

Friday, August 8, 2008 (08/08/08)

Morning Edition

Feed the Vampires

Denvention is honored to host the Robert A. Heinlein Memorial Blood Drive, sponsored by the Heinlein Society. Having a rare blood type, Heinlein was a frequent donor and a supporter of the National Rare Blood Club.

The blood drive will take place Fri 10am-3:30pm at Sheraton Tower, Court D. We hope you can take a brief break from your other convention activities and come join us in saving lives (and have some cookies and juice while you're at it). Each donor will receive a cloisonné pin that was designed by Heinlein for the first Worldcon blood drive in Kansas City as our way of saying, "Thank you for helping."

Imperial Author

Translated From Barrayaran

Lois McMaster Bujold shares her thoughts. Friday 1pm at CCC Korbel 2BC/3BC.

Your (Future) Worldcon Needs You!

Voting for the 68th Worldcon ends at 6pm Friday. Don't forget to Vote!!!

The winner will be announced at the WSFS Business Meeting on Saturday morning.

Kim Williams

Site Selection Administrator

Australian Auction Action

Come to the DUFF auction in the Fanzine Lounge (near Registration) and bid on one or more exotic items from Australia. Included are program books and progress reports from Aussiecons One, Two, and Three and from Denvention 2.

All money raised will go directly into the fund to help a North American fan travel to Australia in 2010. Come to the DUFF table to preview the items. It is located in the fan table area next to the Australia in 2010 table.

The auction will start Friday at 2pm.

*Steve and Sue Francis
DUFF Delegates 2008*

Add A Hugo? Lose A Hugo? To Be Voted At WSFS Business Meeting Today

Among the motions that will be brought at today's WSFS Business Meeting will be a proposal to add a Best Graphic Story Hugo, while another proposal calls for the elimination of the Best Semiprozine Hugo. In addition, another motion will clarify the eligibility for Hugo awards of works published in electronic or other non-print forms.

"We've been honored to have so much support from fandom in the past," said Liza Trombi of *Locus*, "But getting rid of the category

would deny the opportunity for many other editors and publications to win Hugos."

"It would leave a hole. Are they just voted off Hugo nominee island?" Amelia Beamer of *Locus* added.

However, Roy Gray from TTA Press, which publishes *Interzone*, said "We'd like to be in the prozine category. We should be judged against our peers. In British terms, we've as big a circulation as *F&SF*."

The WSFS Business Meeting will be at 10am today in Korbel 2A.



Costumed Kennedy

The program book article on costume fandom is missing a picture of the late Peggy Kennedy, creator of the masquerade skill division system. The full color photo can be found online at www.costume.org/lifetime/peggy.html.

Welcome to the Fanzine Lounge, Have Yourself A Drink

The Fanzine Lounge, on the other side of registration, features all the fun and frolic Fanzinistas are known for. Tonight we're having a cash bar for folks to come and share a drink with our charmingly robust drinking companions and the rest of our good people.

So stop by between 5pm and 9pm and enjoy!

From Impsec

Bruce Leonard please contact Art Show regarding lost credit card.

Please Speak Up!

A friendly reminder to panelists and audience members—please use the microphones or otherwise make yourselves heard by the whole room.

The Case Of The Missing Chelseys

To a fairly quiet reaction, the administrators of the Chesley awards announced that no award will be presented at this Worldcon, only nominations. The ASFA board decided to postpone the voting deadline to Sept. 8, since otherwise, the members would only have had three days to vote for the awards prior to Denvention.

A slideshow of wonderful illustrations by the nominees will be available for viewing in the ASFA suite (Sheraton 3312) and images will be put on the website www.asfa-art.org. ASFA members will be able to look at these before casting a picture-perfect vote. You don't have to be an artist to join ASFA, so everyone interested in art is welcome to join and vote.

Denvention Model Replicas

A collection of models built by Sean W. Sides are being exhibited at Denvention. These models are replicas of miniatures used in shows like the original *Battlestar Galactica*, including a detailed *Galactica* with 2000 individual parts, lit by LEDs and approx. 600ft of fiber optics. Other models include smaller Colonial and Cylon vessels, a 2001: *A Space Odyssey* Pod and a large scale *USS Enterprise*. (courtesy of squaremodels.com)

Docent tours will be conducted by Sean Sides at: Fri 11:30 am, 3:30pm; Sat 11:30am, 3:30pm; Sun 11am.

PROGRAM CHANGES!

Program Participants added to program items

- Item 298 Sam Scheiner added to A World Made of Birds - What would the Earth be like if the Dinosaurs Had Lived?; Friday 11:30am
 Item 349 Glen Gillette, Russell Davis and Mike Shepherd Moscoe to Imagination Training; Friday 2:30pm
 Item 491 Uncle River to Signing (45 minutes); Saturday 12:15pm
 Item 494 Elaine Isaak to Broad Universe Rapid Fire Readings; Saturday 1pm
 Item 502 Keith Henson to Private Space Programs: Who wants to invest in Harriman Industries?; Saturday 1pm
 Item 532 David Zindell to The Best Convention Panel Ever; Saturday 2:30pm
 Item 564 Melinda Snodgrass to Kaffeeklatch; Saturday 4pm
 Item 573 James Frenkel to Signing (45 minutes); Saturday 4:45pm
 Item 580 Richard Foss to The Return of the Dirigible; Saturday 5:30pm
 Item 581 Susan Forest to Writing in Spite of Your Environment; Saturday 5:30pm
 Item 579 Sam Scheiner and Keith Henson to Eco-thrillers; Saturday 5:30pm
 Item 618 Mike Shepherd Moscoe to Inventing the Female Soldier; Sunday 10:00am
 Item 653 Carol Hightshoe to Signing (45 minutes); Sunday 12:15pm

Program Participants dropped from program items

- Item 312 Darlene Marshall dropped from Signing (45 minutes); Friday 11:30am
 Item 379 Francis Hamit from The Golden Years of SF; Friday 4pm
 Item 398 Uncle River from Signing (45 minutes); Friday 4:45pm
 Item 417 Melinda Snodgrass from Kaffeeklatch; Friday 5:30pm
 Item 536 Darlene Marshall from Kaffeeklatch; Saturday 2:30pm
 Item 577 Bob Eggleton from Worth a Thousand Words; Saturday 5:30pm
 Item 594 Ian Tregillis from Signing (30 minutes); Saturday 5:30pm
 Item 599 Bob Eggleton from Meeting your mate through SF cons; Saturday 7pm
 Item 630 Carol Hightshoe from Signing (45 minutes); Sunday 10am
 Item 626 Brooke Lunderville from Poisons, Potions, and Pain Relief; Sunday 10:00am
 Item 231 Liz Scheier from New Books from Del Rey; TBD

New Program Items

- Paper Airplanes and Hip Hop, Saturday 2:30pm, CCC Korbel 1A, April and August Koehler
 Tisha B'Av Reading of Eicha, Saturday 10pm, Sheraton Aspen
 Tisha B'Av Reading of Eicha, Sunday 8:30am, Sheraton Aspen

Schedule and Venue Changes

- Item 231 New Books from Del Rey is rescheduled to Sunday 1pm, CCC Korbel 3A
 Item 436 The Match Game, Friday 10pm is now in Sheraton, Tower C
 Item 492 eBook Pitfalls: What are the publishing, sales, and production traps?, Saturday 1pm has been cancelled
 Item 667 What's Upcoming at Tor Books is rescheduled to Saturday 1pm, in CCC Room 501
 Item 671 Ian MacDonald Signing moved to Saturday 4:45pm

Miscellaneous

After Item 654 "Holy Holographic eBooks! Ideas for next gen reading technologies" on Sunday at 1pm in room 501, people will have the rare opportunity to test-drive the EBookMan, the Rocket eBook, and the Amazon Kindle.

Restaurant Reviews: Star Trek Fans Grill Paramount

Appaloosa Grill, 16th Street Mall. This restaurant offers generous sandwiches and has the option to replace fries with salad at no extra charge. Good service. Price \$9—\$11.

Paramount Café, in the former concession area of The Paramount Theater, on 16th between Welton and Glenarm with the original plasterwork. This is another bar with good food. It features a bison and gorgonzola burger. Dr. Pepper is a soft drink option while local beers go for \$2. The staff is friendly and helpful; the food is good with a moderate price.

Crunchy Critters, Mmmm...

The Denver Mad Scientist Club, DMSC, will be hosting a robot expo featuring the Critter Crunch, the oldest and longest running robot combat contest, and autonomous demos from the Front Range Robotic Club, Friday 2-8pm, at Sheraton Main Ballroom.

Cartoon Contest

Come up with clever dialog for these bubbles. Drop it off at Howard Tayler's booth in the Dealers' Room by its close on Sat. Include name and email. Win fun prizes. The winner will be printed in Sunday's issue.

