De Profundis

DE PROFUNDIS 450



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KEY TO CALENDAR & OTHER IMPEDIMENTA

ESTROGEN ZONE = Ladies Auxiliary Sewing and Fallout Society TRIPE = Temporal Retrieval of Information Programming and Entertainment BoD = Board of Directors - 11 am

2nd Sunday = Board and other gaming - 2 pm

Cinema Anime = Japanimation, time after Tom Safer Cartoons

CFO = Cartoon Fantasy Organisation

Work Party = Varies with what needs doing

FWEMS = Fourth Sunday Movies - 2 pm

TIME MEDDLERS = Dr. Who club

Tom Safer Cartoons = 10 am

BOB NULL MEMORIAL - 11:00 AM

CALENDAR DETAILS

TRIPE - Noon until whenever

BoD - 11:00 am, Open House starts at 2:00 pm

Cinema Anime - 1:00 pm until it ends

CFO - 1 pm to 8 pm

Work Party - 10:30 am

TIME MEDDLERS - 10:30 am

ESTROGEN ZONE - 2:00 pm

Marketing Committee - 7:30 pm FWEMS - TRIBUTE TO RAY BRADBURY ON HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

AUGUST 5 - No programme set at press time

AUGUST 12 - Special Election to fill Bob Null's Board seat

AUGUST 19 - Early British TV Science Fiction

AUGUST 26 - Very Big Auction

(programme items subject to change without notice)

BOB NULL MEMORIAL

Saturday, August 14, 2010 11:00 am

at the LASFS clubhouse

We will remember, and celebrate through our remembrance, one of LASFS' most indispensable members. LASFS was Bob's Second Family, and his First Family will be here, too, to help us all remember him.

> (This will be a pot luck affair. See information about the pot luck on page 9.)

DE PROFUNDIS - the unofficial newsletter of LASFS

COLOPHON

De Profundis 450 – August 2010. Publisher and Editor: Marty Cantor.

De Profundis is the unofficial newsletter of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society (11513 Burbank Blvd., North Hollywood, CA 91601, USA). The LASFS' telephone number is: (818) 760-9234. The club's web site is: www.lasfsinc.info. De Profundis is available only from Marty Cantor for his cost of producing the zines: 55¢ in person, \$1.00 by domestic mail. Out of country rates quoted upon request but it is recommended that copies be downloaded - or at least read - from the DE PROF web site.

Westercon is a service mark of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society, Incorporated (LASFS, Inc.), Worldcon and NASFIC are service marks of the World Science Fiction Society (WSFS).

I want any news of interest to LASFS members (no poetry or fiction). Send items to the LASFS address c/o *De Profundis* or leave them in the *De Profundis* mailbox at the clubhouse. The editor, Marty Cantor, can be reached at his edress: martyhoohah (at) sbcglobal (dot) net or at the clubhouse on Thursday evenings. Deadlines are a bit fluid, but mid-month Thursdays are probably it.

If anybody who receives *DE PROF* via the mail happens to move without letting me know the new address; well, I have more important things to do than to be chasing down addresses so I will stop sending zines to you even if you have given me money to do so.

I will accept no advertising in *De Profundis* but I will always try to find room to announce upcoming events of interest to LASFS members.

Even though *De Profundis* is no longer the official newsletter of the LASFS, I intend to run the zine as if it still belonged to the club. Mostly. Due to space limitations, priority is always given to content mandated in the LASFS by-laws and by any applicable traditions. Also, after that stuff, by what the editor wants to do.

Written in Publisher 2000 on a new custom-built Intel dual-core computer (using the XP Pro operating system) and printed on an HP 4700dn colour laser printer.

Statements herein are those of the speaker/writer and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the club. *Interjections in italics are solely the responsibility of the smartass, er, editor. Any resemblances 'twixt smartassery and responsibility are purely coincidental.*

Addendum: At the LASFS' Board of Directors meeting of February 8, 2009, the Directors accepted the proposal by Marty Cantor to take over *De Profundis* as his own fanzine, or as one of them, and he will be assuming the entire cost of production. Marty Cantor has promised to use his 5+ years experience of running *De Prof* as a guide to pubbing the zine as the *unofficial* newsletter of the society. The proposal was put to the Board because the Board had previously indicated that costs were dictating the discontin uance of the zine. As of this issue, *De Prof* will be available on paper solely at cost: currently 55¢. Mailed copies, domestically, will be \$1.00. Subscriptions will be accepted; however, as prices are set at cost of production, there will be no discounts for long-term subs.

Marty Cantor, 11825 Gilmore Street #105, North Hollywood, CA 91606, USA. (818) 761-9401. martyhoohah (at) sbcglobal (dot) net. July 2010. Hoo Hah Publication Number 1509. Thanks go to Elayne Pelz, Cathy Beckstead, Charlie Jackson, Lee and Barry Gold, and any others who are helping me in providing news to LASFS members.

LASFS OFFICERS

Elected Procedural Officers July - December, 2010

President: Arlene Satin **Vice-President:** Greg Bilan. **Scribe:** Karl Lembke. **Treasurer:** (elected in mid-year, serves for full year) Elayne Pelz. **Registrar:** Michelle Pincus.

Board of Directors

Chairman: Karl Lembke (2012). Vice-Chairman: Mike Thorsen (2010).. Comptroller: Christian McGuire (2011). Secretary: Marty Cantor (2012). Other members: Marsha Minsky (2012), Elayne Pelz (2011), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2011), Arlene Satin (2010), Milt Stevens, (2010), Darnell Coleman (2011).. (Currently, one seat is vacant.) Special Advisor: Charles Lee Jackson II. Advisors: Forrest J Ackerman, Walt Daugherty, Len & June Moffatt, and Fred Patten.

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If there is an X in this space, your sub has run out

CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

(complete minutes are supposed to be filed in the LASFS' files and can be read there - also at www.lasfsinc.info)

Meeting #3795, May 6, 2010 Vice-President Rob Powell, presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

"Widget of Power! Shall I use the squeaky one?"

It being el Seis de Mayo, the LASFS opened its pueblo to Meeting #3795 at 20:15:58. (not #37935, which will take place on 8/25/2664)

The Menace were read and accepted as "Janis".

There was a motion to table all the motions to accept except for Scott's, The winning bidder paid \$12 to name the Menace Janis.

Patron Saint: Larry Niven. Keep it obfuscated, guys!

Joe Zeff: He gave us lot of candy. Gizmo: I'm honored to be running the meeting and to honor you tonight. Arlene Satin: He's one of the nicest people she knows. He's always graciously assented to whatever project she asks him to contribute to.

John DeChancie: His real accomplishment - the choco-

late covered manhole cover. Not just to keep Jerry from exploding. Michelle Pincus called him a great guy, a great writer, and a good friend. Scratch: He picked a good woman to marry

Milt Stevens: He's really good at really large cosmic thingies. Bill Ellern: He's put out a stream of novels and short stories it's been a pleasure to read and re-read. Scratch: Through h is efforts, science has changed.

And because of Larry, we have that short story, "Man of Steel, Woman of Kleenex". Matthew Tepper: There was a comic book club at UC Santa Cruz that did a graphic adaptation of "Man of Steel, Woman of Kleenex."

Larry Niven was given three cheers, and a chocolate covered manhole cover! (And maybe a chocolate covered manhole cover cover to keep from getting beach sand all over it.)

New Business: Cathy moved to table until the target is back at the meeting.

Committee Reports: Arlene mentioned a survey will be passed around next week. We're putting out a brief survey looking for ideas for improving the website.

CLJII announced a special order of business to bring before the club. The international committee on pointless and humorous stuff reports that Christian moves to set aside the motion to table, effectively removing the motion from the table.

The motion to impeach Christian passed. The impeachment process is underway. Robert Powell is now acting president until further notice, unless Christian is allowed to serve while the impeachment process is underway. (It seems to me that Christian has asked to be impeached so many times that his just punishment for this is to refuse to impeach him and force him to stay in office. - ed.)

The **Registrar** now has a guest. Kate Capps, hiding in the front building Thank you for not scaring away the guest.

Dave Okamura filled in for the Science Monitor – Gunther Wendt who's in charge of the white room for the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo programs has passed. Today, it seems the Max Planck Institute has decoded the three billion letters of Neanderthal DNA. What's interesting is that our ancestors interbred with Neanderthals. I didn't know they had red light districts back then.

Arlene added a science item: On 4/25, Stephen Hawking stated that we should not try to contact ET. Contact with ET would hurt humans.

Misc.: Registrar Michelle announced: We have an Aussie. Peter Greenwood... He works for Jack Chertock TV and has been restoring My Favorite Martian. (*What? For*

released with extended scenes, lost footage, etc. Also reprinting the original comic by Gold Key and the British strips that were published. Also, a release of My Living Doll. It was missing for 40 years. Missing because of a water leak, which destroyed the negatives. He's found 11 of the 20 episodes. Also remastering The Inspector General with Danny Kaye. And for Dr Who fans, this is the last sonic screwdriver. Also up for remastering are The Reluctant Eye and The Rambling Wreck from the Discotheque. (We really should re-master the universe to delete movies and television, thereby forcing everybody to learn to read books. - ed.)

Matthew Tepper moved that the meeting be hauled away as garbage. It passed at 21:24:24.

Meeting #3796, May 13, 2010 Vice-President Rob Powell, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

"We forgot headsets!" "It's the rule, you have to forget something."

Friday the thirteenth being on a Thursday this month, LASFS opened lucky Meeting #3796 at 20:20:31 (not #37936, scheduled to take place on 9/01/2664)

Special Orders of Business: This week we lost the best minion Satan ever had, Lena Horn. We have also lost artist Frank Frazetta, Conan the Barbarian's best friend. In their honor, we had a brief moment of silence.

This evening our programme will be agenda light. The programme tonight is NeverEndingPanel.com. Topics to be discussed are Hawking's warning and "In Defense of COBRA".

The **Menace** were read and accepted as "Impeachy keen".

Patron Saint: Bob Null. CLJII: He's been doing OK, but he has not answered the phone or returned his call this week. Maybe he was off at the doctor's. Gizmo noted, he's looking fuzzy – he's off the chemo for the moment. After some discussion, it was agreed that he is a Sacred Object.

Marty Cantor narrated, "Back when I was the editor of De Prof the first time, Fuzzy Niven would do the mailing labels, and a few other people did stuff. Bob Null did the physical work. I would print it, and Bob would help for a couple of hours with the folding and stapling every month whilst I collated the zine. This would occupy five or six hours, one Friday a month. Bob is the Mr. Do-Everything, or was until he developed a couple of cancers. Rumor has it they're both in remission. He did so much stuff as Veep, except he wasn't very good at running meetings, it takes five or six people to do what he used to do by himself. He became a member in 78 or 79, when the clubhou se was moved, and he remains on the

Board."

Scratch: He's one of the nicest men I know at LASFS, or anywhere else. He's knowledgeable, and always has a good word for those who deserve it. Joe Zeff remembers that when Bob was finally forced to stop being Veep, and he truly was a TenYeared Veep. Hare joined the LASFS in 80, and he assumed Bob had been a member forever. It turned out Bob was only a member for six months longer than Hare was. That would put it late in 79 when he joined.

Tepper noted that in addition to his interests, he is also interested in other things, including exonumia – medals and non-legal tender – and the history of Turkey, and the music of Stephen Foster. CLJII: When he finds an interest, he dives into it. One of his interests was offroad racing and driving, and he'd find ways to get vehicles up sand dunes that others called "unclimbable". (Gravity is no problem with a Null field generator...) One failing he's developed is realizing he was going to spend all the time in the world behind the computer unless something pulled him out. As a result, he took to ferrying LASFS members from place to place and doing transportation for conventions. It should be pointed out he gave us money in his name, and in the names of other people. What slowed him down is not so much is age as his rea ction to the chemo.

Bob Null was given three cheers, and something for nothing! (And that, my friends, is much ado about Nothing.)

Committee Reports: Karen Anderson had a moment of science. Ode to the Iaser! Half of the latest issue of Science News is devoted to the history and prospects of the laser. Karen reported on the interview with Charles Towns, the inventor of the laser. 2010 laserfest = <www.laserfest.org> In conclusion, from Charles Towns at age 94, using laser technology to measure the sizes of stars, says, "It's so much fun, why stop?"

The **Registrar** announced a guest. Actually, four. Lily Williams, heard about us from a friend. Albert E. Bishop, heard about us from Conjecture. Jeff Gauntt, heard about us from a flyer at Golden Apple. Sterling Drake, found us on the web.

Arlene has the survey in her hot little hands. What do people want to see on the web site? (*Spiders?* - ed.)

Next month, we start the Children's Reading Program. The books to be read haven't been picked yet.

Time Bound Announcements: The Kollin brothers formally invited LASFS to their book release party, to be held at the Barns and Noble at the Grove, May 26, 7-9PM. There'll be munchies and a NeverEnding Panel. Info is also on the web site.

Nick Smith: Sunday, on the 50th anniversary of the laser, Paramount Ranch is hosting the Topanga Banjo and Fiddle Contest. That was used for movies up through Dr Quinn, Medicine Woman. *Quantum ranch was an early, and maybe the best, site of the Renaissance Pleasure Faire.* - ed.)

Misc.: Hare offered a review of Barnes' and Due's Cassandra. It's not SF, but a murder mystery. It's rather sexy and very enjoyable. Highly recommended. It harkens back to Steve's more adventurous writing.

The meeting adjourned at 21:09:22.

Meeting #3797, May 20, 2010 Christian McGuire, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

President Christian McGuire very quietly opened Meeting #3797 at 20:04:27

Special Orders of Business: Marty Cantor announced that Norman Spinrad has inoperable stomach cancer. For details, check Jerry Pournelle's blog and Norman Spinrad's Facebook page.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as "Hauled away as garbage".

Registrar Michelle introduced Nils Schirmacher who heard about us from a friend.

Patron Saint, Probably Something but Not Necessarily Tom Digby: He is a long-time patron saint with unique attributes. Zeff: he's probably something, but not here. Nick Smith: he's one of the two most unique poets he's ever met

Milt Stevens: his style was like explaining things to people in his home dimension, like at a wine and cheese party, how to tell which is the wine and which is the cheese. He used to have practical applications for fantasy notions like coin-operated crypts for traveling vampires. He ended up as a fictional character in at least a couple of locations. CLJII: Tom Digby was a fictional character before Larry got to him. (Or, for that matter, anyone else!) Christian: The story is responsible for the chocolate covered manhole cover, a regular item in the LASFS gift exchange.

Marty Cantor: Tom's mind sort of works a little differently than that of a lot of people. One idea he had that still strikes him as amusing to this day... the Bermuda triangle, lying wholly within its own borders, has caused itself to disappear, and so no longer exists. Christian: Tom still appears at conventions, and lately has been sporting a piercing through his nose with rock-candy like crystals. He still blows bubbles. Hare: Tom Digby had those bones in his nose when he first met him in 79.

Joe Zeff: Since Jerry isn't here to tell this story, I'll tell it. Many years ago, Jerry saw Tom wearing a particularly large and long bone in his nasal piercing. Why" To make himself look attractive. "To whom?" Later, Digby, was

seen wearing a pale green sari which showed off his pier cings. Joe did not ask the JP question. Marty Cantor announced the existence of Silicon Soapware, which contains Digby's thoughts and responses.

David Okamura: Tom Digby's writing has been collected, including the memo on elevator usage. There's also the piece on the Christmas Tree Retirement Home, and the famous "Christmas Cat". CLJII: One member of the club once described Digby as the sort of person who would live around the corner from a place that sold Dill Pickle Ice Cream. As it turned out, he did. Karl Lembke: He was in APA-L for many years. His zine, titled "Probably Som ething, including [something weird]" included Clarinchi and the Infinite Dealer's Room. Tom Digby was given three cheers, and a quart of dill pickle ice cream.

Time Bound Announcements: Dani and Eytan wished to announce that next Wednesday Night at the Barnes and Noble at the Grove, there will be a book release party, with food, drinks, Niven, Pournelle, Never-EndingPanel, and stuff. 7-10 PM.

Fannish committee Reports: Nick Smith had a sequel to Karen's science minute. Lasers are being used to zap mosquitos. It detects the audio frequency of the wings, and destroy s the mosquito. Dr. Jordan Kare, [former] bay area fan, is a researcher on the project. Milt: This creates a niche for a stealth mosquito.. Julie: IF there's a swarm of mosquitoes and they all catch fire, won't it burn down the building.

Misc.: Karl: WSJ – scientists create life. The process is effectively cloning, but the genome inserted into the empty cell was synthesized in a lab, from a pattern in a computer file. The creators included text in the genome, including poetry and their web address.

Arlene: seconded Scott's motion.

(*Stepping out of his time machine, -* ed.) Scott moved to adjourn. It happened at 21:15:45.

Meeting #3798, May 27, 2010 Sitting in for the impeached president, Christian McGuire, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

President Christian McGuire opened Meeting #3798 at 20:03:00

Special Orders of Business: We have one SOB: This week, we've lost Martin Gardner, the Ed Buchman and Roger Hill of mathematics. (So what **is** an equation's Buchman rating?) Matthew Tepper notes he wrote "Visitors from Oz" and the annotated Alice in Wonderland. Karen Anderson notes he was a magician and sold stories to the New Yorker. We observed a moment of silence for Martin Gardner – once everyone had shut up.

The Menace were read and accepted as "pastrami cake, to

Patron Saint: Dee Dee Lavender. Matthew Tepper notes she seems to have been a nice lady, sadly departed, and was married to fan Roy Lavender. Scratch: She gave us money. And Anne Morrel notes she published a book of poetry. Dee Dee Lavender was given three cheers, and some purple prose

Registrar Michelle introduced Marc Levinthal, and Tim and Serena Powers attending a meeting for the first time though they have been members since before the 75th Anniversary.

Committee Reports

Program – break for Tim Powers interview, and next week is nomination for President!

Karen Anderson had a science report: She had meant to do a filk about Gardner. He was also a humorist, and so we have some humor from the back of New Scientist. They get letters.

Reviews: Hare Hobbs reviewed the third Twilight book "It has less "poor me" stuff. It takes ³/₄ of the book to get to it." This gives him hope for the last book. (*Hope says that she does not want to be traded for any* last *book*. - ed.)

Christian is looking forward to Tim Powers' new book – his vampire won't glitter, be emotional, or hang around with kids.

Doug Crepeau notes his life was saved by Jim Thorpe. Doug was six years old and thought the rattlesnake would be fun to play with. He has recently seen a movie with Burt Lancaster as Jim Thorpe. (Who did they get to play the rattlesnake? - ed.)

At this point we said good bye to the Powers that be.

Doug's nephew graduated last night from Boston College. (Does this mean that he is no longer Doug's nephew? - ed.)

Christian read the most recent Charlane Harris book – and enjoyed it. As a person who gave up on Xanth after five books, the fact that he's still reading after ten books says a lot. (He has not read any Jim Butcher, or more than the three Pratchett juveniles.)

WHO KNOWS WHAT ETHER LURKS IN THE MINDS OF FEN?

The fannish autobiography of
Phil Castora
edited and pubbed by Marty Cantor
pdf file available at
http://efanzines.com/Castora/index.htm
paper copies from Marty Cantor for \$5.00

LAFA

(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, August 14, 2010
Filk: 7 PM to ???
Pre-Filk Dinner: 5 PM, The Palace
(formerly known as VIP Harbor Seafood)
(Chinese cuisine)
Brandyhall
Lee and Barry Gold, hosts
3965 Alla Rd.
Los Angeles, CA 90066
(310) 306-7456

Pre-filk dinner: 5 PM, at 11701 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90025, 310-979-3377

Directions: See Thomas Bros. L.A. Co., page 672, B-5 (1992 edition); page 49, E-3 (older editions). Brandyhall is located southwest of the intersection of the San Diego (I-405) and Santa Monica (I-10) Freeways.

Filk style: Poker Chip (Non-Topological) Bardic, or Chaos

Notes

- 1. No Smoking Indoors! -- Use the front porch in good weather; the enclosed patio during bad weather.
- 2. Please bring munchies & drinks to share.
- 3. There are no domestic animals in residence
- 4. Crash space available. Call ahead if you can to reserve a prime location. Who gets the spare bed will be determined at the filk, depending on who shows up.
- 5. Two Silicon life-forms are present. The old photocopier is gone, but copying can be done using the inkjet printer or by scanning something and then printing it on a laser printer.

LAFA info: Barry & Lee Gold: (310) 306-7456

Frank raised his Black Power symbol and reported Social Security has called and said he now has a check coming.

The motion to adjourn passed at 21:26:54.

Board of Directors meeting June 13, 2010 Karl Lembke, Chairman Marty Cantor, Secretary

Board Members in attendance: Karl Lembke, Darnell Coleman, Mike Thorsen, Bob Null (excused absence), Arlene Satin, Milt Stevens, Elayne Pelz, Marcia Minsky, Christian McGuire, Rob Powell, Marty Cantor.

Members and Guests: Lee Gold, Barry Gold, Greg Bilan, Len Moffatt, June Moffatt, Michael Pell, Michelle Pincus, Joyce Sperling, Heide Nicolls, Tony Benoun, Jeni Burr, Joe Zeff, Sherri Benoun, Don Wenner, John DeChancie.

Called to order: The meeting was called to order at 11:11 am.

Opening Remarks: "Happy a week before Father's Day" was announced by the Chairman.

Minutes: The April minutes were accepted as corrected

New Members: There were new members who had paid their application fee to join the society: Jeff Gauntt, Nils Schermacher, Gary Hulsebus, Markus Wuethrich, Miranda Jennings, Chuck Maa, Alyssa Mogil, Matt Petit, Buddy Hutton, James Underwood, Tom Nyman, Bond Halbert. All accepted, unanimously.

Treasurer: There is money in our coffers, but those reading this will have to ask the treasurer for details. We will discuss our Budget next month. Congratulations on being re-elected.

30 Second Reports (Board Members)

Chairman (Karl Lembke): No report.

Vice Chairman (Bob Null): Excused absence. No word on archives.

Secretary (Marty Cantor): Reported that Bob Null had moved from his sister's house in Studio City to his brother Richard's house in Santa Clarita.

Comptroller (Christian McGuire): Christian reported that nothing needed any comptrolling in the past month.

Library (Darnell Coleman): Whiskey is attempting to get all Hugo nominated books for the Library.

Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz): Rob would like motion-detector lights on side of the front building, Elayne, within her purview of \$100, says okay. // Thorson proposes new light fixtures for the interior of the front building at a cost of approx. \$500 for new the fixtures – and installing these is something we can do ourselves without hiring an expensive electrician. This was moved, seconded, and passed, with a cost of \$600 for new lights in front building. // Discussion of a roof leak in front building was put off until later. // Karl mentioned that the Committee to Adopt the Kitten recommends screening off the bottom of Monstro. There will be a nominal cost for materials. Unless we are accepting the theory that Monstro is spontaneously generating kittens, this is necessary to stop pregnant cats from using Monstro's underside as a place to give birth as there is always the chance of kittens dying under Monstro with no way to lift the 40foot cargo container the remove this new source of interesting odours.

AV Equipment (Robert Powell): Rob cleaned up

area after neverendingpanel is finished, no screaming, probably a good job. As for the complaints about the projector bulb not working, Rob mentioned that it takes a while for the projector bulb to warm up; ando, after it does, it works well. The bulb does not need replacing.

Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen): Soda units sold: 13,644 to date, 800 this period. Soda money: \$10,261.00 to date, \$738.48 for this period. The totals for the "sales to date" are reported as \$0.00 because the computer programme used for reporting this number is giving a figure which is obviously not correct. When the discrepancy is found, the correct number will be reported. (The above numbers were added after recalculation.) // We were recently re-supplied with paper products.

Publications (Milt Stevens): I recently turned over 830 Daniels' pictures to Barry and I just received more. // Milt reported on various contacts with others, most of whom "evaporated" by not completing their conversations with Milt. (These "conversations" were carried on via e-mail.) // Barry said he got some Moffatt photos which he is in the process of uploading. // There was some discussion of copyright of photos on our website. Mostly this was about some old photos taken at cons. It was pointed out that these photos were taken by a paid photographer who provided the con with the photos. As such, there is no copyright problem with posting the photos on-line. // Marty reported that *DE PROF* keeps producing zines on its monthly schedule.

Events (Marcia Minsky): Marcia said that LOSCON is in November and that co-chair Sherri will report on it later. // Christian said that Westercon 63 will be in Pasadena and will happen in a few weeks. Attendance is low—475, but in line with current Westercon attendance - but our rooms are sold out. // Sherri reported that the LOSCON meeting was sparsely attended but seemed to go

Fundraising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin): Barnes & Noble has a deal for non-profits which might interest us as we can get a percentage of the sales on certain books. Arlene will check on the details. (This is at the B&N store in The Grove.) // There is nothing new at Zazzle.com right now. // Marketing needs more people. (Significant Others)

Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin): The West Hollywood Book Fair project is progressing and we are meeting with the West Hollywood Chamber of Commerce. // There will be readings at the club, starting on 16th. // Michelle reported on the first Children's Reading in an elementary school in a Mexican neighborhood. (And it would be nice to have some cookies for the children.) // Arlene then showed the Board a projected commercial (on video) from neverendingpanel.com. This commercial for the panel had mixed reviews as some Board members considered it funny but "bad" and others did not consider it funny. Mostly it seemed inappropri-

It was recommended that those who had comments on this projected commercial make them to neverendingpanel members.

Club President (Christian McGuire): Christian reported on the recent club election for Procedural Officers: Arlene Satin, President; Greg Bilan, Vice-President; Karl Lembke, Scribe; Registrar, Michelle Pincus; Treasurer, Elayne Pelz.

Agenda Items:

Archives, electronic and otherwise: the questions are, what are their general states, and who is maintaining them? Signs from Heide were shown by Karl: LASFS Code of Conduct signs. Rob said an outside sign would be nice and Heide said she could make one.

Front building roof. Elayne needs permission to get roofer to give estimate on a roof repair of the area of the front building which always leaks during rains. Will cost about \$2,000, but needs an official estimate from roofer. Permission was given by the Board.

Open Forum: .

Marcia told about her certifying for CPR at school. Would we like CPR instruction here? First aid not included. This was discussed.

Greg wanted to know if there will be a meeting here or at Pasadena Hilton on July 1. It will be in Pasadena, and there will be no meeting at our clubhouse. Also, he wondered if there should be a Fourth of July party here? It was mentioned that most people who would attend this party would probably be at Westercon so a party at the club would probably not be successful. Marty mentioned that he will be here, early, and will lock up if there is no other key-holder present. Christian mentioned that the club had OFFICIALLY voted to move the regular July 1 meeting to Westercon at the Pasadena Hilton. (A few days after the Board meeting, Marty decided that it would be easier for him to collate APA-L at home, with the non-mailed copies being brought to the meeting at the Pasadena Hilton, so he will not be at club in the early evening on July 1 after all.)

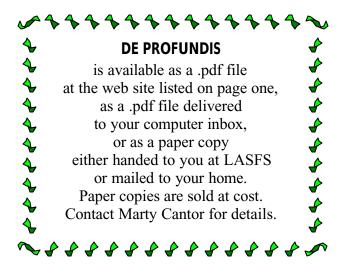
Lee Gold reported that A&M Book Sellers is closing and Alice & Marty are moving to Phoenix.

Darnell asked, if a person does not want to publicly mention a problem with the code of conduct, Board members said that the problem should be brought to the attention of any Board member for a private, solution.

Christian says that the Domesday Book group still has not yet met, with the meeting now set at July 12, 7:30 pm, at the clubhouse.

The next meeting will be on July 11.

Take-Aways:



Rob will work on the motion detector lights.

Thorsen will work on replacement fluorescent fixtures in the front building.

Arlen e will get the Barnes and Nobel information.

The Budget is to be wrestled with next month – by the entire Board.

Rob will look into cat exclusion from Monstro's underside.

Elayne will get a roof estimate.

Heide will take care of getting an outside "Code of Conduct" sign.

There will be new committee appointments from the new President.

Adjournment: The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:20 pm

Respectfully submitted, Marty Cantor, Board Secretary

NEW BOOKS

(This is a section devoted to listing new books and other items received by the LASFS Library. Our extensive library is <u>not</u> just for collecting and looking at that wonderful collection of books on shelves. Members may take them out and read them. Reading books, whatta concept...)

Jonathan Livingston Seagull
Debt Of Honor
Bones: Buried Deep
R-T, Margaret, and the Rats of NIMH
Godplayer
Mutation
Paradise Snare, The
Rebel Dawn
Once Burned
Best Fantasy Stories from the Magazine of
Fantasy & Science Fiction, The
Silence of the Lambs, The
Dark Half, The
Eyes of the Dragon, The

Bach, Richard Clancy, Tom Collins, Max Allan Conly, Jane Leslie Cook, Robin Cook, Robin Crispin, A.C. Crispin, A.C. David, Peter

Ferman, Edward L. Harris, Thomas King, Stephen King, Stephen Needful Things Pet Sematary Running Man, The Official Star Trek Quiz Book, The PartnerShip Crystal Star, The Lives of Dax, The Shadow of the Empire Prime Directive Second Child Koko Truce at Bakura, The Once & Future King, The City of Angels Art of Darkness, The Ship Breaker Darwin's Radio Deceiver Bullet Divine Misdemeanors Lick of Frost, A Swallowing Darkness Making of Space: 1999, The Dune: The Machine Crusade Hunters of Dune Warriors Building Harlequin's Moon Science of Dr. Who, The Hot Rain Golden Compass, The Witch Queen of Lochlann Six Short Masterpieces by Tolstoy Angelology Star Bores Episode 4: A New Joke Shadow of Saganami, The Angels & Demons Armour of Contempt, The Only in Death Ravenor Returned Never Trust an Elf Dying Time, The Measure of a Hero Roar of Honor Streets of Blood Warrior: En Garde Warrior: Riposte Inquisitor Wicked Dead: Snared Personal Demon, A Life for the Stars, A Claret, Sandwiches and Sin Darkspell Wolfblade Sons of Fenris Universe Maker, The Monster Hunter Internatinal Threshold Flinx Transcendent Quofum Conrad's Time Machine Red Hood's Revenge Migration Much Fall of Blood Game of Stars and Comets, The Eve of the Storm Grand Central Arena Mission of Honor

King, Stephen King, Stephen King, Stephen Maglio, Mitchell McCaffrey, Anne McIntyre, Vonda N. Palmieri, Marco Perry, Steve Reeves-Stevens, Judith Saul, John Straub, Peter Tyers, Kathy White, T.H. Williamson, Chet Winter, Douglas E. Bacigalupi, Paolo Bear, Greg Cherryh, C. J. Hamilton, Laurell K. Hamilton, Laurell K. Hamilton, Laurell K. Hamilton, Laurell K. Heald, Tim Herbert, Brian Herbert, Brian Martin, George R. R. Niven, Larry Parsons, Paul Portnoy, Howard N. Pullman, Philip Smith, George Henry Tolstoy,Leo Trussoni, Danielle Tymon, Steve Weber, David Brown, Dan Abnett, Dan Abnett, Dan Abnett, Dan Charrette, Robert N. Gressman, Thomas S. Pardoe, Blaine Lee Pardoe, Blaine Lee Sargent, Carl Stackpole, Michael A. Stackpole, Michael A. Thorpe, Gav Petrucha, Stefan Bischoff, David Blish, James Duke, Madelaine Kerr, Katharine King, William Lightner, Lee Van Vogt, A.E. Correia, Larry Flint, Eric Foster, Alan Dean Foster, Alan Dean Frankowski, Leo Hines, Jim C. Hogan, James P. Lackey, Mercedes Norton, Andre Ringo, John Spoor, Ryk E. Weber, David

Brunner, John

Crucible of Time, The

Shrine of the Desert Mage Ruled by Radio Automaton or the Future of the Mechanical Man Invaders from the Dark I Shall Wear Midnight Goldin, Stephen Hadfield, Robert L.

Hatfield, H. Stafford La Spina, Greye Pratchett, Terry

BILL WARREN'S CORRECTION TO THE MINUTES OF APRIL 29

I'm flattered that my Patron Saint info is in this issue, but sorry that so much of it is wrong, or at least askew.

It said "When we moved up to Burbank Blvd, he stopped coming. His wife worked for the LAPD, retired. Bill has had some stents installed, so he's not the mover and shaker he once was."

- (a) Not only did I continue to come to LASFS for many years after the move to Burbank Blvd., I even continued on as official janitor for a long time. I was also on the Board of Directors, both at the Ventura Blvd. place and at the new one-which is why I was in charge of rebuilding the back, uh, building. I know some believe that others were in charge, but they weren't. I was. I was essentially the architect and the others, primarily Dr. Pournelle, were the contractors--though I was there every day of the rebuilding, with a hammer in my hand much of the time. Contrary to what was said in De Prof before, though he very much wanted to help, Dave Fox (whose daughter Ellen, aka Vixen, was a very active LASFSian for years) couldn't have handled carpentry equipment because of his Parkinson's Disease. Among the Happy Merry Workers were Jerry's two eldest sons, Allan Rothstein (and sometimes his sons), Larry Rothstein, Marty Cantor, the Moffatts, Milt Stevens, Bill Welden and other Granada Hillions, and many oth-
- (b) My wife stopped working at the LAPD **many** years ago; she worked much longer at the Dept. of Water and Power, from which she retired.
- (c) As far as I know, the doctors inserted neither stints nor stents. But they took out my heart, and after what I'm told was a rousing game of heartball, put it back with two pig valves in place of mine, which were damaged by endocarditis, which I'm told is a vegetative growth on heart valves. I pictured mine covered in ivy, but I suppose that's not right. I also had a single bypass, and while they were at it, they fixed a hernia, too.
- (d) A correction I've made repeatedly, but so far to no avail: Bill Rotsler and I worked for ten years for a French company, that much is true. But it wasn't a magazine; it was a TV show, "Destination Series." He was the cameraman, I was the on-theair host, and I picked out where we videotaped. Once, we interviewed Rotsler; with me on camera, Rotsler let the camera continue taping and handed it to me; at the end of this dizzying roundelay, I was photographing him (because he'd novelized some TV shows). We had a great time doing this.

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Saturday, August 14, 2010 11:00 am

at the LASFS clubhouse

We will remember, and celebrate through our remembrance, one of LASFS' most indispensable members. LASFS was Bob's Second Family, and his First Family will be here, too, to help us all remember him.

> (This will be a pot luck affair. See information about the pot luck on page 9.)



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