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Hilarious New Parody of the Lord of the Rings

Clovendell Press Releases "The Schnoz of the Rings"

San Angelo, Texas — John J. Osterhout, Professor of Chemistry at Angelo State University, announces the release of his book, "The Schnoz of the Rings: A Parody of J. R. R. Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings."

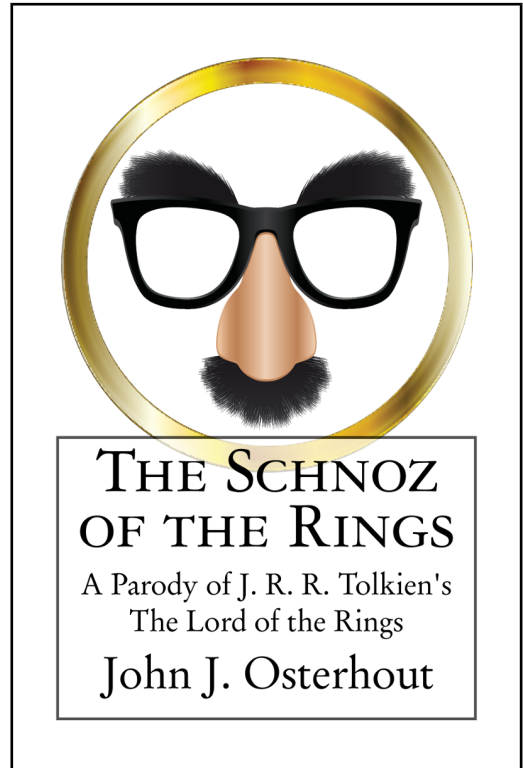
The Schnoz of the Rings is a humorous retelling of Tolkien's Lord of the Rings. Froyo Bagpants is a halfbit with a problem. He just found out that the magic ring left to him by his uncle Bobo is actually the Schnozring, the ring that could bring Central Oith under the domination of the Great Schnoz. Now Froyo must leave his happy home in the Mire and destroy the Schnozring by pitching it into the fire pit of Mount Drool (But you knew that!). Opposing him are the ghost-like Schnozgoons, the warrior Haragrim, the cutlass-wielding Corsairs of Ember, the Yuck Corps of the wizard Sorryman the Spumoni, and the yuck armies of the Great Schnoz. But Froyo has allies, too: the far-seeing elf Lededgas, the stalwart dwarf Gimmie, the gray wizard Grandkopf, and the men, Beeromir son of Alehouse and Arrowshaft son of Arrowhead. Froyo and his allies are the Six Pack of Central Oith and they are going to destroy the Schnozring...or die trying. The characters are human, lusty, and ready for misadventure. Laugh your way through the tale with Froyo and his friends.

Reviews

"What would happen if Mel Brooks, Cheech and Chong, Monty Python, and Mad Magazine partnered on a parody of the Rings Trilogy? You'd have something very close to the Schnoz of the Rings. Spooferrific!" -Lawrence E. Musgrove, Amazon.

"How could you possibly parody something so wonderful (as Tolkien's LOTR)? Well, he did, and he did a good job of it. What is interesting to me is that Osterhout has created something that has a life of it's own. I don't think you need to have read the trilogy to enjoy this book. He creates a world that parallels Tolkien's world, but it works on its own merit." -Caroline McCullagh, The Mensa Bulletin.

"There is quite an interesting encounter with the balfrog of Mordia, and with Sorryman in Eisenfang, the seestones, and the Trail of the Croaked (Paths of the Dead). And yes, the characters who survive will set up commercial enterprises, prosper, and write this book... The Schnoz of the Rings is an amusing tale, a quick read, and fun to reread." -Nancy Martsch, Beyond Bree.



Author Bio

John J. Osterhout was born in Ranger, Texas. He grew up in several small towns in east and central Texas before escaping to college. When he is not trying to write, John slaves away at his day job as department chair and professor of chemistry at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas where he tries to trick freshman into learning chemistry. He lives in San Angelo, Texas with his wife, Kathryn.

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