

THE SFSFS SHUTTLE

The Official Newszine of the South Florida Science Fiction Society

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the South Florida Science Fiction Society will be January 21 at 2 p.m. at the Riverland Branch of the Broward Community College Library, 2710 W. Davie Blvd., phone number 791-8900.

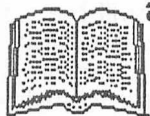


The program will be a presentation on *Horror in Science Fiction* by Gerry Adair and Sarah Clemens. To get to the library, take I-95 North to Davie Blvd. Go west until Riverland Blvd. The library is at the junction of Davie and Riverland Blvd in a small shopping mall. The February program will be February 11, 2 p.m. at the same place and will be *Myth in Science Fiction*, a program presented by Becky Peters.

BOOKS FOR THOUGHT

The next literary discussion meeting will be held January 20, 7:30 p.m., at the Siclari/Stern residence, 4599 NW 5th Ave., Boca Raton. The topic will be a discussion related to Tropicon's VIII guest C. J. Cherryh. Two books recommended for reading in preparation for the discussion are:

Downbelow Station and *Forty Thousand in Gehenna*. Happy reading, and the group is expecting a 500 page report on the two novels.



(Just Kidding!) And if you would like to read any other books by Cherryh, I'm sure the new chair of the literary discussion group, Joe Siclari, would not object.

NEW COMMITTEE HEADS

The new heads of the committees are as follows: Literary discussion – Joe Siclari; Filksinging committee – Fran Mullen; Logistics

– Richard Tetrev; Official Photography committee – Stuart Ulrich & Carol Porter; Newsletter – Bill Wilson; Gaming – Peggy Gemignani. There are still many positions which are in need of a head.

Contact Edie Stern, the club's chair, at (407) 392-6462 for more information on how to



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become a head of a committee. It is not that hard. I will hypnotize you into picking up that phone. You are getting very sleepy....

LAST MEETING NOTES

On Dec. 17., at the BGPC, SFSFS was proud to welcome its newest slate of officers aboard with much pomp, circumstance and whatever else is left. The new officers took their positions as of last meeting and are: Chairperson – Edie Stern; Vice Chairperson – Carol Gibson; Secretary – Carol Porter; and Treasurer – Peggy Dolan. Good luck to the new officers and may the new year fulfill all their hopes and dreams.



NEW MEMBERS

The club is pleased to announce that the following people applied for membership and were unanimously approved as of the last meeting. Jim Powell 1126 S. Federal Highway, Suite 374, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33316; Janice Sorenson 259 Imperial Lane, Laud by the Sea, FL 33308 and Debbie O' Connor, 3601 College Ave. #312D, Davie, FL 33314. Many congratulations to these three people who joined the club in time for a new year.

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A PROPOSAL

A motion has been submitted to the attention of the total membership fo the club to raise the child membership to age 12. Please be prepared to discuss this matter and bring your opinions to the next club meeting.

NEW T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE

New t-shirts will be ordered by the club in the very near future. So if your present one is wearing out or being used to clean up around the house, be prepared to order a brand new one.

TROPICON CRITIQUE

There will be a meeting to ponder, discuss and summarize the results of Tropicon VII at the Siclari/Stern residence, 4599 NW 5th Ave., Boca Raton, January 7, at 7 p.m. For directions, call Edie at (407) 392-6462. Bring munchies and lots of ideas on how to be a part of the next Tropicon which will be chaired by Linda Hill and honorary co-chair Lee Hoffman.



HEAR YE, HEAR YE

Well, another year has drawn to a close. I am looking forward to a new year with lots of plans and projects for our club. A new pilot will

be joining us this year, but I have agreed to (actually, begged and pleaded) to stay on in an advisory capacity for Bill Wilson, the clubzine's official new editor. Let's welcome him with much fanfare, applause and congratulation. Bill, may you have safe voyages.



SFSFS LIBRARY

A meeting will be held to build shelves for the library on February 4, at 2 p.m. For directions and further information, contact Carol Gibson at 345-9326. She is looking for at the most six people to engineer this small project, but other people with power tools and labor saving devices will be most welcome.

ALL TOGETHER NOW

The next filksinging meeting will be held at the Pearlman/Bennett residence, January 28, at 7:30 p.m at 3705 E. Shore. Rd. Miramar. For info and directions, call Dina at 989-0290. Many thanks to those intrepid filkers headed by Fran Mullen and Judy Bemis who bound the collection of songs for those club members which will be used frequently and with much pleasure. (May additional songbooks come out in the future!!) We look forward to another year immortalized in song by the bold filkers.



CREDITS

Editor Carol Porter

Press Gang: Judy Bemis and Tony Parker

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TROPICON VIII UPDATE

Next year's Tropicon will be held December 1-3, 1989. The hotel is being determined. As of this date, the Guest of Honor will be Lynn Abbey and the Toastmaster will be C. J. Cherryh. Linda Hill and Lee Hoffman are the co-chairs, and Linda already is scouting for people to assist her in this momentous task. If you would like to volunteer for employment with the Tropicon effort, contact her. The first Tropicon meeting will be scheduled for the very near future. Keep your eyes on this space, and your ears open at the next meeting. We will need your ideas and suggestions to make this Tropicon as much an event as it has been in previous years. We need all who are fleet in foot and in thought.



MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Please submit any membership updates or changes to Peggy Dolan for input into the membership directory. Peggy is the brave soul who will be working on this enormous project this year. Good luck, Peggy.

ONGOING CONS

Jan 13-15, 1989	Chattanooga, TN
Confusion	Jan 20-22 Ann Arbor, MI
Boskone 26	Jan 27-29 Springfield, MA
Sercon 3	Feb 17-20 Louisville, KY
Wiscon 13	Feb 17-19 Madison, WI
Lunacon'89	Mar 10-12 Tarrytown, NY
Conf on the Fantastic	Mar 15-19 Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Corflu 6	Apr 28-30 Minneapolis, MN
Oasis 2	May 19-21 - Orlando, FL
Disclave	May 26-28 New Carrollton, MD
Deepsouthcon 27	Jun 8-11 Memphis, TN
Midwestcon	Jun 23-25 Cincinnati, OH
Westercon 42	Jun 30-July 4 Anaheim, CA
Tropicon VIII	Dec 1-3, 1989, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Noreascon 3, 47th World Science Fiction Convention, Aug 31- Sept 4, 1989, Boston, MA	
Confiction, 48th World Science Fiction Convention, Aug 31 - Sept 4, 1990. The Hague, Holland.	
Condiego 1990 North American Science Fiction Convention, Aug 30-Sept 3, 1990, San Diego, CA	
Chicon V, 49th World Science Fiction Convention, Aug 29-Sept 2, 1991, Chicago, IL	

HAVE A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR



Message from the Chair

Greetings and Felicitations. The New Year is upon us, elections have been held, and it is now time for a couple of resolutions. I am resolved that, like the Cub Scouts, I will do my best as SFSFS chair. I am resolved that we will continue to present interesting, high quality, informative, monthly programs. I am resolved that we will continue to expand and develop the activities of SFSFS in line with the interests of our members as they fit within our charter. I am resolved to stop making New Year's resolutions.

Elsewhere within this issue of the **Shuttle** there is a listing of officers and committee heads. Here is a more complete list of the things we do, and the people leading those efforts (alphabetical by shoe size):

Chairman - Edie Stern (407) 392-6462
Vice Chairman - Carol Gibson (305) 345-9326
SFSFS SHUTTLE Newsletter - Editor: Bill Wilson (305) 983-0749
Logistics - Rich Tetrev (305) 587-6171
Press Gang - Tony Parker (407) 391-4380
Gaming - Peggy Gemignani (305) 771-4658
SF Discussion Group - Joe Siclari (407) 392-6462
Library - Carol Gibson (305) 345-9326
Filk Group - Fran Mullen (305) 435-9572
Official Photographers - Stu Ulrich & Carol Porter (305) 961-4689
Media Research - Carol Gibson (305) 345-9326
Parliamentarian - Tony Parker (407) 391-4380
SOLSTICE - Editor: Kat Klein (305) 344-4841 &
Asst. Ed.: Sue Trautman (407) 482-0526
Treasurer - Peggy Dolan (305) 532-8008
Secretary - Carol Porter (305) 961-4689
Tropicon VIII Chairman (1989)- Linda Hill (305) 345-9326
Travelling Fete Two Chairman (1989) - Joe Siclari (407) 392-6462

This is not everything we do - this is everything for which I have confirmed a committee head. There will most likely be an addition to the list - a costuming group. Watch this space.

If there are any volunteers for offog, please let me know.*

If you have requests or suggestions for program topics, please let me know. I'll try to oblige. Suggestions on meeting space, or anything else, are also welcome. I am looking forward to an interesting year. I hope you are too.

Edie Stern

*Hint: Eric Frank Russell

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DUES ARE DUE If you have not done so already, please complete the attached form ASAP and send it to the proper person. 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.



South Florida Science Fiction Society Annual Membership Renewal Form

Name: _____
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_____ Child (\$1.00)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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

CLUB SODA FOR SALE

The chair of the Logistics committee, Richard Tetrev, reports that there is an overabundance of soda left from the convention Tropicon VII which must be sold before the next one. The soda is priced at \$5.00 per case, so you can easily stock up for that new year's party or other party as quickly and as easily as possible. (But, the soda comes with one string attached; we all want to be invited.) To purchase the soda, please contact Rich with a check or cash at a club meeting. Make checks (not cash) out to the South Florida Science Fiction Society. And don't forget to buy some popcorn and other goodies to go with the soda.



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We enjoyed Tropicon VII. And if the following letter is any indication, we are not alone...

12/7/88

Dear Edie, Joe, and Everybody --

It was the perfect beginning for attending a science fiction convention.

"Ladies and gentlemen," the bus driver abruptly announced, "if you will look out the window to your left, you will see the rocket taking off."

I was at the window, on the left side of the bus, so I had a perfect view. There it was, silver against the blue sky, riding on a crooked tail of white rocket smoke -- the shuttle, on its way to outer space!

But believe me, what followed in Ft Lauderdale was no letdown after that -- far from it!

A reunion with Walt Willis, after 36 years...the same time gap since I had last seen Lee Hoffman...over 25 years since I had last seen Rich Brown or Ted White...almost twenty years since I had last seen Joe Green...a first-time meeting with Madeleine Willis, Art Widmer, and so many others! Not only that, but a chance to see and meet Poul and Karen Anderson plus a hero of mine for over 45 years, Will Eisner...and more and more and more. The only reason my cup didn't runneth over was that I was too greedy to let one drop get away from me. (Note that I am now cutting down on the use of ~~XXX~~ exclamation marks -- otherwise I'd be ending each sentence with one.)

And there were so many other wonderful folks that I met, like all of you, and it was great meeting Patrice Green for the first time, and seeing Joe Green's daughter Rosie for the first time in years (she was thirteen when I last saw her), and all the egoboo flowing lavishly about was certainly tremendous...and the Art Show...and the parties...and the banquet with such fabulous entertainment...

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(Sorry, I just couldn't hold the exclamation marks back any longer.)

Just saying 'Thank you' for making this trip possible is so woefully inadequate, but I mean it from the bottom of my fannish heart.

Sincerely,



Shelby Vick, 627 Barton Ave, Panama City, FL, 32404

THANK YOU

Blood Donor Honor Roll

Thank you for your participation at the blood drive on 12/03/88
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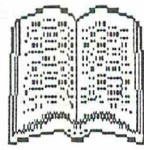
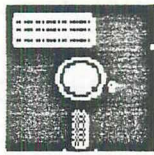
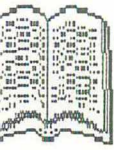
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This was received from the Broward Blood Center. It lists all the people that donated blood at Tropicon. It does not list those that donated before Tropicon. Before the convention, blood was donated by: Edie Stern & Joe Siclari, Judy Bemis & Tony Parker, Mitch Silverman, and Peggy Dolan, and Peggy Gemignani!

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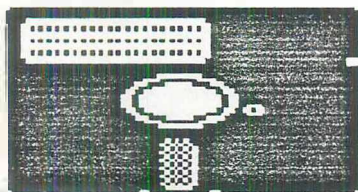
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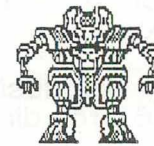
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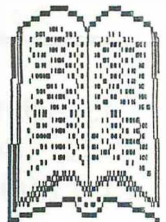
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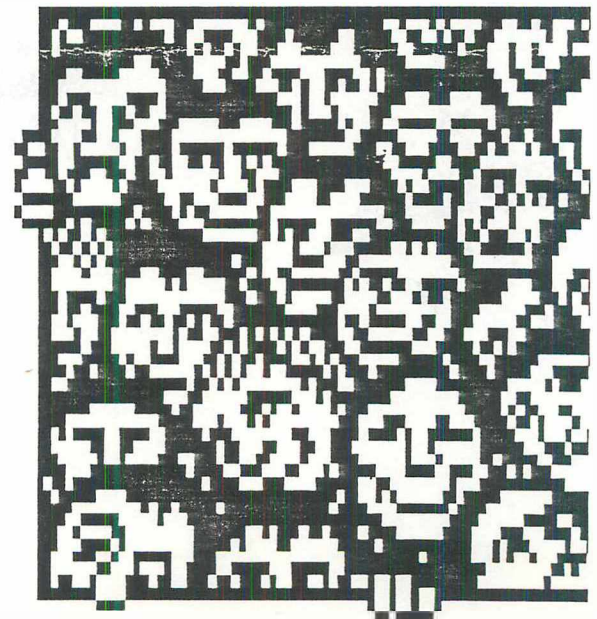
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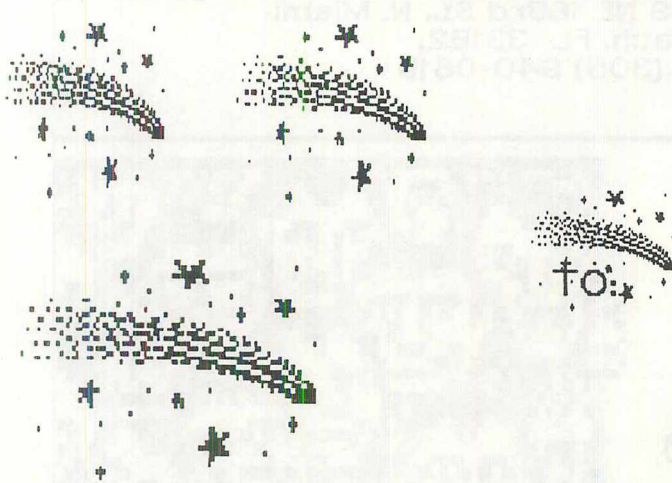




AT A GLANCE

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- Feb. 4 SFSFS library meeting., 2 p.m. Call Carol Gibson at 345-9326 for more information.
- Feb. 11 General Business meeting, 2 p.m., Riverland Branch of the BCC Library. Program: Myth and Science Fiction with Becky Peters.

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