

# THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

15<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING  
OF GENERAL  
MEMBERSHIP

11 SEPTEMBER 2016

13:00 PDT / 16:00 EDT

# Call to Order

15<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF  
THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY  
is hereby  
CALLED TO ORDER

# Agenda

- Call to Order
- Moment of Silence for 9-11
- Meet THS's Board & Officers
- Notice of Mailing
- Business Items: Roll Call, Quorum, Parliamentarian
- 2015 Minutes
- Reports of Treasurer, Vice President-Secretary, President
- Committee Chair Reports
- Election & E-Ballot Results
- Good of the Society
- Adjourn

# Meet the Board of Directors



Mr. Joe Haldeman

Dr. Jerry Pournelle



Ms. Connie Willis

Mr. John Seltzer



Ms. Betsey Wilcox

Dr. C. Herbert Gilliland



# Meet the Officers

- Mr. John Tilden- Treasurer
- Mr. Geo Rule- VP-Secretary
- Dr. Keith G. Kato- President



# Timely Notice of Meeting

- OFFICIAL Notice of Annual Meeting sent via email on 2 August 2016, to comply with 30 day notice required by Bylaws (Article IV, Section 4)
- Subsequent Reminder Notices sent via email, Twitter, website postings

# Business Items

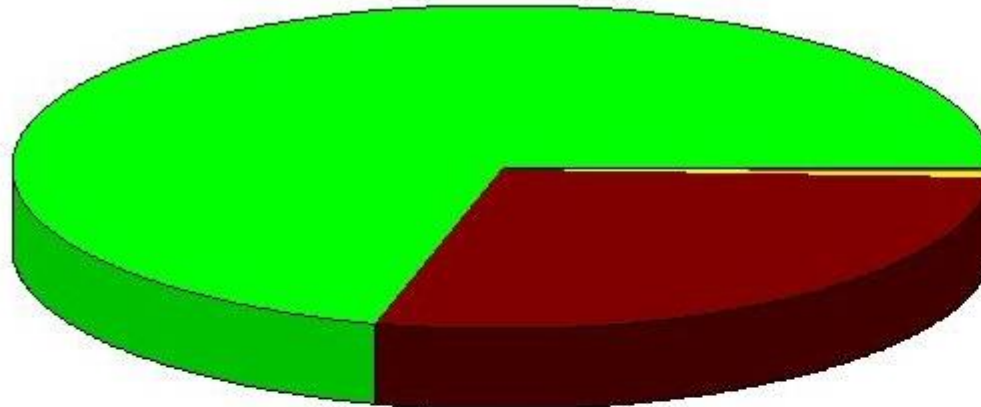
- Roll Call
- Certification of Quorum
- John Tilden is acting as the Sergeant-at-Arms and Parliamentarian
- 2015 Annual Meeting Minutes



# Report from Treasurer

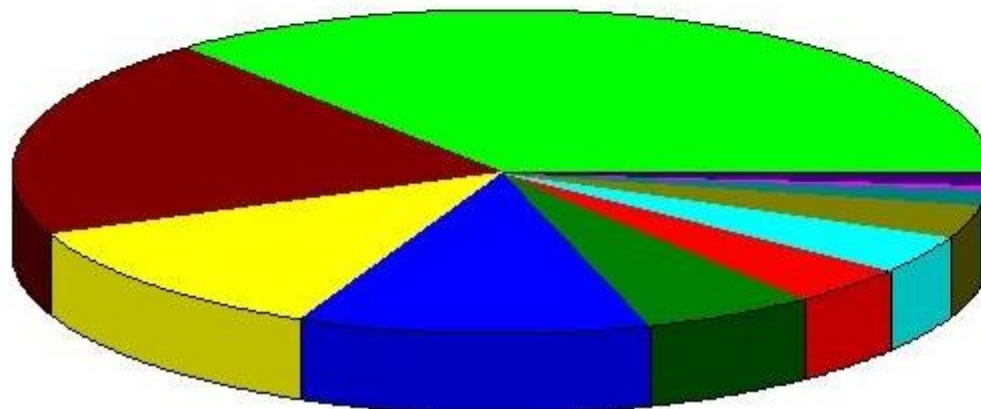


Income Summary  
September 2015 through August 2016



Membership Dues	70.86%
Donations	28.48
Commissions	0.52
Heinlein Journal Back Issues	0.07
Interest	0.06
Refund	0.01
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$28,689.10</b>

Expense Summary  
September 2015 through August 2016



Other Types of Expenses	36.22%
Heinlein For Heroes Program	20.33
Scholarship	12.04
Fund Raising	11.73
Operations	5.76
Heinlein Award	4.01
Facilities and Equipment	3.93
Blood drives	3.48
Bank Fees	1.70
Dues & Publications	0.44
Other	0.36
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24,921.30</b>



# Report from Treasurer



## Useful Statistics:

This Year's Capital Balances (8/31): \$15,957.16 checking, \$5,332.00 savings (-\$692.21 Bust Reserved) = **\$20,596.95** unreserved capital

Last Year's Capital Balance: \$7,571.74 unreserved capital

\$692.21 still on reserve for reimbursement of WorldCon Bust Display transportation expenses: **We estimated and budgeted this project very well!**

Our "Operations Expense" ratio reads on the prior chart as 5.7% but discounting the bust expenses it's actually **9%**

Our "Operations to Programs" ratio is 11%.

By most non-profit measurements **we are a very efficient organization.**

Going forward we will be budgeting only a percentage of Lifetime Memberships to be available for yearly spending (i.e. don't spend it all at once without a great reason)

More detailed transaction reporting or a "budget vs. actual chart" available by emailing **[treasurer@heinleinsociety.org](mailto:treasurer@heinleinsociety.org)**

## Report from VP-Secretary



- Write Society News for the Website
- Coordinate with Online Heinlein Archives (Bust model pictures)
- Liaison with Balticon on Heinlein Award (“...for outstanding published works in science fiction and technical writings to inspire the human exploration of space”) – THS support now 50%--\$1,000-1,500/year
- Jack of All Trades (Coordinate with Newsletter, Scholarship Committee, Education Committee)

## Report from President



- No Board appointments
- Attended 2015 Loscon, MidAmeriCon II
- MidAmeriCon THS info table, party great success
- Accepted Two Retro-Hugos on Behalf of Robert A. Heinlein at MACII
- Jeff City “Relaxacon” and induction ceremony well attended and covered, including local media coverage and AP reports on Bust Induction ceremony

# Committee Chair Report

## Blood Drives

- Carlin Black, Chair
- Core mission of THS—Started by RAH
- > 25,000 units collected by THS overall
  - FY 2015-16 > 2,800 donors!
- Do you attend cons that DON'T have a Blood Drive?
  - Contact [BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org](mailto:BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org)
  - Large or small drives worthwhile
  - Donors AND volunteers Pay It Forward
  - Many hands make light work—help needed at all drives: long standing, new, or not yet started

# Committee Chair Report Education



- Geo Rule, Chair
- 15 Education Downloads distributed by request after the “media shift” from CD.
- We intend to advertise this year to increase distribution with a new additional focus on Homeschooling resource websites.



# Committee Chair Report

## Exo-Planet Naming



- Betsey Wilcox, Chair
- Names Submitted to IAU by Deadline
  - Our Proposal made the final ballot
  - We proposed naming the mu Arae star **Robert Heinlein** in his honor
  - The names for the planets were to be **Podkayne, Pixel, Lazarus Long, & Noisy Rhysling**
  - Unfortunately, we did not succeed (we came in second)



# Hall of Famous Missourians Donors



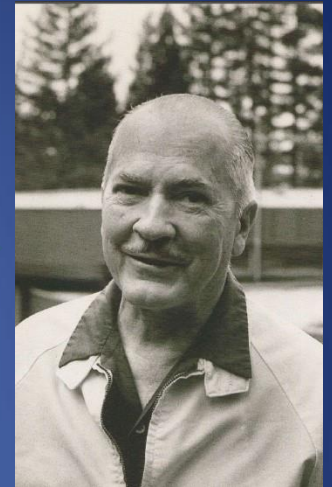
- 38 donors total; ~ \$200 average
- Largest single donor author Jeb Kinnison
  - [JebKinnison.com](http://JebKinnison.com)
  - [SubstrateWars.com](http://SubstrateWars.com)
- Heinlein Prize Trust matched dollar-for-dollar individual contributions
  - [HeinleinPrize.com](http://HeinleinPrize.com)





# Heinlein Exhibit in Hall of Famous Missourians

- RAH circa 1971 chosen as sculpture exemplar; many photos sent to E. Spencer Schubert, Sculptor
- Final Sculpture



# Plaque Wording

## Robert Anson Heinlein July 7, 1907 - May 8, 1988

The world's pre-eminent Science Fiction writer in the mid-20th century. Heinlein's influence--widespread and profound--still echoes today in SF, science, engineering, medicine, space exploration, politics, television, movies, plays, music, and blood donation. Joking he wrote "for Joe's beer money," he felt his greatest contribution to our species was the generations of young people who became technologists because of his writing. Heinlein--born in Butler, raised and educated in Kansas City, US Naval Academy graduate in 1929--hoped for a Navy career, but medically retired in 1934. His first story was published in 1939, and by 1941 he was the dominant writer in SF, merging realistic science and a readable style. After serving as a Navy research engineer during WW II, he led SF out of the "pulp" into the mainstream in publications such as *The Saturday Evening Post*. His 1950 movie *Destination Moon* won an Oscar, inspiring a new generation to become NASA engineers. The Heinlein canon is 46 volumes--the "Virginia Edition" named for his third wife Virginia "Ginny" Gerstenfeld (1916-2003), a stunningly accomplished woman herself. Four Heinlein novels won SF's Hugo Award: *Double Star*, *Starship Troopers*, *Stranger In A Strange Land*, and *The Moon Is A Harsh Mistress*. In 1975 the Science Fiction Writers of America chose Heinlein as its first Grand Master. His fans still proudly call themselves "Heinlein's Children" to honor, in the words of his NASA Distinguished Service Medal, "A man dedicated to encouraging others to dream, explore and achieve."

Selected by Speaker Tim Jones, Presented by Speaker Todd Richardson  
E.S. Schubert, Sculptor

Funding for this exhibit provided by friends and members of The Heinlein Society and the Heinlein Prize Trust--"Heinlein's Children" All

# Committee Chair Report

## Heinlein for Heroes



- Herb Gilliland, Chair
- H4H has shipped 3,600 books in 327 shipments this FY
  - Total since beginning: about 11,600 books
- \$5,116.85.77 total expenses
  - Future course: we expect to again send ~ 3,000 books per year with THS providing books and the Heinlein Prize Trust paying for shipping
  - Books will be obtained with money donations to H4H and books collected at conventions like Balticon, plus individual donations



# Committee Chair Report

## Heinlein Journal

- Bill Patterson's estate passes probate 2016
- THS now may:
  - Sell back issues
  - Publish new issues
- Dr. Marie Guthrie appointed Editor of *THJ*.

# Committee Chair Report

## Membership



- John Seltzer, Chair
- End 08/2016 **198** Regular Members
  - Ref: 194 at end 08/2015 (+ 4)
- End 08/2016 **15** Supporting Members
  - Ref: 15 at end 08/2015
- End 08/2016 16 Lifetime Members  
(First Year offering Lifetime class)

**MEMBERS NEED TO KEEP EMAIL  
ADDRESSES UPDATED**



# Committee Chair Report Newsletter

- Lisbet Weir, Chair
- Attempting to maintain every other (odd) month publication schedule
- Social Media duties handled by Dr. Marie Guthrie



# Committee Chair Report Scholarships



- Mike Sheffield, Chair
  - Selection Committee
    - Dr. Pauline Bennett, Dr. Marie Guthrie, Dr. Keith Kato, Dr. Jerry Pournelle, Geo Rule, Mike Sheffield, Betsey Wilcox
  - 2016 Recipients (**\$1,000 each**)
    - Elias Anderson, SO St. Vincent College (PA)  
Engineering & Mathematics
    - Carson Butler, FR University of Virginia  
Aerospace Engineering  
**(First “Ginny” Winner!)**
    - Charles Hanson, FR University of Alberta  
Mathematics & Astrophysics
- Hope to expand program next year, either dollar amount or number of scholarships



# Committee Chair Report Website



- Rob Hays, Webmaster
- Renewed the domain registrations for the .com, .us, .info, and .net
- WordPress™ updates including security enhancements
- Create new pages for public/members only areas
- Bill Patterson's web domains have been transferred to Society control

# Committee Chair Report

## Archives Committee



- Tom Cool, Chair ([tomCool.us](http://tomCool.us))
- RAH Archives at UCSC are in excellent condition
- 2016: Loan of realia to WorldCon cancelled due to lack of funds
- Upcoming Projects:
  - 2017: RAH Exhibit at UCSC
  - 2018: Exhibit at WorldCon 76, San Jose
- Needed: Virginia Edition, Loan/Purchase of art work, realia

# Committee Chair Report

## Electoral Processes



- Betsey Wilcox, Chair
- Largest Number of Nominees
  - 2 sitting Board members
  - 4 new nominees
- 193 eligible voters
  - 122 members voted (63.2%)
  - Largest turnout ever!

# E-Ballot Board Candidates

## New or Returning Board Members



- Mr. Joe Haldeman



- Mr. Geo Rule



- Dr. Beatrice Kondo



Special thanks to the other Nominees:  
Gerald D. Nordley, Andrew Devlin & Joel Davis

# Good of the Society



- Must increase membership
- Fundraising:
  - Direct donations
  - Estates
  - Grant proposals
- Volunteers to work on committees, at conventions
- Graphic novel news from HPT

## MidAmeriCon II (1 of 2)



- 2016 Worldcon in KC 8/17-21/16
- THS strongly recommended Society members attend
  - 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Heinlein Blood Drive
  - Bonestell/Freas/Ludekens paintings displayed
  - Freas portrait of Heinleins shown by Butler Public Library
  - Hall of Famous Missourians and cake!
  - RAH Retro-Hugo winners for “The Roads Must Roll” and “If This Goes On—”
  - On site donations exceeded \$1,000.00, highest ever.



Kato

## MidAmeriCon II (2 of 2)



- Post-Worldcon “RAHcon” relaxacon trip to Jefferson City for RAH Hall Induction Ceremony 8/23/16
- Group dinner, RAH gabfest



# Highlights of the Year

1 of 2

- Created *Planned Giving* “Howard Families” program and promoted at WorldCon.
- Again increased support for Balticon Heinlein Award to try and target half of expenses.
- First dues increase in 16 years (and still below CPI!); first offering of Lifetime Memberships with over 7% signing up, including multiple previously lapsed members.

# Highlights of the Year

2 of 2

- Scholarships Expanded by 50% in Number and doubled in Total Value.
- Two Retro Hugos for RAH (we helped with education and communication)
- Heinlein Bust in Hall of Famous Missourians!
- First “Mission/Vision/Goals” Meeting held with Board and Interested Members at MACII

## 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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MOTION TO ADJOURN...