## **Society Activities Reports**

## THS at BayCon

by Geo Rule, Academic/Scholastic Committee Chair

The Society made a strong showing at BayCon 2003 (Memorial Day weekend) in San Jose, California, this year, presenting three well-attended programs. "Heinlein's Women," on Saturday evening, and "Heinlein Juveniles," and "Heinlein 101" on Sunday, were clearly appreciated by the audiences. As is usual with THS-run panels, one hour was just not enough to do the material full justice, and conversations (not to worry; no blood was spilled) continued out into the halls afterwards. Six new members joined. Some photos by Tian Harter, a long-time participant of the alt.fan.heinlein newsgroup, appear on the page to the left and at the right and bottom of this page.

A large and loud group of THS'ers continued the fun on Saturday night with a convivial dinner at a local establishment. The Blood Drive was a great success, with sixty-five pints donated the Stanford University bloodmobile, with several volunteers remaining when they ran out of supplies. Members in attendance over the course of the weekend were: Fred Moulton, John Strickland, Robert James, Bill Patterson, Deb and Geo Rule, Dave Jennings, Brad Lyau, and David Silver.



Deb Houdek Rule at the "Heinlein's Woman" Panel. The author, who writes as Deb Houdek, has expanded her presentation in light of questions and points raised at this year's BayCon panel; and her full presentation may now be read at http://www.robertaheinlein.com/articles/womeninjuveniles.htm -- a website maintained by herself and Geo Rule, that contains a good many other worthwhile articles, written by one or both.

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## Why not attend and present a Heinlein panel at your own local Con?



"Heinlein's Women Panel on Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend at BayCon 2003. Right to Left: Bill Patterson, David Silver, Dr. Robert James, panel moderator and Heinlein Society Education Committee Chair, Geo Rule and Deb Houdek Rule.

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