



A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

I want to thank everyone who helped out OASIS 21. There were a few problems but everyone seemed to have a good time. The high fun quotient was due to the efforts of everyone. Again thanks.

The pictures from OASIS 21 in this issue are from Steve Grant. If you any picture from the convention please upload them to our Yahoo website or send them to Michael Pilletere or myself.

Really busy last month so I did not have time to review book wise. I did however see all the major film releases last month. I am going to give you what I call micro reviews which I do for my personal web site.

- **Iron Man** - A very good adaptation of the classic Marvel character. The writers made some changes but they were intelligent changes and helped the story. There is some movie physics here. A welcome addition to the family of superhero movies.
- **Speed Racer** - A good adaptation of the classic anime. The story is a typical *Speed Racer* plot. The film brings some depth to the Racer family. I do not get why the critics railed against this film. Its everything *Transformers* should have been but was not.
- **Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian** - Another classic brought to life. The filmmakers knew what they could change and what to keep the same. All the characters are treated well. Cannot wait for the third one.
- **Indiana Jones and Kingdom of the Crystal Skulls** -You can go home again. There is great adventure. Marion Ravenwood is back. They even acknowledge Young Indiana Jones series. A worth entry of the series.

OASFIS May meeting minutes 5/11/08

Meeting called to order at 1:45 pm by Coleen O’Brien, VP.

In attendance: Roger Sims, Pat Sims, Arthur Dykeman, David Ratti, Dick Spelman, Susan Cole, Juan Sanmiguel, Michael Pilletere, Scott, Ed Anthony, Bob Yazel, Hector Hoglin, Ruth Hoglin, Coleen O’Brien, Jay Eichelberger

Officer Reports:

Vice-President (Colleen O’Brien): Logos are done, but the logo lady won’t deliver the t-shirts, so something else will be worked out. All the new OASIS 21 t-shirts were folded before the meeting – thank you, all!

Treasurer (Michael Pilletere): On May 1st, \$6330 left for OASIS 21 (-\$101 in the club account). Mainly we’re in the black.

Secretary (Pat Russell): Lots of great freebies from other groups in the mail.

No Old Business.

New Business: OASIS 21:

- Art show loading happens at Susan Cole’s place 6:30 pm Wednesday, May 21st, and unloading and set-up starts 5 pm Thursday, May 22nd at the Orlando Sheraton. Bring charged cordless drills, too! Thanks in advance to all volunteers.

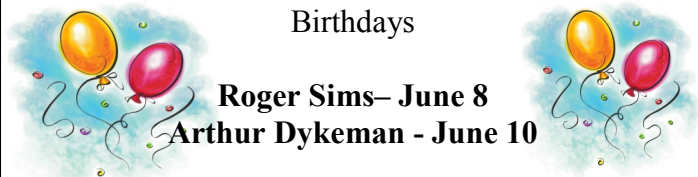
- There are 40 artists represented on 65 panels in the Art Show, which opens at 2 pm Friday. Dave Plesic will be volunteering.

-Call for volunteers for the Dealer’s Room (Dick Spelman agreed to watch it until 3 pm Friday). There are 26 tables, including David Gerrold’s table and the autograph table.

-Gaming registration starts Thursday at 6:30 pm. Registration opens for all other OASIS Convention attendees Friday at 1 pm, and Friday at noon for dealers and staff. Juan volunteered to be the early opener for gamers on Friday. Mike will make all necessary edits to the OASFIS web pages.

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Birthdays



Roger Sims– June 8

Arthur Dykeman - June 10

June OASFiS Calendar

OASFiS Business Meeting

Sunday, June 8, 1:30 PM, Orange Public Library (Downtown Orlando, 101 E. Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801, 407-835-7323). Come join us as we discuss *The Yiddish Policemen's Union* by Michael Chabon.

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

-A panel count was taken for Sales to Members, and white boards requested for the Video Room. All other extra equipment and supply needs were determined.

-Colleen shared the Volunteer sheet she created for Sales to Members, and will send the template to Pat Simms to edit for Volunteers in other areas. She'll be in charge of Sales to Members since Frank can't attend. Old t-shirts (along with a free copy of the convention cookbook) will be sold for \$5 or less. \$1 per ticket will be taken for a raffle for moonpies and other cool items. There are 144 OASIS 21 t-shirts / \$946.50 spent for them = \$12 each for a reasonable return. Juan took home 9 boxes of shirts home last year (out of 16 delivered to OASIS 20), so we all hope he doesn't have to take home so many this year.

-Pat mentioned she expects more response from potential volunteers *at* the Convention (rather than before), after everyone has had time to look at the OASIS program book. Free t-shirts from other years for volunteers working 2 hours or more discussed. Jay mentioned that last year, more volunteers were needed for tear-down, due to time constraints. Juan countered that this year, the time constraints aren't there, so for the Art Show, a few tear-down volunteers from 4 -5:30 pm Sunday should get the job done. Juan will hold a drawing for 2 lucky volunteers at the dead dog party Sunday.

-Juan announced that Opening Ceremonies will include a chocolate buffet (which, along with 2 red heads, should satisfy David Gerrold's request).

-Due to waning interest (and the fact that Stan Morrison is with his family that day) the Art Auction will be combined with the Charity Auction this year. It will be in the Citrus Room in case it goes over time, so Closing Ceremonies can be held as scheduled.

-Susan will introduce the Andre Norton scholar, Lindsay, Saturday, perhaps at Masquerade. The Cthulu Chili Cookoff will be at the Con Suite 5 - 7 pm Friday, and Dessert Night 8 pm Saturday (Susan will contact Bonny for the ribbons). The dead dog party will be in the Con Suite, and Susan will be picking up the pizza and fried chicken for it.

-Juan sent out a call for weird stuff for the Alien Artifacts panel on behalf of Mike Conrad, and Susan sent out a request for donations for the Charity Auciton by the Friday after the meeting, so she can create an inventory.

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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.

-The convention press release has been sent to various media sources. A new online radio show, Sy Fy Radio, will interview GOH David Gerrold May 21st at 10 pm, and Juan will forward the link (or put it on the website).

-Lastly, Susan offered a 30% office supply discount from Office Max for any club member until Friday after the meeting.

Book Discussion – *Hugo Nominees for Novelette and Short Story*

Not many people read the novelettes. Juan Sanmiguel, Pat and Roger Sims and Dick Spelman read the short stories. Pat thought that the Michael Resnick story was not his best work, but interesting. Pat thought that "A Small Room in Koboldtown" by Michael Swanwick was a great mystery. "Tideline" by Elizabeth Bear, about a robot who takes care of a kid, was especially good, according to consensus. None of the other stories captured as much attention as these three.

Book for June 8th meeting: *The Yiddish Policeman's Union* by Michael Chabon

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm and the majority of the attendees went to the Julia's on the Waterfront for dinner.

OASIS 21 Pics



Above: The Big Three Panel (left to Right) John Scalzi, Adam-Troy Castro, Dick Spelman, Ed Wysocki, David Gerrold

Below Left : OASIS 21 - Masquerade Winner Mark Jones

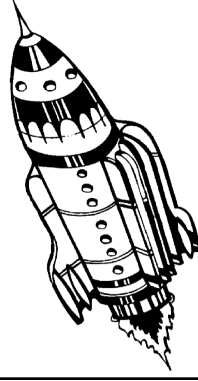
Below Right Closing ceremonies: (left to right) John Scalzi, Brenda Sutton, Bill Sutton and Paul Vincenti



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OASIS 22

May 22-24, 2009



Guest of Honor

Peter David

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*Tong Lashing, Darkness of the Light,
Tigerheart, Star Trek: New Frontiers,
The Incredible Hulk*

**Author Signings,
Costume Contest,
Live Music and**

**Comedy,
Anime and Video
Programs,
Art Show and
Auction,**

**Informative Panel
Talks,**

**Artist Demos
Books,**

**Cool Stuff for Sale,
Fun and Games
Charity Auction**

**More Guests of Honor to
be announced**

**Weekend Memberships:
\$30 until 1/1/09, \$35 until
4/30/09,
\$40 at the door.**

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Hotel Info:

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