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Calendar

- Sat, Dec 5. Readings from Rivendell – annual reading of original works. Southeast Community Library, 1222 4th St SE, Mpls. Library: 612-382-4240. FFI: david_lenander@mac.com
- Sat, Dec 5, 11AM-1PM. Inventory Minicon Signs. The new Storage Locker, 970 Pelham Blvd, St Paul. FFI: Matthew Strait.
- Sat, Dec 5, 2PM. Minn-StF Board Meeting at Blaisdell Polytechnic
- Sat, Dec 5, 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.
- Tues, Dec 8, 6:30-7:30PM. Talk: Masters of Mystery: Edgar Allan Poe and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Southeast Community Library, 1222 4th St SE, Mpls. "Poe and Doyle buff Eric Heideman will speak about their lives and works, and invite discussion." FFI: eheideman@hclib.org, 952-847-2728.
- Fri, Dec 11, 6:30-8:00PM. Lois McMaster Bujold reads at Dreamhaven Books. 2301 E 38th St, Mpls.
- Sat, Dec12, 1-2PM. Local author Alan DeNiro signs Total Oblivion, More or Less. Uncle Hugo’s, 2864 Chicago Ave S, Mpls. FFI: 612-824-6347
- Sun, Dec. 13, 2PM. Ladies’ Sewing Circle. Cookie Exchange and Player Piano Caroling Party. Bring 2 dozen or more cookies to exchange. Also small hand-made gift items to sell or exchange if you want. Laura Krentz’, 4323 France Ave, Mpls. Cats, no smoking. FFI: 612-929-2150
- Thurs, Dec 17, 7PM Retrofits Writers Group. Lunds Uptown, Mpls.
- Sat, Dec 19, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Minn-StF Meeting. Irene & Scott Raun’s, 3928 11th Ave S, Mpls. Dogs, smoking outdoors. FFI: 612-822-0451, sraun@fireopal.org, realitychallenged@fireopal.org
- Sun, Dec 20, 12N. December MinnSpec Meetup - Members Read. Lunds Uptown, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: www.meetup.com/MNspec/
- Sun, Dec 20, 2PM. MinnSpec Writers Workshop, immediately following the MinnSpec Meetup. Lunds Uptown, Mpls.
- Thurs, Dec 31, 5PM. Minn-StF New Year’s Eve. Shaun Kelly’s, 2246 Lincoln St NE, Mpls. No pets, smoking outside, gun lockbox available upon request. FFI: meeting@impsec.net

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings: Jan 2, cancelled in favor of NYE; Jan 16, TBA.

Announcements

Thanks to recent meeting hosts: Dean Gahlon & Laura Krentz, Matt+Kelly Strait, Sharon Kahn & Richard Tatge, Irene & Scott Raun, Betsy Lundsten, Marian Turner, Shaun Kelly, Bill Christ, Erin Mc Kee & David Wilford, Blaisdell Polytechnic.

Starting this month, subscription expiration dates for the Dead Tree Edition are printed above your name.

Birthdays:

2: Martin McClure; 3: Lynn Anderson; 4: Jerry Corwin, Felicia Herman, Anne Gay; 9: Larry Sanderson; 10: Laura Krentz; 11: Reen Brust, Ken Fletcher, David Wilford; 12: Joan Marie Verba;

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13: Emma Bull; 15: Scott Raun; 23: Dean Gahlon; 24: Karen Johnson; 25: Eric Forste; 31: Jan Appelbaum, Erik Emery

Publishing News

Local publisher Bethany House: Nightmare by Robin Parrish (hc) and Heartless by Anne Elisabeth Stengl (tp) set for June 2010.

Local publisher Lerner/Carolrhoda: Breathe by Cliff McNish (tp); Dead Girl In Love by Linda Joy Singleton (tp); and City Of Screams by John Brindley (hc), all out now


Ex-locals: Laurel Winter's Growing Wings scheduled for tp reprint from HarperTeen in February 2010, and Will Shetterley’s The Gospel of the Knife as tp reprint from Tor in May 2010.

Ex-local Kj Johnson won the World Fantasy Award for short fiction with "26 Monkeys, Also the Abyss.”

St. Paul-based writer David J. Schwartz is interviewed in the October 2009 Locus (title: “Cynics and Believers”).

Neil Gaiman’s Coraline was #5 bestselling Borders/Walden tp as reported in the September Locus; ex-local Steven Brust’s Jhegaala was #2 hc on the October “Locus Bestsellers” list. Good Omens by Neil Gaiman (and Terry Pratchett) was #3 on the Borders/Waldenbooks best seller list in the November Locus.

Adam Stemple (with Jane Yolen), "Mesopotamian Fire," in *Eclipse Three* (ed Jonathan Strahan, Night Shade tp)

Local publishers (all now out): Timothy Carter, *Evil?*, and Maggie Stiefvater, *Ballad: A Gathering of Faerie* (both Llewellyn/Flux tp); John Brindley, *City of Screams and The Rule of Claw* (both Lerner/Carolrhoda hc).

Alan DiNiro, *Total Oblivion, More Or Less* (novel, Bantam Spectra tp) pb=mass market paperback. hc=hardcover. tp=trade paperback. nf=nonfiction. coll=collection. anth=anthology. r=reissue

### Conventions


### 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 that are posted at mnstf.org/records/board-minutes/.

Minn-STF web site: [www.mnstf.org/](http://www.mnstf.org/)

Minicon web site: [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

**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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