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Missed Masquerade Award Winners

We regret that we missed a few awards winners from the masquerade:

Presentation Awards:

Young Fan, Most Beautiful: *Lady Lattitude*, by Robin Facile

Young Fan, Best in Class: *Wingnut*, by Lillian Facile

Novice, Deep in the Heart of Texas: *Great Balloons of Fire: Airproof*, by Don Clary and James Cossaboon

Novice, Best in Class: *Daenerys Targaryen*, by Andrea Morrison

WOOF!

Contributors may pick up their assembled copies in the fanzine lounge today. Thank you all! Copies may also be purchased for \$5 (to support fan funds).

Correction

Your humble Newsletter Editor in Chief apologizes: the BDP: Short Hugo had a tie for fourth place between Dr Who's *Snowmen* episode and the Fringe episode *Letters of Transit*. It wasn't obvious when we downloaded the data.

Hugo Redux

LoneStarCon 3 apologizes for the interruptions to the live broadcast of the 2013 Hugo Awards Ceremony. These problems were caused by issues with the upload stream from the Convention to Ustream. LoneStarCon 3 wishes to make it clear that these technical difficulties were in no way due to Ustream, who have provided excellent support throughout this year's event.

Best line heard in the Hugo Losers Party: George R. R. Martin, upon looking at the breakdowns: "It was the *Fringe* fans that put me over." Full breakdowns and statistics in exhaustive detail are on the LoneStarCon 3 website.

Young Adult Awards

Though there is not (yet) a YA Hugo, there is a committee created by the WSFS Business Meeting to study it. If you are interested, please contact Dave McCarty via wfsfslonestarcon3.org. Meanwhile, we present the **Golden Duck Awards**, which are designed to encourage science fiction literature for children, are presented every year at Worldcon. There are several awards given each year, most carrying a small cash stipend. Super-Con-Duck-Tivity holds an annual general interest science fiction convention called **DucKon** as a fundraiser.

Picture Book: *Earth to Clunk*, by Pam Smallcomb; illustrated by Joe Berger

Eleanor Cameron Award for Middle Grades (gr. 2-6): *Worst-Case Scenario Ultimate Adventure #2: Mars!*, by Hena Kahn and David Borgenicht

Hal Clement Award for Young Adults (gr. 6-12) (tie): *A Beautiful Friendship (Star Kingdom)*, by David Weber; and *A Long, Long Sleep* by Anna Sheehan

Free Stuff!

The consuite has surplus equipment that must find a home! This includes shelves, coolers, a microwave, refrigerators, kitchen utensils, and more. Drop by Conference Room 19 on the 3rd floor of the Marriott Rivercenter and find these things a home.

See the BDP Hugo Winners

A repeat showing of *Game of Thrones: Blackwater* will occur in CC 103A at 10 AM. Be advised this will be unsuitable for children, due to violence & nudity.

This will be followed by a screening of *The Avengers* at 11 AM, which is suitable for older children.

Staff Box

The Editor in chief, Michael Nelson, thanks his staff: Kimm Antell, Gary S. Blog, Lisa Hertel, Laurie Mann, Carrie & Jim Mowatt, Heidi Pilewski, Arlen Walker, and Dave Weingart. A special thank you to Rick Kovalcik for printer support, and his printers, Beefy & Porky. This issue edited by Lisa Hertel. Thanks to Karen Meschke for proofing, and all our contributors.

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Haiku Corner

The lone star rises
A third time shining on us
While we reach for space
John Hertz

Scooter Returns

This is to remind everyone who has rented a mobility scooter through LSC 3 that they are due back to the Accessibility area no later than 8pm tonight.

Listeners Take Note

The 2013 Pegasus Award Ballot (for Filk) is now online live at www.ovff.org/pegasus.

More Business News

The WSFS Mark Protection Committee was able to meet immediately following the Sunday WSFS Business Meeting. Kevin Standlee, Linda Deneroff, and Scott Dennis were re-elected as President, Secretary, and Treasurer respectively. DetCon1 appointed Deb Geisler, and Sasquan appointed Glenn Glazer to the committee. The MPC continued the Hugo Awards Marketing Committee and Worldcon Website Working Groups as currently constituted. There will be no MPC meeting today.

Got Books?

The UPS store in the convention center is open until 6 PM today. Ship your haul home!

A New Use for Hugos

Steven Silver raised \$177 for Fan Funds by letting fans hold Joss Whedon's BDP Hugo for a \$5 donation. (Two people just touched it for \$1 each.)

Kudos!

They say an army runs on its stomach, and a Worldcon runs on its volunteers. Therefore, one of the most valuable people at a Worldcon is those hidden in the Staff Den, whose responsibility it is to keep the staff fed in a fast, healthy manner. We would like to particularly thank LoneStarCon's Staff Den Crew, headed by Kim Zrubek, for making the Worldcon possible for so many of our volunteers.

Another critical role is Logistics, and we would like to thank Becky Thomson and her staff for fulfilling our logistical needs in such a timely manner.

Help Wanted

Would you like to get a shirt? Maybe earn back your membership? We need all sorts of help today and tomorrow (and a bit beyond) breaking down the convention. Come to the volunteer table next to registration and we can find a job for everyone.

Lost

Black Fit Bit module; plastic, 2" long, with single button. Contact Bud Sparhawk: 301-717-7863.

A personal notebook belonging to Bill Wright (DUFF winner) containing his trip notes was lost Thursday afternoon, probably at the Fan Fund Delegates reception. If you find it, please return it to Bill in the Marriott Riverwalk; tell the front desk.

Parsec Awards

The Parsec Awards for Excellence in speculative fiction broadcasting were presented at DragonCon yesterday. See www.parsecawards.com for details. The winners are:

Best Comedy/Parody: *Blastropodcast*, by Mark Soloff

Best About Content/Creation: *StoryForward*, by J. C. Hutchins & Steve Peters

Best Fan or News Commentary: *RebelForce Radio*, by Jimmy Mac & Jason Swank

Best Magazine/Anthology: *Tales from the Archives, Vol. 2*, by Tee Morris & Pip Ballentine

Best Fan or News General: *Nights at the Round Table*, by Ash Farbrother

Best Music: *The Funny Music Project*, by Devo Spice

Best Behind the Fiction: *Hubblecast*, by Oli Usher & Joe Liske

Best Video Story: *I Have Your Heart*, by Molly Crabapple, Kim Boekbinder, & Jim Batt

Best Podcaster/Team: *The NoSleep Podcast*, by David Cummings

Best Audio Drama (Long Form): *Star Trek: Outpost*, by Tony Raymond & Daniel McIntosh

Best Story, Small Cast, Long: *Underwood and Flinch*, by Mike Bennett

Best Story, Small Cast, Novella: *The Shadow Over Innsmouth*, written by H. P. Lovecraft, produced by Mike Bennett

Best Story, Large Cast: *The Road to Utopia Plain*, by Rick Kennett

Best Audio Drama, Short Form: *The Minister of Chance*, by Radio Static

Best Story, Small Cast, Short Form: *Now Cydonia*, by Rick Kennett