



AUGUST 2014

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KEY TO CALENDAR & OTHER IMPEDIMENTA

Estrogen Zone = Ladies Auxiliary Sewing and Fallout Society
 BoD = Board of Directors - 11 am
 2nd Sunday Open House = Board and other gaming - 2 pm
 Cinema Anime = Japanimation - 1 pm
 CFO = Cartoon Fantasy Organisation - 1 pm to 8 pm
 Work Party = Varies with what needs doing
 FWEMS = Fourth Sunday Movies - 2 pm
 Time Meddlers = Dr. Who club - 11 am
 Tom Safer Cartoons = 10 am

CALENDAR DETAILS

BoD - 11:00 am, Open House starts at 2:00 pm
 Cinema Anime - 1:00 pm until it ends
 Work Party - 10:30 am
 Estrogen Zone - 2:00 pm
 FWEMS - A Tribute to 1939 - Conclusion
 (Last FWEMS of 2014)

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

AUGUST 7 - John DeChancie speech
AUGUST 14 - Tom Khamis presents "Uncle Forry's AckerMansions" (video)
AUGUST 21 - BIG Auction
AUGUST 28 - 'Creating a Fantasy World" (Discussion with S P Hendrick, Robert Seutter, Maggie Secara)

Updated programme information can be found at this web site:
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DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

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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.

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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, 2014

President: Marty Cantor. **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), Milt Stevens (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 toners, 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:** Charles Lee Jackson II. **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; **Parking/MTA Liaison,** Milt Stevens.

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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)

Meeting 3995, March 6, 2014
President Eylat Poliner, presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

Eylat Poliner did not go up in smoke, but instead called meeting #3995 to order at 8:03.

The **Menace** were read. Michelle Pincus bid \$1.50 to call the Menace "That could be a problem".

Matthew Tepper announced the passing of Martin Greenberg who co-founded Gnome press. He published books by the great names of SF. He even paid some of them.

The Committee to Gouge auctioned off some stuff including a signed copy of *The Fifth Elephant* by Terry Pratchett.

Patron Saint Dave Fox: Hare Hobbs: Dave Fox was one of those nice guys who educated him on LASFS that led to scientology, and told him the stories concerning L. Ron Hubbard. When he died, he was known as the dirty old man of LASFS. The strip club down the street closed a couple of weeks after he died. Michelle: Dave was no

relation to Susan Fox. (I'm sure if you go back far enough...) Mike Thorsen: We still get plenty of use out of his power tools. He produced stories about a land called Khorlia, which were printed in APA-L.

Marty Cantor: He used a hearing aid in his later years. If you were talking to him and he got tired of listening, he'd very ostentatiously reach into his pocket and turn off his hearing aid. Joe Zeff: Back when he was working at Earthlink, he wanted to give his computer its own network ID. Most of the Earthlink computers were named after countries, and he wanted to go with the trend. He named his computer Khorlia, a name guaranteed not to conflict with any other machine. Since then, he makes a practice of naming his computers after places you can't visit.

Patron Saint Dave Fox was given Three Cheers and a strip club.

Registrar Michelle announced a guest: Tine Hutchinson, who found us on a Google search.

We do have **New Business**.... Marcia Minsky yielded the floor to Marvin The Paranoid Robot, who presented the LOSCON 42 bid. After some parliamentary gymnastics, we voted. Everyone voting assented, so Marcia Minsky and Robbie Bourget are now chairing LOSCON 42.

The LASFS has been debugged, thanks to an anonymous donor.

David Okamura presented a **Moment of Science**: A second baby born with the AIDS virus may have been cured by a massive amount of drugs. It looks like massive intervention right away may have promise.

Next month's Space-X rocket: they're experimenting on forming space crystals. Crystals grown in space are expected to be larger and have a more regular molecular structure, allowing for easier visualization.

Elon Musk is everywhere. He has announced a large battery factory to hopefully bring down the cost of batteries for his Tesla car. What if someone decides to charge up batteries at night and sell power back to the system in the day time.

Monty offered some comments on the power grid.

One of the autonomous robots Jim Übersetzig designed won a contest. Robotics society of So Cal had a contest. Monty asked if they could use GPS.

Milt Stevens has added Burning Paradise by Robert Charles Wilson, set in an alternate USA in 2014.

Matthew Tepper reported on some e-mail. Someone was offering a resume, featuring work on the Arion 5.

Joe Zeff: Someone sent e-mail labeled "Urgent Massage" Boss wanted something yesterday. "Not enough in the budget for a TARDIS." Somebody said, "Have one. Daughters built it last year. But it's not bigger on the in-

side and it doesn't do any of that wibbly wobbly timey wimey stuff." Eylat went with Mark to a "sweetheart's brunch" and they met a doctor. Asked if it's bigger on the outside, he replied his TARDIS is, to the mystification of others at the table.

Jerry Pournelle rose to tell of his life. A month ago, he had hearing aids which gave him normal hearing. Then he went stone deaf in his left ear. He's been getting steroid injections

Scott Beckstead moved to adjourn to the program. It was seconded. And so we adjourned at 9:12 PM.

Meeting 3996, March 13, 2014 President Eylat Poliner, presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

Eylat Poliner called meeting #3996 to order at 8:03.

The **Menace** were read. Bill Green bid \$1.00 to call the Menace "naming delayed in honor of national procrastination week".

Steve Barnes was invited up to preview his program this evening.

Patron Saint Gavin Claypool: Maryann: He did a lot of work during the move, including packing and unpacking and re-shelving the books in the library. Matthew Tepper: Gavin was a good friend and frequent ride for Allan Rothstein. He came over on 9/11 to keep him company. Marcia Minsky: He is one hell of a Hell player

Michelle Pincus: He wants you to go back and buy DVDs. Nick Smith: the one person in LASFS he's known longer than he's known Matthew. Gavin is one of the few who learned Hell before coming to LASFS. It was played at Cal Tech. CLJII: One thing about Gavin is he gets DVDs because he likes doing things that are helpful. If he breaks even or makes a few pennies, so much the better. He's found DVDs of Maverick and Have Gun will Travel. Last week, when telephone service had been out for a week, he called the phone company on his behalf. He was able to get someone in 24 hours rather than the seven days originally promised.

Francis Hamit: Gavin has been one of those assisting them with relocation back down to Sherman Oaks. Jerry Pournelle: Gavin's been with the club longer than most think. He helped with the Nebula banquet in 1971. He and his Cal Tech crew were instrumental in making it happen. Mike Thorson: when we first moved in, the alcove was stuffed with boxes from the library. That they got onto shelves in the library is largely due to the efforts of Gavin.

Eylat: had a "move from hell" in 2009. Gavin showed up and helped in 100 degree heat. He's a good guy. **Patron Saint Gavin Claypool** was given Three Cheers and a No two bid.

Matthew Tepper announced the Paperback Show, Sun-

day from 9 am to 4 pm, upstairs at the Glendale Civic Auditorium.

Marty Cantor announced he knows someone who needs an e-stenciler. If you have one, let him know.

David Okamura had a **Moment of Science**. A threat from Siberia. Scientists have managed to revive a 30,000 year old megavirus. Fortunately, it's not that dangerous. It's known to affect amoebas. The fact that they were able to revive something old raises the question of what else might be revived. (*Me ... maybe*. - ed.)

Registrar Michelle announced last Friday, someone dropped in and donated books: Remus S. Tonight, Jay Gillian, found us online. And we have three new members.

And then we had an auction. We auctioned off some books, but the auctioneers had some screws loose.

Reviews: Milt Stevens read *Diaspora*, by Greg Egan. Lots of colossal concepts. Humanity 1000 years from now split into groups, some mechanical, others organic, some undecided. He's good at making nonhuman characters likeable. (*Am I next?*- ed.)

Nick Smith miscd about his research on the period of the Civil War. Sierra Madre playhouse is doing something with that info. A play called "Battle Drum" about the drummer boys of the war. It's a cool production. Nick has been helping with Glory Hallelujah, a spin-off.

Several people moved to adjourn to the program. It was seconded. And so we adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Meeting 3997, March 20, 2014 President Eylat Poliner, presiding Matthew B. Tepper, Scribe

Eylat Poliner called meeting #3997 to order at 8:13.

The **Menace** were read. Christian McGuire bid \$1 to call the Menace, "Special Guest Steve Barnes".

Patron Saint Dan Deckert: The President actually knows him! Marty Cantor: When Dan was a member in the 70s, he was working for Hughes Aircraft. They were making Tow missiles. This was an antitank missile that was wire guided. He was a very good President of the LASFS. He came up with "all in favor say aye, all opposed say aye, the ayes have it." He's now living in Missouri. Joe Zeff: The last time Dan was here, he mentioned having gotten that schtick from someplace else, but he was the first to use it here.

Darnell Coleman Likes his diary posts in Facebook. Matthew Tepper: We miss him.

Patron Saint Dan Deckert was given Three Cheers and "mek".

This is an "agenda lite" meeting because of the auction.

Next week we will have a special meeting. The regular meeting will start at 8, and be 45 minutes long. At 8:45, we start a special meeting, topic being the termination of membership of Harold Goldstein. You must be a member in good standing in order to vote: paid up dues, paid up library fines, no outstanding debts.

Also: we will expect people to observe the code of conduct.

Michelle Pincus: Anyone reading our Facebook and knowing Cal Cotton: the end is near. He's in good spirits. Address to visit is on the LASFS Facebook page. Please keep visits short.

Matthew Tepper: We have lost writer Lucius Shepard. He had a stroke last year, and that may be what did him in.

Lights! Camera! Auction!!! Stuff was bid upon.

Several people moved to adjourn. It was seconded. And so we adjourned at 9:12 PM.

Meeting 3998, March 27, 2014 President Eylat Poliner, presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

Eylat Poliner called meeting #3998 to order at 8:02.

The **Menace** were read. Debra Levin bid \$2 to call the Menace "Larry and Jerry Speak. Arf".

Special Order of Business: Matthew Tepper announced the passing of Judy Harrow, a New York fan and a major figure in the Pagan community

Patron Saint Sue Haseltine: Eylat knows her. Larry Niven called her a good person and good friend. She helps run the Regency Dancing community. Leigh Strother-Vien: She took over the library from Sue. After doing the job for a while, she appreciated how much work Sue put in to it. Matthew Tepper sort of worked with her at SDC, occasionally ran into her outside of secured areas.

Terry Brussel: She ran Regency dance in Santa Monica Colleen: She sews beautiful costumes. **Patron Saint Sue Haseltine** was given Three Cheers and a frank statement.

Registrar Michelle announced guests: Lee Henderson, Monique Espinosa, and Tiffany Crystal T Bolen. And a new member, to be named later.

Larry Niven announced Marilyn's knee is re-infected. Her operation was to be Saturday, but she was admitted Monday. They took out her infected artificial knee, replaced it with a spacer with antibiotics. When the infection is gone, they'll put in a new knee.

Marketing and fundraising: Please use Amazon Smile when shopping and name LASFS as your charity.

Elayne: we need to have a small auction.

Terry Brussel is looking for an office manager for Success Center. Live-in is hoped for, but not a requirement.

David Okamura reported the San Diego Zoo is an angel for an unusual creature -- the Tasmanian devil. It's facing extinction in the wild due to a contagious cancer.

Doug Crepeau rose to announce his diagnosis of cancer from the VA. Trying to cash in on his collection, including his Werner Von Braun collection.

CLJII: took daughter to LA Zoo. She wanted to see the Zebras. She got to feed one of them.

Francis Hamit announced his sister had died. She left a mound of collectable stuff. He has a site on MC.com called the Lane Collection. He always has copies of his book in the car for autograph: \$20

CLJII: now has six books available through Amazon, \$4 or less Kindle, \$8 or so paper. First is available for download for 99 cents

We auctioned off a bunch of stuff for a small bunch of money

Janis Olson announced a time bound beg. Jonathan and Anna are in the full 3 hour production of Fiddler On the Roof at Portola Middle School in Tarzana. Opening night is 4/10. Friday 7 Sat 7, Sat 1 Matinee. Suggested donation of \$10. \$12 gives reserved seating. And begging -- needed a prop. Need at least the table and a working treadle. The machine can be mocked up. And there will be extra special moments because Anna is the Rabbi's son. Some of the lines are very funny that way. Need metal buckets, tankards, etc.

Etsy.com is the website for Francis's stuff.

It being the appointed hour, we deemed the meeting to be in abeyance. And so we adjourned at 8:45 PM.

3998-B

This was a special meeting to consider the expulsion of a member of the LASFS.

After the pros and cons of the proposition, the vote was 27 yes, 41 no.

The motion, not achieving 80% of those voting, failed.

We adjourned at Oh Gawdawful Thirty.

Meeting 3999, April 3, 2014 President Eylat Poliner, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

Eylat Poliner called meeting #3999 to order at 8:10.

The **Menace** were read. Paige Wiley bid \$1 to call the Menace "Mary Sue sunshine".

Special Order of Business: President Eylat had a statement to read to the membership.

"Last week, on 3/27/2014, we had a meeting, regarding a harassment case. One person was being accused by another of harassment. The meeting lasted about 2½ hours. This was not pleasant for anybody -- not the ones doing the accusing or the one being accused or the ones who had to run the meeting. With this in mind,

"Who won -- no one, not the defendant, accuser nor the club. What should we do? We should address the issue. Currently, there is a harassment committee in place. We ARE working on a policy for harassment and a way to deal with the harasser once the act has been done. This policy and/or disciplinary actions, will take time to transform. We are asking for that time. We need that time.

"Also, I personally do NOT condone harassment of ANY kind. I am hoping that the LASFS Board takes the proper steps to make sure that this kind of action never happens again, and to make LASFS a safe place for all of its members, male or female. Thank you, Eylat Poliner."

Thursday, April 10, Meeting 4000, the food ban will be officially over. (Elayne added "however, the messiness ban is still in place!")

Patron Saint Chuck Donahue: Maryann Canfield: He plays one hell of a Hell game. Hare Hobbs: he was one of those LASFS members who got involved maybe too quickly and did a lot of stuff for a short time and burned out. He was a hard worker when he worked. Leigh Strother-Vien: He didn't burn out, he got a life. He was a great person to have around for a Mah Jong game or a Hell game.

Patron Saint Chuck Donahue was given Three Cheers and a freezer to sit upon.

Patron Saint Tom Stern: Leigh: Tom Stern is a big teddy bear and a Disney nut. He made sure to own one Disney share so he could attend Disney Company meetings. Joan Steward: He and Marina are terrific people. He's very fun.

Patron Saint Tom Stern was given Three Cheers and a Mickey and Minnie wedding cake topper.

Next week is Meeting 4000. We'll have David Gerrold presiding, and past and present officers are welcome to attend and sit on the dais with him. We'll have a panel of LASFS members through the decades, moderated by CLJII

Michelle Pincus announced a bookstore in Downtown LA looking for weekend help. Part time, but for people who know their science fiction.

Registrar Michelle announced guests: Gabriel Gentile who came with his friend Susan, Dennis Hazelett, and

Tamara Faulstich.

We have a special guest speaking tonight. Sandy Stoller, please introduce yourself. Sandy Stoller, works for Rocketdyne and is an engineer who has worked on a number of projects. Now working on CST-100 project, a vehicle Boeing is developing.

Matthew Tepper announced: June 2014 of Asimov's Magazine has a LASFS member's name on the cover for the first time, Kara Dalkey has a story in the magazine.

David Okamura had a **Moment of Science**: Cal Tech has two programs of interest. 4/8 8-9:30 Beckman "The Future of Human Space Flight". Later in month, 4/26, Beckman Auditorium: Space Race Supermen, the heroes of early space flight. Showing film, "Mercury Seven"

Recent science: Friday night's rattle was due to a fault line we still don't know much about: Puente Hills thrust fault. Even a 7.5 on that one could cause more damage than the Big One. Three reasons, location, location, location. Others were saying, checking the locations of aftershocks, they were going perpendicular to where the fault line is supposed to be. Go figure.

One article has a list of earthquake supplies. And an update: In January Nature published a study from Japan saying they were able to revert adult cells to stem cells. That study hasn't survived the acid test of peer review. Now the head researcher has been accused of inappropriate conduct.

Finally, in Ukraine: we have the specter of a long-ago tragedy. Chernobyl is in the news again. Back to the Red Forest: not only did the trees die, so did a lot of things that fed on the trees, including fungi and microbes. This is all dry tinder waiting to ignite, and if it goes, the radioactivity will go up in the smoke.

One quick thing: Thanks to Marty and Matthew for the assistance they gave last Thursday night.

Matthew Tepper moved to adjourn to the program, it was seconded, And so we adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Meeting 4000, April 10, 2014
Eylat Poliner, presiding
David Gerrold, Special Guest President
Karl Lembke, Scribe

Eylat Poliner called meeting #4000 to order at 8:03.

Eylat had some remarks, asked past officers to stand up and be recognized, and then turned the meeting over to our Special Guest President, David Gerrold.

The **Menace** from the previous meeting were read. Michelle Pincus paid \$11 to name them "The Trouble with Minutes". They were so approved.

Gold plated **Menace** were read. The actual meeting number was 1889.

These **Menace** were auctioned off. We bid off the **Menace**, and Nick Smith bid \$7 for them to be named "Sorry, Wrong Number".

We honored **Patron Saint Elst Weinstein**: Marc Schirmeister: one of the funniest guys in the club. Between Ranquets and Herbangelism, very funny. Marvelous guy and good friend. Friend for at least 42 years. Went to Guadalajara to study medicine, came back to California, and delighted to see him every LOSCON at the wine and cheese party. CLJII: known Elliott a long time. He has a masterful sense of humor, and we assume his years in the LASFS have made him good at dealing with children. Ed Buchman: Elliott went to medical school without being a cadaver.

Patron Saint Elliot Weinstein was given Three Cheers and a reasonably clean butter knife.

Registrar Michelle introduced a guest. She reserves the right to introduce another guest to be named later. We have a new member, Julia Ree. First guest Bob Ree who heard about us from Julia Ree. Also introduced was Sarah Phillips who heard about us from a friend.

Eylat: tonight's program is a panel on the history of LASFS, by people who joined it in various decades. June Moffatt represents the 1940s. Bill Ellern 1950s, Milt Stevens 1960s, Mike Glycer 70s, Karl Lembke 80s, Cathy Beckstead 90s, Peter Santell 00s, and 2013 = Mimi Miller.

Marty Cantor had a report: He presented to the LASFS a binder containing pictures of the North Hollywood clubhouse during its last 2 years, this building before we took over, and how it's changed. It includes the wallpaper of the two old bathrooms. It's for the archives of the LASFS.

Eylat has an announcement. WE have another gift for archives. On the table over there, as people have walked in, are three posterboards: pictures from the website, and a sign-in sheet for today.

John Hertz brings greetings from two of his friends, Roger Hill who can't be here, and Mr. Paul Turner, who also can't be here.

Gavin announced several of our members have a birthday on June 9. 2033 will be a hell of a birthday, because it will be our 5000th meeting.

Mike Stern had a thought. Today is Allyson's birthday.

David Gerrold said anyone planning to throw Harlan Ellison a 80th birthday party, forget it. If you want to buy him a present, he wants Netuskes.

Larry Niven: Shipstar is out. It's a continuation of The Bowl of Heaven. The second half.

David Gerrold has a copy of Lucifer's Hammer that needs an autograph. It was ceremoniously inscribed to Harlan Ellison.

Fred Patten reviewed *The Flight of the Godkin Griffin* by Maggie Hogarth. Very good fantasy. A copy has been donated to the LASFS library. David Gerrold noted that Fred has an eidetic memory of everything written in SF.

David Okamura had a **Moment of Science**. Tuesday, there'll be a lunar eclipse, visible in North America. Start time is midnight, duration is a few hours. It may damage the NASA satellite.

We were hearing about the end of support for XP, and it may become more vulnerable. There is a more dire threat, Heartbleed. Thanks to the LASFS webmaster for alerting people about it. This affects the open ssl protocol. You may want to start changing your passwords.

Mike Stern: Yahoo was compromised, so if you logged on to Yahoo, change your password, but wait until they make the fix.

Anyone a member of Health Net: some computers were stolen. Heads up. Prepare to Change Passwords.

David Gerrold announced Mars is at its closest approach. Watch for green flashes.

Did anyone announce the creation of magnetic monopoles? Someone has created some.

David Gerrold had an announcement: F&SF bought *The Thing in the Backyard*, evidence of why you don't want to piss off a writer. Should be out before the end of the year. Another story on Gordon's desk mentions LASFS in passing.

After a motion and a second, we adjourned to the program at 8:58.

As he was packing up to leave, the Scribe told David Gerrold "OK, now: Get off our lawn."

Meeting 4001, April 17, 2014
Eylat Poliner, presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

Eylat Poliner called meeting #4001 to order at 8:05.

Michelle Pincus had a **Special Order of Business**: Cal Cotton has passed.

The **Menace** from the previous meeting were read. They were approved.

Registrar Michelle introduced a guest or dozen from Friday night as Marty brought in gamers: Justin Daube, Travis Geluysi, Joseph Campbell, Jessica Campbell, Justin Serrano, Daniel Kam, Deborah Lazaro, Larry Davidson, Thomas Lucero, Jessica Guyon, Sean Growler, and Roman Shpilfoyyet.

Marty announced having made the offer of an alternate site for gaming on the Friday Night Dice Meet Up web site, he expects more gamers to show up. They'll be here tomorrow night too.

Gavin Claypool In what classic sf novel was there an object named for our meeting number tonight? Triumph of Time: exploratory object was known as Object 4001 Aleph Null.

David Okamura: **Moment of Science**: Space-X rocket that was to resupply ISS was delayed until tomorrow. Able to cram in some replacement parts for computer that shut down. Space-X will be doing experiments as soon as the second stage has separated from the first. Hope to unfurl folding legs from the first stage, and see if they can do a soft landing, rocket assisted, in the ocean. Griffith Park Mountain Lion, P22, found to be suffering from mange. Had traces of rat poison in system. Possibly concentrated in apex predator.

Matthew Tepper linked to an article in Time Magazine. Kepler has discovered a planet, Kepler 186F, thought to be in the Goldilocks zone, but slightly larger than Earth. T = 130 days.

Reviews: Eylat reviewed *Fiddler on the Roof* with her daughter playing the part of the Rabbi's Son. Lots of professional workers helped with the play. Anna loves community theater. Various Olsons were involved in the production; Janis Olson made the smaller props. Jonathan Olson played Perchik the student.

Nick Smith: Comics Factory in Pasadena has decided to get out of DVD sale and rental, selling used and new DVDs. Colorado Blvd just west of PCC.

Darnell: he was in *Glee*, eyeglasses glowing, so you can't miss him.

Michelle Pincus rose to give us a piece of the auction -- yeah, that's it!

The hour being very late, we honored **Patron Saint Stan Burns**. Tepper: he arrived at LASFS in the late 1960s and was doing a survey for the members for his sociology class. After surveying, he found the club congenial and joined. He repairs cameras and video devices, and lives in Riverside. Larry: He broke his hip at my house and didn't sue.

Patron Saint Stan Burns was given Three Cheers and some knitting.

It was moved to yadda yadda yadda. We adjourned at 9:32 PM.

Board of Directors Meeting
June 8, 2014
Karl Lembke, Chairman
Marty Cantor, Secretary

Board Members in attendance: Karl Lembke, Marty Cantor, Marcia Minsky, Michelle Pincus, Mike Thorsen, Gavin Claypool, Christian McGuire, Milt Stevens, and Rob Powell. Warren "Whisky" Johnson, and Elayne Pelz had excused absences.

Members and Guests: Greg Bilan, Tony Benoun,

LAF
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, July 19, 2014
Saturday, August 16, 2014
Filk: 7 PM to ???
Pre-Filk Dinner: 5 PM, The Palace
(formerly known as VIP Harbor Seafood)
(Chinese cuisine and some Dim Sum)
Brandyhall
Lee and Barry Gold, hosts
3965 Alla Rd., Los Angeles, CA 90066
(310) 306-7456
Pre-filk dinner: 5 PM, at 11701 Wilshire Blvd.,
Los Angeles, CA 90025, 310-979-3377

Filk style: Poker Chip (Non-Topological) Bardic, or Chaos

Notes:

1. No Smoking Indoors! -- Use the front porch in good weather; the enclosed patio during bad weather.
2. Please bring munchies & drinks to share.
3. Crash space available. Call ahead if you can to reserve a prime location. Who gets the spare bed will be determined at the filk, depending on who shows up.
4. Two Silicon life-forms are present. The old photocopier is gone, but copying can be done using the inkjet printer or by scanning something and then printing it on a laser printer.

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

Sherri Benoun, Lee Gold, Barry Gold, Matthew B. Tepper, Joe Zeff, Tom Safer.

Called to order: The meeting was called to order at 11:12 am. The Chairman welcomed us to the Sunday the June 8th meeting of the Board of Directors.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of April 13, 2014 were accepted as corrected.

New Members: There were 8 applications for membership. These were submitted by: Lloyd Adams, Diane Hart, Eric Driggs, Edith Dagoy, Susan Wheeler, Christian Klaes, Daniel Kam-Gordon, and Carla Schiller. They have paid their \$10 and were all accepted.

Treasurer: (Elayne Pelz): Michelle, reporting for Elayne (who is very ill), said we have some money but do not spend it.

30 Second Reports:

Chairman (Karl Lembke): No report.

Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire): The David Keller memorial had at most about 25 people. It was a low key event. Lee Gold contributed to this report.

Secretary (Marty Cantor): Some people who previously attended Friday Night Dice have been attending

LASFS on Friday nights and some of them have joined the society. I hope that more of them will come by and join. I also hope that those who join LASFS find things other than board gaming they will enjoy doing here.

Publications (Marty Cantor): No Report.

Comptroller (Gavin Claypool): The proposed changes to the by-laws were passed at the Thursday meeting passed overwhelmingly after nit-picking at the previous meeting was taken into account. Lee Gold queried about changes.

Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen): Soda units sold: 29,566 units to date, 219 units this period. Soda money: \$24,348.00 date, \$219.00 for this period. // We made the usual purchases of paper towels and things, with paper purchased twice due to people taking things home - and people are making the powdered supplies from the kitchen disappear at a tremendous rate. // There was a discussion of the problem of Free Drinks competing with our vending machine and our recycling programme is a little low.

Library (Warren "Whisky" Johnson): (Acting temporary librarian Gavin): Due to a lack of spirited conversation, traffic in the library has been a bit thin; however, books have been checked out and books have been checked in and space created by the removal of ancient videos has been filled with more books.

Archives (Marcia Minsky): For the past few weeks, Marcia has been in communication with Julia Ree. Julia Ree (at Eaton) works with archives has offered help with our archives.

Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz): Milt reported about the geranium plant in front of the building is threatening to take over the sidewalk. // Rob reported about a problem for people wanting to leave the patio area if the door to the interior is locked. This was discussed. // There is a ballast problem with the front light fixture in Freehafer Hall. // We have a problem with our pressure regulator. // Dewey Pest Control is not showing up for the monthly inspection our contract stipulates. The Secretary took a copy of the latest bill and said he would contact Dewey Pest Control to see why they are not fulfilling their contract with us.

AV Equipment (Rob Powell): Rob heard no issues but there was a report of some discs not coming out of the blu-ray machine without the cover being removed.

Events (Milt Stevens): Milt reported about Westercon problems. // We discussed a possible 80th Anniversary celebration for the club with Milt saying that this is a worn-out idea for the moment like we have done these Anniversary things too often. Michelle mentioned the possibly of doing it at Clifton's Cafeteria. // Parking: the still-posted Thursday no parking signs were just for the previous Thursday. Milt gave a report about the City cleaning up the trash being left by the homeless who live on the sidewalks in our area. Currently the City clean-up of the area makes the sidewalks and streets in our area

looks nicer than it had recently been looking. // Christian McGuire for LOSCON 41: there are continued and minor problems with hotel: there will be a meeting of the concom to handle the problems which are not insurmountable. // Marcia gave a report about LOSCON 41: 5 or 10 memberships ahead of LOSCON 40 at time. LOSCON 42 is pleased to announce that our Writer GoH is Jim C. Hines. // LA4000: attendance was rather low; but, with low expenses we made a little money. The Board requested a written report from CLJII.

Fund-raising and Recruitment (Michelle Pincus):

The word is getting out about the Family Science Day at the LASFS. The Planetary Society has confirmed attendance.

(Significant Others)

Marketing Committee (Michelle Pincus): Michelle is working with the Pasadena Library about their 120th Anniversary.

Club President (Eylat Poliner via Matthew B. Tepper): The President is in Israel but Matthew Tepper made an announcement about the overwhelming passing of the by-laws amendment.

WEB MASTER (Barry Gold): Most recent activity at the web site is about Westercon. And Go Daddy is waiting for Elayne to contact them. // Changes of things at the clubhouse are being put up in a timely manner.

AGENDA ITEMS:

There was a discussion about Harassment policies. Karl mentioned that when we get the proposed policy more finished that we run it past a lawyer.

Gavin recommended that we look more closely at officer duties.

Gavin also recommended that we get a club tour/meet with the Eaton people.

Tom Safer won a bag of potato chips at Ralphs and contributed it to Second Sunday.

Lee Gold appreciated the lamp at the book sale shelf area so that the titles could be read.

The next meeting of the Board will be on July 13, 2014.

TAKE-AWAYS:

Getting a written report about LA4000 from CLJII.

Adjournment: The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary

**BOARD GAMING
AT
LASFS**

As long as I have been a member of LASFS, board gaming has been a subsidiary interest of many club members. Over the years, though, board-gaming at LASFS has been dwindling until that activity at Second Sunday is usually down to one table of 3 or 4 people. Also, Friday evening board-gaming has often been just two people.

About 6 or so miles from the club is a location in Sun Valley where a board-gaming Meet Up called Friday Night Dice has been holding gaming sessions for several years. Not long ago that group was put on temporary hold as the organizers had a new business interest which was keeping them from holding the Meet Up.

However, they have made their web site available to those FND members who want to hold Friday Night gaming sessions at other venues.

With permission of the LASFS' Board of Directors, I have been inviting members of FND to game at LASFS on Friday Nights, posting the invitation on the FND home page. I explain that after three visits to the club they have to join if they want to continue gaming here, several of these FND board-gamers have been coming to the club and a few have joined.

There are other places where these people can game, but some of them seem happy to come to the LASFS clubhouse.

Please consider this an invitation to all LASFS members who used to board-game at the club to come down to meet the new members on Friday nights - and join in to play the newer games.

PARKING

THE ISSUE HAS BEEN RESOLVED

NO, NOT ON AETNA

The MTA (which controls parking for the Orange Line bus) has graciously allowed LASFS to use the lot to the northwest of the clubhouse. From Tyrone, just drive west on Aetna until you get to the entrance to the parking lot (which will be on your right). The after 9 pm restriction on Aetna does not apply to this lot, so those parking in that lot need not move their car at 9 pm.

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