

THE SFSFS SHUTTLE

The Newszine of the South Florida Science Fiction Society

OCTOBER MEETING The next SFSFS meeting will be held Saturday, October 18, at the Broward Game Players Club in Hollywood.

Address: 7619 Davie Road Extension

Phone: 435-2832

Time: 7 PM

Directions: Take I-95 to Sterling Road. Go west on Sterling to the fourth stoplight past 441 (aka State Rd. 7). At that intersection there is a McDonalds, a Mobil Station, and a Winn Dixie. Turn left onto Davie Road Extension and follow it for about one mile as it curves gently towards New Mexico (south-westerly). The Game Players Club is on the righthand side of the road in a small shopping plaza. Look for the "Plaza 76" sign. The club is the second store from the back. Buzz the buzzer to be let in. Walk inside and buy some food and drink. Visit with your friends. Enjoy the meeting. To return home, read the above directions backwards.

Program: GAIL BENNET will discuss the tribulations and rewards of her journey "From Fan to Professional Artist."

ANDRE NORTON RETURNS TO TROPICON Those of you who had the privilege of meeting the Grande Dame of Science Fiction last year will be pleased to know that the admiration was mutual: ANDRE NORTON had such a wonderful time at Tropicon IV that she has accepted our invitation to return as Tropicon V's Special Guest. Needless to say, we are DELIGHTED!!!

WHERE'S THE BEEF? At Mathison Hammock in South Miami, if all goes as planned. If there is enough grassroot support for ground beef and potato salad with ants, BOB ACKER & EDIE STERN will continue to arrange the 2nd Annual SFSFS Picnic and Rain Shelter Dash (kashrut observed --- see Bob). Target date is Sunday, November 9. If you think this is a good idea, please call Bob (661-7156) or Edie (392-6462) by Halloween. If there is sufficient (ardent) support, the picnic will occur. If not . . . stay tuned for details.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! (your editor speaks) Yep, it's your old Captain, beaming in for a brief visit before giving the helm over to a host of Captains-in-Training ~~Part's~~ who will fly the Shuttle while I hoist sails on TROPICON V (light-sails in the stellar wind, that is). Many thanks to BILL WILSON for keeping the old rustbucket on course in August and best of luck to JAY PACKLICK, who will take her through November. It gladdens my rusty old heart to see so many eager young faces coming up through the ranks, assuming new responsibilities in SFSFS. Why, it seems like only yesterday that Jay learned to use the zero-g. Actually, it was only yesterday, but that's another story.

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DISCOUNT CORNER SFSFS members will receive \$5.00 off the regular subscription rates of FANTASY REVIEW -- 12 issues for just \$15.00 -- when they send their \$15.00 to:

FANTASY REVIEW
c/o Dr. Robert A. Collins, ed.
500 NW 20th Street
Boca Raton FL 33431-6498

SFSFS members will also receive \$5.00 off regular yearly membership dues of the Broward Game Players Club -- one year for \$25.00 -- when they apply for membership at:

Broward Game Players Club
7619 Davie Road Extension
Hollywood FL 33024

COA's

PEGGY GEMIGNANI, 3200 NE 18th Ave. #10, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33306.
GARY ALAN RUSE's phone number is now 266-4946.
SHERYL KURLAND, apt. 135 instead of apt. C.
JOHN KACHMAR, JR., 3640 W. Lantana Rd., Lantana FL 33462 as of 10/3/86.

FILKERS FLING The Filksinging Committee will meet November 22 at 7:30 PM at Becky Peters' hospitable habitat at 1501 E. Broward Blvd., #704 (3rd floor) in Fort Lauderdale. To get there, take I-95 to Broward Blvd. and go east. Take Broward Blvd. to about one mile past U.S. 1. Becky's apartment complex is on the left (north) side of the street.

B.O.D. BUILDING The SFSFS Board of Directors will meet on Monday, October 6, at 7 PM at Becky Peters' abode. All are welcome to attend, though you may be asked to wear earplugs when we get to the really juicy stuff. (JUST KIDDING, FOR PETE'S SAKE!!! We'll really just ask you to leave the room . . .) And guess how you get to Becky's! All together, now: take I-95 to Broward Blvd. and go east on Broward to about one mile past U.S. 1. Becky's apartment complex is on the left (north) side of the street.

GAMER'S CALENDAR The Strategic Game Development Committee is meeting every Saturday and Sunday in October and, since I know directions to only one of their meeting places, I will simply list the information as it was handed to me and refer you to Kat Max/Richard Klein at 946-4803 for details.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Game</u>
Oct. 4	1 PM	Broward Game Players Club	Kanthus (?)
Oct. 5	1 PM	Doug's	Golden Age
Oct. 11	1 PM	Peggy's	AD&D/Amber Series
Oct. 12	1 PM	John's	Dr. Who
Oct. 18	1 PM	Robin's	Paranoia
Oct. 19	1 PM	John's	Call of Cthulu
Oct. 25	1 PM	Peggy's	ElfQuest
Oct. 26	1 PM	Kat's	The Pyramid/AD&D

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TROPICON MUNCHIE MEETING 6 Tropiconistas tried and true, and those aspiring to such glory, are welcome to attend the next TROPICON V meeting on WEDNESDAY, October 15, at 6:30 PM at NANCY ATHERTON'S Hallandale hideaway. Bring food for body and mind as we approach the Final Countdown to T-Day! For directions, call Nancy at 458-8177.

TROPICON V PROGRESS REPORT REPORT Billions and billions of heartfelt thanks to all of you who did such a splendid job of rendering me superfluous during the mailing of Tropicon V's Progress Report. Special thanks to HANK HEATH for putting together such a spiffy-looking PR and to BILL WILSON for leaping tall crises with a single bound --- if you didn't already have a cape, Bill, I'd be hemming one for you. MULTO GRAZI!!!

THE WORD PROCESSOR IS MIGHTIER THAN . . . well, er, than a pile of gumboots, when it comes to creative writing. Explore the art of writing and the science of getting published at the SFSFS Writer's Workshop, headed by VINCENT MIRANDA. Call Vince at 848-3068 to sign up.

SFSFS T-SHIRTS were out in full force at September's business meeting and they looked T-RRIFIC! They are available to members for \$8 and may be picked up at the October meeting. If you can't make the meeting, call JOE SICLARI (392-6462) to make other ordering arrangements.

WHOOOPS! MARK BAUMGARTEN's phone number was misprinted in the last Shuttle. The correct number is 935-0160. Please call him with suggestions on video programming for TROPICON V. Those of you who wish to have your phone numbers misprinted in future Shuttles may leave a large amount of unmarked American currency in the loose panel in the back of the zero-g facilities.

EVER UPWARDS The following General Members are eligible to apply for Regular Member Status at the October meeting: RICHARD BATES, AUDREY MACIEJEWSKI, and DOMENICK FRAUMENI. By aspiring to Regularity (attending 3 consecutive meetings and paying the \$5.00 conversion fee), these members will gain the right to vote and hold office in SFSFS. They will also gain access to the crew's prune dispenser.

SOMETIMES DOWNWARDS Secretary and by-lawsian expert JUDY BEMIS radios the following message: Regular Members who have not attended 6 consecutive meetings revert to General Member Status. This is news to me, as it will no doubt be to the following reverted members: RUSS DAPP and SABRINA JAREMA.

MURPHYMOBILE SEEKS PILOT JOHN MURPHY, Tropicon Trivia-Master and active SFSFS member, needs a driver to get him and his van to meetings. The van is all-automatic, a breeze to drive, and luxuriously comfortable. It also seats 5 in addition to John & driver. If you can lend a hand, give John a call at 467-6467 and leave a message on John's answering machine. He will return your call promptly.

THE WRITE STUFF salutes SFSFS members whose writing and/or artwork has been published in professional or fannish forums.

PHIL TORTORICI is the regular back cover artist for the fanzine Inside Joke.

HANK HEATH'S artwork graced the pages of Another Remarkable Fanzine. Arthur Hlavaty's WOOF zine at ConFederation.

A map drawn by GAIL BENNETT appears in Jacqueline Lichtenberg's and Jean Lorrh's paperback, Zelerod's Doom.

GARY ALAN RUSE'S novel, Morlac: The Quest of the Green Magician, is in bookstores NOW!

SANDI MARCH'S new romance will be in the bookstores on Nov. 1st. Two of Sandi's Regency Mystery Romances will be out Dec. 10 (Zebra Publishers) and Jan 15th (Avon Books).

SEPTEMBER MEETING REVISITED Twenty-nine superior beings and two guests discovered that there is life after Worldcon as they met at the Broward Game Players Club for the SFSFS monthly business meeting. Minutes will be available to SFSFS members on request from JUDY BEMIS.

Secretary JUDY BEMIS reported a mind-boggling total membership number of 94, including new General members PAUL JOSEPH, MARK KLUNDER, and KEN KAROLI; new Space Cadet, BRIAN TRAUTMAN; and new Regular member, TERI WELLS. The Shuttle beams multiple congratulations to you all and asks Brian to report to JAY PACKLICK immediately for further instructions.

PROGRAM: Author GARY ALAN RUSE shared his sometimes nightmarish experiences in the world of professional writing as he discussed "The Perils of Publishing . . . or How I Learned to Survive Rejection." Aspiring writers in the club were reassured by Gary's observation that a rejection slip does not spell the end of all hope for a particular manuscript; that patience and persistence in re-submitting rejected manuscripts may result in their ultimate publication.

Gary encouraged aspiring writers to be open to suggestions from editors and noted that publishing decisions are sometimes based on factors other than the merits of the work in question. Because of this, patience, persistence, and faith in the quality of one's work are components as necessary to a writer's success as the ability to write well. Gary provided SFSFS members with much useful information with his writer's eye-view insights on the world of publishing and his talk was very well received. Many thanks, Gary, and continued success with MORLAC: THE QUEST OF THE GREEN MAGICIAN!

GOING CONS

Armadillo Con 8	Oct. 10-12	Austin TX
Constellation 5	Oct. 24-26	Huntsville AL
Necronomicon '86	Oct. 31-Nov. 2	Tampa FL
Philcon 1986	Nov. 14-16	Philadelphia PA
50th Anniversary of PSFS!		
TROPICON V	Dec. 5-7	Deerfield Beach FL

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There will be a TROPICON V PARTY at Necronomicon. If you'd like to lend a hand with planning/implementation, please call PEGGY ANN DOLAN at 532-8008. ALSO! If you are going to any SF convention between now and December, give NANCY ATHERTON a call at 458-8177 for a supply of TROPICON V flyers to place on the freebie table. THANK YOU!

CONTACT! The following items were sent to SFSFS by clubs and cons around the country and are available to any member who wishes to expand his/her knowledge of the fannish world outside South Florida:

Instant Message, nos. 405-406 - Bi-monthly newszine of the New England Science Fiction Assn.

The NASFA Shuttle, Sept. - Impeccably titled newszine of the Northern Alabama SF Assn.

Texas SF Inquirer, nos. 16-18 - Splendid newszine from the Friendly Texans in F.A.C.T. (Fandom Assn. of Central Texas).

PSFS Minutes, July - Including news on the Philadelphia SF Society.

Westwind, no. 109, Aug-Sept - Newszine of the Northwest SF Society.

Pyrotechnics, no. 38, Aug - From the fans at General Technics.

Transmissions, no 25 - Including worldcon impressions from United Gulf Coast Fandom.

DASFAX, vol. 18, no. 8, Aug - Newsletter of the Denver Area SF Assn.

Barking Moon Studios announcement that they have moved into more modern and larger facilities at 1723 Smith Ave., Thomasville GA 31792. (912) 228-5749.

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AT-A-GLANCE

GAMERS: See p. 2 for detailed listing of October meetings.

Oct. 6 Board of Directors Meeting 7 PM Ft. Lauderdale
Call Joe Siclari (392-6462) for details.

Oct. 15 TROPICON V MEETING 6:30 PM Hallandale
Call Nancy Atherton (458-8177) for details.

Oct. 18 Monthly Business Meeting 7 PM Hollywood
Call Joe Siclari (392-6462) for details.

Oct. 31-Nov. 2 Necronomicon '86 Tampa
Call Peggy Ann Dolan (532-8008) for party details.

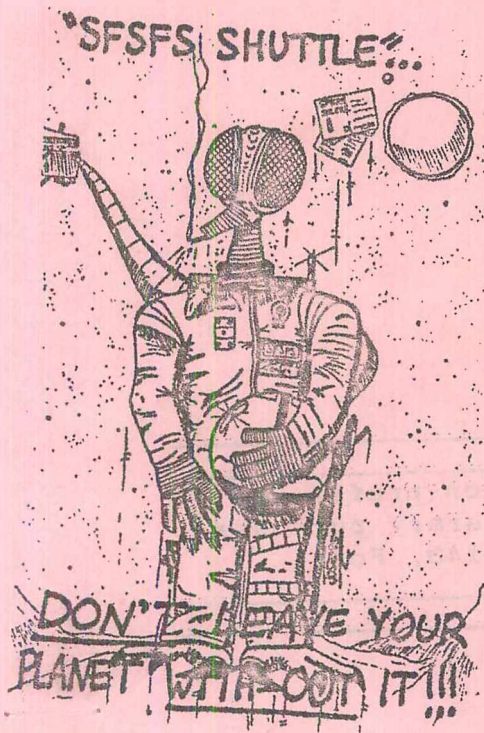
Nov. 9 Annual Picnic South Miami
Call Bob Acker (661-7156) or Edie Stern (392-6462) by
Halloween for details. IF NOONE CALLS, THERE WILL BE
NO PICNIC!!!

Nov. 22 Filk Committee Meeting 7:30 PM Ft. Lauderdale
Call Edie Stern (392-6462) for details.

Addition:

Oct. 23 Media Research Committee 7:00 PM Pompano
Call Kat Max or Rich Klein (946-4803) for details.

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