



The Newszine of the South Florida Science Fiction Society

CLUB NEWS

OCTOBER MEETING: The next meeting of the South Florida Science Fiction Society will be held at the Broward Game Players' Club in Davie.

ADDRESS: 7619 Davie Road Extension
Davie, Florida 33024
TELEPHONE: (305) 435-2832
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
DATE: October 10, 1987

DIRECTIONS: Take University Drive to Davie Road Extension (between Stirling Road and Pines/Hollywood Boulevard). Turn and head northwest approximately 700 meters. OR: Take Stirling Road to Davie Road Extension (one mile east of University Drive) and head south by southwest approximately 1500 meters. The Broward Game Players' Club is in a small shopping center on the north side of the road, next to the Faith Church; ring bell to be admitted.

PROGRAM: John Kachmar, Jr., will speak on "The Best of 1950's SF Films." (3-D glasses are optional.)

A VIEW INTO THE FUTURE: The November meeting will be held at the Book Club in Lauderhill on November 15, 1987, at 2:00 p.m. The December meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on December 12, 1987, at the Broward Game Players' Club.

TROPICON VI UPDATE: At the last meeting of the Tropicon committee, Joe Siclari announced that he had signed the contract with the hotel. Confirmed guests are still George R.R. Martin (GoH), Frank Kelly Freas (Artist GoH), Jack Chalker (Toastmaster), Andre Norton, Ingrid Neilson, Joseph Green, Gary Alan Ruse, Ginger Curry, Sabrina Jarema, and Mary Hanson Roberts. The second annual Daedalus Awards, if finished in time, will be presented at Tropicon this year. Last year's winners included Steven King and Somtow Sucharitkul.

TROPICON REGISTRATION: Carol Gibson, who is handling registration at Tropicon, is still looking for volunteers for staff, as well as "freebie" or "franked" program-packet stuffers. She can be contacted at (305) 472-5298.

NOMINATIONS: The Nominating Committee (Edie Stern, Judy Bemis, Linda Hill, Becky Peters, and Mitchell Silverman) has completed its work; nominations for '88 officers will be announced at the November 15 SFSFS meeting and printed in the next Shuttle, and elections will be held at the December 12 SFSFS meeting.

PICNIC: Fall is here, and picnic plans are in the works! There is the possibility of a WPBT/Channel 2-sponsored picnic for a fund-raiser for SF programs in Dade County. Hopefully, it will involve all the local SF groups, and it is tentatively scheduled for the first weekend in November. Contact Bill Wilson for more information.

LIGHTS . . . CAMERA . . . ACTION! This is the moment of jubilee! SFSFS Presentations proudly announces that its first video production is ready to fly.

The final script has been edited. It is written by Richard Klein and SFSFS "newcomer" Greg Spivey. Coming aboard as Director is another newcomer, Scott Karneth, who is looking for volunteers in aspect of production including acting,

custom design, set design, and make-up. Scott will also be teaming up with Kat Max for the original score of the film. It should be loads of fun. Come and join the crew! Our first organizational meeting will be on October 9, 1987, at 8:00 p.m. Call the Producer, Rich Klein, for details at (305) 472-5298. (In case you miss the meeting but still want to be involved in the film, do not hesitate to notify us.)

SOLSTICE: There WILL be at least one Solstice this year! All the articles and stories are already in, and most of the other work is also done, except the art.

RELAXICON: There will be a series of SFSFS-sponsored relaxicons for Florida, in various locations throughout the state and using local writers like Joe Haldeman and Sterling Lanier. (A relaxicon is a convention with little or no structured programming; the only thing scheduled at these relaxicons will be the banquets.) The intent is to hit different areas, with the Guest of Honor being from Florida, and the con to be held in their home town. The first such relaxicon is tentatively scheduled near the Cape for '88, maybe in the summer.

SFSFS NORTH: Doug and Kathy Wu are interested in forming a chapter of SFSFS for Palm Beach County. Anyone interested can call them at (305) 737-8028.

LAST MONTH'S MEETING REVISITED

The last business meeting of the South Florida Science Fiction Society (SFSFS) was held on Sunday, September 13, 1987 at the Book Club in Lauderhill. 21 members and 11 guests attended. Judy Bemis reported that as of the date of the meeting, the current membership total was 89, including 5 Honorary, 32 Regular (including 16 Founding Regular), 46 General, and 6 Child Members. This total included new members Ray Herz and Dwight Douglas. The SFSFS treasury stood at \$1604.22, and the Tropicon treasury was \$3109.49.

The Guest Speaker was author, educator, and futurist Dr. Mary Jo Carl, who spoke on the topic "Things of the Future." Dr. Carl, who is an honors professor at Broward Community College, defined futurism and explained several of its concepts. She also spoke about concepts of the future, and how current world trends can be interpreted.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

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SECOND CALL FOR UPGRADE

Richard Tetrev
Richard Bates

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Joe Siclari's SF LITERARY DISCUSSION GROUP will meet on Friday, November 9, 1987 at the Book Club (in Lauderhill) at 7:30 p.m. Works to be read for the meeting are Greg Bear's EON and Somtow Sucharitkul's DANCING IN THE LIGHT.

The FILKSINGING COMMITTEE will meet on Saturday, November 7, 1987 at Joe and Edie's house at 4599 NW 5th Avenue, in Boca Raton. Call (305) 392-6462 for directions and more information.

TROPICON COMMITTEE MEETING: Time and place to be announced. Get your memberships early! See above for more information.

CREATIVE WRITING: The Creative Writing Committee is tentatively scheduled to meet on October 17 (the third Sunday of the month). 3-4 pages of writing are needed, and the assignment is to come up with a writing exercise. Call Jay at (305) 583-8739 for more information.

MEDIA RESEARCH: The next Media Research Committee meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Halloween (Friday, October 30, 1987), at 8949 NW 9 Place. Call (305) 472-5298 for directions and/or more information.

GAMING: The Strategic Game Development Committee meets every Saturday in Palm Beach County and every Sunday and Monday in Broward. New players are welcome. Locations, times, and games vary, so call Peggy Gemignagni at (305) 771-4658 or John Fast at (305) 472-5298 for directions and information.

BUSINESS MEMBERS

The following business are general members providing discounts (and other activities) to all SFSFS club members.

THE BOOK CLUB

5312 North University Drive
Lauderhill, Florida 33321
(305) 748-7500

Contact: Howard Cohen

Discount: \$2.00 off on annual membership (regularly \$11.95)

Shop Talk: The Book Club has two full-time staff members just for dealing with science fiction and fantasy. It also provides a minimum 20% discount on all items found in the store. The store is currently presenting psychic fairs and other activities through the end of the month. Don't forget that the November SFSFS business meeting will be held at the Book Club.

THE BROWARD GAME PLAYERS' CLUB

7619 Davie Road Extension
Davie, Florida 33024
(305) 435-2832

Contact: Bill Crane

Discount: 10% off annual membership (normally \$30)

Shop Talk: Contact Bill Crane for information on gaming and social events at the BGPC. Don't forget that this month's SFSFS business meeting will be there!

BURGER FRESH

2001 North Federal Highway
Pompano Beach, Florida 33062
(305) 782-8393

Contact: Jack or Joanne Shultz

Discount: 25% off any item or meal (not including specials)

Shop Talk: Burger Fresh offers hamburgers, fries, onion rings, chicken, fish, salads, and desserts. SHOW YOUR CARD for a discount on any item other than specials.

SOFTWARE CELLAR

50 East Oakland Park Boulevard
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33334
(305) 563-0333

Contact: Mitchell Silverman

Shop Talk: The Software Cellar sells software, hardware, and accessories for microcomputers including the Apple, IBM PC, Macintosh, Commodore, and Atari. Store hours are Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

POETRY IN THE WOODS: The Secret Woods Nature Centre holds poetry readings every first Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m.; admission is free. Secret Woods Park is located at 2701 West State Road 84, about one-half mile west of I-95 on the south side of the North New River Canal. Call (305) 975-7085 for more information.

"THANK-YOU": SFSFS has received two very nice "thank-you" notes for T-shirts from Robert Bloch and Vincent Di Fate.

COMPULSIVE PRODUCTIONS: Phil Tortorici has started up a company for making fannish media cartoon buttons. For a free catalog, send a S.A.S.E. to:

Compulsive Productions
P. O. Box #05747
West Palm Beach, Florida 33405-7487

Phil is also involved in IMAGINAPA #65, publishing a mini-zine titled "Thoughts of a Dull Head in a Dry Season". For copies, write to:

IMAGINAPA
c/o Eric L. Watts
Capitol Station Box 11603
Columbia, South Carolina 29211-1603

MAGICON

Magicon is the name of the bid to bring the 50th World Science Fiction Convention to Orlando in 1992. Presupporting memberships for Magicon are \$5.00 each, and will provide you with the MagiCon bidzine and bid button, as well as admission into Magicon bid parties. Presupporting memberships for Magicon, and Magicon T-Shirts, are available from:

Magicon/Orlando in '92
P. O. Box 5904
Orlando, Florida 32855

(Magicon T-Shirts are \$6.50 for presupporting members, \$8.00 for all others, plus \$1.50 shipping and handling. Please specify S, M, L, or XL.)

For further information about Magicon, please see a SFSFS member associated with the bid: Becky Thomson and Joe Siclari, Co-Chairs; Lynn Murphy, Treasurer; Edie

Stern, Co-Chair of Publicity Committee; Judy Bemis, Central Committee; or Tony Parker, Bill Wilson, Peggy Gemignagni, Carol Gibson, Linda Hill, Sue Trautman, or Becky Peters, who are on the Associate Committee.

CONVENTIONS

Name (Type)	Dates	Location
Orlando Vulcon '87 (Star Trek)	October 3-4	Orlando, Florida
ArmadilloCon	October 9-11	Austin, Texas
RovaCon	October 9-11	Salem, Virginia
Necronomicon	October 16-18	Tampa, Florida
Vulcon (Star Trek)	October 17-18	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
TROPICON VI	December 4-6	Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

IT CAME IN THE MAIL

The following are Fanzines or Newsletters received by SFSFS for the period August 9 to August 18, 1987:

THE INSIDER, Issue #133, August 1987, from the St. Louis Science Fiction Society; included a Tucker Award ballot.

FOSFAX, August 1987, from the Falls of the Ohio Science Fiction Association of Louisville, Kentucky; includes a review of the Shuttle: "The clubzine of one active club; . . . We would love to have FOSFA be this good."

DASFAX, Vol. XIX, No. 8, from the Denver Area SF Association. (Their Directory is out, too.)

INSTANT MESSAGE #424 (August 2, 1987) from the New England Science Fiction Association (NESFA), of Boston, Massachusetts; in red ink on green paper. ("Christmas in July," perhaps?) MCFI has added a 600-room block at the Park Plaza to their Noreascon III arrangements!

INSTANT MESSAGE #425 (August 16, 1987); from NESFA.

TRANSMISSIONS, Vol. X, Nos. 22 and 23, from United Gulf Coast Fandom, in Panama City, Florida.

THE TEXAS SF INQUIRER Issue 21 (July/August 1987); put out by the Fandom Association of Central Texas (FACT); articles and reviews including one of Sercon I.

THE OASFIS NEWSLETTER Vol. I, No. 5 (September 1987); put out by the Orlando Area Science Fiction Society. They're planning a convention for some time in May, 1988 -- no name as yet.

LIGHT IN THE BUSHEL #5 -- personal fanzine from Richard Brandt of 4740 North Mesa #111, El Paso, TX 79912.

DE PROFUNDIS (The LASFS Directory) The Directory of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society. What more can one say? If you hit someone with this, he'll stay down.

INDICIA

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SFSFS CALENDAR-AT-A-GLANCE

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Dec 12	SFSFS GENERAL MEETING Bill Wilson (983-0749)	7 pm	Davie

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