

# Einblatt!

## Calendar

- 🌐 Sat, May 1. Free Comic Day.
- 📍 Sat, May 1, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Katie & Ralph Krantz', 1362 Snelling Ave N, St. Paul. Baby. Parking on Midway Parkway, W Fair Pl, N Asbury St, Frankson Ave – there will be signs directing to the house. FFI: 651-283-3919
- 🌐 Sun, May 2, 2-5PM. Ladies Sewing Circle. Irene Raun's, 3928 11<sup>th</sup> Ave S, Mpls. Dogs. FFI: [realitychallenged@fireopal.org](mailto:realitychallenged@fireopal.org), 612-822-0451
- 📍 Fri, May 5, 7:30PM. Minn-StF Board Meeting. Scott Raun's, 3928 11<sup>th</sup> Ave S, Mpls. Dogs. FFI: any board member
- 🌐 Tues, May 11, 7PM. ESP MN Speculative Fiction Writers. Topic: Naming Your Characters. Davannis, 310 White Bear Ave, St. Paul. FFI: <http://www.meetup.com/MNspec/>
- 📍 Sat, May 15, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting. Dreampark, Sharon Kahn & Richard Tatge's, 4002 Pillsbury Ave S, Mpls. No smoking. FFI: 612-827-3228.
- 🌐 Mon, May 17, 6:30PM-?. Geek Partnership Society Open Forum. Davanni's, 5124 Gus Young Lane, Edina.
- 🌐 Tues, May 18. Thunderbirds Virtual (Re)Launch Party. FFI: <http://www.ftlpublications.com>
- 🌐 Thurs, May 20, 7PM. Retroit Writers Group. Lunds Community Room, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. <http://www.meetup.com/MNspec/>
- 🌐 Fri, May 21, 6:30-7:30PM. SF MN's Speculations Reading Series presents Dana M. Baird. Dreamhaven Books, 2301 E. 38<sup>th</sup> St, Mpls. FFI: Eric Heideman, [ehaideman@dhzone.com](mailto:ehaideman@dhzone.com), 612-721-5959
- 🌐 Sun, May 23, 12N.MNspec Meetup. Topic: Q&A with an Editor. Lunds Community Room, 1450 W Lake St, Mpls. <http://www.meetup.com/MNspec/>
- 🌐 Sun, May 23, 2PM. MSP Critique Group. Lunds Community Room,

1450 W Lake St, Mpls.  
<http://www.meetup.com/MNspec/>

- 📍 Thurs, May 27, 11:59PM. Einblatt! Deadline.

## Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings: Jun 5, Matt+Kelly Strait's; Jun 26, David Wilford & Erin McKee's

## Announcements

12<sup>th</sup> Annual MISFITS Writing Contest - [misfit.org/writingcontest/rules.htm](http://misfit.org/writingcontest/rules.htm)

Thanks to recent meeting hosts: Beth Friedman, Matt+Kelly Strait, Irene & Scott Raun, Sharon Kahn & Richard Tatge, Linda Lounsbury, Seven Anderson & Dorf, Dean Gahlon & Laura Krentz, Erin McKee & David Wilford, Blaisdell Polytechnic.

Subscription expiration dates for the Dead Tree Edition are printed above your name.

## Birthdays:

1: Joel Rosenberg; 3: David Cargo; 8: Todd McInroy; 11: Michael Pins; 12: Carol Anndy Farwell; 13: Carol Kennedy; 15: Jo Ann Johnson; 24: Lydia Nickerson; 28: Elizabeth Bendtsen; 30: Tony Brust, Gregg Parmentier

## Publishing News:

2010 Locus Award short story nominees include "An Invocation of Incuriosity" by Neil Gaiman and "Spar" by Kij Johnson.

"The Real Martian Chronicles," a previously unknown John Sladek short story, appears in the May/June 2010 *Magazine of Fantasy and Science Fiction*.

*Odd and the Frost Giants*, written and read by Neil Gaiman, is a finalist for the Audic Award for best audiobook with narration by the author.

*Thunderbirds: Deadly Danger* by Joan Marie Verba won International Association of Media Tie-In Writers Award in "Best Young Adult (Original & Adapted)" category.

# May 2010

*lorich* by ex-local Steven Brust was #2 hardcover on the April *Locus* bestsellers list. Several Neil Gaiman tps appeared on the Barnes and Noble/B. Dalton and the Borders/Walden lists in the same issue: *American Gods* (#1 BN, #3 BW); *Neverwhere* (#2 both); and *Good Omens* (with TPratchett; #1 BW).

Neil Gaiman's *Odd and the Frost Giants* is a finalist in the "Middle Reader" category for an Indies Choice Award from the American Booksellers Association.

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

## Conventions

May 14-16 DemiCon 21, Des Moines, IA. GoHs: Karl Schroeder, Don Maitz, Gregg Parmentier.

<http://www.demicon.org/21/index.html>

May 28-30 ConQuest 41, Kansas City, MO. GoH: Michael Swanwick, Toni Weisskopf, Peri Charlifu, Geri Sullivan. <http://www.conquestkc.org/>

May 27-31 WisCon 34, Madison, WI. GoH: Mary Anne Mohanraj, Nnedi Okorafor. (Pre-reg deadline: April 30) <http://www.wiscon.info/>

Jun 18-20. DuckKon, Naperville, IL. GoHs: Sharon Lee & Steve Miller, Scott Raun, Talis Kimberly. <http://www.duckkon.org/>

Jun 25-27 Fourth Street Fantasy Convention, Minneapolis, MN. <http://www.4thstreetfantasy.com/>

July 1-4 CONvergence, Bloomington, MN. GoHs: L. A. Banks, Jeremy Bulloch, Paul Cornell, Bridget Landry, Chuck McCann, Wally Wingert. (Pre-reg deadline: May 15) <http://convergence-con.org/>

Nov 5-7 Icon 35, Cedar Rapids, IA. <http://www.iowa-icon.com/>

Nov 19-21. SFContario. Toronto, ON, Canada. GoHs: Michael Swanwick, Patrick & Teresa Nielsen Hayden, Geri Sullivan, Karen Linsay. FFI: <http://www.sfcontario.ca/>

Aug 17-21, 2011. Renovation (69<sup>th</sup> WorldCon). Reno, NV. GoHs: Tim

Powers, Ellen Asher, Boris Vallejo.  
FFI: [www.renovationsf.org](http://www.renovationsf.org)

### **Ongoing Information**

Board of Directors: Seven (Jennifer) Anderson, Dean Gahlon, Betsy Lundsten, Scott Raun & Matt Strait - [board@mnsf.org](mailto:board@mnsf.org). Mn-STF meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday every month, for Board meetings check the minutes that are posted at [mnsf.org/records/board-minutes/](http://mnsf.org/records/board-minutes/).

Minn-STF web site: [www.mnsf.org/](http://www.mnsf.org/).  
Minicon web site: [www.mnsf.org/minicon/](http://www.mnsf.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](mailto: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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YrHumbleEinblattEd (as of December 2009, Scott Raun), or PayPal to [webmaster@minicon.org](mailto:webmaster@minicon.org).

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