

# Helmuth, Speaking for Boskone #4

Saturday Evening Edition, 2/15/97

## Saturday Evening Events

The Awards Ceremony follows the Banquet in the Grand Ballroom. For non-banqueters, the doors will open at 8:30 p.m. There will be open seating in the back of the room or at vacated table spots. ALL ARE INVITED.

"Another Part of the Trilogy" (a play by John M. Ford) begins at 9 p.m.

Punday Night with filker Tom Smith begins at 10 p.m.

## Apology

Boskone 34 would like to apologize that, due to technical difficulties, Official Artist Ron Walotsky's slide show could not be shown this afternoon. We regret any disappointment. Please see his artwork live in the Art Show.

(The Slide Goddess apparently looked down with displeasure on our artists today. Nick Jainschigg never arrived for his presentation. The projector bulb burned out on Jael, after which it took 40 minutes to come up with a replacement bulb for the 20-minute show. And the projector stubbornly refused to accept Ron Walotsky's carousel. Research is being done at this moment on means to appease the angry deity.)

## Program Changes

Denise Gendron's "Writing Down Your Music" was postponed from 1 p.m. Saturday to 10:30 a.m. Sunday, in Room 320.

Catherine Asaro's Reading (11 a.m. Sunday) will be both a reading and a discussion of science and SF.

Jane Jewell will not be on "The Craft of Reading" (noon Sunday).

Joe Haldeman's Reading has been moved from 11 a.m. Saturday to 2 p.m. Sunday.

Katya Reimann's Reading (2 p.m. Sunday) has been cancelled.

Sue Anderson has been added to "Fannish Musicals" (2 p.m. Sunday).

Laura Anne Gilman's Reading (3 p.m. Sunday) has been cancelled.

## Saturday Night Parties

Con Suite	9-2	
(theme: The Con Suite at the End of the Universe)		
Readercon 9	10 (after play),	Rm. 219
Philadelphia in 2001	9-2,	Rm. 259
Chicago in 2000	9,	Rm. 342
Boston in 2001	9:30,	Rm. 359
Lunacon '97	10,	Rm. 410
Rusty Hevelin's 75th birthday	10:15-11:45,	Rm. 442

## Registration Statistics

As of 2:30 p.m. Saturday:

Preregistration:	
Attending	560
No-shows	157
Total	<u>717</u>
New members Friday:	
Full	119
One-day	12
Total	<u>131</u>
New members Saturday:	
Full	31
One-day	67
Total	<u>98</u>
Overall:	
Total full	867
Total one-day	79
Total membership	<u>946</u>
-No-shows	-157
Warm bodies	<u>789</u>

## Kaffeeklatsches

A kaffeeklatsch at Boskone is a way for you to meet and talk with a favorite author in a cozy, relaxed setting. Your author, you, and a small (well, maybe a large) handful\* of like-minded fans slip into your favorite table in the back of J Witherspoons, chat, drink coffee, and congenially interact for an hour.

Interested? Sign up in the book at Information, just outside the Grand Ballroom.

\*The editor assumes no responsibility for the concept of a large handful.

## *Helmuth on the Web*

The Boskone Web site has copies of Helmuth shortly after it is written. To read Helmuth electronically, go to the Web site at:

<http://www.nesfa.org/boskone>

(Actually, Webmaster Ben Yalow has been competing with your editor to see who can get the issue out first. So far, I seem to be winning.)

## In God and the Crown We Trust.

### All Others . . .

In order to escape the hotel restaurants' "CASH ONLY" policy, you may purchase "Tara Crowns" with credit cards at the front desk. You will receive your change in cash.

--M. Benveniste

## Speaking of the Restaurants . . .

Sunday morning there will again be the Hot & Cold Breakfast Buffet in J Witherspoons (7-9, \$8.95 & \$6.95), followed by the lunch buffet in Molly Malone's as described in *Helmuth* #3.

There will also be a New England Hot Buffet in J Witherspoons (11:30-1:30, \$8.95):

Tossed Greens; Soup du Jour; Rolls and Butter; Yankee Pot Roast with Jardiniere Sauce; Roasted Turkey with Stuffing and Gravy; Butternut Squash; Mashed Potatoes; Fruit Cobbler; Apple Pie.

## Orbita Dicta

*(overheard by Bob Devney)*

Don Sakers: "We've talked about getting up enough money at cons to BUY the Legion of Super-Heroes . . ."  
Priscilla Olson: ". . . and NESFA Press can keep it going forever!"

Jerry Kaufman: "Fanzine fandom is a gift economy. You trade by giving your fanzines, and the responses -- letters and so on -- are the gifts you get back."

Janice Eisen: "I've seen reviews of the Shatner books that say, 'in a style very reminiscent of Ron Goulart.' Which gives you a big clue to the real authorship."

*(overheard by someone else)*

Ann Tonsor Zeddies: "I can feel the brain sugar slowly ebbing from my mind . . ."

Anonymous: "What do you *mean*, it wasn't you? I got into bed with *somebody* last night in our room!"

## SFWA Auction

To Benefit the Emergency Medical Fund

Sunday, 12 Noon Grand Ballroom

Auctioneers: Peter J. Heck, Rusty Hevelin, Joe Haldeman

Featuring:

- Bolo tie worn by Isaac Asimov!
- Gardner Dozois' boxer shorts, autographed by over 100 SF professionals! (the official "Editorial Briefs")
- Beaded "thumb warmer," crafted by Vonda M. McIntyre!
- Autographed items (books, galleys, screenplays) from Le Guin, Pohl, Martin, Brenda Clough, Catherine Asaro, Michael Flynn, and many others! Many authors are in attendance and will personally inscribe their book to the successful bidder.
- New hardcover and paperback books!
- Nifty toys from the famous Archie McPhee store!
- Other rare and collectible items too numerous to list!

Don't miss this chance to pick up a special book or collectible and benefit a worthy cause at the same time.

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