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THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

18th ANNUAL MEETING OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

8 SEPTEMBER 2019

1:00 p.m. PDT /
4:00 p.m. EDT

Timeline 3: Neil Armstrong Timeline

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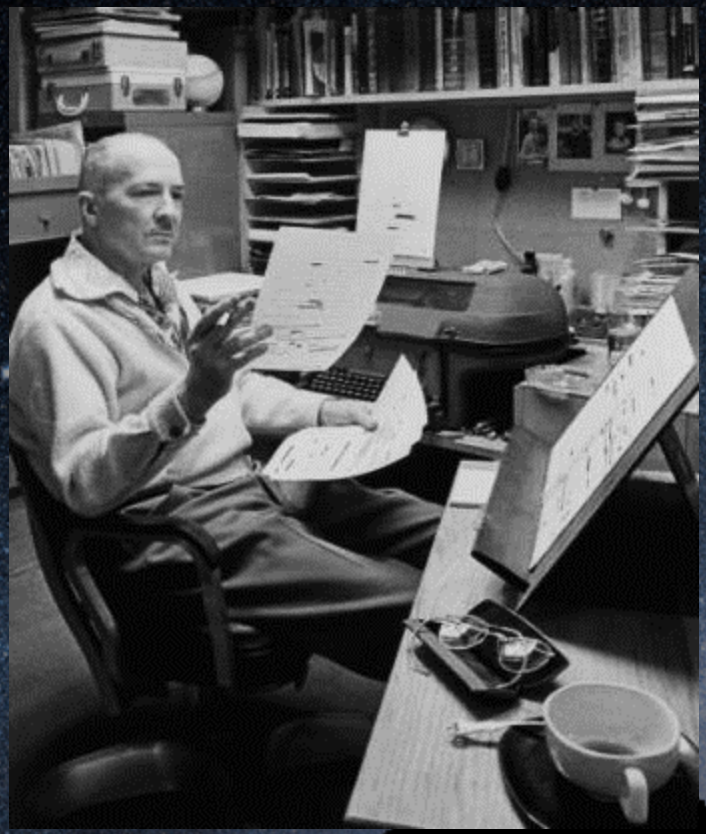
Call to Order

18th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY



is hereby

CALLED TO ORDER

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In Memoriam

We ask a moment of silence and remembrance for members of the Heinlein community who have recently passed away.

J. Neil Schulman
THS Charter Member
April 16, 1953 –
Aug. 11, 2019

Brad Linaweaver
THS Charter &
Life Member
Sept. 1, 1952 –
Aug. 29, 2019

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Agenda

- Call to Order
- In Memoriam
- Meet The Heinlein Society Board, Officers, Committee Members, Board of Advisors
- Timely Notice of Mailing
- Business Items: Roll Call, Quorum, Parliamentarian
- 2018 Minutes
- Reports of Treasurer, Vice President- Secretary, President
- Committee Reports
- Election Results
- Good of the Society
- Q&A Open Mic
- *Astounding* and Mother Thing Raffles
- Virginia Edition Raffle
- Adjourn

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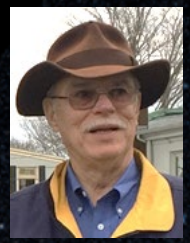
Board of Directors

Geo Rule
President

Herb Gilliland
VP-Secretary



John Tilden
Treasurer

Joe Haldeman

Beatrice Kondo

Betsey Wilcox

Walt Boyes

John Seltzer

Mike Sheffield

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THS Committees

Academic/*THJ*
Dr. Marie Guthrie

Archives/Operations
Deb Houdek Rule

Blood Drives
Carlin Black

Education
Geo Rule / Walt Boyes

Webmaster
Rob Hays

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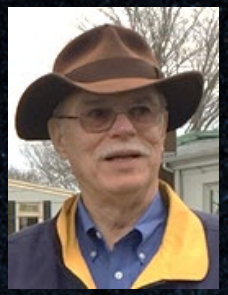
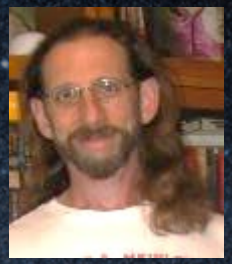
Heinlein For Heroes
John Seltzer



Balticon RAH Award
Dr. Herb Gilliland

Membership
Ken Walters

Newsletter
Caroline Lynch



Scholarships
Mike Sheffield

Social Media
Arwen Grune
Roger Christenson

Electoral
Ensign's Prize
Betsey Wilcox
Will Hamilton

Timely Notice of Meeting

OFFICIAL Notice of Annual Meeting sent via email blast on 22 July 2019, to comply with 30 days notice required by Bylaws (Article IV, Section 4)

Subsequent Reminder Notices sent via The Heinlein Society Newsletter, email, Twitter, website postings

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Business Items

- Roll Call (Walters)
- Certification of Quorum (Gilliland & Tilden)
- John Tilden is acting as the Sergeant-at-Arms and Parliamentarian
- 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes

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Treasurer's Report

Useful Statistics:

End of FY Balances (08/31/2019):

- Checking: $20,252.10
- PayPal: $11,656.38
- Savings: $22,707.43 ("Lifetime Reserved" Account)

Unreserved Capital Balance: $31,908.48

2018 Capital Balance:	$30,549.61
2017 Capital Balance:	$20,435.89
2016 Capital Balance:	$20,596.95
2015 Capital Balance:	$7,571.74

Selected 2019 Income and Expense Lines

Total Membership Dues	$18,465.00
Total Donations	$6,674.01
Total Income	*$25,595.53*
Total Heinlein For Heroes Program	$7,199.14
Scholarship	$6,000.00
Blood Drives	$4,012.14
Total Conventions	$1,469.27
Conference, Convention, Meeting	$1,308.80
Rent	$1,068.00
Total Expenses	*$21,473.73*

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Tilden

Treasurer's Report (cont.)

	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
Income				
Commissions	114.01	22.00	92.01	518.23%
Donations	3,335.07	2,750.00	585.07	121.28%
AmazonSmile	72.19	130.59	-58.40	55.28%
Blood Drive	115.00	104.00	11.00	110.58%
Educational Materials	45.00		45.00	
Ensign's Prize Books		1,500.00	-1,500.00	0.00%
Heinlein For Heroes	1,606.75	1,461.00	145.75	109.98%
Scholarships	1,500.00	1,730.00	-230.00	86.71%
Total Donations	**$ 6,674.01**	**$ 7,675.59**	**-$ 1,001.58**	**86.95%**
Heinlein Journal Back Issues	0.00		0.00	
Interest	44.32	38.31	6.01	115.69%
Membership Dues			0.00	
Lifetime Membership	1,500.00	3,000.00	-1,500.00	50.00%
New Membership	4,230.00	4,095.00	135.00	103.30%
Renewal	12,480.00	7,963.71	4,516.29	156.71%
Supporting	255.00	225.00	30.00	113.33%
Total Membership Dues	**$ 18,465.00**	**$ 15,283.71**	**$ 3,181.29**	**120.81%**
Other Types of Income		15.00	-15.00	0.00%
Ensign's Prize Shipping		100.00	-100.00	0.00%
Total Other Types of Income	**$ 0.00**	**$ 115.00**	**-$ 115.00**	**0.00%**
PayPal Sales	45.00	415.00	-370.00	10.84%
Refund	250.00	29.96	220.04	834.45%
Fee Reversal	3.19	37.95	-34.76	8.41%
Total Refund	**$ 253.19**	**$ 67.91**	**$ 185.28**	**372.83%**
Uncategorized Income		34.50	-34.50	0.00%
Total Income	**$ 25,595.53**	**$ 23,652.02**	**$ 1,943.51**	**108.22%**

Tilden

Treasurer's Report (cont.)

1	Expenses	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
31	**Bank Fees**	5.38	288.67	-283.29	1.86%
32	**Blood drives**	1,965.65	49.12	1,916.53	4001.73%
33	**Blood Drive Ribbons**	116.59	200.00	-83.41	58.30%
34	**Cloisonne Pins**	1,930.00	3,000.00	-1,070.00	64.33%
35	**Total Blood drives**	**$ 4,012.24**	**$ 3,249.12**	**$ 763.12**	**123.49%**
36	**Dues & Publications**	115.00	115.00	0.00	100.00%
37	**Facilities and Equipment**			0.00	
38	**Rent**	1,068.00	1,066.00	2.00	100.19%
39	**Total Facilities and Equipment**	**$ 1,068.00**	**$ 1,066.00**	**$ 2.00**	**100.19%**
40	**Fund Raising**			0.00	
41	**Conventions**	755.41	750.00	5.41	100.72%
42	**Academic Track Paper Awards**	500.00		500.00	
43	**Ribbons**	213.86	886.40	-672.54	24.13%
44	**Total Conventions**	**$ 1,469.27**	**$ 1,636.40**	**-$ 167.13**	**89.79%**
45	**Grant Services**	75.00	380.00	-305.00	19.74%
46	**International Funding**		400.00	-400.00	0.00%
47	**Total Fund Raising**	**$ 1,544.27**	**$ 2,416.40**	**-$ 872.13**	**63.91%**
48	**Heinlein For Heroes Program**			0.00	
49	**Books**	2,393.44	4,322.78	-1,929.34	55.37%
50	**Shipping**	4,805.70	2,778.73	2,026.97	172.95%
51	**Total Heinlein For Heroes Program**	**$ 7,199.14**	**$ 7,101.51**	**$ 97.63**	**101.37%**
52	**Heinlein Journal**		500.00	-500.00	0.00%
53	**Membership Refund**	135.00	1,725.00	-1,590.00	7.83%

Treasurer's Report (cont.)

1	Expenses	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
54	**Operations**			0.00	
55	**Books, Subscriptions, Reference**		100.00	-100.00	0.00%
56	**Electronic Voting**	257.20	300.00	-42.80	85.73%
57	**Membership Cards**	146.22		146.22	
58	**New Member Mailings**	52.30		52.30	
59	**Postage, Mailing Service**	7.25	7.20	0.05	100.69%
60	**Ensign's Prize Shipping**		100.00	-100.00	0.00%
61	**Total Postage, Mailing Service**	**$ 7.25**	**$ 107.20**	**-$ 99.95**	**6.76%**
62	**Printing and Copying**		200.00	-200.00	0.00%
63	**QuickBooks**	50.00	50.00	0.00	100.00%
64	**Supplies**		100.00	-100.00	0.00%
65	**UPS Store Mailbox Rental**		200.00	-200.00	0.00%
66	**Webhosting**	63.60	95.40	-31.80	66.67%
67	**Total Operations**	**$ 576.57**	**$ 1,152.60**	**-$ 576.03**	**50.02%**
68	**Other Types of Expenses**			0.00	
69	**Other Costs**		250.00	-250.00	0.00%
70	**Total Other Types of Expenses**	**$ 0.00**	**$ 250.00**	**-$ 250.00**	**0.00%**
71	**PayPal Fees**	568.13	318.66	249.47	178.29%
72	**Scholarship**	6,000.00	6,100.00	-100.00	98.36%
73	**Travel and Meetings**			0.00	
74	**Conference, Convention, Meeting**		1,308.80	-1,308.80	0.00%
75	**Total Travel and Meetings**	**$ 0.00**	**$ 1,308.80**	**-$ 1,308.80**	**0.00%**
76	**WHPJ Merit Prize for RAH Paper**	250.00		250.00	
77	**Total Expenses**	**$ 21,473.73**	**$ 25,591.76**	**-$ 4,118.03**	**83.91%**

Treasurer's Report (cont.)

This past year fully 80% of our outlay related to our "big three" programs—Scholarships, H4H, and Blood Drive support.

By most non-profit measurements we remain a very efficient organization. We have several key members that donate operating expenses each year which don't show up on charts because of accounting rules.

Next year—you may see a reduction in reserves as we look to upgrade technology, potentially engage with some professional services, and rely less on those key volunteers donating key operational items directly.

More detailed transaction reporting or the complete "budget vs. actual report" available by emailing treasurer@heinleinsociety.org

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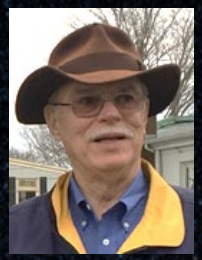
Vice President/Secretary



- Kept Board Meeting minutes monthly
- With John Tilden, retrieved three vanloads of SF books from Kathy Sands' house in Baltimore and packed and shipped them to John Seltzer for distribution under H4H program
- As member of selection committee for Heinlein Award given annually at Balticon, took part in selecting Greg Benford for that award; liased with Balticon; assisted with associated activities at Balticon
- Attended Worldcon in Dublin; while there, assisted at Kato/Heinlein/Bradbury Chili Party held at Oscar Wilde House (was assisted by seven family members)

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Gilliland

President

- Cooperative Social Event with Bradbury Center during Dublin Worldcon at Oscar Wilde House
- Scholarship Award amounts increased by 1/3 due to membership feedback (seventh consecutive increase)
- Society Membership now at all-time high, significantly higher than Centennial Year of 2007
- Society Adopts First Official Non-Discrimination Policy

The Heinlein Society Shines the Name Starship Troopers 60

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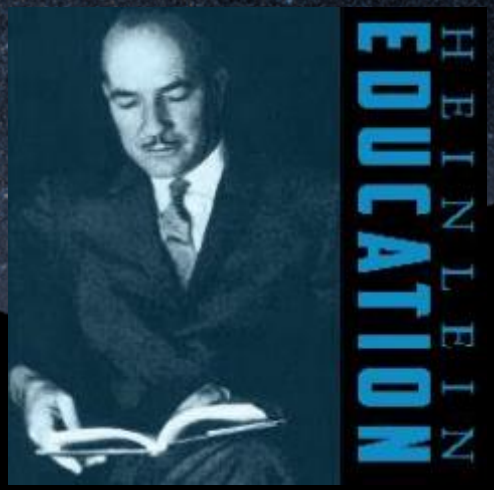
President

- First major website overhaul since 2011 in progress, lead by Deb Houdek Rule with Eric Gignac of HPT graphic arts support (examples scattered through this presentation).
- Imminent re-launch of *THJ*; back issues and new issues.
- Hello/Goodbye!



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and Academic

- Volume 2 Issue 1 available shortly
- Downloads of all issues in PDF available
- Bill Patterson's posthumous final issue, #24, offered free to all
- Coupons for free back issues for Life Members
- Coupons for $3/ back issue discounts to Regular Members
- $5/issue for non-members

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Guthrie

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- Website redesigned with a shopping cart system to provide automated digital delivery of Heinlein Journal issues
- Payments taken via PayPal; no PayPal account needed
- Discount coupons for THS regular members and Life Members

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Houdek Rule

Archives

- THS image and graphic assets in online repository for downloads as needed
- Assembling inventories of physical and digital assets
- Seeking online storage to replace DropBox for file storage and sharing – AWS with a grant to pay for services possible

Houdek Rule

Operations

- Deb Houdek Rule, Chair; John Tilden; John Seltzer; Rob Hays
- New committee (Aug. 2019) for operations of The Heinlein Journal website, publication and order fulfillment.
- Expanded Operations include:
  - Seeking new email services for THS
  - Seeking cheaper/free website hosting
  - Seeking operational grants for above
  - Coordinating physical asset needs (such as tradeshow banners and ribbons)

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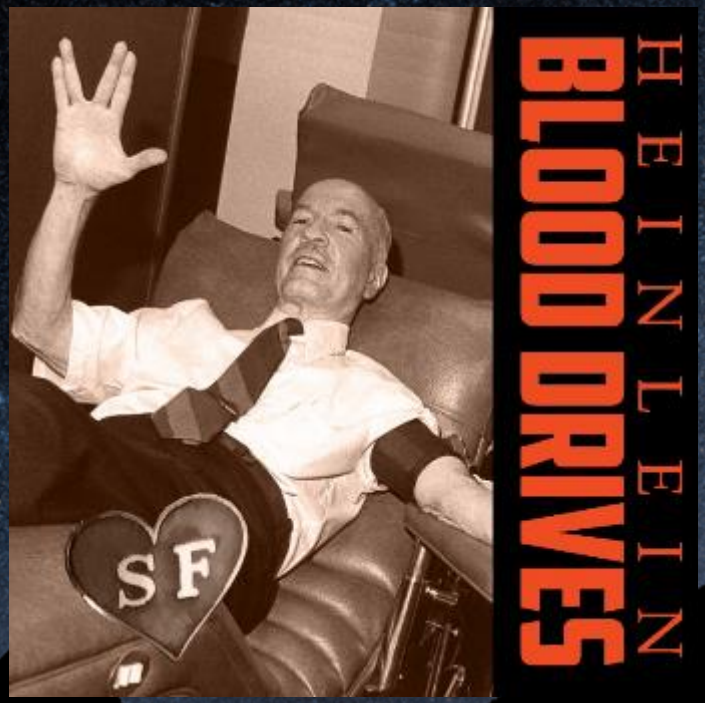
Houdek Rule

Blood Drives

- Carlin Black, Chair
- Core mission of THS—Started by RAH
  - FY 2018-19—**4,121** donors
  - End of FY 2017-18—**39,939** donors coordinated by THS since 11/2000 founding
  - 2019 Dragon Con yield **3,223** donors
  - 40,333 units + Dragon Con 2019 = **43,556!**



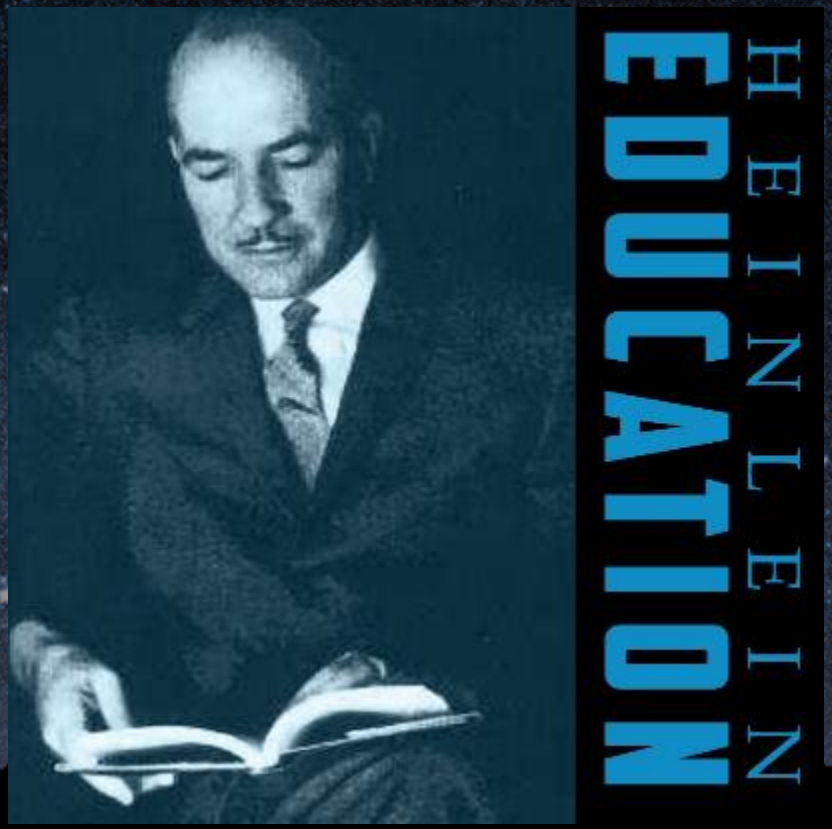
Attend cons that DON'T do Blood Drives?

- **Contact BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org**
- **Large or small drives worthwhile**
- **Donors AND volunteers Pay It Forward**
- **Help needed at all drives: long standing, new, not yet started**

Black / Sheffield

Education

- Geo Rule, Chair
- Digital online distribution of education CD materials



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Ensign's Prize Program

- Betsey Wilcox, Chair
- Ensign's Prize books—Pirated hardcover books recovered by Ginny Heinlein in settlement
- Available in a set of 8 books or 7 individual books
- Initially opened to THS Members only
  - Will be up on eBay in October
  - Due to influx of new members may open up for members only for a month prior to eBay
- Income to date $5,000+

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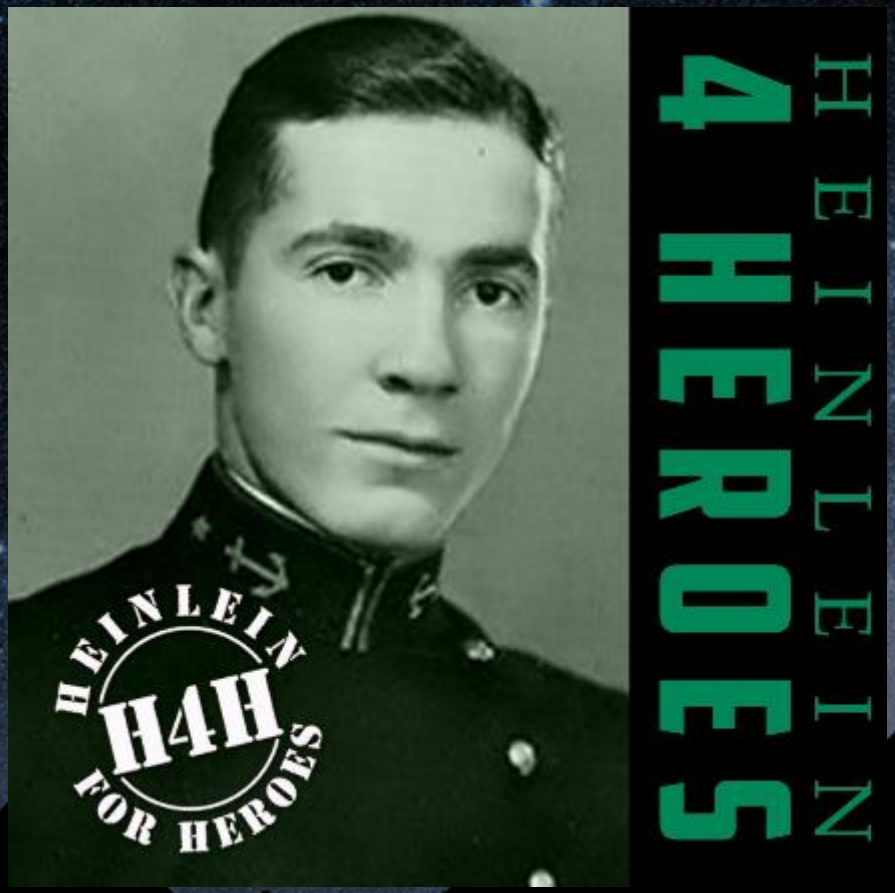
Wilcox

Heinlein For Heroes

- John Seltzer, Chair
- FY 2018-19: H4H shipped **4,484 books**
  - Total since beginning shipping (Nov. 2013): about **23,584 books**

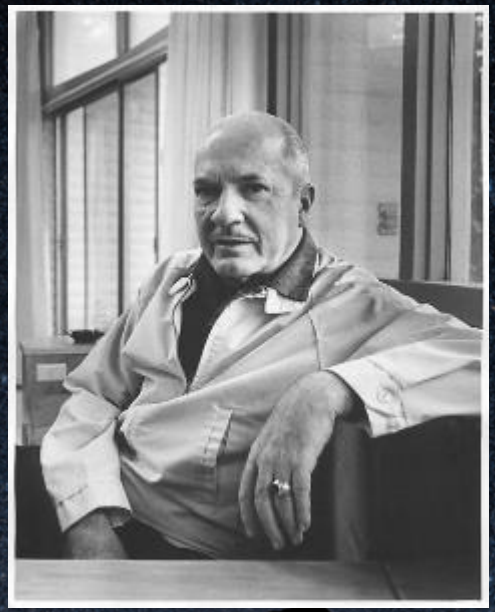


- $7199.14 expenses
  - $2393.44 for books purchased
  - $4805.70 for shipping
- Future: Expect to send ~ 3,000 books per year with THS providing books and HPT (?) paying for shipping
- Books mostly cash purchases; donations of cash

Seltzer

Membership Services

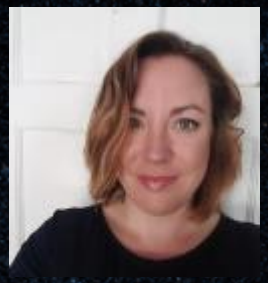
- Ken Walters, Chair
- End FY 2018/19 **438** Active Members
  - 22% increase over previous FY (+80)
  - Highest membership in Society history
- End FY 2018/19 **35** Lifetime Members
  - 6% increase over previous FY (+2)
- Recruited 20 new members at SF cons
- Engaged Social Media Membership outreach
- Successful inactive Member email campaign



MEMBERS NEED TO KEEP EMAIL & POSTAL ADDRESSES UPDATED

Walters

Newsletter



- Caroline Lynch, Chair; Walt Boyes, Publication Assistant
- Attempting to maintain every other (odd) month publication schedule

The Heinlein Society Newsletter

Keep email addresses updated and add us to your safe-sender list!

Boyes / Lynch

Scholarships

- Mike Sheffield, Chair
- 233 Applicants – Down a bit from last year
- Selection Committee
  - Mr. Walt Boyes, Dr. Marie Guthrie, Dr. Keith Kato, Dr. Beatrice Kondo, Mr. Geo Rule, Mr. Mike Sheffield, Rev. Sharon Sheffield, Ms. Betsey Wilcox
- 2019 Recipients ($2,000 each)
  - **Charles Boyle – Dr. Yoji Kondo Scholarship**

    University of Texas at Austin; Senior; Aerospace Engineering, Physics, Astronomy majors
  - **Rosemary Lach – Virginia Heinlein Scholarship**

    Rice University; Freshman; Electrical and Computer Engineering majors.
  - **Faith Rovenolt – Dr. Jerry Pournelle Scholarship**

    Vanderbilt University; Senior; Ecology, Evolution and Organismal Biology majors

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Scholarships (cont.)

Our other top ten finalists in alphabetical order

- **Will Butler**
- **Madeline English**
- **Samuel Heim**
- **Esther Lee**
- **Trinity Manuelito**
- **Shannon Mowbray**
- **Clare Williams**

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Scholarships (cont.)

- Certificates sent to winners and finalists

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2019-2020 Heinlein Society Academic Scholarship

FINALIST

This document certifies the above-named person competed in, and achieved the status indicated, in a competition by The Heinlein Society to award scholarships for STEM-major undergraduates by writing on themes inspired by legendary American Science Fiction author Robert Anson Heinlein (1907-1988)

7 July 2019

Award Date

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"Pay it forward."

Michael Sheffield, Chair
Scholarship Committee of The Heinlein Society

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Sheffield

Scholarships (cont.)

Scholarships criteria

- **Virginia Heinlein Scholarship** (The "Ginny")
  - Female undergraduate students majoring in STEM fields
- **Dr. Jerry Pournelle and Dr. Yoji Kondo Scholarships**
  - Undergraduate students of any gender majoring in STEM fields or Science Fiction as Literature
- **All Scholarships**
- Must be attending 4-year college
- No age limit
- International
- Not needs based
  - Evaluated on 500 – 1,000 word essay
  - Community service

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Website

- Rob Hays, Webmaster.
- Renewed the domain registrations for the .com, .us, .info, and .net .
- WordPress™ updates including security enhancements.

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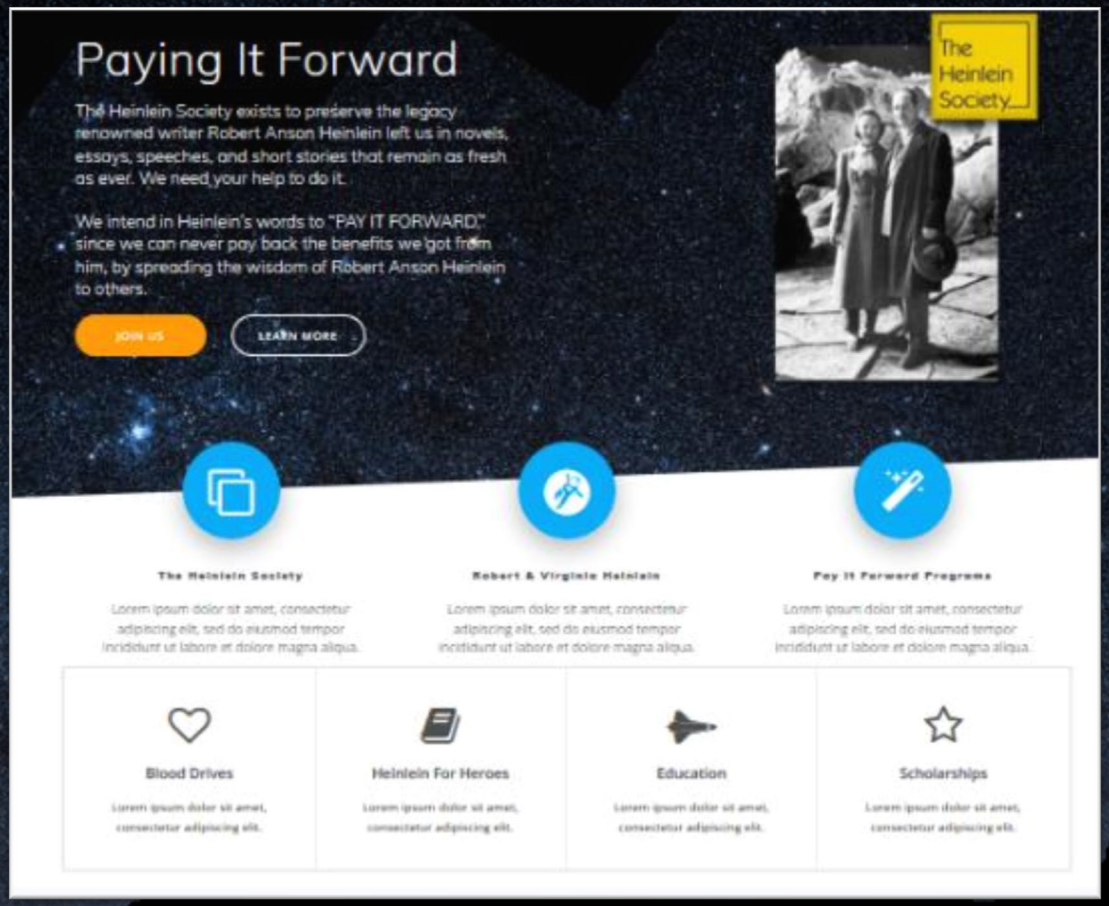
Website

- Deb Houdek Rule, web designer.
- Remodeling website with refreshed look
- Adding shopping cart system for memberships and donations



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Houdek Rule

Online Electoral Processes

- Betsey Wilcox, Chair
- Administrator: Will Hamilton ("Elections Commissioner"—heavy lifting)
- 5 Nominees—Ken Walters, Joel S. Davis, Steven Howell Wilson; Incumbents Beatrice Kondo, Joe Haldeman
- 393 eligible voters
- 204 members voted (51.9%)
- Largest numerical vote in Society history

DIRECTORS 2019-22 CLASS ARE….

Wilcox / Hamilton

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Online Electoral Processes

- **Re-elected Beatrice Kondo & Joe Haldeman**
- **Newly elected Ken Walters**

- **Special thanks to Joel S. Davis & Steven H. Wilson**

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Ahead in 2020, 2021, 2022…

- 2020: Baltimore, MD, USA, Balticon
  May 22-25, 2020
- 2020: Chattanooga, TN, USA, LibertyCon
  June 12-14, 2020
- 2020: Wellington NZ, CoNZealand Worldcon
  July 29—August 2, 2020 (nzin2020.nz)
- 2020: Columbus, Ohio, USA NASFiC
  Aug. 20-23, 2020
- 2021: Washington, DC, USA, DisCon III WorldCon
  Aug. 25-29, 2021
- 2022: Chicago WorldCon BID

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Just For Fun

- First Life Member of The Heinlein Society awarded Heinlein Award at Balticon 2019

Greg Benford

- Mother Thing Plushie

Good of the Society

- Must continue increasing membership
- Fundraising:
  - Direct donations
  - Estates
  - Grant proposals
- Volunteers to work on committees, at conventions

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Q&A Open Mic Instructions

- Moderator will mute all phone lines
- To ask a question hit [*]-[6]-[1] to put your phone line into the queue
- Moderator will open your line one at a
- time for you to ask your question
- Reference either your name or the last digits of your phone number to let you know it's OK to speak
- Please announce your name, who your question is for, and then ask your question

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Tilden

Raffles

- All Regular and Lifetime Members who joined up by 08/31/2019 eligible except
  - Board of Directors
  - Members who removed themselves
- Those 1st joined 1 Sept 2018-31 Aug 2019 assigned TWO drawing tickets
- PDF sheet of eligible names held by 3 Proctors
- Certified random number generator site https://random.org to be set for min, max numbers (= EXCEL line numbers) and run live, real time

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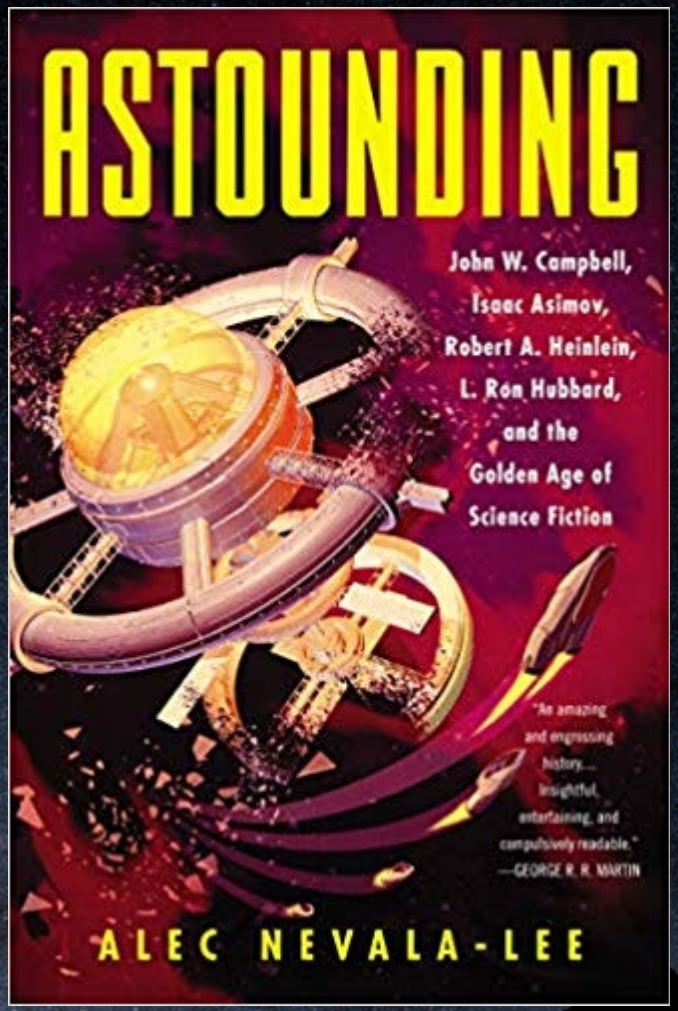
Astounding Raffle

***Astounding*: John W. Campbell, Isaac Asimov, Robert A. Heinlein, L. Ron Hubbard, and the Golden Age of Science Fiction**

by

Alec Nevala-Lee



AND THE WINNING NUMBER IS….

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Mother Thing Raffle

Mother Thing plushie from the ***Have Space Suit – Will Travel*** graphic novel

AND THE WINNING NUMBER IS….

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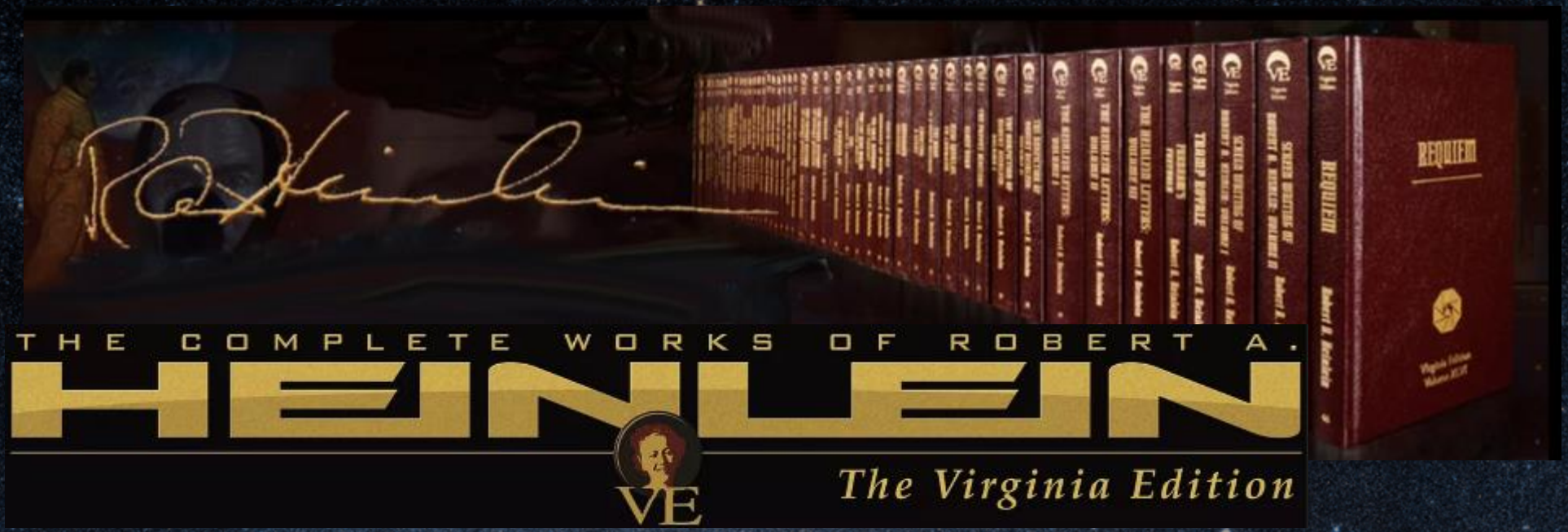
Virginia Edition Raffle



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The Chair entertains a motion to adjourn….

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Rule