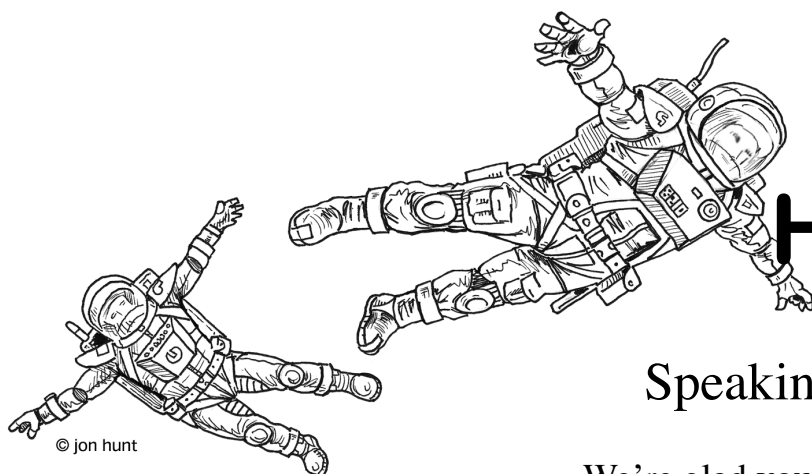




HELMUTH

Speaking for BOSKONE 49

We're glad you all came! Come again soon!

Number 4, Sunday, February 19, 2012

LATE BREAKING NEWS:

Due to a family emergency, John Scalzi has to leave the convention a little early, and will miss his 2:00PM autographing. John has been a great Guest of Honor. NESFA and the attendees of Boskone wish him and his family the best.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER!

Cons run on volunteer power. Earn our eternal gratitude! Earn a T-Shirt! Earn a free membership for next year! It's still possible, even.

Help is needed with teardown and truck loading starting about 3 PM. (Art Show may need help earlier.) Please see Volunteers Desk in the Galleria. Pizza will be provided after the truck is loaded for all those helping. Plus this is another great opportunity to earn your t-shirt and free membership for next year.

The Photo Booth is available FOR FREE at the top of the escalators, across from Registration. Have your picture taken holding an alien penguin, or sitting next to Shakespeare, or sporting a steampunk moustache! Sunday hours: 11 am to 2 pm, approximately. Boskone members are welcome to utilize their own cameras if preferred. Silliness is

encouraged, but no one wishing a photo will be turned away. Crystal Huff is running this area. Members with feedback on Boskone 49 are encouraged to come to the Gripe Session at 3:00PM in Carlton. Committee / NESFA members are asked to hold their feedback for the Boskone Debriefing, scheduled for 1:00PM on March 11th at the NESFA Clubhouse. For directions, go to <http://www.nesfa.org/clubhouse.html>.

Lost & Found: There is STILL an Austin Book & Comics gift certificate with a name on it, please come to Information to claim it. The other items listed here earlier have already been reunited with their owners.

It's not too late to buy your membership for Boskone 50 at a special reduced rate of \$40 (\$30 for college students and \$20 for K-12). Guests TBA. Memberships are available at the NESFA Sales table in the Dealers Room.

THANK YOU to everyone who has helped us fix any breaking news.

AWARDS:

2012 Skylark:

Sharon Lee and Steve Miller

2012 Fellow of NESFA:

Bob Devney

Art Show Awards:

Best in Show – (Popular Choice)
“Creative Anxiety,” Aedan Roberts

Best 2D Artist – (Popular Choice)
Aedan Roberts

Best 3D Artist – (Popular Choice)
Duncan Eagleson

GoH Choice – “Creative Anxiety,” Aedan Roberts

Art Show Director’s Choice –
“The Goblin Market,” William O’Connor

Staff Choice – “Faerie,” Joan Turner

Guards Choice –
“Robot Ink,” Coralynn Rowell
and “Queen of Wands,” Dave Seeley

Chairman’s Choice – “Moby Dick vs.
The Sea Monster,” Bob Eggleton

Judges’ Choice, Best in Show –
“Queen of Wants,” Dave Seeley

Judges’ Choice, Honorable Mention –
“Mossy Finds the Golden Key,”
Ruth Sanderson
“Jane,” Greg Manchess
“Body of Work,” Linda Dockery Graves
“Bridge Troll,” Duncan Eagleson
“Fires of Heaven,” Don dos Santos

Program News

Autographing:

Charlie Stross, Sunday, 13:00

Time Changes:

Art show sales will begin at 1:00PM on Sunday. The Pocket Program incorrectly lists an earlier time.

Songs Sung at “Silent Voices” Circle

Song, Author, To the Tune of (ttto) Sung by, In Memory of
The Soundman, Gary Ehrlich, ttto The Gambler, by Gary Ehrlich for Chris Croughton

Empty Chair, Phil Alcock, by Gary McGath for Chris Croughton

T-Rexeteen, Bob Rosenfeld, ttto Velveteen by Kathy Mar, by Bob Rosenfeld for Badger
Banned from Argo, Leslie Fish, by Roberta Rogow for Badger

Once in a Lifetime, Mark Mandel, Mark Mandel for Rene Mandel

Circle in the Sky, P.J.Lis'ner, ttto Spirit in the Sky, Paul Mangan for all the ones we've lost
When I Go, Dave Carter, Dan Fairchild for all the ones we've lost

Only Remembered, Jeff Keller, by Greg McMullan for all the ones we've lost

Ballad of Lois Mangan, Mark Mandel, ttto Clementine, by Mark Mandel for Lois Mangan
Hyper Hilton, Gary McGath, ttto Moon Above & Fire Below, by Gary McGath for Badger
The Parting Glass, Irish trad. Roberta Rogow, for all the ones we've lost

Addenda to Absent Friends:

Alice “Badger” Washburn and Asenath Hammond

Please drop by the Information Desk to sign the card for Jerry and Roberta Pournelle and send them your best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Thanks to Operation Hammond for letting use the following: They “Encourage emergency preparation, first aid skills and training within the convention community by working with community groups, conventions and their attendees and organizers within the pop culture community.” Having first-aiders nearby was very useful to several staff members.

Helmuth for Boskone 49 is brought to you by Suli and Fred Isaacs (SCIFI). Our filk reporter is Gary Ehrlich. Art is by Jon Hunt.