



# THE SHUTTLE



## The Official SFSFS Newszine

### NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

**Place:** The Riverland Library, 2710 W Davie Blvd.

**Date:** Saturday Nov \_\_\_\_ at 2:00

**Program:** Entertainment will be provided by Vince Miranda and his amazing trained Video Tapes with a little number that they like to call "SF In The Mainstream". The date (11th or 25th) has yet to be confirmed. Call 407-848-3068 for details.



Francine and Chuck Mullen will host a Filk-Party, at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday November 25th, the weekend before Tropicon. Linda Melnick will be the guest of honor, so look for a rollicking time singing old songs & new. Call 305-435-9572 for details.

Barbara, Phil and Nicholas Tortorici will hold a Housewarming party at 1702 L Street North in Lake Worth on Saturday November 11th, at 1:00 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. at 407-586-0528. Call in the evening

### ■ Literary Discussion Meeting

There will be a Literary Discussion Meeting held at the Siclari/Stern residence on Friday November 10th at 7:00 p.m.

For further info call (407) 392-6462.

#### Bonus QUIZ:

How many Folk Singers does it take to change a light bulb?

see page 6 OOHhh! The Suspense!!!!

### TROPICON MEETING

The last major Tropicon committee meeting, prior to the main event itself, will be held at the spacious Siclari/Stern Manor at 7:30 p.m. on Nov 11th.

The festivities will begin after Edie Stern gives the traditional final meeting Opening inspirational Kvetch: "Holy @#\$!% !! We've got less than 3 \*\*@!(\*^ weeks to get our collective \*\*(! together and get this sucker on the road!"

Trust me friends, you don't want to miss this one. It'll be more fun than yellow Play-Doh. That number again is 392-6462



### December Deadline

The submission deadline for the December issue of the Shuttle will be Monday Nov 20th.

Let me repeat that...  
**MONDAY NOVEMBER 20TH!!!**  
If you have any articles, art, photos, reviews, complaints, leftover Halloween candy, letters, Meeting info, etc., mail them (by MONDAY NOV 20th) to:

Gerry Adair  
1131 Harmony Way  
Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411  
Or call me (BY MONDAY NOV 20TH) at:  
407-793-7581 Humble Thanks!

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# THE HORROR SHOW

## # 2: Inside The Evil Empire!

The following is the transcript of a secret recording made, at great personal risk, by a fan infiltrator at the annual conclave of the legendary Council of 8.

"Gentlemen, Ladies, please be seated. At our last gathering, our accountants predicted a net profit of 2.2 Billion dollars for the past decade, by the end of this fiscal year..."

(Scattered, polite applause)  
"Okay, the question is how do we maintain that kind of momentum in the first quarter of the 90's?"

"Healey..."  
"Our horror division has developed 2 new foil covers for our paperbacks: dysentery green and a purple that glows in the dark. We'll introduce our newest ...ing novels with them: "The Liposuctioning", the story of a psychotic plastic surgeon, "The Yodeling", a yuppie family from Yonkers rents a haunted swiss chalet and "The Guffawing", about the revenge of a 4th rate comic who literally dies on "open-mike" night."

"Most impressive... Shubert?"  
"We're in final negotiations for a musical version of PSYCHO; we call it "NORMAN!" since I REMEMBER MAMA has already been used."  
"Fine... Marion?"

"We'll be unveiling a new series of fantasy novels that our research department feels will create a virtual lock on the 18-35 Female Fantasy/Historical Romance market. It's a trilogy of 7 novels featuring the torrid saga of Kaphael of Paducah; a stable boy who, due to the curse of a jealous witch whose amorous advances he once innocently spurned, is doomed to transform uncontrollably into various fantasy creatures. The curse can only be broken by making love to "she who is the mirror of his soul".

"Any titles ready for release?"  
"Passion's Dauntless Dragon" & "Ride The Raging Unicorn" are both Go's for pre-holiday release."

"Excellent! Mr Abercrombie..."  
"We'll tap the clearasil spattered fantasies of the adolescent male science fiction reader with the January release of "Queen of Outer Space II: Killer Bimbos From Gor". We've signed Zsa Zsa, Jessica, Pia and, in her screen debut, Tiffany as Princess Goldkard."

"Very fine, very fine!  
Or Partridge, what surprises will those clever boys in the subliminal exploitation lab be unleashing for us?"

"As you can see by this graph, our 1st project is an overwhelming success. 87 % of the population at large actually believe that a McRib is made from meat when actually..."

(CRASH!!! Garbled yelling)  
"Who is that in the corner? Stop him! Don't let him...." (Click! Whirrrrrr....)  
Remember friends, we get the fantasy/Horror/Science Fiction that the market demands!  
Gerry Adair

## RANDOM NOTES

Phil Tortorrici recently learned that his work "River's Gonna Rise" captured the Best Humorous Award: Professional Division at the Intergalactic Expo in Chicago last March. A second piece, "Magician's Birthday," received an Honorable Mention. Congrats, Phil!

Ellen Datlow dropped us a line from the Big Apple to let us know that the pb edition of BLOOD IS NOT ENOUGH ...should be out from Ace next October, probably just in time for the World Fantasy con. Speaking of Ellen, THE YEAR'S BEST FANTASY 2ND ANNUAL COLLECTION 1988, an anthology she co-edits with Terri Windling, is now available in finer bookstores and other dens of iniquity. A highlight of these collections is the inclusion of critical reviews of each year's contributions to the Horror and Fantasy fields, both literary and cinematic. Sarah Clemens's A GOOD NIGHT'S WORK, her first sale, receives favorable mention in the latest edition.

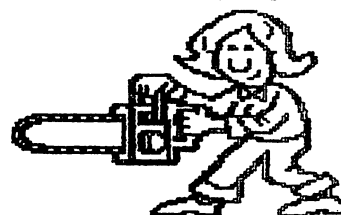
Speaking of Sarah, the versatile Ms Clemens has been invited to attend the next International Conference On The Fantastic at Boca Raton, as an Attending Artist. If you enjoy her art and you're looking for a unique Christmas/Chanukah/ Solstice gift, contact her at 848-3068. Commission a personalized painting. You could just plotz over such a deal!

## TROPICON WORK SESSIONS

Volunteers are needed to help with packaging, assembling and, in some cases, re-constructing the panels needed for the Tropicon Art Show.

The 1st work day will be held on Saturday, Nov 25th in 3 shifts:  
8 - 11 am  
12 - 3 pm  
& 3 - 6 pm.  
A noon to 4 shift will also be held on Sunday Nov 26th.

If you're available to help, during any of these times, contact Richard Tetrev at (305) 587 - 6171. He'll be happy to give you directions to the warehouse work area.



## MUSIC

Doug Wu, Dina Pearlman and Franny Mullen, collectively known as ORION'S BELT, will be the featured performers at POET'S on Las Olas Boulevard Friday November 17th at 8 & 10 pm.

All loyal Beltheads should dress up in their best tie-dyed shirts and bell bottom pants and turn out en masse to show their support. For further info, call Fran at 305-435-9572.

Kind of makes you want to storm a student union building doesn't it?

The Third Annual

# Travelling Fete

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*Guest of Honor*

**Charles L. Fontenay**

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Enjoy an informal , tropical weekend relaxing with friends and with our Guest. Fan by the pool (don't forget to bring your inflatable dinosaurs, BEMs, etc.) and sample tropical specialties in our Con Suite.

On Saturday evening, enjoy *The Movable Feast*, a special banquet featuring the Guest of Honor speech. We also plan a field trip to the Salvador Dali museum, housing the largest Dali collection in the U. S. and one of the largest in the world. And, as there won't be a huckster room, you will want to join in our bookstore crawl.

**Registration: only \$15.00 until June 15, 1990.**

**Room rates: only \$35.00 (plus tax) single thru quad**

**Early Bird (Flamingo) Special Package: only \$30.00 for Registration and Banquet.**  
Good through Oct. 31, 1989.

Econo Lodge/South Central, 3000 34th St. S., St. Petersburg, FL 33711; (813) 867-1111

***The Movable Feast*: — \$18.00 for our Guest of Honor banquet buffet.**

**Make checks for registration and banquet payable to: South Florida Science Fiction Society.**

Mail to: Fete Treasurer, SFSFS, P.O. Box 70143, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33307.

For more information: SFSFS Secretary, P.O. Box 70143, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33307

Peggy A. Dolan, Chairman

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## EDITORIAL

Attending a High School reunion can be a depressing affair at best. Everybody seems to be checking out each other's hairlines, waistlines, wives, capacity for consuming beer....

God, it was depressing!

It's one golden moment was when an old buddy snuck up behind me & asked, "Do you have this month's FAMOUS MONSTERS OF FILMLAND?"

And I remembered

We were social outcasts in grade school, he and I. We couldn't play stick-ball worth a damn and serving as mobile punching bags for some of the neighborhood Yahoos-in-training wasn't our idea of a great time either.

What we did enjoy was discovering Lon Chaney, Boris Karloff, Bela Lugosi, Fritz Lang, Emil Jannings, Peter Lorre, John Agar, Rex Morrow, Beverly Garland (God, did I ever have the hots for her!!), Whit Bissell, Kenneth Tobey, Jack Pierce and the exploits of the "Luckiest boy in the world"; the kid who lived next door to the Ackermansion.

I'll admit it. I was a hardcore Forry Ackerman addict with a major Jones for "Famous Monsters..." & "Monster World".

We used to hole up in my buddy's basement with a couple packs of Necco Wafers (remember how the black ones used to sear your tongue?) and pore over every issue from cover to cover.

One day I read the fine print at the bottom of the 1st page and discovered a Philadelphia street address. My logical conclusion was that Forry must show up at this address at least once a month. (What can I say, I was only 10!) If we were lucky we might get a chance to meet him or, at the very least, find out when he'd return and wait for him. Hot Damn! I mean, Jesus, this was a man who wore Dracula's ring!

He spent the better part of a Saturday travelling cross town via 2 trolley routes until we found the place. For 3 weeks, whenever we could scrape the carfare together, we'd return and stake the place out, hoping to spot him. Neither of us had the nerve to just go in and ask if he ever came by. He never did. Not meeting Forry Ackerman was one of the more memorable disappointments of my early adolescence. But the quest..., ah, the quest!

Other exploits and adventures were recalled and toasted until the evening ended and we drifted away promising to meet again in another 5 years. Now, days later, I'm still thinking about that summer and wondering what I would have said to 4SJ if he had shown up.

Thanks, Forry! Thanks for letting me escape by falling down the rabbit hole that those magazines provided. Thanks for all the great stills and feature stories on the movies and actors that I came to love so much. Thanks for treating us with respect. Thanks for trying to preserve the incredible memorabilia that is the history of Science Fiction & Horror.

And most of all Forry, Happy Birthday

- Gerry Adair

## THANK YOU AND GOODNIGHT.

Farewell To:

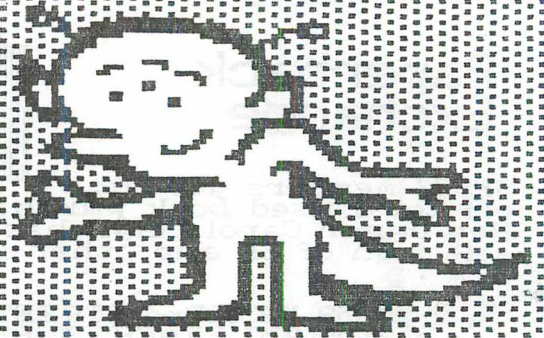
**JAY WARD:** The creator of **ROCKY, BULLWINKLE, FRACTURED FAIRY TALES, GEORGE OF THE JUNGLE, ROGER RAMJET** (a personal favorite) and scores of other "adult" children's cartoons, died on October 12th.

**CORNELL WILDE:** Popular leading man of the 40's who also tried his hand at directing. Genre films included: **THE BANDIT OF SHERWOOD FOREST, A THOUSAND AND ONE NIGHTS, SWORD OF LANCELOT** (& Dir), **NO BLADE OF GRASS** (& Dir), **GARGOYLES** (TUM) and **THE FIFTH MUSKETEER**. He also appeared in episodes of **NIGHT GALLERY & FANTASY ISLAND**.

**BETTE DAVIS:** Enough said! Ms Davis's genre films included: **WHATEVER HAPPENED TO BABY JANE?, HUSH, HUSH SWEET CHARLOTTE, DEAD RINGER, THE NANNY, MADAME SIN** (TUM), **SCREAM, PRETTY PEGGY, BURNT OFFERINGS, RETURN FROM WITCH MOUNTAIN, THE DARK SECRET OF HARVEST HOME** and **THE WATCHER IN THE WOODS**. Her last film, a Larry Cohen horror opus, has yet to be released.

**SIR ANTHONY QUAYLE:** The distinguished British actor died on October 20th. His genre films included: **TARZAN'S GREATEST ADVENTURE, A STUDY IN TERROR, MURDER BY DECREE, EVERYTHING YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT SEX..., HOLOCAUST 2000** and **THE CHOSEN**. He hosted the 1973 series **THE EVIL TOUCH**.

# CON siderations



VULKON Orlando '89: November 18-19

The Altamonte Springs Hilton 350 South North Lake Blvd at the intersection  
of I-4 and Altamonte Springs exit # 48

GOHs: Patrick Stewart, Dave McDonnell and Jeanne Dillard

TROPICON 8: December 1 - 3, 1989

Fort Lauderdale Airport Hilton 1870 Griffin Road Dania, Fl

GOH: Lynn Abbey TOASTMASTER: C.J. Cherryh

OMNICON CRUISE: January 7 - 14 1989 (in 2, 5 & 7 day segments)

SS Britanis call 305-921-2910 for details.

Guests: John Nathan-Turner, Gary Downie, Caroline Munro, Dave Prowse,  
Jacqueline Pearce, Simon Williams, Stubby Kaye & Jan Chappel

JUST CONFIRMED: Tom Baker !

OASIS III: May 11 - 13, 1990

Plaza Inn 603 Lee Road (I-4 Exit # 46) Orlando, Fl

GOHs: Joan D Vinge & Robert Daniels, Jr. FANGO: Joe Siclari

HORRORFEST '90: May 11-13 1990

Holiday Inn I-70 East Hotel & Convention Center

15500 East 40th Ave I-70 & Chambers Road Denver, Colorado

GUESTS: Chelsea Quinn Yarbro, Edward Bryant, Dan Simmons, Prudy Taylor Board  
and More

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## AT A GLANCE

- Nov 10 Literary Discussion Group  
7:00 Siclari/Stern abode.
- Nov 11 or 25th General Meeting  
2:00 Riverland Library  
W Davie Blvd
- Nov 11 Tropicon Meeting  
7:30 Siclari/Stern abode
- Nov 25 & 26 Art Panel Work Crews  
Richard Tetrev  
305-587-6171

Bonus Quiz Answer:  
"6. 1 to change it and 5 to sing about  
how great the old bulb was."

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