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SECOND ANNUAL GARY LOUIE MAH JONGE TOURNAMENT WINNERS

- 1st Place - Elayne Pelz
2nd Place - Charles Matheny
3rd Place - Liz Mortensen
4th Place - Darcee Golden

*Next year's tournament
September 29-30, see Bruce Pelz*

SOMETHING NEW - AN INVITATION TO JOIN APA-LASFS

*This is a new e-list where LASFS members
and other fen, both local and from around
the world,*

*can connect with one another
and with other fans who are interested
in LASFS, things LASFASian,
and all other fannish topics.*

*Set up by Tim Merrigan, you can join by
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LASFS](http://www.egroups.com/group/APA-LASFS)

November 2000

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**KEY TO CALENDAR
& OTHER IMPEDIMENTA**
 LADWVS = L.A. Dr. Who Viewing Society
 ESTROGEN ZONE = Ladies Auxiliary Sewing and
 Fallout Society
 TRIPE = Temporal Retrieval of Information
 Programming and Entertainment.
 BOD = Board of Directors
 2nd Sunday = Board and other gaming
 Cinema Anime = Japanimation
 CFO = Not this month
 Work Party = Not this month
 FWEMS = Not this month
 FUCC = Fandom Universal Computer Club
 TIME MEDDLERS = ~~Not this month~~

CALENDAR DETAILS
 LADWVS - 7:30 pm
 LOSCON - Burbank Hilton
 TRIPE - Noon until whenever
 BOD - 11:00 am, games start at 2:00 pm
 Cinema Anime - 1:00 pm until it ends
 CFO - 1 pm to 8 pm
 Work Party - 10:30 am
 Autumn Holiday Party - 3:00 pm to midnight
 FUCC - Evening
 TIME MEDDLERS - 12:30 pm
 ESTROGEN ZONE - 1:00 pm

**THURSDAY PROGRAMME
ITEMS**

Nov. 2: "LASFL Chapter 4" Video
Production.
 Nov. 9: Nominations for Board of
Directors.
 Nov. 16: Board of Directors elections - no
nominations.
 Nov. 23: Meeting at clubhouse even though
some members will be at LOSCON.
 Nov. 30: Club business & Jay Ward 'Toons.

CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE
 (complete minutes can be read in APA-L and are
filed in the archives)

Meeting #3291, September 7, 2000
Cathy Beckstead, presiding (with a little help from
Bob Null)
Karl Lembke, scribing

Since Madame President hadn't show up yet, the
only option was to waste time. What better way to
waste time? Start a LASFS meeting, which Veep

Bob Null did with his usual efficiency, at 20:17:02.

Special Orders of Business: CLJII announced the passing of Curt Siodmak, writer and general creative person. He moved to the US when France turned out not to be far enough from Hitler. He is a winner of the Forry Award, given for lifetime achievement.

Another passing of note is that of Mr. "Kong" Jackson, whose taste in movies is largely responsible for the video fare we have the opportunity to watch every Thursday before the meetings. The Emperor's father, dead at age 82.

Sandy announced that Paul Turner had arranged for Bill Rotsler to be cremated, and for his ashes to be scattered in the Sierras. The urn has been given to the club, since Mr. Rotsler has earned a permanent place in the club. (*Yes, he has urned that honor. - ed.*)

The **Menace** were read, corrected, and approved as "O'Done."

Patron Saint Emil Luwish, the father of **Mike Luwish**, who gave us money in his name. He was given three cheers and lots more doting sons.

Registrar Beckie introduced Rebecca Martin, a member of the Ulysses Fund, as well as Cathy Udoch (sp?) and William G. Wu.

Committee to Suck Up to Famous Fen: Ed Green announced that Mike Glyer has won his seventh Hugo.

Bruce Pelz announced that Japan is bidding on an upcoming Worldcon. Elayne is the bid committee's North American agent. The Pelz's were seeking permission to open a sub-account under LASFS's name with Citibank, to give the bid committee an account to which US funds could be sent. This request was approved.

The crew from Hour 25 announced that Hour 25 would be going off the air at KPFK. As a result of Machiavellian contract negotiations on the part of the station, Hour 25 is moving to the Internet, at www.hour25.org. The program will be available on demand via streaming MP3. Discussion of the situation continued for some time, but fortunately not for 25 hours.

CLJII announced the Autumn Holiday Party, taking place in October. On the second meeting in October, we will be voting on the recipient of this year's Forry Award.

Darcee noted that **Valentina** was for sale. Well, photo prints of Valentina were for sale.

Mike Stern reviewed last week's meeting, giving an account of the parties, firework shows, and other neat stuff everybody who went to that drab affair in Chicago missed.

A motion to take a motion was passed at 21:32:07.

Meeting #3292, September 14, 2000

Cathy Beckstead, presiding

Karl Lembke, scribing

"She's asleep," observed Phil Castora, "and the meeting hasn't even started yet!" The **Menace** were read, corrected, and approved as "Forget the weather and let's move on!"

There was some **new business**. Over the weekend, the board moved to censure three LASFS members who had declined to pay the membership for a LosCon they had attended last year.

At its September 10 meeting, the LASFS Board of Directors voted to censure three members who availed themselves of 1999 LosCon membership privileges without buying a membership - Drew Rhine, Eric Kellstrom, Lee Downing.

Letters have been sent to each of them at their last known addresses notifying them of the action.

Moved, by the Board, that the club vote to ratify the action of the board in censuring the three.

Also moved by the board that these three memberships be terminated as provided in the Bylaws. The motion to terminate will be voted on at the October 19, 2000 meeting.

The motion to censure passed the club without dissent. (3 abstentions.)

DE PROFUNDIS: Marty Cantor announced the LASFS Organ will be going to press tomorrow. Submit to Marty tonight, if you want to be in print tomorrow.

The Lady's Auxiliary Sewing and Fallout Society (LASFS): will meet to view "chick flicks" on the first Saturday of each month that hasn't been claimed for other nefarious purposes. The so-called "estrogen zone" will meet and view films and work on crafts

until the last anarchists have been sewn together.

Patron Saint Mike Thorsen: A great guy, always willing to help out. He's one of the club's "living wallets," and the Lord High Janitor. He cleans up, fixes stuff, and deserves sainthood even if he hadn't given the club a cent. He was given three cheers and nine cents.

Registrar: Beckie introduced a member who's never been to a club meeting: James Briggs.

Darcee reviewed a customer's behavior as she returned a movie, *Any Given Sunday*. She was loudly complaining that it had 15 seconds of male frontal nudity, and was "disgusting." Lady, if it's too little, there's this section in the back of the store.

Karl Lembke took the opportunity to announce once that he was in a cast because he had slipped and fallen on wet pavement. It's a sprain, not a break, and it's covered under worker's comp - your tax dollars not at work.

Hare announced that his brain was missing. If you see a Hare-brained anything wandering around - oh, wait. This is LASFS.

Chaz Baden announced that he has taken over as webmaster for lasfs.org. Look at the changes he's made so far, and e-mail him with suggestions.

A motion to transform into non-meeting status was passed at 21:25:01.

Meeting #3293 - September 21, 2000

Bob Null, presiding

Karl Lembke, scribing

"Since I'm V.P.," said Bob Null, "I only rate the small bat." He then proceeded to bang the table with something that was not Stellaluna, calling the meeting to order at 20:15:50.

Special Orders of Business: Matthew Tepper announced the recent death of cosmonaut Colonel German Titov, of carbon monoxide poisoning. He was the second human in space.

The **Menace** were read, corrected, and approved as "The meeting, Mr. Briggs, should you choose to accept it."

Special Announcements: **Francis Hamit** announced that while going over his Visa bill, he found a charge from the restaurant at the Burbank

hotel, for the same amount that he charged last November. He couldn't have made that charge last month, since he was in the air at the time. He thinks someone made a few extra impressions from his card. Everybody check your credit card bills carefully - he doubts he was the only one so treated. Matthew Tepper has also noticed several small charges since he gave his number to the Burbank Hilton.

Old Business: This week

To Article III, Directors, Section 8, Corporation Officers, make the changes listed below the relevant copy of the appropriate section of the by-laws shown in italics.

The Secretary: (1) shall be responsible for the recording of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors; (2) shall make the minutes of each regular Board meeting available to all of the Directors at least one week before the next regular Board meeting; (3) shall provide a précis of the minutes of each Board meeting for publication in the Society newsletter; and (4) shall initiate correspondence authorized by the Board. In the absence of the Secretary, the Chairman may appoint a Secretary pro tem.

Remove the word "and" just before "(4)."

Change (3): substitute "full copy" for "précis."

Add: "(4) shall keep, at the principal office of the Society, a copy of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors, which shall be accessible to any member on demand, and"

Change: number (4) to number (5).

To Article IV, Procedural Officers, Section 7, Scribe, make the changes listed below to the relevant copy of the appropriate section of the by-laws shown in italics.

The Scribe: (1) shall keep, at the principal office of the Society, a book of minutes of the meetings of the Society, which shall be accessible to any member on demand; (2) shall provide a précis of the minutes of each Society meeting for publication in the Society newsletter; (3) shall handle the correspondence of the Society, and (4) shall notify all Standard Members of the date and purpose of all elections, proposed amendments to the Articles of Incorporation or to these by-laws, and special events.

At the end of 1): "and shall maintain the minutes section of the archives."

Change (2): "shall provide a copy of the minutes of each Society meeting for publication in the Society newsletter (whose editor may edit and condense them as necessary as long as said editing shall not distort the

meaning of said minutes.”

For the most part, this motion involved a few stylistic changes and housekeeping. The major point was to move the job of editing the Menace to the editor, and to require better archiving practices of the Menace and the Board Minutes.

Several people found stuff to argue about: one person had a quibble with the editing practices Marty brings to bear on the Menace, and someone else proposed that specific guidelines be adopted, spelling out what sorts of things can be edited. Another person asked where the By-Laws stated that De Prof would publish the Menace. The relevant section of the By-laws was quoted. Someone suggested that there needed to be a pointer to where the full version of the Menace could be found.

Someone else stated that guidelines are a good idea, but they don't belong in the By-laws. Someone else commented that the editor of De Prof is an appointed officer, and if the job is not being done satisfactorily, the President can un-appoint him.

It was generally agreed that postage needed to be kept to a minimum.

It was noted that every paper has an editor, and only the editor really has a feel for what will and will not fit in the paper. One heretical soul suggested that a useful guideline would be common sense.

A friendly amendment was offered, discussed, and withdrawn.

Since we had long since passed into redundancy, the question was called, and it answered.

The motion carried, 29/1/6.

Patron Saints Len and June Moffatt: At one time, they would adopt young, impressionable fen into their fold ~~and corrupt them~~. They were perfect fannish parents, and generally good people. They organized Boucher Con for the mystery crowd, with a lot of help from Bruce Pelz. They are joint winners of the Evans Frehafer Award. *(They also won TAFF - ed.)* They were given three cheers and two extra houses - one with a little hat, and one with a curly blond wig. The cheers at the news that they supplied the cake were, if possible, even louder. Well, this is LASFS, after all.

Archives: Anne Morrel is the new Westercon Archivist.

Project Linus: Liz Mortensen announced that someone would be at the Board meeting on the 8th to pick up blankets/afghans.

CLJH announced that the Mujahadeen was outside and wanted to talk to Liz about those Afghans.

Laura Williams is back in town, and is now in the hospital in Northridge for a bad ankle. *(I always wondered where you bought one of those - ed.)*

Registrar: Beckie announced Cathy Cupitt, the DUFF winner. Also, Mary Rosen, Angela Hyatt, John Polen, and John Wood. Welcome!

A motion to adjourn was passed at 21:26:51.

Meeting 3294 - September 28, 2000

Bob Null, presiding
Karl Lembke, scribing

“Good evening! Let's start!” proclaimed President Beckstead. “I'd call it to order if I had something to bash with . . .” A suitable basher having been found, LASFS meeting number 3294 was called to order at 20:21:19. The **Menace** were read, corrected, and approved as “Skipped and not read.”

Patron Saint Ron Ellik (“The Squirrel”): He was quite popular in his day, and wrote a number of fanzines. He was remembered as a delightful individual, knowledgeable and intelligent. His death, at around age 30, came as a shock to those who knew him. He loved to travel, having hitchhiked across the country while in school, and moved on to flying after graduation. He would travel to distant lands to visit fen. His car went out of control on a slippery road in Wisconsin, and into a ditch. He started a monthly news zine called *Fanac*, which ran for several years. He was given three cheers.

A motion to pay Liz and vacate was passed at 21:05:39.

Meeting 3295 - October 5, 2000

Cathy Beckstead, presiding
Joe Zeff, substitutely scribing

(The Scribe wishes to thank Joe Zeff for filling in, at a moment's notice, for the person who was supposed to be filling in for the Scribe.)

At precisely 8:17:14, or thereabouts, the president tried to open the meeting but found herself without a gavel. Karl Lembke had called in ~~dead~~ sick, so his place was taken by Substitute Scribe Joe Zeff. Liz was also among the missing, being replaced by Becky. The president was played by a virtual Cathy Beckstead so good we couldn't tell it from the original. The meeting was finally batted to order, or at least an unreasonable facsimile of it at exactly 8:19:34ish.

After way too much noise and interruption, the preceding week's minutes were disapproved as not red.

Committee Reports: The results were in on the week before last's Sealed Deck Tournament. Terry Newton and Drew Sanders tied for second and third. First place was taken, yet again, by LASFS's own imitator of Boss Tweed, Mike Stern. CLJII announced that the Autumn Holiday Party will be on the last Sunday of the month, starting at 3 pm. Costumes are optional, but clothing is mandatory.

Patron Saint Tom Safer received his annual three cheers and "th-th-th-th-th-that's all, folks!"

Guests: Skippy introduced James Busby, Susan Gleeson.

Next, there was an **auction**, with the members doing their best to confuse the auctioneer. Tadao reacted gleefully each time he understood a bid, encouraging the audience to get even more obscure.

Faanish 'Committee Reports: Mike Stern explained why he wasn't at last week's meeting. He'd been in the Urgent Care Facility with what turned out to be a severe case of constipation. He was please to point out that this proves he's full of shit, something the rest of us already knew.

The meeting was finally allowed to collapse into adjournment at somewhere around 9:15:10.01000100001...

BoD Meeting, August 13, 2000

*Mike Stern, Chairman
Secretary, Mike Glycer*

ATTENDANCE: (Board) Bill Ellern, Joe Zeff, Bob Null, Mike Stern, Mike Glycer, Bruce Pelz, Elayne Pelz, Shaun Lyon, Liz Mortensen, (Absent: Kim Marks Brown - proxy held by Bruce Pelz). (Others) D. Sanders, G. Bilan, T. Tomomatsu, K. Lembke, P. Castora, E. Poliner, A. Stern, S. Benoun, T. Benoun, J. Sperling, E. Hooper, M. Cantor. CLJ2.

MINUTES: Glycer's minutes were approved with Stern corrections, deleting "fortunately not for many" and "it's Alison."

NEW MEMBERS: Applications were received from Emily Christensen, Scott George, and Wendy Newton. There was also a letter from Erik V. Olson of St. Louis applying for membership. "The motto of 'Death does not release you' appeals to me," he wrote; and, more importantly, enclosed \$5. The official form was dispensed with in favor of a more important form: "I already cashed the check," said

Liz, "and it didn't bounce." All applicants were approved by voice vote without opposition.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Liz Mortensen did another turnover to the Century Fund. The total operating fund is now \$14,692.20, the Century Fund is \$30,190.28, the key deposits are \$340.00, and the video fund is \$169.00, for total assets of \$45,391.48.

SERVICE MARKS: Money had been voted by the club. Glycer will fill out the applications in the next couple of weeks.

ARCHIVES: Bob Null said the Westercon archive had been provided space in the black filing cabinet.

Bruce Pelz had received for the archive a dozen reel-to-reel tapes, including *Lasfs 31st Anniversary*, *Ackerman on the Ackerman Foundation at LASFS 1966*, Ackerman's speech to the club on the London Worldcon in 1965, the 1962 Westercon, etc. Bruce had people in mind to get them transferred to cassette. Mike Stern was interested in having transcriptions made. He asked Bob Null to contact Donahue about having the tapes copied.

CLUB MACHINES: Gestetner: Bob Null said the service call had been done, and there were still two fine lines. The tech said to fix that requires replacement of a fiber optic head, costing around \$800. According to Marty Cantor, the machine works better since it was serviced. This call will cost the club nothing, the \$180 charge being paid by Chicon, courtesy of Chaz who will be using it to print stock for the Worldcon daily newszine.

Computers: Bob got 2 cents per pound of recycled computer crap. He got rid of some monitors, a 286 - functional but useless. Mike Stern said, "There's a lot of that around."

Audio Visual: Charlie Jackson II said that by tinkering he's found the video projector screen produces best results when gravity runs 45 degrees out of true. Shaun simply said the screen image is really wonderful.

Other: The electronic cash registers are being stored on top of the brown chairs which people want to go away. Liz thought we ought to give them away with every purchase in next week's auction. Bob will take them to Goodwill.

HALL RECONSTRUCTION: Bob said Kim's plumber wanted to re-plumb the entire front building, because when he takes apart the rusty old pipes he can't be certain of getting them back together. He bid the job at \$1600 from the meter to

the front building and \$2600 for that and redoing the front building.

Bruce, seconded by Glycer, moved to do the whole building for \$2600. Liz said she would bring up a funding motion for \$1000: there is already \$2000 in the budget for plumbing. The directors were satisfied with the one estimate. The work was estimated to take one week. Mike Stern appointed Bob as the lead person with the plumber.

LIBRARY: Mike Stern commented he has heard lots of things are missing from the library - taken, not checked out. He thought there should be an inventory to reconcile what's on the shelves and what's listed in the computer. Alison said the last inventory was five years ago.

Bruce noted the library is out of space, and will become more so with new donations and purchases. A mediocre solution is remote storage. To do that, there needs to be a change to the "front end" of the computer inventory program. A discussion of whether to ask Heather to write the changes, or for Bruce to ask Jordan Brown, led to approval of the local choice. Bruce said Mike Mason is already working on space-conserving ideas like keeping a book in only one format and only one edition, then storing what isn't getting used. To gather circulation statistics will take another year.

Mike Stern appointed Bruce to head up a fact-finding committee to summarize the problems of the library. Bruce said he would, of course, be talking with the librarian.

LISTS: Charlie Jackson II will be circulating copies of the recommended viewing list so he can put out one covering the 20th century.

LASFS.ORG: Stern talked to Heather this week, several times. The remote site administration isn't working. He has to get the site files bundled and moved. Shaun said LASFS has a volunteer to take over administering and hosting the site - Chaz. Mike Stern said he had been looking for a replacement, and was willing to give up the webmaster responsibilities. After a discussion, it was determined this is a club-appointed position. President Cathy Beckstead said she would make a new appointment.

LOSCON.ORG: Shaun said the site will be updated within a week. Mike Stern had the paperwork from Chaz about LASFS ownership of the domain name.

LOSCON 27: Shaun said PR#2 will be out in three weeks.

LOSCON 28: No report.

LOSCONS OF THE FUTURE: Christian McGuire said with the help of Kim he got about 60% of the issues dealt with to their satisfaction. The room rate is acceptable. There is a plan to provide additional parking. There was a brief discussion of having Loscon provide guards at the offsite parking lot. Christian said the contracts are for three years and they're "signable," they're now good contracts.

Elayne moved that Christian sign the contracts. The

PETITION FOR CHANGE OF THE BY-LAWS

Under "termination of membership for monetary reasons," the Bylaws read as follows:

B. Any member who is 6 meetings or more in arrears in dues shall be notified of this fact by the Treasurer. His or her membership shall then be reviewed by a committee consisting of the Chairman of the Board, the President and the Treasurer. Upon majority recommendation of this committee, the membership of the delinquent member may be terminated by a majority of those voting at any meeting of the society.

After the word "dues" in the first sentence, add:

, failed to pay for membership at an attended LASFS function, or paid for goods and services from the LASFS or any LASFS function with a check which has been subsequently dishonored.

This changes the wording of the section as follows:

B. Any member who is 6 meetings or more in arrears in dues, failed to pay for membership at an attended LASFS function, or paid for goods and services from the LASFS or any LASFS function with a check which has been subsequently dishonored, shall be notified of this fact by the Treasurer. His or her membership shall then be reviewed by a committee consisting of the Chairman of the Board, the President and the Treasurer. Upon majority recommendation of this committee, the membership of the delinquent member may be terminated by a majority of those voting at any meeting of the society.

Petition has been signed by a number of members, sufficient to warrant consideration by the club.

This petition was accepted by the club at its October 12 meeting and the date of December 21 was set as the meeting at which it would be considered

directors voted aye, with Bill Ellern abstaining. Mike Stern thanked Christian for a job well done.

LALACON: Tadao Tomomatsu turned over \$2155.01 to the club, closing the books of HuLaLacon. Ellern gave another 1 cent so we can put in our 2 cents worth. Tadao said next year's con name is Falalalalalalalacoon. It will be held in April. He plans to make a website for the con.

NEW BUSINESS: Drew Sanders wound up having a meeting with the owner of the property next door after someone left a "nasty note" on his car, which was parked in one of the clubhouse spaces after 6 pm on Thursday. Drew reported there was a confrontational scene involving several members. Others talked to him and he's calmed down somewhat, but he wants an apology. Some, including Phil Castora, disagreed with Drew's characterizations of the event. Ed Green, Christian McGuire, and Cathy Beckstead emphasized a need to preserve a good relationship with the neighbor, and agreed an apology should be given. Peggy Rule said he wanted an apology from the person who left the note, and Charlie Jackson 2, though saying he had already apologized in person, agreed to go with Mike Stern on Thursday and join in the official apology. Stern said he would see whether Sundance and Lucy Stern would also join in.

On a different topic, Bruce Pelz recommended we delete the club's appointed position of LASFS/SCIFI liaison. The current person won't be on either board after September 1. Someone asked what about a Time Meddlers liaison, but there wouldn't need to be one of those until the Time Meddlers stop running LASFS. We adjourned after Liz offered to sell the new Sacajewea dollar coins that had turned up in the soda money.

FANZINES

*The production of fanzines is an old fannish tradition and De Profundis is a zine in that tradition. Many of the regularly attending club members may not be aware of the vast number of zines which have been produced in fandom's past. Many may not realise that not everybody has moved their written fanac to the web and that there are many fanzines still being produced. Here is a list of the zines which the club gets in trade. I want to point out that **any zines for which the club trades can be picked up from the De Prof mailbox and can be read at your leisure. For those of you who want to explore the universe of***

fanzines, I shall be most happy to make recommendations of available zines.

ZINES RECEIVED IN TRADE

(All zines are available to read and are in the *De Profundis* mailbox and can be taken out for a week)

club zines: DASFAx Vol. 32, #10 (DASFS). EINBLATT! October 2000 (Minnstf). MEMPHEN #270 (MSFA). NASFA SHUTTLE Vol. 20 #9 (NASFA). INSTANT MESSAGE #672 (NESFA). INSTANT MESSAGE #673 (NESFA). PSFS News, October 2000 (PSFS). PULSAR #263 (PorSFis). PULSAR #264 (PorSFis). WESTWIND #252 (NWSFS).

other zines: THYME #129 (Alan Stewart). TROPICON 19 PROGRESS REPORT.

NEW BOOKS

(This is a section devoted to listing new books and other items received by the LASFS Library. Our extensive library is not just for collecting and looking at that wonderful collection of books on shelves. Members may take them out and read them. Here are some of the newest additions.)

Purchases:

Duncan, Dave - *Sky of Swords*. O'Neill, Gerald K. - *The High Frontier*. Turtledove, Harry - *Between the Rivers*.

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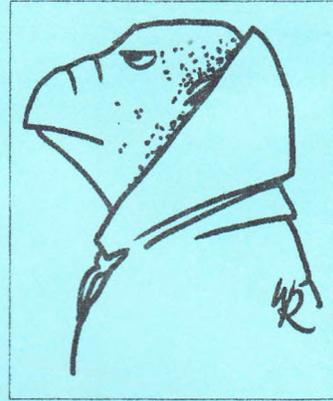
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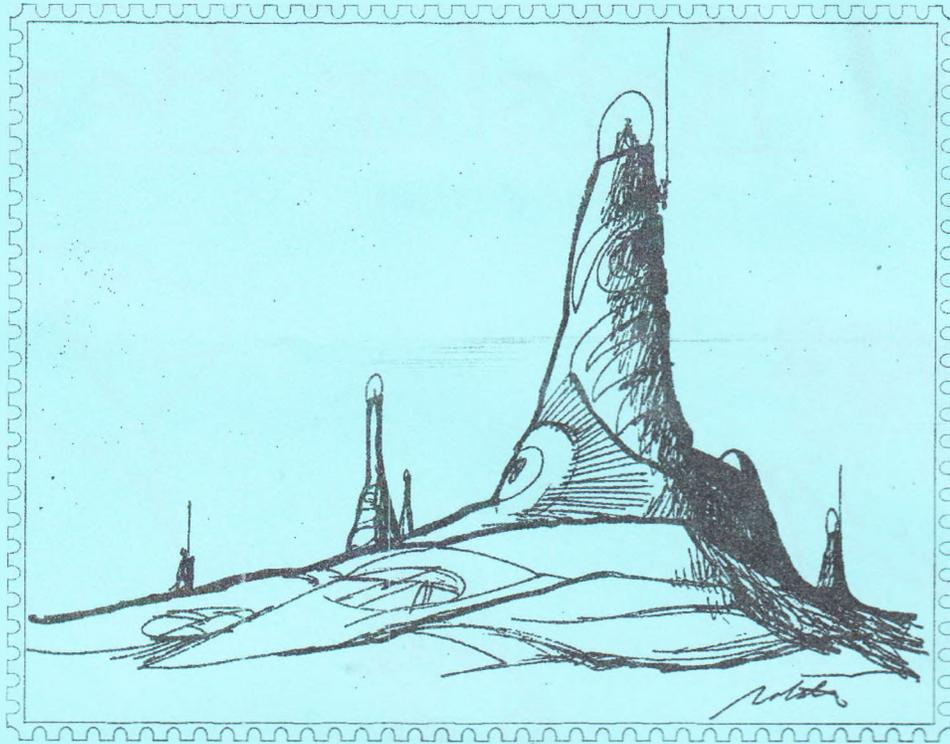
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(Occasionally I will be able to corner a member who is a regular attendee and get them to write something about themselves. If that person is an officer of the club, this may take the form of writing about their job. If any regular attendee wants to write about some personal information, please get me a short piece of material. Remember, I may be ruthless in my editing, so do not write about Ruth.)

(Nobody was cornered this month)

Bill Rotsler Heads

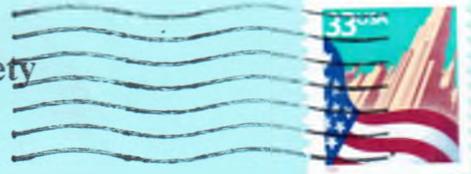




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