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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 D.I.G. = Developer Interest Group

PROGRAMME ITEMS

MAY 5 - Video Presentation: Space Launches, Real and Otherwise MAY 12 - Speaker: Cat Valente, Author of *The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland*

MAY 19 - BIG Auction

MAY 26 - Serials I won't Show at LASFS: Brenda Starr, Reporter

(programme items subject to change without notice)

Updated programme information can be found at this web site: http://www.lasfsinc.info///index.php?option=com_events&Itemid=185

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 DIG—7:30 pm FWEMS - LASFS Outing to Bronson Canyon. Saturday, May 14 2:30 pm

Meet at parking area in Griffith Park. Hike up hill to movie location will begin about 3 PM and will take about 90 minutes (only about 30 of which will involve a leisurely hike). No useful restroom facilities available, so plan accordingly. Additional details and a map available from The Emperor at the club or at the-emperor@CLJII.com



LASFS HAS SOLD ITS CLUBHOUSE AND PURCHASED A NEW PROPERTY. WE WILL BE MOVING IN A FEW MONTHS. See details on page 9.

DE PROFUNDIS - the *un***official newsletter of LASFS**

COLOPHON

De Prcfundis 459 - May 2011. Publisher and Editor: Marty Cantor.

De Prcfundis 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 Prcfundis* 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 leastread - 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 Prcfundis* 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 FROF* 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 Prefundis* but I will always try to find room to announce upcoming events of interest to LASFS members.

Even though *De Prefundis* 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 Prcfundis* 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 Prcf* as a guide to pubbing the zine as the *unc_ficial* newsletter of the society. The proposal was put to the Board because the Board had previously indicated that costs were dictating the discontinuance of the zine. As of this issue, *De Prcf* will be available on paper solely at cost: currently 55¢. Mailed copies, domestically, will be \$1.00. Subscriptions will be no discounts for longterm subs.

Marty Cantor, 11825 Gilmore Street #105, North Hollywood, CA 91606, USA. (818) 761-9401. martyhoohah (a.) sbcglobal (do.) net. May, 2011. Hoo Hah Publication Number ????. 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 January - June, 2011

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

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Chairman: Karl Lembke (2012). Vice-Chairman: Christian McGuire (2011).. Comptroller: Bill Ellern (2013). Secretary: Marty Cantor (2012). Other members: Marsha Minsky (2012), Warren "Whiskey" Johnson (2012) Elayne Pelz (2011), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2011), Arlene Satin (2013), Mike Thorsen (2012), Darnell Coleman (2011).. 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.org)

Meeting #3834, February 3, 2011 Greg Bilan and Arlene Satin, presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

There will be no singing for meeting #3834 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society, called to order at 20:13. (*HALLELUJAH*! - ed.)

Special Orders of Business: We've lost Tim Trzepacz's father last Thursday. He didn't think much of anything his son did, but that didn't keep him from being a father.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as "female fiscal fumdiddler fractured".

Arlene arrived and thanked Greg for filling in for her. The song will be saved for next week. (*Erase the Hallelujah and turn it into a grump.* - ed.)

Old Business: Bids for LOSCON will be presented Feb 13 at the BOD meeting. Voting will take place at the club meeting Thursday the 17th. Bids must include Chair, Treasurer, Hotel Liaison, and written Weapons Policy. Once approved by the Board, present at the LASFS meeting on the 17th. The **Registrar** announced we have guests! Tiffany Kelly was one, the other being David Curtis, sent here by a demon, (your soul isin the mail).

Patron Saint, Gary Louie: Julie: he was very nice, plea sant, and friendly. Christian: he believed in art shows and art shows done well. The committee for Gallifrey One went to his funeral. Mike Thorsen: his interests included Lego, movie posters, and he taught a large number of people how to play Mah Jong. At his memorial, 70% of the speakers started with that tidbit.

Joe Zeff: A few years before he died, he had a stroke. He found himself unable to speak. Being Gary, he wrote up a report of what had happened and what his symptoms were, printed out a number of copies, and handed them out to people who needed to know what happened. Marty Cantor: Gary got into the club, discovered all these things that needed to be done well. He got on the Board of Directors early in his membership in the club, and stayed there until he died. Ma tthew Tepper: One thing he did well was bibliographies. He is one of the few who always greeted Matthew with a friendly "quack".

Hare Hobbs: When he was hyper, Gary would also race through places at light speed as well. Gary had the ability to spot when Hare was zoning out and bring him back to earth. Christian: One of the books he did was for 1996 Worldcon, a concordance of James White's work. At that Worldcon, he also participated in the Alien Stretcher Dash Across The Floor. Frank Waller: first who said Hello to him when he came to LASFS.

Arlene: he's the first who spoke to me, too. Karl: so organized he had a list of his books so he didn't duplicate his holdings. Christian: as committee to gouge, he notes Gary ran it far more smoothly and successfully than his predecessors.

Patron Saint, Gary Louie was given three cheers and a bouquet, either flowers or seasons.

Patron Saint, Mike Luwish:Funny, he doesn't look Luwish. He's the son of Emil Luwish, and paid for his father's sainthood so we can say, "He Doesn't Look Luwish twice a year." **Patron Saint, Mike Luwish**, was given three cheers, and holy ghost to go with the father and son.

Committee Reports: Treasurer: Elayne has been surgeried. She has a pin and two screws in her foot. (*Elayne has two prison guards in her foot?* - ed.) How can we tell she's grumpy ? Well, just as there are 150 ways to say "snow" in Eskimo, there are 150 ways to say "grumpy."

Marty Cantor produced 100 issues of CaliFania Tales for Len's memorial. A second printing has been issued. They are for sale, \$5 each. Proceeds split between TAFF and DUFF.

Arlene reported, Loscon 38 meets here Sunday, 2 PM. WE have one committee position open, that being green room. We're still looking for staff.

The **Registrar** announced more guests. Anne White, and Scott White, sister and brother. Ann heard about us from a write-up via Clifton's. Scott thought "It sounds great". **Reviews:** CLJII reviewed a book he's re-reading. An Illustrated History of the Horror Film, by Carlos Clarens. It was the first really serious book about the horror film. It was a groundbreaking book at the time. Nowadays it seems pretentious, and the scholarship isn't that good.

Kit Russel: Feed by Mira Grant, deals with what happens 18-20 years after the zombies come. The bloggers are the eyes and ears of society because everyone's afraid to go out.

Misc.: Frank Waller: death does not release him, but over the weekend, he had his second heart attack. he needs a bypass. But he needs social security to pay for it.

Jerry Pournelle notes Borders has formally announced bankruptcy. "I hope you cashed in gift certificates." Amazon has announced that last month, ebooks outsold both hardcovers and paperbacks. Mini-books, cobbled together and selling for \$1 are selling. The secret to success is letting Amazon publish, keep it cheap, and get the 70% royalty.

Hare Hobbs: His sister's son, the male half of the twins, ran off and got married to his already published author girlfriend. He's trying to get a donation for the library.

Christian: in light of Dr Pournelle: recommends publishing APA-L to Amazon. (*You surely like to cause legal problems, Christian, do you not?* - ed.) Jerry suspects you'd sell at a minimum 5 -600 copies of anything LASFS cobbled together for \$2.99. Maybe we should take that seriously. Podcasts, too. Collections of videos are becoming popular.

This turned into a Sage Break of sorts. Jerry's considering bundling public domain works into electronic form, and selling it as a reader for the homeschool market. The prices seem to be between \$2.99 and \$9.99. If it goes below \$2.99 the royalty rate drops to 30%.

Tim Trzepacz notes Apple has banned Sony's e-reader app. They want only content sold through Apple Store. Jerry's favorite reading device is the iPad running Kindle. Hopefully this won't change. (*Your editors favourite reading device is paper.* —ed.)

We adjourned at 21:24.

Meeting #3835, February 10, 2011 President Arlene Satin, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

Consider yourself one of the family, consider yourself at meeting #3835 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society, called to order at 20:13.

Special Orders of Business: Uncle Charlie Jackson announced that Great Grand Uncle Marty Cantor has som ething to announce. He has just bought toner for the printers, and is donating the \$159.13 toward APA-L's sainthood. Marty Cantor was thanked.

And for those who want to donate to the club, we have a Paypal account, Payment@lasfs.org. Let Elayne know what the money is earmarked for. Or don't announce it if it's just for the hell of it. The **Menace** were read and accepted as "It's not a bibliography, it's a concordance".

Old Business: Bids for LOSCON are to be presented this Sunday, Feb 13, at the BOD meeting. Voting will be at the club meeting Thursday the 17th. Bids must include Chair, Treasurer, Hotel Liaison, and a written Weapons Policy. Once approved by the Board, present at the LASFS meeting on the 17th.

CLJII thought of some old business about what certain auction bids mean. Because of a failure to communicate, "No Quarter" used to be 30 cents. Now the minimum raise is 25 cents, so "No Quarter" should be 50 cents. Christian, for the Committee to Gouge, declared this acceptable.

The **Registrar** announced some guests. Stuart Goodman, aka Cheshire. Ellie Anderson was also introduced. Yay.

Patron Saint, Mike Glyer: CLJII notes Mike is one of the publishing giants of fandom, publishing fanzines on dead tree pulp. He produces the Hugo winning File 770. His output is now somewhat irregular, due to his other activity, raising a daughter. He's been a scribe a couple of times, and a member of the LASFS Board of Directors, and continues to help at conventions. Zeff: Glyer is a good fan and true. He is known as the Once and Future Scribe, and has written some of the best minutes he's ever heard, composed in longhand in ink and unretouched. Christian: Writing and publishing have earned him multiple Hugos, he chaired LACon 3 in 1996, and he also ran a Westercon. He's an Evans-Freehafer Award winner. He married a wonderful woman who's a Tolkien scholar.

Hare Hobbs notes back when there wasn't a semiprozine category, Glyer was constantly being nominated for Best Fanzine Hugos, but constantly losing. He has a T-shirt with "7 Time Hugo Loser" on it. He loaned it to Chris Garcia when he was in the same situation. Jerry: Diana is a CS Lewis scholar. Mike is one of the most useful critics in the SF field, having caused him to rewrite at least two stories. CLJII: by careful punctuation and syntax, he can proclaim himself a Hugo award winning fanzine artist.

Patron Saint, Mike Glyer was given three cheers and Marty Cantor to be superior to.

Patron Saint, Frank Waller: Joe Zeff: He gave us lots of money and lots of potato chips, though few if any were potato flavored. (*It is rather rare for money to be potato-flavored.* - ed.) Christian: came through the door as Mudd, which he played for several years until he came out of his shell. Hare: he's also known for providing us a soundtrack to meetings and for Neverending Panel. Arlene: he's been a tremendous help at NEP, as Cameraman Frank

Tepper: he's a very good sport. Sometimes as President, poked more than a little fun at him, and he's taken it with very good grace. We're not laughing at you, we're laughing toward you. **Patron Saint, Frank Waller** was given three cheers, and an infinite number of androids.

Committee Reports: Darnell Coleman reported on Lord of the Rings showing – 11 people showed, 4 stayed for the

whole thing. He collected \$9 in gouging.

Robbie Represents LOSCON 37, turning over \$8000. All this and money, too!

LOSCON 38 committee met Sunday. It went well, and committee positions are filled, but we still look for staff. Condor party and table, in a couple of weeks, on Saturday. We need table sitters and party joiners. Currently \$35 until April 30.

Time Bound Announcements: Christian bounded up to announce that the apocalypse is coming. He has a LOSCON 39 bid. He's hoping to chair the con and he has the requisite committee.

Reviews: Scott Beckstead: France is the place of the first successful face transplant.

Christian: a bunch of fans are putting together a SF outreach event, two booths at Wondercon, a comic con in SF. Giving out SF books to members. Putting book marks in the books to try to bring a greater awareness of the SF community. They're collecting "gently used" SF and horror books. SCIFI gave out a bunch of copies of the Space Cadets anthology from LACon IV. Bring them to the club, or to Christian somehow. This announcement will be repeated at nauseam.

Misc.: Gary wanted to share a picture. Taken in 1950. Comparison of sizes of various craft. We build flying saucers.

We adjourned at 21:17.

Meeting #3836, February 17, 2011 Greg Bilan and Arlene Satin, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

There was no song to bring in meeting #3836 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society, called to order at 20:10.

Special Orders of Business: Charlie Jackson announced several, including a few brought to his attention by Jerry Pournelle. First, Joe Haldeman went in for ileostomy repair, and apparently survived the process. He'll be in ICU while his innards come back on line.

Second, Janet Schulman, Dr Seuss' editor, has passed.

Joanne Segal, wife of creator of Superman, has passed. She started the lawsuit against DC to recover property rights

For all these worthies, and in hopes of a quick restoration to function for Mr. Haldeman.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as "Eyes without a Facebook".

Old Business: Bids for LOSCON. Christian submitted a bid, Arlene was asked to present it. Matthew Tepper explained the theme of the convention, making fun of all the end of the world happening again scenarios.

After questions, we held a vote, mostly ayes, but there was one abstention.

The **Registrar** announced no guests.

Patron Saint, Craig Miller: Michelle Pincus noted he's done programs for several conventions, and did Pocket Dragons. Nick Smith: He asked people what they were interested in, rather than just doing the same old fannish stuff. Scratch: he gave us money.

Milt Stevens: he joined as a high school student. His first fan job was as a committee to keep the park happy. Then he fell in with a bad crowd and started Smoffing and chairing stuff. He spent ten years on the BoD, and then he started working for Lucas, heading the Star Wars Fan Club. And he **s**ill shows up at Worldcon, but hasn't quit Smoffing. Matthew: It's a good thing Craig likes cats. He's the sort of person you could imagine sitting in a big chair, caressing a long-haired white cat. Hare: at LACON II, he was sitting around and suddenly Craig told him to start doing stuff. He assumed Hare would be a volunteer. And he was right.

Jerry: Craig is one of the longest-serving and most valuable members this club has had, starting from the committee to keep the park happy, and there may be no offices other than treasurer that he's held. Only Milt Stevens deserves more praise.

Patron Saint Craig Miller was given three cheers, and a dragon drinking coffee.

Committee Reports: Arlene reported on Marketing. Marketing is going to be looking for art for bookmarks. We're out. We want to do something different. Please contact her with art ASAP. West Hollywood Book Fair has started looking for people to buy tables. This is their 10th anniversary, and re-opening of the library. Date? Maybe first Saturday in October. This is a nice group of people, and they don't do a lot with nonprofits, and they're working with us.

CLJII: the committee to put on LASFS Spotlight is missing one important element. We need wired Lavolier microphones. Two of them. The things you clip to your tie and the wire goes down through your coat. Tim's equipment won't work with the wireless.

Reviews: Nick Smith has a masterpiece of mixed genres. Uprising is a SF / thriller / vampire / police procedural. The vampire police are using high-tech weapons to battle a world-threatening killer. The villains are straight out of a James Bond movie, and the vampires are not like Forever Night. It's not brilliant, but he couldn't put it down. Vampire Federation – Uprising, by Sean McCabe.

Marty Cantor was at Corflu last weekend. This is a fanzine fan convention. It was a comfortable drive to Sunnyvale, and first thing he did was take Milt and a couple of fans to the Winchester Mystery House. 160 rooms with staircases to nowhere, windows in the floor, etc. The con was interesting, very nice, maybe 100 people showed up. The hotel is the best for a small con in existence. Built around an inner atrium. Three floors, maybe a dozen rooms per floor. The room has a sleep number bed, a refrigerator, and a microwave if needed. \$89 / night, and a full breakfast for guests. And the hotel staff are as con -friendly as can be. The rooms were spacious, but outside, everything was close to everything else. Milt: Chris Garcia was announced as the first non-British recipient of the Nova award, an award designed to exclude non-Brits. One member showed up in a Shark "Animal Jammies" set.

Hare: On the Winchester house, if you've been, go again. They're slowly restoring it, and the tours mutate over time (*But if you are interested in things which mutate, just come* to LASFS meetings where the attendees mutate as you watch. - ed.)

CLJII was back at Disneyland. They've restored the Haunted Mansion from the holiday version. Now there's a suit of armor in the hall that clatters and tips forward at you as you go by. And there are more wailing and whining spirits in the ride. And something is different in the Attic.

Misc.:

Huntington Library has a program on alchemy next week-end.

Hare: The owner of the Hollywood Borders. When he chose them, he chose well, and still has good sales. He's trying to separate from the main company, and may have to change the names.

Jerry notes Borders is going through Chapter 11, so the stores are likely to stay open, except maybe the 200 or so being shed. The publishing business lives in interesting times.

Frank asked what size bookmark we're considering. It's the smaller of the two. It's staying the same size as what we've been using.

Jerry had another interesting statistic. Around December, brought out Lucifer's Hammer in electronic edition at Amazon. Royalties are paid monthly from Amazon, as opposed to agents who pay late. Have been getting \$1200/month each from the e-book, after three months, more than out of entire 31st edition. Mote will be going up. They expect a lawsuit, but the Doheney lawy ers are looking for something to do.

Hare reminds people that the people who take the survey for the government saying reading is in decline haven't caught up on electronics. Include them and sales are on the ncrease, even in a recession.

We adjourned at 21:26.

Meeting #3837, February 24, 2011 President Arlene Satin, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

Before going on the road again, President Arlene Satin went on meeting #3837 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society, called to order at 20:11.

Special Orders of Business: This evening, we have members of the Null family present, who wish to bring to our attention: a presentation to the group. The Nulls used to have sibling lunches each month, and he presented a photo of one

LAFA

(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, May 14, 2011 Filk: 6:30 PM to around 1 AM Sean, Linda, Heather and Fiona Cleary 13637 Oxford Ct, Chino (Number is on the right front side of garage.) 909-464-9892 909-762-1844 (cell) seanearlyaug@juno.com Pre-filk dinner: 5PM, at Subway 12865 Mountain Avenue, Chino, CA (909) 628-3815

Directions: See Thomas Brothers San Bernardino County: page 682 A1/A2 (1992+ edition); page 34 A3 (older editions)

FILK STYLE: Non-Topological Bardic Circle or ad-lib Songs suitable for children have priority over those unsuitable until all children have gone to bed. The host may opt to allow songs keyed to children's interests to be sung free in a Non-Topological Bardic Circle. Think of some to sing!

Notes:

1. NO SMOKING, except outside on the patio or in front of the house.

2. Parking is legal EXCEPT NEAR THE FIRE HYDRANT. There may be additional parking on nearby streets, but NO PARKING on Mountain. There is a pedestrian-only walkway from Joshua Ln. To reach Joshua Ln by car, go South on Mountain Ave. to Schaefer Ave., East (left) on Schaefer Ave., North (left) on Cypress Ave., West (left) on Carter St., North (right) on Joshua Ln. Get Sean to show you where the walkway is.

3. Children are very welcome, but supervise appropriately. We have children, (Heather born 1992, Fiona, born 1995) but want you to be responsible for yours.

4. Crash space available. Bring bedroll; floor is last but possible option.

5. Critter warning: There are two cats and a dog. The dog will be outside. He is scared of strangers. The cats can be confined to a room for the filk.

6. Dress warmly, layered look is best. Heat is available on request,

but the house is normally kept near 60F.7. Bring food and drink if you want any.

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

such lunch. They also brought a stuffy alien and gave a quick tribute.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as "Springtime for Frankenstein". (Winter for Eyegor?)

The **Registrar** announced guests. (Also attending were Bill Null, John Null, and Bob's sister Betty.) Carol Trible. Keep her away from the quadro-triticale. Carol came with Dr. Lynn Maners (Speaker to Undergraduates)

Patron Saint, Maureen Garrett: Matthew Tepper noted Maureen is a nice lady, a member who has since moved up to the Bay Area. She attended in the 80s, and is an artist. He

remembers she'd start with a circle and draw an otherworldly landscape in the circle, and they were always beautiful. Marty Cantor notes she became president of the Star Wars Fan Club after Craig left. The circles were her later work. Her early art included a cover for *HOLIER THAN THOU*. It wasn't all that good, but her later work greatly improved. **Patron Saint Maureen Garrett** was given three cheers, and a shortcut that'll save three parsecs.

Committee Reports: Christian reported on something. Thanks to those who voted for his LOSCON

Christian reports on Elayne. She's in a blue cast, and can get upstairs to her own bed. She can shower, and feels much better. Thanks to Marcia for doing Treasury stuff, and to Michelle for helping Christian. Also thanks to Michelle for auctioning last week. (And just how much money was brought in when you auctioned last week? Is there a good market for used weeks? - ed.)

West Hollywood Book Fair, 10/1, Saturday. They're going to have lots of press there. Anyone wishing to help, see Arlene. Looking for panel ideas and guest suggestions.

The Science Monitor rose to speak about space. Lynx has contracted to carry people and payloads to space in suborbital flights for experiments. It promises quick turn-around and cheap flights. You can buy a ride, you and the pilot looking out the windows, for \$95K

Scratch noted today's shuttle launch. The close-out crew in - cludes naval personnel Scratch has worked with.

Reviews: John DeChancie rose to speak on a piece from the New Yorker. It has taken notice of things fannish, two issues in a row. (!) 2/7, an bio of Forrest J Ackerman, heading off an article on Guillermo DelToro. The following issue has a huge and surprisingly uncritical article on Scientology and L Ron Hubbard. Milt Stevens notes the New Yorker comes up with surprising things at times.

Samantha: This past weekend was her first Gallifrey, and it was awesome In other reviews, every month, she goes to the Thrilling Adventure Hour, at the Largo in Beverly Hills. They do performances in the Old Time Radio format.

Cathy Beckstead reviewed Gallifrey. It had over 2200 members. Just over 2000 on site. It was a great weekend. If you watched the Craig Ferguson late night show, look for us on Monday Night's shows.

Peter finished reading the Autumn Rain trilogy. Fast paced, three groups of spies doing their thing and killing lots of people. Enjoyed it.

Mike Donahue: Gallifrey had a surprise guest, the man who directed the first ever episode. He told the story of working at BBC, making this show about time travel so they could teach kids about history. No one wanted to do it, so it got n o resources. And this was his first convention ever. Someone finally invited him to a convention.

Misc.: Milt Stevens notes the hotel situation at Worldcon. the closest hotel filled up in one day. Now it's out to the Pepper Mill and other nearby hotels. Karen has a room in the main hotel, just not in the block. And they have a bigger block.

Karl: The Official Manual for Spice Cadets is now available in Kindle.

We adjourned at 21:16.

Board of Directors meeting March 13, 2011 Karl Lembke, Chairman

Board Members in attendance: Karl Lembke, Darnell Coleman, Mike Thorsen, Arlene Satin, Bill Ellern, Elayne Pelz, Marcia Minsky, Rob Powell, Marty Cantor, Christian McGuire, Warren "Whiskey" Johnson (excused absence).

Members and Guests: Michael Pell, Heide Nichols, Sherri Benoun, Tony Benoun, Jeni Burr, Don Wenner, Joyce Sperling, Greg Bilan, Frank Waller, Timon Trzepacz, Greg Barrett, Michelle Pincus.

Called to order: The meeting was called to order at 11:05 am

Opening Remarks: None.

Minutes: The February minutes were accepted as corrected.

New Members: There were applications (and membership fees) from Rodney Anderson, Alicia Downey, Guy DeWhitney, and Stuart "Cheshire" Goodman. All were accepted, unanimously

Treasurer: We have money in the treasury. See the treasurer for details.

30 Second Reports:

Chairman (Karl Lembke): I will try to keep the meeting short.

Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire): There is no vice to report at this time.

Secretary (Marty Cantor): No report.

Comptroller (Bill Ellern): Nothing to report.

Library (Warren "Whiskey" Johnson): (Excused absence.) Elayne reported that the Michael Mason Foundation has <u>granted the Library \$1,000. // We will be converting</u> the

old

LASFS CODE OF CONDUCT

Respect yourself, others, and the property of LASFS. Treat them with respect while on the premises. microfiche magazines to digital and will then discard the microfiche material. Jeni asked about selling back issues of magazines. She was told that we no longer had the magazines, themselves, just the microfiche copies. (Cost about \$200 for 2 years of magazine runs.)

Archives (Marcia Minsky): We hav e archives.

Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz): The dental lab did some minor damage when they moved out. // We have no roof leaks and are still looking for a building. The escrow is being extended month to month and Elayne is still working with the realtor.

AV Equipment (Robert Powell): The projector is quasifunctional. We need to replace either the bulb or the unit. Mike Thorsen, from memory, told us that projectors are much less expensive now. And they are twice as bright for less money – about \$400. For twice as much as that is a hybrid-light engine with a better warrantee, projector and light source, and a much longer life of the light. We moved, seconded, and passed a motion to purchase the best-available video projector as it will be cheaper in the long run, in an amount of up to \$900. (There is \$600+ already in the Video Projector Fund.) There was 1 abstention. // Rob will be doing some upgrade audio work this Summer on club equipment.

Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen): Soda units sold: 17,615 to date, 233 this period. Soda money: \$12,799.75 to date, \$174.75 for this period. // We are stocked up on all paper goods and plastic bags.

Publications (Marty Cantor): (Appointed today.) Karl reported that the club has a new Amazon Associates ID. // There was a report about Yahoo groups with Marty explaining why it was redundant as there was already a better way for people to get DE PROF delivered to their in boxes. // Karl reported on the developing LASFS Press. / / The Golds need an apprentice web master, one who is willing to learn Joomla.

Information Officer (Arlene Satin): (Appointed today.) Arlene had no report.

Events (Darnell Coleman): Christian won his bid for the 2012 LOSCON. At 1 pm at end of the month I (Darnell) will be showing Resident Evil. // Arlene reported that the event at Condor went well.

Fund-raising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin): The Book Fair is moving forward – it will be its 10th anniversary and also the re-opening of their West Hollywood library. This will be on Oct. 1 and a large number of people is expected.

(Significant Others)

Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin): We still need art for new bookmarks. Christian reminded Arlene that she should send 1000 bookmarks to a group in the Bay Area by April 1. // Charlie's new show at the club came off well.

Club President (Arlene Satin): We have a club and members.

Web Master (Barry Gold): (Reported by Karl) We just received a bunch of identifications for the Dik Daniels photos from Leigh Strother-Vien and are applying them now. Aside from that, there are no changes to report. Darnell is trying to learn Joomla. // Mike Thorsen reported that the Forum has been closed.

Agenda Items:

There are photos of Board members on a display board but it is no longer on display (Darnell Coleman). Darnell wanted his photograph but the Board discussion indicated that we might be updating the display board.

Media Creators meeting: Tim. He asked if this group could meet at club. Elayne reminded all that outside groups pay \$30 per meeting as it costs us \$38 each time we open the club. This was agreed-to by the Board.

Open Forum:

Elayne says that somebody else, younger than she, should be found to take over the job of treasurer. There is learning involved, as it is not just collecting money at meetings.

The status of the candy machine was brought up by Darnell: the consensus was that Rob should make it disappear. Thorsen said that Patrick said that if he had to move away, the candy machine would then belong to LASFS.

Christian wanted the boxes of stuff in the computer room to be made to go away by Rob if Rob could not save what is good. Tim volunteered to check what is good or not good.

The next meeting will be on April 10, 2011.

Take-Aways:

It was moved and passed that we should set up a hat for Red Cross donations for money for Japan earthquake/tsunami relief. It was also pointed out that the Japanese fans known to us appear to be okay.

The Second Sunday of May will be Mother's Day. It was moved to tentatively cancel the May meeting.

Taken Away from previous meetings:

Adjournment: The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:21 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 ...)

Almoran and Hamet an Oriental Tale Midnight Riot Brian Froud's World of Faerie Hellhole Herbert, Brian Clone Identity, The Phoenix Endangered, The

Phoenix Transformed, The

Phoenix Unchained, The

Age of Odin, The Age of Ra, The Execution Channel, The Fractions Catacombs

Bards of Bone Plain, The Amazing Screw-on Head, The and Other Curious Objects Floating Islands, The Treachery in Death Wise Man's Fear, The Out of the Dark Book of the Moon, The Curious Case of the Clockwork Man, The

Rewired

Changing the World Finding the Way and Other Tales of Valdemar Elric: Swords and Roses Druid's Sword

1634: The Galileo Affair

Love in the Time of Fridges Alien Dreams Exodus: The Ark 1636: The Saxon Uprising Amazon Legion, The Longeye Lee, Sharon View from the Imperium Best from Galaxy, The Vol. III Blackveil Hawkesworth, John Aaronovitch, Ben Froud, Brian Anderson, Kevin J. Kent, Steven L. Lackey, Mercedes & Mallory, James Lackey, Mercedes & Mallory, James Lackey, Mercedes & Mallory, James Lovegrove, James Lovegrove, James Macleod Ken Macleod, Ken McCaffrey, Anne & Scarborough, Elizabeth Ann McKillip, Patricia A. Mignola, Mike Neumeier, Rachel Robb, J.D. Rothfuss, Patrick Weber, David Folley, Tom Hodder, Mark Kelly, James Patrick & Kessel, John Lackey, Mercedes

Lackey, Mercedes Moorcock, Michael Douglass, Sara

Flint, Eric & Dennis, Andrew Scott, Tim Segriff, Larry Chafe, Paul Flint, Eric Kratman, Tom Miller, Steve Nye, Jody Lynn Baen, James Britain, Kristen

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High King's Tomb, The Farlander Fall, The

Sons of the Oak Through the Heart Dragonshadow Quest for Saint Camber, The A Game of Thrones Acorna's Children: Third Watch Britain, Kristen

Buchanan, Col

Hogan, Chuck

Farland, David

Grant, Richard

Hambly, Barbara

Kurtz, Katherine Martin, George R.R.

Ann

McCaffrey, Anne & Scarborough, Elizabeth

McCaffrey, Todd

Modesitt Jr., L.E.

Moon, Elizabeth

Parkinson, Keith

Sawyer, Robert J.

Weis, Margaret &

Bujold, Lois McMaster

Morgan, Richard K.

Scarborough, Elizabeth

Reynolds, Alastair

Hickman, Tracy

Balmer, Edwin

Barnes, John

Haldeman, Joe

Jaros, James

Williams, Tad

Willis, Connie

Forbeck, Matt

Preiss, Byron &

Lukeman, Tim

Betancourt, John

Ann

Pratt, T.A.

Ramsay, Cris

Vinge, Joan D.

Del Toro, Guillermo &

Dragonsblood Elysium Commission, The Kings of the North Kingsgate: The Art of Keith Parkinson Blood Engines Road Less Traveled WWW: Wonder Summer Queen, The Rose of the Prophet

After Worlds Collide Wylie, Philip Patton's Spaceship Diplomatic Immunity Forever Peace Burn Down the Sky Woken Furies Diamond Dogs, Turquoise Days Lady in the Loch, The

Otherland Dooms Day Book Vegas Knights Ultimate Dragon, The

Witchwood

#### LASFS HAS SOLD ITS CLUBHOUSE AND PURCHASED A NEW PROPERTY. by Marty Cantor

I did not take notes nor did I take meeting minutes, but here is some information about what happened at the regular LASFS meeting of April 21, 2011.

#### But first:

In September of 2010, a real estate agent approached the club and said that he had an offer to purchase the building. We did some dickering and we arrived at a price we would accept for our property. There were some conditions we wanted and the buyer accepted it. Firstly, the prime condition of the sale was that it would go through *only* if the LASFS could find a building we could buy. Secondly, after we purchased our new building and escrow was completed on both places, the LASFS would have three months to move from our current clubhouse. These were the most important points of our agreement.

The real estate agent, after finding out our requirements, did a fine job of finding places which were candidates for purchase. Most of these places, though, pre-screened by Elayne Pelz, had one or another deal killers. Several months ago our LASFS MERCHANDISE NOW AVAILABLE!

Want a mug with the LASFS Logo? Looking for a gift for friends and family? Want to help the club raise money? Then check out our new store!

20% of the proceeds go to benefit the LASFS.

GO TO: http://www.zazzle.com/lasfsinc

Board of Directors inspected a prospective clubhouse and liked it well enough to make an offer on it. We were unable to come to terms with the owner and we kept looking.

This past Sunday, April 17, 8 members of the Board of Directors met at another prospective clubhouse, inspected it, and decided that it would meet most of the requirements of a new clubhouse. We made an offer on the building, it was accepted, and the initial paper was signed. We have 15 days to back out of the deal (with no penalty) if we decide we have to. Next Tuesday we will have a technical inspection of the building and this will tell us if there are major construction problems with it. In the meantime, the Board requested the club Procedural President to schedule a special programme at the regular April 21 meeting. At this meeting the Board presented to the club members present what was occurring. Below is a précis of this part of the meeting.

The meeting room had standing room only as a lot of members showed up to see our plans. Elayne had some **\*very\*** large blow -up photographs which were displayed in various parts of the room. I had some 8 12 x 11 photographs I put on the Treasurer's desk and set up my laptop on the food table with a continuing slide-show of the 31 photos I took of our new clubhouse, and the CD of my photos was put into Rob's computer and selected shots were shown on the large telev ision screen.

Before the meeting started, various board members answered many questions from the members; and, after the meeting started, when we got to new business, Christian McGuire got up, made a few opening remarks, and then turned to a question and answer session where many good and penetrating questions were answered by the appropriate Board members.

Elayne Pelz mentioned that there was another person interested in this new building, so she made an offer of \$525,000 for the building, the offer was accepted, and she signed the agreement. We can back out any time up to 15 days from today. In response to a question, Elayne mentioned that our current building was sold for the same price but the Real Estate agent's cut and other fees will bring us down to \$490,000. But we do have money in the Century Fund and there is enough to pay cash with no money -eating interest rate (e.g., no mortgage) and still have money for the initial remodeling work.

After awhile, when it began to appear that we were going over the same ground, member Ed Green moved (and was seconded) that the members accede to the actions of the Board and that the Board keep the members apprised of developments. This motion was passed, unanimously.

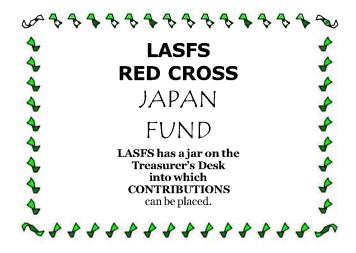
We have purchased a new building.

## LASFS PRESENTS NEW WEBCAST SHOW

Making its debut on 1 MAY 2011 is **"LASFS Spotlight**," an internet series by and about the LASFS. After a special introductory episode (which may raise as many questions as it answers), subsequent shows will feature a guest discussing his or her history with the club, or some aspect of club activities or history: Members Milt Stevens and Marty Cantor have already recorded segments. Hosted by Charles Lee Jackson, II, the series will post new installments on a monthly to twice-monthly schedule on YouTube, and may be accessed there or through links on The Voices of Fandom and LASFS websites.

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