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Marketing Committee - 7:30 pm
FWEMS - Not this month

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

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

THURSDAY

PROGRAMME ITEMS

NOVEMBER 4 - Board of Directors Nominations

NOVEMBER 11 - Board of Directors Elections

NOVEMBER 18 - Not set at press time

NOVEMBER 25 - No programme, small meeting

LOSCON 31

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COLOPHON

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

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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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LOSCON 31

NOVEMBER 26 - 28, 2004

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(more information in flyer on page 9)

CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

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

Meeting #3499, September 2, 2004
George Van Wagner, President
Karl Lemke, Scribe

"Somebody is parked in a spot not paid for! Mike Thorsen said, "that would probably be me." While he went to move the car, President George Van Wagner indulged in a fit of historicis:

On this day in history, in the year:

1192, Saladin and Dick the Lion Hearted signed a cease-fire...

1666 the Great London fire played to rave reviews....

1743, England, Austria, and Sardinia signed the treaty of Worms...

1752, this was the last day of the Julian calendar...

1789, US Treasury Dept was established by congress...

1901, Vice President Teddy Roosevelt advised we speak softly and carry a big stick...(Personally, I prefer to carry a big shtick. – ed.)

1919, Communist Party of America organized in Chicago...

1919, national commission recommended a “best of nine” world series...

1945, VJ day...

1991, The US officially recognized the independence of Estonia....

And in 2004 at 20:14:19, the LASFS officially recognized the independence of the meeting it was trying to call to order.

JP: The US never unrecognized the independence of Estonia, or the rest of those nations.

Special Orders of Business: In the general sense: Mr. Cantor announced the passing of one of the pillars of Boston Fandom, George Flynn. He was a quiet person, and did copy editing for the NESFA press books. He was proof-reader and copy editor for Cambridge Prepress services. He was fluent in seven languages. (So am I. English, American, Canadian, Australian, and three others...) He was best known for the impeccable minutes for the Worldcon Business Meetings.

The Menace were read and accepted as “cast behind us”. Matthew’s attempt to be Charmin failed...

The Registrar: Diana Hilliard, via Loscon 2 years ago...

Tonight’s Patron Saints: Emil Luwish. Joe Zeff: His son gave us money. CLJII: He used to hang out with detectives, since he made a movie about them. Three Cheers, and “funny, he doesn’t look Luwish”.

Greg Bilan, who gave us cake! Tom Safer: he’s a kind and courteous gentleman, and very personable. He goes to the utmost to help people out. And thanks for helping with the cartoons at LaLaCon Jeff: and he’s a nice Klingon. Vanessa Van Wagner: He does yeoman work at the LATimes book fair. George Van Wagner recognized his work as *bas* janitor, as opposed to *haute* janitor. Phil Castora amplified, “He does lots of work to keep the place decent.”

Ron Gordon: he has a sharp sense of humor. At the Festival of Books, he asked Greg, “Is this the fascist booth?” “No,” he replied, “This is the communist booth. Fascists are on the right.” Ed Green: Not only is he the club’s janitor, but he’s also helping with Loscons, and the 2006 Worldcon bid. George Van Wagner: And a non club function: Greg al-

ways does charity bike rides. When he has a bicycle to ride.

Mike Thorsen: Greg attends conventions, and comes back with buttons and other spiffs. He has a thing for camo u-flage. I’d say he looks good in it, but I just can’t see it. Matthew Tepper notes he’s a veteran of the US Navy. Greg pointed out, “And I served on the USS Enterprise!” Greg Bilan was given Three Cheers, and a fully suspended front fork.

Committee Reports:

CLJII: The lantern o’ jack was passed. Our newcomer volunteered to be the lovely assistant...

Marty Cantor announced something in October: LASFS celebrates 70th birthday on the 28th. The 40th anniversary distribution of APA-L is on the 21th of October. Except for a five-month gap, every Thursday night has seen a distribution of the APA. We’re having a special issue.

Miscellaneous: George Van Wagner reports that major auto manufacturers are working on flying cars.

Jerry Pournelle reported on a correspondent in Valpariso, Chile who is looking for investors in his Dean drive machine. Jerry’s a little skeptical. The Scribe wants to know, does it pass the trash bag test?

Someone asked, “Has anyone else read Diamond Age, by Stephenson? What was it about?” \$19.95

The meeting adjourned at 21:12:03.

Meeting #3500, September 9, 2004

George Van Wagner, President

Karl Lembke, Scribe

“Jesus as Kung Fu Artist???” – Jerry Pournelle

On this day in history, in the year: lots of stuff happened.

And in 2004, GVW laid this load of drivel on LASFS meeting 3500,

Special Orders of Business: Sadly, yes. Karen Anderson mentioned that NASA’s Genesis has suffered its own fall. There is still hope for salvation. JP pleased to announced that NASA has appointed a failure review committee. They’ll report in only three short years. Astronomer Fred Whipple passed two weeks ago. Among his accomplishments, he was the first to compute orbit of Pluto.

The Menace were read and accepted as “Not a likely candidate.”

The Registrar: declined to announce any new people

Tonight’s Patron Saints : Ed Green: he has, in the time he’s been a member, shown himself to be a valuable mem-

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ber of the society, in that he does stuff. He's one of the Lord Janitors, and has been known to come in and build stuff. He pitched in when Loscon decided not to have a Masquerade, and jumped in with the virtual masquerade. This is now a standard. He has a wonderful sense of whimsy when filming it. MBT: People often extol virtues by pointing out what a hard worker he is. Matthew likes to point out how joyous it is to have people around who like to have fun. A bunch of folks went to Universal Studios. Met here to carpool. Thorsen was here after playing video games all night. Thorsen want to come? Thought for about five seconds, said "sure," and had a great time.

Jerry Pournelle: One

of the few to have a LASFS bid named after him. No small achievement.

Tadao: His organization skills are beyond compare... Ed Green: forgot to mention: As VEEP, he's responsible for dealing with business on Friday nights. Sometimes, it helps to have someone of Mike's stature around. He's very effective at Inquiring Of Business. Frank Waller: He's a jack of all trades. When playing on the computer, Mike's the one to talk to about the games. CLJII: Mike is one of those few who takes on projects for other people, helping them get accomplished. May he get full time employment and donate more.

Scratch: He gave us money, and he's a nice guy, and I consider him a friend.

(Barks)Dale Hales: Joe Zeff: One of those who is always willing to help out. Usual suspect at loading and unloading trucks. His first name is after one of his ancestors, General Barksdale, who died at Gettysburg. Marty Cantor: He's handy to have around. He'll show up for special events. He was responsible for about 25% of the Allan Rothstein auction proceeds. He's a board gamer. He's a good guy. Hare

Hobbs: Some of the stuff he bought, he bought for other people who couldn't afford it.

CLJII: The two of them went to elementary school together. They then went to different Junior Highs. The next time they met, it was at the 1984 Loscon, CLJII chaired. There, Dale found out about LASFS. Some weird cosmic thing was at work there. He likes to pitch in when he can. Matthew Tepper: Dale also offered on the spur of the moment to go to Costco and get the fresh veggies, out of his own pocket, and declined to be reimbursed. That money went to pillar fund. George Van Wagner: He first met Dale before coming to the club, and saw Dale in full uniform. He looked stunning. (It turned out there was a mistake in his uniform. David Weber pointed it out to him.)

Three Cheers. and stuff.

Time-Bound Announcements: LASFS member Sheri (Originally named Terry – a combination of Tony and Sheri?) – Benoun has done her stint on Jeopardy. Hare: Because of the rumor, what they said was that the current Jeopardy winner has chosen not to return. CLJII: A couple of months ago, the rumor was that he lost the last show of the season. It may have been spread by Jeopardy.

Jerry Pournelle: This is sort of time bound... He has ceased to bring his usual box of stuff to the gift exchange. But, he's about to clean out a huge pile of cruft. People have been hassling him about bringing his Pournelle Box to the gift exchange. Should he continue?

Ed Green moved that we pick some other way to torture Jerry.

Reviews: Fred Patten reviewed Worldcon. Enjoyable, no disasters, Nippon won 2007 by a large majority, by a 200 vote difference. Chairman is an animation producer in Japan. He's worked on some of the stuff shown at Cinema Anime, this Saturday.

Jerry Pournelle has two things: Joji Kando says Heinlein award went well at Worldcon. Interview with Clarke blew up, but connection was restored. Clarke enjoyed the interview, and stayed on an extra half hour. A few weeks ago, back in Tennessee, Weber recommended movie King Arthur. It's quite interesting. One wrong feature: takes place at Hadrian's Wall, not in Cornwall. But the rest makes sense. Premise is that a bunch of Samaritan auxiliaries are being withdrawn at the time of the Saxon invasion. They decide to stay, and make a difference in a major battle. It's very well done.

Fannish Committee Reports: CLJII: committee for excellence in education: Taking a class, anthropology of witchcraft, magic and religion. Teacher is having clashes with practicing witches who don't agree with her use of terms in anthropological sense.

George Van Wagner, committee for preservation of mar-

riage, David Masenta of Johannesburg, South Africa shot and killed his wife. In remorse, he killed himself. Family says, that's no reason for them not to get married. The happy corpses were dressed up and married.

Jerry Pournelle: announced something serious. Cold fusion may be back after all. Navy never did disbelieve Fleischman. He has a duplicatable experiment. There are conditions for replicating it. More than one lab has replicated it. No dead grad students. Maybe they should try repeating the experiment with last year's Grand Fenwick wine crop. Another experiment – Pournelle's law will finally come true – predicted silicon is cheaper than iron. Spinning metal as a mass storage system will go away. Well, floppies may be on their way out.

The meeting adjourned at 21:24:11...

*Meeting #3501, September 16, 2004
George Van Wagner, President
Karl Lembke, Scribe*

In 2004, George Van Wagner laid his usual load of drivel on LASFS meeting 3501, at 20:12:16.

Special Orders of Business: We do have some. Charlie has one, but first, Karin Anderson has a couple: Ralph Lapp has died, at age 87, of pneumonia. He helped create atomic weapons in the Manhattan Project. His books include "Voyage of the Lucky Dragon." More recent, "My Life with Radiation." James Westphal, 74, after a long illness. BS in physics, but got on faculty of Cal Tech, and directed Palomar Observatory. Bruce Murray called him gifted. There was a moment of silence for the departed...

CLJII then announced that he spoke to Beverly Warren, and she's significantly improved. She's going back to work Monday, and her prognosis is good.

Marty Cantor then announced that Robert Silverberg, having been named grand master of SF by SFWA, has another anniversary this past August. In 1949, he joined FAPA. This past August was his 55th year in FAPA, where he still publishes amateur stuff for the rabble.

There followed a moment of huzzah.

The Menace were read and accepted as "read these minutes, or we'll embarrass Dr. Pournelle."

The Registrar: announced we had one, but he escaped. Ariel, brought by Alex. Special area of interest is Everything!

Tonight's Patron Saints: The Moffatts!!! They helped George and Vanessa feel welcome. Ed Green mentioned, once again, their ugly habit of adopting young fans as they come into the LASFS and bringing them into their family. They have horrible taste in fans – they adopted Ed Green. They're probably two of the most influential fans in the club

as a whole. Marc Schirmeister: There are very few I've met I'd call nice. Len and June are among them. He has a fond memory of both of them Lindyhopping to an album he brought to the club. Karen Anderson: years ago, she was in the area on a visit, and mentioned to them she wanted to know the words to "Tie Me Kangaroo Down". The Moffatts played that song, and all the other records by the same artist.

Jerry Pournelle: His earliest memory of June dates from before she was a Moffatt. They were in costume, and Len was a clown, and June was the circus master. This would have been at the Westercon in Long Beach, 1965. And he's grateful for their stories about JD MacDonald Phil Castora has lots of nice things to say about them, but we need to be out of here well before Sunday. CLJII: Among their sterling qualities, they are among the few with whom he can discuss old movies, or detective stories, or things not germane to why Marty thinks we're here.

Scratch: We have the pleasure of accepting money from them. Ken Porter, and we've had the pleasure of accepting their love. Sandy Cohen notes they've been responsible for bringing other fans into the world. Unlike most fen, they bred. Vanessa would like to thank them for encouraging her to start zining. It was reading them that led her into corruption – I mean apahacking.

The Moffatts were given three cheers, and an L&JM bibliography.

New business: Vanessa's resignation letter (for position of registrar) was read to the club. Ed Green moved that the thanks of the society be entered into the record. Here they are. Thank you, thank you very, very much!

Committee Reports: CLJII: When the telephone rings, people are encouraged to answer it.

Joe Zeff, reporting from the BOD, commented on the painting of the handicap space. Thanks to a number of people who did the blue painting. Marty Cantor (of the Committee To Pick All Possible Nits): And it's the wrong shade of blue.

Bill Ellern noted that since we have five handicapped people, maybe we could auction off the handicap space. And then again, probably not.

Time-Bound Announcements: Fred Patten announced his invitation to speak at an international humor conference in Peking. Two more announcements came his way: Salon of Global Humor in Terracina Brazil, 11/8-14. Cartoons, animation, drawings, etc. Also, the third International Animated Film Festival is taking place, 3/31 - 4/5, Riga, Latvia.

Jeff announced Hollywood Bowl is having a Lord of the Rings symphony

Jerry Pournelle is pleased to say Aaargh! September 19th is International Talk like a Pirate Day.

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The Registrar announced a late breaking visitor, who heard about us at the convention at the LA Library... Shinya Kono, of Silverlake Blvd.

Fannish Committee Reports: Zeff: No matter how big a disaster, something good comes of it. A pleasant side effect of the disruption in Florida... Spam is way down!

CLJII: There is a commercial running that exhibits poor timing. It juxtaposes the energizer battery, with

a poor mailman trying to make his appointed rounds in a hurricane. Hmmm... rain, snow, sleet, gloom of night... nope, no hurricanes. I'm outta here!

Adventures in Time and Space: Mc Donald's franchises in three small towns have outsourced their drive through order taking to a call center in Colorado Springs. It's faster, and with fewer errors. Do the people in the call center have Indian accents? Yes, but what tribe?

Christian: Putridity in fandom: If a member of the club says they've slept with the last ten years of Loscon chairs, there are at least six Loscon Chairs who can't remember it. (Maybe that member means she (or he?) fell asleep on the furniture.)

Ed Green has been known to sleep with a previous chair of the Loscon. And plans to sleep with the chair of this coming Loscon.

Miscellaneous: Frank Waller: He has a thing about chairs, doesn't he? (*He is a very chairfull person. - ed.*)

The meeting adjourned at 21:14:26.

Meeting #3502, September 23 2004
George Van Wagner, President
Karl Lembke, Scribe

...And in 2004, George Van Wagner laid his usual load of drivel on LASFS meeting 3502, at 20:14:02 with a pound of lobster.

The Menace were read and accepted as "A vision of tomorrow."

Matthew Tepper announced his official 49th birthday, having begun counting backwards from 50. There is a half-sheet cake on the table. (Perhaps with seven square candles?)

The Registrar: announced that we have no guests. And

we're a bit low on members.

Tonight's Patron Saints: One passed away many years before George started coming here, **Ron Elik**. Karen Anderson: That's EEelik. After Ron got out of the Marines, he said he was a trained killee. At another time, when someone was overusing the squirrel nickname, he said he was a trained killer, and for all anyone knew, he might be vicious. He got tired of the Squirrel nickname, but that was his reward for being bright eyed and bushy tailed early in the morning. His chief tippie was root beer. Len: Used as column heading for TAFF journey. He's one of the few who actually wrote a TAFF report. He used to commute between here and the Bay Area, so Karen called him the Ratatosk of Route 99.

Len: He was one of the kids who came in and brought a lot of new life to the club. He died in a car crash. He was back east, and not used to driving in snow. Ron and another guy wrote an Uncle novel, and a Lensman concordance. Three Cheers, and a chitter chitter, cheep cheep cheep.

Next, one George has had the honor of working next to for the last nine months, **Karl Lembke**. Joan Stewart: He makes the worst puns I've ever laughed at. CLJII: Karl is in a position to say anything he likes to have had us say. George Van Wagner has but one regret: he can't levy pun fines against the scribe, or he'd be on way to second sainthood. Frank Waller: He's very approachable, easy to talk to. He's a very generous person, and gave us loads of money.

Jerry Pournelle: He convinced me you can drink the water. There are a very small number of people whose letters generally get published on my website, his are among them. Phil: He's a good man and true, very intelligent, more than average, I think, for this bunch, pleasant, easy to get along with, generous with time, helpful, and a hell of a good man. Joe Zeff: He's one of the better scribes I've listened to when I'm on this side of the table

Doug Crepeau: He gets a good percentage of his better jokes into the Menace. Ed Green: One thing to note: In the years he's been a member of the BoD, he's seen many chairmen come and go, and Karl's in the top three. He's head and shoulders above Green's ability. Karen Anderson: Tries to cover it up, but secretly, a Maltose Falcon

The Con Chair of LaLaCon appreciates his work with the banquet each year. Arlene Satin: Karl is a tremendous help in marketing committee, and has come up with wonderful ideas, helped implement, good guy. Charlie Jackson called him a fine fellow, but not half the man he used to be. Michelle Pincus stated that there are four young people, one of whom is in Iraq, who appreciate their Uncle Karl.

Marty Cantor: And he has the most sensible views in politics I've ever heard.... (*Marty Cantor is a liar! - ed.*) And he gave us money and we're glad of it. - Scratch. There was a flurry of pine tree puns. That's a quarter each, barked the President...

Committee Reports

Charlie Jackson announced the Autumn Holiday Party, and found a lovely assistant to pass the Lantern O' Jack. There will be haunted house movies and Hallowe'en carols. This Sunday, FWEMS at 2 PM. There will be 7 movies for 7 sidekicks, a slightly offbeat musical.

Marty, as a Committee to provide Housing for Fans, and who manages an apartment building near hear, announced that a \$710/month, one-bedroom apartment will come available at the end of October. It's rent controlled.

Time-Bound Announcements: Joe Zeff: Happened to notice – current poll is, what do slashdot readers think is neat-est space ship. One is GP Hull with Slaver Stasis Field. Let's all go to Slashdot.org and vote for Larry. (Not the Morse Code letter H.)

Barry Longyear is in hospital for a triple bypass. SFWA directory listing is still valid. Notes of encouragement will be appreciated. MBT: Gave a hilarious talk about making "Enemy Mine" at Minneapolis Public Library. *(Yes, I do think that making "Enemy Mine" at the Minneapolis Public Library would be hilarious. – ed.)*

CLJII: Updating Recommended Viewing List. Any suggestions should be given to Charlie soon.

Reviews: Ed Hooper: A series of books, Star Wars, new Jedi Order. Follows 25 years following Return of Jedi. World where new Republic is as messed up as the old one. Throw in an alien race that's so alien that in the first years of the war, the good guys are losing and losing badly. The books are now out in paperback. They're really good, but there are plot twists not for the faint of heart because characters die, permanently. Nothing left to revive.

Fannish Committee Reports: Joan Stewart belongs to a Committee to Shoot the LASFS. For the 70th anniversary, Sunday 10/17, Valley College Stadium will be the venue for the LASFS Shoot and Barbecue.

Late Breaking Guests: Joseph Nunn. Heard about the club at conventions and wandered by one day.

Miscellaneous: Ed Hooper: Weather can affect fandom. Ed is here because Hurricane Jeanne is heading toward Bahamas, where he was going to head tomorrow.

Tadao Tomomatsu: His friends at OSHA gave him a call. Since we're only up to J, so they won't get to Hurricane Tadao. he won't be a big blow hard the way he usually is.

The meeting was put out of our misery at 21:15:24.

*Meeting #3503, September 30, 2004
George Van Wagner, President
Karl Lembke, Scribe*

This week, to be fair, President George Van Wagner hit the

squeaky hammer with the lobster. In this case, the squeaky hammer gets the drawn butter. The meeting was invited to consider coming to order at 20:13:46.

Special Orders of Business: This very day is Karl's 44th birthday.

The Menace were read and accepted as "Nothing left to revive."

The Registrar: announced we have a couple of guests. Edward Luhn, saw us on the Internet and drove by. The gentleman who actually brought him into the club was Jerry Pournelle. When he finished up and left, Ed Green asked, "do you know who that is?" "Ever hear of Jerry Pournelle?" "Now you've seen him."

Tonight's Patron Saints: Tom Safer – Kind enough last year at the gift exchange, his gift was a set of fractured flickers and Jay Ward pilots. It was quite popular. Since George regretted having had it force-traded away, Tom made him a copy. He's at a choir rehearsal tonight. Scratch: Tom is a kind and gentle man with an excellent sense of humor. Matthew Tepper called him a good musician, and has enjoyed joining a chorus with him.

Michelle: Tom's good at making sure she sees all the cartoons she wants to. Joe Zeff: LASFS, Loscon, LaLacon, sundry libraries, etc. are indebted to him. Tom's hobby is showing cartoon shows of American animation that we wouldn't see any other way. Hare Hobbs: He's one of our encyclopedias. If you want to know something, ask him, but make sure you have lots of time for the answer.

CLJII: He loves cartoons and loves to share them with people. "He does it for altruistic reasons, and doesn't show them to annoy Marty Cantor the way I do." Jerry Pournelle: He's good enough to sing in the Wagner chorale, and he's now married to a good Catholic girl. Scratch: He gave us money.

ESTROGEN ZONE

Scrapbooking classes and workshops

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

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

Patron Saint Tom Safer was given the customary Three Cheers. And a wascally wabbit. That's all, folks!

Committee Reports: George Van Wagner: We have a cake. We will have some business next week, the Forry award nominations.

CLJII reported that, in order to have it available for Loscon, he is busily updating the LASFS Recommended Viewing List. This is a list, not of the best, but those films which have some interest – Really good, very bad but classic. If you think, you need to tell him what a movie is about, don't think he'll be offended – there are lots of movies he's never heard of. He has a list. (Of movies you've never heard of? Yes.)

Time-Bound Announcements:

Bob Null announced he brought seismic plots of Mt .St Helens. Magma is working its way up the mountain. (*If scientists were to drop a wagon into the crater, would they call it the Magma Carta? – ed.*) They've re-activated the Mt. St. Helens web cam. George: As of 5 a.m. this morning, the Seismograph was saturated. (*That should teach them not to leave it out in the rain. – ed.*) No white space at all. Bob: They estimate there's a 70% chance of eruptions, but they don't know what kind.

Fred Patten's book is available. Copies here for \$19.

Pearl Newton announced a Donation for the Troops program. She's looking for lots of stuff. Fliers were handed out.

Reviews: Matthew Tepper ceded to Larry Niven, who reviewed *Terry Pratchett Guilty: of Literature*. He's giving it to the LASFS library because it isn't funny.

We held a Sage Break while Jerry Pournelle talked about Spaceship One.

Fannish Committee Reports: Rick Foss: Japan is a strange country. Japanese can't figure out why, even though everyone likes horse meat, it's not a more popular flavor for ice cream. The strawberry spinach sold well, soybean kelp sold well, but horsemeat didn't sell well in the export market.

George Van Wagner: According to a police report in the Brainard Minn Dispatch, thieves broke through the wall of the bank. They were breaking through the next wall to get to the sunglass store to steal cases of sunglasses. There's a company in Washington that's working on building a space elevator. Mike Thorsen needs to get busy on his time elevator.

The long sought motion was made at 21:35:25.

*LASFS Board of Directors
Meeting of September 12, 2004
Karl Lembke, Chairman
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Directors: Karl Lembke, Mike Thorsen, Bill Ellern, Brett Achorn, Marty Cantor, Bob Null, Joe Zeff, Cathy Beckstead.

Others: Joyce Sperling, George Van Wagner, Tadao Tomomatsu, Sherri Benoun, Tony Benoun, Joan Steward, Scott Beckstead

Lots of interesting discussion before the meeting started, so I don't have to minute it. Ha ha.

Carl rang the meeting to something like order at 11:22 a.m.

Minutes: Approved w/ minor corrections

New Members: None presented.

Treasurer's Report: no treasurer (see previous month's minutes about convention delegates), no report. Karl said our tax filings paperwork and other e-mail sent in to see if anything is awry, and the State responded with disinterested silence. Just for kicks, we may run our books past an actual CPA, but the dead horse has been officially beaten.

Facilities:

Facilities/Computers: The fifth computer is getting worked on.

Facilities/Parking: no progress. Cathy asked for someone to be put on the hook. Joe moved we do it right after the meeting. Passed.

Facilities/misc.:

The book box up front was broken open and some money removed. If things are moved, they should be put back (and putting outdoor chairs by the dumpster is a Bad Idea).

Communication:

Communication/Gestetner: working fine.

Communication/Club Machines: video fine, audio still crunchy. TV getting a little flaky on its second sound channel, so it should get discussed at the next meeting. The SCIFI projector is available to LASFS as a spare part or backup gizmo.

Communication/Marketing: new bookmarks, we have business cards (thanks Tony) **Communication/Publications:** kids' reading list ready for copying Communication/LASFS.ORG: content is getting moved to the new site Events:

Events/Allan Rothstein Remembrance: Matthew Tepper reported it went well. \$1600 raised for Allan's pillar at the auction and thanked many people (Bill Warren, Charles Lee Jackson II, Greg Bilan, Michael Thorsen, Joyce Sperling, Tadao Tomomatsu, Ed Green, Cathy Beckstead, Gavin Claypool, Liz Mortensen, Jeff, Larry, Rena, Gary, and Steven Rothstein, Barksdale Hales, Jr, Peggy Little, Kris Bauer-Exline, Darrel Exline, Ed Buchman, Chaz Baden, Ken Porter, Michael Mason, LASFS Board of Directors,

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everyone who attended the event, and Allan Rothstein, "who made all of this possible")

other zines:

New Business:

Joan proposed a project to get a LASFS mass membership photo. Karl made Joan "The Committee to Shoot LASFS Members."

Meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

NEW BOOKS

(This is a section devoted to listing new books and other items received by the LASFS Library. Our extensive library is not just for collecting and looking at that wonderful collection of books on shelves. Members may take them out and read them. The Librarian has no current listings at this time.)

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: FOSFAX #210 (FOSFA). DASFAx Vol. 36, No. 9, Vol. 26, No. 10 (DASFA). EINBLATT! October, 2004 (MinnStf). MEETING NOTICES October, 2004 (PSFS). BCSFAzine #377 (BCSFA). INSTANT MESSAGE #740, #741 (NESFA). NASFA SHUTTLE Vol. 24, No. 10 (NASFA).

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