

August 2013 Heinlein Society News and Updates: Annual Meeting Notice

THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

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Monthly Newsletters

We're working on a new monthly newsletter by email to keep our members updated and informed about what's taking place within the Heinlein Society. As a member, if you provided an email address, you've been automatically subscribed to our monthly mailing list. You can unsubscribe any time with the links at the bottom of this message.

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Heinlein Society Annual Meeting

Notice of Annual Meeting:

In accordance with The Heinlein Society's Bylaws, the Annual Meeting of the general membership of the Society will be held at LoneStarCon 3, the 71st annual World Science Fiction Convention, on Sunday, September 1, 2013, between 1:00-3:00 PM Central Daylight Time. Room location To Be Announced on LoneStarCon 3's Program, or at the Society's information table, but will be at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in San Antonio, Texas, U.S.A. All attendees (visitors are welcome) will be informed of the Society's activities since the 2012 Annual Meeting, and Regular Members in good standing may nominate and vote for three Director seats on the Board of Directors. You need not be a member of LoneStarCon 3 to attend the Society's Annual Meeting, but



Own Heinlein's Bed!

Ebay Auction Coming Soon

Robert Heinlein designed and built this bed with attached side tables for himself and his wife, Ginny. After Ginny's passing in 2003, the bed came to The Heinlein Society. Now is your chance to own it.

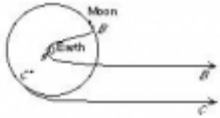
After unsuccessfully trying to find a museum home for it, we have decided to put the bed up for auction on Ebay.

Imagine... you could be sleeping on a piece of Heinlein history!

[Check our website for auction updates.](#)

unsubscribe any time.

Non-members are welcome to subscribe to either mailing list, but we hope everyone will also [Join Us](#) to PAY IT FORWARD!



The Heinein Maneuver

Was Heinein Right or Wrong?:

"A ship leaving the Moon or a space station for some distant planet can go faster on less fuel by dropping first toward the Earth and then performing her principle acceleration while as close to the Earth as possible."

- Heinein, *The Rolling Stones*

Hard SF author, and astronautical engineer, G. David Nordley looks at the science behind the gravity well maneuver described in *The Rolling Stones*.

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Tidbits From Twitter

"...it's a hell of a note when you can't even kill a dragon and feel lighthearted afterwards."

-Heinein (*name the story!*)

if you are interesting in attending the convention, see www.lonestarcon3.org . Regular Members who cannot attend may submit their proxies (designating their proxy, by name, to any attending Regular Member) to either

Secretary@heinleinsociety.org or the Society's mailing address; proxies received at either venue should arrive by the close of normal business activity on Saturday, August 31, 2013, 11:59:59 PM Pacific Daylight Time.

FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
/s/ Keith G. Kato
Vice President-Secretary
The Heinein Society

Heinein Society WorldCon Party

The Heinein Society hopes many of you will attend our 2013 party at LoneStarCon3, the 71st World Science Fiction Convention in San Antonio, Texas. The party theme will be the 50th Anniversary of *Glory Road*. We are preparing even now for this event, and hope to have a cake prepared with Scar, Star, Rufo, the Lady Vivamus, and fire breathing dragons pictured!

Lazarus Long Centennial Birthday Party at Chicon 7, 70th World Science Fiction Convention



Heineins' Adopted Granddaughter, Medical Inventor

Our featured piece this month:

"When your hero adopts you at age 12, there's little that seems out of reach." —Amy Baxter, M.D.

Amy Baxter, the Heineins' adopted granddaughter, is gaining renown as the inventor of a medical device called Buzzy[®]. Amy developed Buzzy for one of her own children, to lessen injection fear and pain. As a pediatrician herself, she approached the development of Buzzy from the perspective of both a mother and a doctor.

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 [Heinein Society Scholarships](#)

Heinein Society 2013 Scholarship Winners

We're very pleased to announce the winners of this

[#Heinlein](#) Trivia Test:

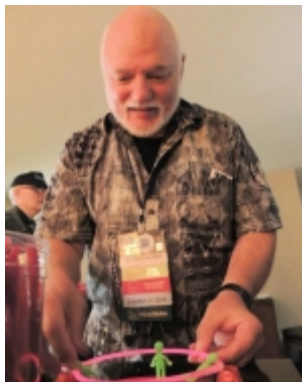
In which Heinlein stories are there DRAGONS?

Answer at: [Heinlein](#)

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"The secret to a long life is to have a purpose that outlives you." [#Heinlein #quote](#)

Robert and Virginia Heinlein's definition of luxury: Being able to buy all the books we wanted. (from Ginny Heinlein's notes about Robert)



G. David Nordley

On Friday, August 31, 2012, The Heinlein Society hosted an open party at Chicon 7, the 70th World Science Fiction Convention at the Hyatt Regency Chicago. The party theme was to honor Lazarus Long's 100th birthday, which is alleged to be November 11, 1912. In keeping with the party's theme, Director Deb Houdek Rule mandated that red be the main party color (clothing *and* food), and kilts be worn if possible.

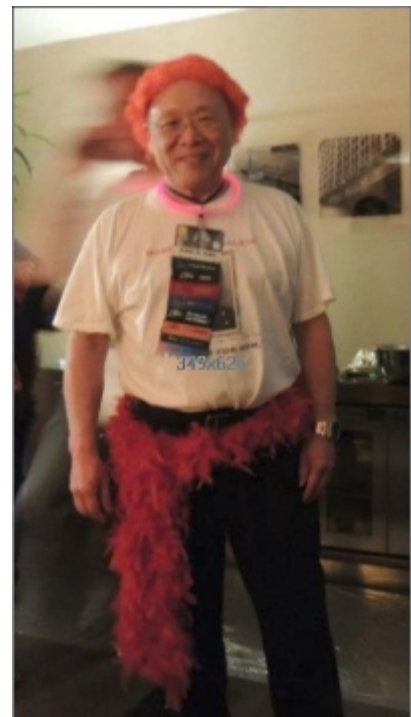
Doors to the party suite opened at 8:00 PM, and as is typical at Worldcon parties, the attendance ebbed and flowed from comfortably uncrowded to you-breathe-in-while-I-breathe-out packed. Society President Mike Sheffield had no problem complying with the kilt directive, as he habitually wears kilts anyway. Mike's wife, the Reverend Sharon Sheffield, wore the pants in the family that night. Vice President-Secretary Keith Kato had obtained a red fright wig and red feathered boa to wear at the party, the latter worn as a sash. He molted throughout the party suite all night long. Director Deb Houdek Rule complied with her own directive by wearing a self-described "trollop red" gown. Over the course of the evening over 100 guests visited, with prominent Heinlein names such as Dr. Herb Gilliland of the U.S. Naval Academy, SF writers Dr. Gregory Benford, Dr. David Brin, and G. David Nordley.

The party fare was a sampling of soft drinks, assorted vegetables and chips to be dipped, sinfully

year's scholarships for the 2013-2014 academic year. This year we received a total of 18 applications from students in 7 countries.

Although only two scholarships were advertised, we in the scholarship committee found ourselves with the nearly impossible task of reducing the field of candidates to only two. So, with the support of the board, we have decided to award three scholarships this year.

The winners are... [Read more...](#)



Keith Kato, VP/Sec.



Mike Sheffield, Pres.

bad-for-you cookies and candies, and a spread of sandwich-making staples. Red luminescent light sticks with “The Heinlein Society” imprinted on them were handed out in keeping with the party’s theme, and worn by guests as headbands, necklaces, armbands, wrist bracelets, ankle bracelets, and perhaps on other places.

The party closed down around 1:30 AM, with some hard-partying Heinlein types staying to the not-so-bitter end. The room clean-up efforts lasted until well past 3:00 AM—the indication that the party had been a success.



Deb Houdek Rule

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