

Einblatt!

Calendar

- ☛ Wed, Dec 4, 8PM-?. mnstf.org account change. **ALL** mnstf.org and minicon.org services will be off-line at some point during this process. FFI: sraun@fireopal.org
- ☛ Fri, Dec 6, 8:00-10:00 PM. Riverfolk performs. Coffee Grounds, 1579 Hamline Ave, Falcon Heights. FFI: 651-644-9959
- ☛ Sat, Dec 7, 4PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Ann Totusek & Kelly James, 7765 Drew Ave N, Brooklyn Park. Smoking outside. No pets allowed. Service animals permitted. House not childproofed. FFI: 515-971-8762.
- ☛ Tues, Dec 10, 7:00-9:30PM. ESP Speculative Fiction Writers Meetup. Topic: Writing Believable Dialog. Davannis, 310 White Bear Ave, St Paul. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- ☛ Wed, Dec 11, 6:30-7:45PM. Speculations Reading Series: S. N. Arly reads. Dreamhaven Books, 2301 38th St E, Mpls. FFI: Eric Heideman, 612-721-5959, eheideman@dhzone.com
- ☛ Sun, Dec 15, 12N. MinnSpec Meeting. Topic: TBA. Lund's Community Room, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- ☛ Sun, Dec 15, 2-5PM. LSC&TS. Bring 2 dozen cookies – some will be eaten, the rest will be divided and sent home with everyone. Laura Krentz', 4323 France Ave, Mpls. Cats, no smoking. FFI: 612-929-2150.
- ☛ Sat, Dec 21, #. Minn-StF Meeting. Irene & Scott Raun's. 3928 11th Ave S, Mpls. Dogs, smoking outside. FFI: 612-822-0451, sraun@fireopal.org, realitychallenged@fireopal.org
- ☛ Thurs, Dec 26, 11:59PM. Einblatt! Deadline
- ☛ Tues, 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 4 & 18: tbd.
Minicon Open Meeting: Jan 18, Clay Harris'

Announcements

The Minn-StF domains (mnstf.org & minicon.org) will be moving from Laurel Krahn's Dreamhost account (Thanks, Laurel!) to Minn-StF's own free-due-to-501c3-status Dreamhost account on Wednesday, 4 December, starting at 8pm. We anticipate work will be complete by 10pm.

As part of the account move, **EVERYONE** who wants to receive Einblatt via e-mail directly will need to confirm this. After the move is complete, we will be sending out an e-mail to all the current subscribers with a link to resubscribe.

Dreamhaven Books will be open 12N-6:30PM every Wed, Thurs, Fri, and Sat between Dec 4-21. They will also be open those hours on Sun & Mon, Dec 22 & 23. 2301 E 38th St, Mpls. FFI: dreamhavenbooks.com

- Minn-StF Meetings start at 2pm, but there are rarely a lot of people showing up before 4pm. The business meeting will typically be between 5-6pm.

Thanks to recent meeting hosts: Sharon Kahn & Richard Tatge, Jonathan Adams & Carol Kennedy, Corwin & Dee Brust, Linda Lounsbury, Irene & Scott Raun, Dean Gahlon & Laura Krentz, Liz Fish, Bill Christ, Beth Friedman, Emily Stewart & Aaron Vander Giessen, Rachel Kronick & Eric Forste, Joel Phillips, Ann Totusek & Kelly James, Mark Richards, Patricia Zetelumen, Erin McKee & David Wilford, Clay Harris.

Birthdays:

2: Martin McClure; 3: Lynn Anderson; 4: Jerry Corwin, Felicia Herman, Anne Gay; 9: Larry Sanderson; 10: Laura Krentz; 11: Ken Fletcher, David Wilford; 12: Joan Marie Verba; 13: Emma Bull; 15: Scott Raun; 23: Dean Gahlon; 24: Karen Johnson; 25: Eric Forste; 31: Jan Appelbaum, Erik Emery

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Publishing News

Neil Gaiman's *The Ocean at the End of the Lane* has been #1 hc on the *Locus* bestseller lists for September, October, and November, and on the Barnes&Noble/B.Dalton sf/f hc lists in the August, September, and November issues (and #2 in October). The audiobook version was #1 (fantasy category) in the lists published in September and November (and #2 in August and #7 in October).

Scott Lynch is interviewed in the October *Locus*. Lois McMaster Bujold was interviewed in the February 2013 issue of online magazine *Lightspeed*. Eleanor Arnason is writing a regular column for online magazine *Strange Horizons*.

Recent tp from McFarland: *Lois McMaster Bujold: Essays on a Modern Master Of Science Fiction* (ed. Janet Brennan Croft).

Recent sf/f from local/ex-local publishers: tp from Bethany House: *Judge* by R.J. Larson and *Starflower* by Anne Stengl; tp from Llewellyn/Flux: *Shallow Pond* by Alissa Rosso; hc from Fedogan & Bremer: *Weirder Shadows Over Innsmouth* ed. Stephen Jones; tp from Langdon Street Press: *How To Make A Big Bang* by Andrew and Victor Flambaum.

Neil Gaiman is interviewed in the July 2013 *Locus*.

Lois McMaster Bujold has donated her papers to the library of Northern Illinois University.

Kij Johnson was once again a judge for the Theodore Sturgeon Memorial Awards.

Hugo Award breakdowns indicate Bujold's *Captain Vorpatril's Alliance* finished 2nd in Novel category and Kij Johnson's "Mantis Wives" 3rd in Short Story. Johnson's *At the Mouth of the River of Bees* was a runner-up for World Fantasy Award in Best Collection category (no breakdowns available).

Local and ex-locals placing in 2013 *Locus* Poll awards included Lois McMaster Bujold (*Captain Vorpatril's Alliance*, #4 Science Fiction Novel); Kij Johnson (*At the Mouth of the River of Bees*; #3 Collection; and "Mantis Wives," #4 Short Story); Eleanor

Arnason ("Holmes Sherlock: A Hwarhath Mystery," #11 Novelette, and "The Woman Who Fooled Death Five Times," #17 Short Story); and Naomi Krizer, "Liberty's Daughter," #20 Novelette).

William Alexander, *Ghoulish Song*, tp reprint (Simon&Schuster) scheduled for April

Steven Brust, *Sethra Lavode*, Tor Orb tp omnibus, due January 2014

Neil Gaiman: *The Ocean at the End of the Lane*, tp reprint by Headline River (UK) due January; other upcoming UK Gaiman reprints (with various collaborators), all tp: *Chu's Day* and *Unnatural Creatures* (Bloomsbury), February; *Silver Dream* (HarperUK), April

Scott Lynch, *The Republic of Thieves*, tp reprint from Orion Gollancz (UK) due June

Local Publisher: Bethany House, tp (with ebook editions also) scheduled for February: *A Draw of Kings* by Patrick W. Carr and *Shadow Hand* by Anne Elisabeth Stengl

Susan Sizemore, *Blood2Blood*, pb and eb from Ace, scheduled for March 2014

Alan DeNiro, *Tyrannia and Other Renditions* (tp collection, Small Beer Press), is now out.

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

Conventions

Apr 17½-20, 2014. Minicon 49, Bloomington, MN. GoHs: Catherynne M. Valente, Janny Wurts & Don Maitz. Adult \$40, Student \$20, Kid (6-12) \$10, Supporting \$15 until 17 March. FFI: www.mnstf.org/minicon49/

May 16-18, 2014. CONsoleRoom. Bloomington, MN. FFI: <http://console-room.mpls.cx/>

Jul 17-20, 2014. Detcon 1 (NASFIC). Detroit, MI. FFI: <http://detcon1.org/>

Jul 25-27, 2014. Diversicon 22. GoH; Carolyn Ives Gilman. Best Western Bandana Square, St Paul. FFI: <http://www.diversicon.org/>

Aug 14-18, 2014. Loncon 3. London, England. FFI: <http://www.loncon3.org/>

Apr 2-5, 2015. Minicon 50, Bloomington, MN. GoHs: Jane Yolen, Larry Niven, Brandon Sanderson, Adam Stemple & Tom Doherty. FFI: <http://www.mnstf.org/minicon50/>

Ongoing Information

Board of Directors: Kevin Austin, Beth Friedman, Dean Gahlon, Hershey Lima and Scott Raun - board@mnsf.org. Mn-STF meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Saturday every month, for Board meetings check the minutes that are posted at mnsf.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 Sunday at 5pm. FFI: Rich Brown, 651-646-2159, rab@freemars.org

PRINT FANDOM LIVES! Stipple-Apa is a healthy general-interest publication with members in six countries. Local collations are every six weeks. Chat with fellow fans the classic way. FFI: Jeanne Mealy, 651-771-7226

Einblatt from July 95 to date is on the web at www.mnstf.org/einblatt/. Einblatt is distributed via e-mailing-list – sign up at the web-site (here). The Dead-tree Einblatt is available by subscription. Cost is \$10, payable by check mailed to the Minn-StF PO Box, check or cash handed to YrHumbleEinblattEd (as of December 2009, Scott Raun), or PayPal to webmaster@minicon.org.

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Dec 31: Minn-StF NYE Party