

# Einblatt!

## Calendar

- ☛ Wed, Apr 4, 7PM until the downstairs lights go out. Minicon Work Party. Jonathan Adams & Carol Kennedy's, 3328 Colfax Ave S, Mpls. No smoking, cats. FFI: 612-823-2784, [merichards@visi.com](mailto:merichards@visi.com)
- ☛ Wed, Apr 4, 7:00-8:30PM. Fund raiser for the Friends School of MN - Jane Yolen lectures on "Geography of Hope: Messages in Children's Literature", followed by a reception & signing. 1365 Englewood Avenue, St Paul. \$25 suggested donation. FFI: Dhaivyd Hilgendorf, 651-917-0636, [events@fsmn.org](mailto:events@fsmn.org)
- ☛ Fri, Apr 6 – Sun, Apr 8. Minicon.
- ☛ Sat, Apr 7, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Superseded by Minicon
- ☛ Sun, Apr 8, 2-5PM. Ladies Sewing Circle. Laura Krentz' cabana at the Sheraton Bloomington.
- ☛ Mon, Apr 9, 5:00-6:00PM. Jim Butcher signs. Uncle Hugo's, 2864 Chicago Ave S. FFI: 612-824-6347
- ☛ Tues, Apr 10, 6:30PM. John M. Ford 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Memorial Reading and Reception. Join us for readings, conversation, and refreshments. Dreamhaven Books, 912 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: 612-823-6161, [dream@dreamhavenbooks.com](mailto:dream@dreamhavenbooks.com)
- ☛ Wed, Apr 11, 7:30PM. Scott McCloud will be talking & signing *Understanding Comics, Reinventing Comics, & Making Comics*. He is on a 50-state tour of the United States. Dreamhaven Books, 912 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: 612-823-6161, [dream@dreamhavenbooks.com](mailto:dream@dreamhavenbooks.com)
- ☛ Sat, Apr 21, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Marian Turner's, 4042 Wentworth Ave S, Mpls. Children welcome, childproof, cat, no guns. FFI: Marian, 612-825-4423
- ☛ Sat, Apr 21, 3:00-4:00PM. Jane Cleland signs. Uncle Edgar's, 2864 Chicago Ave S. FFI: 612-824-6347
- ☛ Sat, Apr 21. MISFITS Team Trivia Challenge. 3:00PM Elimination Quiz; 6:00PM Team Trivia Challenge. Sheraton Bloomington. \$20/ team. FFI: [www.misfit.org/trivia/index.htm](http://www.misfit.org/trivia/index.htm)
- ☛ Sat, Apr 21, 7PM. Laura Antoniou Reading. She writes the "Marketplace" series of BDSM novels. You must be at least 18 years of age to attend this event, doors open at 6:30PM. Dreamhaven Books, 912 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: 612-823-6161, [dream@dreamhavenbooks.com](mailto:dream@dreamhavenbooks.com)
- ☛ Mon, Apr 23, 6:30-8PM. Terry A. Garey reads. DreamHaven Books, 912 W Lake

St, Mpls. FFI: [ehaideman@dhzone.com](mailto:ehaideman@dhzone.com), 612-721-5959

- ☛ Sat, Apr 28, 11AM-6PM. DreamHaven 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary One-Day Sale: 30% Off Everything in the Store (in-stock items only, discount does not apply to the purchase of gift certificates). Dreamhaven Books, 912 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: 612-823-6161, [dream@dreamhavenbooks.com](mailto:dream@dreamhavenbooks.com)

## Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings: 5 & 19 May.

## Announcements:

The new Minn-StF Board is Lisa Freitag, Dean Gahlon, Sharon Kahn, Laurel Krahn and Rachel Kronick. Minicon 43 will be chaired by Matthew Strait & Keith Malgren.

MISFITS Geek Prom tickets went on sale Mar 2. FFI: <http://www.misfit.org/geekprom/index.htm>

## Birthdays:

1: Michael Mornard; 2: Jeffrey A. Ahlstrom; 3: Mike Dorn; 7: Bill Bader, Bruce Bethke; 9: Julie Johnson; 13: Dave Romm; 15: Sean Novack, 16: Carole Vandal, 18: Shannon Leslie, Richard Tatge; 22: Steven Bond, Laurel Winter; 24: Oleg Volk; 28: Peg Kerr Ihinger, Theresa Roden; 29: Martin Schafer

## Publishing News

Joan Marie Verba's Darkover stories are now available through Fictionwise. See <http://www.ioanmarieverba.com> for links.

The "BBC Big Read - top 100 books" list includes at #68 *Good Omens*, by Neil Gaiman and Terry Pratchett.

Readers' choice survey at SF Site of 2006's best *sf/f* books included No. 1: *The Lies of Locke Lamora* by Scott Lynch; and No. 6: *Fragile Things* by Neil Gaiman

Ruth Berman has a poem, "Alternate Astology," in the April/May *Asimov's* (their 30th Anniversary Issue).

Barth Anderson, *The Patron Saint Of Plagues*, pb reprint scheduled for December by Bantam Spectra.

Steven Brust, *Dzur*, pb reprint scheduled by Tor for November.

Lois McMaster Bujold, hc omnibus *Miles, Mutants & Microbes* due in August from Baen (name change from previously announced *Miles & Metallurgy*).

MaryJanice Davidson, *Undead and Uneasy*, new hc novel from Berkley Sensation (June); her *Jennifer Scales and the Messenger of Light* (with Anthony Alongi) scheduled for Ace pb reprint in July; her *Hello, Gorgeous!* for pb reprint from Kensington in May.

Gordon R. Dickson and David W. Wixon, *Antagonist*, is now out in hc from Tor.

# April 2007

Neil Gaiman, UK pb reprints (Hodder) of *Stardust* out and *Fragile Things* due in April; also, *The Stardust Companion* (ed. Stephen Jones) due in tp from Titan (UK) in July. A pb reprint of *Stardust* should be out now from HarperEntertainment and a hc reprint is offered on April list from the SFBC. Subterranean Press is doing an August hc reprint of his new collection *M Is For Magic* (due in July from HarperCollins) and a March hc reprint of *MirrorMask* (with Dave McKean).

P.C. Hodgell's *God Stalk* and *Dark of the Moon* scheduled for tp reprints from Meisha Merlin in July and October; her *To Ride A Rathorn* is a March SFBC offering and has a tp reprint scheduled for August from Meisha Merlin.

Scott Lynch, UK pb reprint of *The Lies of Locke Lamora* now out from Orion/Gollancz.

Lyda Morehouse (writing as "Tate Hallaway"), *Dead Sexy*, due as hc reprint from the Science Fiction Book Club (June).

Ex-local Will Shetterly's *Gospel of the Knife* is due by July from Tor in hc.

Finalists for the 2007 Crawford Award (for first book by fantasy writer) included *Skinny Dipping in the Lake of the Dead* by Alan De Niro and *The Lies of Locke Lamora* by Scott Lynch.

Neil Gaiman's *Fragile Things* is #4 hc on the March *Locus* bestsellers list; his *Anansi Boys* is #2 pb on that list and #5 on the Borders/Walden list in the same issue; and the reissue of his *Good Omens* (with Terry Pratchett) is #3 pb on the *Locus* list and the Borders/Walden list, plus being #4 on the Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton list.

Lois McMaster Bujold's *The Sharing Knife Vol. 1: Beguilement* is runner-up (e.g., #11) on the May *Locus* hc bestseller list.

Neil Gaiman, "The Witch's Headstone," short story in *Wizards*, ed. Dann and Dozois (Berkley hc, 2007)

MaryJanice Davidson, "Driftwood," novella in *Over the Moon*, ed. anon (Berkley Sensation pb, 2007)

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

## Conventions

Apr 6-8, Minicon 42. GoH: Charles de Lint, Charles Vess. ATD: \$55. Single Day memberships will be available. <http://mnstf.org/minicon42/>

Apr 13-15, Odyssey Con VII, Madison, WI. GoH: Joan D. Vinge, Jack McDevitt, Christopher Jones. <http://www.oddcon.com/index.php>

Apr 20-22, Penguicon 5.0, Troy, MI. GoH: Bruce Schneider, Christine Peterson, John Kovalic, Randy Milholland, Elizabeth Bear, Charlie Stross. <http://www.penguicon.org>

May 4-6, Bacon, Brooklyn Center, MN. (Pre-reg deadline: Apr 1) [www.moosparty.org/bacon/](http://www.moosparty.org/bacon/)

May 18-20, DemiCon 18, Des Moines, IA.  
GoH: Theresa Mather, Steve "Wookiee"  
Houle. <http://www.demicon.org/>

May 25-28, WisCon 31, Madison, WI. GoH:  
Kelly Link, Laurie J. Marks. (Pre-reg  
deadline: Apr 30) <http://www.wiscon.info/>

Jun 8-10. DuckKon 16, Naperville, IL. GoH:  
Alan Dean Foster, Jim Plaxco, Moifa,  
Michael "Moonwolf" Longcor, Greg Ketter.  
<http://www.duckkon.org/>

Jul 6-8, CONvergence, Bloomington, MN.  
GoH: Brian Keene, Emily M. Hagins, Bernie  
Wrightson. (Pre-reg deadline: May 15)  
[www.convergence-con.org/](http://www.convergence-con.org/)

Jul 6-8, Heinlein Centennial, Kansas City,  
MO. [www.heinleincentennial.com/](http://www.heinleincentennial.com/)

Aug 3-5. Diversicon, Bloomington, MN. GoH:  
Andrea Hairston, Christopher Jones, Melissa  
S. Kaercher. (Pre-reg deadline: Jul 14)  
<http://www.diversicon.org/>

Oct 12-14. Arcana, St. Paul, MN. GoH:  
George Clayton Johnson.  
<http://pages.prodigy.net/rekal>

Oct 19-21. Convivial 2, Bloomington, MN.  
(Pre-reg deadlines: Apr 9/Sept 16)  
<http://www.mnstf.org/convivial/>

Nov 2-4, ICON 32, Coralville, IA.  
<http://www.mindbridge.org/icon/>

Nov 9-11. WindyCon 34, Rosemont, IL GoH:  
Tanya Huff. <http://www.windycon.org/>

Aug 6-10, 2008. Denvention 3, 66<sup>th</sup> World  
Con. GoHs: Lois McMaster Bujold, Rick  
Sternbach, Tom Whitmore, Wil McCarthy.  
FFI: <http://www.denvention3.org/>

### Ongoing Information

Board of Directors: Lisa Freitag, Dean Gahlon,  
Sharon Kahn, Laurel Krahn and Rachel Kronick.  
Email [board@mnstf.org](mailto:board@mnstf.org). Mn-STF meetings are  
held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday every month, Board  
meetings are typically the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the  
month.

Minn-STF web site at: [www.mnstf.org/](http://www.mnstf.org/). Minicon  
web site at: [www.mnstf.org/minicon/](http://www.mnstf.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](mailto: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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**April marks the beginning of our year-long  
celebration of Dreamhaven's 30th Anniversary.  
Events this month include:**

- An anniversary party at Minicon.
- John M. Ford Memorial Reading and Reception
- Scott McCloud Reading & Signing
- Laura Antoniou Reading
- Dreamhaven 30th Anniversary One-Day Sale

**See the calendar for dates**

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