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* Thursday Programme Items: June 1—Nominations open for club president, June 8—Nominations and election of all five procedural offices

Meeting Tech Specs: LASFS meetings are currently held online via Zoom. Contact host Susan Fox at <u>susanfox@scifi.radio</u> to receive an invitation, the meeting password, and weekly reminders.

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Addendum: At the LASFS Board of Directors meeting Dec. 11, 2022, the directors accepted Eylat Poliner's proposal that Heath Row become editor of *De Prof*. He will do so as LASFS scribe for the term of January-June 2023.

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Elected Procedural Officers January-June 2023

President: Cathy Johnson Vice-President: Susan Fox Registrar: Eylat Poliner Scribe: Heath Row Treasurers: Elayne Pelz and Debra Levin

Board of Directors

Chairman: Michelle Pincus (2024) Vice Chairman: Nick Smith (2023) Comptroller: Gavin Claypool (2025) Secretary: Susan Fox (2024)

Other Members

Cathy Johnson (2024), Dean Johnson (2025), Christian B. McGuire (2023), Heide Nichols (2025), Elayne Pelz (2023), Eylat Poliner (2024), and Rob Powell (2023)

Special Advisors

Charles Lee Jackson II, Forrest J Ackerman (deceased/honorary position), Walt Daugherty (deceased/honorary position), Len and June Moffatt (deceased/honorary position), and Fred Patten (deceased/ honorary position)

Appointed Officials (requiring update) Cat Liaison: Christian B. McGuire; Committee to Gouge Money from the LASFS: Christian B. McGuire and Elayne Pelz; De Profundis Editor and APA-L Liaison: Heath Row; Film Coordination Committee, Honor Guard, and Party Rabbi: Charles Lee Jackson II; Hall Decoration: Charles Lee Jackson II. Christian B. McGuire, and Elayne Pelz; Key Control: Christian B. McGuire and Elayne Pelz; LASFAPA Liaison: Marty Cantor; LASFS Information: Lee Gold and Matthew B. Tepper; Librarian: Gavin Claypool; Assistant Librarian: Elayne Pelz; Marketing and Promotions: Michelle Pincus; Patron Saints List Manager: Elayne Pelz and Eylat Poliner; Photographic Collection (Special): Mike Donahue; Program: Eylat Poliner; Publications: Christian B. McGuire; Science Officer: Bill Green and Nick Smith: Assistant Video Collection Curator: Tom Khamis: Webmistress: Kristine Cherry: Web Advisors: Barry and Lee Gold: Westercon Liaison: Christian B. McGuire; Editor, Computers, and LASFS Archivist: Christian B. McGuire

Condensed Cream of Menace

(Official, approved minutes are also available online at <u>https://www.lasfs.org/lasfs-meeting-</u><u>minutes</u>. Unofficial, unexpurgated minutes can be read in *Menace of the LASFS*, which is available upon request.)

Board Meeting

March 12, 2023 Michelle Pincus, chairing Susan Fox, Secretary

Call to Order

11:04 a.m.

Present

Chairman Michelle Pincus, Vice Chairman Nick Smith, Secretary Susan Fox, Eylat Poliner, Elayne Pelz, Christian B. McGuire, Rob "Gizmo" Powell, Cathy Johnson, Dean Johnson, Heide Nichols. Non-board members: Webmistress Kristine Cherry, club member observers Tony Benoun, Matthew B. Tepper, Charles Lee Jackson II, Crys Pretzman, and Jason Justice.

Agenda Items

Loscon hotel: We can't put this off any longer. Are we signing the contract with the Marriott? If not, do we have a new hotel?

Elayne Pelz: Jason Justice is still working on this. Questions, do we wish to drop the number of room nights? Are we willing to change weekends? Yes and yes. Do we have any preferences as to which weekend? Stay away from July, between Baycon, Westercon, Comic-Con. Columbus Day? Major SCA interstate event, Great Western War.

Michelle Pincus: There is no weekend without conflict.

Charles Lee Jackson II (CLJII): Loscon was our second attempt at a homegrown convention on various holiday weekends, and Thanksgiving seems to be the best we found.

Nick Smith: Thanksgiving is a family occasion, and that has lost us guests and attendees.

Heide Nichols: Anti-Thanksgiving as well, for the same reason. She says she has checked, and there are other weekends at other hotels.

Cathy Johnson has read Jason's letter and also thinks that other alternatives should be pursued.

CLJII: The advantages to Thanksgiving weekend seem to have evaporated. Columbus Day has become a "non-PC" holiday and not a federal holiday. Any weekend, we need room night commitment. A tradition, but not Writ In Stone. If it is not to our advantage, let's jump.

Pincus: We need to get our attendees up. We can always get good guests, but we *need* attendees.

Smith: Most other events he attends are not actually linked to holiday weekends. Or even just weekends. He was in Las Vegas to attend a gaming con that started on Wednesday.

Nichols is also at a convention this weekend, not a holiday weekend.

Pincus: SDCC is not a holiday weekend either, and it's not hurting them. Don't oppose Comic-Con, Dragon Con, Worldcon, Labor Day (sometimes Worldcon).

Pelz: Let's tell Jason, go forth and discover better deals on different weekends with fewer room nights.

Pincus: Thanks to Crys for joining the hotel negotiation team!

Loscon 50 bid presentation: Chair Eylat Poliner, Vice Chair Susan Fox, Webmistress Kristine Cherry, Marketing Michelle Pincus, Hotel Liaison Crys Pretzman, Treasurer Elayne Pelz.

Tentative dates: Thursday, Nov. 28, to Sunday, Dec. 1 (if it is still Thanksgiving, subject to change).

Anti-harassment and COVID-19 policies are in place. The latter might change between now and late 2024.

CLJII: We are aware that the world exists, and the time for publicizing COVID-19 and other disaster policies will be closer to the event.

Christian B. Mcguire moves to accept the bid. Cathy Johnson seconds, and the vote passes.

We don't actually need to announce the hotel yet, because it is being negotiated outside our purview.

When to present at a LASFS meeting? We are already behind, and there are no other bids, even with the postponed deadline.

Announcement to go on the Web site, to be voted on at the next meeting.

Minutes

Approved

New Members

Sonia Larrabee and Christine Lipscomb. Appoved.

Treasurer's Report (Elayne Pelz) \$39,626.96 in account.

30-Second Reports

Chairman (Michelle Pincus): No report

Vice Chairman (Nick Smith): No report, other than being at the paperback show. We got a lot of estate donations.

Secretary (Susan Fox): No report Comptroller (Gavin Claypool, absent due to work): Investment as of March 10 is \$757,275.13.

Library (Gavin Claypool, absent due to work): No report

Quartermaster (Heide Nichols): No report Archives (Cathy Johnson): No report, except that we wanted to go into the archives to look at past *De Profundis* issues for scanning.

Physical Plant/Storage (Rob Powell and Dean Johnson): Post-Gallifrey One inventory done; carts were used yesterday for helping clean out Karl Lembke's storage.

AV Equipment (Dean Johnson): The AV equipment remains in storage.

Events (Eylat Poliner): Unofficial event the Greater Angeleno Gourmet Society (GAGS) dinner was successful last night at Super Wok. The next one will be April 22 after Passover and Easter. Thanks to Rob and Jesse Campbell for transporting the freezer, refrigerator, and books. Clothing was donated to Goodwill. One more weekend should complete the job. Many thanks to everyone. Poliner refers to Loscon 49. We will have a table at the paperback show. Planning is in progress.

Publications (Christian B. McGuire): *De Prof* editor Heath Row is doing a great job, and we should thank him. He has also continued APA-L.

Marketing and Recruitment (Michelle Pincus): Yes, paperback show, and yes, Wondercon. Crys Pretzman offers Michelle and an assistant some crash space a mile from the hotel, which changes everything—and they will talk offline.

Significant Others

Club President (Cathy Johnson): We're still meeting on Zoom, going well, guests still appearing, thanks to Eylat for pushing program items. Laura Brodian Freas Baraha presentation on Kelly Freas's art was a lot of fun. March 23: Kristen Renee Gorlitz presents a demonstration on VR. March 30: Mark A. Richter, author.

Webmistress (Kristine Cherry): Still doing updates. Dean, we need the meeting archives database transferred over. Dean is still trying to solve some problems that have delayed him.

Michelle Pincus: Let's have a Zoom Web site meeting later to discuss, next week.

Cherry received email from Alex Garganigo; nobody has been getting back to him about his

requests. Are we having trouble with email forwarding?

Matthew B. Tepper apologizes for delays; he has had health issues.

Jason Justice, hotel negotiator, sent email to the board of directors with general thoughts. Sounds like we are interested in pursuing a three-year agreement. LAX Marriott first, due to long history. High confidence in our modifications to succeed in getting the space we need. Wants to reduce the room night requirement. New strategy for managing the room night metrics, to push hotel reservations.

Heide Nichols: Because we had to miss 2020, can we add a year to the contract later?

Justice: We can ask. We have been under room nights for the past few years. For Loscon 47, we got away with it by giving up a ballroom. They never materialized, so we got stuff that they didn't get paid for. They took the Aviation ballroom offline, which helped last year but not this year. We won't have Aviation for 49 because the hotel has a commitment from the military for that weekend.

Other hotels don't seem to have a problem with increasing our block. The only year when the Marriott held to limitations was 47, when they were charging more than \$900 for BTS concert fans. (Some canny BTS fans figured it out and booked with our block!)

Jason will negotiate with LAX Hilton, Westin down the street, and is taking other suggests for comparable event space. Would we consider previous properties, like Burbank Marriott, etc.? (Not Airtel, which is still a homeless shelter.) Yes, we would.

He will put together a formal proposal for 150 room nights per night, appropriate square footage of event space, and make the process more competitive. Will talk to other hotels *before* the LAX Marriott, just to get some leverage, but the familiar location is preferred if we can get it. Jason is available for any questions at any time.

Open Forum None

Take-Aways

Working on the hotel. Archive meeting next week. Web site meeting after that.

Next Meeting Date

April 23, 2023, 11 a.m.

Adjournment

11:54 a.m.

Dean and Lynn Named These Minutes Or: The Misnamed Minutes Meeting #4468, March 30, 2023

Cathy Johnson, presiding Heath "Scribbles" Row, Scribe

Call to Order

Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order four minutes into the video recording.

Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith)

Kevin Segall stood in for Smith.

Hatchings

- Actor Richard Dysart
- Actor John Astin
- Actor Warren Beatty
- Actor Robbie Coltrane
- Actor Paul Reiser
- Voice actor Maurice LaMarche
- Actor Ian Ziering
- Actor Juliet Landau

Dispatchings

- Animator Leo D. Sullivan
- Fan and book dealer Monte Christiansen (courtesy Matthew B. Tepper)

Media anniversary

Orphan Black premiered on this date in 2013. *Buck Rogers in the 25th Century* premiered on this date in 1979.

Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row)

Scribbles is still away on holiday but will collect minutes from recordings and produce written minutes next week. We do not have minutes this week.

Auction to Name the Minutes

Eylat Poliner bid \$10, won, and named them "Not Minutes."

Celebration of Patron Saints

Sue Haseltine was celebrated and recognized by Susan Fox and Krystal Rains. Haseltine received three cheers—and a glass of mead.

Committee Reports

Programming (Eylat Poliner)

- April 6: Charles Lee Jackson II
- April 20: David Brin
- May 11: Todd McCaffrey
- June 1: Nominations open for club president

 June 8: Nominations and election of all five procedural offices
 Loscon 49: Staff meeting April 29

Honor Guard (Charles Lee Jackson II) The Spot of Honor was held by SCIFI.radio for March. Susan Fox bid \$25 for April's naming rights, won, and dedicated the Spot of Honor to SCIFI.radio again.

Registrar (Eylat Poliner)

Poliner introduced a guest—and our speaker— Mark Richter. Patricia Yeshem, his wife, was also in attendance but not introduced.

Treasurer (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz) Elayne Pelz reminded members to pay their dues. Tonight's the last night to pay yearly dues.

Board Report (Michelle Pincus) Susan Fox stood in for Pincus. The next board meeting is April 23.

Time-Bound Announcements

Eylat Poliner: Tomorrow, 1-800-GOT-JUNK? will come to Karl Lembke's storage unit to pick up remaining items. Poliner thanks Rob Powell and Susan Fox for their support.

Regular Announcements

Chris Marble: George Mulligan continues to improve.

Richard Cross: There is a Maker Faire happening in Los Angeles this weekend (https://losangeles.makerfaire.com)

Krystal Rains: AnaCon on April 15; the LASFS will table, and we'll create a conzine (https://www.anaheim.net/4743/AnaCon)

Tananarive Due, author of *The Wishing Pool* and Other Stories, will appear at Vroman's in Pasadena on April 18 (<u>https://www.</u> <u>vromansbookstore.com/event/tananarive-due-co</u> <u>nversation-lynell-george-discusses-wishing-pool</u> <u>-other-stories</u>) and Book Soup in West Hollywood on April 20 (<u>https://www.booksoup.</u> <u>com/event/Tananarive-Due</u>)

Special Guest: Mark Richter

Heide Nichols introduced and interviewed fan turned author Mark Richter. He then read two sections from his novel *Mystic Prince* and answered questions from LASFSans.

Reviews

Lee Grixit commented on the television program *Hello Tomorrow!*

Damon Brown reported on the outcome of Filmapalooza '23 and shared the trailer of the 48 Hour Film Project's winner, *The Death Rattle* (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SQ1NJGAk-<u>R8</u>)

Miscellaneous

Charles Lee Jackson II will read a prose adaptation of a scenario that was originally requested by Roger Corman next week.

Cathy Johnson will not host an aftermeeting tonight because she isn't feeling well.

Nola Frame-Gray told Johnson that her hair looked splendid.

Call to Adjourn

Susan Fox so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

Happy Birthday, Marty! Meeting #4469, April 6, 2023 Cathy Johnson, presiding

Heath "Scribbles" Row, Scribe

Call to Order

Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m.

Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith) Hatchings

- Comic book artist Gil Kane
- Actor Billy Dee Williams
- Actor Paul Rudd
- Courtesy Susan Fox
 - Composer Philip Balsam
 - Actor John Ratzenberger
 - Actor Michael Rooker
 - Actor Roy Thinnes

Dispatchings

- Production designer Norman Reynolds
- Cinematographer Bill Butler
- Board game designer Klaus Teuber (courtesy Matthew B. Tepper)

Media anniversary 1936 *Flash Gordon* serial

Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row) Scribbles read the minutes.

Additions and Corrections

Michelle Pincus clarified the pronunciation of Tananarive Due.

Auction to Name the Minutes

Dean Johnson bid \$5, won, and named them "The Misnamed Minutes."

Call for Approval

Moved to accept as read, and approved.

Celebration of Patron Saints

Charles "Chuck" Donahue II was celebrated and recognized by Chris Marble. Donahue received three cheers.

Tom Stern was celebrated and recognized by Cathy Johnson and Matthew B. Tepper. Stern received three cheers.

Committee Reports

Loscon 49 planning meeting April 29

Honor Guard (Charles Lee Jackson II) The Spot of Honor is held by SCIFI.radio.

Registrar (Eylat Poliner)

Alex Garganigo participated in a meeting again. Ed Buchman and Roger Hill also attended to support Charles Lee Jackson II.

Treasurer (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz) Elayne Pelz reminded members to pay their dues.

Board Report (Michelle Pincus) The next board of directors meeting is April 23.

Time-Bound Announcements

Lee Grixit's birthday is tomorrow.

Aero Theater free double feature of *Renfield* and *Horror of Dracula* on Monday

Damon Brown attending Heroes and Angels Con with USS Blackstone to raise money for cancer research

Brandie June Kickstarter for Hollywood Fringe Fest

Cathy Johnson: Westercon staff meeting Saturday in Anaheim

Scribbles:

- Mark Dery lecturing on J.G. Ballard at UCSD April 12
- April 8 screening of *Who Framed Roger Rabbit*? at Old Town Music Hall in El Segundo

Special Guest: Charles Lee Jackson II Jackson read from a 270-page nonfiction work, *Your Best Entertainment*, expected to publish later this month. He also read a short story about the Crimson Comet, "A Fallen Hero."

Miscellaneous

Damon Brown: Little Rock hit by massive tornadoes.

Cathy and Dean Johnson reminded members of the aftermeeting.

Eylat Poliner: The final work session at Karl Lembke's storage unit occurred last weekend. It is now empty. She thanked Rob "Gizmo" Powell, Susan Fox, and Gene Turnbow for their support.

Charles Lee Jackson II encouraged Ed Buchman and Roger Hill to join the aftermeeting.

Chris Marble: George Mulligan says hello.

Call to Adjourn

Eylat Poliner so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

No Spoilers for *Picard*, Please Meeting #4470, April 13, 2023 Cathy Johnson, presiding Heath "Scribbles" Row, Scribe

Call to Order

Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m.

Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith) Hatchings

- Actor Peter Dyneley
- Playwright and screenwriter Beverley Cross
- Actor Ron Perlman
- Actor Peter Davison
- Screenwriter and producer Michael
 Cassutt

Dispatchings

- Author Rachel Pollack
- Board game designer Klaus Teuber (also mentioned last week)
- Cartoonist Al Jaffee

Media anniversary First episode of the 2007 television series *Painkiller Jane*

Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row) Scribbles read the minutes for March 23 and April 6, 2023.

Additions and Corrections

There were no corrections for March 30. Marty Cantor wasn't present last week, but his 88th birthday was last Thursday.

Auction to Name the Minutes

Dean Johnson and Lynn Maners bid \$5, won, and named the March 30 minutes "Dean and Lynn Named These Minutes." Eylat Poliner bid \$10, won, and named the April 6 minutes "Happy Birthday, Marty!"

Call for Approval

The March 30 minutes were moved to accept as read, and approved. The April 6 minutes were moved to accept as corrected, and approved.

Celebration of Patron Saints

Elliott "Elst" Weinstein was celebrated and recognized by Marty Cantor, Nola Frame-Gray, Lee Grixit, Charles Lee Jackson II, Chris Marble, Scribbles, and Matthew B. Tepper. Weinstein received three cheers.

Committee Reports

Programming (Eylat Poliner)

- April 20: David Brin, author
- May 11: Todd McCaffrey, author
- June 1: Nominations open for club president
- June 8: Nominations and election of all five procedural offices

To hold a procedural office, you need to be a standard, regular member, but not for a year. To hold a board position, you need to be a member for a year.

To vote, you need to be a standard, regular member—have attended one of the last 13 meetings.

April 29: Loscon 49 staff meeting

Honor Guard (Charles Lee Jackson II) The Spot of Honor is held by SCIFI.radio.

Registrar (Eylat Poliner) Poliner welcomed Alex Garganigo as a new

Treasurer (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz) Debra Levin reminded members to pay their dues.

Board Report (Michelle Pincus) The next board meeting is April 23.

Old Business None

member.

New Business None

Time-Bound Announcements

Nick Smith

- American Cinematheque anime: Weathering with You on Friday, and Your Name. on Saturday
- New Beverly Cinema: Porco Rosso matinee Saturday
- CalTech theater group TACIT staging the play The Sunrise from the Moon April 13-16
- Tananarive Due at Vroman's in Pasadena on April 18
- CalTech screening Small Island Big Song on April 18

Scribbles: AnaCon in Anaheim on Saturday (<u>https://www.anaheim.net/4743/AnaCon</u>)

Eylat Poliner: Karl Lembke's storage unit is now completely closed. She's now working on the rest of the estate

Willard Stone: A new anime fantasy, *Susume*, opens April 14 (<u>https://www.suzume-movie.com/</u><u>home</u>)

Chris Marble: George Mulligan will move to a new rehab center instead of going home.

Heide Nichols: Martin Young giving a talk on truth, consciousness, language, and coffee on Sunday at Collage in San Pedro (<u>https://www.collageartculture.org</u>)

Moments of Science

Lynn Maners talked about people in India finding a giant fern called Dicksonia in a cave. Paleobotanists determined it was actually a beehive in the shape of a fern.

Nick Smith reported on food archaeologists discovering that large land snails were used for food more than 160,000-170,000 years ago. (https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/a bs/pii/S0277379123000781)

Tom Safer remarked on the birth dates of Alfred Mosher Butts, inventor of *Scrabble*; Bruno Rossi, who focused on cosmic radiation; and Thomas Jefferson, who supported scientific research and collected fossils. (<u>https://www. todayinsci.com/4/4_13.htm</u>)

Lee Grixit read two articles about rock flakes and tool making this week. One piece suggested that rock flakes don't always signify tool making sites because macaques also bang rocks together, producing rock flakes. (<u>https://www.npr.</u> org/sections/health-shots/2023/03/10/11616520 99/monkey-stone-flakes-early-humans-tools) Also, a workshop in a cave seems to indicate interactions between a novice and an expert.

Nola Frame-Gray's husband was a big fan of *Scientific American*. The October 2022 cover

featured "The Power of Viking Women." (<u>https://</u> www.scientificamerican.com/article/viking-textile <u>s-show-women-had-tremendous-power</u>)

Regular Announcements

Charles Lee Jackson II attended an Edgar Rice Burroughs, Inc., centennial event last week. (<u>https://www.edgarriceburroughs.com/edgar-rice</u>-burroughs-inc-centennial)

Tom Safer: The Burbank Chorale has a concert in Glendale on April 29 (<u>https://www.facebook.com/events/769151971231222</u>)

Reviews

Matthew B. Tepper recommended Harry Turtledove's *Three Miles Down*.

Lee Grixit has been enjoying the second season of *Schmigadoon*.

Tom Safer recently received the animated *Batman: The Doom That Came to Gotham.*

Charles Lee Jackson II recalled the 1996-1997 Tarzan: The Epic Adventures.

Scribbles has been watching the 2016 TV show *Travelers* with other members of the National Fantasy Fan Federation.

Eylat Poliner suggested people watch *Star Trek: Picard*.

Nola Frame-Gray discussed AI actors with a former LASFS member.

Charles Lee Jackson II commented on 3-D laser scanning replacing actors.

Miscellaneous

Cathy Johnson reminded people about the aftermeeting.

Call to Adjourn

Eylat Poliner so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

Thank You, John Mansfield Meeting #4471, April 20, 2023 Cathy Johnson, presiding

Heath "Scribbles" Row, Scribe

Call to Order

Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m.

Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith) Hatchings

- Author Peter Beagle
- Actor George Takei
- Actor Bruce Cabot
- Actor Louise Jameson
- Courtesy Susan Fox

- Actor Clint Howard
- Actor lan Alexander
- Actor Andy Serkis
- Actor Crispin Glover

Dispatchings

- Australian fan, author, editor, and photographer Lee Harding
- Courtesy Matthew B. Tepper
 - Canadian fan John Mansfield
 - Fan Denny Lien

Cathy Johnson called for a moment of silence in honor of Harding, Mansfield, and Lien.

Media anniversary Conquest of Space (1955)

Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row)

Scribbles read the minutes for April 13, 2023.

Additions and Corrections

None

Auction to Name the Minutes

Eylat Poliner bid \$5, won, and named them "No Spoilers for *Picard*, Please."

Call for Approval

Moved to accept as read, and approved.

Celebration of Patron Saints

Stan Burns was celebrated and recognized by Charles Lee Jackson II. Burns received three cheers.

June and Len Moffatt were celebrated and recognized by Tad Daley, Nola Frame-Gray, J.P. Van Gordon, Jackson, and Heide Nichols. The Moffatti received three cheers.

Committee Reports

Loscon 49 meeting April 29

Honor Guard (Charles Lee Jackson II) The Spot of Honor is held by SCIFI.radio.

Registrar (Eylat Poliner)

We are joined by special guest David Brin. There were no guests otherwise.

Treasurer (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz) Elayne Pelz reminded members to pay their dues, four times.

Board Report (Michelle Pincus) Eylat Poliner stood in for Michelle Pincus. There is a board meeting April 23 at 11 a.m.

Time-Bound Announcements

Eylat Poliner: The Greater Angeleno Gourmet Society (GAGS) will meet at 4 p.m. April 22 at Papa Cristo's.

Heide Nichols: Costume-Con is this weekend in the Bay Area.

Special Guest: David Brin

Brin discussed the SpaceX launch, the death of Greg Bear, the health challenges of Gregory Benford, Kim Stanley Robinson's *Ministry of the Future* and consulting with the United Nations, NASA's Innovative & Advanced Concepts program, Afrofuturism, Indian and Chinese science fiction, the value of exploring the edges of what it means to be human, the acceleration of inclusion, his recent books, and the need to proselytize science fiction as a literature among educators and youth.

Reviews

Matthew B. Tepper reported that the finale to *Star Trek: Picard* is satisfying.

Miscellaneous

Charles Lee Jackson II reported that the TCM Classic Film Festival wasn't a super spreader event but was darn close.

J.P. Van Gordon encouraged conventions in libraries and schools.

Nola Frame-Gray remarked that fannish events also need to focus on accessibility. She found using the Libby mobile app challenging.

Cathy Johnson reminded LASFS members about the aftermeeting.

Call to Adjourn

Susan Fox so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

Upcoming Conventions

June 2-4: Monsterpalooza, Anaheim, <u>http://www.monsterpalooza.com</u>

June 17: Q Con, LGBTQ+ comic book convention, West Hollywood, <u>https://www.prismcomics.org/q-con</u>

Upcoming Events

June 2: National Fantasy Fan Federation Video Bureau screening of about an hour program of Mike Jittlov animations, short films, and ephemera online (4 p.m. PT, <u>https://tinyurl.com/</u><u>N3F-Theatre</u>)

June 2: *Alien*³ screening at the Los Feliz Theatre

June 3: *Batman & Robin* screening at the New Beverly Cinema

June 3-4: *E.T.—The Extra-Terrestrial* screening at the New Beverly Cinema

June 3-4: Koroneburg Renaissance Festival, Eastvale, https://renfestcorona.com

June 9: *Ms. 45* and *The Driller Killer* screenings at the Aero Theatre, Santa Monica

June 10: N3F Video Bureau screening of *The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari* (1920) online (7 p.m. PT, <u>https://tinyurl.com/N3F-Theatre</u>)

June 10: Cartoon Club screening at the New Beverly Cinema

June 10: *4:44 Last Day on Earth* and *Body Snatchers* screenings at the Los Feliz Theatre

June 10: Corman/Poe: Interviews and Essays Exploring the Making of Roger Corman's Edgar Allan Poe Films 1960-1964 signing with Chris Alexander at Dark Delicacies

June 10-11: 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea screenings at the New Beverly Cinema

June 10-11: Koroneburg Renaissance Festival, Eastvale, <u>https://renfestcorona.com</u>

June 11: *Paddington* and *Paddington* 2 screenings at the Los Feliz Theatre

June 12: *The Addiction* screening at the Aero Theatre, Santa Monica

June 12: *The Last Horror Film* screening at the Los Feliz Theatre

June 15: N3F Tape Bureau airing of *2000 Plus* episodes "When Worlds Met" (May 3, 1950) and "The Robot Killer" (1950) online (4 p.m. PT, <u>https:// tinyurl.com/N3F-Theatre</u>)

June 15-16: *Fantastic Planet* and *Heavy Metal* screenings at the New Beverly Cinema

June 17: *Witchtrap* Special Edition Blu-ray signing with Kevin Tenney and Hal Havins at Dark Delicacies

June 17: *The Sentinel* soundtrack signing with Jeffrey Konvitz at Dark Delicacies

June 17: Halloween Horrors Marathon at the New Beverly Cinema (sold out)

June 17-18: Koroneburg Renaissance Festival, Eastvale, <u>https://renfestcorona.com</u>

June 18: Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous Housefilk hosted by Lee and Barry Gold via Zoom

June 18: *Dr. Strangelove, or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb* screening at the Los Feliz Theatre

June 19: *The House on the Edge of the Park* screening at the Los Feliz Theatre

June 20-21: *Roller Ball* and *Death Race 2000* screenings at the New Beverly Cinema

June 24: The Savage Rebellion Trilogy signing with Matt Wallace at Dark Delicacies

June 24-25: Koroneburg Renaissance Festival, Eastvale, <u>https://renfestcorona.com</u>

June 24-25: *Galaxy Quest* screenings at the New Beverly Cinema

June 26: Cannibal Apocalypse screening at the Los Feliz Theatre

June 30: *Independence Day* screening at the New Beverly Cinema

Game Days

Mondays

Dungeons & Dragons Adventurers League at Next-Gen Games (<u>https://www.nextgengames.</u> <u>la</u>)

Magic: The Gathering at Next-Gen Games, Odyssey Games in Pasadena (<u>https://</u> <u>odysseygamesco.com</u>) and Turn Zero Games (<u>https://www.turnzerogames.com</u>) Warhammer: Age of Sigmar at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

Tuesdays

Magic at Collector Legion in Lawndale (<u>https://www.collectorlegion.com</u>) and Next-Gen Games

Warhammer: Age of Sigmar and *Warhammer* 40,000 at Next-Gen Games

Warhammer 40,000 at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

Wednesdays

Dungeons & Dragons Adventurers League at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

Magic at Collector Legion in Lawndale, Mega City One (<u>https://www.megacity.one</u>), and Next-Gen Games

Thursdays

Magic at Collector Legion in Lawndale Star Wars: X-Wing at Next-Gen Games and Odyssey Games in Pasadena

Warhammer 40,000 at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

Fridays

Dungeons & Dragons Adventurers League at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

Friday Night *Magic* at Knight Ware (<u>http://</u><u>www.knight-ware.com</u>), Mega City One, Next-Gen Games, Odyssey Games, Paper Hero's Games in Sherman Oaks (<u>https://</u><u>www.paperherosgames.com</u>) and Turn Zero Games,

Saturdays

Magic at Odyssey Games in Pasadena Warhammer at Knight Ware (third Saturday of the month)

Sundays

Magic at Next-Gen Games and Odyssey Games in Pasadena

Warhammer 40,000 at Paper Hero's Games in Sherman Oaks

Please contact the con, store, or venue (or visit its Web site) to confirm any events and logistics before traveling to attend. Events and schedules are subject to change. Additions and updates welcome.

If you'd like to submit cons, events, or news items of interest to LASFS members for

inclusion in *De Prof*, please do so by contacting the editor (see Colophon above).

Clubzine Exchange

In addition to sending *De Prof* to the LASFS membership, we also send copies to almost 40 sf clubs around the world. Some of them reciprocate with their own publications, which I can forward to LASFSans upon request. Just ask for what you'd like to receive by name. Since the last issue, we've received:

Fanactivity Gazette Vol. 2 #12 (N3F, May 2023), Instant Message #998 (NESFA, May 2023), The Mark of the B*E*A*S*T (Baltimore Science Fiction Society, March-April 2023), The National Fantasy Fan Vol. 82 #5 (N3F, May 2023), The N3F Review of Books (May 2023), Origin #63 (N3F, May 2023), N'APA #264 (N3F, May 2023), The Starship Express (SFABC, May 2023), Tightbeam #344 (N3F, May 2023), and Warp #113 (MonSFFA).

We also heard from the British Fantasy Society, the British Science Fiction Association, the Canadian Science Fiction & Fantasy Association, Melody Friedenthal of the Worcester (Mass.) Public Library's science fiction book club, Parsec (Pittsburgh), the Science Fiction & Fantasy Poetry Association, and WatSFiC (Waterloo, Ontario, Canada).

Fanzines and Prozines Received

These items aren't received in trade for *De Prof*, but are received, read, and recommended by Scribbles. I can't send you these, but you can explore them yourself:

Corflu 41 Progress Report #1, *Cyber Cozen* Vol. 35 #4-5 (April-May 2023), *The Dark* #95-96 (April-May 2023), *Intermission* #132, *The MT Void* #2269 and #2272-2274 (March-May 2023), *The Obdurate Eye* #27, and *This Here...* #63 and #65.

New fanzines available via <u>https://efanzines.</u> <u>com</u> include *Claims Department* #36-38, *The Drink Tank* #447, *Ethel the Aardvark* #218-219, *JenZine* #4, *Journey Planet* #72-73, *Opuntia* #548-549, *Perryscope* #32, *Rhyme & Paradox: Mr. Mustache, Spartacus* #65, *This Here...* #64, *Wild Ideas* #35, and multiple apazines by yours truly.

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