

Einblatt!

Calendar

- 🌐 Tues, Mar 31, 7PM. Lois McMaster reading & Q&A at Dakota County Heritage Library, 20085 Heritage Dr, Lakeville. FFI: 952-891-0360
- 🌐 Sat, Apr 4, 2-4PM. Stipple-Apa collation. Open to potential members who enjoy expressing themselves and keeping in touch with fellow fans in a tangible form. Sample issue is FREE! Jeanne Mealy, 1595 E. Hoyt Av., St. Paul. Cats, no smoking. FFI: 651-771-7226 (9 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.).
- 🌐 Sat, Apr 4, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Blaisdell Polytechnic, 3721 Blaisdell Ave S, Mpls. Front rooms cat free, but not guaranteed cat dander free, smoking outside only. FFI: Lydia Nickerson, 612-827-6521.
- 🌐 Sun, Apr 5, 2PM. Minicon Meeting. Carol Kennedy's, 3328 Colfax Ave S, Mpls. Cats. FFI: 612-823-2784, adamskennedy@comcast.net; Matt Strait, 651-644-1812
- 🌐 Wed, Apr 8, 7PM. Minicon Work Party. Carol Kennedy's, 3328 Colfax Ave S, Mpls. Please let Carol know in advance if you will have work to be done. Cats. FFI: 612-823-2784, adamskennedy@comcast.net; Matt Strait, 651-644-1812
- 🌐 Fri, Apr 10 – Sun, Apr 12. Minicon.
- 🌐 Sun, Apr 12, 2-5PM. Ladies Sewing Circle. Laura Krentz' room at Sheraton Bloomington (#206).
- 🌐 Mon, Apr 13, 7PM. Minicon Dessicated Dodo Party, Dean Gahlon & Laura Krentz', 4323 France Ave, Mpls. Cats, no smoking. FFI: 612-929-2150
- 🌐 Sat, Apr 18, 12N – Minn-StF Board Meeting, Matt+Kelly Strait's.

- 🌐 Sat, Apr 18, 2PM. Minicon Postmortem. Matt+Kelly Strait's.
- 🌐 Sat, Apr 18, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting & Minicon Devonian Ductiva Party. Matt+Kelly Strait's, 1631 Selby Ave #1. FFI: 651-644-1812
- 🌐 Sat, Apr 18. 11th Annual MISFITS Team Trivia Challenge. 3PM Elimination, 6PM Finals. Sheraton Bloomington. FFI: <http://www.misfit.org/trivia/index.htm>.
- 🌐 Thurs, Apr 23, 11:59PM. Einblatt! Deadline.

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings: May 2 & 16.
Minn-StF Picnic – July 18.
MISFITS Geek Prom, May 16

Announcements

Future Einblatts are free for the electronic versions, subscription only for the Dead Tree Version. See the December 2008 Einblatt for more info.

Birthdays:

1: Michael Mornard; 2: Jeffrey A. Ahlstrom; 3: Mike Dorn; 9: Julie Johnson; 13: Dave Romm; 16: Carole Vandal; 18: Shannon Leslie, Richard Tatge; 22: Steven Bond, Laurel Winter; 28: Peg Kerr Ihinger; 29: Martin Schafer

Publishing News

P.C. Hodgell's *The Godstalker Chronicles* (two-novel omnibus) now out as Baen hc

Ex-local Kij Johnson's "26 Monkeys, Also the Abyss" is on the Nebula Awards short story ballot.

Locus 2008 Recommended Reading list includes Neil Gaiman, *The Graveyard Book* (novel); ex-local Caroline Gilman's "Arkfall" (novella); the Kij Johnson story (short story); and two nonfiction titles about area authors: *The Vorkosigan Companion*

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by Carl & Helfers and *Prince Of Stories: The Many Worlds Of Neil Gaiman* by Hank Wagner et al.

PMF Johnson has a poem, "We Ignore Him," in the April/May *Asimov's*.

Neil Gaiman, *The Graveyard Book*, another tp reprint from Bloomsbury UK due October

"Tate Hallaway" (Lyda Morehouse), *Dead If I Do*, Berkley tp due May

Patricia C. Wrede and Caroline Stevermer, *The Mislaid Magician, Or Ten Years After* (tp reprint from Harcourt/Graphia & pb reprint from Magic Carpet) due May; *Thirteenth Child* by Wrede alone, hc novel from Scholastic scheduled for April

Local Publisher: *Elisha's Bones* by Don Hoesel (Bethany House tp) should be out now

Naomi Kritzer has a story, "The Good Son," on the [Baen's Universe](http://www.baens-universe.com) website

Borders/Walden trade pb bestseller list reported in the March *Locus* includes two Neil Gaiman titles: *Coraline* at #1 and *American Gods* at #3

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

Conventions

Apr 10-12. Minicon 44. Bloomington, MN. GoHs: Karl Schroeder, Seth Shostak. ATD: \$60, Student: \$35, Kid: \$20, Day memberships available.

<http://www.mnstf.org/minicon44/>

Apr 24-26. Odyssey Con 9, Madison, WI. GoH: Emma Bull, Tobias Buckell, Georgie Schnobrich. \$35 to 4/10, \$45, ATD, more rates on web site. (Pre-reg deadline 4/10) <http://www.oddcon.com/about.php>

May 1-3 DemiCon 20, Des Moines, IA. GoH: Joe Haldeman, Sara Butcher, Roger Tener. (Pre-reg

deadline: Apr 1)

<http://www.demicon.org/current/>

May 22-24 ConQuest 40, Kansas City, MO. GoH: John Scalzi, Oberon Zell, Jerry Gelb, Ed deGruy.

<http://www.conquestkc.org/>

May 22-25 WisCon 33, Madison, WI. GoH: Ellen Klages, Geoff Ryman.

(Pre-reg deadline: Apr 30)

<http://www.wiscon.info/>

Jun 12-14 DuckKon, Naperville, IL.

GoH: Jim Butcher, Loren

Damewood, Seanan McGuire. (Pre-reg deadline: Apr 30)

<http://www.duckkon.org/>

Jun 19-21. Fourth Street Fantasy Con, Mpls. GoH: Cory Doctorow.

<http://www.4thstreetfantasy.com/>

July 2-5 CONvergence, Bloomington, MN. GoH: Dwayne McDuffie, Kelly McCullough, Pat Rothfuss, Brian Keene (Pre-reg deadline: May 15)

<http://www.convergence-con.org/>

Jul 31-Aug 2 Diversicon 17, St. Paul, MN. GoH: Kay Kenyon (Pre-registration deadlines: March 15/July 14)

<http://www.diversicon.org/>

Aug 6-10, 2009. Anticipation/Worldcon 67, Montréal, QB, CA.

GoH: Neil Gaiman, Elisabeth Vonarburg, Taral Wayne, David G. Hartwell, Tom Doherty, Ralph

Bakshi. (Pre-reg deadline: July 15)

www.anticipationsf.ca/English/Home

Oct 9-11. Gaylaxicon 2009, St Louis Park, MN. GoHs: Margaret Weis, Andy Mangels, Lawrence Schimel, Terrance "Spider Baby" Griep. \$70 to 8/11, \$35 supporting.

<http://www.gaylaxicon2009.org>

Oct 23-25 Icon 34, Cedar Rapids, IA. GoH: Jim C. Hines, Heather Bruton.

<http://www.iowa-icon.com/>

Nov 13-15 WindyCon 36, Lombard, IL. GoH: Phil & Kaja Foglio. (Pre-reg deadline: Oct 24)

<http://www.windycon.org/>

Ongoing Information

Board of Directors: Seven (Jennifer Anderson, Dean Gahlon, Betsy Lundsten, Scott Raun & Matt Strait - board@mnstf.org. Mn-STF meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Saturday every month, for Board meetings check the minutes are posted at mnstf.org/records/board-minutes/, or the events mailing list.

Minn-STF web site: www.mnstf.org/.

Minicon web site:

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

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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