July 2014 Newsletter

THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY

Centennial + 7

Seven-seven... plus seven.

Today marks the 107th anniversary of the birth of Robert A. Heinlein. Stop by the Heinlein Society page and relive some of the <u>great moments from the Centennial</u>, and also go to the <u>Heinlein For Heroes page</u> and read some of the great 'thank yous' we've received for this outstanding program. The Heinleins would be proud.

The Heinlein Society has made great strides this year in forwarding our goal and mission of Paying It Forward. We still, and always, need your help and support. Even more importantly, we need your membership and participation. Renew your own membership, and encourage your friends to join. We're running a tight ship, with everything we take in going right back out to programs like Heinlein For Heroes, the extremely successful Blood Drives, and the expanding Scholarship Program. Our continued success depends on YOU!

JOIN US!

The Heinlein Prize Trust website year in review article talks about many of the publishing events and other milestones that took place in the broader realm of "Heinlein-dom" this last year. Shared from the HPT website:

On July 7th we always pause to note the anniversary of the birth of Robert A. Heinlein[™]. Though he passed away in 1988, Robert Heinlein continues to be an enduring and influential American writer of speculative fiction. Most of his books are still in print in many languages, and his influence can be seen in the writings of authors today.









Robert A. Heinlein: July 7, 1907 – May 8, 1988 Live with gusto, die with dignity.



Blood Drives

Keep up with Blood Drives news at

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



With mixed joy and sorrow came the publication of Volume 2 of the comprehensive biography of Robert A. Heinlein, *In Dialogue with His Century: Volume 2, 1948-1988: The Man Who Learned Better* (available on Amazon.com). This authorized biography was published by Tor in June of 2014. Sadly, the author, a close friend of many of us, and first official Heinlein Scholar, William H. Patterson, Jr. passed away unexpectedly only a matter of weeks before the final volume of his master work was released.

The Virginia Edition Publishing Company began a new publication branch called ScienceDeck, devoted to non-fiction space science publications. Space Elevators: An Assessment of the Technological Feasibility and the Way Forward and The Case For Space Solar Power, both important publications, have been very well received.

And released just days ago, came an exciting new publication entry, the first Heinlein graphic novel. Based on Heinlein's *Citizen of the Galaxy*, this beautifully done graphic novel is set to reach an entirely new generation of readers, as well as provide a fascinating new view of CotG to long-time fans.

The Heinlein Prize Trust Have Space Suit — Will Travel educational program continues to spread and be enthusiastically received by students around the world. The spacesuits are on exhibit right now at the Challenger Space Center in Peoria, Arizona, among the many places they have traveled to throughout the year to educate and inspire the next generation of space explorers.

In December of 2013, Heinlein was selected for inclusion in the Hall of Famous Missourians.

One hundred and seven years after his birth, it's a continual joy to see the many ways Robert Heinlein's positive and forward-looking vision of the future continues to inspire.

See the <u>Heinlein Prize Trust website</u> for more information on these events, and links to stories.

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3000+ Books Sent

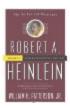
The Heinlein For Heroes program has passed 3000 books sent to troops, veterans, and military families.

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

Go to <u>heinleinsociety.org/h4h/</u> for information on how you can help.

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