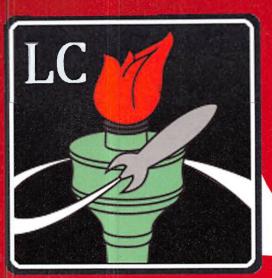


#1 Question we expect to hear

WHERE IS THE SCHEDULE?!?



Three Answers

Pocket Program

A condensed pocket program schedule is available at the LC Registration Desk

LibertyCon Website

A full detailed schedule is available at www.libertycon.org then click on the Program tab

There's an App for That

About the LC App

- It is FREE
- Complete Schedule Listing updated in real time
- Guest Information
- Hotel Map
- and a Whole Lot More

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Once again, thanks go out to Deacon Wolfwood for letting us use him and his mobile app!

LibertyCon 32 Charity of Choice



www.asmilefortroops.com

22 Won't Do



A SMILE FOR TROOPS

Our mission is to provide care packages for deployed service members; our goal is simply to bring a smile to the faces of as many of our nation's finest men and women as possible. We do this through providing baked goods and other donated items, primarily to troops in deployed over seas.

ASFT holds a Veteran Suicide Awareness event called 22 Won't Do once a year. The purpose of our event is to bring awareness to all of the Veterans who are struggling to get up every morning and face another day. We want to bring awareness to these soldiers who think there is no hope, no reason to leave the house, and no reason to make friends. We need them to understand that there are people that want to help, there are people that will talk to them, there is someone else out there that is going through, or has gone through what they are feeling.

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Welcome to LibertyCon 32!

by Brandy Bolgeo Spraker, Chairman

Welcome to LibertyCon, the family you get to choose! First of all, thank you for being so patient with us with our date and hotel move. It has been crazy, but in the end I think we can all agree that having a permanent home is worth it.

Our second year at the Marriott hotel and Convention Center continues to give us enough elbow room to give you all of the things you love about LibertyCon. With our perfect size of no more than 750 paid attendees, you'll get to spend plenty of time with our fantastic guests -- Literary Guest of Honor Sarah Hoyt, Artist Guest of Honor Mitch Foust, our Science Guest of Honor Dr. Arlan Andrews, and our Master of Ceremonies John Hartness.

As you get your badge from Matt and his registration ladies (yes, ALL of the ladies love Matt!) take a look at the t-shirt art by the incredible Mitch Foust. It's definitely representative of the rabble rousers here for the weekend!

As always, LibertyCon continues to host the most talented authors, artists, editors, and scientists from around the country to spend the weekend with you in more than 300 programming events! We have over 150 professionals who participate in discussions and workshops in the areas of literature, art, science, and other fandom topics! There is just too much to list here, so please take a look at everything that we have to choose from using either the pocket program or our brand new LibertyCon app.

Our sold out Artshow has gorgeous artwork from many of the best artists in the country for sale at prices that you could never match anywhere else. The Art Auction on Saturday night will host the pieces that people are warring over as well as some of the charity pieces. This year, our charity of choice is A Smile for Troops. Their mission is to provide care packages for deployed service members; their goal is simply to bring a smile to the faces of as many of our nation's finest men and women as possible. So come bid on the charity items sold in the Artshow as part of a silent auction, and those bigger items in our Art Auction, an event not to miss!

You can find Vonn and her ConSuite crew again on the 16th floor in the Presidential Suite. There will be food and beer galore, so pull up a chair and enjoy the company!

And speaking of room parties, don't forget to visit the 3rd floor each evening to browse the goodies and drinks that our hosts and hostesses are offering.

If gaming is your speed, you are going to be in heaven this weekend. We have both console games and tabletop, featuring games from Steve Jackson. If you're lucky you might get to play with the man, the myth, the legend himself! And don't forget to bid on the chance to have your own Munchkin card, especially since it's for charity!

As you continue the journey through the Marriott, stroll through our Dealers Room and partake in everything from gorgeous handcrafted stained glass to of course books (because what would LibertyCon be without books???). The Dealers Room is also host to our author autograph sessions, so keep an eye on the schedule to see when you can get all of those new to you books autographed.

For a convention our size, we have an insane amount of things to keep you busy all weekend and none of it would be possible without our wonderful staff. Each and every one of these people spend their time, effort, and love to make this a fun and relaxing weekend. When you see someone with a staff badge, please thank them. Or better yet, please volunteer a few hours in a department that seems fun to you -- it's a great way to meet people and give back to our fandom community.

You'll notice there is one Guest of Honor I haven't mentioned yet. 'Uncle Timmy' Bolgeo is our "Memento Mori" Special Guest. Life is transitory, and his passing reminds us of our own mortality. It allows us to reflect on the virtues he brought to Liberty - charity, giving of oneself for the benefit of others, and love of family and friends. This Guest of Honor is chosen by the board as someone who has substantially contributed to LibertyCon in the past. Many people have held this position in the past and many will hold it in the future, but as our founder and chairman for 25 years, I'd say that it's safe to say that he fits the bill like no other. LibertyCon is his epitaph. I'm sure it comes as no surprise that LibertyCon 32 is dedicated to dad.

Brandy Bolgeo Spraker Chairman, Liberty Con 32

Liberty Con Rules 3



(AKA The Things We Have To Tell You)

"How dreadful..to be caught up in a game and have no idea of the rules."

- Caroline Stevermer, Sorcery & Cecelia or The Enchanted Chocolate Pot



ATTENDEES 17 YEARS OLD AND UNDER

All convention attendees who are 17 years of age or younger must be accompanied by a LEGAL GUARDIAN. A Legal Guardian is a person 21 years of age or older who will take financial and legal responsibility for the minor and will sign for each minor person for which he/she is responsible. A parent or Legal Guardian must accompany children under 7 years of age at all times.

BADGES

Badges must be worn in plain sight above the waist at all times.

If you have a question or concern, don't hesitate to ask or talk to STAFF

BATHING

Remember, "If in doubt, take a bath!" Your fellow attendees will appreciate your courteous actions.

DRINKING AGE is 21! ~ IT IS THE LAW! ~ NOT UP FOR NEGOTIATION!

To get a drinking badge you must produce a VALID military ID or Drivers License with your picture on it to prove that you are at least 21 years of age. Minors caught drinking at LibertyCon will be hung, drawn, quartered, and thrown out of the convention. Also..

WE WILL CONTACT YOUR PARENTS AND/OR THE LAW - AND YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RETURN TO FUTURE LIBERTYCONS!

ROOM PARTIES

If you are having a room party, remember, this is the South: We are friendly and inclusive. If your party is approved by Brandy and in a hotel room on the Party Floor with the door open then the expectation is that the party is open to all LibertyCon attendees. If your party is intended to be private then please keep your door shut so that misunderstandings and hurt feelings don't occur. Also, Tennessee State Law does not allow the consumption of alcohol for anyone under 21 years of age. If you are serving alcohol, please check everyone's ID. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS NO MATTER WHERE YOUR PARTY IS LOCATED. LibertyCon will not assume any responsibility to check badges for any type of party. Don't assume if someone has a drinking badge that they are 21 or over... badges can be swapped.

GRILLS & OUTDOOR COOKING

No grills are allowed on the hotel premises. The hotel has informed us that this violates their insurance policy. We like the hotel management and would like to keep our great relationship with them.

EJECTION FROM THE CONVENTION

If you are ejected from LibertyCon because of violation of the convention rules or Tennessee State Law, then your attendance fees will not be refunded.

LOST BADGE POLICY

If you lose your badge at the convention, then you will have to purchase another one at the full admission price of \$50. We are sorry to take this rough stance, but incidents with people (Not Fans) purchasing a replacement badge to give/sell to a friend at a reduced price only increases the cost of the convention for real fans and this is the only way we can curb it.

SPECIAL MEDICAL NEEDS

If you have a medical condition, please ask the registration staff for a sticker for the back of your badge. This sticker should contain the nature of your medical condition and any special steps to be taken in an emergency, including the name and phone number of the person to contact should the need arise.

WEAPONS POLICY

All weapons and models of weapons must be "Peace Bonded" by one of our security staff before they may be worn with your costume or normal wearing apparel. This weapons policy will be strictly enforced.

ATTIRE

We at LibertyCon love costumes! However three strategically placed seashells does not constitute a costume. Please remember that we are a family friendly convention.

Literary Guest of Honor

Sarah A. Hoyt

I first met Sarah Hoyt in 2009 at LibertyCon 22. As things tend to happen at LibertyCon, we went from strangers to friends in a matter of three days. After the convention ended, I kept up with her beyond just reading her books and blog https://accordingtohoyt.com/ by joining her Facebook group, Sarah's Diner. We were able to easily stay in contact. As friends do, whenever I see her, her husband Dan, or her sons, I'm always greeted with a smile and hug.

Aside from talking about Sarah's vast collection of writings (anthologies, short story collections, historical romance novels, Shakespearean Fantasy series, Darkship Series, and much more), and all the awards she has earned throughout her writing career (such as the 2001 Mythopoeic Fantasy Award, 2011 Prometheus Award, and more), I also have many personal stories explaining not just how talented an author she is but also what a special human our LC32 LGoH is. The memory I share here includes both of those aspects of Sarah with a little dash of Uncle Timmy tossed in.

At LibertyCon 23, Sarah, and a number of other generous authors, donated a Tuckerization for the LC Charity Auction (LCA) when Uncle Timmy was the LCA Auctioneer. For LibertyCon, Tuckerizations are often donated by authors for the LCA to raise money for the LC Charity of Choice. For those who don't know, a Tuckerization memorializes a person using their name as a character in an author's book; typically, the person is redshirted (dies), but not always. On the Saturday evening of LC23, I walked into the LCA with my mind made up to outbid anyone for Sarah Hoyt's Tuckerization for the next installment of her *Darkship series*, *Darkship Renegades*.

Around 45 minutes into the auction, Sarah's Tuckerization came up on the block. Bidding started out fast and furious. After the dollar figures got up to a higher level, the bidding slowed down a bit. In the end, there were only two bidders left: myself and another Sarah Hoyt fan. She shot out a number. I shot out a number one dollar higher. She shot out another number. I shot out a



number one dollar higher. She shot out yet another number. I shot out a number one dollar higher. She shot out a much higher number. Uncle Timmy VERY quickly said, "ONCE-TWICE-THRICE-SOLD!" I yelled out, "WHAT?!?" Uncle Timmy responded, "Sorry Fritz, it's sold." Uncle Timmy moved on to the next piece.

So, there it was. The Tuckerization by the author whose book I wanted to die in wasn't gonna happen. But this is LibertyCon. Weird things, miraculous things, happen at LibertyCon all the time.

Fast forward to Sunday afternoon just after Closing Ceremonies and before the Dead Dog Party. While moving items I had in the LC ArtShow out to my car, I got stopped by a person asking about a piece I had marked Not For Sale. She presented a fantastic case as to why she needed to buy this piece. It was a very compelling pitch. About thirty feet away, I saw Sarah talking with Uncle Timmy. I turned back to the buyer and said, "I can't sell it, but I am willing to take the money and donate it all to the LC23 Charity of Choice. It would be (this much)." She thought about it for a few seconds, then said "Yes." I responded with, "I need a minute. Can you hold on to this? I'll

be right back." I handed her the item and made a beeline for Sarah and Uncle Timmy.

They were talking. I interrupted with, "I'm so sorry, I know y'all are talking, but I only require a few moments of your time."

They said, "Go ahead."

"Last night at the Charity Auction, Uncle Timmy closed the bidding down on your Tuckerization and wouldn't allow me to outbid somebody—"

"Now, Fritz—" Uncle Timmy said, starting to interrupt.

I cut him off with, "Let me finish. Not to mention—you know what you did. I'm not complaining. Still, it happened." I turned back to Sarah, "Anyway, the bidding got shut down at (this dollar amount), but I wanted you to know I really wanted that Tuckerization. I have a proposal. See the lady with an item in her arms? She wants that functional piece of art to give to her husband for his birthday. I can't sell it, as it is not my idea, it is a large ass recreation of a Steve Jackson idea. Still, if I take her money which will be (this amount), and donate all of it to the LC23 Charity of Choice, the Ronald McDonald House, then would you consider allowing this donation to be made in trade for a Tuckerization?"

Sarah only thought about it for a blink and said, "Yes. Absolutely."

Darkship Renegades came out in December 2012. Quite a number of folks I know died in this book, including John Ringo. For my Tuckerization, I was expecting to see what typically happens: a mention of name, a couple of sentences or short paragraph, and then death. What Sarah did for mine astounded me. I received full character development, an important inclusion to the plot, and a glorious, meaningful death. Needless to say, I was blown away.

If you get a chance this weekend—I promise, you'll have many chances—and you haven't done so already, go make friends with Sarah. You'll be glad you did.

P.S. In case you didn't get it upon reading this, Sarah can be bribed.

Col Kevin Fritz Fotovich

Award Winning Artist and LibertyCon Secretary

LibertyCon 32 Hours of Operation

Friday, June 28, 2019

Registration: Noon - 10pm Authors Alley: 1pm -11pm Art Show: 4pm - 10pm ConSuite: 3pm - 2am

- Last Call 1:30am

- Doors locked at 2am

Dealers Room: 3pm - 8pm Opening Ceremonies: 5pm

Saturday, June 29, 2019

Registration: 8am - 6pm Authors Alley: 10am -11pm Art Show: 10am - 4pm ConSuite: 9:30am - 2am

- Staff and Honored Guest open at 8:30am

- Last Call 1:30am

- Doors locked at 2am

Dealers Room: 10am - 6pm

Sunday June 30, 2019

Registration: As needed Authors Alley: 10am -3pm Art Show: 10am - 1pm ConSuite: 9:30am - 2pm

- Staff and Honored Guest open at 8:30am

Dealers Room: 10am - 3pm Closing Ceremonies: 3pm DeadDog: 6pm

ConSuite: 16th Floor Party Floor: 3rd Floor

Artist Guest of Honor



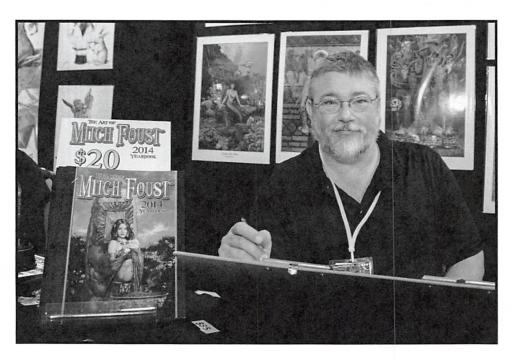
Mitch Foust

Every time you set up a convention booth next to a new artist, there's a moment of trepidation.

Will this person be friendly?

Will they behave professionally and respectfully?

Will they be positive in their energy and engage their fans with joy and enthusiasm?



When the answer to those is yes, amazing things are possible, and it didn't take long after meeting Mitch Foust to know the cons ahead of us would be amazing indeed.

I met Mitch at Dragon Con, and the first thing I noticed was that his art showed a passion for character building, setting, and detail. Every piece exists in an imaginary world filled with characters who evoke their own histories and personalities. You can find familiar references and cultural touchstones, but only just enough to send you soaring toward the mythical kingdoms and stories these characters inhabit.

I wasn't surprised to learn we shared many of the same artistic inspirations going back to the illustrators of the 70's and 80's. Mitch's work follows it's own path, but his roots connect to all the things that made genre art popular before it was hanging on gallery walls, trending on Youtube, and launching billion dollar film franchises. It's "old school" fantasy in all the best ways.

That "old school" heart comes through in his imagery, but it's also evident in his work ethic, his respect and kindness to his fans, his humility, and his friendly demeanor. Mitch is down to earth in ways many artists never learn, and his blend of practical sense with fantastical imagination make him uniquely equipped to bring his art to fans around the world. In that arena we shared another common trait — a respect and appreciation for the fans who's support makes our work possible. Mitch engages all of them with a smile and a story, and many return each year to see what's new — sometimes in cosplay based on his characters. That rapport shines every bit as brightly as his art, and fills his booth with an energy you can feel.

I count myself fortunate to have met Mitch and call him a friend. By the end of the weekend, if you find the time to speak with him and look at his art, don't be surprised if you call him a friend too.

Charles Urbach

Charles Urbach is an illustrator from the USA. who illustrated more than 130 cards for Legend of the Five Rings under the ownership of AEG

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The passage of Halley's Comet in 1759 is catastrophic. The comet appears to strike the Earth, sundering the New World from the Old and unleashing powerful magical forces, which soon spread across the continent. In order to survive, the English and the French in North America must forge a military alliance against these rising

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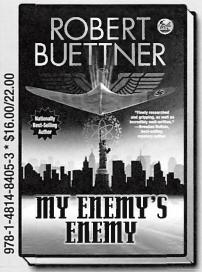


High Adventure on the Frontier of Muskets and Magic

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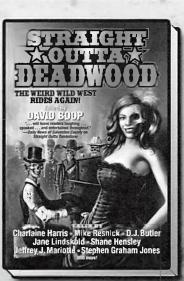
The elite terrorist known as the Asp sets his sights on America's heartland. Meanwhile, ambitious aircraft historian Cassandra Gooding and irascible Colorado cowboy Frank Luck unlock an aviation relic's dark secret and discover the terrible

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Science Guest of Honor

Dr. Arlan Andrews

I've known Dr. Arlan Andrews for...wow, some few years now! Ever since I was nominated for membership in SIGMA (http://www.sigmaforum.org/), or as I call it, the science fiction think tank, back in 2010, about 9 years ago. So not QUITE a decade. It seems like I've known him a lot longer, though; he's one of those people that you think you must have known all your life, you know?

Given that Arlan and I have traveled in the same convention circles for decades, I probably encountered him a long time before that, but as often happens, we didn't have occasion to "connect." He is, himself, a science fiction author, quite skilled at the short story format. But trust me, Arlan has done a LOT more than hanging around at conventions and writing science fiction. He KNOWS where that science fiction comes from, and he's helped not only develop new technology to inspire future science fiction, he's been instrumental in helping science fiction come to pass in reality.

A professional engineer, Arlan is a former ASME White House Fellow in OSTP (White House Science Office), and has held positions ranging from co-op student all the way up to senior management at places like White Sands Missile Range, AT&T Bell Labs, and Sandia National Labs, and he was the Environmental Program Manager for the U.S. Navy at Corpus Christi, TX. He has also founded several high-tech companies, including the virtual reality software firm Muse Technologies, Inc., and biotech process company Kinetic Biosystems, Inc. AND he holds some half a dozen patents (including the preliminary patent jointly held with myself and Tom Ligon, SPEARED, the Single-Person Emergency Atmospheric Re-Entry Device).



These days, he's officially "retired," and I think maybe Arlan has slowed down JUUUUST a little bit -- not much, though! He still writes at a great rate, and he keeps his hand in on the latest technology developments by serving as a consultant, not only with numerous U.S. government organizations, but with those of other nations as well, through SIGMA... which is kind of where I came in. I've been to several events with him, consulting by way of offering a futuristic view, and I always look forward to those events. Arlan is brilliant, well-educated, articulate, approachable, amazingly imaginative and inventive, possessed of a great sense of humor, and is just allaround fun to talk to! LibertyCon picked a great guy to make SciGOH this year!

Stephanie Osborn

Stephanie Osborn is a retired NASA Scientist, member of SIGMA.
LibertyCon 24 Science Guest of Honor, Ebook best-selling author
of the popular **Division One** series, and the award-winning
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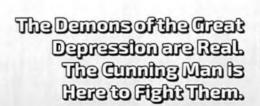
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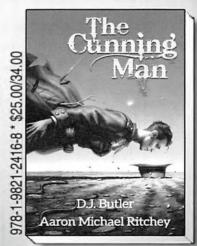




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Special Guest of Honor

Uncle Timmy

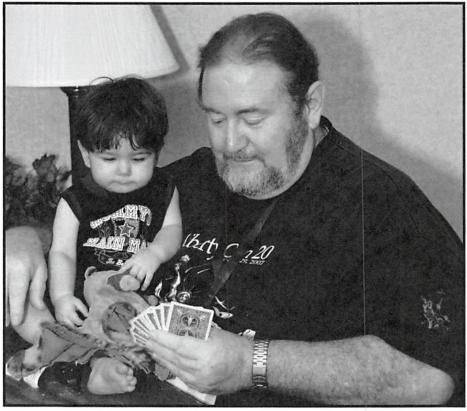
Bolgeo

As most of you know, our Special Guest of Honor is particularly close to our hearts, as he was our founder (and my dad). We are truly a family convention – the idea of LibertyCon was conceived by dad and a few friends back in 1986 and became a reality on July 10, 1987. He was our Chairman from LibertyCon 1 beginning that year until LibertyCon 25 in 2012, handing the position off to me for at least the next 25 years (shew, no pressure there!).

Throughout his life, dad was lucky enough to have not only one family, but three. His first family was his biological one with his parents, sister, two brothers, and a host of nieces and

nephews, greats and great-greats as well as us. The second was his TVA family that he was so proud to be a part of. The third was his LibertyCon family, where as much as anywhere else was a home for his heart. So a little bit about each family...

During his childhood he was an excellent student and began his love affair with science fiction. After high school he decided that joining the Air Force was better than being drafted. It was during this time he married my mom on June 26, 1970. Which is funny, because she had told someone years before that she pitied the woman that married him. They had me, then almost 5 years later they had Jason. Over the next many years they continued to bring more and more people into their home, whether it was a nephew who was going to college here or our friends who would rather be at



our house than elsewhere. After they survived our teenage years they got the wonderful benefit of us having the three best people ever, according to him. Alex, Beth and Tristan were the lights of his life. He loved being a Big Papa, hearing their stories, even, or maybe especially, the more recent frat house tales.

After leaving the Air Force he went on to receive his Electrical Engineering degree from Christian Brothers College in Memphis, something he was so very proud of. Being an engineer wasn't just what dad did, it was a big part of who he was. It was after he got out of college when he joined his second family, the men and women which made up TVA. He was with TVA for over 40 years and loved the fact he worked for a company whose mission

Is to serve the people of the Valley. This really, really meant something to him. Our entire childhood was spent listening to stories of the various nuclear plants and the good things TVA did. When we were having our first conversation around his wishes with a Hospice counselor, he told them not only was he right with God, but he had left plenty of monuments which he hoped he would be remembered for. When the gentleman patted me on the shoulder and said he was sure I was a wonderful monument to leave, dad's response was, "Yeah, her too, but I meant the Sequoyah, Watts Bar, and Browns Ferry nuclear plants.

And then there is his third family. Shortly after we moved to Chattanooga, he met a lady, Connie Trieber, in a bookstore who told him about a science fiction convention which was going to be held in January. This was Chattacon 2. He immediately became involved and was an original board member, eventually becoming Chairman of the convention for several years while helping out at countless others, and becoming 'Uncle Timmy' to everyone around him. Then came LibertyCon. Since that first summer in 1987, he has created a community which has touched thousands of people.

The good thing about Dad is he lived life large whether it was as Tim Bolgeo, Big Papa, or Uncle Timmy. Family was everything to him. There was nothing he left undone, and everyone he loved knew it. I don't think he could have asked for more than this when it was time to join his parents, brother, and so many loving friends in Heaven. I've seen a lot of social media posts saying he's in Heaven teaching Jesus how to play killer cut-throat spades. I have no doubt there is some truth in that.

Thank you for being with us this year to celebrate the life of our Special Guest.



UNCLE TIMMY 1949-2019

Master of Ceremonies



John G. Hartness

John G. Hartness likes to describe himself as a teller of tales, a righter of wrongs, and a defender of ladies' virtues. To hear him tell it, some people also call him Maurice, for he speaks of the pompatus of love. The reality, though, is far more complicated. Is he an author? A publisher? A Con chair? Yes, because he can't help himself; he likes to help others.

He is an award-winning author, having won a number of awards, including the 2016 Manly Wade Wellman Award, which recognizes outstanding achievement in science fiction and fantasy novels written by North Carolina authors. Of course, this award was for his first Quincy Harker novella, which was called, *Raising Hell*. Somewhat appropriately, the plaque for the award says that it was "Presented to John Hartness for Raising Hell." People who know him will smile as this is—and always has been—one of his trademarks.

But John wasn't always a writer; in fact, he graduated in 1995 with a BA in Theatre from Winthrop University. He went on to win a variety of awards in theater, including the Metrolina Theatre Association Best Lighting Designer award twice—one for both Musical and Drama presentations. He was also the Founder and Managing Director of the Off-Tryon Theatre Company and the Producing Managing Director of Shakespeare Carolina. When he jumps into something, he gives it his all, he innovates, and he makes things happen.

And then John began writing, taking advantage of the whole new "Amazon craze." His first offering, "Returning the Favor and other Slices of Life" was published in July, 2009, and was followed by over one hundred books and novellas, with most of his time spent on his Black Knight. Bubba the Monster Hunter, and Quincy Harker. Demon Hunter series. In typical John Hartness fashion, he gave it his all, coming to the attention of such notables as Academy Award winner Whoopi Goldberg, who said about his Quincy Harker. Demon Hunter books on the air, "Quincy Harker—demon killer, monster hunter, and kin to Dracula. Yeah, this is who I want protecting the world! I love these books."

Don't let his gruff outwardly appearance fool you, though: he cares about others. A lot. He's not a saint, by any stretch of the imagination, but he has always been someone who would help a new author figure out what he or she needed to do, or who would trade his marketing secrets with others in the industry. He works hard. But writing wasn't enough for him, and in 2016, John teamed up with a group of other publishing industry ne'er-do-wells and founded Falstaff Books, a small press dedicated to publishing the best of genre fiction's "misfit toys." Don't have a home for your book?

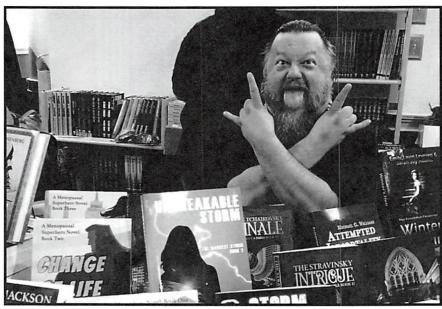


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Falstaff Books was created to be that home, and it has since published over 50 titles, with authors ranging from first-timers to NY Times bestsellers. Innovation—a hallmark of John's—is Falstaff Books' "secret sauce," and why it has been so successful.

But publishing wasn't enough, either, so he decided to put together a convention, too, and Con-Tagion 2019 was created as a place for creatives to improve their artistic skills. The event, however, was only a one-day "proof of Con-cept," with 2020 being planned for the launch of a three-day convention. Because he wants to do more for others.

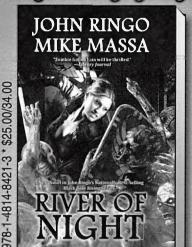
He wears a semi-colon tattoo on his wrist for both himself and others, with it oriented so that every time he looks at his wrist, he's reminded that he's still here because he has "shit left to do." Because John always wants to do more. For everyone. He may be an award-winning Hell Raiser, but he is also a hell of a friend.

Chris Kennedy

Chris Kennedy is an American science fiction author/ editor and the head publisher for the five imprints of Chris Kennedy Publishing.

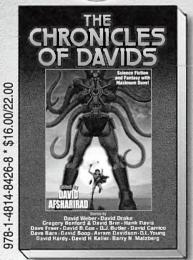
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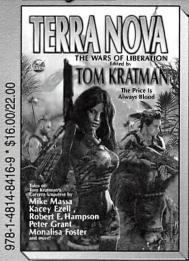
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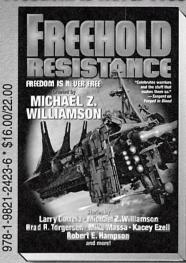






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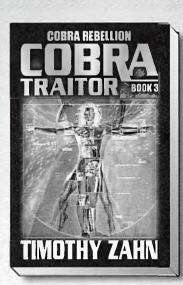
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So... Many... PROS!!!

Here are some of the many pros scheduled to attend LibertyCon 32 as of the PB printing. This list is subject to change without notice.

Michael J. Allen: A bestselling author of multi-layer science fiction and fantasy novels. Michael has infused his quirky sense of humor into over a dozen published works spread across the genre gambit including space opera; military science fiction; urban fantasy; western-style fantasy; modern high fantasy; and more.

Quincy J. Allen: National best-selling author Quincy J. Allen has written for Larry Correia's *Monster Hunter* franchise, Chris Kennedy's *Four Horsemen* franchise, as well as for Aradio Brother Studios' *Colt the Outlander* franchise. In 2019, he will have co-authored novels in the 4HU well as best-selling author Marc Alan Edelheit's *Way of Legend* series.

Lou Antonelli: Lou's had 115 short stories published since 2013. He was a 2013 finalist for the Sidewise Award in Alternate History for *Great White Ship* (Daily Science Fiction - May 2012, a two-time Hugo nominee (Short Story, Best Related Work) in 2015, and 2017 finalist for the Dragon Award in Alternate History.

Atlanta Radio Theater Company: ARTC is a professional troupe that brings "new old-time radio", complete with lush soundscapes, stirring music, and original stories guaranteed to remind you that...There is Adventure in Sound!

Griffin Barber: Griffin writes speculative fiction of all stripes, as evidenced by the anthologies he's in this year: Eric Flint's *Grantville Gazette*, John Ringo's *Voices Of The Fall*, Larry Correia's *Noir Fatale*, and Chuck Gannon's *Lost Signals*. He even finds the time to write police reports from time to time.

Jim Beall: Jim Beall (BS-Math, MBA, PE) has been a nuclear engineer for 40+ years, a wargamer for 50+, and an avid reader of science fiction for even longer. Experience: operations (nuclear officer USN), design (Duke Power), construction (United Engineers &

Constructors), inspection (USNRC), and energy policy (USNRC Commissioner Reactors Assistant).

James "JD" Beckwith: J.D. Beckwith is a mechanical engineer with delusions of writing grandeur. He guides the manufacture of machines by day but turns his hand to the manufacturing stories by night. He amuses himself with reading, D&D Dungeon Mastering, and herding cats somewhere in the woods of Northwest Georgia.

Paul Bielaczyc: Chesley Award winning artist Paul Bielaczyc co-owns Aradani Studios with his brother Mike, a costuming and art company founded in 2002. Based in Nashville, they travel mostly in the Southeast United States, to various conventions and Renaissance Festivals, selling (in their words) "our art, and our ears".

Rick Boatright: Rick Boatright has been the "tech guy" for the 1632 series since 2001. He's published in the hardcover *Grantville Gazettes* as well as the E-Zine. Rick's common activities at cons feature his "Weird Tech" presentation, which he insists has nothing to do with steampunk. Outside of the SF universe, Rick is a partner in a small software development firm.

David Bogen: David Bogen has been active in many aspects of fandom from ConCom for many Texas conventions to managing art shows with Pegasus Management across the country. But he is better known in his professional community as a leader in implementing future looking analytics and processes that are transforming the electric industry.

Karen Bogen: Editor/copyeditor and writer, K.B. Bogen combines technology and humor with a dash of the macabre. A native Texan, she holds a BSCSE degree from UT Arlington, and several health and nutrition certifications. She knits compulsively and reads forensic anthropology textbooks for fun.

David Boop: David Boop is a Denver-based author & editor. Previously, David worked as a DJ, film critic, journalist, and actor. David's debut novel, the sci-fi/ noir *She Murdered Me with Science*, returned to print in 2018. David edited the anthology, *Straight Outta Tombstone*, for Baen with *Straight Outta Deadwood* and *Straight Outta Dodge City* forthcoming. David's short fiction includes tie-ins for *Predator, The Green Hornet*, and *Veronica Mars*.

Susan Brady: Susan Brady has been running "Make It, Take It" since LibertyCon 4. She is into a little bit of everything and loves making pretty things and playing with feathers and glitter and turning them into incredible, ready to wear costumes. A true Liberty stalwart and creator of a Liberty tradition, please come enjoy the workshop, or better yet, bring your children and have them build a costume for the kids masquerade.

Scott Bragg: Scott Bragg, is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. His head in the clouds, earning his keep building clouds for IT companies. An amateur photographer, he prefers shooting people who generally don't shoot back. He is kept sane and well-grounded by his wife, the always-awesome Wendi Bragg.

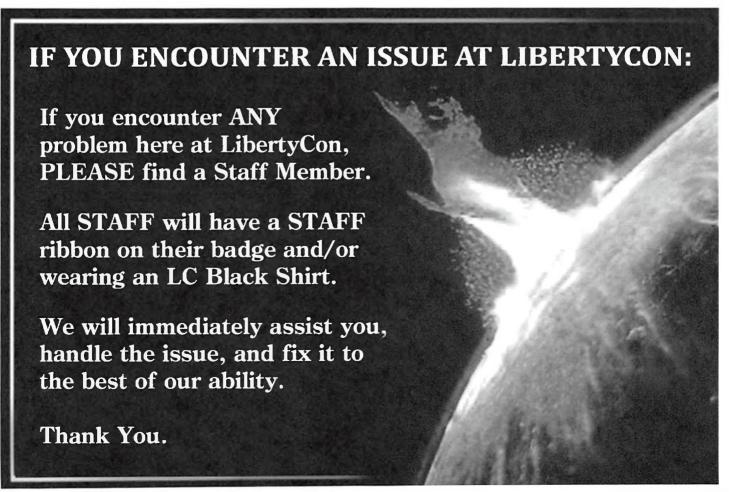
Nick Braker: Nick Braker graduated with a BS in computing science from the University of Evansville

before launching a career in computer programming, engineering, and management. Married and a father of two, Braker is also an avid table tennis player and role playing gamer.

Robert Buettner: National best-selling author Robert Buettner's *Orphanage*, Quill Award nominee as 2004's best SF/Fantasy/Horror novel, is considered a modern military science fiction classic. Baen released his tenth novel, *My Enemy's Enemy*, in May/June 2019. His recent short fiction appears in the *Black Tide Rising* anthology, *Voices of the Fall*, and in the Larry Correia/Kacey Ezell anthology *Noire Fatale*.

Doug Burbey: Army Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Douglas Burbey is constantly preparing to: repel the zombie hordes, defend America from all enemies foreign and domestic (particularly Hipsters and Fashionistas), brew beer & defeat the Rebel Alliance. His debut series *Blood War* has beer, dead demons, corrupt politicians, and rage issues.

David L. Burkhead: Indianapolis writer David L. Burkhead is a physicist working in Atomic Force Microscopy. In addition, he is an author of science fiction and fantasy with books such as *Survival Test, Big Blue*, and his latest release *The Unmasking (Dhampyre the Hunter, Book 1)*.



Daniel Allen Butler: Daniel Allen Butler is a maritime and military historian, best-selling non-fiction author, and semi-professional beach bum. When not writing, he's a woodworker, gearhead, and model builder, noted for his love of single-malt whisky and Honduran cigars. The *Blade Files* novels (Cogito Orbis Press) are his first forays into fiction; he has eleven published non-fiction titles to his credit. His personal website can be found at www.danielallenbutler.org.

Dave (D.J.) Butler: Dave (D.J.) Butler has mostly recovered from being a lawyer. He writes fantasy for adults (*WITCHY EYE*, Baen) and kids (*THE KIDNAP PLOT*, Knopf), loves languages and board games, and plays bad guitar. He's married and has three kids. Dave is also acquisitions editor for Kevin J. Anderson's WordFire Press.

Anna Grace Carpenter: A.G. Carpenter writes fiction of (and for) all sorts. Her work has appeared in *Daily Science Fiction*, *Abyss & Apex*, the *Grantville Gazette*, and others. *Touch: A Trilogy*, and *A Fistful of Dust* are available from Falstaff Books. *Monster Society* is available from Eric Flint's Ring of Fire Press.

David Carrico: David Carrico writes alternate history, science fiction, and fantasy. His latest book is *Letters From Gronow*, published by Eric Flint's Ring of Fire Press. His next book will be *1636: Flight of the Nightingale*, published by Baen Books in 2019.

Debi Chowdhury: Debi Chowdhury is: Member of ICG (international Costumers Guild), Sick Pups (New York, New Jersey costumers Guild, NOEL (Northern Lights Costumers Guild, Ma), Co-Director Worldcon 75 Masquerade, Helsinki, Finland Assistant Director, ARISIA, 2017, Boston, Ma Green Room Director, Lunacon 2016, 2017 Assistant to the masquerade director, Loncon 2014 Green Room Clerk, Several conventions Masquerade Staff, Chicon 7, Lonestarcon

Stephen Euin Cobb: Stephen Euin Cobb is an author, futurist and host of the award-winning podcast *The Future And You*. A contributing editor for *Space* and *Time Magazine*, he's been a regular contributor for *Robot*, *H*+, *Grim Couture*, and *Port Iris* magazines, and for 3 years was a columnist and contributing editor for Jim Baen's *Universe Magazine*.

Julie Cochrane: Julie Cochrane has been writing stories since age five. She has three novels coauthored with John Ringo in his *Legacy of the Aldenata* series, by Baen Books, and a story in *Rogues in Hell*, by Perseid. Her background includes psychology, chemistry, IT, and martial arts.

Brian Cooksey: Brian Cooksey is an editor, game designer, and podcaster. He is the co-designer of the

SagaBorn RPG system with Mike Bielaczyc. He is one of the hosts of the *Play On Target* podcast as well as a co-host of *Armor Goes Clank*. He lives in Nashville, TN with his wife Melissa Gay.

Grant Cooley: Grant Cooley is a Nashville based Illustrator and Fine artist. Living in East Nashville, Grant travels the Southeast convention circuit doing custom artwork, panels, demonstrations and selling prints and original works of art. Grant graduated from MTSU in 2003 with a degree in Graphic Design and a double minor in Art and Illustration.

Jason Cordova: A 2015 John W. Campbell Award finalist, Jason Cordova's is probably best known for his popular *Kin Wars Saga* series. A high school basketball coach in his spare time, he currently lives in the Blue Ridge Mountains in southwestern Virginia. He is also a kaiju enthusiast.

Clair Count: Claire Count builds worlds as she is unsatisfied with this one. Animals don't talk and no one has magic. She corrects this in her stories published by Z Publishing House, *FurPlanet*, and more. Claire writes alt history, fantasy, and science fiction with a suspense twist. Follow on Twitter@ClaireCount or www.ClaireCount.com.

Jim Curtis: JL Curtis has two series out, The Grey Man series, current fiction with cops vs. the cartel in South Texas, and Rimworld a Military Science Fiction series from the grunt's perspective. He's also published a couple of short stories in Anthologies, and one Novella. A retired Naval Flight officer, he spent 22 years in the Navy, then worked as an engineer with a defense contractor for another 20+ years. A long time shooter and NRA instructor, he now lives North Texas and writes full time.

Doug Dandridge: Doug Dandridge has been writing since he was kicked out of graduate school in 1996. Hundreds of rejections later, he finally self-published some of his backlog at the beginning of 2012. By March of 2013 he quit his day job to become a full-time writer. From then until the present he has self-published thirty-four books and sold almost a quarter million copies of his work. He has also appeared in numerous anthologies and is slated to appear in several more in the near future. Doug has a novel in the works with Arc Manor Publishing, and is working on book two in the series. There is also a novel, When Eagles Dare, in the Four Horsemen Universe, in the works.

Tammie Darden: I am a biologist who works as a chemist. I spend a lot of my time helping with my grand kids. In my off hours I chain read, play Civ V, sew, cook and garden a little. I have worked

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Jonathan Del Arroz: According to PJMedia.com, Jon Del Arroz is "the leading Hispanic voice in science fiction". He is author of the award-winning steampunk novel, For Steam and Country. As a contributor to The Federalist and dangerous.com, he is also recognized as a popular journalist and cultural commentator. Jon loves steampunk and space opera and is releasing several books this year in both subgenres.

Jeff Duntemann: Jeff Duntemann has written professionally since 1974, in both science fiction and technical nonfiction. He has appeared in *IASFM*, *Omni*, and several hardcover anthologies. Two of his stories have appeared on the final Hugo ballot. He is retired from technical publishing and now lives in Scottsdale with his wife Carol.

Greg Eden: Greg Eden is from New Zealand where he trained in radio communications and has worked in England, Wales, Austria, Ghana, Nigeria, Sudan and Chad. He has installed radio equipment in garbage trucks, has been a communications officer for the UK Fire Service, has set up paging networks, and currently works in West Africa installing Air Traffic Control Systems and Meteorological Sensor Networks.

Karen Evans: Karen Evans has been writing SF/F with her husband for almost 10 years, and enjoying the roller-coaster. When not writing, she enjoys crocheting, embroidery, and other busy-hand activities so she can listen to the voices in her head. She lives in New Mexico with her husband, a dog and a variable number of cats.

Kevin Evans: Kevin H Evans has been writing since 2006; other interests include vintage locomotive restorations, hot air ballooning, SCA combat, gunsmithing, tool and die making.

Robert S. Evans: Robert S. Evans is a film writer and director. He attended the New York Film Academy and has learned under industry veteran Jeff Burr. He has won several awards including Best Original Story and Best Director at several film fests. His latest project tackles the struggle of depression and suicide.

Kacey Ezell: Kacey Ezell is a USAF helicopter pilot who writes sci-fi/fantasy/alt history. She was

a Dragon Award finalist in 2018, and her stories have twice been featured in Baen's Year's Best Mil/Adventure SF compilation. In 2018, her story won the 2018 Baen Reader's Choice Award.

C.S. Ferguson: C. S. Ferguson used to be an adventurer. He traveled half a million miles through 55 countries on every continent, circling the globe nine times. He settled in Seattle, where everyone is an aspiring game designer, so he claimed the same in an effort to fit in. His 14 games are in 68 countries. He is the author of the *Wild Space* novels *Devils & Black Sheep* and *Thieves & Beggars*.

Declan Finn: Declan Finn is the author of books ranging from thrillers to urban fantasy to SciFi, including the 2016 Dragon Award Nominated Novel for Best horror, *Honor at Stake*. He works for Silver Empire Press as their book of the month club can be found at his website: declanfinn.com.

Steve Fleming: At various times, Stephen Fleming has been paid to be an optical physicist, laser fabricator, software developer, field engineer, salesman, entrepreneur, venture capitalist, board member, consultant, angel investor, public speaker, academic bureaucrat, and economic developer. He has invested in eleven aerospace startups, and currently chairs the Arizona Space Business Roundtable.

Marina Fontaine: Marina Fontaine is a Russian by birth, an American by choice and an unrepentant bookworm. She uses her experience of living in a totalitarian society to create realistic dystopian worlds, while demonstrating how hope, love, and yearning for freedom endures even in the darkest of times and places.

Monalisa Foster: Monalisa won life's lottery when she escaped communism and became an unhyphenated American citizen. Her works tend to explore themes of freedom, liberty, and personal responsibility. Despite her degree in physics, she's worked in engineering and medicine. Her primary genre is space opera with a bit, or a lot of, romance.

Col. Kevin Fritz Fotovich: In his non-con day job Fritz is an award winning non-starving artist masquerading as a logistics engineer, contracting for the United States Government. He is a gamer, loves cooking, will be assisting with LC Gaming and Charity Auction, as well as MC'ing the LC's Celebrity Jeopardy event!

A.M. Freeman: A.M. Freeman is a young author from the beautiful Georgia mountains. When not arguing with fictional characters, she enjoys reading and horseback riding, and she just about never stops dancing. You can find her work, *At The End of Detachment* in the anthology *Forbidden Thoughts*, and more stories in the *Planetary Anthologies*.

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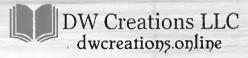
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Michael Gants: There is no truth to the rumor that Michael Gants personally killed Osama Bin Laden with a spork, nor that he is a space alien. There is some truth to the rumor he once commandeered a nuclear attack sub to begin his life-long goal of becoming Captain Nemo.

Melissa Gay: Melissa Gay is a Nashville-based illustrator of books and games whose work spans fantasy, sci-fi, and hard sciences. She devotes her free time to building and exploring her own worlds. She loves to put a little science in her fantasy and a little fantasy in her sci-fi.

Amie Gibbons: Amie was born and raised in Utah, flew south for school and stayed. She lawyers, writes, dances, sings, and cat-wrangles, and does some better than others.

Sara Glassman: Sara Glassman is a jewelry artist with a focus on wire jewelry and upcycled books. In 2006 she founded Medusa's Mirror Jewelry and has been making jewelry ever since. For her day jobs she works as school librarian, thus furthering her love affair with books.

Douglas Goodall: Doug Goodall started making video games when his parents got a cheap TI-99/4A. He's spent twenty years writing and programming games for real money. He likes to spend time with his brilliant and beautiful wife, his unusually soft cat, and his unproductive worldbuilding hobby.

Jeff Greason: A Caltech-trained EE, Jeff developed chip technologies at Intel before joining Rotary Rocket then co-founding XCOR as CEO. There he developed reusable rockets & space regulations with 66 human flights. He is now CTO at Electric Sky, a beamed energy company, and chairman at Tau Zero, developing starship propulsion technologies.

Richard Groller: Richard Groller writes fiction and non-fiction. He is co-author of *The Warrior's Edge*, contributing author to *The American Warrior*, and editor

of the illustrated book of macabre poetry, *The Book of Night*. He has been published in 6 volumes of the *Heroes in Hell* series; 4 volumes of *Sha'Daa: Tales of the Apocalypse* series, 2 volumes of the HWA Poetry Showcase, and the horror anthologies *What Scares the Boogeyman?*, *Terror by Gaslight*, and *Dark Corners*.

Dr. Robert E. Hampson: Scientist, author, educator: Dr. Robert E. Hampson turns science fiction into science. His research team developed the first prosthetic for human memory using the brain's native neural codes. He advises SF/F writers, game developers and TV writers, and is the most likely scientist to create a Zombie Apocalypse!

Valerie Hampton: Dr. Valerie Hampton, a historical archaeologist, author, and Indie film producer, founded the AS for Neo-Medievalism, speaks on the intersection between popular fantasy and history, founded many conventions including Conan's Riddle and GoT's Ice & Fire Con. She is an Associate Producer for the Margaret Weis film, *Star of the Guardians*. Creator of GrimSisters Production Co, working on a feature films and other projects.

Michael H. Hanson: Michael H. Hanson created the SHA'DAA shared-world series and his work has appeared in the last 6 anthologies of Janet Morris's Heroes in Hell series. His work is in the anthology C.H.U.D. LIVES! and also the Roger Zelazny tribute anthology SHADOWS AND REFLECTIONS. He's published 90-plus stories in the last 14 years.

Jonna Hayden: Jonna Hayden is a professional Costume Designer, clothing historian, and long-time SF geek. After many years of hiding in the Science Fiction section of the school library, she found her tribe when she attended Orycon 5. She builds shows for the Opera, Ballet, and anyone else who will pay her.

Louise Herring-Jones: Louise Herring-Jones (Amy L. Herring) writes mainstream, historical, and speculative fiction as well as non-fiction. Her science fiction, dark fantasy, and light horror stories have been published in anthologies, including *Michaelis and the Dew Shades* in *Fae Tales of the Mediterranean* (Futurefire.net Publishing, 2016), *Tender* in *Life on the Rez* (Tree-Lion Press, 2016) and, coming soon, *Shootout at Paint Rock* (in a Pro Se Press anthology) and *High Ground* with illustrations by Melissa Gay (Thunderchild Publishing).

Taylor S Hoch: Taylor S Hoch—author of *The Curse* of the Dullahan/Prospero Clydesdale O'Shaughnessy, a middle-grade urban fantasy series with six books out and a seventh due to be released in 2020. Taylor holds master's degrees in English Literature and Creative Writing, and is also a singer/songwriter, storyteller, avid gamer, and SF/Fantasy fan. Yes, she's a Bard.

Dan Hollifield: Dan Hollifield is the Publisher of Aphelion Webzine. His series of spaceport bar short stories, Tales From the Mare Inebrium, was published by Dark Oak Press in 2014. He has seven music albums on Bandcamp. The Dark Side of Diablo Canyon is in Steam-Powered Dream Engines.

John Holmes: J.F. Holmes is a two time Dragon award finalist and the own / editor of Cannon Publishing, LLC. He served for 22 years in the US military and is an Iraq War veteran. He writes science fiction and military thrillers.

H.P. Holo: H.P. Holo grew up in a family where it was dangerous to profess boredom. She's also an incorrigible smart aleck. So when her parents told her to read a dictionary, she did. And then she began writing novels, including YA fantasy *The Wizard's Way* (with Jacob Holo).

Jacob Holo: Jacob Holo is a science fiction and fantasy author whose works include *The Gordian Protocol* (with David Weber), *The Dragons of Jupiter, Time Reavers* (a Kirkus Reviews Best Indie Book of 2014), the *Seraphim Revival* trilogy; and *The Wizard's Way* (with H.P. Holo).

Teresa Howard: Teresa a life-long fan of science fiction and fantasy. She is a retired teacher, semi-professional genealogist, and Science Fiction and Fantasy author. Her short stories have been published in magazines, anthologies, webzines, and on IPhone aps in the U.S., Canada, and the U.K. Her debut novel *The Reluctant Empress*, published by Champagne Book Group 2018.

Rob Howell: A reformed medieval academic who uses that experience in his writing, Rob has also been an IT professional and a soda jerk. As a child, his parents discovered books were the only way to keep him quiet. Without books, either he or his parents would not have survived. Possibly both.

Daniel M. Hoyt: Daniel M. Hoyt is a systems architect for rocket trajectory software, when not writing or wrangling royalty calculations. Dan has appeared in many magazines and anthologies, notably Witch Way to the Mall, Strip Mauled, and Fangs for the Mammaries (Baen); Mike Brotherton's Diamonds in the Sky; and has edited Fate Fantastic and Better Off Undead for DAW. His debut space opera, Ninth Euclid's Prince, launched in 2015; sequels are underway.

Daniel Humphreys: Daniel Humphreys is the author of the *Paxton Locke* urban fantasy series and the *Z-Day* series of post-apocalyptic thrillers. He lives in southern Indiana with his family.

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Jamie Ibson: New author Jamie Ibson has written for Chris Kennedy Publishing's Four Horsemen universe and edited We Dare, an augmented humans Mil-SF anthology. He's written for Cannon Publishing's The Hundred Worlds, Superversive's To Be Men anthology, and revisits the Combat Leopard Contingent in the forthcoming Freehold: Resistance. Canadian, married, two cats.

Kevin Ikenberry: Kevin Ikenberry is a life-long space geek, retired Army Lieutenant Colonel, and science fiction writer. His debut novel *Sleeper Protocol* was heralded as "an emotionally powerful debut" by *Publisher's Weekly*. He is the author of *The Protocol War* series and the *Peacemaker* novels in the best-selling *Four Horsemen Universe*.

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Les Johnson: Les Johnson is a scientist, an author, and the NASA Principal Investigator for America's first interplanetary solar sail mission. When he's not designing spaceships or dreaming of going to the stars, he's writing science fiction for Baen or popular science books for Prometheus and Springer.

Bryan Jones: Bryan Jones is a chainmail smith and digital artist who proudly hails from Huntsville, Alabama, the "Rocket City." He grew up in a computer-literate home long before computers were cool and enjoys transferring his imagination into digital space vistas. On the other end of the space-time continuum, Bryan is a fan of Renaissance Faires and medieval combat, translating that interest into chainmail creations that will delight any fair lady and her knight in shining armor.

JD Jordan: JD Jordan is the award-winning author of the acclaimed scifi-western novel, Calamity, and has also been featured in Creative Loafing, The Grantville Gazette, The International Journal of the Book, Newsweek, Paste, and Smashing Magazine. He is an award-winning graphic designer, design educator, and historian. He is co-founder of J+E Productions, the design director of MaxMedia, is a member of SFWA and is represented by The Zack Co.

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Martha Knowles: Martha Knowles, TVIW Treasurer, was a professional librarian and records management specialist. She was administrator and Registrar for the first four TVIW symposia (2011, 2013, 2014, 2016) and was very involved in TVIW 5 in 2017. She's on the organizing committee for TVIW 6 2019 in Wichita.

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RJ Ladon: RJ Ladon is a nightshift writer (by choice) and a dayshift design engineer (by necessity) to pay for her writing addiction. Her stories are in *Sha'Daa—Toys* and *Tales from the Lyon's Den–Four Horsemen Universe*. Other books, anthologies and oddities can be found at www.RJLadon.com.

D. Alan Lewis: Chattanooga native, D. Alan Lewis's debut novel, *The Blood in Snowflake Garden* was a finalist for the 2010 Claymore Award. Alan's other novels include, *The Lightning Bolts of Zeus* and *The Bishop of Port Victoria*. He is the editor of three anthologies from Dark Oak Press, *Capes & Clockwork* and the 2 Luna's Children volumes. Alan has numerous short stories published, and is a frequent speaker/guest at various genre conventions.

Doug Loss: Doug Loss is retired, but was an IT security analyst from Maryville, TN. He has been an SF reader since childhood (more than 55 years) and a war gamer for over 50 years. He's an avid blues music fan and is currently serving as the IT chair and president of the Board of Directors for the Tennessee Valley Interstellar Workshop (https://tviw.us).

Tamara Lowery: Tamara Lowery, author of *The Adventures of Pigg & Woolfe* steampunk serial

and the *Waves of Darkness* series, is a native of Chattanooga. She just launched the first episode of *Pigg & Woolfe* in March 2018 and hopes to release an episode a month with an annual omnibus with bonus material. Although currently out of publication and searching for a new publishing home, all seven books in her pirates and vampires *Waves of Darkness* series placed in the Top Ten in the Horror Novel category of the critters.org Preditors and Editors Readers Poll in their respective years of original release.

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lan Malone: Sci-fi author lan J. Malone's works include the Amazon-bestselling COLONIES LOST and THE MAKO SAGA. He credits his tenures in radio, law enforcement, and military contracting for much of his inspiration He is an active member of the SFWA and a resident of Durham, North Carolina. Beyond writing, Malone is an avid fan of audiobooks (he's legally blind) and the outdoors

Gerald Martin: Gerald (Gerry) Martin has been working on computers since his very first Tandy 1000HX that he got from his parents for Christmas in 1988! Gerry, via his online handle LongwoodGeek, streams games on his Twitch Channel which has made affiliate status. His YouTube Channel, *GerryBM*, has videos of not just game play but discussions and interviews with game developers along with retro technology repairs and demonstrations.

Mike Massa: Mike Massa has lived an adventurous life, including stints as Navy SEAL officer, an investment banker and a technologist. Mike's 2018 novel, *The Valley of Shadow*, co-authored with John Ringo, debuted as a national best-seller. The companion novel, from Baen Books, *River of Night*, will be released in September 2019.

T.C. McCarthy: T.C. McCarthy is an award-winning author whose short fiction has appeared in *Per Contra: The International Journal of the Arts*, in *Story Quarterly*, and in *Nature*. His debut SF trilogy was released in 2011 and 2012 to critical acclaim. His new book, *Tyger Burning*, will be released July 2019.

Holly McClure: Holly established Sullivan Maxx Literary Agency which found good homes for some amazing books. After selling the agency to an entertainment agency, she has focused on writing, publishing, speaking, teaching and mentoring other writers. She is published in YA, mystery, thriller, literary, nonfiction, historical fiction and inspirational.

Edward McKeown: Edward McKeown is best known for his Robert Fenaday/Shasti *Rainhell* series of SF novels set on the *Privateer Sidhe*. He has now debuted a new series set in the same universe, featuring a 50,000-year-old android named Maauro and her friend, a disgraced pilot named Wrik Trigardt, as they battle governments and the Thieves Guild for their freedom in, *My Outcast State*, *Against that Time*, and *The Lost*.

lan McMurtrie (Lawdog): Born on the island of Malta to an Oklahoma oil engineer and a Texas school teacher, Lawdog was raised in Africa, the Middle East, and Europe. He has been a soldier, an EMT, a volunteer fireman, a short-order cook, the world's worst rodeo clown, and a peace officer. He currently resides in Texas with a very patient lady and three fur children.

Joseph Meany: Joseph E. Meany, Ph.D., (a.k.a. the Crimson Alkemist) is a material scientist from Atlanta, GA. He received his Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Alabama in 2016 and continues to work and volunteer in various science communication venues with a focus on how chemistry and nanotechnology impact society. He is a member and contributor to the Tennessee Valley Interstellar Workshop and the Tau Zero Foundation.

Jim Minz: James Minz has worked in genre publishing for 25 years, first at Tor for more than a decade, then briefly at Del Rey, until finally, on the centennial of Robert A. Heinlein's birth, landing at Baen Books, where he is currently Executive Editor and Subsidiary Rights Director.

Anita Moore: I'm a pro builder of terrain / scenery environments for Fantasy and SciFi Wargames, RPGs, and dioramas (for 15 yrs.). Many items shipped all over the world and USA. I also love drawing and 2D art, as time allows. I'm a mom, mom in law, herder of cats, Biblical scholar, Keeper of Arcane Lore, repairer of appliances, amateur artist, professional terrain builder, giver of care, adopted into the LibertyCon clan by Uncle Timmy Bolgeo.

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Morgon Newquist: Morgon Newquist has worked as a freelance writer off and on since 2007, and written for video game mythologies, table top RPGs, online game guides, and blogs as well as her own short works. Her current focus is an ongoing saga of sword and sorcery short stories called *The School of Spells and War*. It's first novella is *Down the Dragon Hole*.

Chris Oakley: Chris Oakley owned and operated Oakley's Gently Used Books, a bricks & mortar used bookshop with a specialty in Sci Fi/Fantasy, for more than 20 years (1995-2016) in Charlottesville, VA. She has edited and published "undergound" newspapers as well as literary magazines, and for many years, she was the organizer and moderator for the VA Festival of the Book.

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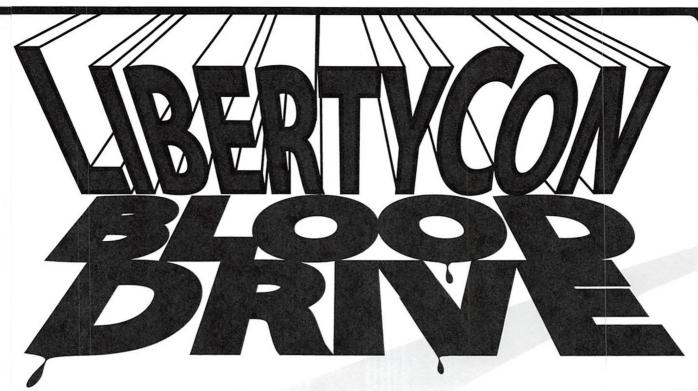
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Mark Paulk: Dr. Paulk has a PhD in Industrial Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh, an MS in Computer Science from Vanderbilt University, and a BS in Mathematics and Computer Science from the University of Alabama in Huntsville. He is a Fellow of the ASQ and a Senior Member of the IEEE.

Gary Poole: Gary Poole has been in the entertainment and publishing industry for nearly thirty years. He's worked directly with John Ringo on over a dozen novels and has adapted several of them into screenplays (all of which remain in development). When not working with Ringo, he is the managing editor of a successful alternative newsweekly in Tennessee and spent years on the radio as a talk show host and award-winning broadcast journalist.

L. R. Barrett-Durham (Leia Powell): Leia Powell has been producing stained glass masterpieces for nearly 20 years. Licensed by Edgar Rice Burroughs, Inc., she is the first stained glass artist to be the sole licensee to create glass art of an author's trademarked characters. She won both Polly Freas Viewer's Choice and Best 2D art awards at LibertyCon28. An author with over half a dozen novels varying in genres of urban and epic fantasy, paranormal romance, sci-fi, horror, and children's literature, her newest novel is *The Adventures of Little Lei-Lei: Toil and Trouble*.



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Robert Reed: Rob Reed has been a reporter, magazine staff writer, web content writer, and firearms instructor. His story *Dear Diary* is featured in Michael Z. Williamson's *Freehold: Resistance* anthology.

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John Ringo: John Ringo: New York Times best-selling author John Ringo created the military-SF series *The Posleen Wars*, with over a million copies in print. He is author of *The Council War* SF-adventure saga; contemporary fantasies *Princess of Wands and Queen of Wands*; and national best-selling techno-thrillers *The Last Centurion* and the *Ghost series*. New works include *Under a Graveyard Sky* and *Black Tide Rising*.

William Joseph Roberts: William Joseph Roberts has been called a Jack of all trades and Renaissance man by his peers. Since his enlistment as an F-15 Crew Chief with the USAF; he has been an artist, industrial design engineer, blacksmith, brewer, and now, eclectic writer. He and his family reside in Chickamauga, Georgia.

Natalie Rodgers: Nat Rodgers is the creator and artist of Cuteness & Vexation - a humorous art series focused on animals at their worst (best). Her related projects include *Fine Familiars* and the *Oracle of the Potoo*, all of which stem from her unique sense of humor and love for animals.

Brent Roeder: Brent is currently a neuroscience PhD student researching how to restore damaged memory function. A life long geek, he enjoys writing sci-fi and fantasy to relax from work. Very occasionally he even remembers to finish a story.

Ken Roy: Ken Roy is an engineer who lives and works amid the relics of the Manhattan Project in Oak Ridge. He has published technology speculation pieces in such venues as the *Journal for the British Planetary Society*, and the United States Naval Institute Proceedings. His current interests include terraforming and geoengineering.

Jay Roye: Jay Roye is owner of a global consulting firm providing consulting on Real Time Drilling Control Centers. He has over 35 years' experience in the oil & gas business, onshore, offshore and space, and some 16+ countries. Jay holds graduate and undergraduate degrees in several disciplines: Mechanical Engineering, Mathematics, Information Technology and Business.

Cedar Sanderson: Cedar Sanderson is an author, as well as scientist, artist, and perennially inquisitive and interested in everything.

Hans G. Schantz: A theoretical physicist by training, Hans G. Schantz parlayed his scientific expertise into a career as an inventor with more than 40 patents, and he co-founded Q-Track Corporation where he serves as CTO. He is the author of *The Art and Science* of Ultrawideband Antennas, and the science fiction techno-thrillers, *The Hidden Truth*, A Rambling Wreck, and *The Brave and the Bold*. Hans lives in Huntsville, Alabama with his wife, and two sets of twins.

James Schardt: James Schardt is a 21 year veteran of the US Army as an AH-64 Apache Attack Helicopter Armament/ Avionics/ Electrical Systems Repairer and has a degree in Manufacturing Engineering Technology. He lives in Western Kentucky with his wife working for a company that pays him to drop and break things.

Jessica Schlenker: Jessica Schlenker holds an M.S. in Information Security & Assurance, a bevy of industry certifications, and a B.S. in biology. She works as a professional nerd in the field of IT Security. Sadly, she is too much of a white hat to actually combine these specialties into creating her own cyborg army.

Dave Schroeder: Dave Schroeder (SHRAY-der) is the author of the *Congruent Mage* fantasy series and the *Xenotech Support* science fiction humor series. He is a retired IT executive from Atlanta who enjoys performing with the Atlanta Radio Theatre Company, where he is a writer and voice actor.

Julia Morgan Scott: Scientific illustration has been my "day job" for over twenty years, and I'm a member of the Guild of Natural Science Illustrators. My drawings of fossil and living mammals have appeared in many scientific journals and books, most recently published by Smithsonian Scholarly Press. But I've also written poetry and short stories, written and illustrated comics, drawn caricatures, illustrated game cards and horror novels, painted icons, and taught painting. My scratchboard illustrations have appeared in many fanzines, including the Hugo-award winning Mimosa.

Gary Shelton: Agronomy Degree from Auburn University. Worked at the USDA-Agricultural research service as an Agronomist since 1990. Edits a yearly report that includes Soybean research from the Southern States. Currently working on genetic modifications of Soybeans in the Crop genetics Research Unit Stoneville, MS.

Lydia Sherrer: Award-winning and USA Todaybestselling author of magic, tea, and snark-filled fantasy, Lydia Sherrer knows the world is built on dreams and aims to add hers to the mix. Currently residing in Louisville, KY, she is supported by her wonderful husband and their two loud, but adorable, cats.

Martin Shoemaker: Martin L. Shoemaker received the WSFA Small Press Award for *Today I Am Paul*, which also appeared in four year's best anthologies and eight international editions. Baen published his novel Today I Am Carey in March 2019. His work has appeared in *Analog, Galaxy's Edge, Clarkesworld*, and *Digital Science Fiction*.

Stephen J. Simmons: Stephen J. Simmons started writing shortly after he retired from the Navy, primarily because his children had outgrown bedtime stories and the cats never laughed at the funny bits. He has published several short stories and flash-fiction pieces, the comic-fantasy novella *Just Grimm And Bear It*, and the SF novel *The Galileo Syndrome*.

Benjamin Tyler Smith: By day Ben earns his bread keeping track of the dead with digital cemetery maps, and by night he corrals the undead into whatever fantasy story he's working on next. Married to a saint of a woman, ruled by a benevolent calico countess, he can be found at benjamintylersmith.com.

Chris Smith: Chris began writing fiction in 2012. His first story, Bad Blood and Old Silver, appears in the Luna's Children: Stranger Worlds anthology, from Dark Oak Press. Other stories to soon be released: What Manner of Fool, in Michael Hanson's Sha'Daa: Inked anthology; Isaac Crane and the Ancient Hunger

in Fantom Enterprise's *Dark Corners* anthology; and *150 Miles to Huntsville* in Baen's *Black Tide Rising* anthology. He co-authored (with Jason Cordova) *Kraken Mare* from Severed Press.

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S. Andrew Swann: S. Andrew Swann is the pen name of Steven Swiniarski. He's married and lives in the Greater Cleveland area where he has lived all of his adult life. He has a background in mechanical engineering and - besides writing - works as a Database Manager for one of the largest private child services agencies in the Cleveland area. He has published over 26 novels since 1993. He has just recently completed *Marked* for DAW books, published January 2019.

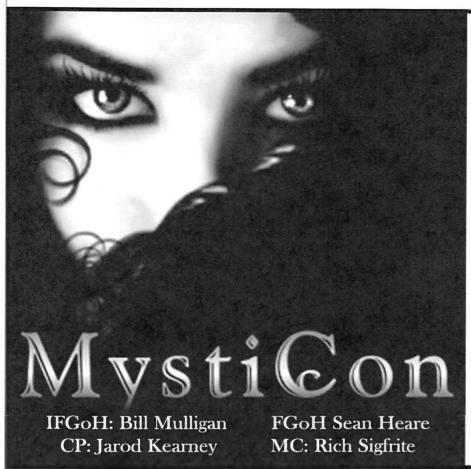
Tom Tinney: Tom Tinney is Biker (The V-twin kind... not a fan of peddling) that happens to enjoy writing Science Fiction and Fantasy. Yes, the world's first Biker-Nerd. He has published two books, numerous anthology contributions and his novel *Blood of Invidia* (written with his son) was a finalist for the 2017 Dragon award. They are currently working on the second book in the series *Legacy of Invidia* as well as regular short story releases on his website.

Melisa Todd: Mel Todd is the author of the *Kaylid Chronicles*. Owner of Bad Ash Publishing she has one author working with her on the *Blood War* series and another series is in the wings. An avid reader and fanfic author she has published over a million words. Find her at https://www.facebook.com/badashbooks/

Tiffany Toland-Scott: Tiffany Toland-Scott is an American artist located in the Atlanta-Metro area. Her work is inspired by high fashion, fairy tales, Lovecraft, everything Southern Gothic, haunted houses, and mythology from all over the world. A fan of anything darkly romantic, her work is frequently subtly if not overtly dark in theme.

John Van Stry: John Van Stry writes Science Fiction and Fantasy. His bestselling series are *Portals of Infinity* and *The Valens Legacy*, which is written under his Jan Stryvant pen name. He's had a varied career, ranging from tactical nuclear weapon systems to pacemakers. Hobbies are training big cats, riding motorcycles, playing bass.

Mark Wandrey: Mark Wandrey is the creator of the wildly successful Four Horsemen military sci-fi universe. With over 30 books so far and growing, it has quickly become a sensation. He's also published in zombie apocalypse (Turning Point series) and space opera (Earth Song



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Justin Watson: Justin Watson is a graduate of West Point and a veteran of Iraq and Afghanistan. He lives in Houston with his wife and their four children. Justin enjoys tabletop gaming, scotch, recreational shooting, comic books, movies, military history and, of course, reading and writing science fiction and fantasy.

William Alan Webb: After 45 years of writing military history Bill became an overnight success when he returned to his roots of science fiction and fantasy. Married for 40 years he was born and raised in West Tennessee, where he still lives, with his wife and 7 dogs.

Toni Weisskopf: Toni Weisskopf is publisher of Baen Books. Weisskopf is a graduate of Oberlin

College with a degree in anthropology. The widow of Southern fan and swordmaster Hank Reinhardt, she is the mother of a delightful daughter, and is possessed by a truly devilish little dog, and a fat and lazy cat who styles himself a "rare white mini-puma."

Rich Weyand: Rich Weyand is a computer consultant and digital forensic analyst. He was born in Illinois and lived there almost 60 years before he and his wife engineered an escape to the hills of southern Indiana in 2011. His undergraduate and graduate education is in Physics, and he's never really recovered.

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Whit Williams: Whit Williams is a writer, a medic, and a protege of the great Hank Reinhardt. His published work includes the short story *Lion Country* and the interim chapters of *Hank Reinhardt's Book of Knives*. Currently he is working on a new book, *The Reinhardt Method of Rapier & Dagger*, the first in a series of four books about sword technique.

Michael Z. Williamson: Michael Z. Williamson is an SF author, military consultant, and Editor at Large for Survivalblog. His novels include the popular *Freehold* universe, and *The Hero* (with John Ringo). He has

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Philip Wohlrab: Philip is currently the Non Commissioned Officer in Charge (NCOIC) of a Medical Section at an Army Schoolhouse, he is a senior instructor in Basic Combat Casualty Care, Advanced and Basic Life Support, and Combat Medicine. Additionally he is a senior instructor for Field Sanitation. He has served 2 tours in Iraq where he earned the title "Doc" the hard way. He has gone on to earn a Master's in Public Health with a focus on disease prevention. In addition to this he has published a few short stories, is working on more, and on his first novel.

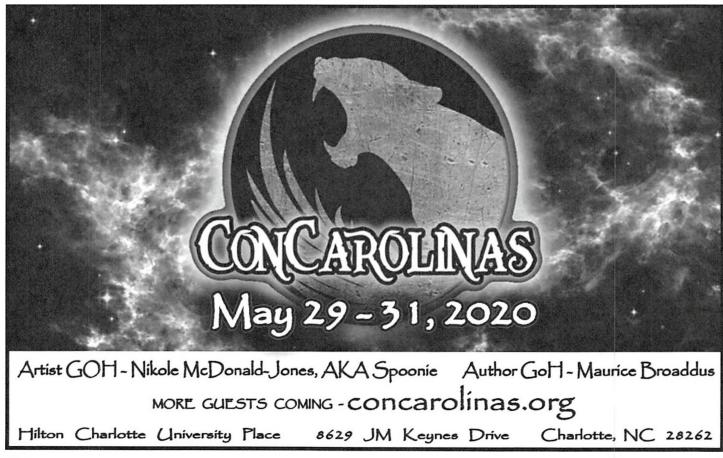
Marisa Wolf: Co-author of Assassin, a Four Horseman Universe novel, and two short stories. With an English major/Astronomy minor and teaching middle school science/history, knows a little bit about a lot of topics (enough to get in trouble...not always out). Clumsiest of black belts; once headbutted by an alligator.

Chris Woods: Christopher Woods has been an avid reader all his life. In addition to *This Fallen World*, he has written five books in his wildly-popular Soulguard series, as well as *Legend* and several short stories in the *Four Horsemen Universe*. He currently lives in Woodbury, TN, with his step daughter and his wife, who

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Matt Wyers: "Matt" as his friends would call him is a lifelong fan of speculative fiction. His first book *Among the Stars: The Accidental Astronaut* is fast-paced science fiction story suited for young and old. He's a native of Tuscaloosa, AL where he can be found cheering on the Crimson Tide, exploring country roads, and eating lots of Mexican food.

James Young: James Young is a Missouri native who escaped small town life via service to the Republic. Currently living in the Midwest with his loving, kind, and beautiful spouse, Mr. Young spends his time researching history and plotting new and interesting way to torment characters.



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