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THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY





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Spring is finally springing! Here's what The Heinlein Society has
been up to since January.



Congratulations, Cathy!

We were pleased to finally fulfill our raffle winner from last year's WorldCon in San Jose's winning ticket! Cathy Carlson joined The Heinlein Society at ConJose and was randomly selected to receive a copy, graciously donated by the VE Company, of the recently released graphic novel *Have Space Suit, Will Travel*.

Cathy had this to say: "How BEAUTIFUL!...The graphic novel quality is top-notch. I am thinking of sewing the patch on my ConJose denim shirt...I am thrilled to have won this beautifully rendered, beautifully written story!"

Robert A. Heinlein Award Goes to One of THS's Own!

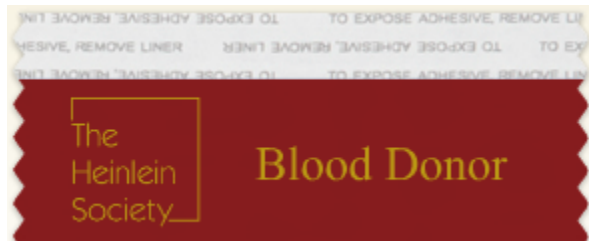
Heinlein Society Life Member Gregory Benford has been announced as the 2019 recipient of the Robert A Heinlein Award, which will be presented at Balticon over Memorial Day weekend. If you are a member in the Baltimore area or if you'll be in town for Balticon and you'd like to be a part of celebrating Greg, please email chairman@heinleinsociety.org with your contact information. We will be sending out more information to those interested as we get closer to the convention weekend.

BLOOD DRIVE UPDATE

by Carlin Black, Blood Drive Chair

We can always use people who want to Pay It Forward by coordinating a blood drive at their favorite con(s) or helping out at existing Heinlein Blood Drives. Blood Drive Worker Bees do not have to be blood donors or attend the con, although a walk around pass is usually a perk of the deal! Contact BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org with your location and favorite cons and we will try to match you up.

Help us share the **Pay It Forward** mission!



Watch [The Heinlein Society Blood Drive Page on Facebook](#) for more details!

This fiscal year, we've made 216 shipments, totaling 2,547 books distributed. Since the program's inception, we've sent 21,649 total books to our heroes.



The Heinlein For Heroes program (H4H) sends free books to troops, veterans, and military families. We send only to individuals or units that have requested SF material. Clearly many of our military men and women WANT to read good science fiction, including Heinlein. To meet that demand, our shipments go around the globe, as well as to veterans' hospitals here at home.

Contributions keep coming in, but your help is still needed. We need gently used paperbacks—and especially Heinleins, as we include Heinlein books in every shipment.

Money contributions are used to buy books wherever we find them

(book dealers, eBay) at the right price. But free is even better than cheap. Is an SF friend or neighbor downsizing? You can help them and help us!

Go to heinleinsociety.org/h4h/ for information on where to send books or money.

Thank you Baen Books!

We're happy to announce that the [Baen Books](http://BaenBooks.com) Publishing Company has gifted The Heinlein For Heroes program with free books for a second time!

Baen Books began publishing in 1983 and has published many of Heinlein's works in the years since then. In fact, Jim Baen, the company's founder, was a long-time friend of Robert Heinlein's. Baen's first generous gift to the Heinlein For Heroes program was about eight months ago, with 400 brand new Heinlein paperbacks. Toni Weiskopf, Publisher at Baen, has assured us that this second gift won't be the last; Baen intends to continue to support Heinlein for Heroes in the future!

Many thanks to Toni and Baen for helping us continue to **Pay It Forward!**



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Dear Friends,

~~On behalf of the Department of Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) Louisville-Robley-Rex VAMC,~~
patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your donation of books.

It is through the efforts of community partners like you that allow us to continue the quality care and services that we seek to provide our deserving Veterans. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you again for future events.

Thank you for your continued support and for joining us in service to America's Veterans and their families. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office by email at: vhalouvavs@va.gov or by calling (502) 287-6221.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Harrett
Chief, Voluntary Service

In accordance with VHA Directive 4721, we are required to state "The Department of Veterans Affairs did not provide you, the donor, any goods or services in consideration in whole or part for your contribution."

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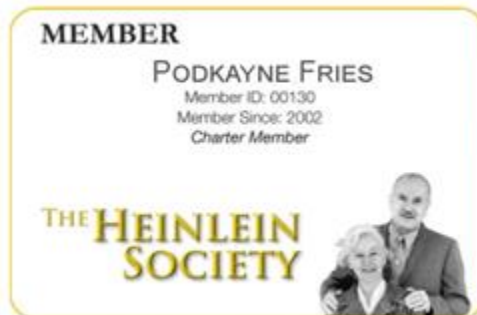
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