

Einblatt!

Calendar

- 📍 Sat, Apr 7, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Cancelled in favor of Minicon
- 📍 Tues, Apr 10, 7:00PM. East St Paul Speculative Fiction Meetup. Topic: Sustaining Tension and Suspense. Davannis, 310 White Bear Ave, St Paul. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- 📍 Tues, Apr 10, 6:30-7:30PM. Speculations Reading Series: Will Alexander. Southeast Public Library, 1222 4th St SE, Mpls. FFI: ehaideman@dhzone.com
- 📍 Sat, Apr 14, 3:30PM. WALI Saturday Meetup - Critique and Discussion. Northeast Library, 2200 Central Ave NE, Mpls. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- 📍 Sat, Apr 14, 2PM. Minn-StF Board Meeting. Joel Phillips, 6323 Excelsior Blvd, St Louis Park. FFI: board@mnstf.org
- 📍 Sat, Apr 14, 4PM. Minicon 47 Postmortem & Devonian Ductina. Joel Phillips, 6323 Excelsior Blvd, St Louis Park. FFI: optymystyc1@gmail.com
- 📍 Sun, Apr 15, 12N. MinnSpec Meetup. Topic: Selected by Hilary Moon Murphy. Lunds Community Room, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- 📍 Sun, Apr 15, 2PM. MSP Critique Workshop. Lunds Comm Room, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- 📍 Sat, Apr 21, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Emily Stewart & Aaron Vander Giessen's, 2829 Alabama Ave S, St Louis Park. FFI: mle292@yahoo.com
- 📍 Sun, Apr 22, 4PM. Retrofits Critique Meetup. Lunds Community Room, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- 📍 Mon, Apr 23, 4PM. Reading, Panel Discussion & Autographs: Ruth Berman, Ellen Kuhfeld, Mary Monica Pulver, and Joan Marie

Verba. Univ of MN Bookstore, Coffman Union.

- 📍 Thurs, Apr 26, 11:59PM. Einblatt! Deadline.
- 📍 Sat, Apr 28. West Metro Shorts: Flash Fiction Workshop. Davanni's, 5124 Gus Young Ln, Edina. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings: May 5 & 19: TBA

Announcements

The new Board is Beth Friedman, Dean Gahlon, Hershey Lima, Scott Raun, and Emily Stewart.

GPS Team Trivia Challenge May 5th. FFI: http://geekpartnership.org/evt_triviaChallenge.htm

GPS 14th Annual Writing Contest deadline May 15th. FFI: http://geekpartnership.org/evt_writingContest.htm

Art-a-Whirl – 12M 5/18 to 12M 5/20. NE Mpls.

Minn-StF Picnic, July 14th.

London is the sole bidder for WorldCon 2014.

CoA: The Source Comics & Games, 2057 Snelling Ave N, Roseville, MN 55113

Thanks to recent meeting hosts: Lydia Nickerson, David & Pamela Dyer-Bennet, Sharon Kahn & Richard Tatge, Linda Lounsbury, Josh More & Bonnie Somdahl, Clay Harris, Jonathan Adams & Carol Kennedy, Irene & Scott Raun, Dean Gahlon & Laura Krentz, Kevin Austin & Laurel Krahn, Bill Christ, Beth Friedman, Erin McKee & David Wilford.

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:

Falling Free by Lois McMaster Bujold is a nominee for the Libertarian Futurist Hall of Fame award.

Ruth Berman has a story, "The Chimney-Dragon," in the March issue of "The Fifth Dimension."

April 2012

Neil Gaiman's *The Graveyard Book* was #5 bestselling tp at Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton per the February *Locus*, while his co-authored (with Terry Pratchett) *Good Omens* was #16 fantasy audiobook. In the March lists, *The Graveyard Book* was #3 tp and his *American Gods* was #2 fantasy audiobook.

2011 *Locus* "Recommended Reading" list includes these works by locals or ex-locals:

Patricia Wrede, *Across the Great Barrier* (young adult book); Carolyn Ives Gilman, "The Ice Owl" and Kij Johnson, "The Man Who Bridged the Mist" (novella); Eleanor Arnason, "My Husband Steinn" (novelette); Neil Gaiman, "And Weep Like Alexander" and "The Case of Death and Honey" (short story)

Best Science Fiction and Fantasy of the Year vol. 6 (ed. Strahan) includes "The Case of Death and Honey" by Neil Gaiman and "The Man Who Bridged the Mist" by Kij Johnson.

Lois McMaster Bujold, new hc *Captain Vorpatril's Alliance* due November from Baen; also NESFA hc reprint of *Barrayar* should be out by now

MaryJanice Davidson, tp collection *Dying For You* (Berkley Sensation) rescheduled for July; also tp omnibus *Underwater Love* (Berkley) should be out now

Neil Gaiman, more upcoming reprints of *Stardust* (November hc) and *American Gods* (December pb), both from HarperCollins; and of *Good Omens* (with Pratchett; April pb) in the UK from Transworld/Corgi

P.C. Hodgell, pb reprint of *Honor's Paradox* due December from Baen

Kij Johnson, tp collection *At the Mouth of the River of Bees* (Small Beer Press) due August

Greg Ketter (ed), tp reprint of anthology *Shelf Life: Fantastic Stories Celebrating Bookstores* (Prime Books, October)

Local publishers: Graywolf Press hc: *The City of Bohane* by Kevin Barry (May); Bethany House (all tp), *Arena* by Karen Hancock (July) and *Judge* by R.J. Larson and *Starflower* by Anne Elizabeth Stengl (both November); University of Minnesota Press, *Death Sentences* by Kawamata Chiaki (tp, out now).

Catherine Lundoff; *Silver Moon: A Wolves of Wolf's Point Novel* (Lethe Press tp due May)

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

Conventions

Apr 13-15. Constellation, Lincoln, NE.
GoH: Elizabeth Bear, W.J. Hodgson, Ron
Vick. (Pre-reg Deadline 3/1)
<http://constellationne.net/>

Apr 20-22. Odyssey Con, Madison, WI
GoH: Larry Niven, Steven Barnes,
Kenneth Hite. www.oddcon.com/

May 4-6. DemiCon, Des Moines, IA. GoH:
Patricia Briggs, Allen Williams, Ange &
Brian Anderson. <http://www.demicon.org/>

May 25-27. ConQuest, Kansas City, MO.
GoH: Steve Miller & Sharon Lee, Gardner
Dozois, Ursula Vernon, Tim Miller.
<http://www.conquestkc.org/>

May 25-28. WisCon, Madison, WI. GoH:
Andrea Hairston, Debbie Notkin.
<http://www.wiscon.info/>

Jun 1-3. DuckKon, St. Charles, IL. GoH:
Robert J. Sawyer, Bedlam Bards, Ann &
Dr. Bob Passovoy. www.duckkon.org/

Jun 22-24. 4th Street Fantasy Convention.
St. Louis Park, MN FFI:
www.4thstreetfantasy.com/2012/

Jul 5-8. Convergence 2012. Bloomington,
MN. GoHs: Sophie Aldred, Jennifer
Clarke Wilkes, Lyda Morehouse, Sharyn
November, Tamora Pierce, Ruth
Thompson. (Pre-reg Deadline 5/15) FFI:
www.convergence-con.org/

Aug 3-5. Diversicon 20. Twin Cities Hotel
TBA. FFI: <http://www.diversicon.org>

Aug 30-Sept 3. Chicon7. Chicago, IL. FFI:
www.chicon.org/

Aug 31-Sept 2. Brit Con MN.
Bloomington, MN.
<http://www.britconmn.org>

Oct 5-7. Gaylaxicon 2012. St. Louis Park,
MN. FFI: <http://www.gaylaxicon2012.org/>

Oct 19-21. Conjecture. Bloomington, MN.
<http://www.mnstf.org/conjecture/>

Nov 9-11. WindyCon, Lombard, IL. GoH:
Seanan McGuire, Amy McNally.
<http://www.windycon.org/>

Nov 9-11. OmegaCon, Siren, WI.
<http://www.omegacon.org/>

Mar 29-31, 2013. Minicon 48,
Bloomington, MN. GoHs: Julie Czernada.
Richard Tatge,
<http://www.mnstf.org/minicon48/>

Aug 29-Sept 2, 2013. LoneStarCon3. San
Antonio, TX. FFI:
<http://www.lonestarcon3.org/>

Ongoing Information

Board of Directors: Beth Friedman, Dean
Gahlon, Hershey Lima, Scott Raun, and
Emily Stewart - 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/](http://mnstf.org/records/board-minutes/).

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

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Mealy, 651-771-7226

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