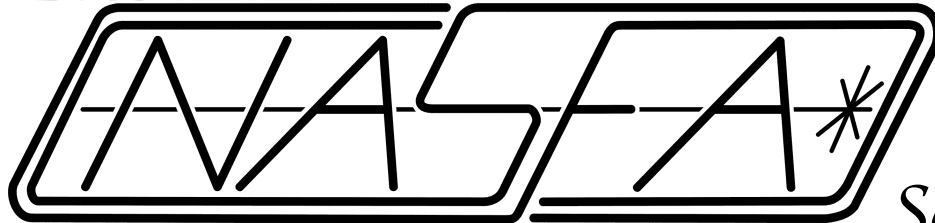


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## The Next NASFA Meeting is 6P Saturday 16 September 2017 at the New Church Location

Concom Meeting, 3P Saturday 16 September 2017 at the Church  
👉 See the Full List of All Remaining Concom Meetings Below 👈

### ¡ Oyez, Oyez ¡

The next **NASFA Meeting** will be **16 September 2017**, at the **NEW** regular meeting location and the **NEW** regular time (**6P**). The Madison campus of Willowbrook Baptist Church, *has moved* to **446 Jeff Road**—about a mile from the previous location. See the map at right for directions to the church. See the map on page 2 for a closeup of parking at the church as well as how to find the meeting room (“The Huddle”), which is close to one of the back doors toward the north side of the church. **Please do not try to come in the (locked) front door.**

#### SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

The September program will be a talk by UAH English professor Dr. Eric Smith <www.uah.edu/ahs/speakers-bureau/9008-smith-speakers-bureau> entitled “The Desire Called Postcolonial Science Fiction.” He will take questions after the talk. Professor Smith specializes in Modern and Contemporary British and Postcolonial Literatures. He has published on a wide range of topics from Bram Stoker’s *Dracula* to James Joyce’s *Ulysses* to contemporary popular cinema.

#### SEPTEMBER ATMM

The September After-The-Meeting Meeting will be hosted by Mary and Doug Lampert at the church. The usual rules apply—that is, please bring food to share and your preferred drink. Also, please stay to help clean up. We need to be good guests and leave things at least as clean as we found them.

#### CONCOM MEETINGS

The next Con+Stellation XXXV Concom Meeting will be 16 September 2017—the same day as the NASFA Meeting. Full details for that and all remaining Concom Meetings are:

- Saturday 16 September: 3P at the church—there will be a dinner break before the NASFA Meeting.
- Friday 29 September: 6P at Judy and Sam Smith’s house—dinner will be provided.



## Continuing Our 37<sup>th</sup> Year of Publication

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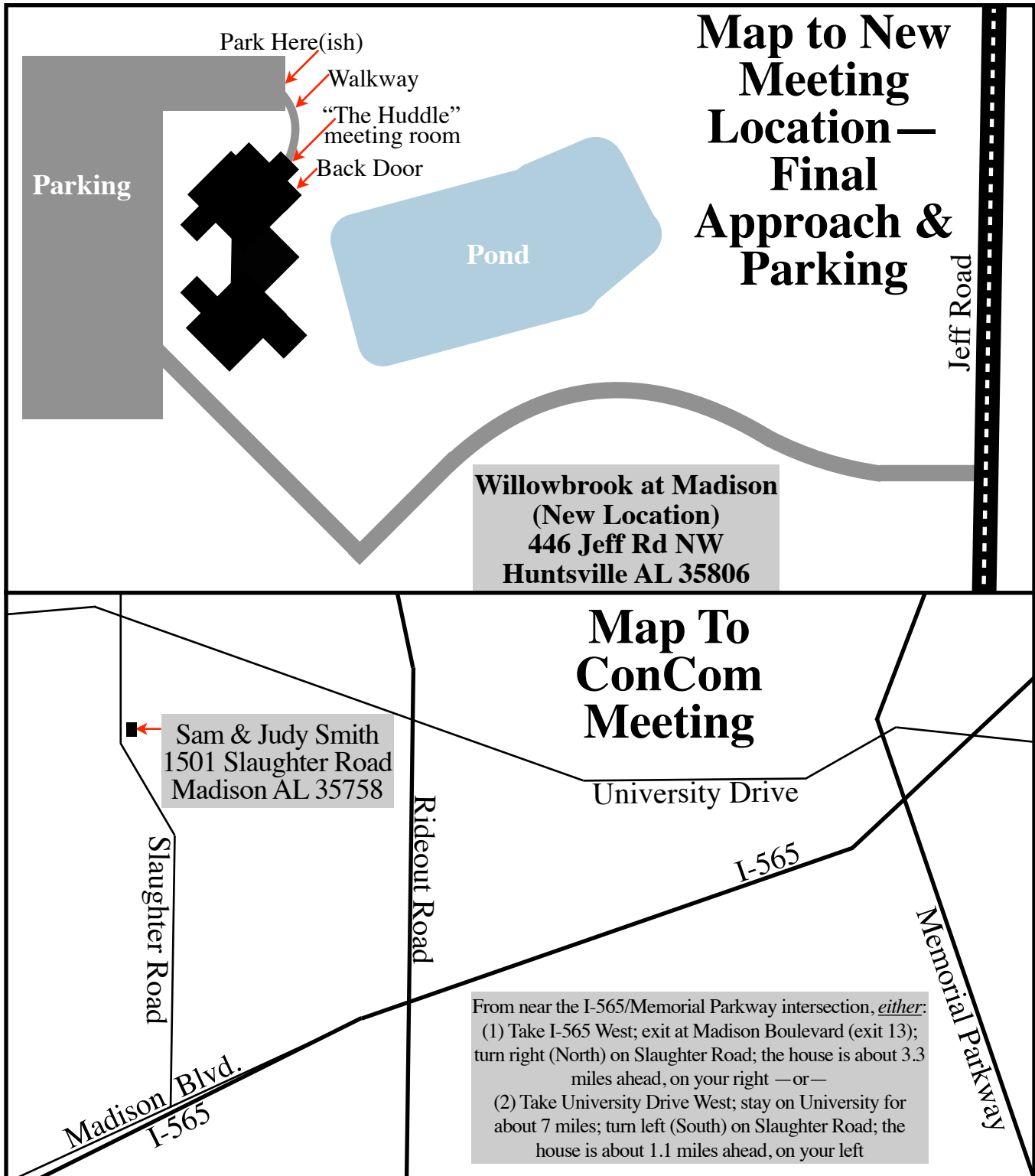
**Deadline for the October 2017 issue of The NASFA Shuttle is Monday 25 September 2017**

- Friday 6 October: 6P at Judy and Sam Smith's house—dinner will be provided.
- Thursday 10 October: All day, at the hotel (and other locations about town) for setup.

For the 16 September 2017 meeting at the church, see the map on the front page to get to the church and the map below (top) for details on how to find the meeting room ("The Huddle"). For meetings at Judy and Sam Smith's house, see the map below (bottom).

#### FUTURE PROGRAMS

- October: Con†Stellation XXXV Post-Mortem.
  - November: The More-or-Less-Annual NASFA Auction. Please continue putting aside your ~~white elephants~~ donations. SFnal items are great, but we'll take anything we can sell.
  - December: NASFA Christmas Party. Stay tuned for more info on the time and location. Sue Thorn will host.
- JudySue would love to hear from you with ideas for future programs—even more so if you can lead one yourself!



## FUTURE ATMMs

We need volunteer hosts both for the After-the-Meeting Meeting in October 2017 and for all months in 2018. November and December 2017 are spoken for. Email <nasfa.shuttle@con-stellation.org> to volunteer or inquire.

## FUTURE CLUB MEETING DATES/LOCATIONS

All remaining NASFA Meetings in 2017 are scheduled to be on the normal 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at the (new) normal time and (new) normal location. Dates for 2018 have not yet been established.

## CHANGING SHUTTLE DEADLINES

In general, the monthly *Shuttle* production schedule has been moved to the left a bit (versus prior practice). Though things are a bit squishy, the current intent is to put each issue to bed as much as 6–8 days before each month's meeting.

Please check the deadline below the Table of Contents *each month* to submit news, reviews, LoCs, or other material. The schedule for the October 2017 issue will be advanced about a week so that ish can be finished before the last-second crush getting ready for Con+Stellation XXXV.

## JOINING THE NASFA EMAIL LIST

All NASFAns who have email are urged to join our email list, which you can do online at <tinyurl.com/NASFAEmail>. The list is usually low traffic, though the rate is rather variable. Generally the list is limited to announcements about club activities plus the occasional message of general interest to north-Alabama sf/f/h/etc. fans. Non NASFAns are both *encouraged* and *welcomed* to join the list, but please only do so if you're interested in the above restricted topics.

## NASFA CALENDAR ONLINE

NASFA has an online calendar on Google. Interested parties can check the calendar online, but you can also subscribe to it and have your Outlook, iCal, or other calendar automatically updated as events (Club Meetings, Concom Meetings, local sf/f/h/etc. events) are added or changed. You can view the calendar online at <tinyurl.com/NASFACal>.

# News & Info

## BE A CON CRIME STOPPER, DAGNABBIT!

Two women were injured at Dragon Con over the Labor Day weekend when some criminal idiot or idiots threw chairs into the atrium of the Marriott Marquis hotel, reportedly from the 10<sup>th</sup> floor balcony. (For folks unfamiliar with that hotel the atrium extends the full height of the building with a balcony giving access to the rooms on each floor. The 10<sup>th</sup> floor is a lounge, with no rooms.)

The incident(s) happened in the early wee hours of 3 September 2017. Both women were injured and taken to different hospitals for treatment. Fortunately, their injuries were not grave and con members stepped up quickly to assist the victims until professional help could arrive. Police are investigating and have appealed for video and other information. You can contact Crime Stoppers Atlanta by phone (404-577-8477), text (to 274637), or on the web (crimestoppersatlanta.org). You could be eligible for a reward of up to \$2,000.



## GUFF TRIP REPORT

A trip report for the Get Up-and-over Fan Fund <ozfanfunds.com/?page\_id=6> trip to the Helsinki Worldcon is being posted by GUFF delegate Donna Maree Hanson on her blog. The first installment—covering the flight to and arrival in the UK can be

seen at <donnamareehanson.com/2017/08/07/guff-1-report-the-journey>. As this article was being created, the report was up to fourteen entries—with more to come.

## HOW'S YOUR MEMORY FOR NAMES?

A portion of Jay Kay Klein's photo collection (a "mere" 6,000 or so pics covering eight Worldcons in the '60s) has been digitized and put online at the University of California Riverside. Old phart viewers immediately noticed that many of the persons pictured were either not identified or misidentified.

You can see the photos at <calisphere.org/collections/26943>. If you can help with identifications or other descriptions, an online form has been posted at <library.ucr.edu/klein-info-form>.

Klein gave his collection of 66,000 photos and other documents to the UC Riverside's Eaton Collection of Science Fiction and Fantasy prior to his death in 2012. The collection itself was nominally valued at \$1.4 million. Klein's estate contributed a further \$3.5 million, leading to creation of the position of the Jay Kay and Doris Klein Librarian for Science Fiction at UCR.

It is not clear if or when the remainder of Klein's photos (and documents) will be digitized.

## TIPTREE FELLOWSHIP DEADLINE LOOMING

The deadline for the 2017 Tiptree Fellowships <tiptree.org/tiptree-fellowships> is 15 September 2017—just a few days after this issue will hit the outgoing mailbox. The organization gives two \$500 fellowships annually as part of their mission to "explore our understanding of gender, especially in its intersections with race, nationality, class, disability, sexuality, age, and other categories of identification and structures of power." See the URL above to find a fellowship application.

## SFWA GRANTS AVAILABLE

The Science Fiction & Fantasy Writers of America <www.sfwaw.org> is open for applications for about \$24,000 in grants "to deserving genre-related programs." See details at <www.sfwaw.org/2017/09/call-grants-2017> including a link to the application form. Prior recipients have included "LaunchPad Astronomy program; Alpha, the science fiction, fantasy, and horror workshop for young writers; the African Speculative Fiction Society; [and] a Philadelphia reading series." The deadline for proposals is 31 October 2017.



## MAC II PAF PUFF

Worldcon Pass Along Funds <www.smofinfo.com/miscellaneous/pa-funds.htm>—it may surprise you to know—is a private agreement among Worldcons who choose to participate and not part of the WSFS (Worldcon and NASFiC governing body) Constitution. Those cons who choose to participate commit to distribute at least half their surplus (if any) to the following three Worldcons who also make the commitment.

Last year's Worldcon (MidAmeriCon II in KC) did sign on to the agreement, as had this year's con (Helsinki) and next year's (San José). The just-selected 2018 Worldcon (Dublin) has also said they will participate. So, MAC II had already passed along about \$33,000 to Helsinki and—at a ceremony in Helsinki—presented a check for the same amount to San José. They also gave \$5,000 to the 2017 North American Science Fiction Convention (NASFiC). The check for Dublin is forthcoming.

MAC II chair Ruth Lichtwardt has been quoted as saying, "We're also assessing several requests from fan groups along with looking at other possible contributions, and will be determining distribution soon." It is a WSFS Constitutional requirement that all surplus funds be used "for the benefit of



WSFS as a whole” which is generally taken to include benefiting a wide variety of non profit fannish groups and activities.



Presentation of Pass Along Funds check to 2018 Worldcon  
photo by España Sheriff (@suzdal) via Twitter

### MORE SFNAL STAMPS

The Royal Mail is keeping the world bandwagon rolling for science fictional stamps with an upcoming *Star Wars: The Last Jedi* set. The commemoratives will be released 12 October 2017 and feature eight new designs—four of them droids with “designs [...] emphasised by ink only visible under UV light.”



### BUCK ROGERS' BUCKS IN DISPUTE

Sigh—more lawsuit news. Perhaps unsurprisingly, there is an ongoing dispute in yet another corner of the science fiction universe. On one side we have the descendants of author Philip Francis Nowlan, who created the Buck Rogers character in the 1920s. On the other side we have the descendants of John Flint Dille, whose company once syndicated the BR comic strip. Though not a litigant, Syfy Network is also part of the story.

Details of the rather twisted history can be found online, including at <[www.hollywoodreporter.com/thr-esq/question-who-owns-buck-rogers-heads-trial-1033309](http://www.hollywoodreporter.com/thr-esq/question-who-owns-buck-rogers-heads-trial-1033309)>.

### COUNCILMAN MUZZLED BY CT TOWN

A New Milford CT councilman has promised to resign all town and party positions over a furor about his activities as the furry “Grey Muzzle.” Scott Chamberlain had apparently made no secret of his furry interests, but some town residents became exercised over his profile from a private furry website. This spread quickly up the food chain to the mayor (and the mayor’s wife, who apparently took some actions in her own right).

The *Shuttle* hasn’t verified any of the specifics and really can’t. You may be able to find out more with your own web searches. At the time this article was written a Google search for “New Milford CT” turned up the story as the top few news hits.

## August Minutes

by Steve Sloan

The August meeting of the North Alabama Science Fiction Association was called to order on Saturday, August 19, 2017, in the new Madison satellite location of Willowbrook Baptist Church at 6:08:14P by President Mary Lampert, the gavel, and the crickets.

### OLD BUSINESS

None, except for a random mooing noise.

### NEW BUSINESS

Nope.

### CON BUSINESS

According to Con†Stellation co-con chair Judy, there will be a convention in October at the airport hotel.

Sue and Mike K. are working on a souvenir convention book for Con†Stellation Horologium. They need good pictures of the T-shirt art from the first five conventions and the 1990 convention. [As of now, all T-Shirts are accounted for. Also, it should be noted that Kevin “Fritz” Fotovitch is the editor of this Souvenir Memory Book. -ED]

This year’s T-shirt art is online at the Con†Stellation website. T-shirts can be ordered online.

The convention will need a second projector. Jim K. may know where he can get one, so he will be put down as a maybe.

The dealers’ room is sold out.

Maria is this year’s con suite goddess.

Please find as many people [as possible] to attend this year’s Con†Stellation.

Sam moved to adjourn at 6:17:06P.

NASFA elections are coming up in December, and nominations will be held from October to December. Be there or be elected!

The August program was a demonstration of a game created by our own Doug Lampert. The After-the-Meeting Meeting was held at the regular meeting location.

## NASFA Calendar

### SEPTEMBER

- 01\* Con†Stellation XXXV Concom Meeting—6P, at Judy & Sam’s house. Dinner will be provided.
- 01–03 Mephit Fur Meet—Olive Branch (Memphis area) TN.
- 01–04 Discworld Convention—New Orleans LA.
- 02 Eid al-Adha.
- 02 National Book Festival—Washington DC.
- 04 Labor Day.
- 08–10 OutsideCon 30—Burns TN.
- 08–10 Wizard World—Nashville TN.
- 09 BD: Mike Cothran.
- 11 BD: Ray Pietruszka.
- 11 Patriot Day.
- 12 BD: Pat Butler.
- 15 National POW/MIA Recognition Day.
- 16 Día de la Independencia.
- 16\* Con†Stellation XXXV Concom Meeting—3P, at Willowbrook Madison. **NOTE:** This will be at the church’s new location.
- 16\* NASFA Meeting—6P Business, 6:30P Program, at Willowbrook Madison. **NOTE:** This will be at the church’s new location. **Program:** Dr. Eric Smith: “The Desire Called Postcolonial Science Fiction.” **ATMM:** Doug

16-17 Memphis Comic Expo—Memphis TN.  
17 Constitution Day and Citizenship Day.  
18 Constitution Day and Citizenship Day (observed).  
21 Rosh Hashana.  
22 Fall Equinox.  
22-24 FenCon 14—Dallas TX.  
24 Gold Star Mother's Day.  
26 BD: Jenna Victoria Stone.  
28-01 Anime Weekend Atlanta—Atlanta GA.  
29-01 Monsterama—Atlanta GA.  
29\* Con+Stellation XXXV Concom Meeting—6P, at J  
& Sam's house. Dinner will be provided.  
30 Yom Kippur.

05 First Day of Sukkot.  
06\* Con†Stellation XXXV Concom Meeting—6P, at Judy & Sam's house. Dinner will be provided.  
05-08 SIEGE—Atlanta GA.  
06-08 Contraflow VII—Kenner LA.  
07-08 The Geek Gathering—Florence AL.  
09 Columbus Day/Native Americans' Day/Indigenous People's Day.  
09 Thanksgiving Day (Canada).  
11 Last Day of Sukkot.  
12 Columbus Day (Mexico).  
12\* Con†Stellation XXXV Concom Meeting—All day, at the hotel (and other locations about town) for setup.  
13-15 Con†Stellation XXXV—Huntsville AL.  
15 BD: Robert Buelow.  
16 Boss's Day.  
19-23 FangCon—Birmingham AL.  
20-21 Wizard Weekend—Athens GA.  
21\* NASFA Meeting—6P Business, 6:30P Program, at Wil-  
lowbrook Madison. **NOTE:** This will be at the church's  
new location. **Program:** Con†Stellation XXXV Post  
Mortem. **ATMM:** TBD.  
25 BD: Marie McCormack.  
26-29 Atlanta Game Fest 30—Atlanta GA.  
27-29 Hallowcon—Chattanooga TN.  
27-29 Full Moon Festival—Nashville TN.  
27-29 Walker Stalker—Atlanta GA.  
31 Halloween.

02 Día de Muertos.  
02-05 World Fantasy Con—San Antonio TX.  
03 PhreakNic 21—Nashville TN.  
03-05 CONjuration—Atlanta GA.  
04 Kreepy Geek Con—Santee Nacoochee GA.  
04 BrigadeCon—Online.  
04-05 Rocket City NerdCon—Huntsville AL.  
05 Daylight Saving Time ends.  
07 Election Day.  
10 Veterans Day (Observed).  
10-12 Anime Blast - Chattanooga TN.  
10-12 Grand Ole Gameroom Expo—Franklin TN.  
10-12 AetherCon VI—Online.  
11 Veterans Day/Remembrance Day.  
11 HamaCon MiniCon—Huntsville AL.  
11-12 Fanaticon—Ozark AL.  
11-12 Post-ApocalyptiCon—Cleveland TN.  
17 Potter Pub Crawl 3—Atlanta GA.  
17-19 Atlanta Steampunk Exposition—Atlanta GA.  
17-19 Memphis Comic and Fantasy Convention—Memphis TN.  
18\* NASFA Meeting—6P Business, 6:30P Program, at Wil-

18 Wizard's Ball 4—Atlanta GA.  
18–19 Heroes & Villains—Atlanta GA.  
20 Aniversario de la Revolución Mexicana.  
22 BD: Nancy Renee Peters.  
23 BD: Mike Kennedy.  
23 Thanksgiving Day.  
29 BD: Howard Camp.  
30 BD: Joshua Kennedy.  
30 BD: Richard Gilliam.

01 The Prophet's Birthday.  
01-03 Smofcon 35—Boston MA.  
01-03 Yama-Con—Pigeon Forge TN.  
03 Toy & Comic Show—Conyers (Atlanta area) GA.  
07 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.  
09 BD: Maria Grim.  
09-10 Jekyll & Hyde -- Jekyll Island GA.  
12 BD: Toni Weisskopf.  
13 First Day of Hanukkah.  
16\* NASFA Meeting—**Program/ATMM**: Christmas Party.  
The time and location are TBD—please stay tuned. Sue  
Thorn will host.  
17 BD: Robin Ray.  
19 BD: Yvonne Penney.  
20 Last Day of Hanukkah.  
20 BD: Aaron Kennedy.  
21 Winter Solstice.  
24 Christmas Eve/Nochebuena.  
25 Christmas Day/Día de Navidad.  
26 BD: Michael R. Stone.  
26 First Day of Kwanzaa.  
26 Boxing Day.  
31 New Year's Eve/Nochevieja—stay tuned for a possible  
party.

The North Alabama Science Fiction Association meets on the third Saturday of each month. (Unless there is a large nearby convention being held that weekend—in which case we often move the meeting to the second or fourth Saturday.) The regular meeting location is the new location of the Madison campus of Willowbrook Baptist Church—446 Jeff Road NW. The Executive Committee meeting (if scheduled) is before the business meeting. The business meeting is at 6P. The program is at 6:30P. Anyone is welcome to attend any of the meetings. There is usually an after-the-meeting meeting (starting at about 7:30P) either at the church or with directions available at the program.

A number of awards were announced at this year's Dragon Con <[www.dragoncon.org](http://www.dragoncon.org)>, which was held 1-4 September at the Hyatt Regency and other hotels in downtown Atlanta GA. The con itself sponsors the Dragon Awards and the Reinhardt Award. Dragon Con also sponsors the Julie Award (named for Julie Schwartz and given "for universal achievement spanning multiple genres") but the *Shuttle* has been unable to find info on this year's winner. Other organizations use the con as a venue to announce their own awards.

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some not) can be seen at <dailydragon.dragoncon.org/in/2017/2017-awards>. These include Dragon Con's Art Show and Masquerade, plus various contests and pageants.



Dragon Con Masquerade Winners  
photo by Dave Nelson via the Dragon Con website

#### EUGIE FOSTER AWARD

The winner of the 2017 **Eugie Foster Memorial Award for Short Fiction** <www.eugiefoster.com/eugieaward> (for "the best in innovative fiction" in the previous calendar year) was announced at Dragon Con. The winner is "**The City Born Great**," N.K. Jemisin (Tor.com September 2016). The author received a plaque and a \$1,000 prize.

#### BAEN MILITARY AND ADVENTURE SF AWARD

The winner of the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual **Baen Year's Best Military and Adventure Science Fiction Readers' Choice Award** <www.baen.com/2017yearsbestaward> was announced during the Baen slideshow at Dragon Con. The winner was selected by popular vote from the 15 stories published in Baen's *The Year's Best Military and Adventure SF*, Vol. 3, David Afsharirad, ed. The winner was "**Wise Child**," Sharon Lee and Steve Miller. The authors will receive a plaque and a \$500 prize.



#### HANK REINHARDT AWARD

The winner of the 2017 **Hank Reinhardt Fandom Award** <fancypedia.wikidot.com/hank-reinhardt-fan-award> (for "out-standing contributions to the genre by a Georgia writer, artist, or fan") was announced by Dragon Con. The winner, **Jennifer Liang**, has a long list of credentials including chairing JordanCon <jordancon.org>, chairing two DeepSouthCons (each held in conjunction with JordanCon), being president of the Southern Fandom Confederation, and running various tracks of programming at Dragon Con. The award was named after Reinhardt in 2009—he had been the first winner, in 1990.

#### DRAGON AWARDS

The Dragon Awards <awards.dragoncon.org> are selected by an open (web-based) vote administered by Dragon Con. This is the second year for these awards. During this year's ceremony, it was announced there were about 8,000 votes in the final round and that count was about twice last year's turnout. (This appears to be the first time that voting totals of any sort have been announced for the awards.) This year's Dragon Awards winners are:

SF Novel .....**Babylon's Ashes**, James S.A. Corey  
Fantasy Novel (Including Paranormal).....**Monster Hunter Memoirs: Grunge**, Larry Correia and John Ringo  
YA/Middle Grade Novel **The Hammer of Thor**, Rick Riordan  
Military SF or Fantasy Novel .....**Iron Dragoons**, Richard Fox  
Alternate History Novel ..**Fallout: The Hot War**, Harry Turtledove  
Apocalyptic Novel .....**Walkaway**, Cory Doctorow  
Horror Novel .....**The Changeling**, Victor LaValle



Comic Book .....**The Dresden Files: Dog Men**, Jim Butcher, Mark Powers, and Diego Galindo  
Graphic Novel .....**Jim Butcher's The Dresden Files: Wild Card**, Jim Butcher and Carlos Gomez  
SF or Fantasy TV Series .....**Stranger Things** (Netflix)  
SF or Fantasy Movie .....**Wonder Woman**, Patty Jenkins, dir.  
SF or Fantasy PC/Console Game .....**The Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild** (Nintendo)  
SF or Fantasy Mobile Game .....**Pokemon GO** (Niantic)  
SF or Fantasy Board Game .....**Betrayal at House on the Hill: Widow's Walk** (Avalon Hill)  
SF or Fantasy Miniatures/Collectible Card/Role-Playing Game .....**Magic the Gathering: Eldritch Moon** (Wizards of the Coast)

## Awards Roundup

#### EDGE HILL SHORT STORY PRIZE

The winner of the 2017 **Edge Hill Short Story Prize** <www.edgehill.ac.uk/shortstory> ("for excellence in a published single author short story collection") is the genre-adjacent **Fen**, Daisy Johnson (Macmillan/Cape).

## Sidewise Awards for Alternate History



#### SIDEWISE AWARDS

Winners of the 2016 Sidewise Awards for Alternate History <www.uchronia.net/sidewise> have been announced.

**Sidewise Award Short Form (tie)**....."**Treasure Fleet**," Daniel Bensen (*Tales from Alternate Earths*, Inkling Press) and "**What If the Jewish State Had Been Established in East Africa**," Adam Rovner (*What Ifs of Jewish History: From Abraham to Zionism*, Cambridge University Press)  
**Sidewise Award Long Form**.....**Underground Airlines**, Ben Winters (Mulholland)

#### BAEN FANTASY ADVENTURE AWARD

The winner and runners up of the 2017 Baen Fantasy Adventure Award <www.baen.com/baenfantasyaward2017> (for "original adventure fantasy short story") have been announced. Each person will receive various packages of Baen merchandise. The winner also receives an engraved award and paid publication of their story on the Baen website. The contest is associated with Gen Con, though the Baen website is not clear if Gen Con is an official sponsor.

**Baen Fantasy Adventure Award Grand Prize** ....."**The Blue Widow**," J.P. Sullivan

Second Place ....."**Dust of the Fallen**," Barbara Doran  
Third Place ....."**And Not Go Hungry**," Laurie Tom

#### JAFFE AWARDS

Winners of the 2017 **Rona Jaffe Foundation Writers' Awards** <www.ronajaffefoundation.org> (for "women writers of exceptional talent [...] in the early stages of their writing careers") has been announced. One of this year's winners is **Dominica Phetteplace** who is quoted as saying, "The award is intended to support my novel-in-progress, *Project Empathy*, portions of which were published in *Asimov's* last year." Each recipient will get a \$30,000 award.



Dominica Phetteplace  
Twitter profile pic

## DIANA JONES AWARD

The winner of the 2017 **Diana Jones Award for Excellence in Gaming** <[www.dianajonesaward.org](http://www.dianajonesaward.org)> was recently announced by the awarding committee. The winner is **Gen Con**, which started in 1967 or '68 (depending on whether you count "Gen Con 0" at Gary Gygax's house). Gen Con will receive possession of the Diana Jones trophy for one year. Said trophy contains mangled bits of a TSR Hobbies Indiana Jones RPG (with the first two letters of the proper name missing) that was set to be destroyed when TSR's Indiana Jones license was expiring.



## ENNIE AWARDS & SPOTLIGHT WINNERS

Speaking of Gen Con <[www.gencon.com](http://www.gencon.com)>, winners of the Gen Con EN World RPG Awards <[www.ennie-awards.com](http://www.ennie-awards.com)>—and associated Judges Spotlight winners—were announced at that con, which was held 17–20 August 2017 at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis IN.

The Judges' Spotlight Winners (announced earlier) were:

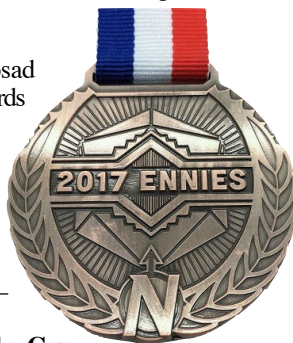
**Rippers Resurrected** (Pinnacle Entertainment Group)—selected by Stacy Muth

**The Ninja Crusade 2e** (Third Eye Games)—selected by Jakub Nowosad

**Tales from the Yawning Portal** (Wizards of the Coast)—selected by Kayra Keri Küpçü

**Coriolis—The Third Horizon** (Free League Publishing)—selected by Kurt Wiegell

**Broodmother Skyfortress** (Lamentations of the Flame Princess)—selected by Reece Carter



The winners and runners up for the **Gen**

**Con ENnie Awards** (styled as Gold and Silver Awards) are:

**Adventure Gold** ..... **Blood in the Chocolate** (Lamentations of the Flame Princess)

**Adventure Silver** ..... **Doors to Darkness** (Chaosium)

**Aid/Accessory Gold** ..... **Call of Cthulhu—Keeper's Screen Pack** (Chaosium)

**Aid/Accessory Silver** ..... **Kobold Guide to Plots & Campaigns** (Kobold Press)

**Art (Cover) Gold** ..... **Call of Cthulhu—Investigator Handbook** (Chaosium)

**Art (Cover) Silver** ..... **Torment: Tides of Numenera—The Explorer's Guide** (Monte Cook Games)

**Art (Interior) Gold** ..... **Tales from the Loop—Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was** (Free League Publishing)

**Art (Interior) Silver** ..... **S. Petersen's Field Guide to Lovecraftian Horrors** (Chaosium)

**Blog Gold** ..... **Gnome Stew: The Gaming Blog**

**Blog Silver** ..... **Age of Ravens**

**Cartography Gold** ..... **7th Sea: Map of Théah** (John Wick Presents)

**Cartography Silver** ..... **Call of Cthulhu—Keeper's Screen Pack** (Chaosium)

**Electronic Book Gold** ..... **The Things We Leave Behind** (Stygian Fox Publishing)

**Electronic Book Silver** ..... **Hubris: A World of Visceral Adventure** (DIY RPG Productions)

**Family Game Gold** ..... **Bubblegumshoe** (Evil Hat)

**Family Game Silver** ..... **Masks: A New Generation** (Magpie Games)

**Free Product Gold** ..... **7th Sea: Basic Rules** (John Wick Presents)

**Free Product Silver** ..... **City of Mist—Free PDF Starter Set**

(Son of Oak Game Studio)

**Game Gold** ..... **Tales from the Loop—Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was** (Free League Publishing)

**Game Silver** ..... **7th Sea: Core Rulebook** (John Wick Presents)

**Miniature Product Gold** ..... **Achtung! Cthulhu Skirmish: Servitors of Nyarlathotep** (Modiphius Entertainment)

**Miniature Product Silver** ..... **Dungeons & Dragons: Molzur's Marvelous Miniatures** (WizKids)

**Monster/Adversary Gold** ..... **S. Petersen's Field Guide to Lovecraftian Horrors** (Chaosium)

**Monster/Adversary Silver** ..... **Veins of the Earth** (Lamentations of the Flame Princess)

**Podcast Gold** ..... **Ken and Robin Talk About Stuff**

**Podcast Silver** ..... **Spellburn**

**Production Values Gold** ..... **Call of Cthulhu—7th Edition Slipcase Set** (Chaosium)

**Production Values Silver** ..... **Unknown Armies Deluxe Set** (Atlas Games)

**RPG Related Product Gold** ..... **Call of Cthulhu: The Coloring Book** (Chaosium)

**RPG Related Product Silver** ..... **The ABCs of RPGs** (Hunter Books)

**Rules Gold** ..... **7th Sea: Core Rulebook** (John Wick Presents)

**Rules Silver** ..... **Adventures in Middle-Earth Player's Guide** (Cubicle 7 Entertainment)

**Setting Gold** ..... **Tales from the Loop—Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was** (Free League Publishing)

**Setting Silver** ..... **The Dark Eye: Aventuria Almanac** (Ulisses North America)

**Supplement Gold** ..... **Pulp Cthulhu** (Chaosium)

**Supplement Silver** ..... **7th Sea: Pirate Nations** (John Wick Presents)

**Website Gold** ..... **Tabletop Audio**

**Website Silver** ..... **Elven Tower, RPG articles and cartography website**

**Writing Gold** ..... **Tales from the Loop—Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was** (Free League Publishing)

**Writing Silver** ..... **Veins of the Earth** (Lamentations of the Flame Princess)

**Product of the Year Gold** ..... **Tales from the Loop—Roleplaying in the '80s That Never Was** (Free League Publishing)

**Product of the Year Silver** ..... **7th Sea: Core Rulebook** (John Wick Presents)

**Fans' Choice for Best Publisher Gold** ..... **Wizards of the Coast**

**Fans' Choice for Best Publisher Silver** ..... **Chaosium**

## KILLER NASHVILLE AWARDS

Winners of a number of genre adjacent awards were announced at the 12th Killer Nashville International Writers Conference, held 24–27 August 2016 at the Embassy Suites Nashville Cool Springs South in Franklin (Nashville area) TN. The conference presents 2–3 dozen awards, some of which overlap sf/f/h genre fiction. A full list of this year's winners (and nominees) can be seen online at <[killernashville.com/awards/previous-award-winners/#2017](http://killernashville.com/awards/previous-award-winners/#2017)>.

## WSFA SMALL PRESS AWARD NOMS

Finalists for the 2017 Washington Science Fiction Association Small Press Award for Short Fiction <[www.wsfasmallpressaward.org](http://www.wsfasmallpressaward.org)> (for original short fiction) have been announced. The award is sponsored by the Washington (DC) Science Fiction Association <[wsfa.org](http://wsfa.org)>—the winner will be announced at Capclave 2017 <[www.capclave.org/capclave/capclave17](http://www.capclave.org/capclave/capclave17)>, to be held 6–8 October 2017 at the Hilton Washington DC North/Gaithersburg in Gaithersburg MD. The finalists are:

"A Salvaging of Ghosts," Aliette de Bodard (*Beneath Ceaseless Skies* March 2016)

“The Mytilenian Delay,” Neil James Hudson (*Hyperpowers*)  
 “Radio Silence,” Walter H. Hunt (*Alien Artifacts*)  
 “Foxfire, Foxfire,” Yoon Ha Lee (*Beneath Ceaseless Skies*  
 March 2016)  
 “Vengeance Sewn With Fey Cord,” Christine Lucas (*The Future Fire* April 2016)  
 “The Witch’s Knives,” Margaret Ronald (*Strange Horizons*  
 October 2016)  
 “Jupiter or Bust,” Brad R. Torgersen (*Orson Scott Card’s Intergalactic Medicine Show* March–April 2016)  
 “The Tomato Thief,” Ursula Vernon (*Apex* January 2016)  
 “Only Their Shining Beauty Was Left,” Fran Wilde (*Shimmer*  
 September 2016)

## PEGASUS AWARDS NOMS

Nominees for the 2017 Pegasus Awards <[www.ovff.org/pegasus.html](http://www.ovff.org/pegasus.html)> (for “excellence in filking”) have been announced. The winners will be announced at Ohio Valley Filk Fest 33 <[www.ovff.org](http://www.ovff.org)>, to be held 20–22 October 2017 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Worthington (Columbus area) OH. Sound clips of the nominees are available at <[www.ovff.org/pegasus/mp3.html](http://www.ovff.org/pegasus/mp3.html)>. The ballot is available at <[www.ovff.org/pegasus/2017finalballot.html](http://www.ovff.org/pegasus/2017finalballot.html)>. By category, the nominees are:

## Pegasus Awards Filk Song Noms

*We Are Who We Are*, Michelle Dockrey and Tony Fabris  
*Pageant Legend*, Katy Dröge-Macdonald and Ju Honisch  
*Scarlet Town*, Cathy McManamon  
*The Girl Who Couldn't Even*, The PDX BroadSides  
*Nine hundred and ninety nine*, Mich Sampson and Marilisa Valtazanou

## Pegasus Awards Classic Filk Song Noms

*Grief in Little Pieces*, Phil Allcock and Talis Kimberley  
*Small Designs*, Barry Childs-Helton  
*The Evil Eyeball*, Sibylle Machat  
*Vor*, Bill Sutton  
*Alligator in the House*, Betsy Tinney, Cade Tinney, and S.J. Tucker

## Pegasus Awards Performer Noms

Chris Conway	Tim Griffin	Leslie Hudson
Judi Miller		Vixy & Tony

## Pegasus Awards Writer/Composer Noms

Ju Honisch                      Jordin Kare                      Cathy McManamon  
Benjamin Newman                      Andrew Ross

## Pegasus Awards Horror Song Noms

*The Dark Man*, Paul Kwinn  
*Dear Gina*, Seanan McGuire  
*Hello Stranger*, Erica Neely  
*Mina's Song*, Zander Nyrond  
*Hellraiser*, Tom Smith

## Pegasus Awards Perky Song Noms

*Perky Goth*, W. Randy Hoffman  
*Chocolate Is A Vegetable*, Graham Leathers  
*Everybody Hates Elves*, Kari Maaren  
*Nathan Fillion (Please Take Off Your Pants)*, The PDX BroadSides  
*What If Your Girlfriend Was Gone?*, Carla Ulbrich

## .JOAN AIKEN FUTURE CLASSICS PRIZE NOMS

The shortlist for the Joan Aiken Future Classics Prize <[amheath.com/blog/the-joan-aiken-future-classics-prize](http://amheath.com/blog/the-joan-aiken-future-classics-prize)> (for middle grade children's fiction) has been announced. Check the website for the list and some genre connections.

## INKY AWARDS NOMS

The shortlists for the 2017 Inky Awards <[insideadog.com.au/inky-awards](http://insideadog.com.au/inky-awards)> (for Australian [Gold Inky] and International [Silver Inky] YA works) have been announced—with several titles having potential genre interest. See the website for the full list. These awards are not to be confused with the Inky Tentacle Award of the currently dormant Kitschies Awards.

## Letters of Comment

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Thank you all for the August *Shuttle*, and here's some commentary one day off the deadline. We are recovering from our long trip into north central Ontario for Yvonne's mother's funeral and interment. Now to see how much my tired brain can create.

I would like to see the return of *OMNI Magazine*, perhaps if only to see how much it resembles the original product. I remember enjoying it when I could afford it. If it has the right combination of science and science fiction, it could be good again, but given how much publications have faded in the past ten years or so, I hope it won't be a wasted effort.

More and more awards... as I type, I believe [there] is just more than a week to vote on the Aurora Awards. I doubt I will vote, I am a very unqualified nominator and voter. I have been reading online more and more people encouraging others not to participate in the Dragon Awards, given its initial controversies.

The local... I don't get *Ethel the Aardvark* in paper format any more, Sheryl, but I do get it in my e-mail. I think the latest issue is no. 188. My loc... I have found one of the Canada 150 \$1 coins, but I have yet to receive in my change any of the \$2 coins. I may have to go to my local bank and ask for one directly. We have been to Coldwater, Ontario for the big steampunk event there, and we had a great time. Our sales were very good, and Yvonne as Queen Victoria was a huge hit. The job hunt still continues.

And, I think that may be all I can do. Worldcons are so outside my experience these days. I have already had to proclaim that I'd need a lottery win to go to more of them. Something much more of interest to me is the possibility of returning to England for another stay, and Yvonne is saving to do just that. With some luck, a job soon, but whether it would be enough to help with finances and saving for England, is yet to be seen. Thank you, Mike, for this issue, and keep them coming.

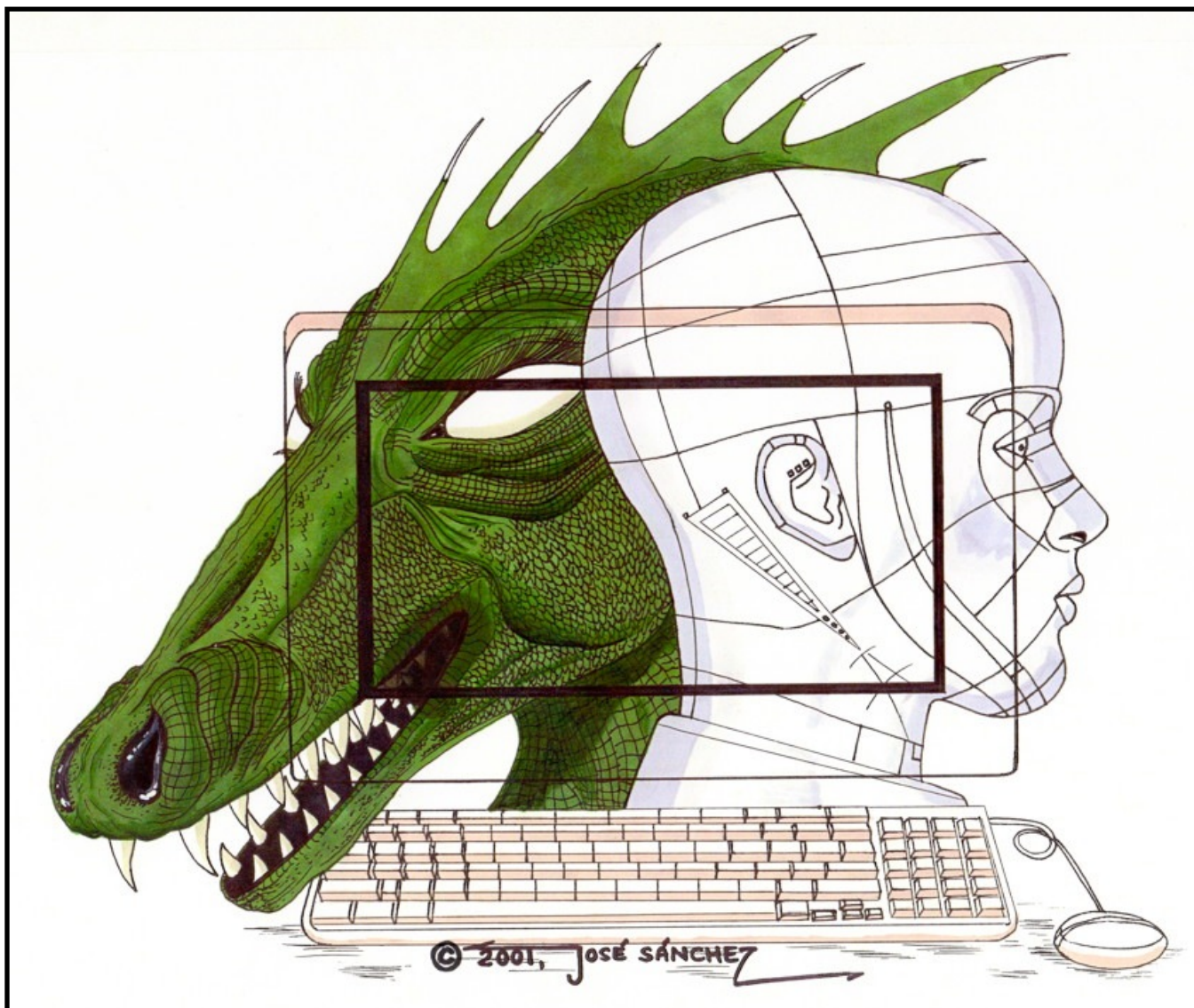
[I see that voting for the Aurora Awards has indeed closed, Lloyd, but the winners won't be announced for almost two weeks after I put this issue of the *Shuttle* to bed. The next ish will go to press early as we gear up for the final Con†Stellation here—but the Auroras winners should be known in time for that deadline. I am skeptical that the revival of *OMNI* will be successful, but I'd be fine being wrong. Kelly Holland (CEO and owner of Penthouse Global Media, which took over the Penthouse brand in early 2016) has said, "[...] our driving principle is to put all of the pieces of the brand back together" to counter "decades of neglect." It doesn't strike me as sound thinking to believe a brand that worked decades ago can be revived with exactly the same mix that worked then. Yep, lessons can *and should* be learned from what did (and didn't) work before. However, hewing too close to a model that was failing *20 years ago* when the last new ish of *OMNI* appeared seems like a long shot. (In fact, it's been more like 22 years since the last *print* issue of *OMNI*—they were digital-only for the last couple of years before ceasing publication.) -ED]



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We also heard from Randy Cleary who sent a list of genre movies being shown free to the public at the main branch of the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library (aka Fort Book). The series is on selected Monday nights at 6P. By the time you see this, you'll have missed the first couple of nights. Nonetheless, the full list is:

- 28 August—*The Thing from Another World* (1951)—2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Events Room
- 11 September—*The Day the Earth Stood Still* (1951)—1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium
- 18 September—*It Came From Outer Space* (1953)—1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium
- 25 September—*Them!* (1954)—1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium
- 2 October—*Forbidden Planet* (1956)—1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium
- 9 October—*Invasion of the Body Snatchers* (1956)—1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium
- 23 October—*I Married a Monster from Outer Space* (1958)—2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Events Room



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