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# THE F.A.C.T. SHEET



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## Editorial Remarks

Hello again, or maybe for the first time! Regular *FACT Sheet* editor John Gibbons will be busy co-chairing ArmadilloCon 21 for a few months, so he asked me to fill in. Longtime FACT members may recognize my name as a previous editor of this newsletter. Newer members likely will know me best for my work with the Reading Group. I'll try my best to keep up to John's high standards.

Unlike John, I don't plan to write detailed hard science editorials. My scientific interests are primarily about topics related to my career field, 3D computer graphics. I doubt that an article about voxels vs. pixel-based rendering or about the relative merits of OpenGL and Direct3D would have much widespread appeal here. I'll fill the extra space with news and other goodies.

--- A. T. Campbell, III

## FACToids & Friends

*This column is for news about FACT members, their friends, Texas writers, and important events in the SF&F community. If you have any such news, please contact the F.A.C.T. Sheet Editor at the address on page 7.*

## Award News

Winners of this year's Bram Stoker Awards for superior achievement in horror were announced June 5. Winners include Novel: *Bag of Bones*, Stephen King (Scribner); First novel: *Dawn Song*, Michael Marano (Tor); Long fiction: "Mr. Clubb and Mr. Cuff", Peter Straub (*Murder For Revenge* Otto Penzler, ed., Delacorte); Short fiction: "The Dead Boy at Your Window", Bruce Holland Rogers (*The North American Review* Nov/Dec 1998); Collection: *Black Butterflies*, John Shirley (Mark V. Ziesing); Anthology: *Horrors! 365 Scary Stories* Stefan Dziemianowicz, Robert Weinberg & Martin H.

Greenberg, eds. (Barnes & Noble); Nonfiction: *DarkEcho Newsletter*, Vol. 5 #1-50, Paula Guran, ed. (DarkEcho); Screenplay: [tie] *Dark City*, Alex Proyas and *Gods and Monsters*, Bill Condon; Work for younger readers: "Bigger Than Death", Nancy Etchemendy (*Cricket Mar* 1998); Life achievement: Ramsey Campbell and Roger Corman; Specialty press award: Barry Hoffman, Gauntlet Press.

## Media News

Ambassador Spock marries Commander Saavik in *Vulcan's Heart*, a *Star Trek* novel by Josepha Sherman and Susan Schwartz, due out from Pocket in hardcover in July.

The WB Network plans to air the *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* season finale "Graduation Day, Part 2" on July 13.

Studios USA has announced that it will replace *Hercules: The Legendary Journeys* with two half-hour shows airing back-to-back, starting in January 2000. *Cleopatra 2525* involves female warriors fighting evil robots in the future. *Jack of All Trades* follows the adventures of a British Secret Service agent in 1699.

Here's a casting update on the *X-Men* movie: Patrick Stewart (Professor Xavier), Ian McKellan (Magneto), Halle Berry (Storm), Rebecca Romijn-Stamos (Mystique), Anna Paquin (Rogue), Dougray Scott (Wolverine).

"Weird Al" Yankovic's new CD, *Running with Scissors*, includes a *Star Wars: Episode I* parody "The Saga Begins" The video can be played over the Internet from <http://www.sagabegins.com>.

## Obituary

DeForest Kelley, the actor who played Dr. Leonard McCoy on the original *Star Trek* TV series, died Friday, June 11, at the age of 79. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Carolyn.

## Writer News

Aaron Allston's fourth Star Wars book, *Starfighters of Adumar*, is due out from Bantam in August.

Neal Barrett, Jr.'s "The Lizard Shoppe" (*Dragon* #251) won the Maggie Award for Western fiction.

Bruce Sterling has a new collection, *A Good Old-Fashioned Future*, out in paperback from Bantam around the time this newsletter comes out.

Don Webb's latest mystery, *Essential Saltes*, is just out in hardback from St. Martin's.

The Avon paperback of Martha Wells's Nebula-nominated *Death of the Necromancer* is out this month.

The latest Gardner Dozois *Year's Best Science Fiction* anthology includes stories by Texas writers William Browning Spencer and Bruce Sterling.

## Upcoming Events

### Meetings & Gatherings

July 6, 7 PM: **FACT Reading Group**. Adventures in Crime & Space. 609-A W. Sixth St, Austin, TX (512)473-2665. Topic: *Children of God* by [Mary Doria Russell](#).

July 11, 1PM: **FACT Board Meeting**. 3801 Hawkshead Dr, Austin, TX. (512)833-5269.

July 17, 2PM: **ArmadilloCon 21 Meeting**. 108 Stonehedge Blvd. Georgetown, TX. (512) 868-0036.

July 20, 7PM: **FACT Reading Group**. Adventures in Crime & Space. Topic: *The Dazzle of Day* by Molly Gloss

August 3, 7PM: **FACT Reading Group**. Adventures in Crime & Space. Topic: *Cosm* by Gregory Benford

August 17, 7PM: **FACT Reading Group**. Adventures in Crime & Space.. Topic: *Clouds End* by Sean Stewart

September 7, 7PM: **FACT Reading Group**. Adventures in Crime & Space. Topic: *Secret Realms* by Tom Cool

September 21, 7PM: **FACT Reading Group**. Adventures in Crime & Space. Topic: *The Black Sun* by Jack Williamson

### Bookstore Events

Several signings are scheduled at Adventures in Crime & Space Bookstore (609-A W. Sixth St, Austin, TX 512/473-2665): Saturday, July 10, 5-7 PM, Austin author **Don Webb** will sign his latest novel of magic and murder from St. Martin's Press, *Essential Saltes*. Tuesday, July 13th, 6-8PM, **Dave Wolverton** will sign *A Very Strange Trip*, a novel he developed from a story by L. Ron Hubbard.

Thursday, July 22, 6-8PM, **Thomas Harlan** signs *The Shadow of Ararat*. **Ridley Pearson** will do a driveby signing in early July, and **Walter Jon Williams** is tentatively scheduled to sign *The Rift* on August 21.

Adventures in Crime & Space is also holding several sales this summer. For the week of July 19-25, 20% off any books with men walking on the moon in honor of Apollo 11. For the week of August 2-6, 10% off any books with psychic powers in honor of National Psychic Week. July 23rd is Raymond Chandler's Birthday -- 10% off all of his books all day. August 20th is H. P. Lovecraft's Birthday -- 10% off all Cthulhuiana all day. And every Monday in August, 50% off the ACS-marked prices in the used rooms.

## Movies

*This list provides release dates on upcoming SF&F movies. Times and dates are subject to change.*

July 14: *Muppets from Space* (d. Tim Hill) Starring Kermit, Miss Piggy, Gonzo, Hulk Hogan, and Gates McFadden (<http://www.muppetsfromspace.com/>)

July 16: *Lake Placid* (d. Steve Miner) Man-eating alligator film written by David E. Kelley. Stars Oliver Platt, Bill Pullman, and Bridget Fonda.

July 16: *Eyes Wide Shut* (d. Stanley Kubrick) Psychological thriller starring Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman. (<http://www.eyeswideshut.com/>)

July 23: *Inspector Gadget* (d. David Kellogg) Live-action cartoon starring Matthew Broderick, Rupert Everett and Joely Fisher. (<http://disney.go.com/DisneyPictures/gadget/>)

July 23: *The Haunting* (d. Jan de Bont) Based on the Shirley Jackson novel. Starring Liam Neeson and Catherine Zeta-Jones. (<http://www.asylum.com/movies/h/haunting/>)

July 30: *The Blair Witch Project* (d. Daniel Myrick and Eduardo Sanchez) Roger Ebert and Harry Knowles say this is really scary (<http://www.blairwitch.com/>)

July 30: *Deep Blue Sea* (d.. Renny Harlin) Sci-fi shark movie starring Samuel L. Jackson and Stellan Skarsgard. (<http://www.wb-deepblueseas.com/>)

July 30: *Mystery Men* (d. Kinka Usher) Superhero film with Ben Stiller, Janeane Garofalo, Geoffrey Rush, and William H. Macy. (<http://www.mysterymen.com/>)

August 4: *Dick* (d. Andrew Fleming) Nixon fantasy with Dan Hedaya, Kirsten Dunst, and Michelle Williams.

August 6: *The Iron Giant* (d. Brad Bird) Great looking giant robot film. (<http://www.irongiant.com>)

August 13: *The 13th Warrior* (d. John McTiernan) Much-delayed adaptation of Michael Crichton's *Eaters of the Dead*, starring Antonio Banderas and Omar Sharif. (<http://movies.go.com/the13thwarrior/>)

August 20: *The Sixth Sense* (d. M. Night Shyamalan) Supernatural thriller starring Bruce Willis.  
 August 27: *The Astronaut's Wife* (d. Rand Ravich) SF/thriller starring Johnny Depp and Charlize Theron  
 August 27: *Universal Soldier: The Return* (d. Mic Rogers) Sequel featuring Jean-Claude Van Damme and Michael Jai White.  
 August 27: *Stigmata* (d. Rupert Wainwright) Religious horror thriller with Gabriel Byrne and Patricia Arquette.  
 (<http://www.mgm.com/stigmata/>)6

## Conventions

*Here are details on conventions that FACT members, associates, and Favorite Authors will attend.*

July 9-11: **READERCON 11** Westin Hotel, Waltham MA; rms \$89 + tax. GoHs: Harlan Ellison, Ellen Datlow. Past Master: Gerald Kersh. Memb: \$35 to 6/30/99, \$50 at door (limit 500). Info: Readercon, Box 38-1246, Cambridge MA 02238-1246; e-mail: zeno@mit.edu; website: [www.readercon.org](http://www.readercon.org)

Aug 6-8: **DEEPSOUTHCON 37/CRESCENT CITY CON XIV** Best Western Landmark, Metairie LA; rms \$69. GoH: Mike Resnick. FGoH: Toni Weisskopf. GGoH: Steve Jackson; TM: George Alec Effinger. Special Guest: Barbara Hambly. Memb: \$35 to 7/4/99, \$40 at door. Info: DeepSouthCon/Crescent City Con, Box 52622, New Orleans LA 70150; (504) 488-0489; e-mail: [cccno@aol.com](mailto:cccno@aol.com); website: [www.fatsnake.com/ccc](http://www.fatsnake.com/ccc)

Aug 20-22: **BUBONICON 31** Howard Johnson East, Albuquerque NM; rms \$55. GoH: Jack McDevitt. AGoH: Lubov. Auctioneer: Robert Vardeman. TM: David Martin. Guests: Kevin J. Anderson, Steven Gould, Jane Lindskold, Laura J. Mixon, Kris Rusch, Dean W. Smith, S.M. Stirling, Sage Walker, Walter Jon Williams. Memb: \$22 to 8/9/99, \$25 at door. Info: NMSF Conference, Box 37257, Albuquerque NM 87176; (505) 266-8905 or 266-9030 (10 am-10 pm MT); e-mail: [cwcraig@nmia.com](mailto:cwcraig@nmia.com) or [mcs@ncgr.org](mailto:mcs@ncgr.org); website: <http://members.aol.com/bubonicon>

Aug 26-29: **CONUCOPIA/NASFiC '99** Anaheim Marriott, Anaheim CA; rms \$104 sngl/dbl, \$114 tpl, \$124 quad. GoH: Jerry Pournelle. FGoHs: Richard & Nicki Lynch. Ed. GoH: Ellen Datlow. Memb: \$100; \$20 supp. Info: Conucopia/NASFiC '99, c/o S.C.I.F.I. Inc., Box 8442, Van Nuys CA 91409; e-mail: [info@99.nasfic.org](mailto:info@99.nasfic.org); website: [www.99.nasfic.org](http://www.99.nasfic.org)

Sep 10-12: **ARMADILLOCON 21** Omni South Park, Austin TX. GoH: Sean Stewart. AGoH: Wayne Barlowe, EGoH: Shawna McCarthy. FGoH: Hal Clement. TM: William Browning Spencer. Special Guest: Neil Gaiman. Guests: Aaron Allston, Mark Anthony, Bill Baldwin, Neal Barrett Jr., Austin Bay, M. Shayne Bell, Jayme Lynn Blaschke, Pat Cadigan, Lillian Stewart Carl, Stepan Chapman, Cat Conrad, Roxanne Conrad, Bill Crider, Scott A. Cupp, Bradley Denton, Marianne J. Dyson, Brad W. Foster, Jim Frenkel, Katharine Eliska Kimbriel, Rick Klaw, Susan J. Kroupa, Alexis Glynn Latner, C. J. Mills, Patrick Nielsen Hayden, Cary G. Osborne, Lawrence Person, Carrie Richerson, Caroline Spector, Warren Spector, Joan D.Vinge, Don Webb, K. D. Wenworth, Wendy Wheeler, Walter Jon Williams. Memb: \$20 advance, \$30 at door. Info: ArmadilloCon 21, Box 27277, Austin TX 78755; (512) 868-0036; e-mail: [mona@io.com](mailto:mona@io.com). website: <http://www.golem-computing.com/dillocon/>

## Meeting Minutes

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING  
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
 FANDOM ASSOCIATION OF  
 CENTRAL TEXAS, INC.  
 JUNE 13, 1999

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Fandom Association of Central Texas, Inc. ("FACT") convened in a regular meeting at the home of FACT members A.T. Campbell, III and Lori Wolf, at 3801 Hawkshead Drive, Austin, Texas on the 13th day of June, 1999 and the following duly constituted officers and members of the Board were in attendance, thus constituting a quorum:

Lori Wolf	Chairman and Director
A.T. Campbell, III	Director
Earl Cooley, III	Director
Fred Duarte, Jr.	Director
Karen Meschke	President
Shane Cook	Treasurer
Daniel Tolliver	Secretary (arriving late "gasp")

Also present was FACT member Matthew Duarte as well as Murphy, the Noble Dog.

The Minutes of the May 1999 meeting were approved after numerous typographical anomalies were noted and corrected. Captain Jack and purple sun block were discussed.

### I. Reports of the Officers of FACT.

a. *Chairman's Report.* Chairman Wolf reported that the boat outing was a success and that FACT should consider doing it again.

b. *President's Report.* President Meschke reported that the boat outing was a success. She deferred the remainder of her report until the NSS report after suggesting an October social event at Brooks Griffith's parents' place.

[FACT Registrar Carrie Richerson arrived with Debbie Hodgkinson and Jeep, who was being kept on a short leash after having spilt a cold drink and stepped on the tape recorder at the June meeting.]

c. *Vice President's Report.* Vice President Taylor was not in attendance. The possibility of fans beginning to believe he is just a fannish legend was presented for discussion.

d. *Secretary's Report.* The Secretary thanked Director Campbell for preparing the first half (the part without typos) of the May minutes and President Meschke for allowing herself to be drafted to start the June minutes.

e. *Treasurer's Report.* Mr. Cook reported that he had e-mailed the financials to Mr. Tolliver for inclusion with the minutes (*see* Schedule A) and that he was in the process of preparing FACT's IRS forms. He requested any financial records from the past five (5) years to aid in this endeavor.

f. *Registrar's Report.* Ms. Richerson reported that the database is up to date. And that Renee Babcock's name had made it into the June FACT Sheet. [Mr. Tolliver handed her his FACT membership renewal check.]

g. *Social Director's Report.* Social Director Babcock was not in attendance, however, the flood of kudos (not the candy bars) regarding the boat outing could not be contained. In addition to the statements about purple sunscreen, many kind words were heaped on Ms. Babcock for suggesting and *following through* on the idea. A good time was reported to have been had by all attendees, although the lack of a ladder was mentioned as a problem. FACT members were compared to leaping salmon, beached whales and svelte frat boys, although in the interests of brevity whether the comparisons were favorable or not will be avoided.

h. *MIS Report.* Bob Quinlan was not in attendance and, therefore, made no report. Director Cooley indicated that the 21st is World Fandom Day on the Net.

h. *Historian's Report.* Director Reedy was not in attendance and, therefore, made no report. Director Reedy was reported to be in Corpus Christi having fun.

## II. **Committee Reports.**

a. *ArmadilloCon 21.* The ArmadilloCon 21 chairs were not in attendance; however, the upcoming scheduled meeting of said committee on June 19 was also discussed. The June 19 meeting is another mandatory meeting as the mass mailing is

being assembled. It is expected to get underway between 1 and 2 p.m. Other business will also be discussed. Lillian Butler was reported to be working on the ArmadilloCon flyer.

b. *World Fantasy.* Director Duarte reported that the World Fantasy flyers would be included in the mass mailing and that he would be nailing down a date for a trip down to Corpus Christi to make final determinations on the location of the dealers room and art show. He also reported that the Web page is up.

c. *ISDC/NSS Convention.* President Meschke reported that she and Director Duarte and their son, Matthew (see above) had attended the convention and that there were lots of fans in attendance and that FACT had sold approximately \$50.00 worth of books through an arrangement with Adventures in Crime and Space Bookstore. She also reported that Matthew enjoyed getting to sleep with Sam the Iguana and the boa constrictor. She also reported that it had hailed on them as they were leaving Houston. [Ming the Merciless did not appear to be the cause however.]

d. *Office Committee.* Director Reedy was praised for showing up early and working late to clean out the office space. Director Cooley thanked him for returning his longhorn horns which had accidentally been stored at the office. Special thanks were accorded to Director Reedy and former Director Hodgkinson for their assistance. It was decided to cancel the phone at the office since the office has ceased to exist for all intents and purposes.

e. *Publications.* Mr. John Gibbons once more managed to publish the FACT Sheet prior to deadline. Kudos to John.

f. *Reading Group.* Director Campbell reported that the pool party had been enjoyable and that the Reading Group still has books to read. The Reading Group report contained in the June FACT Sheet is hereby appended to these minutes.

g. *Nominations Committee.* In hiatus pending election coverage.

h. *Bylaws Committee.* The Bylaws committee has yet to meet. They will be discussing the issues via e-mail. If any FACT member would like to make any comments, they are requested to send them to Directors Cooley and Reedy and to Secretary Tolliver. Should the need arise for a physical meeting of the Bylaws committee it will occur as part of or immediately following a regularly scheduled Board meeting.

III. **Old Business.** Chairman Wolf reported that work was progressing on the grant proposal to ALAMO for new art flats.

## IV. **New Business.**

a. *Autographing.* The prospects for bringing in an author for an autographing were discussed. Chairman Wolf and Director Duarte were authorized to engage in

discussions with Willie Siros of Adventures in Crime and Space Bookstore regarding same.

b. *Literacy Austin*. Director Cooley reported that Literacy Austin's annual book sale would be held at Northcross Mall on June 19-20, 1999.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the June 13, 1999 Meeting of the Board of Directors of FACT was adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

## Reading Group Report

by A. T. Campbell, III

### June 1: *Forever Peace* by Joe Haldeman

Eight people attended the discussion of *Forever Peace*. This novel, which won both the Hugo and Nebula Awards, combines elements from several literary traditions: hard SF, cyberpunk, and war. While this book has a similar title to Haldeman's earlier book *The Forever War*, the two books are not related. The story, set in the near future, involves a group of American soldiers who operate remote-controlled military robots. The main character, a soldier who works as a physicist when he's not jacked into a robot, is involved with an experiment to build a supercollider in orbit about Jupiter. These story elements converge in a fast-paced thriller.

We found this to be a book full of good ideas. The military robots (called "soldierboys", "sailerboys", and "flyboys") were a fascinating premise. A side effect of the mind-controlled robots is that the platoons of robot operators can read each other's minds while jacked in. It was also interesting that the humans controlling the robots were only in the military part time, and spent the rest of their time doing unrelated work. The virtual reality, physics, and nanotechnology aspects of the story were well developed.

There were some problems. The writing alternates between first person and a pedantic third person, which many of us found awkward and distracting. The story features a romantic relationship between a graduate student and his advisor, which one person found about as likely as "between a woman and her gynecologist". Much of the story takes place in Texas, and several local facts are wrong in the book: UT is in Houston, the Oilers are still in Houston, etc.

Our individual appreciation of this book was strongly related to what we thought of *The Forever War*, which all of us had read. Those who'd loved the intensity and antiwar focus of the earlier book tended to be disappointed by *Forever Peace*. Those who'd found *The Forever War* "good, but not my type of

book" tended to like *Forever Peace*'s stronger elements of hard SF. Willie Siros had the most unique perspective. Since *Forever Peace* is the bestselling hardback in the history of his store, he could only find praise for it.

### June 15: *Moonfall* by Jack McDevitt

The discussion of *Moonfall* drew eight participants. This is a near-future SF disaster novel where scientists discover a comet on a collision course with Earth's moon. Earth's leaders have a little over a week to figure out how to save the people of the heavily populated moonbase and in an orbiting space station. Then the Earth needs to be saved from the effects of the tidal changes and large debris that result from the collision.

We found this to be a well-written, fast paced thriller. McDevitt established tension and suspense well, and he used the time deadline effectively. The characters were well drawn and interesting. We particularly liked the US Vice President, who is visiting the moon when the trouble starts and thus finds himself in the middle of all the action. We liked how McDevitt portrayed realistic powerful executives and politicians, as well as some of the regular earthbound folks dealing with the catastrophe. The book promotes a strong pro-space message, and we all found that agreeable.

There were only a few minor problems. Since this book came out about the same time as two "big rock hits Earth" movies, the story seemed less special than it might have at another time. Some people also wished that this book featured more extrapolation in its future society. We were amused that despite all the problems that befall Earth in this book, Georgia (McDevitt's home state) comes through with no damage.

Overall we found this to be one of the most exciting and satisfying books we'd read in a while. Some people liked it so much that they'd already read it twice. This was the fourth McDevitt novel we'd discussed in the Reading Group, making him our most-discussed author.

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# SF Crossword Puzzle

## Across

1. Bay area FACT member
5. *Signal* \_\_\_ *Noise*
7. Wentworth novel: *Black on* \_\_\_
11. General or Wallop
12. Barlowe book
14. Austin university
15. Chicago state
16. ST:TNG ensign
17. *Pollen* author
19. DilloCon 21 GoH novel
25. *Time's Arrow* author
26. Kubrick's unmade next film
27. Clooney TV show
28. Jones's *Men in Black* character
29. \_\_\_ at Joe's
31. State of 1988 WorldCon
33. Local fanzine: \_\_\_ *Express*
34. Tim Powers novel: *The* \_\_\_ *Gates*
36. *The Hereafter* \_\_\_
38. Adam's mate
40. Computer acronym
41. Peter F. Hamilton novel: *The Naked* \_\_\_

42. Lucas effects firm
44. Avon SF imprint
45. College degree
47. Author Martin's middle initials
49. Luthor's henchman
50. Early PC
51. 2001 nemesis
52. Handedness of author Kimbriel
53. Popular CD-ROM game
54. God of thunder
56. Equation (abbrev.)
58. *Dinner* \_\_\_ *Deviant's Palace*
60. *Pink Vodka* \_\_\_
62. 1989 WorldCon state
63. Elvis Cole's job
64. Lunar module (abbrev.)
65. *Ender's Game* author
67. McDevitt state
68. Old Epcot film: *Captain* \_\_\_
69. Norway capital
70. Tin chemical symbol
72. *Kirinyaga* tribe
74. Prophets' home in *ST:DS9*
78. *Quantum Leap* hero

79. Sung by 51 Across
80. Novel by 37 Down

## Down

1. Allston novel: \_\_\_ *Command*
2. Police department (abbrev.)
3. Lucy Lawless nationality
4. "\_\_\_ garde!"
5. Stepan Chapman novel
6. \_\_\_ *Basilisk Station*
8. Denton sex farce
9. Small particle
10. Denton home state
11. Babylon 5 drink
13. Tarzan creator
18. *Petrogygies* goal
20. 1999 NASFIC state
21. Cupp livestock story
22. *Scream* actress
23. *Mission of* \_\_\_
24. Upcoming Warren Spector game
30. *Flatland* author
32. NASFIC continent
35. Nazi troops
36. *The* \_\_\_ *who Loved Tom Gordon*

37. ArmadilloCon 21 Special Guest initials
39. Austin author's middle name
43. \_\_\_3K
45. What Callahan's is
46. Pal of 78 Across
48. Magazine: \_\_\_ of *Fantasy*
49. German grandma
51. Aldiss novel
55. Buffalo hockey goalie
56. *Cuckoo's* \_\_\_
57. Slonczewski religion
59. \_\_\_ with *Monsters*
60. Sturgeon novel: *Some of Your* \_\_\_
61. 1997 WorldCon city
62. 1998 WorldCon state
66. Karel Capek play
70. H. R. Haggard story
71. 11<sup>th</sup> month
73. "\_\_\_, me bucks!"
75. Exclamation
76. C. J. Mills state
77. French article



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August or February	\$24.50 (14 months)
September or March	\$22.75 (13 months)
October or April	\$21.00 (12 months)



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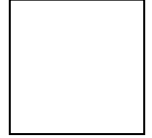
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## First Class Mail

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### FACT Member Birthdays

#### July

- 4 Judith Ward
- 12 Katharine Eliska Kimbriel
- 24 Renee Babcock
- 27 Suzette Hayes
- 29 John R. Sanderson

#### August

- 26 Nina Siros
- 30 Wayne Matlock
- 31 Willie Siros



### Celebrity Birthdays

#### July

- 3 Franz Kafka (*The Metamorphosis*)
- 7 Robert A. Heinlein (*Starship Troopers*)
- 11 E. B. White (*Charlotte's Web*)
- 13 Harrison Ford (*Blade Runner*), Patrick Stewart (*ST: TNG*)
- 18 John Glenn (Astronaut)
- 20 Diana Rigg (*The Avengers*)
- 24 Amelia Earhart (Aviator)
- 26 Aldous Huxley (*Brave New World*), Stanley Kubrick (*2001: A Space Odyssey*)
- 30 Arnold Schwarzenegger (*The Terminator*)

#### August

- 5 Neil Armstrong (Astronaut)
- 12 William Goldman (*The Princess Bride*)
- 19 Gene Roddenberry (*Star Trek*), Jonathan Frakes (*ST: TNG*)
- 20 H. P. Lovecraft (*At the Mountains of Madness*)
- 22 Ray Bradbury (*The Martian Chronicles*), Sean Connery (*Highlander*)
- 30 Mary Shelley (*Frankenstein*)