

Einblatt!

Calendar

- 📍 Tues, Dec 31, 5PM. Minn-StF New Year's Eve. Shaun Kelly's, 2246 Lincoln St NE, Mpls. Cats, smoking outside, gun lockbox available upon request. FFI: meeting@impsec.net
- 📍 Thurs, Jan 2, 12N-6:30PM. Dreamhaven Open. 2301 E 38th St, Mpls. FFI: dreamhavenbooks.com
- 📍 Sat, Jan 4, 12N-6:30PM. Dreamhaven Open. 2301 E 38th St, Mpls. FFI: dreamhavenbooks.com
- 📍 Sat, Jan 4, #. Minn-StF Meeting & Tree Burning Party. Erin McKee & David Wilford's, 549 E 3rd St, New Richmond, WI. Cats, dogs. Musical instruments especially welcome. FFI: 715-222-9167
- 📍 Tues, Jan 7, 5:30PM. Convergence Events Open Meeting. Room 107, Waterbury Building, 1121 Jackson St NE, Mpls.
- 📍 Wed, Jan 8, 12N-6:30PM. Dreamhaven Open. 2301 E 38th St, Mpls. FFI: dreamhavenbooks.com
- 📍 Sat, Jan 11, 12N-6:30PM. Dreamhaven Open. 2301 E 38th St, Mpls. FFI: dreamhavenbooks.com
- 📍 Sun, Jan 12, 2:00-5:00PM. LSC&TS. Terry Garey's, 3149 Park Ave S, Mpls. Cats, no smoking, no guns, no kids without prior arrangement. FFI: t-gare@umn.edu
- 📍 Tues, Jan 14, 7-9PM. ESP Speculative Fiction Writers Meetup. Topic: The Do's and Don'ts of World Building. Davannis, 310 White Bear Ave, St Paul. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- 📍 Wed, Jan 15, 12N-6:30PM. Dreamhaven Open. 2301 E

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- 📍 Wed, Jan 15, 6:30PM. Speculations Reading: Reader TBA. Dreamhaven. 2301 E 38th St, Mpls. FFI: dreamhavenbooks.com
- 📍 Sat, Jan 18, 12N-6:30PM. Dreamhaven Open. 2301 E 38th St, Mpls. FFI: dreamhavenbooks.com
- 📍 Sat, Jan 18, 1PM. Minicon Open Meeting. Clay Harris', 3601 Towndale Dr, Bloomington
- 📍 Sat, Jan 18, #. Minn-StF Meeting & Clay's Birthday Party. Clay Harris & Hershey Lima's, 3601 Towndale Dr., Bloomington. Dog. Smoking outside. Talk to Clay about alternate parking if you're there after 2AM. FFI: 952-832-9194
- 📍 Sun, Jan 19, 12N. MinnSpec Meeting. Topic: TBA. Lund's Community Room, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- 📍 Sun, Jan 19, 2PM. MinnSpec January Critique Workshop. Lund's Community Room, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: www.meetup.com/MinnSpec/
- 📍 Thurs, Jan 23, 11:59PM. Einblatt! Deadline

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings: Feb 1 & 15 (we think)

Announcements

Uncle Hugo's / Uncle Edgar's Inventory Reduction Sale – December 26th – 31st. FFI: http://www.unclehugo.com/prod/ind_ex.shtml, 612-824-6347, 612-824-9984

- 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.

January 2014

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

Birthdays:

1: Peggy O'Neill; 2: Don Blyly, Thorin Tatge, Patrick Nielsen Hayden; 4: David Messer; 5: Claire Lenander; 7: Margo Bratton; 9: Greg Ketter; 11: Victor Raymond; 12: Seth Breidbart; 14: Lisa Sanders; 15: Bruce Schneider; 17: Giovanna Fregni, Andrew Bertke; 18: Pamela Dyer-Bennet; 20: Kij Johnson; 24: John Houghton, Katie Krantz; 30: Linda Lounsbury

Publishing News

Alban Lake will be publishing in print Michael Merriam's *Dark Water Blues*, a near future dystopian urban fantasy with a release date of March 1st 2014.

Neil Gaiman's *The Ocean at the End of the World* was #2 hc bestseller on the December *Locus* ranking; his *Fortunately, The Milk* was "runner up" (e.g. #11) on same list, and *Ocean* was #6 on the Barnes and Noble list reported in same issue, while the audio version of *Ocean* was #14 fantasy title per audible.com.

Scott Lynch's *The Republic of Thieves* was #5 on the Barnes & Noble hc bestseller list per December *Locus*.

Recent sf/f books by local authors include: Anne Ursu, *The Real Boy* (HarperCollins hc); Jacqueline West, *The Strangers* (Dial hc); Kurits Scaletta, *The Winter of the Robots* (Knopf hc -- this is also set in Minneapolis); Joan Marie Verba's latest *Thunderbirds* novel, *Danger Zone!* (FTL tp); Adam Stemple (with Jane Yolen), *The Hostage Prince* (Penguin/Viking hc); and three tp from Variations on a Theme by G. David Nordley: *To Climb a Flat Mountain*; *After the Vikings: Tales of Future Mars*; and *The Black Hole Project* (with co-author C.S. Lowe)

Forthcoming tp from Bethany House (local publisher): *A Draw of Kings* by

Patrick W. Carr (Feb) and *Shadow Hand* by Anne Elisabeth Stengl (March)

We've missed listing many recent stories and reprints by Marissa Lingen: see

www.marissalingen.com/bibleo.html for full records

Other recent new stories by locals not already cited include: Neil Gaiman, "Down Among the Dead Men," in *Zombie Apocalypse: Fight Back* (Robinson UK tp, ed. S. Jones); Naomi Kritzer, "The Well," April/May 2013 *Asimov's*; Scott Lynch, "The Effigy Engine," in *Fearsome Journeys* (Solaris tp, ed. J. Strahan); G. David Nordley, "The Fountain," June 2013 *Asimov's*; Caroline Stevermer (with Ellen Kushner), "The Vital Importance of the Superficial" in *Queen Victoria's Book of Spells* (Tor tp, ed. Datlow & Windling); Patricia C. Wrede, "Mad Hamlet's Mother," in *Apex* (online) for February 2013

Recently reprinted stories not already cited include: Eleanor Arnason, "The Lovers" (text plus podcast) online at *Clarkesworld* #83; and "The Garden" (plus an interview) online at *Lightspeed* #36; Alan DiNiro, "Walking Stick Fires," online at *Tor.com* (29 October); Neil Gaiman, "Feminine Endings," online at *Nightmare Magazine* #8; Kij Johnson, "Evolution of Trickster Stories Among the Dogs of North Park After the Change," in *Telling Tales* (Hydra House hc/tp/eb)

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

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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@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/.
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

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