



A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

Sorry for being Late but the Holidays took a lot out of me.

Well it's a New Year. Congratulations to the new officers and thanks to the previous ones.

Reminder that memberships are up and dues need to be paid at the next meeting or sent to the PO Box.

Contact me if you need the following:

- to be removed or added to the OASFIS People box on page 2
- To add a non FL convention to my Convention/Event listings
- If you want your birthday listed in the EH See you next month.

OASFIS December Christmas Party 12/09/07

Attendance: Patricia Wheeler, David Ratti, Susan Cole, Steve Cole, Juan Sanmiguel, Marine Fourier, Arthur Dykeman, Roger Sims, Pat Sims, Dick Spelman, Hector Hoglin, Colleen O'Brien and Patty Russell, Ed Anthony, Philip Chien,

No official reports due to the Christmas party, which was a great deal of fun. Thanks to Patricia for hosting the party. Everyone brought excellent food, nice gifts and good companionship.

Election results:

President: Patricia Wheeler

Vice-President: Colleen O'Brien

Treasurer: Michael Pilleterre

Secretary: Patricia Russell

Convention Chair for 2009: Juan Sanmiguel

Events

Florida Extravaganza (FX)

January 24-25

Orange County Convention Center

\$45 for 3 days, \$20 for Fri or Sat only, \$14 for Sun on

Guests: George Takei (*Star Trek* and *Heroes*)

Adam West (*Batman*.1966)

Greg Grunberg (Matt from *Heroes*)

Stephen Tobolowsky (Bob from *Heroes*)

Laura Vandervoort (Kara from *Smallville*)

Helen Slater (*Supergirl* Lara from *Smallville*)

Nicholas Brendon (Xander from *Buffy*)

Elizabeth Rohm (Kate Lockley from *Angel*)

Nathan Fillion (Reynolds from *Firefly & Buffy*)

William B. Davis(CSM from *X-Files*)

Jake Lloyd (Anakin Skywalker from Episode I)

Ray Park (Darth Maul)

Orli Shoshan (Jedi Master Shaak Ti from Episode II & III)

Jason David Frank (*Power Rangers*)

Steve Cardenas (*Power Rangers*)

Charles Fleischer (voice of Roger Rabbit)

Michael Winslow(*Spaceballs*)

Kathy Coleman (Holly Marshall from *Land of the Lost*)

Tara Strong (Raven from *Teen Titans*)

Maggie Grace (*Lost*)

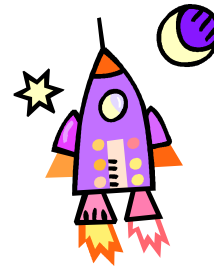
Colin Ferguson (*Eureka*)

Jordan Hinson(*Eureka*)

Andy Hallet (*Angel*), Bianca Lawson (*Buffy*)

Lloyd Kaufman, Matt Wagner

For more info: www.fxshow.com



Janaury OASFiS Calendar

OASFiS Business Meeting

Sunday, January 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 **The Android's Dream** by John Scalzi

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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.

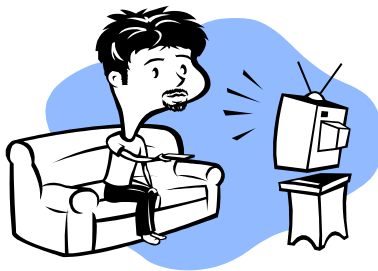
Best episodes of SF/Fantasy TV in 2007 by the staff of SyFy Portal (www.syfyportal.com)

10. "Company Man," *Heroes*
9. "The Sound of Drums," *Doctor Who*
8. "Five Years Gone," *Heroes*
7. "Through The Looking Glass Part 2," *Lost*
6. "Maelstrom," *Battlestar Galactica*
5. "Rapture," *Battlestar Galactica*
4. "Crossroads Part 2," *Battlestar Galactica*
3. "Why We Fight," *Jericho*
2. "Blink," *Doctor Who*
1. "The Great Leap Forward," *The 4400*

All of these episodes are eligible for the Hugo for best Dramatic Presentation Short Form

The following are the best SF/Fantasy series of 2007 as recommended by the staff of Sy Fy Portal.

10. *Torchwood*
9. *Eureka*
8. *Pushing Daisies*
7. *The 4400*
6. *Moonlight*
5. *Lost*
4. *Doctor Who*
3. *Jericho*
2. *Battlestar Galactica*
1. *Heroes*



Top 10 Box Office Films for 2007
Source www.boxofficemojo.com
(Note 9 out 10 are SF or Fantasy films)

1. *Spider-Man 3*
2. *Shrek the Third*
3. *Transformers*
4. *Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End*
5. *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*
6. *The Bourne Ultimatum*
7. *300*
8. *I Am Legend*
9. *Ratatouille*
10. *The Simpsons Movie*



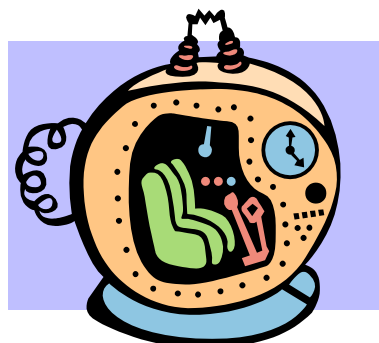
The 5 Best Science Fiction books in 2007
Source www.bookgasm.com

5. *Breakaway / Killswitch* by Joel Shepherd
4. *Postsingular* by Rudy Rucker
3. *Thirteen* by Richard K. Morgan
2. *9Tail Fox* by Jon Courtenay Grimwood
1. *Brasyl* by Ian McDonald

What I would Have Like to Have Seen?

Scott Edelman recently wrote about the great moments in the history of SF that he would have like to have seen at SF Weekly (www.scifi.com/sfw/column/sfw17733.html). Originally I was going to repost it but then I realized something. I love reading about the history of the genre. I just love history either real or imaginary just like J.R.R Tolkien did. So below are few moments I would have liked to have seen:

- BayCon, the 1968 World Science Fiction Convention. This is said to be one of the most chaotic Worldcons of all time. Things that I heard about: Philip Jose Farmer's never ending guest of honor speech, Harlan Ellison hawking manuscripts at the Hugo ceremony, and people passing out at the Masquerade dance.
- The San Diego Comic Con where Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster appeared after the reinstatement of their creator credit of Superman. After years of living in near poverty, these men finally got the respect that they deserved. This was described in Gerard Jones' *Men of Tomorrow: Geeks, Gangsters and the Birth of the Comic Book*.
- The 1973 James Forrestal Memorial Lecture at the United States Naval Academy. The speaker was Robert A. Heinlein. Heinlein addressed the brigade of midshipmen. This speech was reprinted in *Expanded Universe*.
- Seeing Gene Roddenberry plugging his new show *Star Trek* at Tricon, the 1966 Worldcon. This included a presentation of the pilots and display of costumes at the convention fashion show.
- The meeting where Julius Schwartz explained to writer John Broome and artist Gil Kane his idea for the revamp of the Green Lantern in 1959.
- Iguanacon II, the 1978 Worldcon. I want to see the trailer Harlan Ellison lived in for the convention. Ellison did this because Arizona (the convention was Phoenix) did not ratify the ERA and he did wish to support any state that did not.



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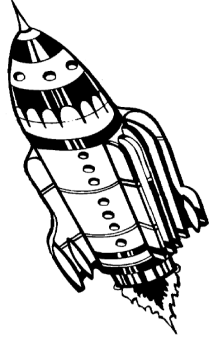
OASIS 21

May 23-25, 2008

Writer Guest of Honor

David Gerrold

*The Martian Child, Star Wolf, The War
Against the Chtorr, Land of the Lost,
The Trouble with Tribbles*



Hotel Information

\$98/night, single-quad
through 4/30/08

Mention OASIS for rate

Sheraton Orlando Downtown
60 South Ivanhoe Blvd
Orlando, FL 32804
407-425-4455

Special Guest Writer

John Scalzi

*Old Man's War, The Ghost Brigades,
The Android's Dream*

Artist Guest of Honor

Paul Vincenti

Award Winning Artist

Filk Guests of Honor

Bill and Brenda

Sutton

Members of the Filk Hall of Fame

Plus the usual suspects...

Gaming by FRAG

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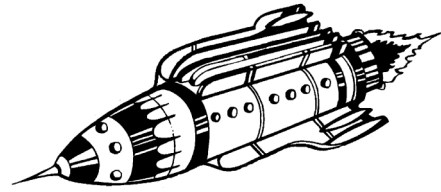
\$25 until 1/1/08,
\$30 until 4/30/08,
\$35 at the door.

Make checks payable to:

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www.oasfis.org**
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