



FEBRUARY 2013

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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
 L.A. PostgreSQL Users Group: 7 pm - 9 pm

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

FEBRUARY 7 - Eric Hoffman Presents - A surviving kinescoped version of the 1st serial of Quatermass featuring the character of 'Professor Bernard Quatermass'...episode 1, approx 35 min..

FEBRUARY 14 - LOSCON 40 presentations and vote

FEBRUARY 21 - Big Auction

FEBRUARY 28 - LASFS Limber-up Work Out

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

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 - Donald Meek Festival



DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

COLOPHON

De Profundis 480– February 2013. 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.lasfs.org. *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.

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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 \(at\) sbglobal \(dot\) net](mailto:martyhoohah@sbglobal.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-modified Intel quad-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, 2013

President: Matthew B. Tepper. **Vice-President:** Marcia Minsky & Eylat Poliner (tag team). **Scribe:** Karl Lembke. **Treasurer:** (elected in mid-year, serves for full year) Elayne Pelz. **Registrar:** Michelle Pincus.

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Chairman: Karl Lembke (2015). **Vice-Chairman:** Christian McGuire (2014).. **Comptroller:** Michelle Pincus (2013). **Secretary:** Marty Cantor (2015). **Other members:** Marcia Minsky (2015), Warren "Whiskey" Johnson (2015) Elayne Pelz (2014), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2014), Arlene Satin (2013), Mike Thorsen (2013), Eylat Poliner (2014).. **Special Advisor:** Charles Lee Jackson II. **Advisors:** Forrest J Ackerman, Walt Daugherty, Len & June Moffatt, and Fred Patten.

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

CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

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

Meeting 3923, October 18, 2012

**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding
Elizabeth Carlie, Scribe**

This is Liz Carlie, scribe of the LASFS, coming to you live from THE BIG AUCTION. As you can see, meeting #3923 has just begun, and the **Minutes** have been named by member Joe Zeff for \$0.50 to be "TELIKI LI, TELIKI LI!" The meeting is on Agenda Sandwich for tonight: stuff up top, filling in the middle, and the final slice post-auction.

David Okamura has a **Moment of Science**. Space shuttle Endeavor arrived on Sunday, about 16 hours late due to numerous obstacles, such as trees and power lines. Also taking place on Sunday, the 65th anniversary of Chuck Yeager breaking sound barrier, Felix Baumgardner broke the sound barrier freefalling from the stratosphere. The fall took place in 4 min 19 seconds, breaking a record set in 1960 by Joe Kittinger. There was lots of scientific data gathered, such as the simple fact that a human being can survive such a fall. The data gathered may help design future space & atmospheric suits. In addition, Baumgardner was in a flat spin for 40 seconds, which was prolific. This will also provide data on the affect of bailouts at high altitudes for entities such as Virgin

Galactic, which goes to the internationally recognized boundary of space.

Apparently, we also have word that scientists have found an Earth sized planet next door, approximately 4.37 light years from us. Tourism won't be possible any time soon: it's far too close to its sun to visit.

We are...yes, we're moving on to our **Registrar** now for guests. Apparently, all are now members by way of LO-SCON. Christopher Beilby: long time science fiction fan, heard about us via fandom. He's into gaming, anime, and Honor Harrington. Laura Beilby: her husband told her about us. She's into gaming, anime, science fiction, Honor Harrington, STAR WARS, and STAR TREK. Jason Justice: heard about us through Chaz Boston Baden. He's into gaming, tabletop games & electronic, science fiction, fantasy, steam punk, cyberpunk and horror.

Patron Saint, Randy Greiner: Marty Cantor states that Randy doesn't come around much as he lives in Glendale. He was first to get tagged with the name of Human Wallet as he bought lots of stuff at our auctions. He is one of our first patron saints. **Patron Saint Randy Greiner** received Three Cheers and an airlift of chicken.

Patron Saint Michael Mason: Eylat relates that Michael was a very interesting character: he felt he was unpopular, the most unwanted, unneeded person. It was, in fact, the opposite: everyone loved him. He served as librarian, was both a cheese and a sports fanatic, and was a good friend. He came to her house for dinner on occasion, and once said he'd bring haroset. Her husband, Mark, makes a great one himself, but when he tasted Michael's, he was stunned at how good it was. They have tried to duplicate his recipe with a modicum of success, but Michael still made the best. Hare Hobbs, added that Michael was either the longest or the second longest librarian we ever had. (*Nah, Michael was a bit tubby and short.* - ed.) He is...yes, he's recounting a conversation he once had with Michael when running into him as he came up from the subway. He mentioned a basketball game with a bad call, and Michael went off on an impassioned tirade about how terrible it was. Such was his love of sports, apparently...

Eric Hoffman: Michael was one of the nicest people he ever knew. He made Eric feel welcome, and on a personal note added that if you were a friend, he was there for you. Mike helped him in a bad spot, and was always ready to talk about movies, comics, and old radio dramas. We are all the poorer for losing him. Joe Zeff: Michael was the chair for LOSCON 30. As chair, he started the tradition of not using Roman numerals for the con number. He was, apparently, afraid the XXX would make people think it was adult. (*Not a chance, bubby ...* - ed.) One Halloween, Michael went to work dressed as a Trappist monk & stayed in character all day.

President Tepper: He remembers, three moves ago, Matthew needed boxes and Michael said he had some. He went to get them, opened a closet door, and there were all the boxes he needed. Michael was very kind, very helpful, and made friends easily. **Patron Saint Mi-**

chael Mason received Three Cheers and No Lemon, a Miss-You-Michael, and a bunch of cheese.

The club moved to its auction.

It was reported that board member Bill Ellern has just announced, due to Anne taking a fall that will require him to be her primary caretaker in the near future, he is resigning as a member of the Board of Directors, effective at the end of the year. He's been considering it for a while, but this incident has cemented his decision. A special announcement will be made forthwith regarding a special election, and per the decree of the President, it will likely take place in tandem with regular board elections.

On to Hare with a Bobcats That Are Too Stupid To Live report: there is a bobcat whose mother was in the area during a bad drought, and local power stations started feeding her because she had babies. Soon, her cubs started waiting in the middle of the road for food, and have taken up residence doing so on Rinaldi. They have since been relocated to somewhere safer. I have just been handed a bulletin clarifying that this story's origin is a prequel...more to come.

CLJII reports that his Halloween Facebook Page is very popular, and according to a recent check of his stats, has peaked at 6,111 people looking. It slid down over the last couple of days, but his reach is wide: he has had visitors from as far as Antarctica! (*Nah. Nobody can throw snowballs that far ...ed.*)

The club then adjourned.

Meeting 3924, October 25, 2012 President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding Elizabeth Carlie, Scribe

It's that time of year again, folks! The crisp scent of autumn leaves, Jack O'Lanterns on every doorstep...a manic flood of caffeine, sugar, and words crashing forth to sublimate the wills of writers everywhere. Yes, folks: National Novel Writing Month is imminent, and this scribe is pressed for time, and ideas, so give me your tired, your poor...your comedic gold! Into meeting #3924 we go!

Karl Lembke named the **Minutes** "AN AUCTION PACKED THRILLER" for a steal at \$2.00.

Now onto **PASSAGES**...damn, we have some. Danny Lieberman, a New York fan, also a con fan and a frequent attendee of Worldcons, just passed away from leukemia. He was a sweet fellow, someone even if you didn't know him, meeting him was joyful. Marty says he used to write letters of comment to *HOLIER THAN THOU*, Marty's Eighties fanzine. Rest in peace, good buddy. We'll miss you.

REGISTRAR...no guests. Well that's no fun...ooh! We do have an auction for the last slot in the soda machine... and Eylat takes it for \$5.00, NICE! The selection...

Then let's see...oh, we have CLJII and others clarifying me of the more technical aspects surrounding the upcoming board elections, as well as the special election for Bill Ellern's soon to be vacated seat. Nominations for that are a separate item before the Board Election. Voting for Bill's seat will be the following week. According to President Tepper, Bill's term runs through 2013, and so the election to replace Bill is a different office from the regular 3 year terms on the Board. Between the pair, they explained that to be a member of the board, you have to be a member in good standing (no money owed, attended meetings in the last 13 weeks, a member of more than 5 years, and be alive. (*No, there is nothing in the By-Laws which says that the candidates be alive. Considering some who are already on the Board ...-ed.*) And, because we're all fans and all nuts, a clear, logical, and utterly plausible explanation was given as to the hows, whys, and difficulties of being elected to the board if you are dead. I love you lunatics. Anyway, Marty says that Bill's seat is a good test run for those who want to run later for a regular seat on the Board. (*Bah! All of the seats on the Board are irregular, designed to fit the irregular rumps of the Board members. - ed.*)

Eylat reported on the LOSCON Facebook contest...we have another prize! Good one, too: COMPS TO GALLY! Get 'em while they're hot!

NO OLD BUSINESS.

NO NEW BUSINESS.

Patron Saint, Lee Jacobs: Milt says he was a member of FAPA & SAPS, a technic writer by trade, and an avid card player. He wrote the Ballard Chronicles, which was all about a fan character, Wrai Ballard, and one became a movie LASFSians made, *THE MUSQUITE KID*. Dr. Pournelle said that Lee was a ham radio operator who used to go on trips & find some poor ham to put him up for the night; then, at 2 am, would phone people. He never won at poker, either, he always just broke even. **Patron Saint Lee Jacobs** received Three Cheers and Our Man Flynt!

FANNISH COMMITTEE REPORTS: Dr. Pournelle, for the Committee on Surrealism in Everyday Life: an Italian court has found six earthquake specialists guilty of manslaughter because one said that there wasn't going to be an earthquake in a town. One occurred, and many died. The implication is a little startling, but there is more to the story: in this town, there was a semi extinct volcano, and things got rumbly. Little quakes, folks got scared, and the local government got some university types to go in, look around, and reassure folks.

The only guy there who knew quakes said it was no more likely than before. Nobody can predict earthquakes. Later, another physicist said there was nothing to worry about. The local prosecutor decided to charge the scientists with manslaughter. The president of the academy of sciences said he could see charging the physics man, but the others? No idea. Stay tuned!
Also, Dr. Pournelle still has a nose. He has a little hole, but it's still there. This scribe has to wonder: do the reli-

gious types in the room find it interesting? It is, after all, a holey nose.

Hare has a correction on a long held bit of club trivia! We've always said that Bjo Trimble, our behind the scenes Star Trek starlet, did costumes on the film FLESH GORDON...turns out she did make up, instead. (*Firstly, it was Hare who usually made the mistaken announcement. Secondly, Hare made the announcement as I had just shown him Bjo's letter of comment to DE PROFUNDIS complaining about this continuing error, correcting it to mention what she actually did.-ed.*)

According to CLJII, last week was an interesting event: the 45th anniversary of his first LASFS Meeting. To date, he still holds the record for the shortest length of time between hearing about the club & joining: 3.5 hours.

Arlene moved that we adjourn - and that is what we did.

Meeting 3925, November 1, 2012 President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding Karl Lembke, Emergency Back-up Scribe

Because SuperScribe Liz Carlie was off on a supersecret errand, Emergency Holographic Scribe Karl Lembke took keyboard in hand to record LASFS meeting number 3925.

The time is nigh, not the science guy, but time for the Meeting! Quackinator Matthew Tepper called to order at 8:10 in the PM.

Corrections were offered, and the **Menace** were named "Please State the Nature of Your Menace" by the emergency holographic scribe.

Passages, announced by Marty Cantor: HMS bounty, the new one, went down off the coast of South Carolina. One of the people saved was fan Doug Faunt from Oakland. He was the one in the yellow suit, if you happen to watch the rescue on YouTube. That Bounty was scheduled to be burned in the movie, but Brando protested.

Another fan from the area who lived in Duarte, then who moved to Cincinnati and later to Pownal, Vermont, Dave Locke, had a heart attack four years ago. Since then, he felt he was living on borrowed time. His son visited him yesterday on his way home from elsewhere, and found the loan had been called in. Locke was a very interesting person. Member of a group called the Petards, the person running it was called the Hoist. He moderated a number of e-lists, he was in his late 60s. We corresponded frequently.

Larry Niven showed off Bowl of Heaven, a collaboration with Greg Benford. It's on the NY Times bestseller list.

David Okamura had a **Moment of Science**. Endeavor exhibit is now open at Museum of Science and Industry, but reservations are needed. Wait a bit, it's not going anywhere. // Capsule has returned from space station. But the ISS crew needed to do a space walk. // Curiosity

has digested its sample, and it tastes like chicken is similar to what's found on slopes of Mauna Kea.

Registrar Michelle announced no guests tonight.

Sunday, we had a private gathering, and one person counts as a guest because he joined. Gary Sanders, encouraged to visit by Marcia Minsky, works for the Post Office. He joined so he could have access to the library and hang with authors. No word on whether he beat The Emperor's record for time elapsed between learning about the club and joining it.

Michelle changed hats to Christian to run the auction. We have three packets of coffee, limited edition, a CD, and a poster. The Emergency Holographic Scribe bought the CD. Keep those bits and bytes coming!

Patron Saint, Francis Hamit: Scratch: Francis and he have the same birth month. Who is older? It's a matter of debate! Hare: Francis is one of those who jumped in to do stuff around here. He arranged for the Red Cross to come and teach CPR. Alas, the certifications have expired by now. He was a valuable member of the club, told good stories, and has two books on Amazon -- The Shenandoah Spy and its sequel.

CLJII: Francis maintained a relationship with Leigh Strother-Vien, and continues to do so. They now share a home elsewhere. The used to live in Pine Mountain, and hosted Phil Castora for a while. Tepper: As a result of Francis' actions, certain legal precedents for authors' legal rights have been established, to the benefit of authors. Yay Francis! **Patron Saint Francis Hamit** was given Three Cheers, and a chance to Hamit up. (Oh, all right... "And a dragon Mah Jong tile".)

Next, **Patron Saint, Bill Rotsler!** Joe Zeff recalls back when Bill was being treated for cancer, he reported that he spent time not just hospitalized but quarantined. He had been loaded with a capsule of radioactive iodine and was a radiation hazard until it was removed. (Don't they usually just give the solution and let natural decay get rid of it? Iodine-131 has a 7.3 day effective half-life, after all.)

Hare Hobbs. He was a multi-talented person. He wrote and drew cartoons and took photos for Playboy. He's also noted for his NSFW Christmas cards. Larry Niven: Bill was always a cartoonist. He drew on anything. If he was bored at a party, you could tell where had been by where the laughter was coming from. Jarry's is Lucifer's Butter Dish. Niven: What do you get out of a collaboration? The old guy puts his name on it for added luster.

Marty Cantor: one could go on forever with stories, like the time he went house hunting with Marilyn Monroe. He had lots of talents -- crafting including soft core porn. He was doing photos with Bill Warren for a French publication. As for cartooning -- on occasion, Marty would need covers for LASFAPA and Bill would draw a cover while talking to people nonstop, interrupting only to hand the completed cover to Marty. Marty wound up with something he thought would never happen -- he's custodian of the estate of Rotsler's cartoons. Thousands

of them. Technically, Rotsler still qualifies for the best fan artist Hugo because of the unpublished cartoons that still see first publication each year. And he's won lots of Hugos anyway. He was cremated and his ashes scattered, and his urn rests in our display case, along with a couple of his Hugos.

The Emperor: Rotsler was a jack of some trades, and an ace of the rest. The Warren Project was a TV program for French TV. Charlie took over for Rotsler just before they canceled the show. Rotsler had a long career making movies of all types. There is a collection of movies where the budget for women's clothing is very limited, available for viewing under special circumstances. He did lots of things and enjoyed doing them all. He kept an eye on a lot of women, knew one who was fairly petite. Was puzzled when she told him she played the dragon lady in Terry and the Pirates. Then she drew up to full height, said "you're dead, mister", and was quite convincing.

Milt Stevens recalled a breakfast where Harlan Ellison complained his fried eggs were staring at him. Rotsler drew a face on the eggs. Someone passing by grabbed the plate, took it to art show, and it was sold for \$15. That's what happens when you play with someone else's food. Matthew: Many have spoken about Rotsler's art. If you want to be an artist like him, get a pen and paper and draw everything you see for 20 years. After his death, people looked at his computer and learned he was teaching himself computer assisted art. He turned to writing, including "Patron of the Arts", which won a Hugo and was nominated for a Nebula.

He is missed. **Patron Saint Bill Rotsler** was given Three Cheers he could hear wherever he happened to be, even if only in the urn in the next room. And everything, so he can draw it.

Essential appointed **Committee Reports:** The Autumn Holiday party was a success.

Old Business: Nominations (only) for the Board. It's a bit more complicated than usual. The Emperor explained the nomination process for the board. This year, we not only have four incumbents up for re-election, we have a seat being vacated by Bill Ellern, and a special election to fill the remaining year of his term.

First we nominate for Bill Ellern's seat, and close nominations for that position. Then we nominate for the four open offices, and some names might well be nominated for both offices.

Nominated for the special election were: Michelle Pincus and Tim Trzepacz. Nominations for the special election were closed.

Four regular Board positions: Karl Lembke, Marty Cantor, Mike Thorson, Tim Trzepacz, Marcia Minsky, and Michelle Pincus. It was moved that nominations be closed. After a voice vote, nominations were closed.

Eylat Poliner moved that we adjourn, and it was made so.

Meeting 3926, November 8, 2012
President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding
Elizabeth Carlie, Scribe

With David Okamura not present, President Tepper presented the society with a brief **Moment of Science**: Space.com says that NASA is serious about manned moon missions! All were advised to write their congressmen in encouragement. Some missions to Mars and to certain asteroids are also being discussed.

Patron Saint, Woody Dodge: For this, Frank drew upon the white board a CAR-toon, and Marty Cantor was fined for the pun. The scribe felt this was gratuitous, but tradition must be upheld...even if the doodle was 'pun'-derful.

Hare said that Woody had a voice for radio...quite literally, for lo, he did a commercial for Subaru, making his voice familiar to many. President Tepper said that, when he had a Subaru, Woody would help if he had mechanical problems, but wishes he knew something about Acura Integra. He is a veteran living at the VA in West LA, so he doesn't get here often. He's a good man and true, and a long standing member of the club. (*He really should sit down.* - ed.) For his valor and his virtue, **Patron Saint Woody Dodge** received three cheers & a visit from Tennessee Ernie!

Registrar Michelle reported no guests.

Old Business: BOARD ELECTIONS. CLJII explained the procedure, and the choice of color for the first voting card sold for \$12.50 to Tom Safer, who selected green.

Nominees for Bill Ellern's board seat were: Michelle Pincus and Tim Trzepacz. Michelle Pincus was the winner.

Then a terrible curse befell the meeting when standard board elections should have gone forth, a curse that CLJII explained: two names were removed from the list of regular nominees, one of which was ineligible to run as his term was not yet through. A bookkeeping error saw his name placed upon the board, and saw that an eligible member of the board was not nominated, and wishes to run again.

Thankfully, there was a means to break the curse through precedent, and so it was decreed that nominations would re-open, giving the slighted board member the right to be nominated, along with any that are worthy. The main vote would be postponed until next week so all could consider the choice of new nominations. Proxy votes would be taken for all who came solely to vote and who would be unable to do so next week.

With four board seats available, nominations were re-opened and Warren (Whiskey) Johnson and Maryann Canfield were nominated.

The scribe moved to close nominations, and thusly they were closed. Proxy ballots were decreed to be left with President Tepper, and the curse on the land was lifted.

There was a glorious celebration in the absence of no new business, and a shift to **TIMELY ANNOUNCEMENTS**.

Tom announced that he is singing Saturday as part of St. Francis de Sales Choir on Saturday at 7 pm in Sherman Oaks. See him if you'd like to attend, he has free tickets.

Then Gene Turnbow spoke on behalf of a radio station known as KRYPTON RADIO. He told us about the Kick-starter fundraiser being held to ensure the station's future; and, after said presentation, Dr. Pournelle moved that the club make a donation of \$50.00 to the campaign in the name of the Society!

It was announced that Craig Miller has approved a seven person panel presented by Krypton Radio at LOSCON, and will be recorded as the first episode of their new panel talk show, THE EVENT HORIZON.

REVIEWS: Dr. Pournelle told us about a link to an interview that was done with the authors of BOWL OF HEAVEN, featuring our own Larry Niven and his co-author, Gregory Benford. It's a videocast sponsored by Google with Brad Pendleton, a Bay area fan, conducting the interview. Benford and Niven sit down and talk for an hour about the new book, the process of writing...the interview runs like your best panel at LOSCON. Pournelle is not in it, but it is Greg & Larry at their best.

CLJII did a review of his refrigerator, an older model running perfectly after 30 years of age. Five years ago, others in his building junked the same model, and while other fridges come and go, his runs faithfully on.

Finally, Marcia Minsky announced that Last Friday she sat on boards for Phlebotomy. For the last two months, she didn't crack a book. Took the boards nearly blind... and came out with an 82%, she passed! Last Friday, she was not present for the Friday Open House was because she GRADUATED! Tomorrow, when the internet in-house is stable, she will have a you tube video for all to share.

And so it was that the Society adjourned.

Board of Directors Meeting
December 9, 2012
Karl Lembke, Chairman
Marty Cantor, Secretary

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

Members and Guests: Joyce Sperling, Michael Pell, Joe Zeff, Ed Hooper, David Okamura, Matthew B. Tepper, Jeni Burr, Tim Trzepacz, Bill Ellern.

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

Chairman (Karl Lembke): The Chairman welcomed us to the ultimate meeting of the year.

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

New Members: There were applications for membership in the Society presented to the Board: Yvonne Penney, Lloyd Penney, Kathryn Yeager, and Robin Cookson. All were accepted.

Treasurer: We have no money so you can't spend it.

30 Second Reports:

Chairman (Karl Lembke): No report.

Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire): No report.

Secretary (Marty Cantor): No report.

Publications (Marty Cantor): The Gold's are not here today because Barry is ill. He went to Cedars' ER on the Saturday before yesterday and it turns out that he has diverticulitis. Barry says that there is not much to report about the web site. He says that some people have had stuff to put up on the web site and Lee has taken care of that. Barry says that Lee is quite able to handle things on the web site which doesn't require programming.

Comptroller (Michelle Pincus): No report (Ellern).

Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen): Soda units sold: 24,353 units to date, 203 units this period. Soda money: \$19,043.25 to date, \$210.00 for this period. Some cleaning supplies and other minor items have been purchased – we seem to have enough propane for the month. LOSCON has contributed some sodas and kitchen supplies and he thanked the con for these items. Half a case of ginger ale has gone missing. Nobody who has keys to the shed has claimed responsibility for the theft. Door might have been left open by somebody.

Library (Warren "Whiskey" Johnson): Here, back from Europe. Many boxes of books have been sent to the University of Georgia. There is nice new stuff on our shelves.

Archives (Marcia Minsky): No is a word.

Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz): We have a leak in the toilet, the plumber is coming tomorrow. Try not to turn on heat unless freezing.

AV Equipment (Rob Powell): Rob not been approached with problems.

Events (Eylat Poliner): Three people so far have registered for the grilled cheese throwdown. // LOSCON 39 – Christian. Most of bills are in, but not yet one from the hotel. We made our room night comp. // LOSCON

40 – moving along.

Fund-raising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin): (Michelle) Shawn Crosby is working with Michelle on a programme, a reading at Barnes and Nobel at The Grove.

(Significant Others)

Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin): (Michelle) Children's reading programme: sent the first e-mail out to the Pasadena Library.

Club President (Matthew B. Tepper): Nothing different has happened.

WEB MASTER (Barry Gold): (The Secretary gave his report in "Publications.")

Open Forum:

Broadcasting meetings and Board meetings. Tim: - Us-tream. Live or tape-delayed. The Board had a general discussion of webcasting club and board meetings and then Elayne moved to table until Tim has time for this. This passed.

Agenda Items:

Tim mentioned that he had acquired some blade servers and wondered if the club needed some. Elayne said we probably did not have any use for them at this time and the members agreed with her.

Rules for "open stock" Thorsen mentioned that some people seem to misread the rules. Lots of stuff left in the refrigerator. After a general discussion of the problem it was recommended that the President mention the problem to the meeting.

Sign for front of building, so people can know they can just walk in. The problem is that some people do not know that they can just come in when the club is open but the door is closed.

Duties of Vice President (including what to do about duties absorbed into office when Bob Null was doing it) Duties are light as far as what is described in the by-laws. Other current duties were taken up by Bob Null and are not "official." So, if certain things are being done by the Vice President which are not in the by-laws, who should be doing them? Some things have become traditional for the Vice President to do even though these duties are not specified in the by-laws.

Elayne: There is too much crap in Monstro. The aisle must be kept open.

Jeni: LASFS Facebook page has too much advertising on it, an especial problem with some repeat offenders. (We should take this up when Arlene is back.)

Rob: Monstro stuff needs to be in better storage place in Monstro. // There will be some rebuilding of shelving in Monstro and this will be done during the Christmas

LAFAs
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, February 16, 2013, 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 life-forms available for Filk reference only.

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

break and will not be interrupting any other activity. //

Rob: Ed Hooper is proposing a computer Meet-up on second Tuesday of month from 7 pm. The Board was in favor of this.

Rob: Making better use of our space in the whole club, such as on top of the filing cabinets near the front door. There was also a discussion of where we should put our Lost-and-Found.

Our next meeting will be January 13, 2013.

Take-Aways:

Taken Away from previous meetings:

Adjournment: The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary

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The Grilled Cheese Throwdown was a great success. We thank our participants, Nick Smith, Harold Goldstein, Marcia Minsky, Susan Fox, and Scott Beckstead.

Special thanks to our judges, Karl Lembke and Mark Poliner, for judging the Throwdown. The first place Judge's Award vote went to Harold Goldstein, who made his sandwiches both fannish and weird. Second place Judge's Award went to Scott Beckstead. The Popular Vote Award went to Susan Fox.

All in all, it was a fun event even if it got a little smoky so that we had to open the doors.

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Wanted: Does anyone remember Linda Mayfield? The police department is looking for anyone who can give them info regarding whoever from the LASFS was involved in the rescue of her cats and horse after she and John disappeared.

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MAH JONGG

Please join us for the MAH JONGG tournament
April 6 & 7
at the LASFS Clubhouse.
Dues will be collected.

Please see the LASFS website for further information

Arrival time: 9:00 am - Game time - 10 am.
There will be a two hour break
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