



JUNE 2012

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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
 D.I.G. = Developer Interest Group = 7 PM

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
 DIG—7:30 pm
 FWEMS - A Tribute to Space Patrol (TV show)

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

JUNE 7 - Video Quark
JUNE 14 - Procedural Elections
JUNE 21 - **BIG** Auction
JUNE 28 - LASFS Limber-Up Workout

programme items subject to change without notice)

Updated programme information can be found at this web site:
http://www.lasfsinc.info///index.php?option=com_events&Itemid=185



DE PROFUNDIS - the unofficial newsletter of LASFS

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De Profundis 472– June 2012. Publisher and Editor: **Marty Cantor**.

De Profundis is the unofficial newsletter of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society (6012 Tyrone Ave., Van Nuys, CA, USA). The LASFS' telephone number is: (818) 904-9544 . 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 January - June, 2012

President: Marcia Minsky. **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:** Christian McGuire (2014).. **Comptroller:** Bill Ellem (2013). **Secretary:** Marty Cantor (2012). **Other members:** Marcia Minsky (2012), Warren "Whiskey" Johnson (2012) Elayne Pelz (2014), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2014), Arlene Satin (2013), Mike Thorsen (2012), Eylat Poliner (2014).. **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:** Christian McGuire. **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:** Elayne Pelz, Christian McGuire. **Webmaster - <<http://lasfsinc.info>>:** Barry Gold. **Webmaster Assistant:** Lee Gold. **Sysadmin:** Chaz Baden. **Committee for Children's Literature:** Anne Morrel, **Editor. Computers & LASFS Archivist:** Christian McGuire. **LASFS Historian:** Fred Patten. **Westercon Liaison:** Christian McGuire. **Program:** Arlene Satin. **Hall Decoration:** C.B. McGuire, Charles Lee Jackson II. **Cat Liaison:** Don Wenner.

Honorary Officers

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

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

Meeting 3892, March 15, 2012 President Marcia Minsky, President Karl Lembke, Scribe

President Marcia Minsky called meeting #3892 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society to order at 20:03.

Special Orders of Business: Charlie Jackson, II announced fan Don Markstein has passed.

Robin Johnson, living in Tasmania, is himself OK, but at the beginning of the year, his wife was discovered to have metastasized cancer. She died recently. She was not a fan, but Robin was, and even made it to the club once or twice.

For these two we had a brief moment of silence.

The **Menace** were read, and Bill Green paid \$2.25 to name them "The Ides of March have come".

Patron Saint Gavin Claypool was honored. Eylat said Gavin is a very good Hell player, and keeps track of who owes what and how, sells DVDs, and is a really good person who has helped many of us move. **Matthew Tepper:** When Allan Rothstein was alive, Gavin was one of those who looked after him,

giving him rides to doctors' appointments when possible. On 9/11, Gavin came over to keep company with Allen and Matthew. CLJII: He's stepped up to help Charlie get home since the move. He has a good sense of humor, illustrated by occasion years ago, going to Bob for dinners including St Putregas 12/26. Late, closed off most sections. Put a chair next to everyone with a sign saying this section closed. He took the chair, carefully taking the sign and balancing it on his head for the rest of the evening.

Eylat: Gavin almost singlehandedly unpacked the Library Nick Smith has known Gavin since he was a freshman at Cal Tech. He spent many years as assistant director of a theater company, putting on many plays with fantasy themes. He's as helpful to the director, who has since retired, the way he's been helpful to fans. Hare: every time he went to Price Club, he'd see Gavin there. Maybe he lived there?

Tim Trzepacz: He does taxes for H&R Block. **Patron Saint Gavin Claypool** was given three cheers and a law against streaming video.

Registrar Michelle announced we have a guest. Joshua J Cordasco, "Fiasco". Learned about us from Interwebs. Wanted to meet like minded readers and writers of SF.

Science Monitor David Okamura had one thing to bring up. Last month, two 747s moved to Mojave airport, where they won't fly again. Mothballed aircraft are often stored there, but these two are being cannibalized for the StatoLifter project, the mega lifter to launch a Falcon 9 rocket. The prototype is being called "The Roc".

Committee Reports: Arlene committed. We have formed a group on GoodReads – a library online. Mark down what books you've read and which you'd like to read. www.goodreads.com/lasfs. When we have author program guests, we can mention this on GoodReads.

Eylat Poliner reported we are having a Mah Jongg tournament. There will be a flier next week. It will be on an EZ day, June 2nd, starting at 9. Rules will be posted. We hope for a large turnout.

Announcements: Hare announced the Next Chapter bookstore has 8 copies of Bram Stoker's Dracula, heavily illustrated. \$20, because of its rarity.

Reviews: Nick Smith reviewed the play Geeks the Musical. One of our club members composed the music, Ruth Judkowitz. Writer of libretto did mix

time periods, so a lot of fans are 70s ad 80s stereotypes in modern times at SD Comicon. Still playing tomorrow and Saturday night, at St Stevens church complex.

Jerry Pournelle has a comment: If you plan to visit Forest Lawn, read *The Loved One* by Evelyn Waugh before going. If you've read that book and then go to Forest Lawn, you'll understand why. The book discussed last week has been half read. If you like steampunk, it's recommended. He's done his history and done a good job of constructing an alternate history that diverges at the Peloponnesian war. It's really steampunk, and it's really alternate history. It's quite readable, but not compelling enough to pull him away from urgent errands.

Hare: read *Bone Shaker* by Cherry Price and enjoyed it a lot. A machine drilling for gold releases a gas that turns everyone in the area into zombies. (I hate when that happens.)

Tim Trzepacz reviewed John Scalzi's *Old Man's War*. Didn't realize he'd read the book in one day. It's that good

We adjourned to the program at 21:06.

Meeting 3893, March 22, 2012
President Marcia Minsky, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

President Marcia Minsky called meeting #3893 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society to order at 20:09. Tonight, on account of the auction, we're on Agenda Light.

Special Orders of Business: Charlie Jackson, II announced some: The one that was forgotten last week, Peter Bergman, who was one of the guiding geniuses behind Firesign Theater. He also did *J Men Forever*, among other things. He was at Loscon last year, on a panel called "What humor is". Humor is like pornography. You know it when it makes you laugh.

Gene DeWeese, wrote novels, collaborated, and wrote a couple of Man from UNCLE novels. (*He also collaborated in writing novels with Buck Coulson whose widow, Juanita, is (as of this writing) running for DUFF.* - ed.)

For these two, we observed a moment of silence.

The **Menace** were read, and Matthew Tepper paid \$2 to name them "Soma."

Patron Saint Dan Deckert was honored. Matthew Tepper: Dan's a LASFS member going back to the 70s. May be one of the few who knew his sister before meeting him. He was an early President of the LASFS. Good fellow, genial, HAM radio operator, married to Danise who is also a HAM radio operator. He works as a manager in retail and keeps in touch on Facebook. Marty Cantor: When Dan started in the 70s, he worked at Hughes Air Craft and worked on tow missile development. He wrote very interesting APA-L zines but also did drawings, but his space ships looked like they were made of wood. Doug Crepeau: Dan was up for a security clearance review, and worried about the effect his membership at LASFS would affect it. The reviewer was Doug's brother, also a LASFS member.

Joe Zeff: Dan was publishing weekly in APA-L, Entropy N, which he kept up until N=500. Christian: He was a great person to work with on conventions. Personally had him working with him on Loscon 19. Marty Cantor: While president, Dan developed the "all in favor say aye, all opposed say aye, the ayes have it" voting style. **Patron Saint Dan Deckert** was given three cheers and a wooden space ship.

The Committee to Gouge auctioned off a lot of stuff, including an officially empty bottle of mead for \$34.

Registrar Michelle announced no guests tonight.

Committee Reports: Arlene reminded one and all of the web address to GoodReads. Go ahead and join up and start reviewing books. We've got 34 members, not all from our clubhouse.

David Okamura mentioned that neutrinos still travel below light speed. But Fermilab is using pulsed neutrinos to transmit data through a mile of rock. But the transmission rate is slow, about 1 baud. The LHC has hit 4 TeV. Collisions will begin in April. By 2014, they hope to reach 7 TeV. Lawrence Livermore has blasted a target with 411 TW of lasers of laser light. They hope to reach break-even by year's end.

CLJII: heard we're soon to face a helium shortage. Charlie has offered to make helium from hydrogen.

Christian announced we have brand new Loscon postcards. Art by Alan White. We will have bookmarks soon.

Shin reported on Wondercon. He's donating four graphic novels to the LASFS.

We adjourned at 21:33.

Meeting 3894, March 29, 2012
President Marcia Minsky, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

President Marcia Minsky called meeting #3894 of the LASFS to order at 20:11. Tonight, on account of the program, we're on Agenda Extra Light.

Special Orders of Business: Charlie Jackson, II announced some special orders.

Marcia Minsky thanked one and all for their participation in the Housewarming part deux. It was lovely, with several dozen people. Thanks to CLJII for putting it together, to Eylat for coordinating potluck.

Marty Cantor announced that Fred Patten got here, even in the rain, and has now been to the clubhouse. He also invited the Null family. Richard couldn't make it, but a whole bunch of other members showed up. We hosted a bupkis of Nulls. Bob's nephew, Robert Merlin Null, had a hand in creating a computer game, given to the club by the family. Dungeon Siege III. CLJII announced that the Null family was quite pleased that we still have a Null Space.

Shifting gears, AI researcher David Waltz passed away. (*I am glad that he shifted gears before he passed away.* - ed.) He had degrees from MIT, and worked on AI, and was President of AAAI.

Also, Catherine Daugherty, fan, SMOF, etc. She also kept up her GoodReads list.

Peter Philips, author, *Weird Tales*, *Astounding*, *F&SF*...

We had a moment of silence for these individuals.

The **Menace** were read, and Michelle Pincus paid \$1 to name them "Slightly misleading".

Patron Saint Sue Haseltine was honored. Milt Stevens: she was our librarian for a while. Matthew Tepper: please read in standard remark about working at SDC while she was there. CLJII: Married to Mike Frank for many years. She was librarian at the Ventura building, and good at dealing with it until books overflowed physical space. Marty: Actually, she took over at the move to Burbank Blvd. Sue Haseltine was given three cheers and a Dewey decimal system.

Elayne Pelz is gathering information for the LASFS directory, beginning of April

Committee Reports: Marketing – working on a panel for West Hollywood Library, a special program dealing with Ray Bradbury's influence on SF.

Registrar Michelle announced some guests: Extra special guest, Robin Snelson, from Race Memory, Lee Valentine, who heard about us from friends, From the Housewarming, Jeff Walters, brought by Regina Reynante. And we have a new member, Leone Hankeg

We will forego Science reporting, to the great disappointment of Jim Busby.

Christian announced we have Loscon 39 post cards and book marks. See Christian for a supply. Our Guests of Honor: Vernor Vinge writer, Alan White artist, Mela Hoyt-Haden costume, and Lloyd and Yvonne Penny, fans.

LASFS was represented at Wondercon, and a lot of forms were filled out and fliers handed out.

And the committee to be really tired announced the SF outreach program to which we sent 40 boxes of books is at it again. Feel free to donate gently-used books, feel free to donate money to Christian to ship books to this event.

GoodSearch announces “GoodAPP”, what used to be their Goodsearch tool bar. They're giving away \$5000 to causes who download and try the app. Download the tool bar and install it. Contest begins 4/1, ends 4/30. Please get the word out.

The **Committee to say hello to Valentina** did so.

Bill Ellern, the **Committee to find rubber tips for folding chairs** rose to announce he's getting old. (*Bill should be the Committee to announce that he was old before everybody here was born*. - ed.) In December, he spent 4 hours raking the lawn and suffered lower back pains. He's discovered sitting in the plastic chairs relieves his back pain. We are on a campaign to replace the cloth back chairs with the new plastic ones. Because we're financially stretched at this point, we've tapered off. Donations toward new chairs will be appreciated. These chairs are available at Costco, \$30 each. If you happen to have a spare \$1000, you can buy 36 chairs with their own roly cart. Bill has put a bill in for 20 chairs, \$15 each, from a contact who deals in office supplies. Joe Zeff and Matthew Tepper requested some of the cloth chairs be left for those who can't tolerate the plastic ones. (*Seriously, we should keep ALL of the cloth chairs as we need more chairs for certain events*. - ed.)

Miscellaneous: Arlene asked all to police their areas and put their chairs against the wall.

Jerry Pournelle: Writers of the Future will be having their bash at the Wilshire Ebell theater.

Bill Ellern: anyone wanting to meet Lindsay Davis, author of the Felco Yarns, see him.

We adjourned at 20:33.

Meeting 3895, April 5, 2012
President Marcia Minsky, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

President Marcia Minsky called meeting #3895 of the LASFS to order at 20:03. Tonight, on account of tonight's program, we're on Agenda Light. Yes, it is rocket science.

Special Orders of Business: Charlie Jackson, II announced some special orders, to be handled by Marty Cantor. Marty announced the passing of Lillian Neville, widow of Kris Neville, died on January 31. The Nevilles were very active in the social and party scene, but before the time of a number of us.

Michael Workman announced that his father, Barry Workman is in the hospital, and it looks like he won't make it through the week. He is at Huntington Memorial Hospital. There's not a lot of time for a final visit. Call ahead.

The **Menace** were read, and Hare Hobbs paid \$2 to name them “Oh Wow”.

Elayne is gathering information for the LASFS directory. Not to be published in April, more likely June 1.

Also, Tom Locke has started a fund to make Chuck Crayne a pillar of the LASFS.

Patron Saint Tom Stern was honored. Michelle: he has the same rule about 3d movies she does. Don't go to see them if they weren't filmed originally in 3d. Matthew: He's a good man and true. He and his wife Marina have fled to start a restaurant in Oregon. **Patron Saint Tom Stern** was given three cheers and a Mickey Mouse Watch.

Patron Saint Chuck Donahue II was honored. Milt Stevens: He was a marine, a self-described grunt, President of the LASFS once or twice, pretty good Hell Player, Hare: He's one of two responsible for the clothing review ban at meetings. He was very active, did a lot of stuff, burned out, and we'd like him back Michelle: he's an anime fan. **Patron**

Saint Chuck Donahue was given three cheers and UP Chuck!

Registrar Michelle announced yesterday was her grandmother's 95th birthday: Mara Brener, who fit us in around her Passover shopping, Brett Herkenhoff, who heard about us from the Internet, Danica Dodds, an attorney, Franklin Paige, world's fastest texter - - - and we had three cheers for Michelle's Grandmother. That's 380 months per cheer.

Science Monitor David Okamura: we've been told to take 81 mg of aspirin per day. But aspirin causes stomach upset. After 3 years, the risk of upset goes away, but so does heart benefit. But the chance of cancer drops 25% after 3 years, and 40% after 5 years.

Swedish researchers are exploring how to use a vaccine against atherosclerosis, hopefully eliminating the cause of heart attacks. And, type II diabetes – two studies on the impact of weight reduction surgeries. Very controversial, but the Ohio study says they may be 40% effective in reversing diabetes; Italian study says 75%. This is not something to be taken lightly, though.

Reviews: Bill Ellern bought a small book, a miniature. A reprint of a book printed in 1913, "Don'ts for Wives." He read it. It's written by a woman, from a woman's point of view. It's well written, it's practical today. Only fault – there should be additional sections for abusive husbands, and how to find an appropriate divorce lawyer.

Miscellaneous: Hare Hobbs got a flier from a bunch of surfers who are trying to save the ocean. They're trying to get a law passed, no alcohol sold within 2 blocks of beaches. Surfers are getting drunk, falling off their boards, and dying. I guess two blocks' walking is enough to sober a surfer up.

Arlene: we're up to 50 members on GoodReads. Also,

Arlene asked all to police their areas and put their chairs against the wall.

Jerry Pournelle, before he forgets, wanted to mention the Nat Geo Diving into Noah's Flood. A presentation of his daughter's theories on the origins of civilization. They started in marshes, not the deserts. The program is now on You-Tube. Diving Into Noah's Flood. It's well presented, and turned the whole field upside down (so the water can drain out)?

We adjourned at 20:53.

Board of Directors meeting
March 11, 2012
Karl Lembke, Chairman
Marty Cantor, Secretary

Board Members in attendance: Karl Lembke, Mike Thorsen, Eylat Poliner, Bill Ellern, Marcia Minsky, Rob Powell, Marty Cantor, Christian McGuire, Arlene Satin, and Elayne Pelz. Warren "Whiskey" Johnson had an excused absence.

Members and Guests: Greg Bilan, Michael Pell, Joyce Sperling, Tim Trzepacz, Michelle Pincus, Matthew Tepper, Jeni Burr, Tony Benoun, Sherri Benoun, Joe Zeff, Frank Waller, Lee Gold, Barry Gold.

Called to order: The meeting was called to order at 11:09 am.

Opening Remarks: The Chairman said, Welcome to the first daylight savings time meeting of the Board.

Minutes: The minutes of the Meeting of February 2012, were accepted as presented.

New Members: These people paid their \$5 and put in applications to join the Society: Nathan Long and David S. Williams. Both were accepted.

Treasurer: We have about \$11,000 – do not spend it. Outstanding bills are the last bit of the contractor and upcoming are insurance and property taxes.

30 Second Reports:

Chairman (Karl Lembke): No report except I have been remiss in setting up a Town Hall meeting.

Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire): Three more Domesday Book articles have been contributed. Domesday committee meeting will be done soon.

Secretary (Marty Cantor): On Tuesday I will be working with Elayne to sort the large number of software programme discs in the APA-L Room, discarding that which is obsolete.

Publications (Marty Cantor): No report. Karl mentioned that he got a letter from Go Daddy telling him the lasfsinc.org link is expiring. Karl said that he is passing that on to Barry to let it expire as we no longer need it. We got it when we did not own lasfs.org but now that we own lasfs.org,

lasfsinc.org is no longer needed.

Comptroller (Bill Ellern): No report.

Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen): Soda units sold: 21,319 units to date, 264 units this period. Soda money: \$15,973.00 to date, \$276.00 for this period. We purchased coffee to go with all of the sugar we reported on last month, and we purchased paper towels. We got a donation of a pair of long mirrors and put them up where we thought they might do the most good.

Library (Warren “Whiskey” Johnson): (No report from video curator.) Elayne reported (in lieu of the absent librarian) that we still did not have the shelves up but she was working on it.

Archives (Marcia Minsky): Elayne said she is working on the Westercon Archives and they are almost in order. Another day and they should be nice and shiny.

Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz): New thermostat has been installed in the other building but there is no gas service to that machine. The Gas Company will come out either the 19th or the 25th (but she did not remember which). Our thermostats, once the one in the new building has a working heater/air conditioner attached to it, have been programmed to automatically turn off at midnight if they are turned on during the day. Christian reported that we have hung a great deal of art – but not all of it. Arlene said it looks nice and we all applauded.

AV Equipment (Rob Powell): Rob mentioned that there have been no reports to him of the equipment not working. He has nothing else to report.

Events (Eylat Poliner): LOSCON 39 (Christian) – held a meeting. New Guest of Honour: Mela Hoyt-Hayden (Costumer GoH) She is VERY popular amongst costumers, especially the younger ones. Christian reported that next week-end we will have a LOSCON 40 meeting. – trying to acquire GoHs early.

Fund-raising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin): Pushing Good Search and Good Buy, both of which help the club via getting a small amount of monies whenever we use them. We discussed Good Search at the last meeting. Arlene also mentioned that we still have material on Zazzle.com but we are getting nothing from it because we have not been pushing it. The reading programme auditions will start soon.

(Significant Others)

Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin): Not heard anything yet from the West Hollywood Book Fair. West Hollywood library – working with them on the Bradbury item. Michelle is in charge of the children’s reading programme. Michelle reported that we have moved this programme to the Pasadena Main Library. Signed up for a programme, Good Reads. It is a reading network. (Bill Ellern mentioned that there are about 260 discussion groups in Good Reads.)

Club President (Marcia Minsky): We have a club.

WEB MASTER (Barry Gold): Lee Gold reported that they had updated the LOSCON programme. Eylat brought up errors on the web site of the LASFS Saint’s list. Barry said that the lasfs.info link is being renewed this month.

Agenda Items:

Eylat Poliner – Mah Jong Tournament. LASFS Gala. Eylat and Kris Bauer would like to bring back the Mah Jong Tournament. It was moved and seconded that we allow this tournament to occur. This was passed. // The Gala letter has been written and approved. There is a tentative Science GoH (from Texas). Laura Freas has confirmed as a GoH. Tentative date is September 8. Elayne will be treasurer and Christian will be auctioneer.

LASFS Housewarming, Part II – CLJII by proxy. It will be held on March 25, from 2 pm until 8 pm.

Date of next meetings (conflict with Easter, Mother’s Day). Moved that we cancel the regular April meeting and move the May meeting to May 6. The motion was seconded and passed with 2 opposed. Marty will open 2nd Sunday festivities on both months at Noon. Moved, seconded, and passed with one abstention.

Open Forum:

We had a discussion about cleanliness in the building. It was recommended that the club President make an announcement about cleanliness once or twice a month at Thursday meetings.

Our next meeting will be May 6, 2012.

Take-Aways:

Taken Away from previous meetings:

Elayne: contractors.

LAFa

(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, June 16, 2012, 5:30 PM - midnight
Pre-filk dinner at 4 pm. See notes
Sandy and Gerry Tyra, Pennies from Heaven
sandy@planet-tyra.com
43306 Hampton St., Lancaster, CA 93536
(661) 943-3660

Pre-filk dinner: 6 pm, Potluck. The Tyras will be providing some sort of main dish. People should bring other main dishes, side dishes, or salads.

Directions: Thomas Guide L.A. Co. 4104 F-2.

Type of circle: Bardic

Notes:

1. Lots of crash space available, call in advance for a bed.
2. There are two **Great Danes**.
3. Children welcomed on good behavior.
4. Gas grill available if you want to BBQ meat.
5. No smoking indoors.
6. Silicon lifeforms available for Filk reference only.

Otherwise they will be fed to the Great Danes? - ed.

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

Mike Thorsen: equipment in kitchen.

Eylat: parking contact from Temple, outside signage. Parking is a dead issue. Elayne made a banner – Eylat showed it to the Board.

Marty: board game group

Karl: town Hall.

Arlene: Loitering in the clubhouse

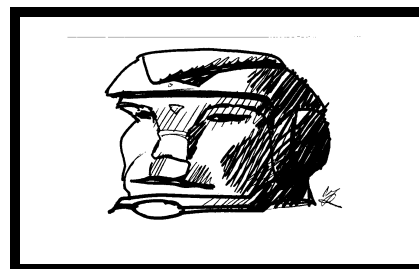
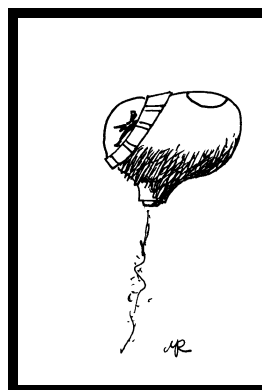
We now have a Meyer lemon tree in the patio.

Adjournment: The Board adjourned its meeting 12:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary

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