



A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

Got behind on some things so more award news this issue. Next month should be a little more focused. I may do a report on Vulkan. Hopefully get some reviews in next time.

Events

Metrocon

July 18-20
Tampa Convention Center
333 S. Franklin Street
Tampa, FL 33602
\$50 weekend
Guests: Scott McNeill (voice actor),
Johnny Yong Bosch (Ichiagi Kurosaki *Bleach*),
Greg Ayers (Chrono, *Chrono Crusade*),
Greg Cipes (Beast Boy, *Teen Titans*)
www.animemetro.com

Orlando Sci Fi Expo

July 18-20
Orlando Hilton North
350 Northlake Blvd
Orlando, FL 32701
Guests: Nana Vistor (Kira, *Star Trek: Deepspace Nine*
Sat only)
Jonathan Frakes (Riker, *Star Trek: The Next Generation*, Sun only)
Barbara March & Gwynyth Walsh (Duras Sisters,
Star Trek: The Next Generation)
John Schuck (Klingon Ambassador, *Star Trek IV & VI*)
Prices vary depending on access to guests.
vulkon.com/site/orlando-shows/orlando-sci-fi-expo

OASFIS June meeting minutes 6/8/08:

Meeting called to order at 1:45 pm by Patricia Wheeler, President.
In attendance: Roger Sims, Pat Sims, Arthur Dykeman, Dick Spelman, Susan Cole, Juan Sanmiguel, Michael Pilletere, Ed Anthony, Dave Ratti, Hector Hoglin, Ruth Hoglin, Kim Darin, and Pat Russell

Officer Reports:

Vice-President (Colleen O'Brien): no report (she's getting ready for a vacation)

President (Patricia Wheeler): will give hers with Con business.
Secretary (Pat Russell): no report (she just came back from a vacation)

Treasurer (Michael Pilletere): Club funds are in the red -\$416. OASIS 21 stands at -\$2806.62, and OASIS 22 has \$885. Total current funds: \$4,597.

No Old Business.

New Business:

What can the club do to generate more funds? Susan Cole said that the mail box fees should come out of the Convention budget, since the biggest club expense is postage. After Hector suggested it, and some discussion, Patricia moved that the club newsletter *Event Horizon* be sent via email link only, except for the 5 SF groups and 10 individuals who need print copies (or any who request it). The motion was seconded by Hector, and passed, after being amended to include a link on the club website. Juan will "make it so."

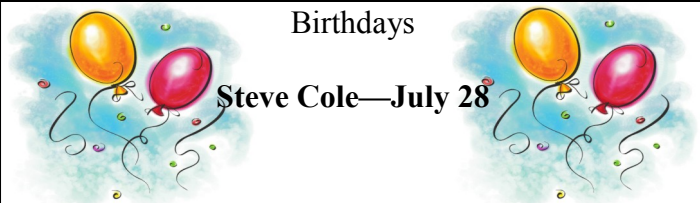
Member recruiting: Susan suggested a one-time email thanking all attendees, with an invitation to join the club, and a PDF link to the current *Event Horizon*, as well as info on the club July 4th party. A motion was made, Dick seconded, and it carried.

The 4th of July party will be at Juan Sanmiguel's house, thanks to club consensus and his agreement. Susan Cole will supply serving utensils and bowls. Please let her

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Birthdays

Steve Cole—July 28



July OASFiS Calendar

OASFiS Business Meeting

Sunday, July 13, 1:30 PM, Orange Public Library (Downtown Orlando, 101 E. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801, 407-835-7323). Come join us as we discuss **Komarr** by Lois McMaster Bujold.

4th of July Party

130 PM, Juan Sanmiguel's House, 1421 Pon Pon Court Orlando, FL (more detailed directions in this issue)

To contact for more info:
OASFiS Business Meeting 407-823-8715

know if you plan to bring a dish, and what. Burgers and hot dogs will be supplied.

August meeting date reset: since Worldcon is the 1st and 2nd weekend of August (with travel time), a majority of members voted to have our meeting **August 17th** (3rd weekend). Arthur will ask the Guardians of Gallifrey, who usually hold their meetings on that Sunday, if that meeting can be rescheduled (thank you, Arthur!). Patricia will check on room availability.

Convention News (and President's report):

The OASIS 21 budget was in the red (-\$2800) due to lower membership (possibly a bad economy, and higher travel expenses), not selling enough of the room block (66% sold of the 70% needed for the next rate up), and unexpected hotel expenses, including extra cleaning for the Con Suite.

The Holiday Inn next to UCF stands as the cheapest bid for next year, though Sheraton (this year's hotel) cut their bid by 60%, to stand at \$2800 daily, with free tables. Patricia mentioned that if Memorial Day weekend isn't available, she'll see about the weekend before. Pat Simms said that changing the convention date isn't desirable, and should be a last-ditch measure.

Susan suggested contacting NESFA (Ben Yalow) to get tips on negotiating with hotels; Pat mentioned MidwestCon and Juan mentioned Deb at Stonehill as contacts for hotel information. Dave Roti also suggested attendees check their final hotel bills for accuracy.

Con Suite: to make cleaning easier, Patricia wanted to rethink having the Chili Cookoff; other suggestions: a tarp under refreshment table, inspecting the room ahead of time, budgeting for extra cleaning costs, or bringing our own vacuum cleaner to clean periodically, and giving Cookoff contestants crockpot liners to make cleaning easier. Also, some complaints about room noise level (it

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Any of these people can give readers information about the club and its functions. To be included in the list call Juan.

was hard to have conversations) led to a suggestion to move television viewing and filking to an adjoining room. Arthur also mentioned appointing volunteers to clean up after the Dead Dog party.

OASIS 22 guests so far: Peter David, author GOH; Toni Weisskopf, of Baen Books, editor GOH; and possibly David Weber. Johnny Atomic kindly volunteered to do the artwork for the program book and t-shirts, and will be the artist GOH (Mike Conrad suggested having Marti Roberson as Oasis 23 artist GOH).

Charity Auction: will be moved to Saturday, and the dinner hour changed from 5-7 to 6-7.

Ribbons: Susan suggested making a 2-year order with no dates or OASIS number on them, as being more economical; Michael suggested shopping around for other ribbon and t-shirt vendors as well.

Steve Grant will be having an OASIS room party at Necronomicon, Arthur announced (Juan, Arthur and Steve will be attending).

Book Discussion – *The Yiddish Policeman's Union* by Michael Chabon: Juan led off, since he picked it because it's a Hugo nominee: he compared it to Philip K. Dick's Man in a High Castle. Pat Sims said she gave up on it, though she likes mysteries. She didn't like that Chabon takes 3 paragraphs to describe a room. Patricia commented that this is because he's a more literary writer, and he focuses more on the detective's personal life and culture he lives in, not plot. Roger felt the murder was just a vehicle to further the plot. Juan disagreed because the murder led to the deeper plot thread later in the story.

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The story uses a classic SF technique, starting with an undefined vocabulary, which reader understands through context. Chabon's other works, discussed by Juan and Patricia, included *The Adventures of Cavalier and Clay*, *Summertime*, and *Final Solution*, which represent other genres completely. Patricia thought that the Hassidic traditions were interesting (the paperback edition has a glossary of Yiddish words), and that the book is very much like an art film. Roger felt the last 10 pages ended too abruptly.

Book for July meeting: *Komarr* by Lois McMaster Bujold; Juan suggested the club read a Fred Pohl book for September since he'll be author GOH at Necronomicon.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm and the majority of the attendees met at Tiajuana Flats on Orange Avenue for dinner to celebrate Arthur's birthday (Ed also celebrated his).

Award News

Locus Awards Winners

(source Locus web site)

Winners of this year's Locus Awards, voted by readers of *Locus Magazine* in the annual Locus Poll, were announced this afternoon at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel in Seattle, at an event led by Master of Ceremonies Connie Willis.

SF NOVEL

The Yiddish Policemen's Union, Michael Chabon (HarperCollins)

FANTASY NOVEL

Making Money, Terry Pratchett (Doubleday UK; HarperCollins)

YOUNG ADULT BOOK

Un Lun Dun, China Miéville (Ballantine Del Rey; Macmillan UK)

FIRST NOVEL

Heart-Shaped Box, Joe Hill (Morrow; Gollancz)

NOVELLA

"After the Siege", Cory Doctorow (*The Infinite Matrix* Jan 2007)

NOVELETTE

"The Witch's Headstone", Neil Gaiman (*Wizards*)

SHORT STORY

"A Small Room in Koboldtown", Michael Swanwick (*Asimov's* Apr/May 2007)

COLLECTION

The Winds of Marble Arch and Other Stories, Connie Willis (Subterranean)

ANTHOLOGY

The New Space Opera, Gardner Dozois & Jonathan Strahan, eds. (Eos)

NON-FICTION

Breakfast in the Ruins, Barry N. Malzberg (Baen)

ART BOOK

The Arrival, Shaun Tan (Lothian 2006; Scholastic)

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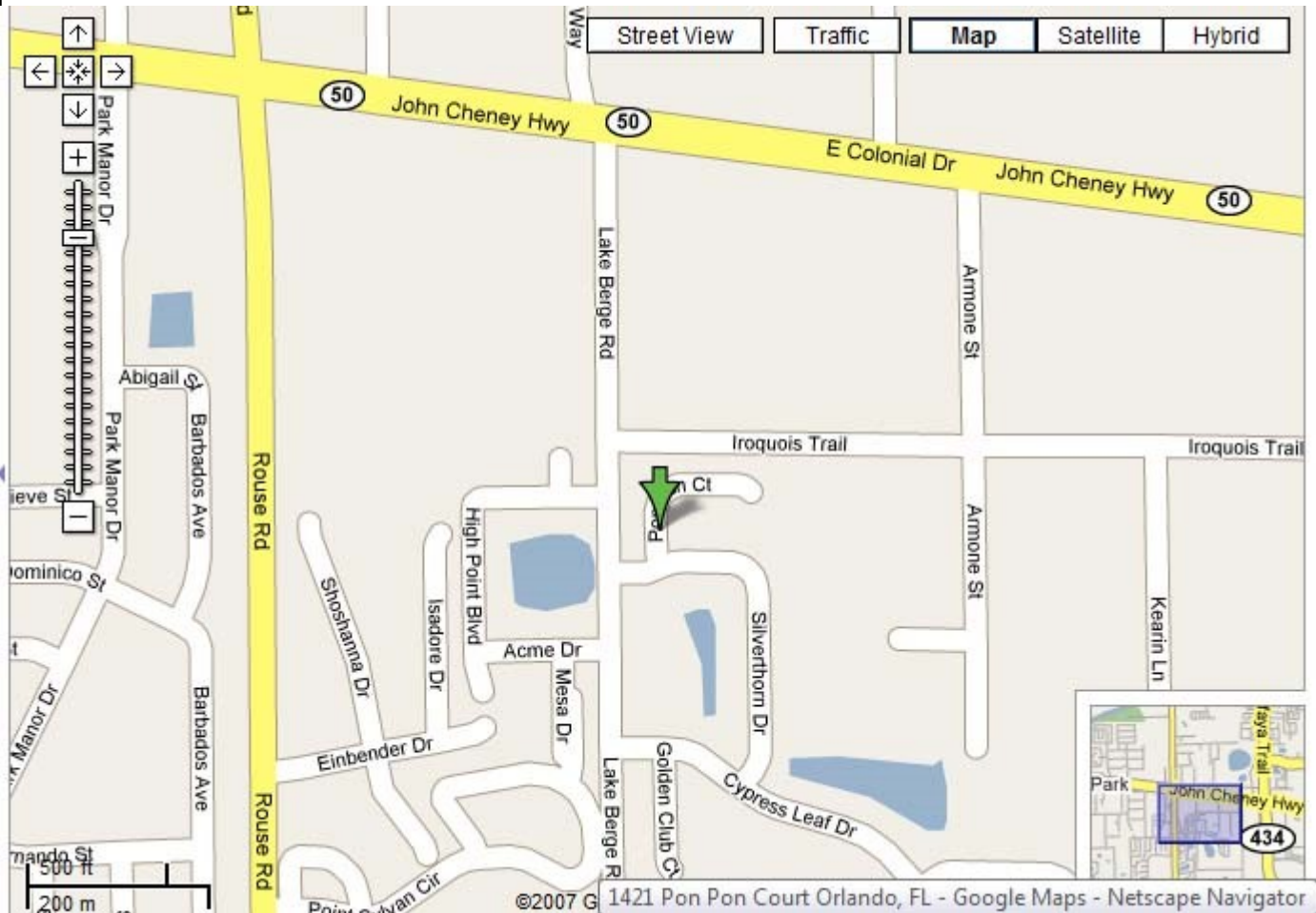
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ARTIST

Charles Vess

This year the Fourth of July part will be held at Juan Sanmiguel's house (see below).
Traditional hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided.

Please RSVP (see contact sheet) with what type of side dish or dessert that you will be bringing so that we can get a head count.



If you are coming from the west take the first right after Rouse and get on Lake Berge Rd, then take the second left on Lake Berge Rd, then take the first left, my house is the corner house you will see as you go on Pon Pon Court.

Coming from the east is the same except take the first left after the traffic light used by Sprawl Mart.

Maps can be found on the website.



2008 Mythopoeic Awards Finalists

The winners will be announced during Mythcon XXXIX, to be held from August 15-18, 2008, in New Britain, Connecticut.

Mythopoeic Fantasy Award for Adult Literature

- Theodora Goss, *In the Forest of Forgetting* (Prime Books)
- Nalo Hopkinson, *The New Moon's Arms* (Grand Central Publishing)
- Guy Gavriel Kay, *Ysabel* (Roc)
- Catherynne M. Valente, *Orphan's Tales*, consisting of *In the Night Garden* (Spectra) and *In the Cities of Coin and Spice* (Spectra)
- John C. Wright, *Chronicles of Chaos*, consisting of *Orphans of Chaos* (Tor); *Fugitives of Chaos* (Tor), and *Titans of Chaos* (Tor)

Mythopoeic Fantasy Award for Children's Literature

- Holly Black, *Tithe: A Modern Faerie Tale* (Simon & Schuster); *Valiant: A Modern Tale of Faerie* (Simon & Schuster); *Ironside: A Modern Faery's Tale* (Margaret K. McElderry)
- Derek Landy, *Skulduggery Pleasant* (HarperCollins)
- J.K. Rowling, The Harry Potter series, consisting of *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's [Sorcerer's] Stone* (Bloomsbury); *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* (Bloomsbury); *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* (Bloomsbury); *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* (Bloomsbury); *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* (Bloomsbury); *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* (Bloomsbury); and *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* (Bloomsbury)
- Nancy Springer, *Dussie* (Walker Books for Young Readers)
- Kate Thompson, *The New Policeman* (HarperTeen)

Mythopoeic Scholarship Award in Inklings Studies

- Marjorie Burns, *Perilous Realms: Celtic and Norse in Tolkien's Middle-earth* (University of Toronto Press, 2005)
- Verlyn Flieger, *Interrupted Music: The Making of Tolkien's Mythology* (Kent State University Press, 2005)
- Peter Gilliver, Jeremy Marshall and Edmund Weiner, *The Ring of Words: Tolkien and the Oxford English Dictionary* (Oxford University Press, 2006)
- Diana Pavlac Glyer; appendix by David Bratman, *The Company They Keep: C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien as Writers in Community* (Kent State University Press, 2007)
- John D. Rateliff, *The History of the Hobbit*, Part One, *Mr Baggins*; Part Two, *Return to Bag-End* (HarperCollins, 2007)

Mythopoeic Scholarship Award in Myth and Fantasy Studies

- Charles Butler, *Four British Fantasists: Place and Culture in the Children's Fantasies of Penelope Lively, Alan*

Garner, Diana Wynne Jones, and Susan Cooper

(Children's Literature Association & Scarecrow Press, 2006)

- Heather O'Donoghue, *From Asgard to Valhalla: The Remarkable History of the Norse Myths* (I.B. Tauris, 2007)
- T.A. Shippey, editor, *The Shadow-Walkers: Jacob Grimm's Mythology of the Monstrous* (Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, 2005)
- Richard Carl Tuerk, *Oz in Perspective: The Magic and Myth of the L. Frank Baum Books* (McFarland & Co., 2007)
- Milly Williamson, *The Lure of the Vampire: Gender, Fiction and Fandom from Bram Stoker to Buffy* (Wallflower, 2006)

(source Locus web site)

Nominees for the John W. Campbell Memorial Award for Best SF Novel of the Year

Brian Aldiss *HARM* Del Rey
 Michael Chabon *The Yiddish Policeman's Union* HarperCollins
 Kathleen Ann Goonan *In War Times* Tor
 Nalo Hopkinson *The New Moon's Arms* Grand Central Publishing
 Jay Lake *Mainspring* Tor
 Ken MacLeod *The Execution Channel* Tor
 Ian McDonald *Brasyl* Pyr
 Rebecca Ore *Time's Child* Eos
 Matt Ruff *Bad Monkeys* HarperCollins
 Robert J. Sawyer *Rollback* Tor
 Jose Carlos Somoza *Zig Zag* Rayo
 Sheri S. Tepper *The Margarets* Eos
 Jeffrey Thomas *Deadstock* Solaris
 Robert Charles Wilson *Axis* Tor

Nominee for the Theodore Sturgeon Memorial Award for Best Short Story of the Year

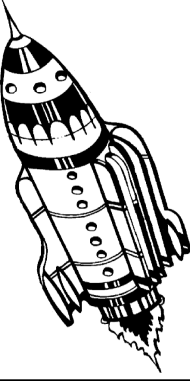
Laird Barron, "The Forest" *Inferno*, Dec, Tor
 Elizabeth Bear, "Tideline" *Asimov's*, March
 Ted Chiang, "The Merchant and the Alchemist's Gate" *F&SF*, Sept
 Jeffrey Ford, "The Dreaming Wind" *Coyote Road*, Viking Juvenile, July
 Karen Joy Fowler, "Always" *Asimov's*, Apr/May
Coyote Road, Viking Juvenile, July
 Gwyneth Jones, "The Tomb Wife" *F&SF*, August
 John Kessel, "The Last American" Foundation 100, August
 Ian R. McLeod, "The Master Miller's Tale" *F&SF*, May
 David Moles, "Finisterra" *F&SF*, Dec
 Johanna Sinisalo, "Baby Doll" *SFWA European Hall of Fame*, Tor, June
 Wolfe, Gene "Memorare" *F&SF*, April

Both Award will be presented at the Campbell Conference Award Ceremony July 10-12, in Lawrence Kansas.

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The Incredible Hulk*

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