

THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

A MESSAGE FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY



Hello, fellow Heinleiners. I am Keith Kato, and at the 15 September 2014 meeting of The Heinlein Society's Board of Directors, I was honored to be elected the fourth President of the Society. I succeed my good friend Mike Sheffield, who—like Cincinnatus—could have stayed in office, but relinquished it willingly. [MORE>>>](#)

THS TO LEAD FUND RAISING FOR HEINLEIN BUST AT HALL OF FAMOUS MISSOURIANS

The Board of The Heinlein Society recently agreed to lead efforts to raise funds for a bust (with associated plaque and pedestal) of Robert A. Heinlein to be displayed in the Hall of Famous Missourians maintained at the Missouri capital building by the Missouri state legislature. Heinlein was honored to be included in a public vote in late 2013.

The Heinlein bust would join those of other famous Missourians already there, including one of Robert's favorite authors, Mark Twain (Samuel Langhorne Clemens). There are several references and homages to Twain in the Heinlein

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3000+ Books Sent

The Heinlein For Heroes program has passed 3000 books sent to troops, veterans, and military families.

Contributions keep coming in, and your help is still needed.

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oeuvre. Aside from the honor of the thing in his native state, we think he'd like that a whole lot.

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HEINLEIN NEVER FAR FROM HUGOS

The following Heinlein inspired books, graphic novels and movies are eligible for consideration as Hugo nominees:

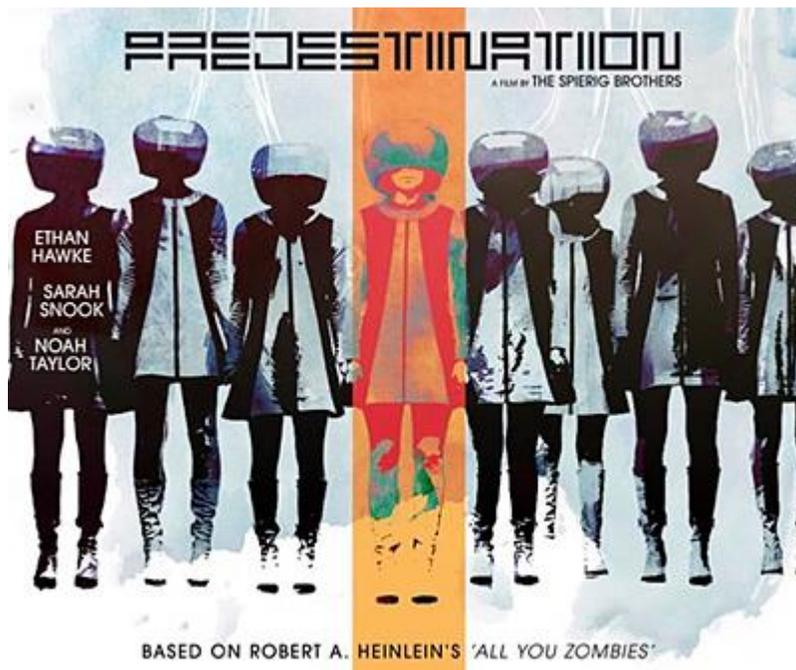
Best Novel: Dark Lightning | John Varley | TOR

Best Related Work: Robert A. Heinlein In Dialogue with His Century: Volume 2 The Man Who Learned Better 1948-1988 | William H. Patterson, Jr. | TOR

Best Related Work: The Heritage of Heinlein- A Critical Reading of the Fiction | Thomas D. Clareson & Joe Sanders | McFarland

Best Graphic Story: Citizen of the Galaxy | Robert A. Heinlein/Eric Gignac | The Virginia Edition Publishing Company

Best Dramatic Presentation (Long Form): Predestination | The Spierig Brothers | Screen Australia & Sony Pictures



Blood Drives

Keep up with Blood Drives news at

heinleinsociety.org/pay-it-forward/blood-drives/

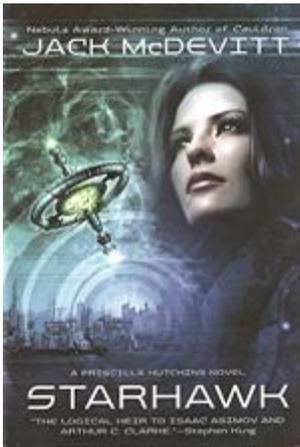


Our newsletter co-editor and his cannon, with which he plans to fight city hall.

AND SPEAKING OF PREDESTINATION...

Michael and Peter Spierig (The Spierig Brothers), who co-wrote and co-directed Predestination, the recent movie adaptation of the Heinlein short story "—All You Zombies—", are now members of THS; and (b) they have donated to the Society their favorite posters from the movie, which will be available for sale to our members shortly.

JACK MCDEVITT TO RECEIVE 2015 HEINLEIN AWARD



BSFS (Baltimore Science Fiction Society) has announced that [Jack McDevitt](#) will be the 2015 recipient of the Heinlein Award, and the 19th honoree since the Award's inception in 2003. The first recipients were Virginia Heinlein and Michael Flynn.

THS makes an annual grant to BSFS that partially defrays expenses in support of the continuance of the Award, and the recipients are picked by an independent panel of judges.

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ROBERT A. HEINLEIN 1941 DENVENTION GoH SPEECH

The ROBERT A. HEINLEIN 1941 DENVENTION GoH SPEECH is available to Heinlein Society members for donations of \$50.

This was the third World Science Fiction Convention. It was held in Denver in 1941. RAH's speech is titled THE DISCOVERY OF THE FUTURE. A few lines from the REQUIEM version of this speech follow: "Here in my hand is the manuscript of a speech. If it works out anything like the synopses I have used, this speech will still be left when I get through..." [FIND OUT MORE AND BUY>>>](#)

2014 WORLDCON REPORT (REPORTING FROM LONDON, KEITH KATO)

I was very pleasantly surprised by the number of fairly young European fans who dropped by the table to talk about Heinlein. British, of course, but also French, Swedish, Dutch, too. A British woman stopped by the table to say her daughter, "Leftenant" (now Captain) Rowan Dagliesh (spelling?), had told her she had seen books received "from Robert Heinlein." Upon seeing our Heinlein For Heroes literature, the mother concluded her daughter had seen an "H4H" shipment being received. [READ MORE AND FIND OUT AT WHICH FUTURE WORLDCONS YOU CAN VISIT THS>>>](#)

HEINLEIN SOCIETY ANNOUNCES 4TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

The Heinlein Society is pleased to announce our fourth annual scholarship essay contest for the 2015-2016 academic year. The two \$750 scholarships will be awarded to undergraduate students of accredited 4-year colleges and universities majoring in engineering, math, or physical sciences (e.g. physics, chemistry), or in Science Fiction as Literature. Applicants will need to submit a 500-1,000 word essay on one

of several available topics. Application receipt deadline is May 15, 2015, and the application form will be updated at www.heinleinsociety.org for the 2015 scholarship shortly.

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NOTES FROM THE TWITTERVERSE

In 2014 THS Twitter had a great conversation with John Scalzi ([@scalzi](#)) and so far in 2015 we've had some great interactions with fans, including when a person asked William Shatner ([@WilliamShatner](#)) what the meaning of Grok was!

[@Roy Astro](#) [@WilliamShatner](#) [@JulieLvsPACKERS](#) Here's short answer: <http://t.co/CvJqp7XtVY> To grok it further, read Stranger in A Strange Land

— Heinlein Society ([@HeinleinSociety](#)) [March 2, 2015](#)

If you're on Twitter, please follow us -- and drop us a note, because we'd love to follow you!

You can make an appointment for the Robert A Heinlein Blood Drive at [#WonderCon](#) now! Co-Sponsored by [@HeinleinSociety](#) <http://t.co/PAZaE9ctR2>

— WonderCon ([@WonderCon](#)) [March 2, 2015](#)

Making a difference <http://t.co/8QWfCsDV3S> Shout out to inspiration Robert A Heinlein at the end! [@HeinleinSociety](#)

— Amy Baxter ([@AmyBaxterMD](#)) [February 25, 2015](#)

DID YOU KNOW? The film Aliens incorporated themes & phrases from Starship Troopers and the actors were required

to read it before filming.

— Heinlein Society (@HeinleinSociety) [February 23, 2015](#)

A final note from Keith Kato:

You all remember Willem's crest in Double Star, "I Maintain." It seems to me the Board must grapple with an assortment of programs on our plate, and the means to pay for them. The Society has limited financial resources, so the Board must navigate how to expand outreach, membership, financial support, and our volunteer corps within those resources. As of now, THS's programs include: Heinlein Blood Drives (over 18,000 units collected to date); free Educational CD resources to middle- and high-school teachers and librarians; two small undergraduate scholarships in STEM subjects; the Bill Patterson cash prize for best Heinlein-related academic paper; financial support for the Heinlein Award medallions given each year by Balticon; continued publication (once Bill Patterson's estate is settled) of The Heinlein Journal; and "Heinlein For Heroes" to send Golden Age SF books to hospitals and deployed troops in theater. Just recently a new program appeared: Collecting funds for a Heinlein bust and plaque. Missouri's House of Representatives selected native son Robert Heinlein to join the Hall of Famous Missourians. By state law, state funds for the bust and plaque for the Induction Ceremony cannot be used; private funds only. THS's Board has decided to accept the role of financial point of contact, and while THS is not obligated to export funds until a financial threshold is reached, that threshold looks to be north of \$25,000. This amount is at least 4-5 times greater than any single dedicated fund-raising activity THS has assumed.

So you can see, we need YOUR help. Begin and keep renewing a THS membership. Donate funds beyond a simple

membership if you can — as a 501(c)(3) organization, 100% of membership and donations to THS are tax-deductible. Consider us in your estate planning. Talk us up to your friends. Link to us on your blogs or websites. Volunteer for our committees. If you have some skill in writing grant proposals, [contact us](#). Please join us in our efforts to “Pay It Forward” as Robert A. Heinlein’s writings and legacy. **[JOIN US!](#)**

