HELMOTH Speaking for Boskone

Saturday, February 14th, 2004

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Brought to you by Sarah Prince, Laurie Mann and Ruth Sachter

Registration Numbers

At the door numbers, as of 1pm Saturday:

Full: 157
Fri: 17
Sat: 74
Sun: 2
Staff: 38
288

Preregistration numbers

Paid: 463

Free: 134 (Program, performers)

Life: 198 795

Total: 1083

Meisha Merlin Is Now in the Dealers' Room

Look for the Balance of Trade sign.

Restaurant Guides

They've been reprinted and are available again at the Registration area (Independence) on the second floor.

Saturday Night Parties

Columbus in 2007, 9pm in 908. RISFA-North, 9pm in 920.

Meetings

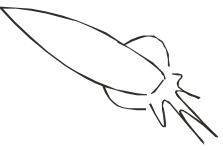
WSFS Mark Protection Committee today at 5pm in the Sheraton hotel bar.

Havdalah tonight at 6:15pm in room 2257 of the Sheraton South Tower.

"The Influence of SF & Cyberpunk on Anime and Vice Versa," a discussion led by Tim Liebe in Kent, Saturday, 4:30-5pm.

Tonight's Events Independence West, 8pm

Guest of Honor Interview
David Hartwell interviews Stephen Baxter
NESFA and Boskone Awards
Hal Clement Charity Auction to benefit the
Joslin Diabetes Center



Illo by Sarah Prince

Errata

Helmuth apologizes for misspelling Susan de Guardiola's name in Issue 2. Helmuth also erroneously stated that the reprinted restaurant guide was available in the information desk, it's available at registration.

The Firefly Easter Egg

If you bought the Firefly DVDs and didn't find the Easter egg, it's on disc four. From the menu, go to Special Features, and select "Joss Whedon Sings the Theme." Click to the left of that option. When the hidden icon lights up, click on it to display Jayne Singing "The Hero of Dognesville."

Bob Devney – where are you when we need you?

2004 Nebula Nominations Novel

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Diplomatic Immunity, by Lois McMaster Bujold

The Mount, by Carol Emshwiller
Light Music, by Kathleen Ann Goonan
The Salt Roads, by Nalo Hopkinson
Chindi, by Jack McDevitt
The Speed of Dark by Elizabeth Moon

Novellas

"Potter of Bones," by Eleanor Arnason "The Empress of Mars," by Kage Baker "Coraline" by Neil Gaiman "Stories for Men," by John Kessel "Breathmoss," by Ian MacLeod

Novelettes

"Mask of the Rex," by Richard Bowes
"Of a Sweet Slow Dance in the Wake of
Temporary Dogs," by Adam-Troy Castro
"Ownz0red," by Cory Doctorow
"The Empire of Ice Cream," by Jeffrey Ford
"The Wages of Syntax," by Ray Vukcevich

Short Stories

"The Brief History of the Dead," by Kevin Brockmeier "Goodbye to All That," by Harlan Ellison "Grandma," by Carol Emshwiller "What I Didn't See," by Karen Joy Fowler "Lambing Season," by Molly Gloss "The Last of the O-Forms," by James Van Pelt

"Knapsack Poems," by Eleanor Arnason

Scripts

Minority Report, by Scott Frank and Jon Cohen [Based on "The Minority Report," by Philip K. Dick]

Where No Fan Has Gone Before, by David A. Goodman [Futurama Television series created by Matt Groening]
Spirited Away, Hayao Miyazaki and Cindy Davis Hewitt & Donald H. Hewitt
Finding Nemo, Andrew Stanton, Bob
Peterson and David Reynolds
The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers,
Fran Walsh & Philippa Boyens & Stephen
Sinclair & Peter Jackson [Based on The Lord of the Rings, by J.R.R. Tolkien]

Noreascon 4 Monday Meetings

They will be in the Gardner and Hampton rooms on the third floor the Sheraton, from

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9am-5pm. This meeting is open to all committee members

Art Show Reminders

To vote for the Art Show Popular Awards, complete your ballot by 10pm tonight, Written bidding closes at noon on Sunday, Auction from 1-2.

Call for Volunteers

As always, Boskone needs you to give a few hours of your time to help us run the convention. We need people to guard doors, run errands and help out with Registration and the Con Suite. We encourage volunteers to stop by the Information area on the second floor (near the stairs).

The Boskone Dinner Thing: Meet & Eat! Want to meet other fans at Boskone? Come to Information (2nd floor) and create your own meal group or sign up for an existing one. This is a mechanism for fans with similar interests in SF and food to get together in an informal atmosphere.

The Berkshire Grill is closed this weekend. Irene Harrison recommends breakfast at the Pour House, on Boylston Street across from the Hynes, near the fire house. This place is fast, cheap and while it looks like a bar the breakfasts are great!

Flamers over in the Prudential Mall Food Court is open for breakfast and was relatively line free this morning.

News for Helmuth

Bring news for future Helmuths to the Information area on the second floor. You can submit online line art for the printed edition or digital photos for the online addition (at www.nesfa.org). Helmuths will be distributed at the Information area, in the Independence Foyer (Registration) and in the Con Suite.