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# La Estrella Solitaria San Antonio, Texas

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ISSUE 4

The Solitary Star

AFTERNOON, FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2013

## **PARTY! PARTY! PARTY!**

All parties are located in the Marriott Rivercenter, unless otherwise indicated.

### **Conference 17 - 18 – Con Suite,**

9 am to 2 am

### **3226 – The Heinlein Society,**

8:30 PM to ?

### **3326 – Phoenix in 2014 NASFiC Bid,**

9 PM to Late

### **3332 – Detroit in 2014 NASFiC Bid,**

9 PM to Late

### **3412 – SIME-GEN, 8 PM to midnight**

### **3429 – Convolution 2013, 8 PM to ?**

### **3430 – Helsinki in 2015 Worldcon**

Bid, 9 PM to Late

### **3522 – Space Squid, ? to ?**

### **3529 – Orlando in 2015 Worldcon**

Bid, 9 PM to Late

### **3530 – Spokane in 2015 Worldcon**

Bid, 9 PM to Late

### **3536 – Writers & Illustrators of the**

Future, 9 PM to Late

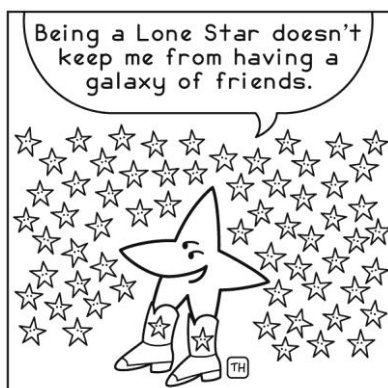
### **3542 – New Orleans in 2018**

Worldcon Bid, 9:30 PM to midnight

### **3546 – NIPPON in 2017 Worldcon**

Bid, 9 PM to midnight

**Don't Forget to drink  
plenty of water!**



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## **Evening Program Changes**

Details may be found in the Thursday Convention Guide Corrections (Pink Sheet)

### **Items Added**

6 PM – Live SF Squeecast Podcast, CC 003B

8 PM – Reading: Jean Johnson, CC 007A

### **Dropped Items**

8 PM – Film: **The Whole Wide World**, CC 006CD

12 AM – Film: **Heavy Metal**, CC 007CD

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## **Don't Miss...**

### **George R. R. Martin Reading**

5 PM, one hour, CC 001AB

### **Trivia for Chocolate**

5 PM, one hour, CC 102B

### **Latino Characters by Mainstream Authors: Diversity or Cultural Appropriation?**

7 PM, one hour, CC 001AB

### **How to Sell to Ellen Datlow**

8 PM, one hour, CC 001AB

### **Filking with Leslie Fish**

9 PM, 3 hours, Marriott Rivercenter Conference 12

## **Setting the Stage – Opening Ceremony**

Carole Parke

The GoHs were welcomed into a 1890s saloon. Ellen Datlow admitted to last being scared by George Bush. Norman Spinrad thinks that writers are going to have to write about the new reality of numerous earth-like planets being out there. Leslie Fish sang a song clip, much to the pleasure of the crowd. The most moving guest was Darrell K. Sweet's son, Darrell R. Sweet, standing in for his father. He said what his father most appreciated was that fans allowed him to do what he wanted to do. If you have any questions, Darrell encouraged people to come up and ask. He wants to share his dad's legacy. The Hugo base was revealed, but it was hard to see from near the back of the house. The Opening Ceremony, like a good drink, had enough flavor to get you interested in it without being cloying because it went on too long.

## **EVENING EVENTS**

### **MUSIC**

5:00 PM **Celtic/Country Concert: The Bedlam Boys**, Convention Center, Ballroom A

6:00 PM **Concert: John Purcell**, Convention Center, Ballroom A

### **ART NIGHT**

6:00 PM **Talk and Demonstrations**, Convention Center, Exhibit A, Artist's Alley

8:00 PM **Artist Reception**, Convention Center, Exhibit A, Art Show

9:00 PM **Chesley Awards**, Convention Center, Room 103B

### **DANCES**

8:00 PM **Firefly Shindig/Contradance**, Convention Center, Ballroom A

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## Siren Song

Carole Parker

The people who cleared out after the Opening Ceremonies missed hearing Seanan McGuire sing. While some last minute setup was happening, she introduced her backup band, pointed out where they were from, and said "It's cooler there," for everyone but the two Texans. I was able to move close to the stage, but the performance was slightly marred by sound issues. You could hear Seanan just fine, but anyone past the second row probably did not get to hear the wonderful Mary Crowell or Brenda Sutton. The guitars were "hot," which drowned out some of the other performers. If you missed hearing Seanan sing *Wicked Girls*, you need to make an effort to hear it before you head out of town.

## Christmas Thank You

The Boston in 2020 Christmas Worldcon Bid would like to thank everyone who joined us Wednesday night! Please visit our table in the Gallery to buy raffle tickets for cool stuff!

## Old School

Carole Parker

While tuning her twelve string guitar, Monster, Music Guest Leslie Fish realized "I know what I forgot. I forgot my whiskey in my green book bag." When the bottle was eventually given to her, Leslie splashed some on her fingers, and then put them on Monster, saying "water your horse first." Then, she took a swig. Her selection of songs included historical teaching songs as well as songs that everyone could join in on the chorus. Her response to the *Devil Come Down to Georgia* after hearing it numerous times was *Devil Come Down to Phoenix*, where the devil could not tempt anyone because they did not believe he existed. Leslie was the first filker to have her music played in space.

## Worldcon Authors Signing at The Twig Bookstore

Saturday, August 31 • 11 AM to 1 PM

**Featured Authors:** Myke Cole, Betsy Dornbusch, Kevin Hearne, Drew Karpysyn, Kay Kenyon, Scott Lynch, Michael J. Martinez, Brian McClellan, and Courtney Schafer.

306 Pearl Parkway, Suite 106, San Antonio, TX 78215 • 210-826-6411

## Esquire Tavern

The best bar on the River Walk has Prohibition cocktails, amazing bar food, and an attentive and knowledgeable staff — the best service we've seen.

## Staff Box

Issue 4 Crew: Michael Nelson, Carole Parker, and a cast of thousands. Please send items to newsletter@lonestarcon3.org or bring to our office in the CC Gallery near Site Selection.

Saturday Morning Issue deadline is Saturday at 9:30 AM.

## 2013 SF & F Translation Awards

Kevin Standlee

The 2013 SF & F Translation Awards, for work translated into English and published in 2012, were announced last weekend at Liburnicon in Opatija, Croatia. The Long Form winner was **Atlas: The Archaeology of an Imaginary City** by Kai-cheung Dung, translated from the Chinese by Anders Hansson, Bonnie S. McDougall, and the author (Columbia University Press). The Short Form winner was "Augusta Prima" by Karin Tidbeck, translated from the Swedish by the author (**Jagannath: Stories**, Cheeky Frawg). Winners (authors and translators) receive a plaque and a \$350 cash prize. For more details, see [www.sfftawards.org](http://www.sfftawards.org)

## Second Alamo Tour

Troyce Wilson

I will offer a second Alamo Tour on Monday from 9 AM to 11 AM for those who couldn't sign up for the Friday tour. Please sign up at the LoneStarCon 3 Information Desk in the Convention Center. Group is limited to 15 people. Meet at Marriott Rivercenter lobby at 9 AM on Monday.

## Overheard at Lunch

"Only at a science fiction convention is the line for free books longer than the line for free pizza."

## TEX LUG

Jessi Guggenheim

Join TEX LUG (Texas Lego Users Group) to celebrate LEGO in the Convention Center near A15 (just inside and to the right of the main Exhibit Hall entrance). LEGO lovers of all ages will enjoy seeing an Alamo River Walk, Ghostbusters, hobbits, lunar spacewalk, and farm scene displays. Also get in on an interactive build: a Worldcon Rocket!

## Room Party Awards

Tim Miller

LoneStarCon 3 will be awarding prizes to room parties for outstanding achievements in hospitality. Ballot boxes and voting forms will be placed near the party boards in the Marriott Rivercenter. Any public party from Wednesday to Sunday is eligible. All ballots must be received by 1 AM Monday morning. Only one ballot per member. Valid membership numbers must be included.

## Reminder to Program Panel Members

Please remember that most program items are 50 minutes long in one-hour time slots to allow members to travel to the next program item. Please start wrapping things up at the 45-minute mark.

## Get Money Back!

Alan Masloff and Arthur Miller, please return to Registration. We accidentally overcharged you for your memberships.