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# La Estrella Solitaria San Antonio, Texas

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## Remember

San Antonio is hot. Drink plenty of water! Wear sunscreen.

## Parties

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All parties are in the Marriott Rivercenter unless otherwise noted. The LSC 3 Hospitality Suite is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, rooms 16 and 17. Open 8 am – 2 am

### Booksworn and Friends

3436 8 pm - late

### DC3 Bid Party

3342 8 pm - midnight

### Helsinki 2015 Bid Party

3430 9 pm - ???

### Orlando 2015 Bid Party

3529 9 pm - ???

### Phoenix 2014 Bid Party

3326 9 pm - ???

### Spokane 2015 Bid Party

3530 9 pm - ???

This list isn't comprehensive. Other parties may be listed on the party board by Registration.

## Staff Box

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## Site Selection

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The site for the 2015 Worldcon and 2014 NASFiC will be selected at LoneStarCon 3. Remember that as a member of LSC 3, you're eligible to vote in both.

Site selection hours are Thursday from noon – 6 pm, Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 6 pm. **Site selection will close on Saturday at 6 pm.**

Jukka Halme for Helsinki: Helsinki, the Pearl of the Baltic Sea, the melting pot of East European and West European culture, warmly welcomes you to our Northern capital city. We're an international crew of conrunners, with a Finnish core, and we're hoping to build the most international Worldcon yet. Let's put the "World" in to Worldcon!

Adam Beaton for Orlando: Of the choices you have, Orlando has the best location (inexpensive, easy to travel to, the most attractions and fun things to do), the best facilities (one hotel, function space on one level), and the best plan (to reduce Worldcon costs so more fans can come, outreach to new fans, free access to the exhibition hall, webcams and chatrooms for supporting members).

Alex von Thorn for Spokane: We have a great community of fans, authors, artists, and other creative talent and we want to show off our local talent to the rest of the world. We chose Spokane as a location because it has a facility perfect for a Worldcon in the heart of downtown, surrounded by restaurants, theatres, museums, and attractions.

## We Want You (to Volunteer)

Volunteers are what keep a convention running and it's a great way to ~~get sucked into the insanity of conrunning~~ meet people. An hour of time is a big help. 15 hours gets you a free t-shirt and access to the staff den, 20 hours and you're eligible for reimbursement if LSC 3 has a surplus. Stop by the Member Services desk at registration.

## Art Portfolio Reviews!

We are very excited to offer a rare opportunity to all aspiring LSC 3 artists. Several comics and art directors have agreed to review art portfolios in individual sessions. Weldon Adams, Lou Anders, Paul Benjamin, Neil Clarke, Jon Schnidehette and Toni Weisskopf have all agreed to participate. Sign up at the info desk.

## EVENTS

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### RAYGUNS OVER TEXAS

Reception and Readings. Thursday, 6:30 – 8:00 pm at the Central Library, 600 Soledad, .9 miles from the convention center. Sponsored by the Fan Association of Central Texas, Library Outreach and LoneStarCon 3

### MUSIC NIGHT

The fun starts at 6 pm in CC Ballroom A! Be there or be...umm...elsewhere.

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## The 74th Anniversary Worldcon Ball Game

Friday, 12 Noon, Convention Center Ballroom A

Come join us as we revive one of the oldest science fiction and fannish Worldcon traditions.

One of the highlights of the first WorldCon in 1939 was the July 4<sup>th</sup> softball game. It was an afternoon of fun, competition and delight in the SF community, with such luminaries as Charles Hornig, Sam Moskowitz, Ross Rocklyne, Dave Kyle, and Ray Bradbury in attendance.

Show your support and root for your favorites in the 74th Anniversary Worldcon Ball Game: Pros vs Fans. Players include Guest of Honor Norman Spinrad, LoneStarCon 3 Chairman Randy Shepherd, Harry Turtledove, SFWA President Steven Gould, Dave McCarty, Rick Wilber, Moshe Feder, Ingrid Neilson, Tim Miller, Joe Siclari and more. And Dave Kyle will be there too.

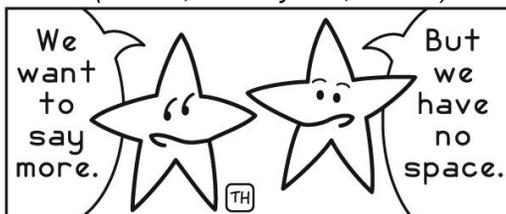
It's the Worldcon Championship, where the science fiction boys and girls of summer compete in the traditional sport of Worldcon. See world renowned Pros and Big Name Fans like you've never seen them before. Join in the drama of a bunted whiffleball, the pathos of the foul line. Find out if Rick Wilber can really run.

Come & join us.

Joe Siclari

## LoneStarCon 3 Masquerade

The LSC 3 Masquerade Registration Desk is in the Convention Center, next to main registration. Come by to sign up for the masquerade as an entrant or to volunteer to help out (it's a great way to get up close and personal with some fabulous costumes). Masquerade registration is open Thu & Fri 9am – 6pm, Saturday 9am to noon. The Masquerade is Saturday at 8pm. *Costumes made and presented at-con will be eligible for a special award in each division (Novice, Journeyman, Master).*



## First Worldcon

As I approached the registration desk on Wednesday afternoon, I saw many con badges sporting tails of colored ribbons.

"Ah," I thought, "those people must be important." Staff, volunteers, program participants ... Indeed, they are important.

Imagine my surprise when I received a multicolored "First Worldcon" ribbon: in my choice of two color schemes, no less.

That ribbon has brought me warm welcomes as I wander the convention, from street corners to the Spokane in 2015 party on Wednesday night. People have told me stories of their first Worldcons. They have given me advice both serious and humorous.

How awesome it is that LoneStarCon recognizes and celebrates newcomers. Kudos to the experienced attendees who are so eager to join in the welcoming. I encourage all new Worldcon attendees to ask for the First Worldcon ribbon and wear it with pride.

Jennifer Moser Jurling

## PROGRAM UPDATES

### CANCELLATIONS

***Heavy Metal*, the midnight movie for Thursday night has been cancelled**

### CORRECTIONS

***Stroll with the Stars*: Meet in the Riverwalk lobby, not Rivercenter.**