

Einblatt!

Calendar

- 🌐 Wed, Mar 2, 6:30PM. Speculations Series: S.N. Arly reads. Dreamhaven Books, 2301 E 38th St, Mpls. FFI: <http://dreamhavenbooks.com/>
- 🌐 Tues, Mar 8, 7:00-9:30PM. ESP Speculative Fiction Meetup. Davannis, 310 White Bear Ave, St Paul. FFI: <http://meetup.com/minnspec>
- 🌐 Sat, Mar 12, 1PM. Rivendell discusses Michael Ward's Planet Narnia. Southeast Library, 1222 4th St SE, Mpls. FFI: d-lena@umn.edu
- 🌐 Sat, Mar 12, #. Minn-StF Voting Meeting. Dreampark. Sharon Kahn & Richard Tatge's, 4002 Pillsbury Ave S, Mpls. No smoking. FFI: 612-827-3228.
- 🌐 Tues, Mar 15, 7PM. Brian Staveley signs. Magers & Quinn, 3038 Hennepin Ave S, Mpls. FFI: 612-822-4611
- 🌐 Tues, Mar 15, 8:00-10:30PM. The Not-So Silent Planet: A Speculative Open-Mic. Feature performer Joshua English Scrimshaw. Kieran's Irish Pub, 85 6th Street N, Mpls. Tickets \$5-10, \$3 with a Fringe button. FFI: <http://www.wordsprout.org/the-not-so-silent-planet-a-speculative-open-mic.html>
- 🌐 Sat, Mar 19, 12N. MSP Meeting. Topic TBD. Uptown Heating & Cooling Public Meeting Space, 3554 Bryant Ave S, Mpls. FFI: <http://meetup.com/minnspec>
- 🌐 Sat, Mar 19, #. Minn-StF Meeting. Cancelled.
- 🌐 Mon, Mar 28, 5PM. Dessicated Dodo Party. Irene & Scott Raun's, 3928 11th Ave S, Mpls. Dogs, smoking outside. FFI: 612-822-0451, sraun@fireopal.org, realitychallenged@fireopal.org
- 🌐 Mon, Mar 28, 11:59PM. Einblatt Deadline! (Yes, this is later than my normal deadline.)

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings: Apr 2 & 16 (presumably)

Announcements

Uncle Hugo's Anniversary Sale – Fri, Feb 26 – Sun, Mar 6. 10% off everything at both stores (in-store only, not good on mail orders). Sale does not apply to discount cards or gift certificates. A discount card saves you more, 10% for the sale plus 10% for the discount. 2864 Chicago Ave, Mpls. FFI: 612-824-9984, www.unclehugo.com

2016 Hugo Nominations are open. FFI: <http://midamericon2.org/the-hugo-awards/hugo-nominations/>

GPS Writing Contest is open through May 15. FFI: <http://www.geekpartnership.org/programs/writing-contest/>

GPS Pirate Cruise Fundraiser, June 4. FFI: <http://www.geekpartnership.org/events/pirate-cruise/>

Minn-StF is resurrecting the Quartermaster position, and trying to generate a list of everything we own. Joel Phillips has accepted the position, and will be organizing an inventory of the storage locker. If you have any items owned by Minn-StF in your possession, please let Joel know at the e-mail address quartermaster@mnstf.org.

The Minn-StF Board is soliciting bids for a FallCon for 2016.

The new Minn-StF President is Dean Gahlon. He can be reached at president@mnstf.org.

- 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: Jonathan Adams & Carol Kennedy, Mark Richards, Robin Severson, Erin McKee & David Wilford, Clay & Hershey Harris, Irene & Scott Raun, Sharon Kahn & Richard Tatge, Blaisdell Polytechnic, Dean Gahlon & Laura Krentz, Liz Fish,

March 2016

Bill Christ, Peer Dudda, Chrisi Hansen & Mike Schneider, Joel Phillips, Ann Totusek, Sidhe Brewing, Emily Stewart & Aaron Vander Giessen, Kelly James, Polly Peterson, Rachel Kronick & Eric Forste, Josh More, Shaun Kelly, Corwin & Dee Brust, Linda Lounsbury.

Birthdays:

9: David Emerson; 10: Margie Lessinger; 14: Ben Lessinger; 16: Megan Totusek; 19: Karen Cooper; 21: Teresa Nielsen Hayden; 27: Bryan Andersen, Peter Hentges; 28: Davey Snyder, 31: Seven Anderson

Publishing News

Joan Marie Verba's science fiction novel, *Modern Surprises*, has been posted on Kindle Scout. Scientists having fun saving the world! Check it out at: <http://bit.ly/jmvbook> (until March 14)

Joan Marie Verba's children's chapter book, *Wondry Dragon Finds a Home*, was published in January. FFI: <http://fftpublications.com/wondry-dragon-finds-a-home/>

Naomi Kritzer's "Cat Pictures Please" is a "Best Short Story" Nebula nominee.

Neil Gaiman story reprints: "Changes," in *Pwning Tomorrow* (2015 eBook from Electronic Frontier Foundation) and "How to Talk to Girls at Parties" in *The Humanity of Monsters* (ed Michael Matheson; ChiZine tp/eBook)

Barnes & Noble/B. Dalton Bestsellers list in the February *Locus* includes *Saturn Run* by John Sandford & Ctein (#8 hc) and *Trigger Warning* by Neil Gaiman (#5 tp).

2015 *Locus* Recommended Reading list includes these works by/about locals or ex-locals: Novel: *Dark Orbit* by Carolyn Ives Gilman

// Collections: *Hidden Folk* by Eleanor Arnason; *Trigger Warning* by Neil Gaiman; *I Am Crying All Inside* by Clifford D. Simak (edited by Dave Wixon) // Non-Fiction: *Lois McMaster Bujold* by Edward James // Novella: "Penric's Demon" by Bujold // Novelettes: "Ruins" by Arnason; "Black Dog" by Gaiman; "So Much Cooking" by Naomi Kritzer // Short Stories: "Telling Stories to the Sky" by Arnason; "The Apartment Dweller's Bestiary" by Kij Johnson; "Cat Pictures Please" by Kritzer.

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

Conventions

Mar 4-6. Marscon "Parallel Dimensions". GoHs: William Morgan Sheppard, Christine Mitzuk, Ruth Berman, Christopher R. Mihm, Eric Wile, The great Luke Ski, Dave Brown, Dave Duca, Michael Glielmi, Ann Neubauer. FFI: <http://marscon.org/2016/>

Mar 18-20. Vericon. Harvard, Cambridge, MA. GoHs: Ann Leckie, John Chu, Wesley Chu, Pamela Dean, Seth Dickinson, Greer Gilman, Malka Older, Ada Palmer, Jo Walton. FFI: <http://www.vericon.org>

Mar 25-27. Minicon 51. GoHs: Seanan McGuire, Sara Butcher Burrier. Registration: Adults, \$70; Student, \$25; Kid, \$15; Convert from Supporting: \$40. FFI: <http://mnstf.org/minicon51/>

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Jun 17-19. Fourth Street Fantasy, St. Louis Park, MN.

www.4thstreetfantasy.com/2016/

Aug 17-21. MidAmeriCon II, Worldcon 2016. FFI:

<http://midamericon2.org/>

Oct 7-9. Gaylaxicon 2016. St. Louis Park, MN. GoHs: Eleanor Arnason, Zack Karlsson, David Maxine, Eric Shanower, David Gaider. FFI:

<http://www.gaylaxicon2016.org/>

Feb 16-19, 2017. Capricon 37. Wheeling, IL. GoHs: Beth Revis, Meg Frank. FFI:

<http://capricon.org/capricon37/>

Apr 14-17, 2017. Minicon 52. GoHs: Jim C. Hines, Brother Guy Consolmagno, Mark Oshiro.

Registration: Adults, \$40 to 3/17/17; Student, \$20 to 3/17/17; Kid, \$10 to 3/17/17; Supporting: \$15. FFI:

<http://mnstf.org/minicon52/>

Aug 9-13, 2017. Worldcon 75. Helsinki, Finland. GoHs: John-Henri Holmberg, Nalo Hopkinson, Johanna Sinisalo, Claire Wendling, Walter Jon Williams. FFI: <http://www.worldcon.fi/>

Ongoing Information

Board of Directors: Kevin Austin, Lydia Nickerson, Scott Raun, Matt Strait & Ann Totusek - 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/.

RUNE is Minn-stf's clubzine. It has a sporadic schedule (but *has* had issues this decade!). See <http://mnstf.org/Rune> or rune@mnstf.org

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 four countries. Local collations are every six weeks except for December. Chat with fellow fans the classic way. FFI: Jeanne Mealy, 651-771-7226

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Mar 6: Minicon Open Meeting
Mar 12: Minn-StF Voting Meeting
Mar 13: Possible Minicon Open Meeting
Mar 25-27: Minicon