ed. Stephen Jones, now out.

Lerner/Carolrhoda, *Silver City* by Cliff McNish, hc, due April.

Llewellyn, *The Seer: Witch Bait*, by Linda Joy Singleton, pb; and *Diadem: Words Of Magic: Book Of Reality*, by John Peel; *Escape From Arylon* by JoAnne Whittemore; and *The Shining Isle*, by Ly de Angeles, all tp, due February, March, and April.

Neil Gaiman (and Dave McKean), *The Alchemy Of Mirror Mask* (HarperCollins hc) now out -- McKean artbook with commentary by Gaiman

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The Greenwood Encyclopedia Of Science Fiction And Fantasy Themes, Works, And Wonders (3 vol hc, ed Gary Westfahl) includes contributions from locals Neil Gaiman, Joyce Scrivner, Jeff D'Anastasio (Red Wing), Marissa Lingen (Eagan) and Matthew Wolf-Meyer (Minneapolis)

Michael Merriam has sold his short story, "And A Song In Her Hair," to *Andromeda Spaceways Inflight Magazine* for their October 2006 issue.

Ruth Berman has a poem, "Werefir," in the Autumn 2005 issue of *The Magazine of Speculative Poetry*

Lois McMaster Bujold's *The Hallowed Hunt* is one of fifteen novels on the preliminary ("long list") Nebula ballot

MaryJanice Davidson and Anthony Alongi sold two more "Jennifer Scales" YA books to *Ace*, per January *Locus*

Neil Gaiman's *Anansi Boys* was #2 on January *Locus* hc bestseller list; also #6 on *Borders/Walden* and #7 on *Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton* lists in same issue (and high on various weekly lists for *Washington Post*; *Publishers Weekly*; and *NY Times Book Review*). Gaiman's *American Gods* and *Smoke And Mirrors* were tied for #8 on same January *Locus* hc bestseller list. A stop-motion version of Gaiman's *Coraline* is planned by Laika Pictures.

Ruth Berman has a poem, "Wendy Waiting" in *Dreams and Nightmares* #73 (the 20th year anniversary issue), January 2006.

pb=mass market paperback.
hc=hardcover. tp=trade paperback
nf=nonfiction. coll=collection.
anth=anthology. r=reissue

Conventions

Apr 14-16. Minicon 41, Sheraton Bloomington Hotel, Bloomington, MN. GoH: Harlan Ellison. www.mnsf.org/minicon/

July 7-9. Convergence 2006. Sheraton Bloomington Hotel, Bloomington, MN. GoH: David Weber, Miles Teves, Kenneth Hite, Greg Weisman. Pre-reg deadline May 15. www.convergence-con.org

Aug 4-7. MythCon 37, Norman, OK. GoH: Lois McMaster Bujold. www.mythsoc.org/mythcon37.html

Sept 1-3. SF3 - MN Multi Media Festival. Sheraton Bloomington Hotel, Bloomington, MN. GOH: John Noble, Debi Derryberry, Daniel Falconer, Todd

Coss, Stephanie Gannaway-Osborn
www.sf-3.com

Ongoing Information

Board of Directors: Kevin Austin Lisa Freitag, Dean Gahlon, Carol Kennedy, and Scott Raun. Email board@mnsf.org. Mn-STF meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Saturday every month, Board meetings are typically the 1st Thursday of the month.

Minn-STF web site at: www.mnsf.org/.
Minicon web site at:
www.mnsf.org/minicon/.

Gamesday Players: Board & card gaming almost every Friday evening. FFI: Richard Tatge at 612-827-3228.

Filk Circle: open to all who like to participate in music with f/sf lyrics. 4th Saturday at 5pm. FFI: Rich Brown, 651-646-2159, rab@freemars.com

Artists and Writers: Get your art and thoughts in print in Stipple-Apa, small-and-cozy general-interest publication. FFI: Jeanne Mealy 651-771-7226

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