

The Newszine of the South Florida Science Fiction Society

December Meeting The next SFSFS meeting will be held Sunday, December 21 at the Main Library in downtown Ft. Lauderdale.

Address: 100 S. Andrews Ave./8th floor

Phone: 357-7444

Time: 2 p.m.

Directions: Take I-95 to Broward Blvd. (Or any other way will do nicely). Go east on Broward to Andrews Ave. Take a right. The library is the tall 8-storied building on the corner of Andrews and S.E. 1st St. Parking in the garage east of the library.

Program: Edie Stern will present a program on "The Well-Read Fan Part 3." There also officers for 86, by-law changes and operating rule additions to vote on.

Tropicon TROPICON V, the long awaited event for the South Florida Science Fiction Society, is fast approaching. TROPICON V will be held Dec. 5-7 at the Howard Johnson's Ocean Resort in Deerfield Beach. GARDNER DOIZIS, the editor of Isaac Asimov's Science Fiction Magazine, and ANDRE NORTON, a very-well known author in the field of science fiction and fantasy are both expected. Tropicon t-shirts are available for this once in a lifetime event in pink and blue for \$8.00. Plus The Dealers' Room, films, filksinging, the Banquet and more! I can't wait. Sleep was a word invented by Earthlings. SFSFSers don't need it.

SLATE OF NOMINEES The nominees for SFSFS '87 are in. Bill Wilson was nominated, Chairman; Peggy Ann Dolan, Treasurer; Secretary, Judy Bemis; At Large, Edie Stern and Jay Packlick. Voting will take place at the December meeting. Congratulations to all the nominees and good luck!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! (your editor speaks) So, I finally get to the section where I'm supposed to speak. Well, I can't think of a single thing to say. I would like to say I'm very grateful to Nancy for being allowed to edit the Shuttle and would like to do it sometime in the near future. (What do you think, Nancy? Did I pass the test okay?) I can only say that if someone wants people rushing him (all at once) with little pieces of paper, go ahead and do the next Shuttle. By the way, what happens if I lose any of these papers? (Pause.) I get sent to Alpha Ceti 6?!! I promise not to lose anything. I am so calm, cool and collected about this, I'll probably leave something out (like this whole paragraph). Now on to more important things. Face it, whatever's next must be more important.

THE SFSFS TAPES Audio tapes of SFSFS monthly business meetings are available from John Murphy. Call 967-6367 for details.

SFSFS T-SHIRTS SFSFS t-shirts are still available for the paltry price of \$8.00. Inquire at the next meeting to get yours.



## The SFSFS Shuttle - 2

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

### FANTASY REVIEW

c/o Dr. Robert A. Collins  
500 NW 20th St.

Boca Raton, FL 33431-6498

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

Broward Game Players Club  
7619 Davie Rd. Extension  
Hollywood, FL 33024

### COA

Lee Hoffman, 401 Sunrise Trail NW, Pt. Charlotte, FL.  
629-5122.

Toni Johnson, (previously Toffel) 4841 28th Ave. S.,  
Minneapolis, MN 55417 (612) 721-6088

Doug & Kathy Wu, 520 NW 7th St., Boynton Beach, FL  
33435 (as of 11/24/86).

### NECRONIMICON UPDATE

Two SFSFS members entered the masquerade contest on Saturday night of the con. Mark Baumgarten amused us all with his portrayal of Drac. Who, the vampire Galifreyan. Terri Wells, wrapped up a second place ribbon with her version of Dark Phoenix, from Marvel Comic's X-Men Series. -submitted by Bill Wilson

SF DISCUSSION GROUP, our newest addition to SFSFS activities, has just announced it's first meeting for Friday, January 16th, at 7:30 PM. It will be at the Siclari/Stern residence, 4599 NW 5 Ave. Boca Raton. Topic for this meeting is SF Short Stories. Assignment for this meeting is to read the mid-December issue of Asimov's SF Magazine, & the Dec. issue of the Magazine of Fantasy & Science Fiction.

### EVER UPWARDS

The following member is eligible to apply for Regular Membership at the December meeting: Michael Baumgarten.

### BOD VIBES

The meeting was held November 5th at Becky Peter's. In attendance were Nancy Atherton, Joe Siclari, Gail Bennett, Judy Bemis, Becky Peters, Bill Wilson, and Kat Max. It was agreed upon to buy a SFSFS plaque for meetings and displays (and Tropicon). A SFSFS budget for 1987 was estimated. SFSFS must be self-sufficient and not dependent on Tropicon earnings. This would mean a dues increase. Tropicon presented a complete 1986 budget, and this was approved. Many by-law changes were discussed and will be voted on at the next meeting. Lastly, there was a discussion about the noise level. Joe will talk to Bill Crane again about sectioning off the room and giving BGPC members advance notice in their Newsletter.

## The SFSFS Shuttle - 3

T.R.I. Tardis Repair Incorporated, the official Dr. Who fan club will meet December 20 at 12 p.m. at the W. Dade Regional Library, 9445 SW Coral Way. Take 826 to Coral Way. Go right, and the library is several blocks down on the right. Call Gregg Harris at 661-7136 for more info.

ART MOVE December 4, in the afternoon, the art for TROPICON will be moved from Joe Siclari's to the Howard Johnson's and set up. Anyone wishing to help, call Joe at 392-6462.

THE LAST ONE The very last meeting prior to TROPICON will be 12 p.m. November 29 at Nancy Atherton's in Hallandale. Everyone is invited (and encouraged) to attend. This is your last chance to be able to put your ideas into TROPICON. Call Nancy at 458-8177 for directions.

THE WRITE STUFF GINGER CURRY'S Co-written fantasy story, "Guardians of the Secret" hit the bookstores the first of last month in Andre Norton's anthology, Magic in Ithkar #3. Ginger has also sold non-fiction pieces to the "The Best: Gold Coast Fashion & Lifestyle" and "Jewish Times."

WORD MARK, GET SET Write! Florida Freelance Writer's Association is opening its Fiction, Poetry, and Article contests soon. Categories are : Science Fiction/Fantasy, Mystery/Suspense, and Library. For guidelines, send a large white SASE to:

Florida Writing Competition  
P. O. Box 9844  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33310  
-submitted by Ginger Curry

MURPHY'S VAN John Murphy, everyone's favorite trivia-master and fellow SFSFSer needs a driver for his van. Call John at 467-6467 if you can help out.

NOVEMBER MEETING REVISITED 27 members and 3 guests dropped in on the meeting at the Ft. Lauderdale Library last November 16 for the monthly SFSFS business meeting. Minutes will be available to SFSFS members by request from Judy Bemis. Carol Porter (who?) and Audrey Maciejewski were upgraded to regular member status. New members are Christine Pafford-Becker (2 weeks old) and Howard Brown. Congratulations to our members and welcome to a unique club.

Two new committees were introduced: the science fiction literature/discussion group and the computer science fiction group (a special interest group).

Program: Author and Editor of FANTASY REVIEW, Dr. Robert Collins spoke about his experiences in judging at the last WORLD FANTASY CONVENTION. Dr. Collins emphasized that horror has entered the field of science fiction. He even said that nowadays people seem to go for more of the horror-type books than the intellectual-type, but he personally does not like these "blood and guts" works.



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Dr. Collins related some interesting stories from the convention. The judges often spend long hours on the phone, conversing and deciding which works they like the best. A lot of compromising. He noted that the winner might be someone no one voted for. Thank you, Dr. Collins, for the fascinating look into judging science fiction.

ORLANDO IN '92 Plans are being made to bring the 1992 World Science Fiction Convention to FL. Voting for the 1992 Worldcon will take place in Boston in 1989. For more information: write to: Magicon/Orlando in 1992, P. O. Box 5904, Orlando, FL 32855. Keep checking upcoming Shuttles for more information.

### GOING CONS

Loscon 13	Nov 28-30	Pasadena, CA
TROPICON V	Dec 5-7	Deerfield Bch, FL
Universe 87	Jan 2-4	Los Angeles, CA
Evecon	Jan 2-4	Crystal City, VA
(Gaming)		
Creation	Jan 3-4	New York, NY
Salute to Star Trek		

Below are other clubs who have SFSFS newsletters or correspondence. If you wish to correspond with them, write to any of them at the listed addresses.

### CONTACTS

Westwind #110-Oct. 85, Monthly fanzine, newsletter  
Northwest SF Society

BCSFazine #162-Nov.86, Monthly fanzine, newsletter  
of British Columbia SF Association

Transmissions, Vol. 10, #2&3, Monthly newsletter  
United Gulf Coast Fandom (could you send us one of  
your club handbooks?)

Octocon V, Progress Report, October convention of  
Spellbinders, Inc. Santa Rosa, CA

The NASFA Shuttle Nov 86, Monthly fanzine,  
Newsletter of Northern Alabama SF Assc, featuring  
articles on the history of S. FL. fandom.

Galactic Dispatch Oct 86 monthly fanzine,  
Newsletter of The Science Fiction Assn. of  
Colorado Springs.

Light in the Bushel #3, personalzine from Richard  
Brandt of El Paso, TX

Instant Message, #409, 10/19/86, the twice monthly  
except Dec. newsletter of the New England SF Assn.

Letter from Mr. & Mrs. Richard Heim, Jr. about  
Medallion books, a pyramid book club.

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**DUES ARE DUE** Please complete the form below and return ASAP. You must want to continue to be a part of this fantastic club!! Don't forget; send the enclosed form in to renew your membership with The South Florida Science Fiction Society. Thank you for your kind attention.

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South Florida Science Fiction Society  
Annual Membership Renewal Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # : ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Check where appropriate: \_\_\_\_\_ General (\$10.00)

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to apply for regular member status. Regular (\$15.00).

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: The South Florida Science Fiction Society, 4427 Royal Palm Ave., Miami Beach, FL 33140-3039.

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TROPICION V REGISTRATION FORM

Please print!

Please register me for TROPICON V. My payment is enclosed.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the items marked below.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3-day membership \$15.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Banquet Ticket \$19.50 (MUST be purchased Dec. 1!!!!)

by

Please make checks payable to :South Florida Science Fiction Society

Mail checks to: SFSFS Treasurer, 4427 Royal Palm Ave.,  
Miami Beach, FL 33140

Register for this great event as fast as possible. There is not much room left.

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WORLD FANTASY AWARDS NOMINATIONS

BEST NOVEL

- |   |                    |                                       |
|---|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| R | The Damnation Game | Clive Barker (Weidenfelt & Nicholson) |
| R | The Dream Years    | Lisa Goldstein (Bantam)               |
| R | The Vampire Lestat | Anne Rice (Knoprt)                    |
| * | Song of Kali       | Dan Simmons (Blue Jay)                |

BEST NOVELLA

- |    |                |                                   |
|----|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| R  | Flight         | Peter Dickinson (Imaginary Lands) |
| R* | Nadelman's God | T. E. D. Klein (Dark Gods)        |

BEST SHORT STORY

- |    |                   |                                  |
|----|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| R* | Paper Dragons     | James Blaylock (Imaginary Lands) |
| R  | The Jaguar Hunter | Lucius Shepard (May F & SF)      |

BEST ANTHOLOGY/COLLECTION

- |    |                 |                           |
|----|-----------------|---------------------------|
| R  | Skelton Crew    | Stephen King (Viking)     |
| R* | Imaginary Lands | Robin, McKinley, ed (Ace) |

BEST ARTIST

- |    |                  |  |
|----|------------------|--|
| R* | Thomas Canty tie |  |
|    | Jeff Jones       |  |

SPECIAL AWARD -PRO

- |    |                  |                             |
|----|------------------|-----------------------------|
| R  | Donald M. Grant  | Donald M. Grant, Publishers |
| R* | Patrick Lobrutto | Doubleday                   |

SPECIAL AWARD - NON-PRO

- |   |                   |                            |
|---|-------------------|----------------------------|
| R | Jeff Conner       | Scream/Press               |
| R | W. Paul Ganley    | WEIRLBOOK, Weirdbook Press |
| * | Douglas E. Winter |                            |

R-Reader preferred selections  
\*-Actual winners

THE GAMESTERS OF SFSFS In November, the Strategic Games Committee will meet every Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. The locations will be determined. For more information, call Kat Max and/or Richard Kline at 946-4803.

PLEASE NOTE Any fellow SFSFS member of the female persuasion who needs a room at TROPICON V and as yet has none, please get in touch with Carol Porter at 961-4689. I will take 2-3 roommates if necessary.



SHUTTLE SUPPLEMENT: Please detach this page and return it to us.

## South Florida Science Fiction Society

### Annual Membership Questionnaire

This is a dual purpose questionnaire. The information is intended to update the club directory AND to solicit your opinions on what you want your club to be, and how you would like to help it to get there. As such, it is extremely important to fill it out and return it by the December business meeting in order to assure a complete and accurate entry in the directory and to let the SMOFFs (SECRET MASTERS OF FLORIDA FANDOM) know what you think of your club and how you can help it to be what YOU want.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone - Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

1. Indicate your opinions of current SFSFS activities:

Committee/Activity	Work on	Very Interested	Somewhat Interested	Not Interested	Discontinued
Membership Development (does recruiting, responsible for membership flyers)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Publicity (newspaper calendars, relations with other South Florida clubs, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Programs at meetings	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Discount Program (recruiting businesses)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Special Events (trip to zoo, picnic, planetarium trip, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Membership Directory	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Clubzine - Solstice	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Monthly Newsletter	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Press Gang (does mimeo and mailing for any SFSFS project requiring same)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Filksinging	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Media Research (Videotape library, movie making, etc.)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Writer's Workshop	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Strat. Game Develop. (develop and learn about role playing games and other strategic SF gaming)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Library	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tropicon (see #5)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Auctions/Fundraising	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Meetings/Refreshments (locates meeting spaces, gets donations or otherwise acquires refreshments)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
SF Discussion Group	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Computers (?)	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

2. Are you willing to host a club meeting?  
Committee meeting? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you willing to chair a committee? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Are you willing to hold a club office? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Which areas of Tropicon would you like to work on? (Circle all that interest you)

Art Show/Auction	Films/Video	Programs
Con Suite	Gaming	Publicity
Dealers' Room	Hotel Liasion	Flyers
Exhibits	Program Book	Press Releases
Mailing lists	Registration	Progress Report
Guest liaison	Costume Party	Convention listings
Mail Room	Treasury	Sales
Trivia Contest	Book Drawing	Signs
Logistics (Purchasing & Moving)		

6. What other things should SFSFS be doing? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

7. What SFSFS activities should we discontinue? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST CLASS MAIL**

South Florida Science Fiction Society  
 Post Office Box 70143  
 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33307



## The SFSFS Shuttle - 7

On November 17, there was a Board meeting at Becky Peter's pad. Below is what we will be voting on at the next SFSFS meeting, Dec. 21. Please vote. Your vote counts for the future framework of the club; just think, you might change the rules for many generations of SFSFSers to come.

South Florida Science Fiction Society  
Board of Directors Meeting  
11/17/86

### By-laws change:

#### Motion 1:

Revise the attendance requirements set in Bylaws I.7 (a) from six to twelve (12) successive meetings.

#### Motion 2:

Revise attendance requirements set in Bylaws I.7 (B) from eighteen (18) to twenty-four months. ALSO add to the beginning of the next sentence: "Upon request by the affected member," this provision may be waived..."

#### Motion 3:

Change By-Law II.2 to reflect the current Annual Meeting Schedule as approved by the Regular Membership. Corrected Bylaws II.2 should be changed to the "last meeting of the October-December" quarter.

#### Motion 4:

Addition to the Bylaws as III.1 (3), the ability for voting proxies for regular members. Currently, proxies are not allowed under the Robert's Rules that we are using.

Every member entitled to vote at a meeting may authorize another voting member or members to act or vote for him by proxy. Every proxy must be signed by the member and may be unlimited (authority to act in all matters). A proxy will be valid for only the one meeting specified or a continuation thereof. The proxy must be written so that only one member can vote it at any given time. Every proxy shall be revocable at the pleasure of the member executing it. The Chair shall rule on the validity of proxies on any given vote. The ruling of the Chair may be appealed in accordance with Robert's Rules. Proxies will be read at the beginning of the meeting. Proxies should be registered with the Secretary before the start of the meeting.

#### Motion 5:

Add the following sentence to Article IV. 5: "The limit to

this set-aside will be \$3,000.00 or 35% of the budget from the previous convention, whichever is greater."

Operating Procedures

1. In accordance with Bylaw III.2, no later than the second regular monthly meeting after his/her election, each officer must propose a Deputy for approval by the Board of Directors or by the Regular Membership. Only Regular Members may serve as Deputy to a SFSFS officer. Nomination of an absent person is inadmissible unless the written consent of the nominee is submitted to the presiding officer.
2. In accordance with Bylaw IV. 1, a Board Representative for a convention or major event (as defined by the Board) will be the Chairman of that convention or event. Should the Chairman already be on the Board, he/she will have to forfeit the existing Board position. The Board will then fill the empty Board position according to By-Law III.4. The number of appointed Board Representatives shall always remain less than the number of elected board members.
3. To conform to By-law Motion 5, if it is approved, the Treasurer will keep a separate accounting for each convention run by the Society.
  - a. When the set-aside exceeds the limits established, the Treasurer will notify the Board and transfer the appropriate amount to a Special Reserve holding account for use by the Society.
  - b. These funds will be accumulated in the Special Reserve account for emergencies, to offset unexpected losses, to seed major new projects, or for other major needs. The use of these funds will be handled as a "serious matter" as described in the By-Laws.
  - c. The Board and the Society will NOT depend upon NOR use these funds for normal operating activities.
4. In accordance with By-Law IV. 8, the Chairman or head of each committee, task force, convention, major event, or other activity of the Society shall keep good and accurate records of such activity, including, but not limited to: budgets, receipts, expenses, attendance records, descriptions of projects, and minutes when necessary or directed by the Board.
5. Revisions to Operating Procedure 21:
  - a. The Membership Directory should be published annually in the first quarter of the new membership year.
  - b. additions to be included in the Membership Directory:
    - i. SFSFS Business Membership Form
    - ii. SFSFS Donation Form
    - iii. SFSFS Annual Calendar.



6. The Secretary shall compile and publish an annual calendar of activities required by the By-Laws, the Operating Procedures, or Board directions. It should also contain tentative schedules for regular meetings and programs, special events, SFSFS sponsored conventions, and any other SFSFS meeting that can be scheduled in advance. The first draft should be in the January issue of the Shuttle with a request for additional input from committee chairmen and members. The final schedule will be in the Membership Directory.

7. Addition to Operating Procedure 26:

The Membership Directory Committee should also keep a new member questionnaire to be sent with the new member packet to identify interests, resources, etc., of new members.

8. SFSFS New Members should receive:

1. Welcome letter from SFSFS Chairman
2. Receipt for dues
3. Membership Directory
4. Flyers on Tropicon and other SFSFS events, if available
5. SFSFS Shuttle, last issue
6. Membership Card, which qualify members for SFSFS business discounts.

9. Revise Operating Procedure 6, Dues Schedule

<u>Date Joined</u>	<u>Regular</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Child</u>
Jan.-Mar.	\$20.	\$15.	\$1.
Apr.-June.	16.	12.	1.
July-Sept.	12.	9.	1.
Oct.-Dec.	8.	6.	1.

10. On a quarterly basis, the Membership Directory will be updated and published through the Shuttle.

11. All Meetings of the Society are open to all members of the Society.

MEDIA RESEARCH The Media Research Committee will meet on Sunday, December 21, promptly at 1 p.m. at the Broward County Main Library. Video projects and media research material will be discussed. Call Bill Wilson (933-0749) for more information.

SHUTTLE CREDITS Guest Editor, Carol Porter, Press Gang; Judy Bemis, Tony Parker, Terri Wells (uncredited last month), & Bill Wilson.

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The South Florida Science Fiction Society is a non-profit organization established for educational and literary purposes. For more information, write: SFSFS, P.O. Box 70143, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33307-0143

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AT A GLANCE

Gaming Committee

please see pg. 6.

Nov. 29

TROPICON V meeting. The last one before the big event. Nancy Atherton's in Hallandale. 12 p.m. Call 458-8177 for directions.

Dec. 5-7

TROPICON V. WOW!!!!

Dec. 20

TRI, W. Dade Regional Library. 12 p.m. Call Greg Harris 661-7136 for more information.

Dec. 21

Media Research Committee, Broward County Main Library, 1 p.m. Call Bill Wilson 983-0749.

Dec. 21

SFSFS December Meeting, Broward County Main Library, 2PM.

Jan. 16

SF Discussion Group, Joe & Edie's place. Phone 392-6462 for details.

LATE NEWS... The well known editor David Hartwell has been added to TROPICON V's continually growing list of attendees.

THE SOUTH FLORIDA SCIENCE FICTION SOCIETY  
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TROPICON V banquet tickets are selling out fast, and may not be available at the door. Please call Nancy (at 305-458-8177) TODAY, if you wish to purchase one.  
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