

### Rustycon 27

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### From the Chair

Hi, my name is Sheila Pool (Green, Glassburn). I am the Chairman for Rustycon 27.

This year we are very excited to welcome James P. Blaylock, writer GoH, Theresa Mather, artist GoH and David Glenn-Anderson, Fan GoH! Out theme is Steampunk! What is steampunk? My answer to this is: think of Twenty Thousand Leagues Under The Sea. Remember the submarine ran on steam. In fact just about everything ran on steam and manual mechanics. You will see different of panels on this subject as well as costumes and such.

I've worn many different hats during my years of con goings. My first convention was Rustycon 2. After that, I began to be very active within the fandom community, including various positions with Norwescon and eventually chairing Rustycon 10.

My real start with fandom was being involved with a local Star Trek chapter called the USS Saratoga. I joined Star Fleet in 1984 and in 1986 began my own chapter, the USS Merrimac. From there I became the Region 5 coordinator and Senior Captain in the Senior Captain Network.

During my Star Trek years, I was interviewed by the Seattle Times and appeared on KOMO radio for the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Star Trek. This was an exciting time in my life since I had been watching Star Trek since I was a young teen. Meeting the various writers of the Trek novels to the actors of the shows has been quite the magical ride! Next thing I knew I was being invited to be on panels for my involvement with the Star Trek universe.

I do hope you'll enjoy all the hard work all our volunteers have done to create a fantastic con. Now, let the fun begin!

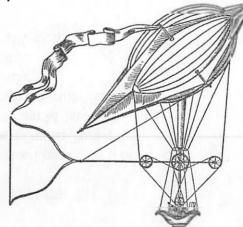
### Author GOH Jim Blaylock



James P. Blaylock teaches composition and creative writing at Chapman University and is the author of twenty novels and four short story collections. His novel *Homunculus* received the Philip K. Dick Award.

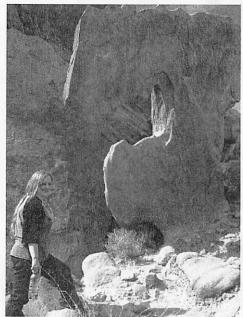
Blaylock started his publishing career with short stories in the 70's and

moved to fantasy novels in the early 80s. He is known for his distinctive style, writing in a humorous and yet comfortable way, with genre ranging from fantasy through modern fabulism, magic realism and Steampunk. Blaylock is a many time nominee and two-time winner of the World Fantasy Award, most recently for his short story "Thirteen Phantasms".



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### **Artist GOH**Theresa Mather



A professional artist since 1989, Theresa Mather creates fantasy works featuring a variety of unusual creatures. Best known for her pieces painted on feathers and stone, integrating her paintings with the natural colors and textures of the surface, Theresa draws much of her inspiration from the world around her.

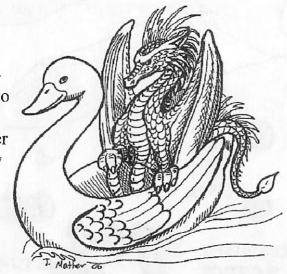
Theresa is an artist who chooses to work outside of

gaming and publication, exhibiting and selling her work at

science fiction convention art shows across the country. She enjoys the freedom this gives her to paint whatever she desires, allowing her paintings to be truly her creations.

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### Fan GOH David-Glen Anderson

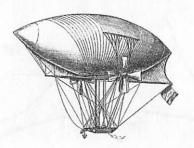


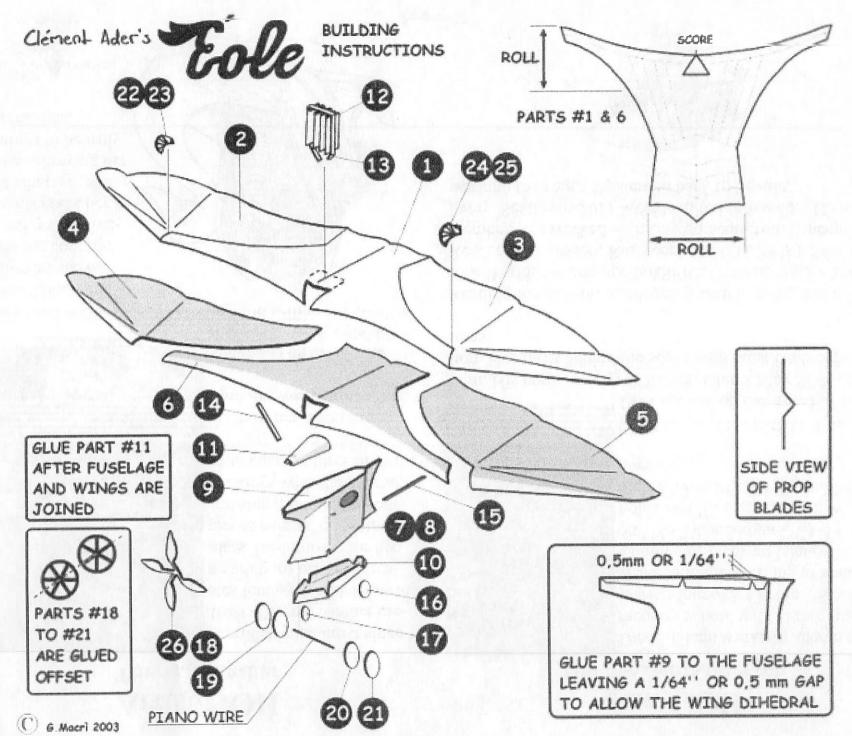
David-Glenn works by day in an elementary school with at risk students. During four years in the US Navy, he was a journalist serving at Schools Command, Treasure Island CA and on USS Ticonderoga CVA-14. He holds two BS degrees from Weber State University. He is a published poet.

Retiring from his Hill AFB job in 1994 opened up the world of fan-

dom. His home is with CONduit, Utah's May SF/F convention. He works behind the scene with most Utah conventions.

Reading for the Future advocacy lead to being on staff at four Worldcons and one NASFIC. Developing the Young Reader (Norwescon, Rustycon, and C3), he is a SWOC member. He worked with Cascadiacon from concept to delivery. Seattle-in-2011 Worldcon bid followed. He is now working to bring a Westercon back to Seattle.





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### **Panelist Biographies**

#### Alexander James Adams

Alexander James – Faerie-Tale Minstrel "From Dragon's flame and ire will come forth Phoenix fire, and we will hear the song once more!" –Life's Flame, Heather Alexander Unleashed from the land of Fae comes the heir to Heather Alexander's music and magic. AJ Adams is a fiery Celtic fiddler with a compelling voice to enchant audiences of all ages. With songs and stories of the otherworld, Alexander James inspires his audiences to make their dreams come true and look for the wonders within. From tender love songs to rowdy brawls, gentle Irish airs to rockin' reels, AJ brings ancient legends to the mortal world in true bardic style, proving once and for all, the magic never dies!

#### **Anne Prather**

Anne Harlan Prather, alter ego of Aislinn the Harper, received her PhD in Botany from the University of Washington in August, 2009. Her other accomplishments include writing 250,000 words between July and November of 2008 that were NOT revisions of her dissertation. She exhibits her art at local conventions, and has released a number of recordings, two of which she is re-releasing. Her latest album, Day of Jubilee is scheduled for release at Conflikt. She divides her time between science, teaching mathematics, writing novels, making art, and working as a street musician.

#### Arthur Bozlee

Specialist in spaceflight, aviation and the impact of technology on society and culture. After many years in large engineering companies he now concentrates on private efforts to put humans in space with private companies.



#### Barry Short

Fan, convention organizer, retailer, and general bon vivant—it's just another typical fandom story. But after spending nearly 20 years owning and managing 21st Century Comics in southern California, Barry and wife Theresa Mather relocated to southwest Utah, from where he manages the business side of Theresa's career, and sells leftover store junk fine collectibles on eBay. From Spider-Man he learned that with great power comes great responsibility, which has inspired him to always minimize his power. He is known to quote author Edward Abbey with little provocation, and finds more than a little satisfaction in watching Lake Powell evaporate. Note: "leftover store junk" is done in a strikeout font, which this form doesn't recognize.

#### **Betty Bigelow**

Artist, dancer, costumer, model, writer, Klingon and Elvish language instructor, landscaper; Betty Bigelow does it all!

#### Bobbie DuFault

Bobbie DuFault lives on a little five acre chunk of heaven, in the Pacific Northwest, with a house full of humans, and their many four legged friends. She is a technical and nonfiction writer by profession. Involved in the Reading for the Future program which promotes the use of Science Fiction and Fantasy in the Classroom (www.readingforfuture.com), she has written a Teachers guide to internet resources. She knows she might be just a little bit crazy because she works on running conventions, and can frequently be found promoting some convention or another somewhere in the World.

#### Brenda Cooper

Brenda Cooper is a futurist and a science fiction writer. Her recent novels include *The Silver Ship and the Sea, Reading the Wind*, and *Wings of Creation*. Brenda lives in Bellevue, Washington. See www.brenda-cooper.com for more information.

#### Chris Nilsson

Chris has been hanging out with convention fandom for 30 years, focusing on running conventions, technology, families, and amateur publishing. He has a twisted mind under that black Top Hat. He lives with his Artist wife Jackie, his son Eli and when she's not in college, his daughter Kalyn. Books, movies, comics, cats and birds complement his household.

#### Christine D. Winters

Christine was born psychic into a family of intuitives. She was drawing portraits of passed on relatives at the age of three. A noted radio and TV personality, Christine has fascinated the audience with her accuracy with time frames and names. Christine loves creating. She makes stained glass, costumes for stage and screen, and is an accomplished writer, along with her talents as an artist and illustrator. Christine has also created her own deck of fortune telling cards, "Passion Play" and lives an alternative lifestyle as a nudist in the country, growing her own organic food, she has been a vegetarian for 14 years.

#### Dan Dubrick

Daniel D. Dubrick, Aerospace Historian. Known to many in northwest US fandom since 1980 as a regular volunteer of his man management and organizing skills, Kahboi (pronounced Cowboy in English) has for many years been the Editor for the H.R. McMillan Planetarium's affiliated space and astronomy educational BBS "SpaceBase(tm)". At the peak of Fidonet's success, the results of Dan's editing effort were reaching out to over 5,000 amateur BBS's world wide weekly and a readership estimated in the tens of thousands. Dan has also witnessed space launches as an accredited journalist representing SpaceBase (including the US Space Shuttle) and on his annual holidays he can be found prowling the aerospace bone yards of the Arizona desert studying American aerospace history (but they still won't let him into the B-52 that dropped the X-15). Currently, he is working on converting SpaceBase and it's gigs of space science news data from a BBS system to an internet based archive with an internet e-mail distribution system.

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#### Darragh Metzger

DARRAGH METZGER makes her living in the world's two lowest-paying professions: acting and writing. While her resume includes stage and screen credits, she's spent the last several years wearing armor, riding horses, and swinging swords with The Seattle Knights. A long-standing member of the Fairwood Writers' Group, her publishing credits include plays, non-fiction articles, and short stories, one of which made The StorySouth Millions Writers Award Notable Stories of 2005. She has written five--no, six--novels to date, is working on a non-fiction project, and sings and writes songs for A Little Knight Music and The Badb. If she had free time, she'd spend it with horses. She is married to artist/fight director Dameon Willich.

#### Dave Bigelow

Dave Bigelow has written a few stories, has sung and danced in a few Klingon reviews, and is married to Betty Bigelow. All are strange and wonderful things.

#### **Debbie Callaway**

Debra R. Callaway-Born in Seattle in Discovery Park (it WAS still part of the Army Base at the time). I started costurning at the age of 12. During intervening years, I made jewelry and quilts for sale, played with the SCA, worked occasional theatrical gigs (including Portland Opera, PNW Ballet & the old Bathhouse Theater) and had a business making Victorian underpinnings. Recently, I have started quilting again and am finishing a quilt that was pieced almost 70 years ago! I costume for a particular "event" or when inspiration hits (a female "space pirate" from a painting by Bill Grader, or designed around a skirt found second hand). A while ago, after years of doing mostly historical with the rare Klingon, I decided I was not getting the satisfaction out of costuming that I once had and decided to "give it up". HA, it's like trying to give up chocolate, it can't be done. So here I am.

#### Dehorah Tatarek

I have been a member of fandom for over 30yrs,working hospitality, organizing costume panels and participating on panels. I enjoy playing in the SCA and the Elan Empire and my new love Steampunk. I love to party till I drop which seems to be earlier than later, but don't count me out.

#### **Dustin Gross**

Dustin Gross bought his first RPG at the tender (and impressionable) age of 8. He's been hosting a Friday night game ever since. He is into tabletop RPGs of all sorts, wargaming, boardgames, and videogames. He was an Outrider for Games Workshop, an employee of Wizards of the Coast, and writing his own adventures. Recently, on top of the Friday night RPG sessions, the Miniature Saturdays, and the video game Sundays, he's been working on a series of RPG of his own. He just published Neverwhen, founded a company called Dragondyne Publishing, and is currently working on several adventures for the Neverwhen series, as well as supplements. He has been going to conventions for about 25 years, and running panels and demos for about 10 years now.

#### **Edward Stiner**

...has been reading Science Fiction for about 50 years. He has been on the board of Science Fiction Museum for 19 years. He has hosted "The Science Fiction Trivia Game Show", "Science fiction Partners Pictionary" at various conventions. He brings the Science Fiction Museum display to Northwest conventions.

#### Gareth Von Kallenbach

Gareth Von Kallenbach is a syndicated movie & game critic, writer, author and frequent radio guest. His work has appeared in over 60 publications worldwide and he is the creator of the rising entertainment site "Skewed and Reviewed" and the new Skewed and Reviewed: The Magazine. Gareth is active in charity work and does a lot of functions for Child's Play which benefits Children's Hospitals. His Skewed and Reviewed Shirts and Magazine also raise funds for the cause. He has three books of film, game reviews and interviews published and is a well-received and in demand speaker on the convention circuit. Gareth has appeared in movies and is a regular guest on the top rated Seattle morning show as well as an East Coast radio show. He has also worked in the game industry giving him insider access to the latest industry news. He is finishing the third of four Star Wars fan films he wrote and directed and recently appeared in the films "Postal", "Far Cry" and "Love Happens".

#### Gibbitt Rhys-Jones

Rhiannon "Gibbitt" Rhys-Jones has been doing conventions since 1991, been on the staff of a couple, been invited to speak and play at some, and even got married at one. She was involved in Clan Burnout, ran a fanzine called the Smidgen, House Madubi, and she's put out an RPG (called Neverwhen) with her husband, Dustin Gross, with whom she also runs a publishing company, Dragondyne Publishing. She is an editor, a poet, an artist (cough cough), and art collector, a trainer, and an all around swell gal. Also, she REALLY doesn't like LONG walks across the beach, but just walking is fine.

#### Greg Paddock

Greg Paddock is a long-time fan whose interest in science fiction led to a degree in Physics and Astronomy, and work as an astronautical engineer for Boeing, including designing a spacecraft to take humans to Mars and other parts of the Solar System. Much of his work at that time could be seen as a form of science fiction done at taxpayers' expense. Currently employed as a computer programmer, he continues to nurture deep interests in the past, present, and future of space travel, bio-, nano-, and other technologies.

#### **Hugh S. Gregory**

Professionally an avid Spaceflight Historian based in Vancouver. Canada, he has worked as an Engineers' Surveyor and an Industrial Paramedic. He has produced and sold videos on spaceflight history. His latest research includes the conceptual theory for the ELDSRR space reactor, Project MOSS for the Musk Observatory, the Project MAST analogue Mars habitat training program for the Mars Society and recently co-authored a paper in Cartographica about mapping on Mars. Since September 2006 he's been the Official Spokesperson for the Orbital Commerce Project, the world's first non-government funded flight school of training sub-orbital pilots and payload specialists.. His slide/video shows have been appearing at Conventions across North America and also overseas for over 20 years now, including 11 world cons and 6 DragonCons. On weekends he's a private pilot, Search And Rescue aircraft navigator for C.A.S.R.A., amateur astronomer (Member RASC), cricket umpire, and enjoys hiking with his wife Anne.

# May 2010

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#### J. Spyder Isaacson

Spyder has worn a LOT of hats (mostly berets and fedoras) over the past 30+ years, including long-time science fiction fan, IT professional, professional actor-director-playwright, and (presently) Producer on a full-length animated feature film. When not otherwise occupied he is completing his Master's Degree in Education and Technology from Western Governors University. Also a long-time member of the Order of St. Chiros, he has collected comic books for 35 years and has looked for Ms. Right (not Ms. You're-Never-Right) for even longer.

#### Janet Freeman

Janet Freeman is a lifelong inhabitant of Washington State, though she's occasionally strayed elsewhere. She used her engineering degrees from MIT and Caltech to develop space and defense products for over two decades. She "retired" early to care for three elderly family members who had dementia and a son who has Asperger's Syndrome. She's written since she was small, mostly corporate fiction (aerospace proposals) and nonprofit marketing and development materials. Over the past couple of years she's produced science articles and science fiction short stories under the mentorship of her cousin, Mary Rosenblum. Her blog at grayconnections wordpress.com focuses on brain science, with an emphasis on Alzheimer's, autism and memory.

#### Janice Clark

Janice Clark shares a house and mini-farm with her brother in rural western Washington. When she isn't making jam or chasing the local deer out of the garden, she writes fantasy stories for children (and adults who haven't lost their sense of wonder). Visit her at www.janiceclark.net and climb a moonbeam to a magic world.

#### Jeff Sturgeon

Jeff is well known as an illustrator/artist specializing in space art on canvas and on metal where his paintings are highly sought after by collectors. He recently was awarded Best of Show at Worldcon 2008 in Denver. His work has been used for book and magazine covers, cd covers, board game covers and computer games from 1990 to 2000. One of his paintings is in the Science Fiction Museum. He lives near Seattle. www.jeffsturgeon.com

#### Jesse Brocksmith

A constant dabbler. Jesse is involved with 2 writing projects, 1 research project, and reads waaaay too many web comics.

#### Jim Granger

Greetings Program! I am Jim Granger and I have been a gamer geek and semi-active on the Northwest Science Fiction / Fantasy convention circuit since my first convention V-con 19.5 in 1992. I've also worked as staff or con-com for numerous conventions including two Westercons, the North American Science Fiction Convention (NASFiC), Cascadia Con, and several Rustycons. I have had memberships in several of the more prominent fan clubs on the NW circuit and am still an active member of Clan Burnout. My favorite genres are Sci-Fi. Cyberpunk and Contemporary Fantasy. My favorite shows are Battlestar Galactica (old and new) and the new hit Glee. I am also the Secretary for the Swattle Westercon Organizing Committee Board of Directors, Design Editor for Skewed & Reviewed Magazine, and my real claim to fame is my Internet video show Pacific Fen Spotlight.

#### John Hedtke

John Hedtke is the award-winning author of 26 non-fiction books. John owns and operates a company that provides writing, consulting, and training services to private and government clients in all fields. He has also recently become president of a new non-fiction publishing & publishing services company, which he will be glad to tell you about. John regularly contributes articles to a wide variety of magazines and is an adjunct professor at the University of California, Riverside Extension. (Lists of his books, articles, projects, and awards can be found online at his web site, www.hedtke.com.) John does numerous radio and magazine interviews and frequently travels to do lectures and guest appearances at conferences and seminars. He is a Fellow of the Society for Technical Communication as well as a past Director on the STC's Board of Directors. When not writing books and consulting, John blogs, plays the banjo, and sleeps late as much as possible. John and Marilyn sing and perform together and go bowling. They live in Eugene, OR, with four cats and Susan the Wonderchild.

#### John P. Alexander

"Alex" wears many hats. He is presently pursuing a research project with the Burke Museum in the Wyoming Badlands looking for Eocene fossils. He is also the pseudonymous author of fantasy book series entitled "I, Bonita". He is also barnstorming the comic and fantasy art world with new catoons and paintings from his Deviant Art page http://lexlothor.deviantart.com

#### Julie Hoverson

Julie Hoverson, a woman of a thousand hobbies, a half a dozen faces, and a multitude of voices, has most recently turned her attention to audio drama, producing the podcast horror/suspense/sci-fi/comedy radio show "19 Nocturne Boulevard".

#### K.C. Ball

K.C. Ball is a retired newspaper reporter and media relations coordinator who lives in Seattle, a stone's throw from Puget Sound. She is an active member of the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America. Her speculative fiction has appeared in print and online in various publications, including Analog, Flash Fiction Online, Big Pulp and Murky Depths. Her short story, Coward's Steel, was a 2009 Writers of the Future winner and will appear August 2010 in the Writers of the Future 26 anthology. K.C. is editor of 10Flash Quarterly, an on-line magazine that specializes in genre flash fiction. She blogs about writing at http://kcball. wordpress.com.

#### Kara Dalkey

Kara Dalkey is a Northwest area fantasy and SF writer with 15 novels and nearly as many short stories. Her latest works include a reprint of EURYALE, a fantasy set in ancient Rome, published by Juno Books, and SF short story "Flatland" in the FIREBIRDS SOARING anthology.

#### Margaret Richardson

Margaret Richardson has been a Klingon with the IKV TMAR for longer than she cares to remember and really liked the new Star Trek Movie. Primary interests include quilting, costuming, embellishment, belly dance and searching for Toxic Waste.

## July 2010

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#### Marilyn Holt

Marilyn Holt writes SF, mysteries, non-fiction and blogs about agriculture and green issues on *Amicus Agraria* (http://amicusagraria.blogspot.com/). She is one of the directors for The Endeavour Award, a founding mother of Clarion West, and past-president of the Pacific Northwest Chapter of Mystery Writers of America. She splits her time between Seattle and Kitsap County where she co-farms a certified organic vegetable farm called Abundantly Green. She is married to Cliff Wind.

#### Michael Citrak

Michael Citrak has been in fandom since the summer of 1975 and is currently the chair of the Northwest Science Fiction Society. www.nwsfs.org. He has attended all the Norwescons and has been a mover and a shaker there since Norwescon 5. Most of his duties are in operations and tech, though he has helped in most facets of convention production. His largest task to date has been chair for Norwescons 17, 18, 19, and 20. Mike feels the most fulfilling part of fandom is watching his friends and acquaintances grow as people and achieve their potential as artists, authors, costumers and/or convention producers. Also, he likes to collect mis-quotes, so be careful if he's within ear shot.

#### Michael Ehart

Michael Ehart's stories have appeared in Ray Gun Revival, The Sword Review, Every Day Fiction, and Fear and Trembling and in anthologies including Damned in Dixie, Magic and Mechanica, Rage of the Behemoth, Return of the Sword and Unparalleled Journeys II. His new book The Tears of Ishtar, the eagerly awaited completion of the Servant of the Manthycore series will be released in early 2010. Ehart is married to one of the most beautiful women in the world and would offer "pistols for two, coffee for one" to anyone who disagrees but pesky laws get in the way and so offers instead to naysayers a referral to a good optometrist. You can find out more about what he is up to@ http:/ mehart.blogspot.com

#### Michael Kenmir

Michael Kenmir has been going to local science fiction conventions since 1976. That is almost 32 years. Michael is also the leader of the Role Playing Group 'The Elan Empire' and has for many years treated congers with presentations of Imperial Court, casinos, trials and requiems at RustyCon. In fact Michael Kenmir helped start RustyCon and was technical director for RustyCon 1 and 2. Over the years Michael has also been the program director, assistance program director and special event coordinator for RustyCon. Michael has also volunteered his time with Norwescon, CascadiaCon, Westercon and fondly remembers the now defunct Spokon in the early 80's. Having taken hiatus from fandom for a few seasons, Michael is sure to pop into a con without prior notice just to check in and see how things are doing with his associates.

#### Mir Plemmons

Mir Plemmons is now teaching a high school behavior classroom - and loving it even more! I'm of course still doing all the things I tend to do - mentoring, SCA, con, Red Cross and CERT... I really ought to sleep more. We bought a home with almost enough green around us, and have joined the Landed Poor. The critter count has grown a bit - come meet our new dog Griffin, when we go walk him.

#### Pippin Sardo

Pippin Sardo is still around and still dancing and still costuming! She has a very long history in the area of costume study and creation: historic exclusively for a number of years, but also science fiction and fantasy in her misty past. In her salad days she won awards for presentations and costume at Norwescon, Rustycon, Orycon, Westercon and Costumecon. This past year Pippin's current focus in costuming is trying to figure out which project in a brown paper bag to try to finish next. She is a student, dance teacher and performer of historic dance to include: Renaissance, Baroque, Regency, Victorian, Rag Time era, 20s, Swing and onward, as well as Flamenco. Pippin lives with the requisite two costumer's cats near Kirkland.

#### Robin Hobb

Robin Hobb is a fantasy author, best known for The Farseer Trilogy. She lives and works in Tacoma, Washington. Her most recent work is Dragon Keeper, from Eos books, January, 2009, a tale that returns to the Rain Wilds setting of her earlier Liveship Trilogy. She also writes as Megan Lindsholm.

#### Ryan K. Johnson

Ryan K. Johnson is an independent filmmaker living in Seattle who has produced two dozen shorts ranging from parodies to thrillers. His best-known fan films are Four Doctor Who pastiches with a female Doctor; Star Trek: The Pepsi Generation, and two Mystery Science Theater 3000 productions, all of which are available from him on DVD at very little cost. He produces the British TV Podcast, a weekly look at TV shows from Britain with news, reviews, DVD releases and features: http://www.britishtvpodcast.com

#### Scott Davis

Scott spent pre-retirement at Microsoft. His current activities include; IKV T'Mar (Klingons), Club Andor (costuming), Spelunking (caving), and Fan films (Star Trek/Wars).

#### Sharree Dahm

Lots of years as a Sci -Fi Fan. Many years of conventions (since NWC 4.5 ...) Sets, opening numbers ,costumes, and many masquerades...And face, it LOTS of shenanigans ...3 wonderful children and 4 grandchildren And a really great famdamily support system ...I care for my Mom part time and am Now living w/her ...She just started perineal dialysis (at home). Its been a journey over the last year with my own health issues, BUT I am ornery and stubborn and am getting better ... Looking forward to another enjoyable part of my life...... Rustycon!

#### Steve Greenfield

An Electronics Technician currently working towards an AT degree as an EET, Steve is a starving student once again. He's been stuffing his head with all kinds of arcane and malicious information in a bid to take over the world! In his spare time, Steve enjoys coaxing electrons into doing his evil bidding.

#### Ted Butler

Ted Butler has written five books in his science fiction Belt Republic series. Book one starts with swimming pool of Jell-O prank gone wrong. Ted has been a computer consultant, a salesman, a teacher, a technician, fought computer viruses, run a dishwasher, worked on a survey crew, helped launch satellites, and tested ballistic missiles. He is a husband a father, and a grandfather. He loves the quote from an extremely biased grandson Keefe about the Belt Republic books. "I never had a favorite author before, but now I do." Ted lives in Washington state and is working on the first book in a new series.

#### Vicki Glover

Vicki has costumed for local theatrical productions (50 medievalinterpretations-of- ancient-Babylonian costumes in 2 weeks? Been there, done that), as well as having won several awards at local conventions, a Worldcon, and has been Masquerade Director for Norwescon. She is founding member and newsletter editor of Beyond Reality Costumer's Guild, (www.brcg.org), loves teaching and learning costuming techniques, and is hard at work planning for their next costumer's relaxacon, Beyondcon.

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Readings wih Robin Hobb	Saturday 3:00 pm	Evergreen I
Readings with Michael Ehart	Saturday 4:00 pm	Evergreen I
Readings with Darragh Metzger	Saturday 5:00 pm	Evergreen I
Readings with KC Ball	Sunday 10:00 am	Evergreen I

### Autographs

Autographs with Brenda Cooper	Saturday 1:30 pm	Evergreen I
Autographs with John Alexander	Saturday 2:30 pm	Evergreen I
Autographs with Robin Hobb	Saturday 3:30 pm	Evergreen I
Autographs with Michael Ehart	Saturday 4:30 pm	Evergreen I
Autographs with Jeff Sturgeon	Saturday 5:30 pm	Evergreen I

### Party Policy

Responsible partying is the key to a successful convention. We ask that all parties be registered in Con Ops. The person(s) responsible for the party must be over 21 and preferably a non-drinker during the party. It is recommended that non-alcoholic beverages be served so that non-drinkers can also enjoy your party.

NO ONE under the age of 21 may be served alcoholic beverages.

All persons at the party must have **legal ID**. The host is responsible for all guests at the party and should make every effort to prevent party goers from leaving to drive drunk. If a party gets out of hand it can be shut down by the police or the hotel. Rustycon will not be responsible for party goer's behavior.

All Parties must be in the designated Party Wing. No open containers of alcohol will be permitted in the public areas.

### Sign Policy

- All Signs must be professionally lettered (no hand written signs)
- Signs may be hung in Function space, No signs may be placed in the Main Hotel Lobby (ask security if you are not sure)
- Signs may be hung with Blue Painters Tape, no tacks or Pins are allowed

### **Port Policy**

#### 1) Behavior

Be polite. Be patient. Be pleasant. The most important rule after the previous 3 is HAVE FUN!

#### 2) Foreign Language

When dealing with the aliens, frequently use these phrases -"please", "thank you", and "you're doing a wonderful job." At all
times speak in a pleasant tone. Yelling or harsh tones are never
constructive when trying to communicate, besides it can be bad to
scare the aliens.

#### 3) Neatness

The Station Staff consider personal neatness the sign of an advanced lifeform. Picking up after one's self is a highly respected character trait. Throughout the station, the staff have thoughtfully provided trash cans -- use them!

#### 4) Native Taboos

Refrain from receiving firsthand experience dealing with Alien or Station law enforcement! Avoid having your con membership revoked. Always observe these native taboos!

- a) Never approach an alien or staff member who is handling the local currency if you are wearing a mask or heavy costume facial makeup. (Particular locations you might encounter this taboo are at the hotel registration desk, the local merchant shops, and any place that serves food or drink.)
- b) Never carry ANY weapons (or objects that could possibly be perceived as being weapons) into a native recreation center that serves alcohol. While on the Station (the hotel grounds) the weapons policy "If It's Drawn You're Gone!" is ALWAYS in effect.

#### 5) Problem Solving

Promptly report problems through the proper diplomatic channels. Contact Rustycon Convention Security <u>immediately</u> if you see anyone breaking rules, damaging Station property, creating a safety hazard, or doing anything that reflects badly on Space Station Rustycon.

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