

Presentation of Hall of Fame Award made to Jack Williamson by Bob Madle, with formal presentation at the Baycon Banquet by Ed Hamilton. Nominated for next year's award was Murray Leinster, chosen over John W. Cambell, E. Hoffman Price and Seabury Quinn.

Approved for membership: Alex Osheroff, Herman Robert Jacks, Arthur C. Clarke, Harry C. (Hal. Clement) Stubbs.

SPECIAL REPORT FROM THE BAYCON: The FF meeting was a fantastic success. The gathering was the MOST hilarious First Fandom get-together EVER held! You had to be there to believe it -- even then it's hard to believe. One year later people are still talking about it. (Note from your Editor: As this Baycon party resulted in the ultimate éclat for him, it was tempting to gaffiate and to rest permanently on those laurels--which he in fact did for a year. However, knowingly destroying the chance of becoming a living legend, he has come back once more to edit this News Letter and to personally add what he can to the drunken hilarity of future FF parties.)

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE. Considerable discussion was held at the Baycon meeting relative to membership requirements. A number of varying viewpoints were expressed. A committee to consider the regular and associate membership requirements was appointed: Rusty Hevelin, Art Widner, Dave Kyle. The St. Louiscon meeting found itself again handicapped by the lack of formal requirements and Rusty and Dave have both vowed that this year the committee will function and make its necessary report. Discussion on this subject is hereby solicited and will be distributed in committee.

UNHAPPY NEWS DEPARTMENT: Willy Ley died this spring, shortly before Apollo 11 was launched. First Fandom presented him with a special plaque posthumously and he was eulogized at the St. Louis banquet by Lester del Rey.... Also dead is Herb Schofield of Philadelphia. He was long an active member of the PSFS and a regular convention goer. Back in 1957 Herb was one of the KLM Fan Flight which went to London. Last year he was one of us at the Baycon meeting.... Last Fall it was Lee Riddle whose death came as such a shock, shortly after we received the following post card message: "Thanks for the F.F. Newsletter--hope to see more frequent newsletters in the future. Was shocked to see all the deaths listed--I've been in the hospital so much these past few years that I feel like a revolving door!.... Want to feel real old? My oldest son, Ira Lee, is now graduated from SUNY at Plattsburgh, N.Y., and is attending graduate school in Audio-Visual Education at Geneseo, N.Y.!"

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OUR GOAL, RESTATED: This is Dave's idea to overcome our problems of communication. The hope still remains for an issue about every six weeks. Cooperation, however, is essential. News is necessary from you--get the facts to us on a postal card and we'll do the rest. As this is a non-FF-subsidized effort, any contribution toward postage will be appreciated (Stamps accepted.), but most important, write us!

