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NEXT MEETING: Remember, we're skipping a meet because of the Hallowe'en party -- so the next one is the 13th of November -- Sunday -- in Saginaw, at the home of Art Rapp, 2120 Bay Street. Meeting begins about 1:00 p.m., breaks up whenever the last fan leaves, which can be midnight, for all I care. # Finding the place is simplicity itself. Just follow U.S. 10 to the intersection of M-47 -- this is on the northwest side of town. M-47 is Bay St., and 2120 is just a half-block off the intersection. # Bus riders, walk one block south from the Greyhound depot to Genessee St., catch a STATE bus (#4) (fare 10¢, 2 for 15¢) and tell the driver to let you off at Bay.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY -- IMPORTANT! The location of the MSFS Hallowe'en Party will be Detroit, not Owosso! It'll be held at the Furcsik's, 5037 Maplewood, scene of the last meeting. It will start about 8:00 p.m. on the 29th - that's this coming Saturday. If you have not yet signed up for this party, send one buck to George H. Young, 22180 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington, Michigan. If you wait until the night of the brawl, it'll cost ya 1.50. # Remember, you're supposed to be in costume -- and let's make 'em fantastic!

LAST MEETING: I wasn't at the last meet myself -- was enjoying a nice peaceful facation up in Petoskey -- but I hear it was a well-attended affair. George Young gives the following list of those present: George Furcsik, Edith Furcsik, George Young, Ralph Fluette, Bill Groover, Eugene Segar, Fred Reich, Howard Devore, Arnim Seielstad, and Andre Weitzenhoffer. # As far as I can learn, there was no official business transacted.

CONSTITUTION: Incidently, I hereby announce that, a sufficient number of affirmative votes having been received, the Constitution reproduced on the following pages is now the official laws of the MSFS. # If you have an amendment you want tacked on it, get at least four signatures on a petition, and it will be voted upon by the membership. # The annual elections under the old constitution are hereby cancelled, and the Director of Publications is directed to turn over any unexpended portion of the registration foes to the custodian of the MSFS Treasury.

MEMBERSHIPS: Dues for residents of Michigan and vicinity are now \$1.50 per year, entitling them to a full membership in the MSFS. Out-of-state fans may now become Associate Members for \$1.00 per year. Associate Members receive THE MICHIFAN, and a membership card, but are not eligible to vote. # The following members of the MSFS are hereby designated Associate Members:

- 13. Dr David H Keller, 55 Broad St., Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.
- 26. C.Stewart Metchette, % B G Gotlieb, 3555 Edison (Apt E) Hillsdale, San Mateo, California.
- 27. Pfc Harold E. Shapiro 16293191, Hq & Hq Sqdn, 5001st Composite Wing, APO #731, c/o P.M., Seattle, Washington.
- 28. Pvt Ben Singer, 3346 Tng Sqdn, Branch P.O. #1, Chanute AFL, Rantoul Illinois.

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ARTICLE III - Administrative Procedure:

Section 1 - Business meetings of the MSFS shall be held according to the rules of parliamentary procedure.

Section 2 - Nomination and election of officers shall be held during the business session of the Winter state convention. elections shall be for one calendar year (January 1 - December 31).

Section 3 - Petitions, of whatever purpose (except as provided in Section 4 of this Article), when signed by at least 10% of the membership, shall be subject to a majority vote of the membership.

Section 4 - Petitions for impeachment of officers cannot be initiated until officer has served at least 30 days in office.

Section 5 - Amendment of this Constitution may take place by two-thirds vote of the MSFS membership.

ARTICLE IV - Miscellaneous:

Section 1 - There shall be a state convention of the MSFS every six months, place and time of meeting to be determined by the membership at least 90 days in advance.

Section 2 - THE MICHIFAN shall be the Official Organ of the MSFS, and shall be published and distributed to all members and associate members, and otherwise as directed by the Secretary.

Section 3 - This Constitution shall become effective immediately upon ratification by two-thirds of the MSFS membership.

MSFS HISTORY

The Michigan Science-Fantasy Society was organized in February 1948.

President Vice-President Secretary Director of Publications

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STATE CONVENTIONS
The Cadillacon, Cadillac, Michigan, 29 August 1948 The DeCon, Detroit, Michigan, 27-28-29 December 1948

XCURSIONS

Other fan events at which delegations from the MSFS were present:

- 1. Seventh World STF Convention, Toronto, Ont., 3-5 July 1948
- The Beercon, Milwaukee, Wisc., 6-8 September 1948
- The Cancon, London, Ont., May, 1949
 Eighth World STF Convention, Cincinnati, Ohio, 3-5 Sept 1949

REGULAR MEETINGS

Regional meetings of the MSFS have been held in the following cities of Michigan and Ontario: Cadillac, Detroit, Farmington, Grosse Pointe, Highland Park, Owosso, Pontiac, Saginaw, Windsor.

CONSTITUTION OF THE MICHIGAN SCIENCE-FANTASY SOCIETY

Realizing that a single individual is unable to do much for fandom, we are gathering together the readers of science-fiction and fantasy in Michigan and surrounding vicinity.

We hereby establish under this Constitution the Michigan Science-Fantasy Society as a league of individuals interested in furthering the enjoyment of science-fiction and fantasy by themselves and others.

This organization is created for freedom-loving people. It is now, and shall remain, non-political, non-sectarian, and non-racial. We retain the right to refuse membership to any person, intelligent being, or BEM.

ARTICLE I - Membership:

Section 1 - Applicants for membership must register their name, address and telephone number with the Secretary.

Section 2 - Dues of \$\pi 1.50 per calendar year must accompany registration.

Section 3 - Persons residing outside the state of Michigan may become Associate Members of the MSFS upon payment of \$1.00 annual dues. Associate Members are entitled to all benefits and privileges of the MSFS except the privilege of voting.

ARTICLE II - Officers:

Section 1 - President, shall preside at meetings, act as the official spokesman of the MSFS, and see that other MSFS officers perform their various duties.

Section 2 - <u>Vice President</u>, shall assist the President in the performance of his duties, and shall take over as presiding officer in the absence of the President.

Section 3 - Secretary-Treasurer, shall act as custodian of all records, funds and property of the MSFS, shall maintain an accurate roster of the membership, shall issue credentials to new members, and shall be responsible for notification of forthcoming meetings, shall furnish a financial report to the Director of Publications at the end of each quarter, same to be published in the Official Organ.

Section 4 - Director of Publications, shall be responsible for production and distribution of such publications as the Society shall designate.

Section 5 - Director of Press Relations, shall be responsible for all press notices and articles pertaining to the Society being prepared for local papers of all members.

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