

# The Philcon Rocket



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#### Changes to the Program

Tony Finan regrets that, due to ill health, he will not be attending this year's Philcon and thus will not appearing at any of the panels he is listed as being on.

Jay Smith will also not be attending Philcon 2019 and will, thus, not be on any of the panels he is listed for.

Theodore Krulik will also not be attending the 10 PM panel "Canceled Before Their Time" (Plaza IV), but the convention is trying to arrange a phone-in link.

#### Try Something Different and Exciting

Volunteer. Go to the Volunteers Desk by Registration for more information on how you can help Philcon be even better.

#### Oh. Sure...

A monastery in England has opened up a fish and chips shop to supplement its income. When interviewed, the abbot of the monastery said that his men cheerfully split the various duties of the shop.

"Some are fish friars," he said, "and others are chip monks."

## Enjoying Yourself?

The fun of attending Philcon doesn't have to end Sunday.

If you want to hear speakers, authors, artists, editors, and scientists, or you just want to interact with your fellow science fiction fans, you can join the Philadelphia Science Fiction Society (PSFS).

Besides sponsoring Philcon, PSFS holds monthly meetings featuring such speakers. Our July meeting features the annual "Hugo Panel", which reviews all of the dramatic presentation and written fiction finalists for that year's Science Fiction Achievement (Hugo) Awards.

The club also sponsors a monthly book discussion group as well as outings to movies and other activities.

The December 6, 2019 PSFS meeting will be held at 8 PM at the Rotunda; 4014 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA (First Floor, Rear of Building). Our speaker will be Audrey Schuler, winner of the prestigious Philip K. Dick Award presented to an author best representing the spirit of innovative science fiction in the paperback marketplace.

Philcon 2017 Saturday Party List		
Party	Room	Time
Heliosphere	920	9 - ?
Baker 30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	940	8:30 – 11
Con Suite	823	Till 2 PM
Trek and Toga	834	8 - ?

#### **PSFS Moves**

The Philadelphia Science Fiction Society (PSFS) has long met at the Rotunda (4014 Walnut Street, Philadelphia) and at the International House on the University of Pennsylvania campus. With the closing of International House, PSFS will be meeting in the Parish Hall of St. Mary's Church at Penn, 39<sup>th</sup> and Locust Walk. PSFS will alternate between this site and the Rotunda.

For more information about the PSFS, including the date and locations of our meetings, visit our website www.psfs.org.

## Planning Panels (Say THAT Five Times Fast)

Is there some panel that you'd like to have seen at this year's Philcon, one that we (gasp!) didn't think of?

If so, please tell us, so we can consider it for Philcon 2020. Just write your idea, including panel members if you like, and leave it in our suggestion box on the Table next to Registration. We don't guarantee that we'll use your idea, but we *will* consider it.

Who knows, maybe next year you'll be able to say, "That panel was my idea."

## It's Deadline, Jim

The deadline for the next issue of the *Philcon Rocket* is 11 am, Sunday morning. Leave material at Convention Ops, that's Crystal Ballroom I, across from Registration.