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NEWSLETTER

LASFS ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Opening the new Year at the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society are newly elected Director, Fred Patten; Secretary, Dian Girard; and Treasurer, Ed Baker, who was elected by aclaimation. Other newly elected officers are Bruce Pelz, Senior Committeeman; and Forry Ackerman, who was re-elected to the post of Junior Committeeman.

TRAVELING VERMONTER

Owen Hannifen, well known apan, is in the Southland for an extended stay which may turn into permanent residency. Hannifen arrived by Grayhound on December 29th, and is currently visiting Ted Johnstone in San Diego.

BRIDE TO BE

Peggy Rae McKnight arrived in L.A. on the 29th of December to spend a few months getting to know more about her fiance, Ron Ellik. Peggy is house guest of Bjo and John Trimble, and will be staying with them until her return to Pennsylvania. The wedding is set for the latter part of August.

CHAIRMAN RESIGNS

LASFS Entertainment Chairman, Virginia Mill, resigned her office on December 27th, breaking the time honored tradition that calls for the Entertainment Director to quit in a fit of pique. Virginia explained that she simply could not keep up with the myriad arrangements and appointments which must be handled by the ED. Although Virginia seeded to feel that she had not fufilled the requirements of her post, LASFSians agreed that she had done an excellent job, and regretfully accepted the resignation of the best Entertainment Chairman they have had in a long, long time.

NEW YEARS PARTY

Eight Southlanders went up to El Cerrito this year, to help Bill Donaho welcome in 1963. Bill's house had just barely recovered from the warming given it in November. Bruce Pelz, Dian Girard, Ted Johnstone, Jack Harness, Luise Petty, Bob Lichtman, Fred Patten, and semi-LArean Owen Hannifen arrived at Bill's in batches of two and three on the 31st of December, and stayed through a real rollicing party; leaving on the evening of the 1st of January. In common with Bill's other parties, this one was a real fun-fest of gab, liquor and snogging. The LAreans are greatly appreciative, and hope there'll be another Bay party soon.

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Bruce Pelz is still looking for any books by E.R. Eddison. He would particularly like to latch onto a copy of "Fish Dinner at Memison". Contact him at 738 South Mariposa, Los Angeles 5.

LASFS XMAS PARTY

The annual LASFS Xmas party gift swap was held on the 20th of December. Prize items at the drawing were a copy of "The Worm Oroborous" in paperback, and the Arkham House "Marginalia" by Lovecraft. Although the latter stayed fairly well put, the "Worm" changed hands about six times during the forced exchange session and finally went to Pogo fan Paul Turner. Paul had played vulture, being the last to choose.

LASTS TRADE NIGHT

LASFS will hold a trade night on the 212s of February. Bring your duplicate pro and ranzines, white elephants, art work, etc. This will be a free for all trade and sale, so bring whatever you want to get rid of, and bring lists of what you want. The trade night will be held at the usual meeting place, Silverlake Playground.

HUGO NOMINATIONS

Hugo nominations are now open, and will be open until the 15th of April. Only members of the Chicon or Discon may nominate, so send your \$2.00 membership to Bill Evans at Box 36, Mt.Ranier, Maryland.

FANTASY AND SCIENCE FICTION AD

An experimental ad placed in F & SF by the LASFS netted exactly four replies, two of which turned out to be of value to the club. The ad will probably not be continued.

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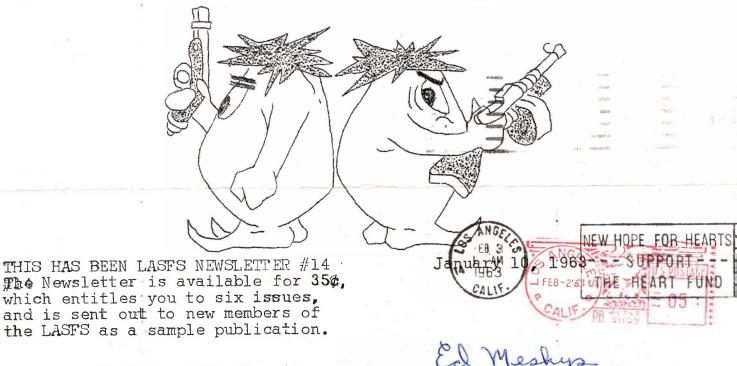
LASFS official club organ, SHANGI L'AFFAIRES, #63 is out, and available for sale. Contact Ron Ellik at 1825 Greenfield, Los Angeles, California.

FANDBOOK

A new fannish guide book is now ready for sale. Free to N3F members, the pamphlet, "Some Historical Facts About S.F. Fandom" is available from RonfErlik Pwhosecaddress is in here so many times already that I'll be darned if I'll type it again.). This latest publication, as was the "Terminology of S.F. Fandom" is published by Don Franson, new N3F President.

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It has been confirmed by Alva Rogers that the Westercon will hold a Costume Ball will be held as part of the program. Start work on your costumes now and avoid a last minute rush.

SUPPORT WESTERCON AND DISCON!

If you haven't already done so, rush your \$1 to
Ben Stark at 113 Ardmore Ad., Berkeley 7, Calif.
for your Westercon membership. Discon memberships
are \$2 for non-attendees or \$3 for attendees address mail to "Discon", Box 36, At. Rainier, M.D.
Checks are to be made out to Ben Stark and Bill
Evans, respectively. Progress reports are already
being distributed, so hurry and don't miss out on
the convention publications.

ELLISON AT LASES

Harlan Ellison was guest speaker at LASFS on the 21st of March. His talk consisted of a partial reading of material from his latest book, "Obituary for an Instant", which he himself says is greatly influenced by J.D. Salinger. A great admirer of Kurt Vonnegut, Ellison is attemping to follow his style in this new book, which will be his first in a long time to have a science fiction theme.

FOOD QUESTIONAIRE

The enclosed questionaire on food attitudes is part of a general survey being taken on eating habits and is being circulated through many channels. Please return the filled out form to Bjo Trimble at 5734 Parapet Street, Long Beach 8. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

164 FRISCO or FIGHT

The Los Angeles Morcon supporters have formally withdrawn their bid for the 1964 worldcon, thus leaving San Francisco as the only bibber. The Bay Area is almost certain to take the convention unless a serious contender appears between now and the Discon. Holding the '64 con is going to mean a long hard pull for the Bareans as the planning would follow right on the heels of their newly completed Westercon. Give them all the help and support you can for both conventions. The Bareans have the skill, the knowledge, and the desire, but only your cooperation can make any convention a real success. Don't forget to join the Westercon, and don't forget that their convention is also your convention.

PROGRAMS

Yeah, every once in a while LASFS does have something in the way of an entertainment night. Try and show up - you might even like it.

April 11th...panal discussion-"Do Publishing fans Make Good Club Fans?" Pelz, Fox, Turner, Ellik. Would like to get one more. Any volunteers?

May 2nd.....Swap Session. The last free-for-all trade and sell night turned out to be such a success we are holding another one. Bring art work, fanzines, promags, or anything you want to get rid of. (Relatives acceptable only if they are female, around, say nineteen, and stacked.) Mundane items are also perfectly welcome

May 16th....panal discussion-"What is the Definition of Science Fiction?" Lewis, Patten, Sapiro for sure; several others tentative.

June 6th....austion to benefit TAFF. Come one, come all. Don't let Don Fitch buy everything. Bruce Pelz will be auctioneer. Bring money.

June 28th...Slide show. As a sort of "Look at What you're getting into" program, slides will be shown of previous Westercons.

SAPIRO ON ENTERTAINMENT

Lee Sapiro has been appointed Entertainment Director for the LASFS, thus legally obtaining the right to quit in a fit of pique if he happens to be in the mood. It was through the efforts of Lee that Harlan Ellison was induced to speak before the club. We wish Lee a long and successful tenure in office.

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Believe it or not, Shangri-L'Affaires #64 is out. With Steve Tolliver as publisher, the official club publication has finally gotten back on schedule. #65 will be out in May and will contain the long delayed Poul Anderson portfolio.

N3F STORY CONTEST WINNERS
The five winners of the
1961 N3F story contest are
presented in one zine and are
available for \$.25 from Ron
Ellik at 1825 Greenfield, Los
Angeles 25, California. The
1963 story contest will be
starting soon, watch for it.

The famous story of fannish endeavor, by Walt Willis, is available from Bruce Pelz for \$.75. This issue has Eddie Jones illos which were ruined during the run - this edition cannot be duplicated.

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