THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

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This Thanksgiving, we're thankful for you!



Here's what The Heinlein Society has been up to since September.

Annual Meeting Raffle Winners!

Congratulations to Victor Koman, PhD, for winning a copy of Astounding!



Congratulations to Jack Kelly for winning a "Mother Thing" plushie, courtesy of the

collected works! (Walter pictured below).



Walter lost many of his RAH books to a house fire years ago, so he is really looking forward to reacquainting himself with the stories.

Fair Winds and Following Seas to Dr. Marie Guthrie, PhD!

by John Tilden



We are sorry to announce that Dr. Marie Guthrie has resigned as the editor of *The Heinlein Journal* and chair of our Academic Committee, citing personal time constraints. After the death of Bill Patterson, Marie stepped up to help the Society get publishing *THJ* again and we thank her for her contributions!

To fill the position of Editor, the Heinlein Society is looking for someone with experience in scholarly editing and publishing. There is a current template for publishing an issue within MS Word, so the editorial duties are expected to run more towards towards composing a balanced issue in terms of content, and championing a wide variety of submissions for consideration.

Interested people should describe their qualifications and experience via a short email to chairman@heinleinsociety.org. We cannot offer payment for the position at this time, other than the gratitude of readers of the *Journal* for "Paying it Forward".

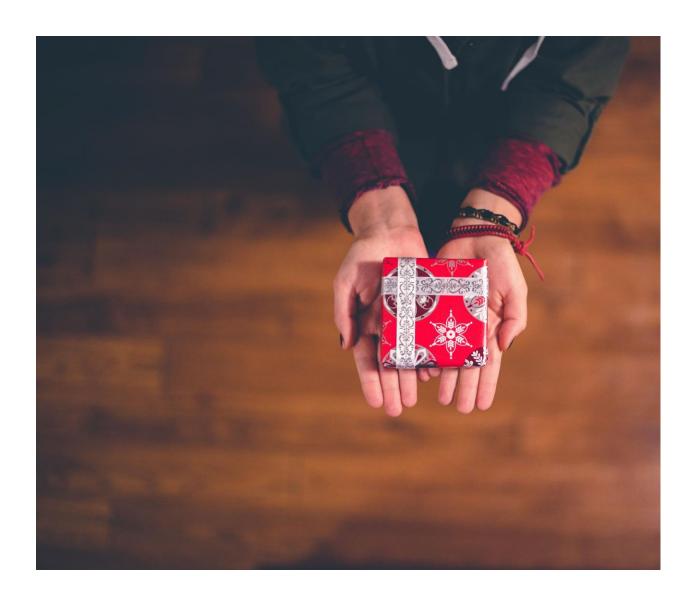
by Mike Sheffield

As the cost of education continues to rise, The Heinlein Society reaffirms its commitment supporting future generations of scientists and engineers. The board of directors has voted to increase the amount of each of our three scholarships (The Virginia Heinlein Memorial Scholarship, The Dr. Yoji Kondo Scholarship, The Dr. Jerry Pournelle Scholarship) from \$2,000 to \$2,500 for the 2020 - 2021 academic year. The updated scholarship form and information will be on our website in mid-January.

Virginia Heinlein Memorial Scholarship is dedicated to a female candidate majoring in engineering, math, or biological or physical sciences.

Dr. Yoji Kondo Scholarship may be awarded to a candidate of any gender majoring in engineering, math, or biological or physical sciences, and add "Science Fiction as literature" as an eligible field of study.

Dr. Jerry Pournelle Scholarship may be awarded to a candidate of any gender majoring in engineering, math, or biological or physical sciences, and add "Science Fiction as literature" as an eligible field of study.



Help us "Pay it Forward"!

Thank you all for your continued membership and support of The Heinlein Society.

We wouldn't be able to make the impact that we do without you!

As we approach Black Friday and Giving Tuesday, please consider using selecting
The Heinlein Society as your charity of choice when using Amazon Smile, or using
this link when you shop. You can you do your normal holiday shopping and support
The Heinlein Society at the same time!

If you're looking for gift ideas, it is our firm belief that books are a great choice for that hard-to-buy-for loved one. You can browse some of our recommendations and buy them here (and we'll get a small commission from your purchase).

And of course, donations are always appreciated. If you feel so moved, you can navigate here to skip Amazon entirely and donate directly to the Society.

Thank you again for helping us to continue to "Pay It Forward"!

Photo by Ben White on Unsplash



spacesuit-clad Soleil Gignac, at the International Astronautical Convention in Washington, DC October 25.

BLOOD DRIVE UPDATE

by Carlin Black, Blood Drive Chair

The Heinlein Society needs people all over the country who want to Pay It Forward as blood drive coordinators. There are cons everywhere that want to host blood drives but blood centers are reluctant to hold a Con drive unless an on site coordinator is managing the drive.

If you or anyone you know would like to coordinate a blood drive or a few, The Heinlein Society will provide lots of help to make it possible. Coordinators and their volunteer helpers normally get "walk around" con passes to recruit donors, schedule donations, (and people watch - isn't that the best part of the con anyway?). If cost is an issue the society is providing some reimbursement for full time coordinator expenses. "Full Time" just means that the coordinator and volunteers make sure that the scheduling table and on-the-floor recruiting are happening and take turns enjoying the Con. Coordinators do not have to be members of The Heinlein Society or even blood donors, they just want to Pay It Forward for Robert Heinlein by coordinating blood drives! If interested please contact the BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org

The next opportunities to get the RAH designed blood donor pin and other SWAG: Arisia www.arisia.org in Boston Jan 17-20

ChattaCon chattacon.org in Chattanooga Jan 24-26

Boscone <u>www.boscone.org</u> in Boston Feb 14-16

Pantheacon pantheacon.org in San Jose CA Feb 14-17

You don't have to be going to the con, if you are nearby look for the BloodMobile!

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



For the Good of the Order:

- Heinleiners attending the 2020 Worldcon in Wellington, New Zealand, 29 July-2 August 2020, should be aware that hotel room reservations begin booking on 3 December 2019, 09:00 AM local New Zealand time. New Zealand, being in the southern hemisphere, is presently observing Daylight Savings Time until 5 April 2020. At the moment, for those of us in the Pacific Standard Time zone, Wellington is +21 hours ahead (which includes DST and the International Date Line). Adjust accordingly for wherever you might be. Further information: https://conzealand.nz/.
- Because the 2020 Worldcon will be off the North American continent, the NASFiC ("North American Science Fiction Convention) will be held in Columbus, Ohio, 20-23 August 2020. Further information: http://columbus2020nasfic.org/.
- Those planning to attend the 2021 Worldcon in Washington, DC ("DisCon III"), 25-29 August 2021, should be aware that the present Attending
 Membership rate of US\$155 is valid until 31 December 2019, after which it

This fiscal year, we've made 64 shipments already, totaling 799 books distributed. Since the program's inception, we've sent 24,653 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!

You can send us books at:

Heinlein for Heroes c/o John Seltzer 2906 Alvarado Dr. Bellingham, WA 98229

Go to heinleinsociety.org/h4h/ for information!

Heinlein Society Members,

I received a box of books from you through Operation Paperback and just wanted to say thank you. I enjoyed the variety of books received and one coworker was particularly excited by a couple of books. Your generosity and thoughtfulness are appreciated.

Sincerely,

Heather Campbell



Dear Sir or Ma'am,

I am very thankful for the books you sent and the time and effort you and your team puts into operation paperback. The books arrived in great condition. I am a lifelong reader and the books provide a way to escape for a little while each day. Thanks as air and enjoy the upcoming antumn season

Wayne Hammond



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ET Michael Schluter.



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Dear THE SEINLEIN SOCIETY:

On behalf of the Detroit - John D. Dingell 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.

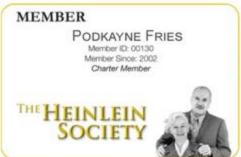
Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

William R. Browning

William R. Browning Chief, Volunteer and Community Relations





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