



A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

Again sorry this being late. I needed time to sit down and focus.

Check out the Locus Awards In the fiction categories I have read all the works except First Novel and YA Novel (though I will for the Loadstar).

I gave a brief summary and thoughts on the Hugo finalists for Best Novel. I may do the same for other categories this year in future issues.

We had a Fourth of July Pcinic. Thanks for the help we got. It was greatly appreciated.

See you next month.

Award News

Locus Awards

(source *File 770*)

SCIENCE FICTION NOVEL

- *Network Effect*, Martha Wells (Tordotcom)

FANTASY NOVEL

- *The City We Became*, N.K. Jemisin (Orbit US & UK)

HORROR NOVEL

- *Mexican Gothic*, Silvia Moreno-Garcia (Del Rey; Jo Fletcher)

YOUNG ADULT NOVEL

- *A Wizard’s Guide to Defensive Baking*, T. Kingfisher (Argyll)

FIRST NOVEL

- *Elatsoe*, Darcie Little Badger (Levine Querido)

NOVELLA

- *Ring Shout*, P. Djèli Clark (Tordotcom)

NOVELETTE

- “The Pill“, Meg Elison (*Big Girl*)

SHORT STORY

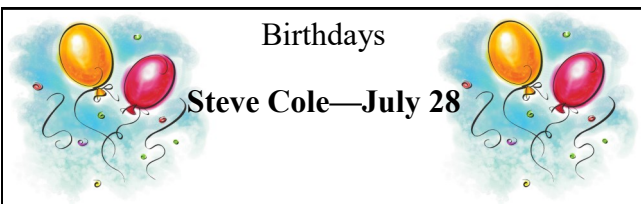
- “Little Free Library“, Naomi Kritzer (*Tor.com* 4/8/20)

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Birthdays

Steve Cole—July 28



July OASFiS Calendar

4th of July Party

Sunday July 4, 1:30PM Lake Downey Park (10107 Flowers Avenue Orlando, FL 32825)

OASFiS Business Meeting

Sunday, July 11, 1:30 PM, on Zoom (please email Juan for info) Come join us as we discuss **Network Effect** by Martha Wells

SciFi Lite

TBA.

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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

ANTHOLOGY

- *The Book of Dragons*, Jonathan Strahan, ed. (Harper Voyager UK; Harper Voyager US)

COLLECTION

- *The Hidden Girl and Other Stories*, Ken Liu (Saga; Head of Zeus)

MAGAZINE

- *Tor.com*

PUBLISHER

- Tor

EDITOR

- Ellen Datlow

ARTIST

- John Picacio

NON-FICTION

- *The Magic of Terry Pratchett*, Marc Burrows (White Owl)

ILLUSTRATED AND ART BOOK

- *The Art of NASA: The Illustrations that Sold the Missions*, Piers Bizony (Motorbooks)

LOCUS SPECIAL AWARD

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Here are some thoughts on the 2020 Hugo novel finalists.

Piranesi by Susanna Clarke – Piranesi's house is no ordinary building: its rooms are infinite, its corridors endless, its walls are lined with thousands upon thousands of statues, each one different from all the others. A man called The Other, who visits Piranesi twice a week and asks for help with research into A Great and Secret Knowledge. This book starts as something and then turns into something else. The truth will change everything that Piranesi's world. Incredible.

The City We Became by N.K. Jemisin – Dark forces try to stop New York gaining sentience through its human avatars (each representing a borough). It is a great look at New York and cities in general. I am looking forward to the rest of the trilogy.

Relentless Moon by Mary Robinette Kowal - A continuation of the **Lady Astronaut** series. Earth is still dealing with a meteor impact in the early 1950s, which devastated the eastern United States and caused problems all over the world. In the early 1960s, a Martian Expedition is on its way and there is a Lunar colony. There are problems on the Lunar colony. Astronaut and the First lady of Kansas Nicole Wargin goes to the Moon to work these problems. She will use her knowledge of politics and as an astronaut to fix these problems. A great SF Space novel with challenges and someone engaging to face them.

Harrow the Ninth Tamsyn Muir - Harrow rises in the emperor's service. As she accepts her new role, Harrow must face new threats in the form of Resurrection Beasts. At the same time, something odd is happening to her and she has to face challenges from without and within. This is a bit more complicated than

Gideon the Ninth. There is a lot happening and the reader needs to focus on what is going on. It is complicated but intriguing and I am curious on how the next novel wraps up the story.

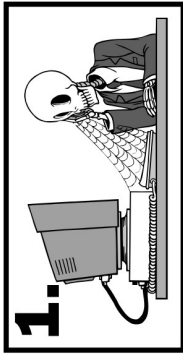
Black Sun by Rebecca Roanhorse – On this world a solar eclipse is coming and that will cause a social upheaval. People in the holy city of Tova are fighting for power. Xiala, a Teek ship captain, is tasked with taking a passenger to Tova. The passenger, Serapio, is a blind young man and appears harmless, but not all is as seems. A lot is going in this novel, but one is caught in it. I really like Xiala. She continues a long line of ship captains. Xiala is brave, resourceful, independent and will carry us to great adventures. I hope we see her in the other novels.

Network Effect by Martha Wells – A novel length Murderbot adventure. After doing a security job, Murderbot has to help a non-friend. Wells continues to give an engaging character who has the abilities of an AI and desire to chill and watch his favorite shows. A lot of fun and adventure is had.

All of these novels are available at the Orange and Seminole County Library.



There are two ways to be a science fiction and fantasy fan in Florida.



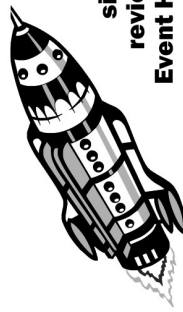
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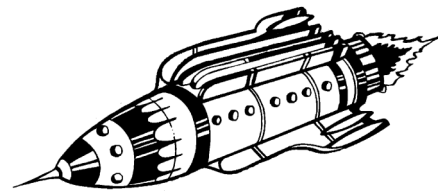


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