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Calendar

- Sat, Aug 7, 2PM. Minn-StF Picnic. Wabun Park Site C in Minnehaha Fall Park. FFI: www.mnstf.org
- Sat, Aug 7, 7-9PM. Laurel Winter lectures & reads. Eye of Horus 2717 Lyndale Ave S, Mpls. FFI: www.eyeofhorusinc.com/show.htm, 612-872-1292
- Mon, Aug 12, 6:30-8PM. Mark Rich reads, DreamHaven Books, 912 W Lake St, Mpls. FFI: 612-823-6161
- Sat, Aug 14, 1-2PM. South Minneapolis Clutterers Anonymous meeting. Pillsbury House, 3501 Chicago Ave S, Mpls. FFI: Dan, 612-821-3934, dsgood@visi.com
- Sun, Aug 15, 2-5PM. Ladies Sewing Circle. Laura Krentz', 4323 France Ave S, Mpls. Cats, no smoking indoors, no guns please. FFI: 612-929-2150
- Sat, Aug 21, 2PM. Minn-StF Meeting, Jonathan Adams & Carol Kennedy's, 3328 Colfax Ave S. Cats, very limited smoking, children welcome but not child-proofed. FFI: 612-823-2784
- Sat, Aug 21, 7-9PM. Elise Mathesen trades earrings for haiku. Eye of Horus 2717 Lyndale Ave S, Mpls. FFI: 612-872-1292, www.eyeofhorusinc.com/show.htm,
- Thurs, Aug 26, 11:59PM. Einblatt Deadline!

Advance Warning

Minn-StF Meetings: Sept 11, Linda Lounsbury's, & 25

Birthdays:

2: Charles Anderson, M. Renata Fossett; 3: Curtis Hoffmann, Reed Waller; 4: Marianne Hageman; 5: Beth Colsher, Gerry Wassenaar; 6: Curtis Gibson, Ericka Johnson; 7: Terry A. Garey; 8: Ginger Emgott; 9: Bob Berlien, Karen Schaffer, Kevin Stahl; 10: Deb Schouten; 11: Nate Bucklin; 12: Margaret Eastman; 13: Lori Schaefer; 15: Caryl Eschweiler; 16: Nancy Klock, Joyce Maetta Odum, Tony Von Krag; 17: Mitch Pockrandt; 18: Judie Cilcain; 19: Sally Morem; 22: Sara Logan, Elise Matthesen, Will Shetterly; 24: Jerry Stearns; 31: Jacque Marshall

Announcements:

If you are interested in hosting a Minn-StF Meeting, please contact Kevin Austin, 612-822-0205 or kaustin@tiny.net

Publishing News

Neil Gaiman, "The Problem of Susan," new short story in *Flights* ed. Al Sarrantonio (Roc hc. 2004)

Patricica C. Wrede, "The Sixty-Two Curses of Caliph Arenschadd," reprinted in *Book Of Wizards*, ed. Jennifer Schwamm Willis (Thunder's Mouth tp, 2004)

Honorable Mention list in *Year's Best Science Fiction: 21st* (ed Gardner Dozois; St. Martin's hc and tp, 2004) includes "Big Ugly Mama and the Zk" by Eleanor Arnason; "At the Mouth of the River of Bees" by ex-local Kij Johnson; and four stories by Neil Gaiman: "Bitter Grounds," "Closing Time," "The Monarch of the Glen," and "A Study in Emerald."

Neil Gaiman, "Closing Time," reprinted in *Year's Best Fantasy 4* (ed Hartwell/Cramer)

Kij Johnson, "Elfrithe's Ghost," August 2004 Realms Of Fantasy; "At the Mouth of the River of Bees'" reprinted in *The Year's Best Fantasy* And Horror: 17th Annual (ed. Datlow, Link and Grant)

Neil Gaiman, "Bitter Grounds," reprinted in *The Mammoth Book Of Best New Horror*, vol. 15 (ed. Stephen Jones); "A Study in Emerald," reprinted in *The Year's Best Fantasy And Horror: 17th Annual* (ed. Datlow, Link and Grant)

Steven Brust's Sethra Lavode was #4 on the July Locus hc bestsellers list; also #8 on the Book Sense list and #9 on both the Barnes and Noble/B. Dalton and the Borders/Walden lists in same issue.

Brust's *The Lord Of Castle Black* was #4 on the July *Locus* pb list and #10 on the Barnes and Noble/B. Dalton list.

Neil Gaiman's *American Gods* was #10 on the July *Locus* pb bestsellers

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list (and has now been on the list for fifteen months).

Lois McMaster Bujold's *Paladin Of Souls* won the 2004 *Locus* Poll for "Best Fantasy Novel."

Neil Gaiman did well with the 2000 Locus Polls: his "A Study in Emerald" won Best Novelette, while "The Monarch of the Glen" finished second and "Bitter Grounds" sixth. His "Closing Time" won Best Short Story. His The Sandman: Endless Nights won in the Best NonFiction/Art Books cateogy, and his The Wolves In The Walls finished second in that category.

Eleanor Arnason's "Big Ugly Mama and the Zk" was #25 in the Locus Poll Best Short Story list, and *The Art Of John Berkey* finished as #12 in the Best NonFiction/Art Books list.

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

Conventions

651-483-6290.

Aug 13-15, Diversicon 12, Bloomington, MN. GoHs: S.P. Somtow, Mark Rich. Adult \$30, Child \$25 to 7/4; Adult \$40, Child \$35 ATD. www.diversicon.org

Sep 2-6, Noreascon 4 (The 62nd World Science Fiction Convention), Boston, MA. GOHs: Terry Pratchett, William Tenn, Jack Speer, Peter Weston. http://www.noreascon.org

Oct 8-10, ICON 29, Cedar Rapids, IA. GOHs: Joe Haldeman, Beth Hansen, Gay Haldeman, Rusty Hevelin. http://www.mindbridge.org/icon/

Oct. 15-17, Consume/Relaxacon 2004, Comfort Inn, Plymouth, MN, GOHs: GODZILLA (celebrating his 50th birthday) & Eric M. Heideman. \$30 to 10/5, \$40 ATD, 11-16 \$15, Supporting \$5. Food, music, fun & more. FFI: relaxacon@visi.com; http://www.relaxacon.tripod.com; Rick,

November 12-14, Fiddler's Green, Minneapolis, MN. GoHs: Neil Gaiman, Karen Berger, Todd Klein, Charles Vess, Caitlin R. Kiernan, others tba. Sandmanfocused, with all proceeds going to the Comic Book Legal Defense Fund. http://www.fiddlersgreencon.org

Ongoing Information

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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: 3236 Cedar Ave South; FFI: 612-721-6076. Cats.

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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