



SATURDAY

Blood Drive

Today is the last day of the blood drive, running from 10 a.m. —4 p.m., go to the 2300 Lobby. The local blood bank collected 59 pints on Thursday and 44 pints on Friday. Thanks to the Heinlein Society for arranging this.

Silent Auction

Bid in a silent auction in the Art Show area to win a coffee with James Gunn at 1 p.m.

Saturday Item Changes

SF Designs Cities & Builds Communities Sat 3 p.m. 2201 (Academic)

David Bowie and SF, Sat 2 p.m. 2204, add David Peterson

Remove Jack McDevitt from How to Handle Rejection, Sat 5 p.m. **and** Archaeology in SF, Sat 2 p.m.

Literary Beer, Sat 5 p.m. remove Betsy Wollheim

Exploring the Solar System, Sat 5 p.m. 2502A, add G. David Nordley

Secret History of Science Fiction, Sat 3 p.m. 3501D add Beth Meacham

Wizard Chess

Come and play Wizard Chess in Heinlein Stadium (back of the Exhibit Hall) at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

Today's Highlights

Hugo Award Ceremony, hosted by Pat Cadigan, will be at 8 p.m. tonight. Watch it live in KCCC 2500, from the Hospitality area in the Exhibit Hall, webcast live via Ustream (<http://www.ustream.tv/hugo-awards>) or via text coverage via CoverItLive (<http://www.thehugoawards.org/hugo-history/2016-hugo-awards/2016-hugo-awards-live-coverage/>).

Convention Attendance Number

We were up to 4088 attendees on site as of Friday evening.

Site Selection - the SJs Win

San Jose will be the site of the 2018 Worldcon. It won with 675 votes to New Orleans' 594 votes, a fairly tight race which San Jose won on the first ballot. None of the Above took 4 votes, there were 4 invalid ballots, and 24-write-ins. The guests of honor are Chelsea Quinn Yarbro, Pierre & Sandy Pettinger and Spider Robinson; the ghosts of honor are Rob Wilkins and Edgar Pangborn.

San Juan will be the site of the 2017 NASFiC. It won with 233 votes to Valley Forge's 182 votes, another tight race which San Juan won on the first ballot. There were no votes for None of the Above, 1 invalid ballot and 4 write-ins. Their website is northamericon17.com and you can find them on Facebook. The guests of honor are Daina Chaviano, Tobias Buckell, George Perez, Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ, Javier Grillo-Marxuach, and Paula Smith.

Masquerade Special Awards

Dream Catcher Award—presented by Christine Doyle on behalf of the Silicon Web Costuming Group to Ashely Bilke and Chelsea Shelton for “Sarabi the Griffin.” The Dream Catcher award is given in recognition of technical achievement or creative problem solving and includes a one-year membership, and a special award.

A membership to Costume-Con37 was awarded by the Costume-Con 37 co-chairs to Sheryl Nance-Durst for Cinderella, a recreation based on artwork by GoH Kinuko Y. Craft.

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Trivia for Chocolate

In this annual trivia match, the winners:
Tom Galloway 26
Mike Konczewski 26
Rich Horton 25

Stolen Trailer Fund

Greg Ketter reports that Judy and David Peterson, owners of Fantanimals were unable to sell in the Dealers Room as their trailer full of hand-carved animal puzzles was stolen in Columbus, Ohio. Greg created a GoFundMe campaign to help them out—please donate at gofundme.com/2kn7mys

Restaurant Mini-Review

FuD, a vegan & gluten-free restaurant, 813 W 17th St, 64108, 816-214-5025
eatfud.com/menu/
Rating: vegetarian 5/5 stars
meat eaters 4/5 stars

Lost and Found

If you've lost or found anything, please check at Con HQ in the back of the Exhibit Hall between 10 a.m. and 2 a.m. There are many found objects there "waiting" for their owners.

Happy to report the lost wedding ring was reunited with its owner!

Have Trouble Standing in Lines?

Talk to the Access table up in the Exhibit Hall near the tropical drinks stand before 5 p.m. tonight.

Video Archeology Update

On Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Fan Lounge, the video archeology program will present the "Women in SF" panel, featuring Marta Randall, Amanda Bankier, Susan J. Wood, Suzy McKee Charnes, and Kate Wilhelm from '76

Scholarship Announcement

CanSMOF, the parent non-profit corporation of Anticipation, the 2009 Worldcon Montreal, is donating \$1,000 (CDN) to the Susan Joan Wood memorial scholarship, at Carleton University. Susan Wood (1948-1980) was a multiple Hugo Award winning professor, fan historian, and feminist activist. Forty years ago she organized the Women in SF Panel at the MidAmeriCon 1976, here in Kansas City.

Memories of MidAmeriCon 1976

I remember attending the masquerade at MidAmeriCon in '76. I was sitting next to a 12-year-old boy in the audience. When they announced that Patia von Sternberg was going to be doing a strip-tease as the half-time entertainment, I turned to him and tasked him if he thought his parents would appreciate his watching this. He assured me it was okay; he'd had sex education. I must say he was better behaved than half the adult men in the audience!

GoH Acrostic Poetry

By John Hertz

Across the Street

True Fan, true pro she
Nourishing conversation
Hones and even heals

Plucking the right note
Not await to stop or start
He: how about you?

Passing all measure
Ardent, courageous, comic
Taking each moment

Food Advice

One of my maxims, right behind "if boiling mercury seeming like a god answers your question, ask a different question," is "given a choice between food served in a hollowed-out pineapple and food not served in a hollowed-out pineapple, always choose the former." Bao Zing's Chinese, at the City Market (accessible by streetcar), has a pineapple fried rice which inspired this maxim. —Publius