

# THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

## 16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

10 SEPTEMBER 2017

13:00 PDT / 16:00 EDT



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# Call to Order



## 16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

is hereby

**CALLED TO ORDER**



# Agenda



- **Call to Order**
- **Meet THS's Board, Officers, Committee Members, Board of Advisors**
- **Timely Notice of Mailing**
- **Business Items: Roll Call, Quorum, Parliamentary**
- **2016 Minutes**
- **Reports of Treasurer, Vice President-Secretary, President**
- **Committee Reports**
- **Election Results**
- **Good of the Society**
- **Q&A Open Mic**
- **Virginia Edition Raffle**
- **Adjourn**



# Meet the Board of Directors



**Mr. Joe Haldeman**

**Dr. Jerry Pournelle**



**Mr. John Seltzer**

**Ms. Betsey Wilcox**



**Dr. C. Herbert Gilliland**

**Dr. Beatrice Kondo**



**Various**

# Meet the Officers

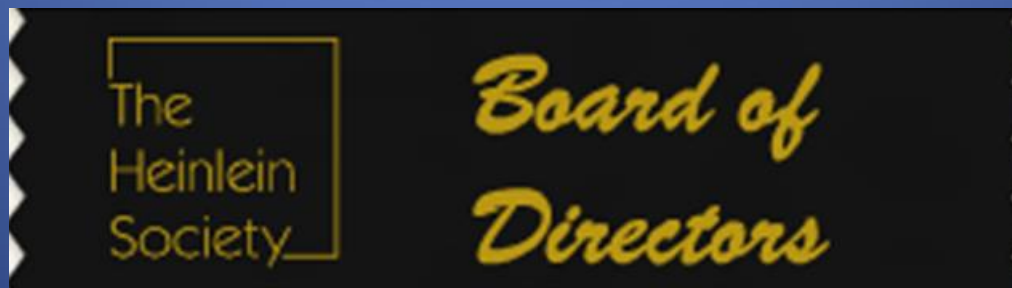
**Mr. John Tilden—Treasurer**



**Mr. Geo Rule—VP-Secretary**



**Dr. Keith G. Kato—President**



**Various**

# Meet the Committees

- **Academic/ *THJ***
  - **Dr. Marie Guthrie**
- **Archives**
  - **Mr. Will Hamilton**
- **Blood Drives**
  - **Mr. Carlin Black**
- **Education/Balticon**  
**RAH Award**
  - **Mr. Geo Rule**
- **Ensign's Prize**
  - **Ms. Betsey Wilcox**
- **Forum/Readers Group**
  - **Mr. David Wright**
- **Heinlein For Heroes**
  - **Dr. C. Herbert Gilliland**
- **Membership**
  - **Mr. Ken Walters**
- **Newsletter**
  - **Ms. Lizbet Weir**
  - **Ms. Caroline Seals**
- **Online Electoral Processes**
  - **Ms. Betsey Wilcox**
  - **Mr. Will Hamilton**
  - **Mr. John Seltzer**
- **Scholarships**
  - **Mr. Michael Sheffield**
- **Webmaster**
  - **Mr. Rob Hays**

Various



# Meet the Board of Advisors



**Dr. Charles E. Gannon**

**Mr. Eric Gignac**

**Mr. G. David Nordley**

**Mr. Howard Rosenblatt**



# Timely Notice of Meeting



**OFFICIAL Notice of Annual Meeting**  
sent via The Heinlein Society  
Newsletter on **20 July 2017**, to  
comply with 30 day notice required by  
Bylaws (Article IV, Section 4)

**Subsequent Reminder Notices sent via  
email, Twitter, website postings**





# Business Items

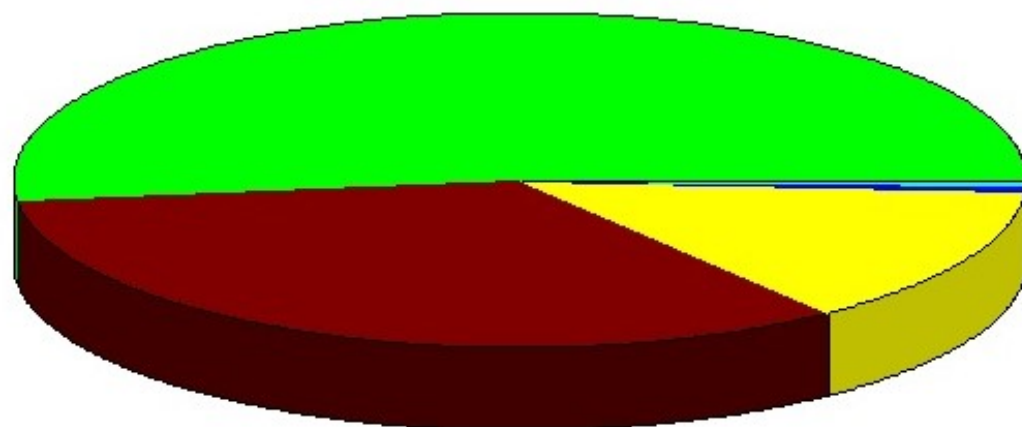


- **Roll Call**
- **Certification of Quorum**
- **John Tilden is acting as the Sergeant-at-Arms and Parliamentarian**
- **2016 Annual Meeting Minutes**

# Treasurer

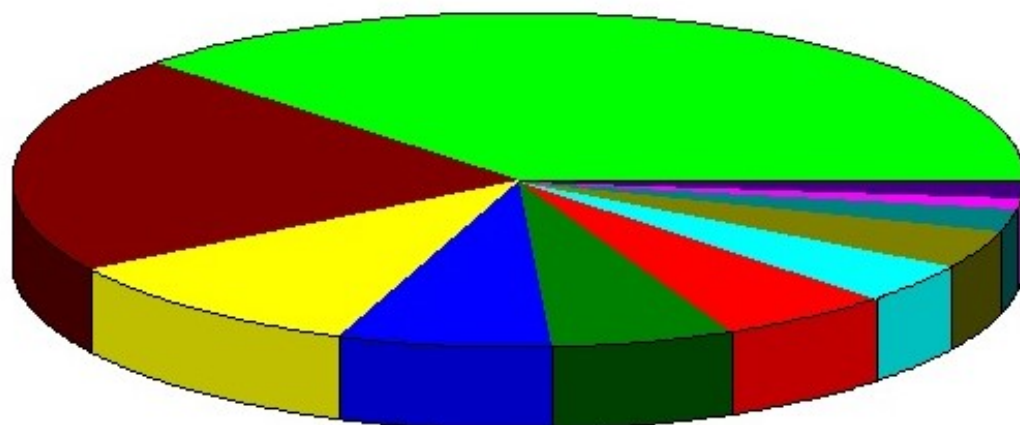


Income Summary  
September 2016 through August 2017



Membership Dues	52.09%
Donations	33.52
Grant	13.60
Other Types of Income	0.62
Commissions	0.12
Interest	0.05
Refund	0.01
Total	\$36,773.30

Expense Summary  
September 2016 through August 2017



Heinlein For Heroes Program	37.79%
Scholarship	21.47
Fund Raising	10.31
Operations	6.91
Facilities and Equipment	5.95
Heinlein Award	5.72
Other Types of Expenses	3.96
Bank Fees	3.80
Blood drives	2.40
Membership Refund	1.03
Dues & Publications	0.66
Total	\$17,469.19

# Treasurer (cont.)



## Useful Statistics:

### **End of FY Balances (08/31/2017):**

**Checking:       \$7,388.60**

**PayPal:         \$13,047.29**

**Savings:        \$20,163.99       "Lifetime Reserved" Account**

**Unreserved Capital Balance: \$20,435.89**

**2016 Capital Balance:         \$20,596.95**

**2015 Capital Balance:         \$7,571.74**

### **The Board adopted a spending policy for Lifetime Memberships:**

- **We have limited spending to \$50 per Life Member per year for 15 years once the Membership is paid**
- **For example we will be allowing \$1,450 of the Savings listed above to be moved in FY 18 to be spent**

# Treasurer (cont.)



**Our "Operations Expense" ratio reads on the prior chart as 6.91%**

**Our "Operations to Programs" ratio is 10.25%, slightly better than last year**

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

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

# Vice President - Secretary



- **Jack of All Trades (Coordinate with Newsletter, Scholarship Committee, Education Committee)**
- **Led Membership Cards effort\***
  - **Total use of dues for initial fulfillment \$200 (S&H); rest raised as donations in kind, or cash donations**



\* Good sense to be married to professional graphics designer and Heinleiner, Deb Houdek Rule

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# President



- **Attended 2016 Loscon, 2017 Helsinki Worldcon, 2017 Mars Society Convention**
- **Helsinki Worldcon THS info table, party great success (except no reindeer chili)**
- **Reports of several RAH citations during Worldcon panels**
- **Begin study effort to get non-U.S. THS members more “bang for buck” on dues**



# Academic/*Heinlein Journal*



- **Dr. Marie Guthrie, Chair & Editor of *THJ*, Social Media Lead**
- **Backlogged papers from Bill Patterson's files & computer**
- **Soliciting "Young Scholars" papers**
- **Scholarship winners' essays**
- **Patterson Papers project**
- **George Slusser Conference on SF&F**
  - **U.C. Irvine, 26-29 April 2018**
  - **Call for papers:**  
**<https://www.sfsite.com/gary/ww-slusser01.htm>**



Guthrie



# Archives



- **Will Hamilton, Chair**
- **Tally of physical items belonging to THS—who, what, where**
- **Assemble, collate, organize Society meeting records**
- **Assemble common Society items—logo, letterhead, photos, etc.**

# Blood Drives



- **Carlin Black, Chair**
- **Core mission of THS—Started by RAH**
  - **FY 2016-17—3,530 donors!**
  - **End of FY 2016-17—30,853 donors coordinated by THS since 11/2000 founding**
  - **Expect 2017 Dragon Con yield ~ 3,000 donors**
- **Attend cons that DON'T do Blood Drives?**
  - **Contact [BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org](mailto: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**



# Education/Balticon RAH Award



- **Geo Rule, Chair**
- **20 Education Downloads distributed**
- **Last year reported to you we intend to target home schooling resource sites for increased distribution. Still on the “to do” list, but will make progress in FY 2017-18**
- **Rob Sawyer 2017 Heinlein Award winner. THS represented at ceremony by Board Member Beatrice Kondo.**



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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 opened to general public 15 Sep 2017**
- **Income to date \$3,545.00**



# Heinlein For Heroes



- **Herb Gilliland, Chair**
- **FY 2016-17: H4H shipped 3,058 books in 297 shipments**
  - **Total since beginning: about 14,650 books**
- **\$6,600.90 total expenses**
- **Future: Expect to send ~ 3,000 books per year w/ THS providing books and HPT paying for shipping**
  - **Trust reimbursed \$2,027.35 for FY 2016-17 shipping expenses**
  - **Books mostly cash purchases; some books donated at conventions like Balticon, plus individual donations**



Gilliland / Seltzer

# Membership Services



- **Ken Walters, Chair**
- **End FY 2016-17 260 Active Members**
  - **21% increase over previous FY (+45)**
  - **Highest membership since 2007**
- **End FY 2016-17 29 Lifetime Members**
  - **81% increase over previous FY (+13)**
- **Mailed 202 Membership Cards to date**
- **Engaged Social Media Membership outreach**
- **Successful inactive Member email campaign**

**MEMBERS NEED TO KEEP EMAIL  
& POSTAL ADDRESSES UPDATED**



Walters



# Newsletter

- **Lisbet Weir, Chair; Caroline Seals, Publications Associate**
- **Attempting to maintain every other (odd) month publication schedule**
- **Keith: “A regular Newsletter is very important. It’s the only tangible evidence our Members have that we are still here and doing stuff with their dues.”**



**Weir / Seals**



# Scholarships



- **Mike Sheffield, Chair**
- **163 Applicants—Almost 2x 2016**
- **Selection Committee: Dr. Pauline Bennet, Dr. Marie Guthrie, Dr. Keith Kato, Dr. Beatrice Kondo, Geo Rule, Mike Sheffield, Betsey Wilcox**
- **2017 Recipients (\$1,250 each):**
  - **Alec Jobbins—U.C. Berkeley, Sophomore, Mechanical Engineering major, Biomedical Engineering minor.**
  - **Lydia Pscholka—Winner of “Ginny.” U. Colorado Boulder, Sophomore, Aerospace Engineering major.**
  - **Emma Riedi--Bemidji State University (MN), Freshman. Environmental Studies major.**



Sheffield

# Scholarships (cont.)



- **Our other top ten finalists, alphabetical order, are:**
  - **Cameron Angulo**
  - **Alexandra Barletta-Chacon**
  - **Markika Fox**
  - **Markisha Fuller**
  - **Charles Hanson**
  - **Priyanka Koratpallikar**
  - **Courtney Nieto**

# Website



- Rob Hays, Webmaster
- Renewed the domain registrations for the .com, .us, .info, and .net
- WordPress™ updates including security enhancements
- Completed transfer of **HeinleinJournal.com** and **WHPattersonjr.com** websites to THS
- Preparing **HeinleinJournal.com** to support resumption of sales of *The Heinlein Journal*



# Online Electoral Processes



- **Betsey Wilcox, Chair**
- **Administrators: Will Hamilton (heavy lifting) & John Seltzer (recused except minor procedural)**
- **4 Nominees—Incumbents Jerry Pournelle, John Tilden, John Seltzer, Nominee Walter Boyes**
- **200 eligible voters**
- **133 members voted (66.5%)**
- **Largest turnout ever—besting 63.2% from the previous year!**



**DIRECTORS FOR 2017-2020 CLASS  
ARE....**

**Wilcox / Hamilton**

# Ahead in 2018...



- **U.C. Santa Cruz (UCSC) will exhibit Heinlein physical archives during 2018 San Jose Worldcon**
- **Trip to UCSC Wednesday, 08/15/2018 (?)**
  - **San Jose Airport to UCSC about 40 min drive**
  - **Library food service 09:00—14:00**
- **Concom working w/ UCSC for Academic Program.**
- **UCSC also has large comics collection—Concom might be coordinating trip anyway**



# Just For Fun



- **Spierig Bros “Jigsaw” 10/27/2017**
- **“The Unpleasant Profession of Jonathan Hoag” movie**
- **SyFy Channel “Stranger In A Strange Land” series**
- **“Starship Troopers” reboot (?)**
- **“The Moon Is A Harsh Mistress” movie as “Uprising”—Brian Singer**
- **Spierig Bros “Winchester” 02/23/2018**





# Good of the Society



- **Must continue increasing membership**
- **Fundraising:**
  - **Direct donations**
  - **Estates**
  - **Grant proposals (Red Cross?)**
- **Volunteers to work on committees, at conventions**
- **Study for use-parity of European, Asian THS members' dues**





# 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

# Virginia Edition Raffle



- All Regular and Lifetime Members who joined up to 08/31/2017 eligible except
  - Board of Directors
  - Members who removed themselves
- Those 1<sup>st</sup> joined 1 Sept 2016-31 Aug 2017 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



**AND THE WINNING NUMBER IS....**

Tilden

# THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

THE CHAIR ENTERTAINS  
A MOTION TO ADJOURN....

