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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 - 11 am
 2nd Sunday = Board and other gaming - 2 pm
 Cinema Anime = Japanimation, time after Tom Safer Cartoons
 CFO = Cartoon Fantasy Organisation
 Work Party = Varies with what needs doing
 FWEMS = Fourth Sunday Movies - 2 pm
 TIME MEDDLERS = Dr. Who club
 Tom Safer Cartoons = 10 am

CALENDAR DETAILS

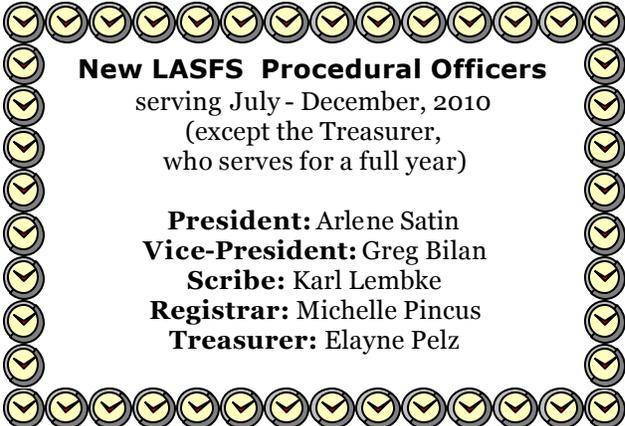
TRIPE - Noon until whenever
 BoD - 11:00 am, Open House starts at 2:00 pm
 Cinema Anime - 1:00 pm until it ends
 CFO - 1 pm to 8 pm
 Work Party - 10:30 am
 TIME MEDDLERS - 10:30 am
 ESTROGEN ZONE - 2:00 pm
 Marketing Committee - 7:30 pm
 FWEMS - Action Day - - Cowboys and Detectives

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

JULY 1 - No programme item scheduled at time of printing
JULY 8 - *More Like The Movies*, part 2
JULY 15 - Video presentation by Infinite Knights
JULY 22 - Tom Safer presents cartoons
JULY 29 - Early British SF TV: "Joe 90"

***THE JULY 1 MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE PASADENA HILTON.**

(programme items subject to change without notice)



New LASFS Procedural Officers

serving July - December, 2010
 (except the Treasurer,
 who serves for a full year)

President: Arlene Satin
Vice-President: Greg Bilan
Scribe: Karl Lembke
Registrar: Michelle Pincus
Treasurer: Elayne Pelz

DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

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De Profundis 449– July 2010. Publisher and Editor: **Marty Cantor**.

De Profundis is the unofficial newsletter of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society (11513 Burbank Blvd., North Hollywood, CA 91601, USA). The LASFS' telephone number is: (818) 760-9234. The club's web site is: www.lasfsinc.info. *De Profundis* is available only from Marty Cantor for his cost of producing the zines: 55¢ in person, \$1.00 by domestic mail. Out of country rates quoted upon request but it is recommended that copies be downloaded - or at least read - from the *DE PROF* web site.

Westercon is a service mark of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society, Incorporated (LASFS, Inc.). Worldcon and NASFIC are service marks of the World Science Fiction Society (WSFS).

I 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 his edress: [martyhoohah \(at\) sbcglobal \(dot\) net](mailto:martyhoohah(at)sbcglobal(dot)net) or at the clubhouse on Thursday evenings. Deadlines are a bit fluid, but mid-month Thursdays are probably it.

If anybody who receives *DE PROF* via the mail happens to move without letting me know the new address; well, I have more important things to do than to be chasing down addresses so I will stop sending zines to you even if you have given me money to do so.

I will accept no advertising in *De Profundis* but I will always try to find room to announce upcoming events of interest to LASFS members.

Even though *De Profundis* is no longer the official newsletter of the LASFS, I intend to run the zine as if it still belonged to the club. Mostly. 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.

Written in Publisher 2000 on a new custom-built Intel dual-core computer (using the XP Pro operating system) and printed on an HP 4700dn colour laser printer.

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.*

Addendum: At the LASFS' Board of Directors meeting of February 8, 2009, the Directors accepted the proposal by Marty Cantor to take over *De Profundis* as his own fanzine, or as one of them, and he will be assuming the entire cost of production. Marty Cantor has promised to use his 5+ years experience of running *De Prof* as a guide to pubbing the zine as the *unofficial* newsletter of the society. The proposal was put to the Board because the Board had previously indicated that costs were dictating the discontinuance of the zine. As of this issue, *De Prof* will be available on paper solely at cost: currently 55¢. Mailed copies, domestically, will be \$1.00. Subscriptions will be accepted; however, as prices are set at cost of production, there will be no discounts for long-term subs.

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LASFS OFFICERS

Elected Procedural Officers July - December, 2010

President: Arlene Satin **Vice-President:** Greg Bilan. **Scribe:** Karl Lembke. **Treasurer:** (elected in mid-year, serves for full year) Elayne Pelz. **Registrar:** Michelle Pincus.

Board of Directors

Chairman: Karl Lembke (2012). **Vice-Chairman:** Merlin R. "Bob" Null (2012).. **Comptroller:** Christian McGuire (2011). **Secretary:** Marty Cantor (2012). **Other members:** Marsha Minsky (2012), Elayne Pelz (2011), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2011), Arlene Satin (2010), Milt Stevens, (2010), Mike Thorsen (2010), Darnell Coleman (2011). **Special Advisor:** Charles Lee Jackson II. **Advisors:** Forrest J Ackerman, Walt Daugherty, Len & June Moffatt, and Fred Patten.

Official Committees

De Profundis Editor, Speaker to Gestetner, LASFAPA/APA-L Liaison: Marty Cantor. **Librarian:** Whiskey. **Assistant Librarians:** Elayne Pelz, Darnell Coleman. **Committee to Gouge Money from the LASFS:** C.B. McGuire, Elayne Pelz. **** Eulogist, Public Relations, Video Collection Curator, Film Coord. Committee, & Party Rabbi:** Charles Lee Jackson II. **Assistant Video Curator:** Tom Khamis. **Asian Affairs Desk:** Brett Achorn. **Key Control:** Bob Null, Elayne Pelz, Christian McGuire. **Webmaster - <<http://lasfsinc.info>>:** Barry Gold. **Webmaster Assistant:** Lee Gold. **Sysadmin:** Chaz Baden. **Ministry of Silly Gavel:** Bob Null. **** Committee for Children's Literature:** Anne Morrel, **Editor. Computers & LASFS Archives:** Bob Null. **LASFS Historian:** Fred Patten. **Westercon Liaison:** Christian McGuire. **Program:** Charles Lee Jackson II.

Honorary Officers

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

CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

If there is an X in this space, your sub has run out ____

(complete minutes are supposed to be filed in the LASFS' files and can be read there - also at www.lasfsinc.info)

Meeting #3790, April 1, 2010 President Christian McGuire, presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

To a cry of fool me once, shame on you, bring me to a LASFS meeting, shame on me, meeting 3790 made fools of us all at 20:05:05

Brad Linaweaver announced his friend Jesse Marie Campbell, editor of Mondo Cult, has been made editor of the new Famous Monsters of Filmland. Brad is writing a piece on Forry for the first issue. He and two other members will be popping up in future issues. And since it's not online, pop-up blockers won't work. (*Well, there is a ways Whack-A-Mole.* - ed.)

Special Orders of Business: Last week our guest speaker, Len Wein, spoke of some of those he had worked with and one he considered his mentor – artist and editor Dick Giordano. He has passed. He was given a moment of silence –

The **Menace** were read and accepted as “The most perfect minutes ever read in the club. (April fool!)”.

Patron Saint, Sue Haseltine: Marty said she was a

Bob Null information on page 9

very good librarian for the club. Joe Zeff says she eventually married Mike Frank. (The brother of the guy we threw out – Milt) Matthew Tepper notes they worked at System Development Corp. at the same time.

Hare: one reason we're not sure if Michael Mason was the longest serving librarian is that she may have served longer – or maybe not. Sue Haseltine was given three cheers and a new book donation.

The **Registrar** announced we had Brad Linaweaver show up briefly

There was **New Business**: We have a motion. This motion reads:

“We, the undersigned, move to ban, prohibit, omit, and bar the topic of global climate change for 99 years or a 4° degree Celsius change up or down or the imminent submersion of the LASFS clubhouse.”

It was moved and seconded that the motion be tabled until meeting 3700. It carried.

Committee Reports: Matthew Tepper reported on an area book store. A couple of weekends ago, he attended the paperback collectors show and sale in Mission Hills. There were many displays, many dealers, many genres, and lots and lots of books. He bought some, got an autograph, and ate in the terrible restaurant attached to the building.

Also, Sam Johnson's in Venice, at 12310 Venice Blvd, near Centinela. They are a bit antiquarian, have a decent selection of quality hardcovers in SF and Mystery, As a general bookstore, they have a nice selection. It's a nice store and well worth visiting.

Next Thursday night, we won't have the President to kick around any longer. We can, I suppose, impeach him. (Impeaching's too good for him. Throw him out!) *(His constant creebing about the members not impeaching him calls for punishment. The best punishment of which I can think is to keep him in office. - ed.)*

Reviews: Darnell Coleman read *Inferno*, and has started on *Escape from Hell*. From the perspective of a minister, it turns out to be very good, which surprised him. (You son of a bitch! – Jerry Pournelle) He highly recommends it. If people like CS Lewis, they should like these too.

Jerry Pournelle: First Things has a decent review from a Catholic point of view, and they liked it.

Tim T is reading the First Law Trilogy. Before They Are Hanged, and the Last Argument of Kings. It's good, and has very engaging characters. The character one identifies with the most is the Torturer. It's a hard-boiled fantasy series.

Hare Hobbs has finished reading *Hastur Lord*, the book

MZB was writing when she died. It's post-Planet Wreckers. It fills in some of the events that got left out of the rest of the timeline. It's a lot of fun, and enjoyable.

George Mulligan had the fortune to attend a performance of an Agatha Christie play, *The Hollow*. (Long Beach Playhouse). Wonderful theater. The play was well done, too.

CLJII read a book, *The Insidious Dr. Fu Manchu*. It's clumsily constructed but quite a page turner. Sax Rohmer hasn't quite worked out the characterization of the doctor yet. If you were to soak the book in bleach, the prose would be purple, but it's extremely entertaining. Also read a book, *The Oregon Trail*, from the 19th century. It's a first-hand account of a guy wandering the Oregon Trail and dealing with the Indians. The relevance here is contact with an alien species. *(Oh? The author visited LASFS? - ed.)*

Darnell Coleman reported the library has 26 books acquired in the last three months. *(Poppycock! Anybody who reads this rag knows that the library probably acquired at least 5 times that number - I list them near the end of each ish. - ed.)*

Misc.: We have a miscellaneous auction. We auctioned off miscellaneous stuff

Nick Smith announced this is the 53rd anniversary of one of the most fannish pranks played; on 4/1/ 57 BBC announced the spaghetti plantations of Switzerland, telling of genetic engineering of spaghetti plants so the strands are of uniform size. The documentary showed people harvesting the strands of spaghetti and people enjoying the fresh-picked spaghetti.

Arlene Satin announced the Getty Museum has a display of Leonardo Da Vinci sculptures .

Scott Beckstead moved ToPekaThat For You.

Frank Waller has absolutely nothing to say. *(And he said it over and over. - ed.)*

Arlene moved to go screaming into the night. It carried. Good night at 21:03:42

Meeting #3791, April 8, 2010
Vice-President Rob Powell, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

It's time for Meeting 3791. Easter has come and gone, and any yet undiscovered eggs will make their presence known at 20:18:16

Special Orders of Business: We have a condolence card for the family of Roy Test, Jr. Please sign it.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as “I withdraw mine”.

Patron Saint, Chuck Donahue: Hare Hobbs: Up Chuck Donahue was one of the two people for whom the ban on clothing reviews was made. MaryAnn Canfield: he's a hell of a Hell player. Milt Stevens: when he was president, he was one of the presidents who had a coronation. At least it wasn't a coronary.

Michelle Pincus: He's an anime fan. Joe Zeff: He's a former Marine, and he was one of our more popular presidents. Hare Hobbs: He was one of those people who volunteered a lot, and worked very hard and burnt out fast.

Matthew Tepper: Back then, we had a meat freezer where the soda machine is now. He had a cute girlfriend who would sit atop the freezer with her legs crossed and drive Matthew to distraction. Scratch: He gave us money. Chuck Donahue was given three cheers and a no two bid.

Patron Saint, Tom Stern: Hare: Tom who helped his sister through a very bad period. Ed Hooper: He gave us money. Karl Lembke: He's quite the collector of Disneyana. Tom Stern was given three cheers and a mighty bow and a Mickey Mouse watch.

Registrar Michelle declared, "We had a guest, but he escaped."

Treasury: we have money, and we can't spend it.

Committee Reports: Karen Anderson, our **Science Monitor**, rose to give us a moment of science. Today's topic: loss of large amounts of skin, as in burns. A method has been found for spraying skin cells onto a wound, which has healed the entire wound in two weeks, instead of five for ungrafted wounds. The process is similar to inkjet printing. First they get the image of the size and shape of the wound, and then the cells are sprayed right where needed.

In the absence of any gougers, we did not have a committee to gouge. Pay Elayne money anyway – cut out the middleman.

Time-Bound Announcements: Milt Stevens announced John Hertz won DUFF. He'll be going to Australia. And coming back.

Hugo nominations appeared, with Frederik Pohl nominated for best fan writer. Nominated for his blog, or perhaps for his ProFanItY.

Fannish committee Reports: Hare Hobbs reported he may be in a scientific journal, on account of his brain scan. (*You mean that they found one?* - ed.) Yes, he has dyslexia, and a few other problems as well. Years later, he was diagnosed as autistic. Maybe his problem was all due to autism all along.

Reviews: John DeChancie reviewed a movie he's in – *The Boneyard Collection*. There's a bunch of stars in it, as well as Forry Ackerman. He reviewed his performance. He was terrific. The other important item: this film will

be shown at the Cannes film festival in their exploitation category, on account of the naked women in it. It's on DVD.

Ed Hooper reviewed the first and maybe only Star Wars horror novel. It involves zombies. Flesh-eating zombies. And involves two characters we know and love. The empire's doing experiments, and gets it wrong.

The meeting paused because Dr. Pournelle had a screw loose.

Misc.: Ed Hooper received an email from Tor.com – found a Bill Rotsler comic on their website, for their 30th or 40th anniversary.

Doug Crepeau thinks a new brown dwarf was discovered near the Earth. (*It is not yet a member of LASFS.* –ed.)

Charlie moved to adjourn to the program. It carried at 21:20:59.

Meeting #3792, April 15, 2010
Christian McGuire, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

It's tax day, and time to audit Meeting #3792. at 20:13:13.

Special Orders of Business: We have a condolence card for the family of Roy Test, Jr. Please sign it.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as "Scanners live in Hare's brain".

Patron Saint, Elliott Weinstein: (Dr Elst) - Christian began: he met Elst on his second Worldcon – Nolacon. Didn't know from spending a week in Nawlins. Next to the hotel was a place he never heard of – Popeye's Chicken. The one meal he didn't eat in there was when he was caught up by a crowd heading to McDonalds for an Award Ceremony. It was his first Hogu Award Ceremony. Matthew Tepper said that his friendship with Elst goes back to 1971 when he had just joined LASFS. He turned out to have a warped and twisted sense of humor. He had built a religion around a comic character named Herbie Popnecker. His inventions turned out to be quite funny. They have spent much time together. He's a pediatrician, and an all-round great person. A highlight of Loscon is always the wine and cheese party he and his wife put on.

Milt notes he founded APA-H. It was an APA for people who didn't exist, and headed SF hoaxsters of America. He ran Hogu and Black Hole awards. He founded Friends of Klingon because he could sell memberships. At a Star Trek convention. Rick Foss: When Elst became a doctor, the world lost an excellent comedian. At one Nolacon, they said, if only we had an Org chart, he offered to make one up. In three minutes, he had a roomful of angry people calmed down and laughing. Hare Hobbs: He was clever enough to make up his own religion, and didn't try to convert people to it.

CLJII: When he first met Elst, he took an instant dislike and distrust to him, on account of his match to the Gold-finger's appearance. Fortunately, Elst was inherently likeable, and quickly overcame this initial resistance. Joe Zeff: Years ago at a Loscon, one of the staff got injured by doing something stupid with a knife and a tub of ice cream. (*That is what happens when you do not read the Kama Sutra in the original language.* - ed.) Elst was called over to render first aid. He noted that being a pediatrician, it was strange to work on a patient with hair on his arm.

Matthew Tepper told of one Loscon, he came up with a big grin on his face, and wanted to show Matthew something in the trunk of his car. In the trunk was some beautiful government bonds from Russia. The maturity date was November 1917. Milt: Elst and Mike Glycer invented the Hogus, because the Hugo banquets were too expensive at \$20/pop. Fans decided to have a Ranquet at a McDonalds, and needed an award to go with the Ranquet. Thus, the Hogu. Scratch: One reason for the production of the Ranquet was on account of the 1966 Westercon Bouncing Potatoes experience. Elliott Weinstein was given three cheers and a reasonably clean butter knife.

The **Registrar** announced that she whacks back. "I should know", says Frank Waller She then introduced Diane Kepler.

Time Bound Announcements: Rick Foss has a story in Analog, called "At Last the Sun", on the subject of the viability of life at the anaerobic bottom of the ocean.

Treasury: we have money, and we can't spend it.

Committee Reports: Arlene Satin reported on the Neverending Panel. Next week's subjects" Eric Hoffman guests, CLJII moderates. Horror Films we loved and loathed, B movies with SF, and What Makes a Good Monster?

If you haven't been to the website, the collaborative panel is up and running. Jerry, Larry, and Steven did a wonderful job on it. Vladimir Kilosov is very funny.

WesterChord = Westercon 63 and ConChord 23 at the Pasadena Hilton over July 4 weekend. To join, give Elayne money.

We then had the big auction. Pay Elayne.

And... We're mentioned as a club in the N3F mag.

Reviews: CLJII reviewed a fine can. It used to contain Cherry Crush, with a picture of an orange on the label. Also, something he'd heard talked up, but no ads for it – a naked sandwich from KFC – bacon and cheese between two pieces of chicken. It's not a hoax. And now, kosher coke is available – has been for weeks. He bought out the

Christian reviewed the book by China Mieville, *Un Lun Dun*, a story of a couple of little girls who discover they have a Destiny in the Un Lon Dun – the universe just next door, where things are very strange. Trash is animate and you can make a pet out of it. The villain is sentient smog, thrown out of our world. Highly recommended.

Misc.: Hare Hobbs misced about now being employed. And there was much rejoicing. He's working at a place called Leap. They go around to elementary schools and help kids put on plays, and they're going to teach Hare how to use the mixing board.

CLJII misced that due to unforeseen circumstances, he has ten liters of coke around which he can't get home. He got two volunteer s.

Frank Waller has absolutely nothing to say, and there was much rejoicing.

Hare Hobbs says he was hired to be around elementary school kids. Shock! (*I expect that he will blend right in.* - ed.)

Michelle Pincus demanded to be acknowledged. She has had the top bid for the chairmanship for Lostcon. It will be taking place on the 13th day of the 13th month of the 13th year. Hotel choices are the Escher Hotel or the Tucker Hotel. We're in negotiations with both. And we had a member.

Christian apologized for his choice of auction items. We forgave him, but not enough to impeach him. There will be another auction some time.

Tim Trzepacz said neverending panel needs two TV monitors. Gizmo offered the use of two monitors.

Scratch moved to adjourn to run into the night. It carried at 21:34:45

Meeting #3793, April 22, 2010
Christian McGuire, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

Happy Earth Day!

In honor of Earth Day, we opened a thoroughly recyclable Meeting, #3793, at 20:08:53.

Special Orders of Business: Matthew Tepper announced the passing of artist John Schoenherr, of Analog fame, at age 74 from pulmonary problems.

CLJII announced we've lost Carl Macek, boss of Fred Patten at Streamline Pictures, and was active in the anime field.

George Scithers, longtime SF and fantasy fan, and former editor of *Amazing Stories* and *Weird Tales* died April 19, 2010 from a heart attack. Milt notes Scithers was World-

<p>Lafa (Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)</p>
<p>Lafa info: Barry & Lee Gold: (310) 306-7456</p>
<p>Note: There will be no Lafa filk in July. Come to ConChord instead. ConChord has been combined with Westercon on the July 4 weekend:</p>

con chairman in 1963, won Hugos for best fanzine, then a couple more for prozines. He was a longtime member of an apa called the Cult. Marty Cantor notes he was a regularly attending LASFS member for a while. He was in this building in its early days. He was a member of bay area fandom when he worked at Livermore. He put out a fanzine there, Amra.

For these worthies we had a long moment of silence.

We have a quick item from the Board. Bond has an announcement. We have a plan, and we need help from the members. In order to pay for wireless for the club, they want to put out an interactive map of neat places in SF and fantasy. If we can get people to submit a short list of places of interest to SF and fantasy, it will go into an interactive map to be sold by the Neverending Panel. An information form was handed out, and will be available on the LASFS website and the Neverending Panel website.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as “not only merely read, they’re really most sincerely read”.

The **Registrar** brought forth green cards. We had Steve Roberts at the neverending panel, but he escaped.

Patron Saint, Stan Burns: Scratch said historically, he gave us money. Milt: when he first showed up, he was doing a study for a class. He stuck around after the class was over, and has done photography at LOSCONs. He lives way to the east, and it’s a hell of a commute. MBT: He was a regular and welcome attendee in the early 70s, and these days he has been working repairing video recording devices.

CLJII: Some members of the LASFS see him when he goes to parties to which he’s been invited. It’s always good to see him, and he pals around with Bill Warren. John DeChancie tapped against the file cabinet, distracting the President. Stan Burns was given three cheers and a hundred rolls of Kodachrome before it goes bad.

Committee Reports: Michelle Pincus reported on LostCon. Memberships are \$20. For \$25, you can select a panel or activity. For \$30, you can be a panelist. For \$40, you can be a GOH. Memberships are concurrent. If you want to chair, she can be outbid.

Fannish committee Reports: Tom Safer notes customers were sitting down for an evening meal. AT the

same time the delivery man was dropping off the meat for the day. The owner couldn’t pay the tab. The person tried to collect by taking back the meat he had delivered. Then he took meat being marinated and about to be served. Then he started repossessing meat from people’s plates.

Karen Anderson had a **science report**. From the LATimes – “secrecy around a small space plane fuels speculation” It’s not that secret. It’s the X 37B orbital test vehicle. Scheduled to take off at 5:37. It’s a robotic space plane, launched from an Atlas 5 rocket. It’s expected to be the first user of the Vandenberg Shuttle Strip. It’ll have solar cells so it’s communication equipment will work.

Matthew Tepper moved we run squealing to the program. This carried at 21:17:44.

Meeting #3794, April 29, 2010
Mary Ann Canfield, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

April is the cruelest month.

Welcome to the last day of the cruelty we call meeting #3794 at 20:22:55.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as “When shigs fly”.

Patron Saint, Bill Warren: Janis Olson, in an homage to Scratch, noted he gave us money. Hare rose to talk up his new book, “Keep Watching the Skies”, an excellent book about all the 50’s SF movies. It’s over 1000 pages, coffee-table sized pages, too. Marty: in 1975, Bill was lord high janitor. When we moved up to Burbank Blvd, he stopped coming. His wife worked for the LAPD, retired. Bill has had some stents installed, so he’s not the mover and shaker he once was. CLJII notes Bill Warren is from this little town on the Oreg on coast. He literally had to go to the next town to see movies. He came to LA and worked with Forry Ackerman for quite a long time, and in the 60s, CLJII called the Ackermansion, Bill Warren answered, invited Charlie to the LASFS meeting that night, and the rest was hysteria. Part of the reason for his not showing up was that he got to be on so many screening lists, his choice was to see a SF movie, or see a good movie, or go to LASFS. Guess what won?

Marty Cantor thought we should mention, up until Bill Rotsler died, he was working with Bill Warren on a video for a French publication. Rotsler did the photography, and Warren did just about everything else. They got along very well, and Bill Rotsler turned out to be irreplaceable – the chemistry with any replacements just didn’t work. Bill Warren was given three cheers, and a golden ticket!

The **Registrar** waved green cards at the meeting. She introduced: Heather R, of Tarzana, visiting because she

didn't have anything else to do tonight: Jane Shetsov, heard about us from the Festival of Books, wanting to socialize outside of school: and, Zan Overall, a musician who came here on someone's recommendation, and had a word for the club. (*But he must have lost the word on the way here as Karl did not record the word.* - ed.)

Committee Reports: Michelle announced for Lost-Con – We have two members so far, and we have a dealer for the dealer's room. Virtually the best convention you can imagine!

CLJII rose to speak about programs. He doesn't have the schedule yet, partially because authors are so bad at getting back to him. In the mean time, the purpose of the LASFS is to extract money from you in an amusing way. He runs a serial chapter before each meeting. We're going to allow one or two people to select what the new serial will be – bidding is open.

The winning bid, of \$5, was for the category of “Alien Encounters” Next week, “The List”.

Fannish Committee Reports: Marcia Minsky announced the committee to take care of Judy Zeff reports Judy has been taken to a skilled nursing facility in Ojai, and it looks like she's there to stay. Also, those who have written on her facebook wall – thank you.

Doug: The Japanese Space Agency announced it's launching a space yacht – a small solar sail.

Scott Beckstead moved we run to the program. This carried at 21:11:37

***Board of Directors meeting
April 11, 2010
Karl Lembke, Chairman
Marty Cantor, Secretary***

Board Members in attendance: Karl Lembke, Darnell Coleman, Mike Thorsen, Bob Null, Arlene Satin, Milt Stevens, Elayne Pelz, Marcia Minsky, Christian McGuire (excused absence), Rob Powell, Marty Cantor.

Members and Guests: Tim Trzepacs, Jeni Burr, Len Moffatt, June Moffatt, Greg Bilan, Jeni Burr, Dave Willis, Bond Halbert, Don Wenner, Lee Gold, Barry Gold, Eytan Kollin, Heide Nicolls, Michelle Pincus, Frank Waller, Joan Stewart, Tony Benoun, Sherri Benoun, Giovanna Brantley, Ed Hooper.

Called to order: The meeting was called to order at 11:10 am.

Opening Remarks: There were none, this time.

Minutes: The March minutes were accepted as presented.

New Members: There were three new members who had paid their application fee to join the society: Peter Brothers, Uriah Carr, Rob Myers. All three were accepted unanimously.

Treasurer: There is money on hand with a large drop in the amount due to our new air conditioning units. See the treasurer for details.

**30 Second Reports
(Board Members)**

Chairman (Karl Lembke): .Nothing much to report

Vice Chairman (Bob Null): The club computer is fine. Also, nobody showed up on time for the work party. Elayne mentioned that one person turned up later, after Bob had left.

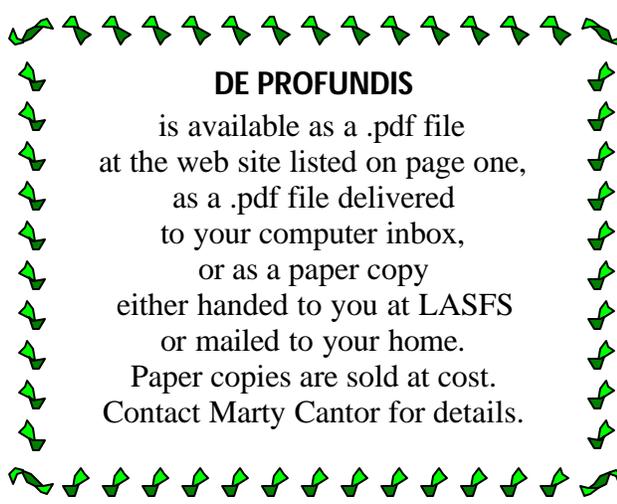
Secretary (Marty Cantor): There was nothing to report.

Comptroller (Christian McGuire): Christian is at a convention.

Library (Darnell Coleman): Darnell was not here at the first call for his report but he gave his report after he got to the meeting. Elayne mentioned that the Hugo nominees are being acquired. Darnell mentioned that all magazines before 2000 are going into our storage locker. Karl read from an e-mail posting sent to him from Charlie Jackson, our Video Curator: “I've been buying DVDs at discount to save money. Among the recent acquisitions are titles like *Goliath and the Dragon* and *Danger: Diabolik*. I have been sorting through the Ackerman archive boxes, and am now 20% through the process. As Programming, I am trying to get in touch with locals among the Hugo nominees for visits to the club in May and July.”

Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz): The New air conditioner is here. The new Thermostat is a problem to operate (as it is different from the old one) so we will have to look at the instruction booklet to figure it out. Also, there will be a new maintenance contract with a 10-year warrantee.

AV Equipment (Robert Powell): There is no change on the new bulb being reported being dim even though, on checking, it does not seem to be so.



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Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen):
Soda units sold: 15260 to date, 319 this period.
Soda money: \$1034.00 to date, \$293.25 this period.
Paper goods & cleaning supplies are okay and
no new supplies of this kind are needed at the
present time.

Publications (Milt Stevens): .I received a request for certain APA-L disties for some research. The poster stopped sending e-mails before the conversation was finished. // Photoshop Elements will do a good job in making Dik Daniels photos look better. // Marty mentioned that there will be a one-issue, new layout for *De Profundis* with page one, instead of being the calendar and its information (which will be put on page two for this issue) will be a full-page advertisement for the LASFS goods at Zazzle.com. // Barry said the new photos were now up at our web site. Also, please report web problems to the webmaster. And he is now moving the bulletin board to the main web site. We now have an increase in web space at no additional cost from 1 gig to 15 gig. Lee mentioned people keep identifying unknown people on Daniels' photos.

Events (Marcia Minsky): .Nothing on my plate at the moment. Heide suggested a few things for LOSCON but this is Scott Beckstead's responsibility, not Marcia's, and things have not yet been set.

Fundraising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin): Arlene is working on the ad for Zazzle.com for *De Profundis*. She needs Zazzle display material for the display we have at IMAX. There is good art at the Zazzle.com site.

(Significant Others)

Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin): We had

two events at the Irvine IMAX theater this past month and we are being invited back to this Irvine theatre. We are looking to see if there are local theatres which will allow us to put a table in their lobbies. // Rich Moyer/animation discussion - Arlene has a proposal from him - a storyboard. This advertises us but gives exposure for him. /*/ The West Hollywood Book Fair is coming up, soon. We will need volunteers for this - and a budget. Rob said there were equipment issues last year and he wanted Arlene to remind him of which ones they were so that we can proactively take care of them this year.

Club President (Christian McGuire): Christian was not here; however, as Karl took the minutes of that meeting, he reported that the proposal to not allow discussion of Global Warming at the Thursday meeting was tabled until the 3700th meeting, effectively killing it. Also, at this time Karl welcomed LASFS' Special Advisors, Len and June Moffatt.

Agenda Items:

Neverending Wireless (Arlene Satin). Bond presented two different ideas for the site & Eytan added to it. Firstly, he wants to ask for an internet connection at the club. Permission was needed to request help for a map of science fiction related sites in our area and also asking for permission (on their web site) to request donations to pay for the internet connection. All dollar donations will go into the internet connection charges, with no monies going to neverendingpanel.com. Elayne pointed out that there is no phone connection to the back building and suggested two years of internet rent before it starts. Eytan said if the map does not sell, they would cut off the project. Bond wants a cable line as a phone line is not good enough. Marty pointed out that he will give ad space mention in *De Prof*. Bond also wants to run one panel at a regular Thursday meeting but Marty pointed out that Charlie Jackson is the person to take care of this as it is a programme item which is handled by him in conjunction with the Procedural President and is not a Board matter. Rob requested a formal proposal with details and this was the sense of the Board members. Rob made a motion about the internet proposal including how it will keep going, monetarily. We do not want the club to have to spend any money on this. There was an in-depth discussion of this proposal. The motion was seconded but it was not brought up for a vote.

Gaming Group (Michele Pincus): A D&D group

would like to meet here every Friday night, with the D&Ders joining the club as regular members. The Fridays would be open to everybody like now. The issue really is, should we open every Friday night for all club members as we used to do but stopped doing this, considering the cost of opening the club. Elayne said that it really should not be an issue as this was a service to members as more members wanted this social activity. Michelle mentioned that she could collect dues. Arlene mentioned that we are just proposing to go back to the way it was. Elayne moved that the club be opened every Friday evening for social activities and this was passed. Dave Willis thanked the club for the way the Board is running things. Milt brought up the possibility of moving Thursday night meetings to Friday nights but there was little follow-up discussion of this.

There was also a discussion of bringing back renters. Elayne said that some regular groups of club members are now paying some rent after 6 months of free rent, but there is no chance of renting the clubhouse to outside renters.

Open Forum: .

Elayne said we had a proposal costing \$1800 to rewire the front building so that all electrical items can be run at the same time without blowing circuits. Moved, seconded, and passed with one abstention.

The next meeting will be on June 13.

Marty requested permission to open the May Second Sunday Open House at Noon instead of the usual 2 pm and this was passed. There was some discussion of there being no need for these requests for when there is no Board meeting on that day but both Marty and many Board members felt that making the request was a Good Thing.

Take-Aways:

- WesterChord meeting 5/2/10 at clubhouse.
- Arlene – link exchange.
- Marcia Minsky will programme the new thermostats for both buildings.
- Marty will put Zazzle.com ad into *De Prof.*
- Bulletin board is changing domain.
- Karl will mention to Christian to put before the club the map need for cool sites.
- Rob will ramrod the cleaning of Monstro.
- Elayne is doing electrical.
- Heide wants us to respect code of conduct signs that will be put up around the club.

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Adjournment: The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary

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. Reading books, whatta concept...)

Iron Man 2	Irvine, Alexander
Haze	Modesitt, Jr. L.E.
Silver Surfer: Requiem	Straczynski, J. Michael & Ribic, Esad
Spectrum 7	Fenner, Cathy & Fenner, Arnie
Spectrum 8	Fenner, Cathy & Fenner, Arnie
Frank Collection, The	Frank, Jane & Frank, Howard
Dogs in the Moonlight	Lake, Jay
Griffin's Shadow	Moore, Leslie Ann
Decoding the Heavens	Marchant, Jo

LATE BREAKING NEWS

Bob Null, ill with various cancers for seven years, died at the Kaiser Permanente Hospital in Panorama City the evening of June 21.

Bob was a member of the LASFS Board of Directors and had served as Vice-President for 20 6-month terms. It was truly said of Bob that when he stopped being Vice-President the job had to be filled by multiple people as the job had grown too big for anybody except Bob.

FUNERAL INFORMATION

Date: Wednesday, June 30.
 Location: Pierce Brothers Valhalla Memorial Park & Mortuary, 10621 Victory Blvd., No. Hollywood, CA 91606.
 Chapel Service at 11:00 am, followed by a short graveside farewell.
 These services will be followed by a luncheon at the Dimashkieh residence, 4202 Beeman Avenue, Studio City. (818) 795-3949.

Bob Null information on page 9

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