

Einblatt!

Calendar

- ☛ Sat, Dec 31, 7:00PM. Minn-StF New Year's Eve. Laura Jean & David Schroth's. 2456 Harriet Ave S, Mpls. 1 tiny cat, no shoes, no guns. FFI: 612-724-2514, Misslaurajean@att.net
- ☛ Tues, Jan 3. MISFITS Geeks Read. *Magic Kingdom for Sale -- Sold!* by Terry Brooks. FFI: Jody or Alicia, geeksread@misfit.org, misfit.org/geeksread/index.htm
- ☛ Thurs, Jan 5. Minn-StF Board Meeting. Carol Kennedy's. FFI: Any board member.
- ☛ Sat, Jan 7, 4PM. Minn-StF Not-A-Pool Party. Sheraton Bloomington, Suite 2014. FFI: Carol Kennedy, cakedit@visi.com, 612-823-2784
- ☛ Sat, Jan 7, 4PM. Minicon Meeting. Sheraton Bloomington.
- ☛ Fri, Jan 13. MISFITS Read the Book/See the Movie. *Smilla's Sense of Snow* by Peter Hoeg. misfit.org/bookmovie/index.htm
- ☛ Sat, Jan 14, 1:00-2:00PM. South Minneapolis Clutterers Anonymous. Pillsbury House, 3501 Chicago Ave S, Minneapolis. FFI: Dan G, 612-821-3934, dsgood@iphouse.com
- ☛ Sun, Jan 15, 1:00-3:00PM. MISFITS Crafty Geek. Crafty Planet FFI: Jodie or Erica, craftygeek@misfit.org, misfit.org/craftygeek/
- ☛ Mon, Jan 16. Minicon 41 PR2 info deadline.
- ☛ Wed, Jan 19. MISFITS Writer's Group. FFI: writersgroup@misfit.org, misfit.org/writersgroup/index.htm
- ☛ Sat, Jan 21, 4PM. 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
- ☛ Sun, Jan 22, 11AM. Twin Cities Speculative Fiction Writers Meetup Betsy's Back Porch 5447 Nicollet Ave Mpls. Note: RSVP required - venue has set a limit on attendees. FFI/ RSVP: scifiwriting.meetup.com/2/
- ☛ Tues, Jan 24, 6:30PM. Speculations Reading Series

sponsors Lois McMaster Bujold. Dreamhaven, 912 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: 612-721-5959, eheideman@dhzone.com

- ☛ Tues, Jan 24, 8:15PM. After-reading gathering. Dulono's Pizza, 607 W Lake St, Mpls.
- ☛ Thur, Jan 26, 11:59PM. Einblatt! deadline
- ☛ Sun, Jan 29, 2-5PM. Ladies Sewing Circle. Terry Garey's, 3149 Park Ave S, Mpls. Cats, no guns. FFI: 612-824-5157

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Board Nominations, 11 & 25 Feb. Minn-StF Board Elections, 11 Mar.

Birthdays:

2: Don Blyly, Ann Neset, Thorin Tatge, Patrick Nielsen Hayden; 4: David Messer; 5: Claire Lenander; 6: Thomas Juntunen; 7: Margo Bratton; 9: Greg Ketter; 11: Victor Raymond; 12: Seth Breidbart; 14: Lisa Sanders; 15: Bruce Schaefer; 17: Giovanna Fregni, Andrew Bertke; 18: Pamela Dyer-Bennet; 20: Kij Johnson; 23: Rachel Bendtsen; 24: Keith Hauer-Lowe; John Houghton, Katie Jennie; 26: John Slade; 30: Linda Lounsbury.

Announcements:

Starting with the January 7th Minn-StF meeting, the standard starting time will be 4PM. This is a test that will continue through approximately Minicon. Please let the board, president, or vice-president know what you think of it!

Anyone interested in Chairing Minicon 42, please contact either the Minn-StF Board or Greg Ketter ASAP.

MISFITS Team Trivia Challenge, Apr 1. FFI: <http://misfit.org/trivia/index.htm>

Publishing News

We missed listing the latest *Tales Of The Unanticipated* (#26, October 05/July 06 issue). Contents by Minnesotans includes stories "Transgenesis Meeses" by S.N. Arly; "The Long Walk" by Naomi Kritzer and Lyda Morehouse; and "Hair Group for Everyone" by Laurel Winter; a miscellaneous prose/humor piece by David Christenson; art by Kent Hansen; and these poems: "A Handful of Time" and "The Order of the Days" by Ruth Berman (the latter a reprint with corrected text); "Egg Foo Yung in Free Fall" by Terry A.

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Garey; "Raven Linguistics" by John Calvin Rezmerski; and "A Rose for Emily, Revisited" by Laurel Winter.

local publisher: University of Minnesota Press hc/tp, *The Souls Of Cyberfolk: Posthumanism As Vernacular Theory* by Thomas Foster (2005)

Neil Gaiman has a story, "Sunbird," in *Noisy Outlaws, Unfriendly Blobs . . .* (2005 hc from McSweeney's Books, ed. Ted Thompson and Eli Horowitz)

Ruth Berman's poem "Invisibility" was reprinted in *Dwarf Stars: 30 Stellar Short-Short Science Fiction, Fantasy, & Horror Poems From 2004* (ed Deborah P. Kolodji)

Michael Merriam, "Jenny's Magic" in the July '06 edition of *Beyond Centauri*

Lois McMaster Bujold sold a two-volume fantasy novel, *The Sharing Knife*, to HarperCollins.

MaryJanice Davidson, *Betsy The Vampire Queen*, hc novels omnibus from SFBC, December

Neil Gaiman's *Anansi Boys* was #1 hardcover on the *Locus* lists in the December 2005 issue; also #2 for Barnes and Noble/B. Dalton and #3 for Walden/Borders in same issue. Also, Gaiman's *Smoke And Mirrors* was #7 paperback on the *Locus* lists and his *American Gods* was #8 pb on the Walden/Borders lists. *Anansi Boys* was also named one of the top ten "Best of 2005" sf titles by Amazon.com

Steven Brust, *Dzur*, hc, due August 2006 from Tor; and *Brokedown Palace*, new tp reprint, due September 2006 from Tor/Orb

Lois McMaster Bujold, pb reprints of *The Curse Of Chalion* and *The Hallowed Hunt*, due from HarperCollins in April and June of 2006

MaryJanice Davidson, *Dead and Loving It* (tp collection), due April; *Undead and Unpopular* (hc novel) and pb reprint of *Undead and Unreturnable*, both due June 2006; all from Berkley Sensation; also UK pb reprints of first four *Undead* books from Piatkus, Feb-June

Pamela Dean, *Tam Lin*, new pb reprint due August from Penguin/Firebird

Neil Gaiman, UK pb reprints of *Mirrormask* (May) and *Anansi Boys* (September), both from Hodder Headline; also an (expensive) limited ed. of *Anansi Boys* due February in hc from Hill House (US)

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

Conventions

Apr 14-16. Minicon 41, Sheraton
Bloomington Hotel, Bloomington, MN.
GoH: Harlan Ellison.
www.mnstf.org/minicon/

July 7-9. Convergence 2006. Sheraton
Bloomington Hotel, Bloomington, MN.
GoH: David Weber, Miles Teves,
Kenneth Hite, Greg Weisman. Pre-reg
deadline May 15. [www.convergence-
con.org](http://www.convergence-con.org)

Aug 4-7. MythCon 37, Norman, OK.
GoH: Lois McMaster Bujold.
www.mythsoc.org/mythcon37.html

Ongoing Information

Board of Directors: Kevin Austin Lisa
Freitag, Dean Gahlon, Carol Kennedy,
and Scott Raun. Email board@mnstf.org.
Mn-STF meetings are held the 1st and 3rd

Saturday every month, Board meetings
are typically the 1st Thursday of the month.

Minn-STF web site at: www.mnstf.org/.
Minicon web site at:
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: 651-646-2309,
lksasseville@earthlink.net

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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Tuesday, January 24th, 6:30PM-8:00PM

LOIS MCMASTER BUJOLD reads her fiction. She is the author of
several fantasy novels, including *The Curse of Chalion*, which won
the Mythopoeic Award, *Paladin of Souls*, which won the Hugo
Award for Best Novel, and *The Hallowed Hunt*. Ms. Bujold has
also won numerous Nebula and Hugo awards for her popular
Vorkosigan science fiction series.

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