



THE SFSFS SHUTTLE

The Newszine of The South Florida Science Fiction

MAY MEETING The next meeting of SFSFS will be held in a spacious conference room provided by our newest business member, at the BOOK CLUB, in Lauderhill.

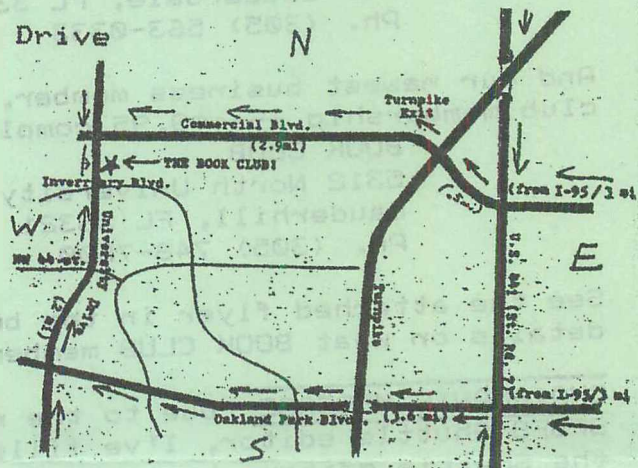
Address: 5312 N. University Drive

Phone: (305) 748-7500

Time: 2 PM

Directions: From the south, take I-95 north to Oakland Park Blvd. Turn left, and go west to University Drive. Turn right onto University and go north about two miles.

From the north, take I-95 south to Commercial Blvd. Go west to University Drive, then turn left.



The BOOK CLUB is on the east side of University Drive, about a block south of Commercial Blvd. It is located in Boulevard Shoppes II, marked with large letters in a wood decor plaza.

Program: Novelist & Free Lance writer Ginger Curry will present, "From Crystal Ball to Ball Point Pen." A discussion of how story ideas are developed, and of writing groups that can have an important influence on aspiring authors.

TROPICON 6 GETS NEW CO-CHAIRS Gail Bennett & Joe Siclari are now co-chairpersons of our December Science Fiction convention. Nancy Atherton, formerly chairperson of the con and editor of this newsletter, has resigned both positions. This change was necessitated by her move to the Washington, D.C. area. We send our very best wishes to Nancy in her new adventures.

TROPICON MEETING A meeting has been set on Tuesday, May 5th, 7:00 P.M. at the Siclari/Stern residence in Boca Raton. All Tropicon department leaders are urged to attend this transitional meeting to discuss continuing plans and new ideas for the convention. We also welcome all other members who would like to participate in The South Florida SF event of the year!

***** TROPICON VI, December 4-6, 1987 *****

The SFSFS Shuttle- 2

DISCOUNT CORNER SFSFS members will receive a 10% discount off the regular yearly membership dues--- one year for \$27.00 --- when they apply for membership at:
Broward Game Players Club
7619 Davie Road Extension
Hollywood, FL 33024
Ph. (305) 475-2832

SFSFS members can get a 25% discount off list price on all computer software at:

Software Cellar
50 East Oakland Park Blvd.
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33334
Ph. (305) 563-0333

And our newest business member, provides a \$2 discount on annual club membership --- \$9.95 complete, at:

BOOK CLUB
5312 North University Drive
Lauderhill, FL 33321
Ph. (305) 748-7500

See the attached flyer in the back of this Shuttle issue for details on what BOOK CLUB membership has to offer.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE Due to the recent vacancy in the position of SFSFS Shuttle editor, I've filled in this month. KAT MAX will be the Shuttle editor, beginning in May, for the remainder of the year, though she may choose guest editors at her discretion. So far, Carol Porter, Carol Gibson, and Jay Packlick have expressed interest. Any others interested? If so, get in touch with Kat.

MAGICON/ORLANDO IN '92 In a unanimous vote, SFSFS members threw their support and best wishes to this Worldcon in Orlando bid committee. We wish them the best of luck in winning the bid. Also approved was the purchase of a \$5 MAGICON Pre-Supporting membership in SFSFS's name. This way our society can keep up to date with pre-supporting activities.

FUTURE WORLDCONS The 1987 World Science Fiction Convention, "Conspiracy", takes place in Brighton, England this year (Aug. 27 - Sept. 4). Gail Bennett may still be taking note of people planning to go (she's arranging a package deal), so if you are going, get in touch with her. In 1988 the Worldcon will be Nolacon II, in New Orleans. In 1989, it's Noreascon III in Boston, MA.

NATIONAL ASTRONOMY DAY will be celebrated May 9th, from 10 AM till 5 PM, at the Science Museum in Dreher Park. The address is 4801 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach, FL 33405. For more information, call Greg Zentz at 793-9498.

"I WAS PLEASED TO DEATH!" said the revived Jay Packlick of the response to his Creative Writing session on April 12th. Seven members attended complete with manuscripts which were evaluated with an eye on improving writing skills. The next C.W. session will be on Sunday, May 17th, 3 PM, at the Packlick residence, 650 East Melrose Circle, Ft. Lauderdale. The recommendation is that for those of you working, continue on your piece. Anyone wishing to join in at the next meeting is requested to have written 3 pages of your desired work. Jay's phone # is 583-8739.

THE SOLSTICE III deadline for submissions has passed. However, this editor has a sneaking suspicion that really good works may still be accepted thru April 24th. This includes media or book reviews, and artwork. So rush those materials to Joe Siclari & Edie Stern, 4599 N.W. 5th Avenue, Boca Raton, FL 33431, or drop them off during the SF Discussion Group meeting.

A PATRICK GEORGE TROUGHTON retrospective will be presented by the Media Research Committee on Friday, April 24th, at 7:30P.M. Mr. Troughton, the second actor to portray Dr. Who, passed away recently while appearing at Magnum Opus Con in Columbus, GA. The fantasy video "BOX OF DELIGHTS," in which he starred, will be presented at the meeting. The meeting will take place at the Siclari/Stern residence in Boca Raton. This is a change of program and location from what was mentioned in the previous Shuttle issue. For more information call Richard Klein at 472-5298.

In May, the Media Research meeting will be on Friday, the 29th, at The Realm, 8949 N.W. 9th Place, Plantation. The video feature TIME AFTER TIME will proceed a discussion on "Anachronism and Morality of the Present Tense."

FANTASY LITERATURE DISCUSSION will ensue too, also on Friday, April 24th. This meeting will be at the same place as the MRC meeting, but in the Siclari/Stern living room. The two novels to be discussed this month are:

Mythago Wood, by Robert Holstock
& Always Coming Home, by Ursula K. LeGuin.

The meeting will begin at 7:30P.M. For any addition information on the meeting or SF Discussion Group, call Joe or Edie at 392-6462.

The May meeting of the SF Discussion Group will be on the third Friday, the 15th, 7:30PM, same address as April's meet. The suggested readings for May are:

Starship Troopers, by Robert Heinlein
& Ender's Game, by Orson Scott Card.

The SFSFS Shuttle- 4

COMPUTER GROUP There was a meeting of the SFSFS Computer Users on Saturday, April 4, at Bruce Feldman's residence in Pompano. Computer graphics and games with SF themes were demonstrated and discussed. The next meeting of this group will be Saturday, May 2nd, at 4 PM. Location: Bruce Feldman's, 3140 N.E. 11th Terr., in Pompano. Phone 781-0736 if you have any questions.

FILKSINGING will next take place on Saturday, the 25th of April, at 7:30 P.M. Everyone is invited, but bring your own music books. So trek up to Boca once again, for this meeting too is at the Siclari/Stern residence. Filksinging contact person is Edie Stern (392-6462).

There will also be a Filksing meeting next month, on May 30th, at a location TBA.

STRATEGIC GAMING will be held each and every Sunday of April & May at The Realm (that's the abode of John Fast, Carol Gibson, Linda Hill, Kat Max, & Rich Klein). The address of the Realm is 8949 N.W. 9th Place, in Plantation. For more detailed directions call Kat Max at 472-5298. Be there at noon, and get ready for fantasy role playing games which will begin at 1 PM.

PUBLICITY! Carol Porter has graciously agreed not only to handle TROPICON VI publicity, but SFSFS publicity as well. She will be sending out monthly club meeting notices to local newspapers & media sources for listing in their community events sections. If you have any suggestions of places that should be included in her mailing list, call Carol, at 961-4689.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY Last call to have your membership listing updated in our directory. If you have a change, in name or address, or if your entry in last year's directory contained an error, call Judy Bemis (391-4380) immediately and make the correction. Once the stencils for mimeograph are set no further changes can be made. We hope to give out the directory no later than the June 13th general SFSFS meeting. Maybe sooner??

SANGRE DEL SOL the Broward chapter of the SCA will be holding a celebration on the first weekend of May. If you would like more details, contact Doug Wu at County Library, 357-7444, daytime.

THE USS ENCOUNTER South Florida's Starfleet (Star Trek) crew invites it's members, friends, and all interested parties to it's April meeting, on Saturday the 25th. The location will be the Broward Game Players Club, 7619 Davie Road Extension, south of Davie. Meet at 7 PM. Official meeting begins at 8PM.

TERRY CARR, Fan Guest of Honor at the 1986 Worldcon, and SF fan writer, passed away in April.

The SFSFS Shuttle- 5

APRIL MEETING REVISITED Twenty members plus guests from the BOOK CLUB attended the SFSFS monthly business meeting. Minutes will be available to SFSFS members upon request to Judy Bemis. Total SFSFS membership at this time is approximately 80 members. New general member BEA TAYLOR was voted in unanimously. BEA is also a member of First Fandom!

PROGRAM: Jay Packlick, Bill Wilson, & Bruce Feldman made a presentation on the topic of Computer Bulletin Board Systems and how they are used by SF Fandom. A Commodore 64 with Modem was set up and connected to the phone lines. Two examples were presented of BBSing. A local system, THE CAVE, was called and Jay explored the Science Fiction topic boards of which he is sub-board operator. Next Bruce Feldman connected us to GENie Net, a national system with various SF interests. Topics of Worldcons, Boskone, literature, & media were covered. An example of conference calling was shown, where callers can type messages to each other live, while on-line. Note was made that GENie Net has regularly scheduled conferences with various Science Fiction Authors

A list of Bulletin Board Systems in the Dade and Broward area was given out. Highlights include these three local boards which have SF sections. This "starters" list includes:

THE CAVE	(305) 961-8685 (broward)
"	621-7434 (dade)
RAINFORREST	" 434-4927 (broward)
CABLE BOX	" 432-5969 (S. broward)

These are free systems, excellent for beginners. There are more.

LIFE IN THE 21ST CENTURY is a course being taught at BBC by our March SFSFS speaker, Bill Key-nee. It begins Tuesday, May 12th. For more details contact Broward Community College. Also, please fill out and return the pre-stamped "Star Trek" survey that Bill has sent for inclusion in this Shuttle. He also mentions more details will be upcoming on a "Future Fair" to be held this summer.

GOING CONS

Disclave '87	May 22-24	Washington, D.C.
Dixie Trek '87	May 22-24	Atlanta, GA
Deepsouthcon	June 11-13	Huntsville, AL
Westcon	July 2-6	Oakland, CA
Conspiracy	Aug. 27 - Sept. 2	Brighton, England
(45th World Science Fiction Convention)		
CactusCon	Sept. 5-8	Phoenix, AZ
(1987 NASFIC)		
September Party V	Sept. 18-20	Panama City, FL
ArmadilloCon	Oct. 9-11	Austin, TX
RovaCon	Oct. 9-11	Salem, VA
Necronomicon	Oct. 16-18	Tampa, FL
TROPICON VI	Dec. 4-6	Ft. Lauderdale, FL

BOOK CLUB

5312 N. UNIVERSITY DR.
LAUDERHILL 748-7500

(Just south of Commercial Blvd. in Boulevard Shoppes II)

**WHY PAY MUCH HIGHER PRICES AT OTHER
RETAIL BOOKSTORES WHEN YOU CAN
SAVE 20% TO 80% AT**

BOOK CLUB

A PARADISE FOR BOOK LOVERS

**COME IN AND BROWSE
SEE WHY WE'RE BETTER!**

EXPERIENCE OUR WARM & CARING SPACIOUS 6500 FOOT SHOWROOM
RELAX IN OUR COMFORTABLE LUXURIOUS LOUNGE!

HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE ON US

JOIN FLORIDA'S FIRST "BOOK CLUB"

**JOIN OVER 100,000 OTHER VALUE-CONSCIOUS BOOK LOVERS IN BROWARD
WHO ARE ANXIOUS TO GET MORE BOOKS FOR THEIR BOOK DOLLARS!**

WHAT IS BOOK CLUB?

BOOK CLUB is a MEMBERSHIP BOOK DISCOUNT ORGANIZATION. Prices are discounted 20% to 80% to members on all items, except a few products as indicated

OVER 50,000 TITLES - ENORMOUS SELECTION

We carry one of the largest selections of books in every category - over 50,000 titles - as well as greeting cards, stationery, office supplies, computer supplies, software, giftware and many other items... ALL AT TREMENDOUS SAVINGS TO YOU.

EVERY BOOK DISCOUNTED

LOW MEMBER PRICES

BOOK CLUB discounts EVERY BOOK a minimum of 20% to 80% to members. NY TIMES HARDCOVER BESTSELLERS ARE 40% OFF. Save at least 20% to 80% on everything else you buy from BOOK CLUB. Your huge savings are possible because of our volume purchasing as a wholesale distributor.

NO HIGH PRESSURE BUYING

NO MINIMUM YEARLY PURCHASE

Browse as often as you want. This is your Club. Make your book selection at your leisure and comfort. When you are ready, pay at the checkout counter. No minimum yearly purchases as with some other clubs. Buy only what you want when you want it. No games, no gimmicks.

ALL BOOKS IN STOCK AND AVAILABLE

IMMEDIATELY IN OUR LARGE SUPER

MODERN SHOWROOM

Unlike other "clubs" where you may wait 4 to 6 weeks to get your books and pay for shipping and handling, BOOK CLUB carries a comprehensive

inventory to cater to the needs of its members. If we do not have the book you want, we will special order it for you from regional warehouses, if available.

HUGE GIFT SELECTION

There is a gift to satisfy your every need. We shop the corners of the world for these exquisite and unique gifts.

ORDER BOOKS BY PHONE

Just pick up the phone and order the books you want. Pay the same low member prices plus a slight shipping charge. You need never leave your home.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED ON ALL PURCHASES

Every book is guaranteed brand new. No used books and no rejects. You must be delighted or your money back, if returned within 3 days with sales receipt. However, we cannot accept returns on software, audio or video items, or books ordered especially for you.

EXTENDED HOURS FOR MEMBER SHOPPING CONVENIENCE

For your comfort we are open 7 days a week from 10AM - 10PM.

YOUR OWN MEMBERS ONLY LOUNGE

This is your own private lounge. Invite friends or meet them here, meet authors and book discussion groups. Meet other booklovers. Enjoy a cup of coffee or a glass of soda.

LOW MEMBERSHIP FEE

Membership is only 99 cents a month. Yearly membership is \$11.95. Your spouse and minor children included at no extra cost.

The SFSFS Shuttle- 6

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 horizon of the fannish world:

Transmissions Vol. 10, #13- Newsletter from United Gulf Coast Fandom, Panama City, FL.

Instant Message #417- Newsletter of the New England Science Fiction Association, Boston, MA.

The Insider #129- The Saint Louis Science Fiction Association Newsletter, April, 1987.

Fantastic Worlds Bookstore- a catalog flyer, sells comics.

PLUS... The following are trades made at Corflu with SOLSTICE #1 for:

Mimosa #2- by Dick & Nicki Lynch, Chattanooga, TN. Includes articles on such well knowns as Bob Tucker, Lon Atkins, George "Lan" Laskowski, Justin Wilson, John Guidry, Joe Celko, and Charlie Williams.

The Fool Falling Off the Cliff- by Neil E. Kaden, Plano, TX. An APAzine, contribution, 1 per zine, talking about his job, life, and jet-set fandom.

Light in The Bushel #4- by Richard Brandt, El Paso, TX. Perzine, book reviews, LOC's.

NewPals, Vol. 2, #2- by Kip Williams, Newport News, VA.

Squinch- by Jerry Kaufman, Seattle, WA.

Duprass #2- Leslie H. Smith & Linda Bushyager, Philly, PA.

Sandcastles #3- Vicki Rosenzweig, New York, NY.

Trades for promise of trade or LOC recd from:

Alan Rosenthal, New York, NY; Texas SF Enquirer (we already trade); Bruce Pelz (DeProfundis?) Los Angeles, CA; Colin Hintz, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada; and Alyson L. Abramowitz, Nepean, Ontario, Canada.

ADDITION TO TROPI-CONCOM Tony Parker should be added to this list of Tropicon committee. He and Judy Bemis are arranging consuite together.

SHUTTLE CREDITS: Editor this month: Bill Wilson; E-Stencils: Hollywood Hills United Methodist Church; Press Gang: Judy Bemis, Tony Parker, Terri Wells. Also thanks last month to Kat Max & Rich Klein.

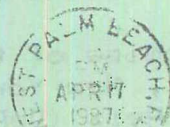
The South Florida Science Fiction Society is a non-profit organization established for educational and literary purposes. Monthly deadline for submission of information to the SFSFS Shuttle is the general meeting of each month. For more information, write SFSFS, P.O. Box 70143, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33307-0143.

AT-A-GLANCE

***** Gaming meets every Sunday. 12 Noon Plantation
 Call Kat Max (472-5298) for details.
 Apr. 24 Media Research Committee 7:30PM Boca Raton
 Call Rich Klein (472-5298) for program.
 Apr. 24 SF Literature Discussion Group 7:30PM Boca Raton
 Call Joe Siclari (392-6462).
 Apr. 25 Filksinging 7:30PM Boca Raton
 Call Edie Stern (392-6462) for details.
 May 2 Computer Group 4:00PM Pompano
 Contact Bruce Feldman (781-0736).
 May 5 Tropicon Meeting 7:00PM Boca Raton
 Call Joe Siclari (392-6462) for more info.
 May 9 SFSFS GENERAL MEETING 2:00PM Lauderhill
 Call Bill Wilson (983-0749) for details.
 May 15 SF Literature Discussion Group 7:30PM Boca Raton
 It's Joe Siclari's phone again.
 May 17 Creative Writing Workshop 3:00PM Ft. Laud.
 Call Jay Packlick (583-8739).
 May 29 Media Research Committee 7:00PM Plantation
 Call Rich Klein (472-5298) for program.
 May 30 Filksinging TBA TBA
 Call Edie (392-6462) for location.



SOUTH FLORIDA SCIENCE FICTION SOCIETY
 POST OFFICE BOX 70143
 FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33307



Lee Hoffman

401 Sunrise Trail N.W.
 Port Charlotte, FL
 33952