



# APRIL, 2005

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## KEY TO CALENDAR & OTHER IMPEDIMENTA

ESTROGEN ZONE = Ladies Auxiliary Sewing and  
Fallout Society  
 TRIPE = Temporal Retrieval of Information  
 Programming and Entertainment.  
 BOD = Board of Directors  
 2nd Sunday = Board and other gaming  
 Cinema Anime = Japanimation  
 CFO = Cartoon Fantasy Organisation  
 Work Party = Varies with what needs doing  
 FWEMS = Fourth Sunday Movies - 2 pm  
 TIME MEDDLERS = Dr. Who club  
 Fictionados - Writer's Workshop

## CALENDAR DETAILS

TRIPE - Noon until whenever  
 BoD - 11:00 am, games start at 2:00 pm  
 Cinema Anime - 1:00 pm until it ends

CFO - 1 pm to 8 pm  
 Work Party - 10:30 am  
 TIME MEDDLERS - 10:30 am  
 ESTROGEN ZONE - 2:00 pm  
 Marketing Committee - 7:30 pm  
 Fictionados - 7:00 p.m.  
 LACON IV - Noon  
 FWEMS - Zombies on the move

## THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

**APRIL 7** - No listing at press time.  
**APRIL 14** - No listing at press time.  
**APRIL 21** - No listing at press time.  
**APRIL 27** - No listing at press time.

(programme items subject to change  
without notice)

## COLOPHON

*De Profundis* 387 – March, 2005. Editor: **Marty Cantor**. Production Assistant: **Bob Null**. Mailing List: **Liz Mortensen**. Mailing Labels: **Fuzzy Pink Niven**.

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We want any news of interest to LASFS members (no poetry or fiction). Send items to the LASFS address c/o *De Profundis* or leave them in the *De Profundis* mailbox at the clubhouse. The editor, Marty Cantor, can be reached at the clubhouse on Thursday evenings or at his edress: hooahpubs@earthlink.net. Deadlines are a bit fluid, but mid-month Thursdays are probably it.

Address corrections should be given or sent to the LASFS Treasurer at the clubhouse.

Due to the press of other material there is currently no space available in *De Profundis* for advertising. I will always try to find room to announce upcoming events of interest to members.

Due to space limitations, priority is always given to content mandated in the LASFS by-laws and by any applicable traditions. Also, after that stuff, by what the editor wants to do.

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Statements herein are those of the speaker/writer and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the club. *Interjections in italics are solely the responsibility of the smartass, er, editor. Any resemblances 'twixt smartassery and responsibility are purely coincidental.*

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## LASFS OFFICERS

### Elected Procedural Officers

**President:** Matthew B. Tepper. **Vice-President:** Mike Thorsen & Ed Green (tag team). **Scribe:** John DeChancie. **Treasurer:** Liz Mortensen. **Registrar:** Christian McGuire & Dr. Susan "Arizona" Gleason (tag team).

### Board of Directors

**Chairman:** Karl Lembke (2006). **Vice-Chairman:** Mike Thorsen (2007). **Comptroller:** Brett Achorn (2005). **Secretary:** Brett Achorn (2005). **Other members:** Merlin R. "Bob" Null (2006), Ed Green (2006), Tadao Tomomatsu (2006), Joe Zeff (2005), Marty Cantor (2005), Bill Ellern (2005), Liz Mortensen (2007), Cathy Beckstead (2007). **Special Advisor:** Charles Lee Jackson II. **Advisors:** Forrest J Ackerman, Walt Daugherty, Len & June Moffatt, and Fred Patten.

### Official Committees

**De Profundis Editor:** Marty Cantor. **Librarian:** (currently vacant). **Librarian Emeritus:** Leigh Strother Vien. **Assistant Librarians:** Greg Barrett, Doc Reames, Joyce Sperling, Beth O'Brien, and Ed Hooper. **Special Guest Librarian:** Charles Lee Jackson II. **LASFS Answer Guy:** Greg Barrett. **LASFAPA/APA-L Liaison:** Marty Cantor. **Committee to Gouge Money from the LASFS:** Tadao Tomomatsu, C.B. McGuire, Cathy Beckstead, Dale Hales. **\*\*Legion of Substitute Gouges:** Sandy Cohen, Ed Green. **\*\*Strategic Reserve Registrar:** Robert Keller.

**Eulogist, Public Relations, Video Collection Curator, Film Coord. Committee, & Party Rabbi** (take a deep breath here): Charles Lee Jackson II. **Programming Committee:** Charles Lee Jackson II & George Van Wagner. **Assistant Video Curators:** Doc Reames, Alison Stem. **Hall Decoration:** Tadao Tomomatsu. **Silent Auction Coordinator:** Tadao Tomomatsu. **Science Monitor:** Christian McGuire. **Non-Science Monitor:** Mike Stern. **Asian Affairs Desk:** Brett Achorn. **Key Control:** Liz Mortensen, Bob Null. **Janitorial Services:** Greg Bilan, Mike Thorsen. **Special Photographic Collection:** Mike Donahue. **Webmaster - <lasfs.org>:** Karl Lembke. **Sysadmin:** Chaz Baden. **Ministry of Silly Gavels:** Bob Null. **\*\*LASFS Imaging Project:** C.B. McGuire. **Committee for Children's Literature:** Anne Morrel, Editor; Geg Barrett, Facilitator. **Computers & LASFS Archives:** Bob Null, Eylat Poliner. **Charity Coordinator:** Liz Mortensen. **LASFS Historian:** Fred Patten. **North Hollywood Arts District Liaison:** George Van Wagner. **Hagiography & Ecclesiastical Affairs:** Vanessa Van Wagner., **Westercon Liaison:** Ed Green.

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**Sergeant-at-Arms In Perpetuity:** Roy Tackett. **Windmill-at-Arms:** Kees van Toom. **Samurai-at-Arms:** Takumi Shibano. **Librarian-at-Arms:** Heather Stem.

## LOS ANGELES TIMES FESTIVAL OF BOOKS

APRIL 23 & 24

at UCLA.

As per usual,  
LASFS  
will have a booth  
at the festival,  
#440

### CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

(complete minutes can be read in APA-L and are filed in the archives)

Meeting #3521, February 3, 2005

Matthew B. Tepper, President

John DeChancie, Scribe

LASFS Minutes for Meeting # 3521. Meeting called to

order: 7:29:00, "Agenda Weird"

Meeting was immediately put into recess to start the program early. Ray Harryhausen, the program speaker, arrived early, and begged to be let loose early, pleading a heavy schedule and fatigue. The President granted his request and recessed the meeting.

Ray Harryhausen spoke for nearly 45 minutes, answering questions about his career from an attentive audience.

Regular meeting reconvened at 8:19

Minutes read and accepted as "numerically challenged."

A question was raised by persons unknown. Was Ray's talk recorded? The answer was no.

Three guests -- Joe Wellborne, brought by Pearl Newton. Robert N. Skir—interested in writing, aware of club for years. Another guest was Christine Valada, wife of noted comic creator Len Wien.

Timely announcements.

Joe Zeff's sister announced a walk for Multiple Sclerosis on April 17.

Chaz Baden said that Anime LA had over 600 members.

Next week's meeting will handle the discussion on renaming the Evans-Freehafer award. Nominations will be taken to fill the Board seat left by Mike Mason.

**Patron Saints--Mike Luwish and Gary Louie.** No one in the clubhouse that evening was acquainted with Mike Luwish personally. Matthew Tepper said he was affable. Three cheers and a "we like you."

Matthew Tepper said that Gary Louie was a very active fan, pointing out the items of Louie memorabilia in clubhouse. Joe Zeff said Gary was organized and methodical. Gary once had stroke at work. He could not talk. Wrote complete description of his symptoms on his computer, printed it out, and handed out copies.

Ed Green said Gary was hard worker, tremendous human being. Thought of other people first. Kind loving, generous. Many interests. Rick Foss said that Gary would always go out to get ice for parties and get lost. Also liked dim sum. Liked to eat in Chinese places, not in con hotel.

For Gary, three cheers and dim sum.

Reviews--Rick Foss—"For Want of a Nail" by William Sobel. Alternate history--if you like nuts and bolts, you'll like this book. Premise: What if US never broke with England. Written like readable textbook. Lavishly researched. Also, "Atlantis Dawn" by Travis Tea. Round robin novel written as joke.

Doug Crepeau reviewed "Morlock Night" and "The Timeships" by Stephen Baxter.

Fannish Committee reports.

A terrorist held a GI Joe action figure hostage.

Hare Hobbs--saw fan Kenny Estes on TVs "Crossing Jordan."

Hare Hobbs—"Burning Tower" by Niven and Pournelle is out.

Meeting adjourned at 9:11.

*Meeting #3522, February 10, 2005*

*Matthew B. Tepper, President*

*John DeChancie, Scribe*

LASFS Minutes for Meeting # 3522, Meeting called to order 8:15 PM.

F. M. Busby hospitalized for cholesterol removal and assorted repairs to abdominal arteries, plus associated problems. He is too weak to hold things such as books, fanzines, or telephones, but appreciates cards and email.

Minutes of last meeting read and accepted as "Eminently skipable and affable."

Pournelle said that Fuzzy Niven was home from hospital.

No guests tonight. Ah, the warding spells are working.

**Patron Saints -- Mike Glycer** – Ed Green says he's an honorable man (so are they all, all honorable men). Believes in taking stands and standing his ground. Good fan writer and editor. Editor of famous fanzine File 770. Phil Castora said Mike is a good fan. Nuff said. Matthew Tepper: Glycer is a good guy. Three Cheers and baby's first fanzine – File 770.

**Frank Waller.** Tepper said Frank is a hell of a guy.

**LAF A**  
 (Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

LAF A Filksing  
 Saturday, April 16, 2005 at 7 PM  
 The House of Perpetual Commotion:  
 Hosts: John & Mary Creasey  
 3754 W. 170th Street, Torrance, CA -  
 (310) 329-6772  
 (Yes, 2 months in a row-- done because Rick  
 Weiss is moving to Washington.)  
 PRE-FILK DINNER: 5:00 PM:  
 Golden Camel Mongolian BBQ, 21006  
 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, CA  
 1/2 block North of Torrance Blvd., on  
 the East side of Hawthorne in a  
 strip mall  
 CALL THE CREASEYS TO  
 RESERVE -- THREE DAYS  
 BEFORE, PLEASE!

DIRECTIONS: THOMAS GUIDE  
 L.A. CO. PAGE 733 GRID E-7

LAF A info: Barry & Lee Gold:  
 (310) 306-7456

George van Wagner – Frank has a soft heart. Lee Strother-Vien: Frank is a sweet person. So he has taste? Three Cheers for Frank Waller.

Larry Niven: knee surgery for wife, Fuzzy. She’s home, feeling better.

Old business -- Ed Green asked for forbearance in discussion of changing name of Evans-Frehafer Award.

Moved and seconded that

question be secret ballot and be tabled for three weeks. -- Scot Beckstead. Proxies? Dated and signed. You must also be in attendance. Various friendly amendments – up to six weeks delay. Dr. Pournelle said that issue should be tabled to later date: March 24 by secret ballot. Motion was made.

Joe Zeff made a motion: that the issue be settled by secret ballot tonight with no proxies. Motion was made and seconded, question was called. Motion carried 23-18. This motion rendered all other motions moot, according to President Tepper. Scott Beckstead’s motion was therefore never called.

Discussion: Charles Jackson: Mike Mason deserves to be honored, but as much as Pelz? How many names are to be added to award? Mike’s memorial should be appropriate: Mason Memorial Library. Dale Hales wanted to know what Evans and Freehafer did to be honored. Mike Donahue spoke against the motion. Motion is ill conceived and premature.

Hare Hobbs: Mike Mason held librarian post longest time. Maybe more appropriate to name library after him? Scott Beckstead spoke: Mike was known by more people who are members now. He wanted the Freehafer Award. Jerry Pournelle said most of us did not know Evans & Freehafer, but award not named for them for several

years after their demise.

Karen Anderson: Should not Bruce Pelz be honored before Mike?

Francis Hamit: Mike deserved better treatment. Don’t put him on someone else’s award. Give him his own award. Mike needs to be honored, but not this (the motion’s) way. Heide (last name not known to Scribe): Michael is of this generation. This generation needs to be honored as well.

Ed Green: Mike was a giant. He helped a lot. But let’s get the question settled tonight. John Hertz: tradition counts. Keep tinkering, and things lose meaning. Two names on award already. Karl Lembke: more names would dilute honor. Let there be a new award.

Scott Beckstead: no dishonor to Evans and Freehafer intended. Cathy Beckstead said that addition of Mike’s name would link up the early, middle, and present club membership. Good point. (*Wrong point – as both Evans and Freehafer were from our first twenty years. – ed.*) George Van Wagner: blues tradition like SF fandom. You don’t retire the older guys. You honor them.

The question was called. Ballots were filled out and collected, then tabulated.

Vote: Yes--19 Nay--34  
 1 dead ballot

The motion does not carry.

Motion to table any further discussion of honor to Mike for 6 months – motion carried.

Ed Green read thank-you card from the Mason family -- “We would like to thank everyone for the flowers, the plants, and the trees planted in Israel and all the help and support. Sincerely, The Mason Family.” Secretary will respond? No. Not standard etiquette to answer thank-you cards.

Karen Anderson—George. Scithers would like a copy xerox or .jpg of a membership card from the Washington, DC Worldcon of 1963. It had an orange Saturn with a black owl silhouetted on it.

Meeting adjourned at 9:44

*Meeting #3523, February 17, 2005*  
**Matthew B. Tepper, President**  
**Karl Lembke, Scribe pro-tem**

*LASFS is very funny,  
and the LASFS fen are flakes*

*But LASFS-ian traditions  
are impossible to take...e e*

Especially the traditional wasting of time 3523. And so, Matthew produced a live gavel sound at 20:11:38.

Matthew announced the Emperor would not be here tonight because of transportation issues, and John DeChancie would not be here tonight because of bronchitis issues.

### **Special Orders of Business:**

We have some.

Jack Chalker passed a week ago. He was the author of some 60 books, and was fan Guest of Honor at Michael Mason's LOSCON two years ago. He was honored with a full minute of silence, following which we moved on to silence fiction.

Christian had an addendum to a special order from a few weeks ago. Michael Mason's official certificate is: uncorrected diabetes resulting in a deep diabetic coma.

FM Busby ran out of hospitalization days on Medicare, and is in a nursing home. He will live, though he's scheduled for more surgery.

Andre Norton is in the hospital today, and we wish her a happy birthday...

Mae, Hare's sister, is now a grandmother. She's a step-grandma.

**The Menace** were not read and therefore accepted as "let's vamp some more."

We tabled the acceptance until next week.

We will be nominating victims to fill the vacant board seat, and we will be hearing presentations by the competing bidders for Loscon 33. Let's try to keep the chaff down.

Announcements:

Matthew Tepper went over the program for the coming weeks. This week, nominations for the Board. Next week, we vote.

**The Registrar:** We have a guest, poor thing. Bill, returning for a nonzero number of times. We send him De Prof. He sends us stuff.

John Harold, forced by Robbie to join some years ago.

Tony Etamade, from Van Nuys, learned about us from the web site. His interests include Sci Fi, and the military. He's a reader, a writer, and an Other. He could specify the Other, but then he'd have to kill us.

Paul, from West Hollywood, was given a warm welcome.

**Tonight's Patron Saints: Craig Miller**, who is either not here, or is invisible. Christian mentioned he's been a member for three decades. He's very generous, having chaired the BOD, worked on various cons, and other stuff. He's a professional writer, and has a large collection of Star Wars stuff if you're a Star Wars fan. In fact, he has a large collection, even if you're not. He and Marv Wolfman did the Pocket Dragon series, not to be confused with the series that induced vomiting. In fact, Craig has not induced vomiting in anyone we know of.

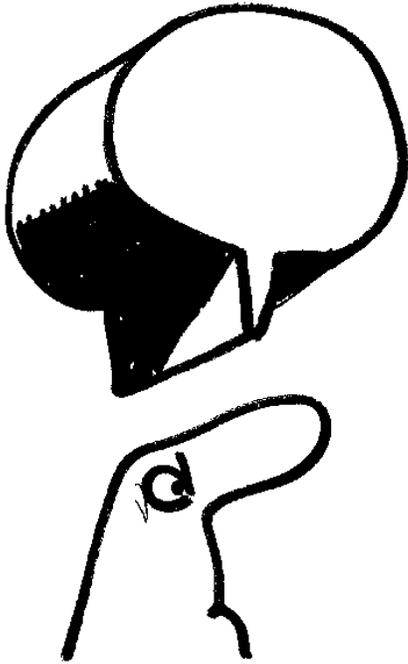
He's recently taken on a teaching role in Irvine, teaching a class in story telling in game design.

Craig Miller was given Three Cheers, and a pocket dragon.

**Reviews** Lucy Stern reviewed some more Stephanie Lawrence's regency stuff, the Bastion Club. They're good.

Ed Hooper picked up New New New Amazing Stories magazine. It's slick and glossy, but it doesn't have much fiction in it. It may not last long. Hare Hobbs mentioned that it's suspended publication for a while.





Ed Green: George Pendel was asking about a member, John Whiteside Parsons. George has finished the biography. The Library has a copy, and LASFS does show up in the book. Parsons turns out to have been odd, even for LASFS members.

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George Van Wagner reviewed the website, <[www.panoramas.dk/fullscreen3/f2q.html](http://www.panoramas.dk/fullscreen3/f2q.html)> with mosaics from various lunar rockets. One JMS is proposing a new Star Trek series. The news article was revoked.

Mark Schirmeister has a copy of *Women on the Moon* by Fritz Lang. Recommended with reservations. Although it was the first attempt to deal with a realistic moon flight, you have to deal with bad acting. However, they postulate the dark side of the moon has an atmosphere. It was produced in 1928, and released in 1929, and a lot of guesses were pretty close to dead on. The space ship itself is brought out of the hanger on a giant crane.

Don Wenner: Saw Forry in 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary issue of "20 Leagues Under the Sea."

Mike Stern: Science Channel had show about search for extraterrestrial planets. One scientist posits that there are

enough carbon meteors that there could be a carbon-based planet which would have a diamond.

Hare Hobbs added that two groups are now postulating that there may be primitive life on Mars. (*Immigrants from LASFS? – ed.*) One of the researchers is named Lemke, no relation unless you're willing to count back very far. Karen Anderson suggested Googling for Rio Tinto, and Lemke.

Mistie Joyce noted there's an ad in the Times with sample letters to send in to get Star Trek on its "natural home." (*Into the nearest landfill? – ed.*)

With that there was a motion to conduct the old business.

### Committee Reports

Ed Green moved that the President form a committee to report in August, to decide whom LASFS should honor, and how they should be honored. Ed Green and Christian McGuire were willing to be on the committee, neither wanted to chair the thing.

Fannish Committee Reports:

Hare Hobbs – one of his top five favorite books, *The Speed of Dark* by Elizabeth Moon, has been optioned to be made into a movie.

Phil Castora notes the Committee to Nauseate the LASFS reported no progress on the quest to find out why pirates say R and never any other letter.

### Old Business: Ongoing.

Handed gavel to Karl for Board nomination. Vacancy due to Michael Mason's death. Term runs through end of '06. Christian nominated Arlene Satin. He said she has been getting more involved in activities over the years. She accepted, felt she can contribute and she cares about what happens in the club. Karl nominated Christian who declined.

Lucy Stern nominated Kris Bauer-Exline, who declined at this time, chiefly because she lives in San Diego. Greg Bilan nominated Ed Hooper, who wasn't paying attention. He declined for the present time. Joe Zeff nominated Tadao, who feigned confusion but temporized. He eventually accepted. Ed said, "If I have to list all of the things Tadao has done for the Society in the time he's been here, then you haven't been paying

attention." Tadao said he had been a longtime fan for many years and found the club a wonderful family to be with. He feels he can always do right by the club, which is his second family.

Frank Waller nominated Rob Cole who declined. Vanessa nominated Scott Beckstead who declined respectfully. Frank Waller nominated George Mulligan who declined.

Michelle Pincus nominated John Amato, who ultimately accepted. Michelle said John very committed to club as co-assistant Librarian with Greg Barrett. John said he has been getting more entrenched in the club and has enjoyed getting to know everybody. He's deeply in love with the club and would be happy to serve.

Mike Stern nominated Michael Donahue, who declined. Greg Bilan nominated GVW who had not been member long enough.

Marty Cantor nominated Phil Castora who accepted. Phil has been member of LASFS since 1962. Marty says Phil knows the club and would be a very good person on the Board. Phil said he would bring such knowledge and familiarity with the club to his service.

Many people moved nominations be closed. Many seconds. Many ayes to close; closed!

Item 2: we have two bids for Loscon 33, to be held Thanksgiving weekend of 2006.

Candidates are Scott Beckstead and Greg Bilan.

Scott Beckstead made his presentation, having failed his saving throw.  
Golden Ages of Science Fiction.

Greg Bilan made his presentation. Theme is military SF, which has been a very important part of SF.

There followed a Q&A session, and then the vote happened. One concern that arose was that Loscon 33 followed close on the heels of the 2006 Worldcon in Anaheim. The color of the ballot was auctioned off for \$5 to Lucy Stern.  
Scott Beckstead won the chairmanship of Loscon 33.

The heavily anticipated motion passed at 21:31:37.

*Meeting #35224, February, 24, 2005*

*Matthew B. Tepper, President*

*John DeChancie, Scribe*

LASFS Minutes 3524, 8:12 called to order

Special Orders of Business

Andre Norton out of hospital, but the prognosis isn't hopeful. See Lucy Stern for details.

Karen Anderson announced the death of F. M. Busby from complications of surgery. Busby was a noted author and fan, active in Seattle fandom from the 1940s. He and his wife Elinor won a Hugo for Best Fanzine in 1960. Buz chaired Westercon 12 and attended many conventions as a guest. Memorial plans to be announced at <http://www3.caringbridge.org/wa/buz/index.htm>. Jerry Pournelle spoke about Busby. One of the first fans he ever knew.

Minutes of last meeting read and accepted as "precedent setting."

**Patron Saint** for tonight is **Maureen Garrett**. She now resides up in the Bay Area. Matthew Tepper said she was a "sweet and loving presence" who did very good art work for fanzines. Active in trek fandom. Save Star Trek! Came the clarion call from one member. Rally to save the show "Enterprise" from certain cancellation. (*Save LASFS from these heresies! - ed.*)

Christian McGuire announced an open meeting for LAcon 4 on April 30, here at the LASFS clubhouse.

Old business -- election of new board member.

Ballots were passed out to qualified members.

## **ESTROGEN ZONE**

Scrapbooking classes and workshops

*If you have scrapbooked before, please bring your supplies and come and sit and talk as the rest work on their projects.*

*Rebecca will be glad to help anybody who has not done this get started.*

*Questions? Call Rebecca at: (310) 710- 3291*

Tadao Tomomatsu elected to Board of Directors by 32 votes.

Reviews: Larry Niven said that “The Magic Goes Away,” a collection of Niven fantasy stories, plus stories by other authors in the same story universe, is now in trade paperback.

Fannish committee reports were given, but not recorded in detail by the Scribe, who was composing a *ballade*. The Scribe is definitely derelict in his duties and should be sacked immediately.

Meeting adjourned 9 :06

### *Ballade of Meeting # 3524*

*Our President Duck<sup>1</sup> bade members embark  
At eight plus twelve on a new foray  
Of the fannish parliamentary ark.  
Norton<sup>2</sup> from hospital released, say they:  
She could get well, but prognosis? —gray.  
Though drearer still is news we learn  
Of F. M. Busby, this Scribe doth say,  
“And as we end the Refrain—adjourn!”*

*Minutes were read, just for a lark;  
“Pick up De Profs!” did Cantor bray;  
Saint Maureen Garrett, this day we hark  
To her virtues: thrice hip-hip hoo-ray!  
“Save Star Trek!” came the call today  
From Enterprising fan concern.  
Proceedings grind on, the Scribe holds sway,  
“And as we end the Refrain, adjourn!”*

*Old business—on your ballots mark  
A successor to the Board this way:  
Draw a Pine Tree<sup>3</sup> with sappy bark  
Slouching toward Tokyo ’mid vast dismay.  
Reviews, reports cast in the fray,  
But none of these molten issues burn;  
Hear once again the Scribe shout, “Yea,  
And as we end the Refrain, adjourn!”  
REFRAIN  
Saints of LASFS, to thee we pray,  
To Pillars garlanded with fern,  
Keep meetings short, our dues to pay;  
And as we end the refrain—adjourn!*

<sup>1</sup> Nickname of current club president, Matthew Tepper.

<sup>2</sup> Andre Norton.

<sup>3</sup> Tadao Tomomatsu, whose given name means “pine tree.”

### *Board of Directors Meeting, February 13, 2004 Karl Lembke, President Brett Achorn, Secretary*

Note: There was no January, 2005 meeting

**Directors:** Karl Lembke, Mike Thorsen, Bill Ellern, Brett Achorn, Marty Cantor, Liz Mortensen, Ed Green, Bob Null, Joe Zeff, Cathy Beckstead

**Others:** Joyce Sperling, George Van Wagner, Tadao Tomomatsu, John DeChancie, Patrick Beckstead, Joan Steward, Greg Bilan, Arlene Satin, Matthew Tepper, Sherri Benoun, Scott Beckstead, Phil Castora, Greg Barrett, Gavin Claypool, John Amato, Bill Anderson, Shawn Crosby, Robbie Bourget, Doug Crepeau

Karl rang the meeting to something like order at 11:35 a. m.

**Minutes:** Approved

Officer Elections:

Chair: Karl Lembke - many-0-1

Vice-chair: postponed

Secretary: postponed

Comptroller: Brett Achorn - many-0

**New Members:** Debbie Morgan, Michael Burlake, Jake Miller (aka Zim), Kat Tanaka, Joseph Lee Nunn III, Donald P. Bennett, Cate Conner, Connor Salisbury, Eriel Smyth, Bobbi Smith all accepted many-0

**Treasurer's Report:** Liz presented the budget, which was passed, as was a vote of thanks

**Communication:::**

**Communication/Gestetner:** Marty reported that some problems came up but were fixed (cost \$180 and \$300-\$400). There'll be an upcoming issue with the drum bands, but he'll have that done when there's another service call

**Communication/Club Machines:** defunct copier machines are going away

**Communication/Marketing:** Arlene and Shawn presented the marketing year in review (packet for new members, workshops) and future plans (including a light saber workshop April 13 7:30-9:30).

**Communication/Library:** discussion regarding the

librarian now that Michael is gone. Greg Barrett and John Amato were voted (many-0-1) the interim library committee until October and will also train others who express interest. Then all interested folks can make their pitch to be head librarian.

There was going to be an off-line discussion about the library database.

**Communication/Website:** Marty has an offer from Barry Gold to temporarily host the pdfs of De Prof until lasfs.info is up and running – agreed to by the Board.

**Events:**

**Events/LOSCON 31:** wrap-up meeting to be scheduled, Ed Green turned over \$8,600 to the club and was thanked.

**Events/LOSCON 32:** Karl reported things are in progress.

**Events/LOSCON 33:** Per LOSCON rules, the interested bidders presented their information. Scott Beckstead and Greg Bilan were approved to present their bids to the membership many-0. Voting to occur February 17.

**Events/La La Con:** Tadao announced that "Raiders of the Lost La La Con" will be chaired by Dr. Susan "Arizona" Gleason. GoH Karen Anderson, Artist GoH Shawn Crosby, Fan GoHs Brett Achorn & Stacey Hallman.

**Convention Delegates:** Marty – Corflu.

**New Business:**

**LA Con 4** requested building use on April 30: passed many-0

Ed presented the offer of an artwork loan from Chris Williams. She'll frame and insure, and LASFS will have it to show provided they keep it on display. Approved contingent on getting some of the understandings in writing many-0.

Robbie requested that Gallifrey One be able to use the Gestetner, art show materials, cords, etc. They're paying \$300 for new drapes and donated for supplies already. Approved many-0.

Doug Crepeau proposed name badges for folks to wear at the club. Tabled many-1-0

Meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

**Zines received in trade**

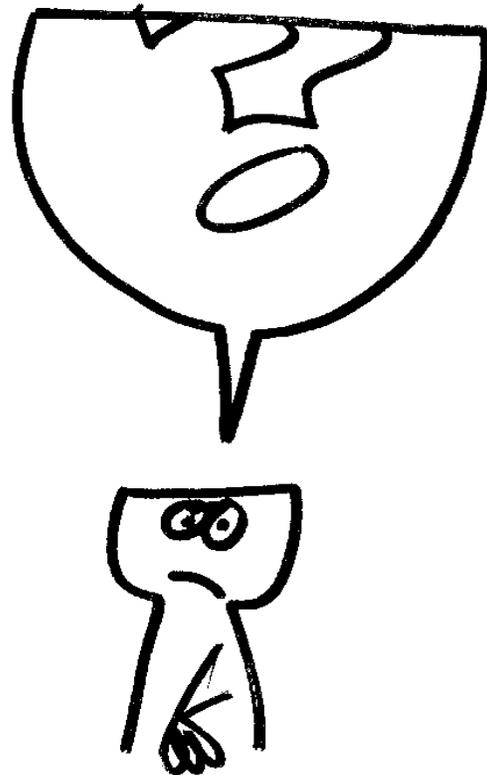
(All zines are available to read and are in the *De Profundis* mailbox and can be taken out for a week)

**club zines:** INSTANT MESSAGE #748 (NESFA). BCSFAzine #382 (BCSFA). NASFA SHUTTLE Vol. 25, No. 2 (NASFA). WISCON 29 PR. DASFAx Vol. 37, Issue 2 (DASFA).

**other zines:**

**NEW BOOKS**

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*All illos in zine by Bill Rotsler*

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