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THE HEINLEIN SOCIETY



**Jason Aukerman
[Bradbury Exhibit]**

THS members on a tour of the Bradbury Exhibit at IUPUI.

Worldcon 2022 Report

By Keith G. Kato

The 80th World Science Fiction Convention, Chicon 8 (<https://chicon.org/>), was held from Thursday, 1 September 2022 through Monday, 5 September 2022 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown Chicago, Illinois. As its name indicates, this was the eighth time a Worldcon was held in Chicago, and fifth time at this particular hotel. The Heinlein Society was well-represented with President John Tilden, Vice President Ken Walters, Secretary Dr. C. Herb Gilliland, and Emeritus President Mike Sheffield, and Betsey Wilcox from the Board in attendance. Also attending were David Gerrold and Joe Haldeman from the Board of Advisors. [Click here for the full story!](#)

Thanks from the recipient of "The Ginny" Scholarship!

Dear Mr. Tilden,

Thank you and the entire Heinlein Society for the Virginia Heinlein Scholarship. I am honored to receive this recognition. The Scholarship funds make a significant difference and will help me achieve my goals.

Sincerely,

Sera Mccormy

Social Media Moderators Wanted!

Hello Heinlein Society members. Are you experienced with Facebook? Have you been a page or group admin? Are you able to be politically neutral? Can you deal with a diverse group of people and remain polite? If you fit the bill, we need your help! Please contact

Ken Walters at ken@heinleinsociety.org.



The Heinlein Journal Needs YOU!

The Heinlein Journal is seeking authors.

Do you have a neat Heinlein-related idea you thought you might write up in an academic manner some day? As a wise person once advised, put the seat of your pants in the chair in front of your keyboard and start! (If you have some doubts about it, you can query first and we'll talk about it! If you are unsure about the format, do not worry; we can clear that up too).

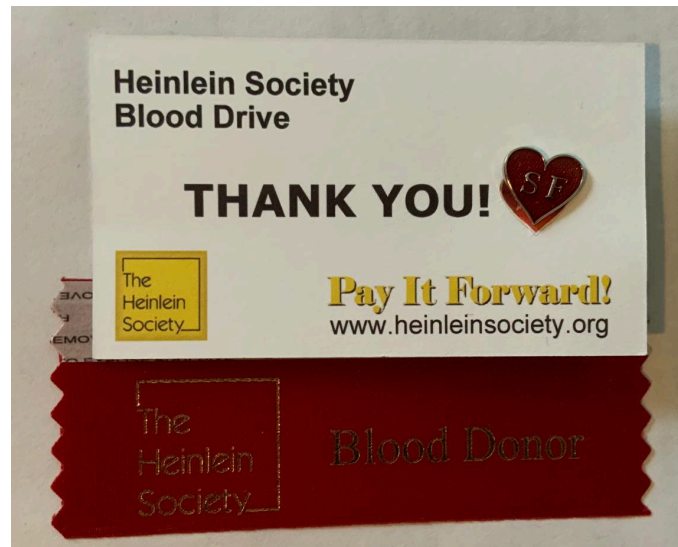
Reach out to:

Herb Gilliland, Editor, The Heinlein Journal

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Blood Drive Update

by Carlin Black, Blood Drive Chair



We are encouraging frequent THS donors to inspire others to Pay It Forward with a blood donation by publishing a profile on the [Heinlein Society Blood Drives Facebook Page](#). Or just send a profile and a donation selfie to BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org for posting.

THS Donors will be recognized with an SF pin, Thank You card, and ribbons and a donation selfie on the [Donor Wall](#). Send a donor selfie and USPS address to BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org for recognition swag. You can credit a Con (or not) and any THS member is eligible! Help us beef up the wall! First time donors will be featured.

Dragon Con 2022 checked in with 2996 donations with 489 Double Reds for 3485 Units collected.

Since The Heinlein Society started Paying it Forward with convention blood drives we have documented 49,266 donations and at least 50,913 units of life saving blood. Since each unit is separated into several components given to different patients, each unit of blood can potentially save three lives.

Watch this space for a new way for any member of the society to save lives in their own home town.

We are piloting a Library Blood Drive program where a member can, with the help of their local blood center and a few friends, coordinate a blood drive at a local library. As you know, we are all readers and probably got started at a library. You can now Pay it Forward at your favorite library with a Heinlein Society blood drive with pins, ribbons, and other swag. Contact BloodDriveChair@heinleinsociety.org for more information.

Until next month,

Carlin Black

Blood Drive Chair

This fiscal year, we've made 27 shipments already, totaling 545 books distributed. Since the program's inception, we've sent 38,555 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!



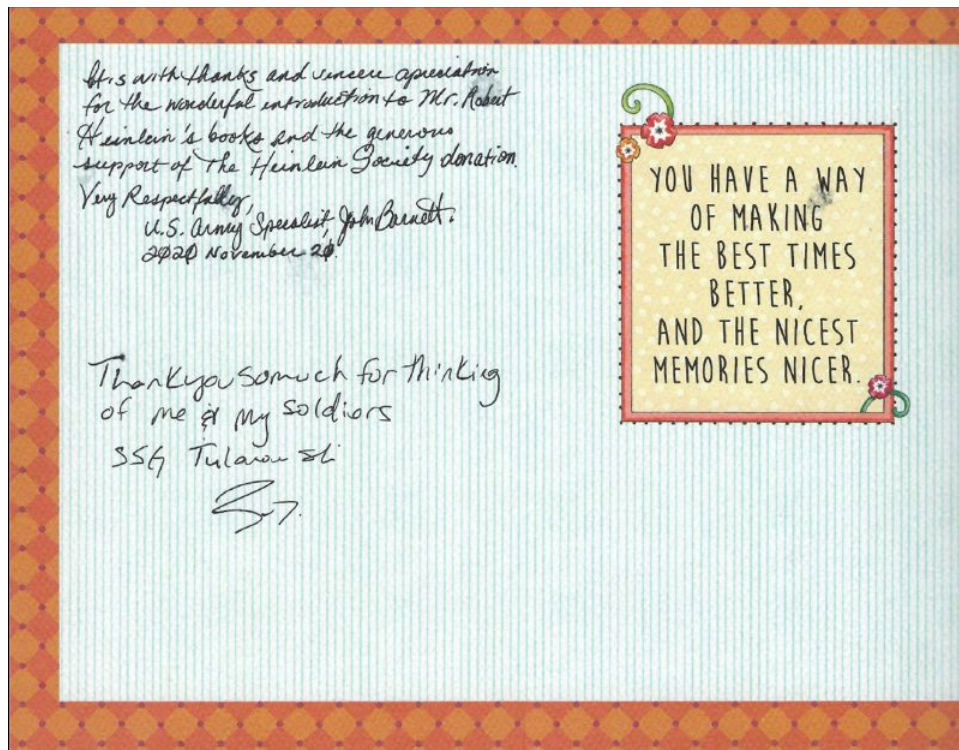
From the Soldiers of 1st Squadron, 2nd Cavalry Regiment, I just wanted to say thank you for all of your support! Your letters and care packages made this rotation go by a lot faster. We are appreciative of everything you do for us, thank you! Please send me an email at [redacted] to let me know you've received this. Thank you again!

CW3 Jennifer Alexander



Thank you Heinlein for Heroes for this awesome gift! Me & other troops are so grateful for these books. I know that I use them as a gateway to have moments of peace during these trying times. Thank you guys so much for everything!

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It's not an easy topic, but if you are an SF fan and you don't know who in your family would appreciate or understand the value of a signed book or significant collection when you are gone--the Heinlein Society will be here. As a U.S. 501(c)3 charitable organization your estate could realize tax savings...plus your items or money will go to a cause you cared about in your lifetime as a member. If you are interested to know more about this topic, check out <https://www.heinleinsociety.org/planned-giving/>.



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