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OE Notes:

The OE would like to thank D Roberts, Art Widner, and Michele Armstrong for so far volunteering to be at collation. The OE will thank all of those who actually do show up. If all continues to go according to plans, collations will generally be held Saturday afternoon at 2 pm at 1418 Gordon St. #7 in Redwood City, CA.

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President's Report

When the President has time to scan the sky for falling pieces of Cosmos-1402, enter a chess tournament, and get in his 12 to 15 miles a week of winter jogging, you may be sure that the indefatigable Vice President, the meticulous Sec-Treasurers, and the industrious Official Editor are all doing most commendable jobs. Unlike the Solar System in beloved sf. days of old, it was possible for FAPA to pass three months without needing to be saved from alien invaders. Thus, I was not called on to save it.

Pursuing Ed Cox's original suggestion, I have prepared a draft of a proposed welcoming letter to be distributed to new members. I intended to circulate this among the other officers before presenting it to the membership, but delayed too long and as there is no longer time for this preliminary screening, I will simply ask the membership as a whole to pass upon this letter and offer suggestions for improvements.

Draft

Welcome to membership in the FAPA!

As a newly joined member, you are entitled to the enclosed copy of our Constitution.

You will also receive at least the first two quarterly FAPA mailings of your membership year, even if you do not contribute to them. There is a special requirement (Article 2.4) that a new member must fulfill activity requirements in the first, second, or third mailing after joining. We hope you will find membership sufficiently enjoyable so that you will want to begin your own contributions to FAPA within these first three mailings, and will continue to be an active member.

The activity requirements in general are:

In the year ending with the fourth of your quarterly mailings, you must have been responsible for not less than 8 pages (8½"x11") (or equivalent) of activity in either of two ways:

(1) As editor or publisher of a fanzine distributed in FAPA.

(2) As a contributor to such a fanzine.

The broad sense of the requirements is that the member must meet them through personal efforts.

In addition, renewal dues must be paid yearly.

You will find that the FANTASY AMATEUR, our official publication, carries helpful reminders about the activity and dues status of our members.

We hope your association with FAPA will be long and mutually enjoyable.

-- The Officers and Members

--- Russell Chauvenet

Vice-President's Report

Residents of FAPA, I would like to take this opportunity to make a personal appeal to you. Perhaps the only meaningful act the Vice President undertakes during his year in office, barring emergency, is the taking of the annual egoboo poll. Sure enough, contained elsewhere in this mailing is your 1983 ballot covering the four 1982 mailings. I'd really appreciate it if YOU would fill it out!

In recent years, response to the egoboo poll has been declining more-or-less steadily. The reasons for this are obscure, but proposed causes have ranged from an increase in blood cholesterol and the rise of rampant feminism to lunar perturbations no doubt due to communist-inspired bleeding liberalism.

Personally, I think (1) many people are too self-interested to spend time giving egoboo to others, and--fortunately, this includes most of us--(2) are so concerned with being accurate and fair and proper that rather than fill out an incomplete poll they prefer to skip the whole thing and rely on the "more qualified" members to return their polls. In some cases, perhaps, this natural procrastination has been encouraged by complicated or lengthy poll sheets.

I've taken some steps this year which I hope will help you to return your sheet. In the first place, there are only nine simple categories, defined on the sheet, of only five places each. The sheet is stamped and self-addressed by me. With Peggy Rae Pavlat's assistance and the last four Fantasy Amateurs, it shouldn't be that difficult to make a stab at voting.

AND A STAB IS ALL THAT I ASK! Even if you haven't read all the mailings, or haven't an opinion in all of the categories, please give us your feelings on what you have! The guy who writes the best mailing comments will be happy to have your vote and recognition, even if you aren't sure who does the best serious writing, or even care. And if you can only think of two or three persons for any given category, don't deny them your appreciation by failing to return your sheet because it is "incomplete." **THERE IS NO SUCH THING, BY DEFINITION, AS AN INCOMPLETE POLL SHEET!**

Another thing: I have written a number of FAPA members, mostly previous officers to get their opinion of a sort-of Pulitzer Prize for egoboo poll top finishers whereby they would get some sort of money-prize award comparable to their standings in the egoboo poll, credited towards future dues. Frankly, this did not get much support. One member wrote back and said: "I'd be more pleased (...if I happened to

finish in first place...) to get some sort of simple and unpretentious certificate attesting to my victory than any financial consideration." This was, to me, such an obviously great idea that I have already decided to award certificates at the outcome of this year's poll. The format is now being prepared and they will be ready by the time the poll is completed.

A surprisingly large number of those responding suggested a monetary award in just the other direction: grant a \$1 credit towards renewal dues for each member who returns a poll sheet. Pavlat has suggested that this might be done by administrative fiat, but I including a line on the poll sheet that might cover Section 9.1 in case anyone objects.

One last thing about voting. Most of the people I contacted sort of shrugged off the idea that ny sort of reasonable turn-out could ever be achieved. One said I would never get votes from members who are not interested in the polls at all. This was substantiated shortly thereafter by a very prominent FAPA member of many year's standing who informed me that he didn't believe in such polls ("beauty is its own excuse for being") and hadn't voted in as long as he could remember. He did add: "I'm not against the Egoboo Poll except to the extent of not participating myself."

However, a more heartening letter came from another long-time member, who said: "Why do people vote for anything? Because they are concerned about issues, care about things, want to take part, or because they also want recognition of some sort." If this doesn't describe YOU, why are you in FAPA at all?

And I personally can't accept the beauty-its-own-excuse philosophy except as an intellectual exercise. My own taste leans towards pragmatism: the meaning of a proposition or course of action lies in its observable consequences, and the sum of these consequences constitute its meaning.

What say you?

Gregg The Veep

ps: My thanks to Bob Pavlat, Peggy Rae Pavlat, Redd Boggs, Russ Chauvenet, Seth Goldberg, Patrick Nielsen Hayden, Rosemary Hickey, Harry Warner Jr, Ed Cox, Charles Burbee, Elmer Purdue and Jack Speer for input on the egoboo poll and other subjects discussed above.

---Gregg Calkins

Official Editor's Report

Please note as usual that all US Postal Service mail of any class should go to Seth Goldberg, P.O. Box 7309, Menlo Park, CA 94025. The station closes firmly at noon on Saturday. All mail requiring a street address (e.g., UPS and Federal Express) should go to Seth Goldberg, c/o Future Fantasy, 2033 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, CA 94306.

So far zines have been coming in nice and regularly. Several members have written to say that certain packages are on the way. Not all of these have come. Those who gave page totals and titles will be listed in the ToC and the mailing held just a couple of days if necessary. However, if such a zine does not show soon enough out goes the mailing anyway. All such cases will be listed at the end of the ToC.

The Egoboo Poll ballot will appear as the first zine in the mailing. The bad news for the collectors is that that copy is the sole copy. Historians should also note that the Silverberg zine in the postmailing was really meant for this mailing but arrived so early as to make the postmailing.

-- Seth Goldberg

Secretary Treasurer's Report

THE MEMBERSHIP

The roster follows. You should be on the watch for any of the following symbols in the right margin following your name and address:

D - Your dues are now due, and should be sent to the Secretary Treasurer before the next mailing date, which is May 14, 1983. Dues are \$12.00.

A - You owe activity by the next mailing date, 14 May. The number of pages that you owe is shown immediately before the renewal month column. Pages of activity that you have in this (February) mailing have not been counted.

AFeb, AMay, etc. Used for first-year members. Pages owed are due in or before the mailing for the month shown.

\$ - Your dues were due in my hands no later than the 12th of February. As of today, 7 February, they have not been received. If they aren't received (postmark date) by the deadline, your dues are in arrears and it takes a petition to retain membership.

ATM - The pages you owe must be in this November mailing, or in a prior postmailing not yet received by me.

If you have funds on deposit, the information is shown as a parenthetical dollar amount following your address. If the word AIR is also used it means that you have asked that your bundle be sent airmail with the excess cost to be deducted from funds on deposit.

The dingbat # indicates a change of name or address since the last roster. Please note that changes of address, as well as dues, go to the Secretary Treasurer. CoA's are picked up solely from specific notification, and not from your fanzine or other sources.

1.	Bruce D Arthurs, 3421 W Poinsettia, Phoenix, Ariz 85029 (\$14)	0 May D
# 2.	John Bangsund, PO Box 80, Brunswick West, Victoria 3055, Australia (\$3.21)	8 Nov
3.	Anders Bellis, Vanadisvägen 13, S-113 46 Stockholm, Sweden (\$7.25)	8 Nov
4.	Redd Boggs, Box 1111, Berkeley, Calif 94701 (\$12)	4 Aug
5.	Bernadette Lynn Bosky, 819 W Markham Ave, Durham, NC 27701	0 May D
# 6.	GREG BRIDGES, 266 Garland Pl, Memphis, Tenn 38104	8 Nov AAug
7.	Brian Earl Brown, 20101 W Chicago #201, Detroit, Mich 48228	0 May D
8.	Charles Burbee, PO Box 1128, Garden Grove, Calif 92642	8 Feb ATM
9.	Gregg Calkins, Box 508, Jackson, Calif 95642	0 Feb
10.	Tom Campbell, 1751 San Gabriel Ave, Decatur, Ga 30032	0 Feb \$
11.	Marty Cantor, 5263 Riverton Ave #1, North Hollywood, Calif 91601	8 Aug
12.	Tom Cardy, 137 Richardson St, Dunedin, New Zealand (\$1.19)	0 Aug
13.	Jack Chalker & Eva Whitley, 4704 Warner Dr, Manchester, Md 21102	8 Feb ATM
14.	Russ Chauvenet, 11 Sussex Rd, Silver Spring, Md 20910	0 Aug
15.	Ed Cox, 14524 Filmore St, Arleta, Calif 91331 (\$12)	8 Aug
16.	Howard DeVore, 4705 Weddell St, Dearborn Heights, Mich 48125 (\$8)	8 Feb ATM
17.	Leigh Edmonds, PO Box 433, Civic Square, Canberra, ACT 2608, Australia (\$12)	8 May DA

18. LISE EISENBERG, 99 Joralemon St, Brooklyn, NY 11201 8 Nov AAUG
19. Dick Eney, 5400 Gallatin St, Hyattsville, Md 20781 2 Aug
20. Ahrvid Engholm, Maskinistgatan 9 B.b., S-117 47 Stockholm, Sweden 8 Nov
21. Bill Evans, 14100 Canterbury Lane, Rockville, Md 20853 (\$12) 8 Feb ATM
22. Kenneth Faig Jr, 1111 Church St #705, Evanston, Ill 60201 8 Feb ATM
23. MOSHE FEDER, 142-34 Booth Memorial Ave, Flushing, NY 11355 (\$.50) 8 Nov AAUG
24. Don Fitch, 3908 Frijo, Covina, Calif 91722 (\$2.88) 8 Feb \$ATM
25. John Foyster, 21 Shakespeare Grove, St Kilda, Victoria 3182, Australia (\$13.84) 8 Aug
26. Ragnar Fyri, Sollivn. 37 N-1370, Asker, Norway (\$2.69) 8 Aug
27. Seth Goldberg, PO Box 7309, Menlo Park, Calif 94025 0 May D
28. Charles Hansen, 701 S Grant St, Denver, Colo 80209 (\$12) 8 May DA
29. Rosemary Hickey, 9850 Meadowglen Lane Apt 91, Houston, Tex 77042 (\$8) 0 Feb
30. Greg Hills, PO Box 11-205, Wellington, New Zealand (\$1.11) 8 Aug
31. Arthur D Hlavaty, 819 West Markham Ave, Durham, NC 27701 0 Aug
32. Mike Horvat, 112 East Burnett St, Stayton, Ore 97383 (\$8) 6 Feb \$ATM
33. David Langford, 94 London Rd, Reading, Berks RG1 5AU, UK (\$3.75) 6 Aug
34. Fred Lerner, 5 Worcester Ave, White River Junction, Vt 05001 8 Nov
35. Guy Lillian III, 102 S Mendenhall St #13, Greensboro, NC 27403 90 Nov
36. Eric Lindsay, 6 Hillcrest, Faulconbridge NSW 2776, Australia 8 Nov
37. Sam Martinez, 1003 E 18th, Tulsa, Okla 74120 (\$8) 8 Aug
38. Dan McPhail, 1608 Cheyenne Circle, Lawton, Okla 73505 0 Aug
39. Norman Metcalf, Box 1368, Boulder, Colo 80306 (\$5) 5 Feb ATM
40. Len & June Moffatt, Box 4456, Downey, Calif 90241 0 Feb
41. Sam Moskowitz, 361 Roseville, Newark, NJ 07107 8 Nov
42. Joe Moudry, Box 1205, Tuscaloosa, Ala 35403 8 May DA
43. Patrick & Teresa Nielsen Hayden, 4337 15th Ave NE #411, Seattle, Wash 98105 8 Nov
44. Marc Ortlieb, PO Box 46, Marden, SA 5070, Australia (\$15.87AIR) 0 Aug
45. Bob & Peggy Rae Pavlat, 5709 Goucher Dr, College Park, Md 20740 8 Nov
46. Bruce Pelz, 15931 Kalisher St, Granada Hills, Calif 91344 (\$1.70) 8 May DA
47. Elmer Perdue, 2125 Baxter St, Los Angeles, Calif 90039 (\$12) 8 Feb ATM
48. Bob Peterson, 2845 S Gilpin St, Denver, Colo 80210 0 Feb
49. Andy Porter, Box 4175, New York, NY 10163 8 May DA
50. Pete Presford, 'Ty Gwyn,' Maxwell Close, Buckley, North Wales, United Kingdon (\$to be determined) (see note) 4 Aug
51. Boyd Raeburn, 189 Maxome, Willowdale, Ont M2M 3L1, Canada 8 Feb ATM
52. D. Carcl Roberts, 368 2nd Ave, San Francisco, Calif 94118 0 May D
53. Robert Runtè, PO Box 4655, Edmonton, Alberta T6E 5G5, Canada 8 Nov
54. Bob Silverberg, Box 13160 Station E, Oakland, Calif 94661 (\$12) 4 Aug
55. Roger Sjölander, c/o De Young, 1749 Hayes St, Marne, Mich 49435 8 May DA (\$1)
56. Jack Speer, 2416 Cutler NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106 8 Nov
57. Graham Stone, Box 4440 GPO, Sydney 2001, Australia (\$30.98AIR) 8 Aug
58. Joni Stopa, PO Box 177, Wilmot, Wisc 53192 8 Aug AMay A
59. Roy Tackett, 915 Green Valley Rd, NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107 8 Aug
60. John Thiel, 30 N 19th, Lafayette, Ind 47904 0 May D
61. Keith Walker, 6 Vine St, Greaves, Lancaster, Lancs LA1 4UF, UK (\$2.16) 0 May D
62. Harry Warner Jr, 423 Summit Ave, Hagerstown, Md 21740 0 May D
63. Helen V Wesson, 1003 N Vail St, Alexandria, Va 22304 8 Feb ATM
64. Art Widner, 231 Courtney Lane, Orinda, Calif 94563 8 Nov

More notes are necessary concerning the membership than have been needed for many years. If I can only remember them all....

Presford: Check for 15 pounds received today. Deposit previously on hand was \$5.43. Amount on hand depends on bank clearance charges and exchange rates.

Moskowitz: His activity due in November, in Fantasy Commentator, arrived at Ed Cox's in time for the November mailing. However, Ed Cox was not then OE, and time remaining then was not sufficient for Cox to send it on to OE Goldberg. I saw no reason to demand a petition under the circumstances. The Fantasy Commentator concerned should be in this mailing but counts towards Sam's activity requirements of last year.

Peterson and Campbell: They barely missed the last mailing date, they owed only 1 and 2 pages respectively, Campbell at least had some grounds to argue for a "postal delay" extension, and considering the length of the waiting list it seemed reasonable to allow a "postal delay" extension for both.

Hickey: Rosemary provided some further details on the "Infantile Autism" article in as is in the August mailing, and has been granted activity credit for that item.

Eva Chalker Whitley: The "imaginary" waiting list position she previously held has now progressed to within the membership.

Gone from the Fapa roster are Mike Glicksohn and Joyce Scrivner, both D&A, and also Joachim Henke and Ken Ozanne, no activity in by third mailing so these two did not receive the November mailing.

Added to Fapa, effective with this mailing, are Greg Bridges (Memphen), Lise Eisenberg (ASIFA East), Moshe Feder (material in Raffles 6, Gambit 56). Irwin Hirsh, #0 on the waiting list, has been invited to fill the 65th position on the active roster.

THE WAITING LIST

Trimble's haven't yet sent (or I haven't yet received) the \$1 owing, so if it isn't received in the next week they're out. Nobody else on the waiting list owes me anything. Note that Hirsh has been invited to join and has funds on deposit to cover dues, so postmailers can assume he's a member.

0. Irwin Hirsh, 279 Domain Rd, South Yarra, Vic 3141, Australia (\$16)
1. Nigel W. Rowe, 24 Beulah Ave, Rothsay Bay, Auckland 10, New Zealand (\$.50)
2. Richard H E Smith II, 710 S Scoville, Oak Park, Ill 60304 (\$1)
3. John & Bjo Trimble, 696 S Bronson Ave, Los Angeles, Calif 90005
4. Martin Morse Wooster, Box 8093, Silver Spring, Md 20907
5. Bill Patterson, 537 Jones St, No 9943, San Francisco, Calif 94102
6. Joe Sanders, 6354 Brooks Blvd, Mentor, Ohio 44060
7. Harry J N Andruschak, PO Box 606, La Cañada-Flintridge, Calif 91011
8. R. Alain Everts, PO Box 864, Madison, Wisc 53701
9. Dave Rike, Box 11, Crockett, Calif 94525 (\$2)
10. Tim Merrigan, 12013 San Rio St, El Monte, Calif 91732 (\$1)

Tim Merrigan was unable to accept an invitation to join Fapa, but rejoined the waiting list (credentials: No Title). Other newcomers and returnees to the waiting list are Andruschak, who believes he can rejoin now that his diabetes has been diagnosed and is under control (material in Niekas, Erg, Q36); Everts (various fanzines in EOD); Rike, who was in Fapa some 20 years or so ago (material in Gambit, Pong, File 770).

FINANCES

Treasury balance as of last report.....		\$306.04	
Dues received.....	\$234.41		
Deposits received.....	64.56		
WL fees received.....	4.00		
	<u>\$302.97</u>		
ST expenses.....	1.30		609.01
OE expenses			607.71
Mailing 181, US bundles.....	\$37.84		
Canada bundles.....	3.30		
O/s surface bundles.....	27.64		
O/s air bundles.....	18.02	<u>1/</u>	
Bundles replaced, returned for extra postage, etc.....	6.40		
FA, US wl.....	3.33		
FA, O/s members and wl.....	13.44		
Envelopes.....	26.30		
FA production.....	<u>34.51</u>		
	170.78		
Postmailing, US bundles.....	27.72		
O/s surface.....	13.28		
O/s air.....	4.06	<u>2/</u>	
Envelopes.....	8.24		
FA production.....	<u>3.99</u>		
	57.29		
	228.07	
Less advance.....		<u>160.00</u>	
		68.07	539.64
Advance for mailing 182.....			<u>180.00</u>
Current balance.....			359.64

1/ Mailed from different post offices, at different charges (9.34 & 8.68). Averaged to \$9.01. Excess of cost versus surface mail (with air FA) was \$5.75 per bundle, billed to Ortlieb and Stone.

2/ Air differential of 3.23 billed to Ortlieb.

--Bob and Peggy Rae Pavlat