



## JULY 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 Computer LAPUG	3	4 LASFS MEETING	5 Open House	6 Tom Safer
7	8	9	10	11 - Special LASFS MEETING	12 Open House	13 Cinema Anime
14- BoD Second Sunday Open House	15	16	17	18 LASFS MEETING	19 Open House	20 - CFO Tom Safer Cartoons
21 Time Meddlers	22	23	24	25 LASFS MEETING	26 Open House	27 Harryhausen Memorial
28	29	30	31			

### KEY TO CALENDAR & OTHER IMPEDIMENTA

ESTROGEN ZONE = Ladies Auxiliary Sewing and Fallout Society  
 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  
 Harryhausen Memorial = 2 pm

### CALENDAR DETAILS

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  
 FWEMS -

### THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

**JULY 4** - No Programme, but there will be a meeting.  
**JULY 11** - Special Election for vacant Board of Directors seat  
**JULY 18** - BIG Auction  
**JULY 25** - Tom Safer presents Bugs Bunny

Updated programme information can be found at this web site:  
[http://www.lasfsinc.info///index.php?option=com\\_events&Itemid=185](http://www.lasfsinc.info///index.php?option=com_events&Itemid=185)



**July 11 - SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL VACANT BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEAT**

# DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

## COLOPHON

*De Profundis* 485–July 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](http://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.

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 \(at\) 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 July - December, 2013

**President:** Eylat Poliner. **Vice-President:** Debra Levin. **Scribe:** Karl Lembke. **Treasurer:** (elected in mid-year, serves for full year) Elayne Pelz. **Registrar:** Michelle Pincus.

## Board of Directors

**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.

## 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://www.lasfs.org>>:** 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 \_\_\_\_

**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](http://www.lasfs.org))**

**Meeting 3943, March 7, 2013**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Karl Lembke, Scribe**

President Matthew Tepper called the meeting to order at ten minutes after 8.

The Menace from the previous meeting were read and accepted as "Eylat hasn't heard them yet", and Marcia Minsky paid the pitiful sum of \$5 to so name them. There was a brief discussion of language, which is disappearing in a trice. (*I assume that the Trice is a three-wheeled vehicle made by Yugo. - ed.*)

**Special order of business:** We have lost Marilee Jay Lehman; a darkstar fandom fan -- Judy Gerjuoy; major absolute fan-ed editor of *Psychotic* and *Alien Critic* Richard E Geiss.

Marty Cantor: Richard is also known in another field -- soft porn; he wrote 110 books in soft porn and 4 books in other fields. Peggy Swenson was his nom-de-plume. He occasionally produced a fanzine, but because of health problems, these were rarer. He was in his mid 80s. Milt: Richard never met a conspiracy theory he didn't like. Recently in *Alexiad*, Joe Major was talking about con-

spiracy theories. Gee, said Milt in a LOC, thinking about Dick Geiss, but he hadn't heard about him in a while. Maybe "They" got him. In a second LOC, "oops".

Jerry Pournelle: Knew him very well for a while. Geiss was the ghost in Fallen Angels. He was an interesting and nice fellow once you got to know him. Getting to know him wasn't easy, because he wouldn't show up for appointments. He had a couple of magazines, including Alien Critic. He was required to give up the "Critic" part of the title, because another magazine had "Critic" in its title and had trademarked the word. Matthew Tepper also met him once when he, Bruce Pelz, and Tepper seemed to be the only fans living in Santa Monica.

For all these individuals, we had a moment of silence.

Marcia Minsky said a few of us are on a restricted page on Facebook. Heide Nichols has that one in a million case of cancer. The surgeon goes back in, double mastectomy. Think good thoughts for her.

Hare told us of his spell. He was walking along in a fugue state, not knowing where he was. Hospitalized for a while, and he now can no longer get home on his own until they figure out the etiology. Matthew Tepper expressed hopes for Hare's continued improvement.

**Registrar** Michelle reported that we have guests. Patrick Brambila, brought by Tadao. Second guest is Conchetta Verna, also brought by Tadao.

We honored the evening's **Patron Saint, Dave Fox**. Hare called him our Resident Dirty Old Man. When he died, the strip club down the street went out of business. He was a friendly guy, but Hare's fugue interrupted. Thorson: He's been using Dave Fox's tools to fix stuff around the clubhouse. CLJII usually says this: After Dave Fox had passed away, several people were in his apartment seeing if he'd left a will, because he had heirs. Bill Warren said if he left a will, he probably would have left it stuck with a knife to a cork board right over there. That's where the will was.

**Patron Saint Dave Fox** was given Three Cheers and semper fi!

There are two important meetings coming up: BOD has recommended an increase in dues, to take effect in July, with the beginning of the new Treasurer's term. There will be debate and a vote April 4, and a confirming vote April 11. It is hoped enough people will be present to discuss, and vote both days.

Milt noted passage requires a majority of a quorum of 21 the members present on each of two consecutive meetings.

**Announcements:** Michelle announced the Keurig coffee maker in the kitchen -- K cups are \$1 each, pay Michelle.

Bill Ellern wanted to know if we'd sent Heide a card. Scratch noted the Dragon made a successful trip to the

ISS. Independent civilian space is up and working.

Milt: nominating ballots for Hugos deadline is this weekend. Pretend the deadline is the 9th.

Jerry Pournelle recalls for decades we used to have a Worldcon membership so we could nominate each year. Worldcon changed rules so institutional members could not vote on Hugos.

**Reviews:** Scratch read most recent book of Dresden Files, Cold Days. Looking forward to the next hundred books.

Joe Zeff recently bought a copy of the most recent Pratchett book, Dodger, historical, set in Victorian England, about a 17-year-old street urchin who only calls himself Dodger because he doesn't like the name he got at the orphanage. He was earning his living as a "tosher" -- young people who would explore the sewers and find lost money and items, spend the money, and sell the items. He finds himself involved in something much bigger. He meets a number of historical people, and the probable archetype of Fagin. The book is utterly fascinating, very enjoyable, and highly recommended.

**Miscellaneous:** Marcia asked people to police their areas and pick up their chairs, and moved to adjourn. It was seconded, and passed that we adjourn.

**Addenda:** Passages: Marilee Lehman was a fan who had a presence on usenet and livejournal

Bill Ellern: The answer to the question seems to be "no".

**Meeting 3944, March 14, 2013**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Karl Lembke, Scribe**

Having given due regard to Pi Day, President Matthew Tepper interrupted the Emperor's Raven and called the meeting to order at a dozen minutes after 8.

The **Menace** from the previous meeting were read and accepted as "Oh dear", and Debra Levin paid the pitiful sum of \$1 to so name them.

**Special orders of business:** Marty Cantor announced Dan Morgan, SF writer, has passed. He wrote by himself and collaborated with John Charles Kippax. Many of these books and stories were written in the 50s.

President Tepper announced, that at the BOD meeting, it was decided it would be nice if we could announce that the library can use volunteers assist in shelving books on an ongoing basis. See Warren Johnson or any of the assistant librarians to volunteer.

**Registrar** Michelle announced we have no guests.

**Announcements:** Bill Green announced Comet Panstars 2013 is still visible. 10/19/2014, there's a slight chance another comet will hit Mars. Comet C/2013 A1. Joe Zeff: if the comet manages a near miss on Mars, the

perturbation will allow us to estimate its mass.

Scratch announced they've discovered the Higgs boson. Again. The 7/4 announcement was they thought it might be, now they're fairly sure.

We honored the evening's Patron Saint -

**Patron Saint Gavin Claypool:** Matthew Tepper called him a kindly person. On 9/11/2001, he came by and kept Matthew and Allan Rothstein company while they were recovering. (*Recovering from what, the visit?* - ed.)

CLJII: He is a gentleman and a procurer. Thorsen: When we first moved in to this building, we crammed every book in the library into the alcove. Gavin was instrumental in clearing that alcove and shelving the books. Zeff: He's an excellent Hell player, and keeps the lifetime stats.

Debra: Gavin is a very pleasant person and they've had enjoyable conversations. Gavin extended his kindness to assisting Allan Rothstein in getting to and from doctors appointments. Bill Ellern said Gavin has been a friend for a long time. He's been a procurer of CDS and DVDs for a long time, feeding their hunger for bits. CLJII is reminded of an incident that indicates his fun-loving spirit. When the Cal Tech crowd were still gathering on various occasions, on one St Putregas Night, the group was gathered at the Big Boy Restaurant next to Pasadena City College (PCC) for a feast. Quite late, so the group was seated in an area that had been vacated. A chair was placed there with a sign saying "this section closed". He took the seat on which the card was placed, put the card on top of his head, and balanced it there for quite some time. (*Non-putrid comment: That restaurant was built on an empty, dirt lot where I used to park my car when attending PCC. After Bob's Big Boy Restaurant opened on that lot - and I started parking elsewhere - I probably ate more Big Boy Hamburgers and Combination Plates than most other students until I graduated from the school. This is where many of us "hung out" between classes.* - ed.) And the first quarter of his last name merits the CL of approval.

**Patron Saint Gavin Claypool** was given Three Cheers and a pool of clay.

Two meetings coming up: BOD has recommended an increase in dues, to take effect in July, with the beginning of the new Treasurer's term. There will be debate and a vote April 4, and a confirming vote April 11. It is hoped enough people will be present to discuss, and vote both days.

Milt noted passage requires a majority of a quorum of 21 the members present on each of two consecutive meetings.

**Reviews:** Doug Crepeau thinks Kim Jong Un has been taking movie villains too seriously.

Patrick Fahey noted that NASA has announced one of the rocks Curiosity has analyzed had once been under water

and had the right mix of elements to be friendly to life.

Doug Crepeau reviewed a book: *Transcendence* by Steven Baxter: two parallel stories that occur every other chapter. deals with the crisis of earth warming enough to release hydrates which would throw warming into a tipping point. The other set 500K years in future, a young girl is preparing to become one of the first Transhumans.

**Miscellaneous:** Thorsen: If anyone needs a keyholder between Saturday and Wednesday, Thorsen will be out of town.

CLJII: A tragedy occurred. A book he's been reading ended, and he started a new book, *Empire of Dirt*. It won't fit in the pocket of his jacket. So he stopped at Movie World to buy a new book. He got a John Creasey Baron novel.

Eylat moved that we adjourn. It was seconded, and passed that we adjourn.

**Meeting 3945, March 21, 2013**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Karl Lembke, Scribe**

President Matthew Tepper played an ode to Spring, and then called the meeting to order at a dozen minutes after 8.

The **Menace** from the previous meeting were read and accepted as "Traditional Reading of the Minutes Please, Karl", and Marcia Minsky paid the pitiful sum of \$2 to so name them.

Tonight's program is the big auction.

At the BOD meeting, it was decided it would be nice if we could announce that the library can use volunteers assist in shelving books on an ongoing basis. See Warren Johnson or any of the assistant librarians to volunteer.

**Committee Reports:** Patrick Fahey reports Jim Busby is now in rehab and should be recuperating at home quite soon. And in today's news, the founder of Amazon took an expedition out to explore the waters off Florida, and found F-111 engines. Thought they might be from Apollo missions, but now not sure which Saturn V they came off of.

Marty Cantor returned from showing Lex Nakashima around the clubhouse.

APA-L is going to have issue #2500. Anyone interested in contributing, let Marty know by next week so copy count can be adjusted.

Bill Ellern announced British Royal Post Office has issued a series of Dr Who stamps. The entire collection is 4 pounds.

**Registrar** Michelle announced we have no guests.

We honored the evening's Patron Saint

**Patron Saint Dan Deckert:** Matthew called him a former presiding officer and a good friend. He lives in Missouri now because Missouri loves company. Marty: Dan Did a lot of good things for the club, was president several times, and came up with, "All those in favor say aye, all opposed say aye". Dan visits occasionally. He married one of the Cook sisters. He contributed to APA-L and drew stuff, though his spaceships look like they were made of wood. Joe Zeff: he's been in this clubhouse. He may have been the first to use this parliamentary procedure in this club. He's lifetime positive in Hell. He and Danise are amateur radio operators. They used to have ham rigs set up.

CLJII Dan and Deb are related to two former US Presidents and at least one other member is, too. Zachary Taylor and Andrew Jackson. (And Jefferson Davis, though not US President)

**Patron Saint Dan Deckert** was given Three Cheers and an old hickory stick.

**Registrar** Michelle introduced a returning member. (*The Scribe did not record the name.* - ed.)

**Reviews:** Christian McGuire read Railsea, a YA novel. It's an excellent YA book, excellent SF, highly recommended to anybody who can read, who likes rails, the ocean, and cool technology and surprises.

**Miscellaneous:** Milt Stevens said Jolly businessmen in his neighborhood sent stuff to brighten his day. This one had a return address of Smart Cremation. What smart slogans do they have? You die, we fry, maximum combustibility, make an ash of yourself, slow cooked for maximum flavor....

Jerry Pournelle: Google LaPorte Pournelle, find his interview with Leo Laporte. (Matthew Tepper enjoyed it very much.)

Marcia asked people to police their areas and pick up their chairs, and moved to adjourn. It was seconded, and passed that we adjourn.

**Meeting 3946, March 28, 2013**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Karl Lembke, Scribe**

President Matthew Tepper called the meeting to order at a dozen minutes before 9. (N.b. The late start was due to Krypton Radio interviewing Bruce Boxleitner at the clubhouse. We expect to make our facilities available for more such interviews, though hopefully not overlapping the intended meeting time.)

Paul Williams, fan, has passed. He was a wonderful, gentle person, a fan of SF. (Paul Williams is the one with considerable fannish connections, associated with Crawdaddy (founder and first writer))

Alison Stern has been hit by a car while on duty as a

crossing guard. She is recovering well.

Patrick Fahey had a heart attack Sunday and is recovering well. He was in ICU and moved to a regular room, and is now home.

The **Menace** from the previous meeting were read and accepted as "Lantern City", and Marcia Minsky paid the pitiful sum of \$1 to so name them.

We honored the evening's Patron Saint.

**Patron Saint Sue Haseltine:** Regina Reynante says she does lovely dancing and teaching. Tepper: she's a former librarian for the club and kept the library in good order. They worked together at SDC during the day.

**Patron Saint Sue Haseltine** was given Three Cheers and not Woodman Avenue. (You had to be here.)

**Registrar** Michelle announced we had a bunch of guests: Chelsea, heard about us from Whedonopolis (*And this is the only guest listed by the Scribe.* - ed.)

The **Committee to Gouge** auctioned the last slot on the soda machine. Larry Niven decreed V-8 to be the beverage of choice for \$5.

**Upcoming meeting schedules:** 4/4 is the first vote on the dues increase, along with discussion. 4/11 is the confirming vote.

**Miscellaneous:** Marcia made the usual announcement about chairs.

Larry Niven moved to adjourn to the program. It was seconded and we adjourned at ten minutes after nine.

**Meeting 3947, April 4, 2013**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Karl Lembke, Scribe**

President Matthew Tepper called the meeting to order at a dozen minutes after 8.

The **Menace** from the previous meeting were read and accepted as "I paid off my lifetime membership tonight!", and Peter paid the pitiful sum of \$7 to so name them.

Marty cantor announced news about two fans: English author who started as an author and became a fan. He's not dead. He's got inoperable cancer, Iain Banks. He has a sick sense of humor. He's been living with a lady for a number of years. He finally decided to propose. Asked her "would you like to be my widow?" He's got a book in the works and the publisher is trying to get the book out while he's still alive to autograph it.

A second who did die -- started in fanzines, became better known in other fields. Roger Ebert. Siskell and Ebert are together again.

Hare Hobbs: Ebert started on PBS before Hare started in

fandom, and was one of the first critics Hare listened to. Cantor: a lot of the old timers knew Mr. Ebert and were acquainted with his fannish activities. When the news hit, it spread throughout fandom. People liked him a lot. Tepper: One person for whom Ebert was the editor recalls he was arrogant because he actually did know more than everyone else. He became more outspoken a reviewer online after cancer took his lower jaw. Film critic was merely the vehicle by which he became famous. Hare added, he was the first film critic to get a star on the Walk of Fame.

Marty Cantor announced the 2500th distribution next week. Copy count is TBD.

Steven Libbis announced that the Writers of Future award ceremony is coming up. Go for a minimal cost, or watch online.

**Registrar** Michelle welcomed Eric Hogesen, who heard about us from Morris Scott Dollens, the artist. He's a communications engineer in real life.

We honored the evening's Patron Saint

**Patron Saint Chuck Donahue, II:** Hare Hobbs said he's one of those who showed up early, jumped into activity and then burned out. He's a nice guy to have around. He and Mark Poliner are responsible for the ban on clothing reviews. Tepper: he is an RN, served in the Marines. Joe Zeff: he was a very good but eccentric president of the club, good bridge player and also good at Hell

CLJII: for reasons that elude all, Chuck idolized CLJII for years. Wanted to throw a big party for him at the club. The year his birthday did fall on a Thursday, Chuck forgot.

Karl Lembke: Up, Chuck!

**Patron Saint Chuck Donahue, II** was given Three Cheers and a No Two bid.

**Patron Saint Tom Stern:** He and his wife moved north to try to open a restaurant, but it didn't work out. They still have their house in Granada Hills. Michelle: bumps into him at conventions, finds him a pleasant lunch companion. Marty Cantor: His birthday is 4/7 along with Ed Buchman, Marty, and Janis Olson. Several years ago, their birthdays coincided with a LASFS meeting and the four of them brought in goodies for the club to share.

Tepper: He has a rebus on his license plate, HLONRS, which he has from before he met his wife, Marina, the nurse. **Patron Saint Tom Stern** was given Three Cheers and a Mickey Mouse collection

**New Business: club business:** Our expenses have gone up, including a 600% increase in property taxes. Income has remained pretty steady. The proposal is to raise dues and the various parts follow:

Remove lifetime dues from Standing Rules—Remove

other numbers associated with lifetime dues—Remove Voluntary Active membership and lifetime membership.

1 dues \$4— 2 monthly goes to \$12— 3 annual 110 - 135— 4 lifetime (remove) - - 5 minimum lifetime (remove) - - 6 minimum combined (remove)- - 7 Remove Voluntary Active Membership status from Standing Rules— 8 Remove Lifetime Voluntary Active Membership status from Standing Rules

Renumber remaining rules

Lifetime memberships must be begun by July, you have until end of year to finish paying.

There were questions aplenty, but eventually the question was called, Thank you Terry Brussel, the motion was re-read, and we voted and the vote was: 21/1/3.

The motion carried. The confirming vote is next week.

Voluntary Active Membership was instituted because Heinlein was wondering what pubs he could get from the club. He no longer gets pubs, so there's no need to send them to him any more. Bill Ellern suggested we take a look at a sponsoring fund. If we have an impoverished member, the fund can supplement.

Upcoming meeting schedule: 4/11 is the confirming vote.

**Reviews:** Bill Ellern received two First Day Issue envelopes from England for Dr Who stamps. They've issued a stamp for each of the doctors in honor of the 50th anniversary.

Julie remarked on Wuthering Heights, with no likeable characters.

**Fannish Committee Reports:** Joe Zeff reported on some online surveys. How they ask and set up questions is getting strange. Year of birth with drop-down box starting with 2013.

Milt: BBC World News is running a test to see what social class you'd fit into in Britain.

**Miscellaneous:** Bill Ellern found on the Internet a site called Zillow, which is a real-estate valuation site. It shows you how much your house is worth.

Marcia made the usual announcement about chairs and moved to adjourn. We adjourned.

### **Board of Directors Meeting**

**April 14, 2013**

**Karl Lembke, Chairman**

**Marty Cantor, Secretary**

**Board Members in attendance:** Karl Lembke, Mike Thorsen, Michelle Pincus, Marcia Minsky, Rob Powell, Marty Cantor, Christian McGuire, Elayne Pelz, Arlene Satin, Eylat Poliner, and Warren "Whisky" Johnson

**Members and Guests:** Michael Pell, Joyce Sperling,

Tony Benoun, Sherry Benoun, Lee Gold, Barry Gold, Matthew B. Tepper, Greg Barrett, Joe Zeff, Bill Ellern, John DeChancie, Tim Trzepacz, Jeni Burr, John Christopher, and June Moffatt.

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

**Chairman (Karl Lembke):** "If April was the cruelest month, welcome to the cruelest meeting."

**Minutes:** The minutes of the Meeting of March 10, 2013, (which were mailed out) were accepted as presented.

**New Members:** There were no applications for membership in the society at this meeting.

**Treasurer:** (Please check with the Treasurer to get the details.)

### **30 Second Reports:**

**Chairman (Karl Lembke):** No report.

**Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire):** Anti-vice: moved to have no meeting on Mother's Day and this was passed. Marty Cantor will open the clubhouse at Noon for the usual Open House festivities.

**Secretary (Marty Cantor):** No report.

**Publications (Marty Cantor):** No report.

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

**Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen):** Soda units sold: 25,544 units to date, 311 units this period. Soda money: \$20,265.75 to date, \$313.25 for this period. An extended discussion was held about lack of or non-access to paper and cleaning supplies that are under lock and key in the shed. There was also a discussion of the cleaning of the clubhouse. Mike Thorsen explained his procedures. This past month he purchased propane and some kitchen supplies.

**Library (Warren "Whisky" Johnson):** Elayne purchased all of the Hugo nominees she could get. Christian requested that the President mention to the club about these items.

**Archives (Marcia Minsky):** No report

**Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz):** No report.

**AV Equipment (Rob Powell):** Safer mentioned to Rob about the blue-ray player.

**Events (Eylat Poliner):** Mah Jongg tournament – it was cancelled because of a lack of entrants but there was one table of non-entrants who had fun palying Mah Jongg. Eylat mentioned the Chili Cook-off on June 9. // LOSCON 40 – there was a report by Christian. Christian had fan tables at WonderCon and Condor. Wondercon

fan tables are much better received than the fan tables at ComiCon.

**Fund-raising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin):** No report.

### **(Significant Others)**

**Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin):** Arlene is working on the lecture series. Michelle reports Todd McCaffrey will be doing something in August. She has started working with the Pasadena library about Children's Reading Programme. Jeni Burr commented on promotions: She tried to get Anika (who is in charge of L. A. Robotics) to hold meetings here. // Karl asked about the West Hollywood Book Fair. Arlene mentioned the Book Fair's change of leadership and lack of communication with them even though she has attempted same.

**Club President (Matthew B. Tepper):** Pursuant to the discussion of this, votes were held on raising dues at two meetings and passed at both meetings.

**WEB MASTER (Barry Gold):** Mail forwarding by Verizon from HostColor is a problem as Verizon considers HostColor a spam site..

### **Agenda Items:**

Elayne mentioned changes to by-laws – housekeeping – which are reflected by the dues changes.

Westercon Domain stuff: the person running Westercon web site wants to give it up and we could take it over. It was moved, seconded, and passed that we take over the Westercon domains at a cost of \$50 to \$65 dollars a year to maintain.

Proposed Cooking Policy (Joe Zeff): Joe wrote up a proposed cooking policy and presented it to the Board. The proposal (as a motion) was referred to Joe and Barry was passed with one abstention.

Monstro access and storage. Genny Dazzo has mentioned that she had some items stored in Monstro gone missing at times. The discussion became general about several problems with Monstro, including leaving a central aisle for emergency exit and handicap access. It was also pointed out that Monstro was NOT a place for conventions other than LOSCON to store stuff as we really have no room for things not belonging to the club.

There was a discussion about when one has to pay dues if they are on the premises at times outside of regular access times. Elayne mentioned our policy: "If people are on the premises after 7 pm on Thursday, Friday, and after 2 pm on Sunday, if they are seen on the premises by the person collecting dues, they are liable for PAYING dues." The person involved in this has been told and has been warned." // There was also a discussion of open library doors and when they should be locked.

Bill Ellern mentioned providing chocolate chip cookies every Thursday night. It is costing him about \$200 a

**LAFAs**  
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, July 20, 2013, 7:30 PM - whenever  
Pre-filk dinner at 6 pm. See notes  
Sandy and Gerry Tyra, Pennies from Heaven  
sandy@planet-tyra.com  
43306 Hampton St., Lancaster, CA 93536  
GPS: 34/40.171 N., 118/14.220 W.  
(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.

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

year. He wondered if he could write this off his taxes. The answer was no but he said that he would continue to provide these to the members each week he comes to the club.

Replacement of toilet seat: Eylat reported that a person named Mike will be doing this.

Mike Thorson reported that Marc Schirmeister and Rob Powell reattached the mailbox to the wall – Mike contributed a screwdriver.

Christian asked Matthew Tepper to thank Marc Schirmeister (in front of the club) for beautifying, with plant-

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ings, the entrance of the club.

We moved to a closed session.

**Open Forum:**

The next meeting of the Board will be June 9, 2013.

**Take-Aways:**

**Taken Away from previous meetings:**

Oasis letter.

Environmental Impact is being worked on.

**Adjournment:** The Board adjourned its meeting at 1:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary



**PROCEDURAL ELECTION  
RESULTS**

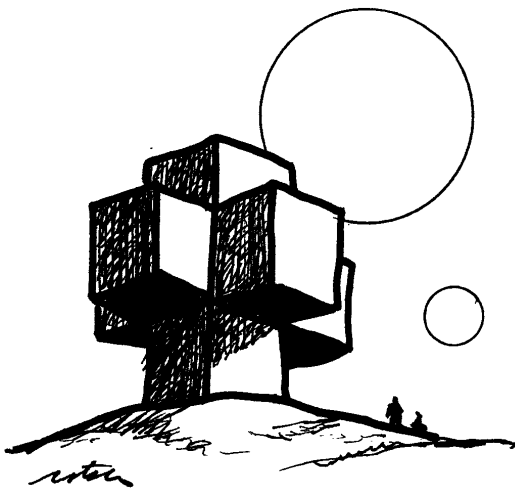
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**VICE PRESIDENT: Debra Levin**  
**SCRIBE: Karl Lembke**  
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All other Procedural Officers serve  
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June 29, 1920 -  
May 7, 2013

LASFS member

LASFS will hold a memorial for  
Ray Harryhausen

on  
Saturday, July 27, 2013  
2 pm

Not all of the details have been decided  
at press time and given  
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