

Einblatt!

Calendar

- ☛ Wed, Dec 31, 4PM. Minn-StF New Year's Eve. Jonathan Adams & Carol Kennedy's, 3328 Colfax Ave S, Mpls. Chili at 6, contributions welcome – food or alcohol suggested. Cats. FFI: 612-823-2784, adamskennedy@comcast.net
- 🌐 Wed, Dec 31, 7:30PM. Borderlands Reunion House Concert to benefit the Southern Harriet Adopt a Russian Project, followed by music circle & New Years Party. Ann Viviano & John Thompson's, 1st Floor, 4516 Colfax Ave S, Mpls. RSVP to jthompson@otslawyers.com
- ☛ Sat, Jan 3, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting cancelled.
- 🌐 Tues, Jan 13, 7PM. PM MinnSpec ESP (East St Paul) Meetup. Avoiding the "info dump". Davannis, 310 White Bear Ave, St Paul. 651-738-6992. FFI: <http://www.meetup.com/MNspec/>
- 🌐 Fri, Jan 16, 6:30PM. John Calvin Rezmerski reads. DreamHaven, 2301 E 38th St, Mpls.
- ☛ Sat, Jan 17, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Matt+Kelly Strait's, 1631 Selby Ave #1. FFI: 651-644-1812.
- 🌐 Sun, Jan 18, 12N. MinnSpec Meetup. Readings from Works in Progress. Lunds Market (Uptown) 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. <http://www.meetup.com/MNspec/>
- 🌐 Sun, Jan 18, 2PM. SF Writers' Workshop, immediately following the Readings. Lunds Market (Uptown) 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. <http://www.meetup.com/MNspec/>
- 🌐 Thurs, Jan 22, 7PM. Retrofits Writers Group. FFI: Ricky Foos via <http://www.meetup.com/MNspec/>

☛ Thurs, Jan 29, 11:59PM. Einblatt! Deadline.

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings –Feb 14: Pool Party & 1st Board Nominations, Linda Lounsbury & Seven; Feb 28: 2nd Board Nominations, Dean Gahlon & Laura Krentz'; Mar 28 Board Election.

Announcements

Future Einblatts are free for the electronic versions, subscription only for the Dead Tree Version. See the December 2008 Einblatt for more info.

Birthdays:

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 Schneier; 17: Giovanna Fregni, Andrew Bertke; 18: Pamela Dyer-Bennet; 20: Kij Johnson; 24: John Houghton, Katie Krantz; 30: Linda Lounsbury.

Publishing News

Local (Spring Lake Park) publisher Aspirations Media has released *The Adventures Of Corwin* by Chad Corrie and *The Crown Conspiracy* by Michael J. Sullivan (both 2008 tps)

Andromedia Spaceways In-Flight Magazine #36 contains two works by Minnesota residents: a story, "The Robber King and the Blood Orange Tree," by Maggie Della Roche, and a poem, "The Problem Was," by Michael Merriam.

Almost-local (Fargo ND) sf writer Richard K. Lyon (1933-2008) died on November 21st.

The Winter 2008/2009 issue of *Rain Taxi* has several "20th Anniversary of *Sandman*" features - an interview with Neil Gaiman, reviews of several other Gaiman books, and congratulatory pieces on Gaiman by Holly Black, Michael Swanwick, and Daniel Handler

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Amazon.com "Middle Readers" Top Ten books of 2008 includes Gaiman's *The Graveyard Book* at #9; it's also #61 on the overall Editors Top 100 list there.

Neil Gaiman's *The Graveyard Book* was "runner-up" (e.g. #11) on the *Locus* pb bestsellers list published in December in spite of being released on the last day of the month of eligibility. His *The Absolute Sandman* luxury edition (with some new material) from DC Vertigo has reached volume four.

More Gaiman: *Blueberry Girl* (hc, art by Charles Vess) due March and *Crazy Hair* (hc, art by Dave McKean) due May, both from HarperCollins; also UK eds. (March and August) from Bloomsbury, which has also done UK ed of *The Graveyard Book* and another tp of *Coraline*. *Stardust* tp reprint from HarperTeen should be out now.

Ex-local Steven Brust: Tor pb reprint of *Jhegala* due July; new hc novel *Iorich* September

Lois McMaster Bujold, *The Vor Game* (hc reprint) due June from NESFA Press; HarperCollins/EOS pb reprint of *The Sharing Knife: Passage* should be out now

Ex-local Emma Bull: *Bone Dance* to be reprinted in tp from Tor/Orb in July

MaryJanice Davidson, "Disdaining Trouble," in *Mysteria Lane* (ed. anon; Berkley pb, 2008)

Ex-local P.C. Hodgell: *Seeker's Bane* (new hc novel) scheduled by Baen for June

local publisher Bethany House: Robin Parrish, *Merciless* (May tp reprint) and *Offworld* (July tp)

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

Conventions

Jan 9-11. GAFilk 11. Atlanta, GA.
GoH: Barry & Sally Childs-Helton, Larry Kirby, Harold Feld, Emma Bull

& Will Shetterly.
<http://www.gafilk.org/>

Feb 19-22. Camp Capricon 29,
Wheeling, IL. GoH: Sharon Shinn,
Gary Lippincott, Christian McGuire.
(Pre-reg deadlines: Dec 31, Jan 31)
<http://www.capricon.org/>

Apr 10-12. Minicon 44. Bloomington,
MN. GoHs: Karl Schroeder, Stephan
Martiniere, Seth Shostak. Atnd: \$44,
Student: \$25, Kid: \$20, Support:
\$15. (Pre-reg deadline: Mar 15).
<http://www.mnstf.org/minicon44/>

Apr 24-26. Odyssey Con 9,
Madison, WI. GoH: Emma Bull. \$35
to 4/10, \$45, ATD, more rates on
web site.
<http://www.oddcon.com/about.php>

Jun 19-21. Fourth Street Fantasy
Con, Mpls. GoH: Cory Doctorow.
<http://www.4thstreetfantasy.com/>

Aug 6-10, 2009.
Anticipation/Worldcon 67, Montréal,
QB, CA. GoH: Neil Gaiman,

Elisabeth Vonarburg, Taral Wayne,
David G. Hartwell, Tom Doherty,
Ralph Bakshi. (Pre-reg deadline:
Jan 1, July 15)
www.anticipationsf.ca/English/Home

Ongoing Information

Board of Directors: Kevin Austin, Lisa
Freitag, Dean Gahlon, Scott Raun &
Matt Strait - board@mnstf.org. Mn-
STF meetings are held the 1st and 3rd
Saturday every month, for Board
meetings check the minutes are
posted at [mnstf.org/records/board-
minutes/](http://mnstf.org/records/board-minutes/), or the events mailing list.

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

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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