



## JANUARY 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2 LASFS MEETING	3 Open House	4 COSPLAY
5	6	7	8	9 LASFS MEETING	10 Open House	11 Cinema Animé
12 Second Sunday Open House (Opens Noon)	13	14	15	16 LASFS MEETING	17 Open House	18 - CFO - Tom Safer Cartoons
19	20	21	22	23 LASFS MEETING	24 Open House	25
26	27	28	29	30 LASFS MEETING	31 Open House	

### 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

### THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

JANUARY 2 - No programme  
 JANUARY 9 - Eric Hoffman presents  
 JANUARY 16 - BIG Auction  
 JANUARY 23 - Discussion and vote for Resolution #2  
 JANUARY 30 - Final vote for Resolution #2  
 (SEE PAGE 9 FOR THE TEXT OF RESOLUTION #2)

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)

### 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 -



The LASFS' Board of Directors will not be meeting in January,  
 therefore, the club will be open at Noon for the usual Open House Activities.

## DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

### COLOPHON

*De Profundis* 491– January 2014. 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 \(at\) 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-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, 2014**

**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:** Gavin Claypool (2016). **Secretary:** Marty Cantor (2015). **Other members:** Marcia Minsky (2015), Warren "Whisky" Johnson (2015) Elayne Pelz (2014), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2014), Mike Thorsen (2016), Michelle Pincus (2016), 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:** Eylat Poliner. **Hall Decoration:** C.B. McGuire, Charles Lee Jackson II. **Science Officer:** David Okamura (with Karl Lembke). **Food Guru:** Mark Poliner. **Marketing and Promotion:** Michelle Pincus.

### 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 3968, August 29, 2013**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Karl Lembke, Scribe**

President Eylat Poliner called meeting #3968 to order at a metric dozen minutes after 8.

The **Menace** were read. They were approved as corrected.

**Patron Saint Allan Rothstein** was honored. Sue Fox: He was a nice man and I miss him. Marty Cantor: he was a retired probation officer, a nice gentleman who was a minister in the Universal Life Church. He officiated the wedding between Robbie and me. Matthew Tepper had a different story this year. Allan was a good person for minding other people and making them feel at ease. One time, there was an event with a number of speakers, and he was assigned the task of looking after Harlan Ellison. Other speakers were running long. How much longer will this be? You'll be along shortly. Harlan stood up in indignation, and Alan realized that he, Alan, was towering over Harlan. Harlan decided it

wasn't an insult.

Marty Cantor: when Allan was having surgery, Harlan called and Allan was not able to answer. Someone answered the phone for him. When Harlan found out what was being operated on, he said, "tell the asshole to get better." Mike Thorsen: He was an avid collector of Mickey Mouse paraphernalia. Several elements of his collection are now in the hands of Mike's family. Allan was also one of the luckiest drivers in California. When he got t-boned, he got t-boned almost in front of the police station. When the other driver claimed Allan had managed to shift sideways into his car, the police said "who are you trying to kid?" Jerry Pournelle: Allan invited a number of people to his son's bar-mitzvah. It was the first he ever attended, and it wound up in several books because Elayne sat next to him and interpreted. They had dinner at Odyssey, where Jerry discovered he was to take part in the hoisting of the young man on a chair. Three of the hoisters were very tall, Allan wasn't. The quantity of wine consumed didn't help the situation. They got through Hava Nagila without dumping the boy. 15 years later, he was appointed composer in residence at UCLA, so he must have not been terribly damaged.

John Hertz wished the following read into the record:

Allan Rothstein was sixty-two when he died suddenly this summer. He had been Fan Guest of Honor at Loscon XVIII, our local con, in 1991. Glen Orbik put him on the cover of *Batman 78* (September '98; third from the right in a fedora hat). After trying to teach kids to read with comic books, the way he'd learned, he became a probation officer, which he remained for thirty-eight years, his health declining at the end. His middle name was Anson, which, considering he was born in 1942, when Robert Anson Heinlein was already an established writer, could have been more than coincidence, but none of us had known of it, including Allan's brother Larry, and Bill Warren of the reference book *Keep Watching the Skies*, one of Allan's best friends. In the 5-7-5-7-7 syllable lines of Japanese tanka I wrote,

Among the stars now,

Laughing at Solomon's jokes;

Late a final time

As we see, there at last he

Never misses a moment.

He really was, as Barbara Hambly said who knew him well for some while, the nicest man in the world.

We all miss him.

**Patron Saint Alan Rothstein** was given Three Cheers and some elevator shoes.

**Announcements:** Eylat: Welcome back, Bill Ellern.

Gavin announced the passing of Bruce Murray, director of JPL from 1976-82. He died today at age 81.

NASA fired a scaled down version of their new rocket using a 3-D printed injection nozzle, and got it up to full temperature.

**Registrar** Michelle introduced Laurie Post, filmmaker, and Karen Thompson, who learned about us from Google. New members Richard Burger and Shery Chovan

David Okamura has an announcement: Two other passings of note: Col C Gordon Fullerton, space shuttle pilot - first pilot of Enterprise, Columbia and Challenger. Also, Robert E Cramer, former NASA director of planetary explorations. Mariner 9, 10; pioneer 10, 11, and other missions.

Countermeasures for drones: artist and privacy advocate in New York has created privacy protection garments, with special fabric that shields you from infrared. It's available in 3 styles, burka, hijab, and hoodie. (*They all include hats made of tin foil.* - ed)

Michelle welcomed back Jay Freeman, back after a long absence. He's returning to LA - he expects to be around a lot more. He has a job with Space-X.

**REVIEWS:** Tom Locke: *Variable Star* by Heinlein and Spider Robinson. Adapted from a manuscript or outline Heinlein wrote in 1950s, and Spider wrote the story from the outline and came up with an ending for it. If you're a Heinlein enthusiast, you'll want to read it. However, story is rather choppy, and is not the strong writing all the way through you expect from a Heinlein story. Adult version of *Between Planets*, set further ahead in time from *Between Planets*. Glenn Olson called that an excellent synopsis. Spider pretending to be Heinlein, the two authors couldn't be more different in what they choose to do with the main character. Heinlein has heroes, and Spider's characters are anti-heroes.

Hare read John Scalzi's *Redshirts*. It's fun. Most fun he's had reading a book in a long time. It's a satire on Star Trek.

Matthew Tepper: If you like Heinlein, Dr Pournelle's *Starswarm* is the additional one Heinlein should have written.

**Miscellaneous:** Hare: His cousin has died, at the age of 87.

Jeff: on Craigslist, TV/Radio, ad for people who speak Elvish for a commercial. Auditions next week.

It was moved and seconded that we adjourn. We adjourned at 9:48 or so.

**Meeting 3969, September 5, 2013**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Karl Lembke, Scribe**

President Eylat Poliner called meeting #3968 to order at a metric dozen minutes after 8.

The **Menace** were read. They were approved as corrected.

**Patron Saints:**

**Patron Saint: Emil Luwish:** Milt: He was the father of a member who bought him a sainthood. **Patron Saint Emil Luwish** was given Three Cheers and “funny, you don’t look Luwish”.

**Patron Saint Greg Bilan** was honored: Scratch: Bilan is our friendly neighborhood Klingon. He started the LASFS attending the Book Fair at UCLA. He rides a bicycle and is a nice guy. Eylat: even though he’s not here, he comes for meetings other than LASFS meetings, sets up, and takes down. He does a great deal for the club. Joe Zeff: Instead of going past Patron Saint to Sacred Object, he’s been buying his family sainthoods.

**Patron Saint Greg Bilan** was given Three Cheers and a barrel of blood wine.

**Special Order of Business:** Frederick Pohl has died at age 93. Larry Niven said Fred started his career. Bought the first four stories, and would have bought the fifth but Larry was a novice. Fred had to tell him that when you get rewrite suggestions from an editor, it’s because he wants to see it again. Fred suggested stories set in weird places in the universe, which he’d pair with science articles about those places. That started Larry setting stories in weird places, which has stood him in good stead. (*Was not What Can You Say About Chocolate-Covered Manhole Covers set in a weird place like LASFS? Or, maybe, it just had weird characters - like LASFS members.* - ed.) Fred was a judge for the Writers of the Future contest until a couple of years ago.

Marty Cantor: Fred started as a fan. He was born in 1919, and was one of the first good editors. He was one of those who got excluded from the first Worldcon. He became a major editor, a very good writer, and collaborated with CM Kornbluth... He was a giant in the field. He started a blog several years ago, and won Best Fan-writer for his writing.

David Okamura will post the AP obit on the board. Besides a prolific writer and editor, he was SF editor at Bantam, he was a literary agent and helped Asimov publish *Pebble in the Sky*. We had a moment of silence in his honor.

**Registrar** Michelle introduced Mike Zavros and Allan Benito, two guests!

Oh, yes. Special Advisor to the Board wishes it known the program for October 3 features the Forry Award voting.

Eylat announced tonight’s program has been canceled due to unforeseen circumstances. It will be rescheduled.

David Okamura reported on **science**. There were several things of interest.

Brains... We had a case where a University of Washington researcher was able to move a colleague’s fingers using his own brain waves.

They’re now finding compelling evidence that age related memory problems might be distinct from pre-Alzheimer’s. A specific part of the hippocampus may be involved. If it produces too little of a specific protein, memory suffers. At least in mice, it does. (*Since this report to LASFS another report has been released concerning memory problems tied to certain statin drugs, with the memory problems going away within three weeks of a patient stopping the use of these statin drugs. I think I have an appointment with my doctor to check into this. [OK, that last sentence was an attempt at humour. Seriously, the day after my typing this I do have an appointment with my doctor to check into this.] - ed.*)

The right kind of video game seems to boost memory, even in older people. Stem cells have been used to create brain cells in a petri dish. There was a limit on size, because petri dishes don’t have very good circulatory systems. (Take-out for zombies?)

Eylat announced Redshirts won the Hugo for Best Novel.

Milt Stevens reviewed LoneStarCon. Con ran quite well, nice facilities, good programming, well attended, highest level of antagonism he’s ever seen. Everyone was offended. Offense directed at fandom, and members of SMOFS e-list.

Kevin and Andy’s Westercon bid meeting is now a massive conspiracy in which the fans of Portland had their WEstercon snatched away from them. // Chris Garcia was denounced for sexual harassment for hugging other Hugo nominees. // One topic of conversation was what a nice smear one person would make if he fell from the balcony to the pavement below. // We’ll see what a year out of country does for the politics.

Christian mentioned Jay Lake had trouble with his moby reservation. // Jerry Pournelle notes having heard lots more complaints from advocates for the disabled than from disabled people themselves. // We need RABID WEASEL ribbons // There were more reviews of Rabid Weasel Con -- I mean Lone Star Con

Spokane won 2015 Worldcon bid. David Gerrold is GOH Jerry Pournelle said of Spokane what they said about Earth: “What a dull place”. // NASFIC is in Detroit next year.

**Sage Break:** How to get three parents: There are two

parts of a cell. The nucleus, and the rest of the cell with mitochondrial DNA. They've developed a technique where you can take an egg from one woman, remove its nucleus, take a nucleus from another woman, and create a whole egg. Add sperm, and you have a fertilized egg. Why? Because there are a number of diseases transmitted through mitochondrial DNA. Diabetes may be one of them.

Now, who's the parent? We haven't considered this. Milt notes it's similar to open adoption. Karl: Uniform Sperm Donor act says donor is not a legal parent, if done through a licensed facility.

Also... Heinlein addressed the notion of creating a composite cell with genetic material from multiple donors, but parentage was ignored. Hare recalled one family with thirteen kids, two sets of triplets, two of each being identical twins.

This moved to a discussion of marriages of various types.

**Reviews:** Tom Safer had lots of fun at Worldcon. // Hare Hobbs notes AC Clarke's story is now obsolete. we know more about earthquakes now than then, Richter 10 was disappointing.

**Miscellaneous:** Eylat: We were driving the other day, saw a motorcycle, and in front of driver on bike was his German Shepherd.

It was moved and seconded that we adjourn. We adjourned at 9:15 or so.

### **Meeting 3970, September 12, 2013 President Matthew B. Pepper, presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe**

Having given up the fight against entropy, President Eylat Poliner called meeting #3970 to order at a metric dozen minutes after 8. She welcomed everyone to the interesting week that has been.

The **Menace** were read. Paige Willey bid a dollar to name the Menace, "I'll Take Suggestions". They were so approved.

**Registrar** Michelle announced Jaime Johnson who was a guest on the 8th of the month. // We have a new member, Lee Almovodar

Next week is Talk Like a Pirate Day, so here at Port LASFS, we will be having a pirate theme day.

Eylat Poliner announced that pun fines would be levied. She has new hearing aids. She can now hear people clear across the room. Puns were made and fines levied.

And she now has a temp job and a part-time job.

**Patron Saints:**

**Patron Saint Mike Thorsen:** David Okamura: Mike is

very helpful with the irrigation system in the patio, and helped install the new hoses. Known him for some time, and he's always been able to lend a hand on important items in the maintenance of LASFS. He also has a keen interest in history, and was one of those who assisted in retrieving signs from the second LASFS clubhouse. Joe Zeff: Not many remember this, but Mike first learned about LASFS by reading *Fallen Angels*. When he found out LASFS really existed, he came to investigate, and has been here ever since. Marcia: enjoys playing Mah Jong with Mike. One exception, if we're using Karl's set, we have to make sure Mike doesn't hide "starter sets" under the tile racks.

Eylat: Mike will help even without being asked. He's become a Bob Null of the club. He takes care of the soda machine, cleans, buys supplies, and is one of those who will notify Elayne when something goes wrong with the clubhouse. Marcia: He also takes care of Second Sunday (*Feeding it aspirin when it is not feeling well, I presume.* - ed.) CLJII: Mike has always been very helpful with regard to all the work he does around the club, and does heavy lifting CLJII can't do. Despite his infirmity, he helps out. He's amiable and charming, and a good conversationalist.

Marty Cantor: He's been on the Board Of Directors for a while, and will probably continue. He's useful, and does a lot of miscellaneous things most people won't think of. He handles graffiti control. We used to have 'the shed'. Now we have a room called "the shed", which contains his equipment. **Patron Saint Mike Thorsen** was given Three Cheers and a left-handed monkey wrench.

**Patron Saint Dale Hales** was honored: Joe Zeff: Dale has been one of the Usual Suspects for loading and unloading trucks after conventions. Once, he was one of three people who wound up emptying a truck by themselves. That's what led to double hours. Marty Cantor: when we had the food table for Gift Exchanges, he brought hot cider. He always sits right over here with a table next to him and a knife and scissors for opening packages, and he helps out. Matthew Pepper: Barksdale Hales IV, aka Dale, is a good friend and true, but also one of the "human wallets". When the Rothstein family donated a number of Allan's former belongings, Dale bid heavily on many of these items.

Maryann Canfield: Dale is a gamer, and she enjoyed many a Friday night with him. He's willing to teach Outpost to youngsters who don't always have the patience to learn it. CLJII: Known Dale for 52 years. He is the perfect example of why there are only about 500 people in the world, the rest made up by the news. Met in grade school. After they went to junior high, they lost touch, then met again in 1984 when he turned up at LOSCON. From that he found LASFS, the two resumed contact.

Eylat: At one time, he was buying people gifts, and he bought Eylat and Mark some beautiful glasses. When Arlene was doing marketing, he was helping out.

**Patron Saint Dale Hales** was given Three Cheers and a collection of MAD Comics like the one his father would

never let him look at.

Eylat mentioned she'd like to return this week for a refund. On the eve of Rosh Hoshannah, our Vice President's father died.

**Special Order of Business:** Aimée Hoff has died. On Monday, Charles Hoff got a knock on his door at 4 AM, his daughter died in a car crash, the driver of her car was drunk. People rose to say kind and gentle things about Aimée. We had a moment of silence in her honor.

#### **Miscellaneous:**

CLJII mentioned, as was pointed out at the beginning of the meeting, meeting 4000 is coming up in a few months. The Fourth weekend will feature a two-day event, LA 4000 a two-day mini relaxacon. We hope people will turn out to celebrate. Warming: last time we had a mini con named after a LASFS meeting number, it turned into LOSCON.

It was moved and seconded that we adjourn. We adjourned at 9:00 or so.

### **Meeting 3971, September 19, 2013 President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe**

President Eylat Poliner called meeting #3971 to order at a metric dozen minutes after 8.

In honor of National Talk Like a Pirate Day, Michelle Pincus was invited up to explain the Letters of Marque, offered for sale to the membership.

The **Menace** were read. Frank Waller bid a dollar to name the Menace, "Arrrrr". They were so approved.

Not at all welcome news, Marty Cantor announced the death of Joan Hanke-Woods, Fan Artist Hugo winner in 1986.

During the funeral for Aimee Hoff, we learned that Ms. Bobbie DuFault, co-chair of the 2015 Worldcon in Spokane, Washington, passed.

**Patron Saints: Len & June Moffatt:** Marty: Both are very nice people. Len's fannish autobiography is for sale, \$5 each. They were TAFF winners, in 72 or 73. June contributes to APA-L. They have two sons and a daughter. She makes it to the Second Sunday Board Meeting and open house almost every month. Milt: They edited JDM Bibliophile in honor of John D McDonald, involved in mystery fandom, founded Bouchercon. Len was a member of first fandom, meaning he was in fandom prior to first sf convention. June came along to LASFS in the 40s. She was married to Eph Konigsberg.

Darnell: is a friend of June Moffatt on Facebook. She ties him in posting contests. Glad to know June Moffatt. John Hertz: Len & June were great party hosts. They had parties at their place, and were part of various semi-

formal parties. They were members of the Petard society, and of the Prestigious International Gourmet society, and would go on expeditions to Farrel's Ice Cream Parlour. They were parents-by-choice to many fans. Len was somewhat agnostic, but the two were saintly in every earthly respect.

Marty Cantor: Len was in WWII. He was on Saipan when the war against Japan ended, and at the time he was preparing for the invasion of Japan. He was in Japan during the occupation, a corpsman in Nagasaki, and he took care of civilians. Corpsmen weren't supposed to, but if they could dig up supplies, they did what they could for civilians. Joe Zeff: Len once told me when the announcement came of the surrender, he was in the middle of a field exercise, a live fire exercise. They were told to continue with the exercise. The pilots hadn't gotten the word yet, and they didn't want anyone hit. John Hertz; both have been exemplary in one other sense. Both were interested in SF and Fantasy and are fun-loving. Read the autobiography, and it's worth reading. A survey of SF fandom of the 20th century.

**Patron Saints Len & June Moffatt** were given Three Cheers and another fan fund win!

Zach rose to announce the launch of a new reading series, Shades and Shadows. A reading series for SF and dark horror. Please show up, or if you're published, looking for readers for future events. Location California Institution of Abnormal Arts, Burbank just off Lankershim. 11334 Burbank Blvd, North Hollywood. One of the old theaters there. Doors open at 8. September 28. \$10 admission

**Registrar** Michelle introduced guests: Mitch Scaff, aka Trenton C Humble, Zach Fromson, and Kevin Pollard.

David Okamura had a **moment of science**. Marine archeologists are attempting to raise the Queen Anne's Revenge, Blackbeard's ship. It was discovered in 1996, and recently confirmed. They hope to have the artifacts raised by 2014. Earlier this month, Barry Clifford was on his last dive of the season at another pirate ship site. He found Black Sam's treasure. Black Sam managed to harvest quite a bit, including two ships, carrying 400,000 pieces of eight.

It being very late, It was moved and seconded that we adjourn. We adjourned at 9:50 or so.

### **Board of Directors Meeting November 10, 2013 Karl Lembke, Chairman Marty Cantor, Secretary**

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

**Members and Guests:** Greg Bilan, Scott Beckstead,

Lee Gold, Barry Gold, Joe Zeff, Frank Waller, Matthew B. Tepper, Gregg Barrett, June Moffatt, George McUrso, Sundance, Barbara Harmon, David Okamura.

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

**Chairman (Karl Lembke):** Welcomed us to the November 10 meeting.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the Meeting of October 13, 2013, were accepted as presented.

**New Members:** There were applications for membership submitted by: Polly Aylor, Jason DuVall, Jose Hernandez, Daniel St. George, David Popovitch. They paid their \$5 and were accepted unanimously.

**Treasurer (Elayne Pelz):** No money, no report.

### **30 Second Reports:**

**Chairman (Karl Lembke):** Got a report from Peter Santell, the keyholder for the event had not showed up for Brett's Anime, took care of it by calling somebody to lock up. A town meeting seems needed.

**Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire):** No report.

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

**Publications (Marty Cantor):** The Publications Person has reprinted the Rules of the Gift Exchange as a separate publication available on the Publications Shelf and will also be available in the December De Profundis. // At the Gift Exchange itself, Dale Hales will be again providing hot, spiced cider and I hope to have a modicum of pot luck goodies. Also, I will be setting up early enough so that people bringing gifts early can be properly greeted and I will immediately drop anything I am doing so that I can accept their gifts and they will not have to enter the gifts later.

**Comptroller (Gavin Claypool):** No report.

**Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen):** Soda units sold: 27,774 units to date, 306 units this period. Soda money: \$22,539 to date, \$306.00 for this period. // Purchased paper towels, toilet paper, bug spray, things like that. We have some weak lighting tubes in the library and another propane tank so we will need about \$40 to take care of these items. // There was a discussion about cleaning the propane grills.

**Library (Warren "Whisky" Johnson):** Yes, we have a library. There was a discussion about maybe getting a storage locker for the overflow of books. (This is getting critical.)

**Archives (Marcia Minsky):** Last month there was a NoHo Lit. Crawl and we were mentioned in its programme flyer – the flyer will be filed.

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

**AV Equipment (Rob Powell):** The Dr. Who item might not work out given our bandwidth limitation and whether or not it will be on-line accessible.

**Events (Eylat Poliner):** The Soup Bowl is being moved from the January 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday to February 9, 2014 (also a Second Sunday). // Chaz is wondering if he could have his CosPlay Sewing Circle event on February 2 – the board agreed. // Christian: LOSCON 40 is still happening and now has programming. Handicapped Access is looking for two wheelchairs and acquired 1 from a neighbor's sidewalk as it was being discarded (but that one needs a bit of work). Elayne is giving LOSCON another one. // LOSCON 41 has its Fan GoH. No additional staff, yet.

**Fund-raising and Recruitment (Michelle Pincus):** No major reports. Moving forward on on-going items.

### **(Significant Others)**

**Marketing Committee (Michelle Pincus):** No Reports.

**Club President (Eylat Poliner):** No reports – we have Thursday night meetings.

**WEB MASTER (Barry Gold):** Omni On-Line Magazine is thankful for web site letting them use photos from our web site.

### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

**Westercon (Elayne Pelz):** Another group is interested in taking over Westercon. It was moved, seconded, and passed that we keep Westercon: there were three abstentions.

**Galaxy Press / ASI award (Michelle Pincus):** Author's Services and Galaxy Press want us to present an award for 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for first publication to L. Ron Hubbard (who is a member). There was discussion about giving awards to other member authors of prominence who are club members. This was moved, seconded, and passed (with two abstentions) that we (with Galaxy Press) acknowledge the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of L. Ron Hubbard's first published story.

**Museum of SF (Michelle Pincus):** There was a discussion of the proposed new Museum of SF in Washington DC. Elayne moved that we table this for our next meeting with Michelle and Elayne gathering information about this new entity. This was tabled for one month.

**Monthly event (Sundance):** Sundance wanted to hold a monthly event with emphasis on electronic media. (Needs information about collecting dues and needs a keyholder.) It was moved to give Sundance an opportunity to do this, starting in January, to see how it goes. This was seconded and it passed (with the date to be determined and with two abstentions). Sundance mentioned that he also wants to start a collection of old video equipment and this was discussed. It was brought up that

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storing these items will be a problem.

**Children’s Dues / Application Fee increase (standing rules amendment):** Two resolutions will be presented to the Society at the December 5, 2013, meeting for first consideration.

Resolution #1: Resolved, that Society Standing Rule 4 be amended to read as follows, effective January 1, 2014: 4. Membership application fee is \$10.00. [The effect is to raise the application fee from \$5 to \$10.]

Resolution #2: Resolved, that Society Standing Rule 4 be amended by adding the following clause, effective January 1, 2014: 4. ... Children under seven years of age are not required to apply for membership. [Effect is to clarify the membership status of minors; now children seven years and older are expected to apply for membership in the Society after they have attended their three meetings as a guest (like all other prospective members), if they wish to continue attending. They will have all rights and privileges as other members, with the exception of serving on the Board of Directors; the Society bylaws require that Directors be 18 years of age or older.]

The joining fee raise passed unanimously. The membership rule passed with one abstention.

Christian mentioned that we have been accidentally running the LOSCON vote incorrectly, running it not in accordance with the rule which says a minimum of 90 days following the preceding LOSCON. It was proposed that we change the vote to the Second Sunday in March, following the rules as written as best we can. (There was

one abstention.)

Christian proposed that the lack of attending Board members in January means that we not have a meeting that month and that Marty can open the club at Noon. This was passed with two abstentions.

**Open Forum:**

The next meeting of the Board will be on December 8, 2013.

**Adjournment:** The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary



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ELECTION**  
(Term: January—June, 2014)

**President:** Eylat Poliner  
**Vice President:** Debra Levin  
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