



# OCTOBER 2015

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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

fects in the Making" (rare short films of the French genius inventing cinematic effects).

### OCTOBER 15 - BIG AUCTION

**OCTOBER 22** - Richard Foss presents "Challenges for Dining in Space" (How to eat well in zero-G and other environments.

**OCTOBER 29** - Bing Crosby narrates and sings in Walt Disney's "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" video.

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  
 Work Party - 10:30 am  
 Estrogen Zone - 2:00 pm  
 FWEMS -

## THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

**OCTOBER 1** - No Programme.  
**OCTOBER 8** - Nick Smith presents "Georges Méliès -- Special Ef

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**October 25, 2 pm -- LASFS Autumn Holiday Party. Come celebrate any autumn holiday you choose -- there are a couple later in this week that might do.**

# DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

## COLOPHON

*De Profundis* 512– October 2015. 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, DELL Workstation (using the Windows 7 Professional 64 bit 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. *De Prof* is available on paper solely at cost: currently 75¢. Mailed copies, domestically, will be \$1.25. Subscriptions will be accepted; however, as prices are set at approximate cost of production, there will be no discounts for long-term subs.

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## LASFS OFFICERS

Elected Procedural Officers  
July - December, 2015

**President: Matthew B. Tepper. Vice-President: Debra Levin. Registrar: Ed Hooper. Scribe: Kristen Gornitz & Nick Smith. Treasurer: (elected in mid-year, serves for full year) Elayne Pelz & Michelle Pincus.**

## Board of Directors

**Chairman: Karl Lembke (2015). Vice-Chairman: Christian McGuire (2017).. Comptroller: Gavin Claypool (2016). Secretary: Marty Cantor (2015). Other members: Marcia Minsky (2015), Warren "Whisky" Johnson (2015) Elayne Pelz (2017), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2017), Mike Thorsen (2016), Michelle Pincus (2016), Nick Smith (2017). 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: Whisky. Assistant Librarians: Elayne Pelz, Gavin Claypool, Ed Hooper. 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). Marketing and Promotion: Michelle Pincus; Parking/MTA Liaison, Milt Stevens.**

## 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.**

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**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 4068, July 30, 2015**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Kristen Gornitz, Scribe**

President Matthew Tepper called meeting number 4068 to order at 8:00 pm. No joke!

**Special Orders of Business:** Tom Locke - Claudia Alexander died last week. She was the project manager at JPL, and one of her projects was the Galileo at the conclusion of the mission. Engineer and scientific researcher. Writer in steampunk genre (short stories). Vocal about African Americans to get involved in STEM type careers. Died of cancer age 56.

Matthew is sad to report passing of LASFS member Adrienne Martine-Barnes. The obituary does not give much information. She was a seamstress, costumer, and was awarded the wooden spoon for culinary skills.

The **Minutes** of the last meeting were read by some imposter of last week's scribe, with minimal corrections. Tom Safer paid \$1 to name the minutes "Where no saga has gone before"

**Treasurer's Report:** We have money and you can't spend it. This non-figure does not include the termite work which was done on Friday. (*It turned out that these were cheap, cowardly termites so that it did not cost much to make them go away.* - ed.)

#### **Committee Reports:**

CLJII passed around the Lantern O'Jack to help pay for the Autumn holiday party, which will be Oct 31st on Dan Alderson's birthday. There will be no naked dancing in the streets. It was noted that naked dancing on the street cannot be done in this building. (*Why? Does not anybody have the skill to move the street into the building?* - ed.)

**Guests:** The Registrar reported that we have a guest! Russell Frazier - from Montrose, recommended by Joel Eisenberg, has never been to LASFS before. He likes to meet people with similar interests. He is an artist and likes stories, design, and prognostication. He is a graphic and visual effects artist.

We had a **small auction!** CLJ II: held a money auction - US 1 cent piece with wheat on back, 1951. It sold to Scratch for \$0.25, and \$0.20 from Matthew was also collected as per the rules of these kinds of auctions Another 1 cent piece, 1925. Sold to Ed Hooper for \$2 with Frank Waller paying \$1.50.

#### **Patron Saints:**

**Patron Saint Sean Cleary:** David Okamura - Saw him at Westercon, Has two daughters also into fannish things. Very interested in film. Wishes he could see him more often. Matthew Tepper - Remembers him from meetings in the late 80s, a pleasant fellow

**Patron Saint Sean Cleary** was given Three Cheers and a third of a great last name.

**Patron Saint David Okamura:** (David wearing devil ears) Scratch: Known for his paper model making. David does nice plastic work. He has great patience to glean the papers and find science articles to enlighten us with, which is to the Society's advantage. CLJ II: David is a fine fellow and a good chum to have. Charles playfully warns against telling David about things you are interested in, because then he will scan articles for that information and relay his many findings to you Tom Safer: Commends him for traveling from Orange County and sharing information with us at the club

Debra Levin: Reiterates what others have said, David is a nice guy who does lots of good things for the club. Matthew Tepper: David has taken great care of the club's tame vegetation and also helping to tame the vegetation. (*Yes, David helps our Director of Plant Parenthood.* - ed.)

There were Three loving Cheers for **Patron Saint David Okamura.** And Martin Van Buren. He's okay too.

We had **A Moment of Science** with David Okamura. David Okamura had reports of an incident in Narragansett on July 11, there was an explosion on the beach that hurled a woman onto a rock jetty. Many thought it was a terrorist attack, but it was actually a hydrogen bomb. An electric cable was abandoned by the coastguard and found deteriorating due to salt water. they found pockets that had 10k times expected amount of hydrogen.

Chrysler - it has been a hard year for them with all recalls, and now recently Wired magazine publicized that hackers can take over one of their jeeps.

SpaceX is coming up with its own explanation for its accident. The government has released their report concerning the Virgin Galactic 2 crash saying it was pilot error. The pilot had unlocked the feathering. The government faulted the creators of the craft for allowing something like that to happen. Not enough safety equipment to prevent accidental release of tail feathers. They are also faulting the FAA for not doing their due diligence.

Recently, science has gotten to a point where we can identify and discover the remains of historical personalities and find out much more about how they lived. Among those identified are Richard III, the woman who inspired the Mona Lisa painting, and Cervantes, who was identified in Spain. They learned that they misidentified Philip II's remains and now have identified his true bones. The Navy has exhumed the graves of unknown servicemen from the USS Oklahoma at Pearl Harbor. The Military had been reluctant to do this out of respect for the dead, but there was pressure from surviving relatives.

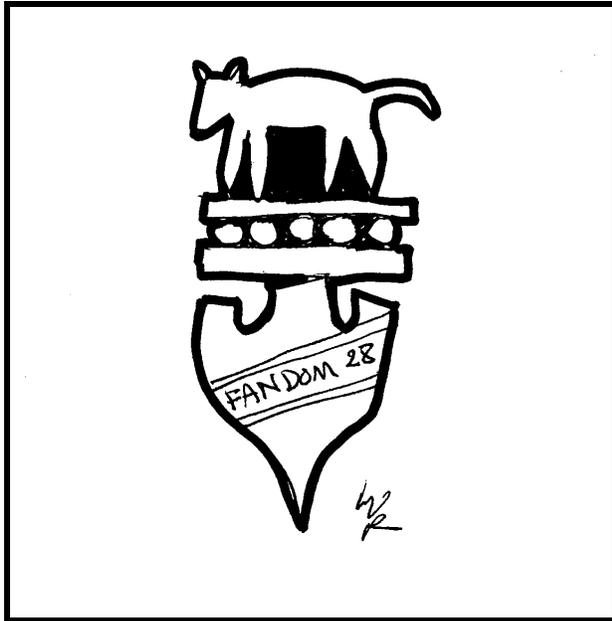
Boeing has recently come up with a new submarine. It is a large submersible, unmanned, with large cargo capacity, that can do extended dives. And it may be used pretty soon.

They have found the part of the Boeing 777 that could be part of Malaysian airliner. Drift patterns will show how it traveled during this time.

**Board Member Presentation:** Termites - we have been de-termed. They injected poison into the door-frame. As of tonight there does not seem to be any more termite activity. Let Elaine know if you see any evidence of termites. (*But watch out that you are not hurt when the poisoned door-frame finally dies and falls down.* - ed.)

**Reviews:** CLJ II: Reviewed the Orange County Fair - an ongoing event. Fun, has stuff going on, was there yesterday. Spent most of time window shopping. (*But did he not get tired carrying around those windows all day long?* -ed.) Can get Australian batter dipped potatoes. All kinds of events going on. Saw baby piggies already lying under heat lamps. Lots of things to see. Woodworking, table working. And it's only a few dollars to attend.

Milt Stevens: Finished Jonathan Strange and Mr Norrell series. Rates it extra creepy. He particularly notes the scene where an old woman is turned into a cat. He remembers having read the novel, and that novel won a



Hugo. Says it worked better in the visual medium. Forgot it in novel form.

**Miscellaneous:** Larry Niven: His agent announced that *Ringworld* is going to electronic form! If Del Rey books objects, she will have to withdraw it. But Del Rey books tends not to pay much attention.

Jerry Pournelle: Topic of discussion - how particularly are we going to entertain this motion? Matthew: we will entertain it with wine and cheese.

There was a **Motion to Adjourn** and put the chairs away at: 9:23 pm.

**Meeting 4069, August 6, 2015**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Kristen Gorlitz, Scribe**

(The minutes from this meeting are temporarily unavailable.)

**Meeting 4070, August 13, 2015**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Nick Smith, Scribe**

President Matthew Tepper called the meeting out of the primordial chaos at 8:00 pm.

**Special Orders of Business:** John Henry Holland, a pioneer in the mathematical basis for artificial intelligence, died on August 9th. With a Bachelor's degree in physics from MIT, and a Master's degree in psychology, and in 1959 he became the first student at the University of Michigan to get a doctorate in computer science. He went on to be a professor in the fields of psychology, electrical engineering and computer science. His 1975 book *Adaptation in Natural and Artificial Systems* is a classic still in print 40 years later, and his 1959 arti-

cle describing a multi-processing supercomputer was far ahead of its time.

The **Minutes** of the last meeting were named "Eat hot gamma rays, Centaurian dog."

**Guests:**

The **Registrar** introduced three guests, two of them not wanting to be introduced. Kelly Wands, sister of Krystal Rains, was visiting from afar.

**Patron Saints** and the things said about them: **Patron Saint**

**Mark Bilan:** Greg Bilan's brother, he was honored by Greg with sainthood. {The following was not read out at the meeting, but turned up in scribbish research during the week: Mark Bilan was a Navy veteran born in Panama City. Before his death in Hawaii in 2010 [in a town named after Captain Cook—no, really, the town is called Captain Cook], he was also a woodworker and president of an organization that made ukuleles for under-privileged children.}

**Patron Saint Bjo Trimble:** Larry Niven: Following her is entertaining. She led a bunch of folks out into the desert to see the flowers. Jack Harness ended up going to sleep outside his sleeping bag, and woke up freezing. Ed Hooper: Had heard of Bjo long before he had heard of LASFS. Scratch: Bjo is a great organizer...ask her husband. She began a letter-writing campaign to get one of the shuttles named Enterprise, but NASA used the name for the non-flying model. Bjo wasn't invited to the rollout initially, but Jerry Pournelle got her invited. Jerry says she was the recording secretary at the Reagan-called meeting of SF writers where the Star Wars Defense idea was created.

David Okamura: Bjo's "Save Star Trek" campaign generated over a million pieces of mail to NBC. NBC had assumed it was run by Roddenberry, and asked him to quit the campaign. After the renewal, fans also sent thank-you mail in vast quantities. Nick Smith: Bjo was a great fan artist and cartoonist, and lured Ctein into fandom via the Save Star Trek march.

Eric Hoffman: Saw a short fan film with Fritz Leiber, Forry Ackerman and Bjo as a dancing girl. Larry Niven: "Oh, it's just another goddam spectacular view of Saturn." June Moffatt: Back in 1969, not satisfied with the bids for the 1970 Westerncon, Bjo put together her own bid, with Len and June. Bjo forgot the slides that Len and June had taken of the potential site. Eric: Bjo was the one who tracked down Scott Shaw in the infamous peanut butter incident. Jerry Pournelle: Back in the 70s she won many awards for costuming.

[**Patron Saint Bjo Trimble** was given Three Cheers and a Concordance!]

**Time-Bound Announcements:** David Gerrold: A Method for Madness is finished, and will be officially announced at Sasquan. \$30 for a special flash drive e-book of material he has written.

David Okamura: D 23 convention begins this coming weekend, for fans of Disneyland. Official Disney convention, where upcoming plans are revealed.

Cathy Beckstead: Production of Flowers for Algernon in Camarillo the next two weekends.

**Treasurer's Report:** We have some money but you cannot spend it. See the Treasurer for details.

**Committee Reports:** The Committee to Gouge ran a small auction.

We had **A Moment of Science**, with David Okamura.

The universe is fading. The universe is only producing about half as much light as it did 2 billion years ago, across the spectrum. (*I guess we will all just have to light candles when that happens.* - ed.) Our sun will probably swallow up the Earth in 5 billion years, so we won't be able to see the lights go out from where we are now. (*We will just have to light more candles.* - ed.)

We may want to conserve energy. (*Do not light too many candles.* - ed.) One way would be the results of the Solar Decathlon, where universities and other groups compete to design energy-efficient homes.

Early October of this year. Follow up to last week's discussion of nukes in Japan: they are restarting the nuclear power plants in Fukushima, after four years of shutdown. One has been restarted, because it's a major energy source for Japan. Four years of shutdown has affected their balance of trade.

Expanded polystyrene foam is used for packing in places needing insulation and for other uses. At Yellowstone it is being used for roadbeds in areas geothermally active, because of its insulating abilities. It protects asphalt, and prevents spot-melting of snow, allowing safer snowmobile use.

#### **Reviews and Miscellaneous:**

Hare Hobbs: Chris Squires, bass player for Yes--Performer and composer of "Starship Troopers" died earlier this summer. Jon Anderson of Yes is also in very poor health. (*They probably should have joined NO.* - ed.)

Jerry Pournelle asked to be reminded of why he brought champagne, but Joe Zeff explained the line he was celebrating.

There was a Motion to Adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. We adjourned to the program at: 8:58 pm

**Meeting 4071, August 20, 2015**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Kristen Gorlitz, Scribe**

(The minutes from this meeting are temporarily unavailable.)

**Meeting 4072, August 27, 2015**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Kristen Gorlitz, Scribe**

President Matthew Tepper called the meeting #4072 out of the primordial chaos at 8:00 pm.

**Special Orders of Business:** There were none.

The **Minutes** of the last meeting were read, and named: "What you missed while you were away at Worldcon."

The **Registrar** announced a Guest: Mark Pampanin, who learned about LASFS from Tigrina the Devil Doll. He is interested in Ray Bradbury and all things undead. A student, writer and radio journalist. And he wants to interview fans.

**Time-Bound Announcements:** There were None, amazingly enough.

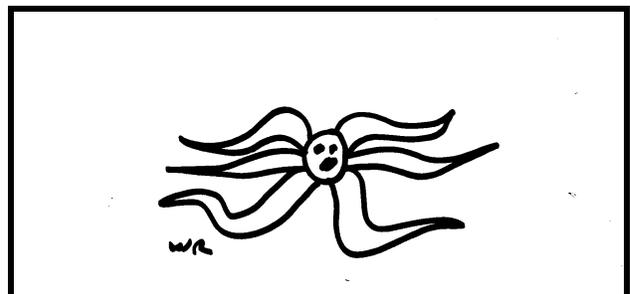
**Treasurer's Report:** There will be a report as our co-Treasurers are both at Worldcon.

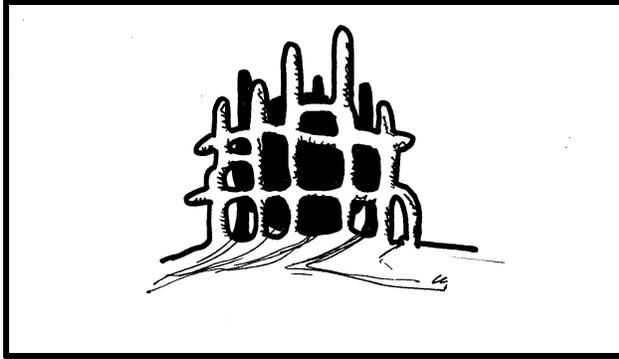
**Committee Reports:** Marcia points out that it's 90 days to LOSCON. Go to LOSCON's website to reserve hotel rooms.

**Small auction:** \$16 including the monthly soda slot--"something carbonated and tasty but without artificial sweeteners" per the winner, Matthew Tepper.

**Patron Saint Allan Rothstein:** Matthew B. Tepper--Allan had the middle name Anson, same as Heinlein. Allan was Kinda weird, kinda short, and kinda bearded. Joe Zeff--A number of years ago Allan was told that neither diet nor exercise would help his medical problems, which was the first medical advice he thought he could follow. Gavin--Allan defined the word friend. Matthew lived in his house for a few years. Allan would have someone load the watermelon into the trunk of his car. Matthew would take it out of the trunk of the car and place it in the kitchen sink to cut. It was never cut, turned to garbage, and the same thing would repeat. Sometimes Matthew would drive him around, once he was limited by the oxygen tanks he needed later in life. Once they took a side street, and saw a yard sale. There was a very large Mickey Mouse. No place to park, but Matthew stopped the car, Allan got out, and Allan bought the giant Mickey and brought it to the car. Matthew asked how much he had paid for it. Allan replied "I convinced her to take \$10 for it." "How much was she asking?" "\$5." Allan was unwilling to let her sell it too cheaply.

Hare Hobbs--his sister missed Allan greatly, as he was helpful to her. When Alan was in the accident which led to the oxygen tanks, the other driver tried to pretend that Allan was at fault, but the accident took place across the intersection where the North Hollywood police station is located. The witnesses were difficult to discredit as one was a police officer. (*Allan had just exited the freeway off-ramp when he was T-boned by a car on the cross street - the driver of that car insisted that Allan had*





*driven into him --- like Allan was driving sideways on the surface street so that the side of Allan's car hit the front of the other car? - ed.)*

June Moffatt—Allan had a swimming pool where fans had “yacht races.” Allan had a pool, but had never actually learned to swim. Joe Zeff—Allan was a big comic book fan. There is a Batman cover which includes his image in multiple places in a crowd scene. Matthew—There was also a character whose secret identity was “Al Rothstein.” [Scribal note—This was Nuklon, a second-generation superhero with a huge Mohawk hairdo.] Jerry Pournelle—Allan's son [one of three] became a composer in residence at UCLA.

**Patron Saint Allan Rothstein** received Three Cheers and a Four Color Cover.

Upcoming Programs:

**A Moment of Science**, with David Okamura. Has it been hot enough for you? Normally that would mean going to the beach, but there have been changes in the local wildlife, including a gathering of stingrays. Fortunately, there is a predator that eats stingrays. Unfortunately, they are young Great White Sharks. Usually, the sharks migrate south, but instead they've been staying in the nice warm water with a good food source. Unfortunately, Great White Sharks do not play well with surfers. The sharks are learning that if they nudge humans, the humans make a lot of noise and get out of the water, leaving the sharks to eat in peace. [Yes, sharks have a sick sense of humor.]

Are you a lonely Sumatran rhino, looking for love? There are only about 100 left, and the one in captivity here in the U.S. is being sent on a breeding tour to the south seas.

There may be a wolf pack near Mount Shasta, at least one family group, from the evidence. First evidence of this in many years.

The national zoo in Washington had twin panda births, but only one survived, which is common. The surviving cub is doing well. Its gender is not yet known.

**Reviews:**

Review of *Space Dumplins* by Craig Thompson by Nick Smith. This is a Fun space romp by someone who normally writes more serious graphic novels for adults. Nick Smith also gave a brief overview of a Mycroft Holmes novel by Kareem

Abdul Jabbar. A full review will follow at a later meeting. Joe got a call from bad telemarketers. A call from someone claiming to be from Microsoft, saying that Joe had a problem with his Windows computer. Since Joe doesn't use Windows on any computers...A second telemarketer called, trying to sell home improvement. Joe pointed out that he was on the Do Not Call list. “Well, is there a better time to call?”

**Miscellaneous:** Jay Freeman from SpaceX has donated framed posters of Mars colonization. They are cool, and their locations in the club are being worked on.

We **Adjourned** to Chair-moving and a discussion of World-con.

**Meeting 4073, September 3, 2015**  
**President Matthew B. Tepper, presiding**  
**Kristen Gorlitz, Scribe**

President Matthew Tepper called it as it was, meeting number 4073, at 8:00 pm.

**Special order of business:**

Ned (Cuyler) Brooks - Ned fell repairing his roof and did not survive the fall. He came from a long-lived family. Ned was an engineer at NASA's Langley wind tunnel, lived in Newport News Virginia, and collected things like typewriters, fanzines, books, mimeographs, all kinds of things. He bought the house next door to his to house his collection. Ned moved to Georgia after he retired. Anything that you would want to know about fandom, he knew it or had the sources for it, and when he wrote something it was usually accurate. A lot of people didn't like his emails, but he never said anything incorrect. We lost someone too early, he was 77. We lost a fannish institution.

The **Menace** were read, and Christian McGuire bid \$2 to name them “Green”.

**Time-Bound Announcements:**

Nick Smith, the other half of the scribe team is at Cinecon, a film festival of old movies which is taking place all weekend at the Egyptian Theater in Hollywood.

Hare Hobbes - Pancho Barnes, who flew a biplane through a barn in Wings, owned the bar the astronauts hung out at, that was restored for the movie Wings. Wings is premiering with 5-10 minutes extra footage. Howard Hughes, Gary Cooper

Scratch - Pancho Barnes - Noted for owning the barn - also flight instructor. She taught a lot of army air force pilots when they were trying to get men trained, she has been teaching flying in the 30s. A woman of note.

**Treasurer's Report** - Money comes in and money goes out. Bottom line - the total is a certain amount and you can't spend it at all, not a cent, nothing. But you can get the total from the Treasurer.

The **Registrar** reported that we had no guests tonight.

### **Patron Saint Emil Luwish:**

Jerry Pournelle - he doesn't look Luwish.

From the Haigiography: He was the father of Mike Luwish, who gave us money in his name. His fanac consisted of siring a fan. An old copy of the Menace notes that he was given "three more cheers and a handful of cotton candy."

Scratch - He was famous for his son paying for his immortality. We gave Three Cheers for Emil Luwish (and he must have been a good father because otherwise his son would not have paid all that \$).

### **Patron Saint Greg Bilan:**

Christian - Like Luwish, he honored his family members. At least one of his brothers (**Mark Bilan**) is a **Patron Saint**. Scratch - For years he was known as the favorite neighborhood Klingon - the Klingon of LASFS. He represented LASFS at the *L.A. Times* Book Fair. Greg functioned as cleanup person from time to time when he was a regular attendee and was always a pleasant individual. We have not seen him much lately due to age, time, or health, not sure which. Greg is one of the bicycle foot persons as he mostly rides a bike. Matthew B. Tepper - One of his functions at the club included setting up chairs for meetings (*Which is a function taken over by Marty Cantor*. ed.) Jerry Pournelle- Greg was the low janitor at our previous clubhouse. Scratch - Burbank clubhouse was closer to where Greg lives than we are now.

Debra Levin - Greg served as vice president, but not sure how long.

Marty Cantor- would like to see him come back to set up chairs.

Christian McGuire - He was a prolific reader. He believed in our library and purpose of it.

**Patron Saint Greg Bilan** was given Three Cheers and Qapla'.

**A Moment of Science**, with David Okamura.

Three astronauts have blasted off to the International Space Station, ISS to have 9 astronauts, but not for very long. This trip was supposed to take Sarah Brightman, the singer, for tourism. It is a short trip with 2 people up for a short time. The lead astronaut currently will be going back home with them, and the number will be back down to 6 people.

NASA New Horizon probe - hopefully go to small icy body 2014MC69 in 2019 if NASA approves the mission.

The panda cub is a male - update on last weeks update.

There is a proposal to build an animal overpass on the 101 Freeway. A wide one, a 165 ft wide overpass near Liberty Canyon Rd. This will be the 2nd one ever done (one is being constructed in Washington right now). This is important because many mountain lions are becoming road kill, and this overpass will help keep up biodiversity. (*And if people start using this overpass it will provide a food source for the mountain lions.* - ed.)

Catalina - a conservationist overseeing Bison was gored. Hospitalized, two off duty firefighters were able to assist him. Fun fact, bison are not native to Catalina, they were originally shipped over for a movie shoot.

Aspirin - those who take 75 - 150mg are less likely to be diagnosed with colorectal cancer. Something to consider when taking aspirin. Also works with Advil, Motrin, and Aleve.

### **Reviews and Miscellaneous:**

Nick Smith - <http://shakespearestarwars.com/> is the website for the "William Shakespeare's Star Wars" books. They have decided not to leave out the Sonnets, so fans can create their own on the website, by following a set of prompts. You make up a title and then answer a set of questions, and out pops a sonnet.

Doescher - William Shakespeare's Verily a New Hope, Empire Striketh Back, Jedi Doth Return.

George - perform and record these so they can live eternally on YouTube

We Adjourned to clean up and put away the chairs at 8:58 pm.

### **Board of Directors Meeting August 9, 2015 Chairman of the Board, Karl Lembke Board Secretary, Marty Cantor**

**Board Members in attendance:** Karl Lembke, Marty Cantor, Marcia Minsky, Gavin Claypool, Mike Thorsen, Nick Smith, Elayne Pelz, Mike Thorsen, Michelle Pincus, Rob "Gizmo" Powell, and Christian McGuire. Warren "Whisky" Johnson, had an excused absence.

**Members and Guests:** Tom Safer, Matthew B. Tepper, Dana Ginsberg, Frank Waller, June Moffatt, Bill Ellern, Joe Zeff, and John DeChancie.

**Called to order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:06 am. The Chairman welcomed us to the Sunday, August 9th, 2015 meeting of the Board of Directors.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting of July 12th, 2015, were accepted as presented.

**New Members:** There were no applications for membership.

**Treasurer: (Elayne Pelz):** There is money in the

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Saturday, October 17, 2015, 7 PM  
Pre-filk dinner at 6 pm.  
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Hosts: Mark Merlino & Rod O'Riley  
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**Pre-filk dinner:** 6 pm, potluck. Bring something to share.

**Directions:** Thomas Guide Orange Co., page 798, C-7

**Filk style:** Guided Chaos

**Notes:**

1. Very limited crash space available; call ahead to see if it's possible.
2. Allergy note: there is one cat living in the household.
3. Bring all of your usual filk stuff.
4. NO SMOKING indoors, please!
5. There be computers here! (PC clones)

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treasury - see the Treasurer to get the details. // We then worked on our budget. It was moved and passed to accept the financial report.

### 30-second Reports:

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

**Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire):** Discussion about a person's Code of Conduct violations. Christian recommends this being discussed at a Thursday evening. It was moved that we have the President schedule a general meeting to discuss this possible violation of the Code of Conduct. The motion was passed and the President was directed to schedule a meeting to discuss the possible violation of the Code of Conduct. (We moved to a closed session.) After we returned from the closed session there was a motion to reconsider the previous motion. After some discussion this motion was passed with two abstentions. It was the sense of the Board that the original motion was withdrawn.

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

**Publications (Marty Cantor):** I have no report from the Web Master but I understand that Barry is in both better spirits and better health and expects to attend Worldcon. // And, for the record, I will report that *DE PROFUNDIS*, the LASFS' newsletter which the club gave me several years ago (in lieu of discontinuing it) continues to be pubbed every month. Currently I have no desire to discontinue the zine or to pass it on to anybody as I think that it continues to provide a service to the Society.

**Comptroller (Gavin Claypool):** Elayne reported that

it cost less to eradicate the termites than we thought it would cost. // There was a small discussion of on-line auctions about some of the excess books (and other stuff) we have.

**Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen):** This month: 284 units bringing in \$302.75. (The difference has to do with two items being sold at higher than the usual costs.) Total units to date: 33,710, and total monies to date: \$28,584.25. We have purchased paper towels and a few sundries for the kitchen. // There was a discussion about replacing the soda machine and/or getting a machine for edible stuff.

**Library (Warren "Whisky" Johnson):** Gavin said that the Doug Abe books have been sorted and handled.

**Archives (Marcia Minsky):** No report other than to state that we have archives and she will be doing more after Worldcon. // Bill Ellern presented some items from Westercon 1.

**Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz):** We had termites in the library but they were evicted and we should all be on the lookout for little piles of sawdust. // Karl mentioned that the toilet is fixed.

**AV Equipment (Rob Powell):** There was a discussion of a Skype meeting for LOSCON. // Thorsen mention that Charlie had a problem with the combo-unit eating one of his old tapes. This was discussed.

**Events (Nick Smith):** The Pasadena Museum of History would like to do an exhibit of SF in California. The Museum wonders if LASFS would be interested in this. The Board was interested. // Marcia: LOSCON has the hotel ready to take reservations. Christian recommended that the LOSCON web site be constantly updated. Michelle: LOSCON 42 has a table at the upcoming Worldcon. Bobbie Armbruster will be wearing a sandwich board at Worldcon with the board indicating that she is Guest of Honor at LOSCON. // Michelle: LOSCON 43 staffing up and new ideas are percolating.

**Recruitment, and Marketing Committee (Michelle Pincus):** Michelle is working on some stuff but there is no new report at this time.

### (Significant Others)

**Club President (Matthew B. Tepper):** We are still here.

**WEB MASTER (Barry Gold):** The webmaster was not here. Rob discussed inconsistencies in the on-line and the Treasurer's calendar. Part of the problem is last-minute additions to the calendar next to the Treasurer's desk not being added to calendar at the web site.

### AGENDA ITEMS:

**Clifton's Cafeteria (Michelle):** Clifton's Cafeteria is reopening. We are thinking of having a special celebra-

tion there as it was an early site where the LASFS used to meet. Michelle was asked to look into it.

**OPEN FORUM:**

Dana Ginsberg requested a place to sand small items. After some discussion this was accepted as a barter for the offer for some cleaning of the premises.

The next meeting will be on September 13, 2015.

We moved into a closed session.

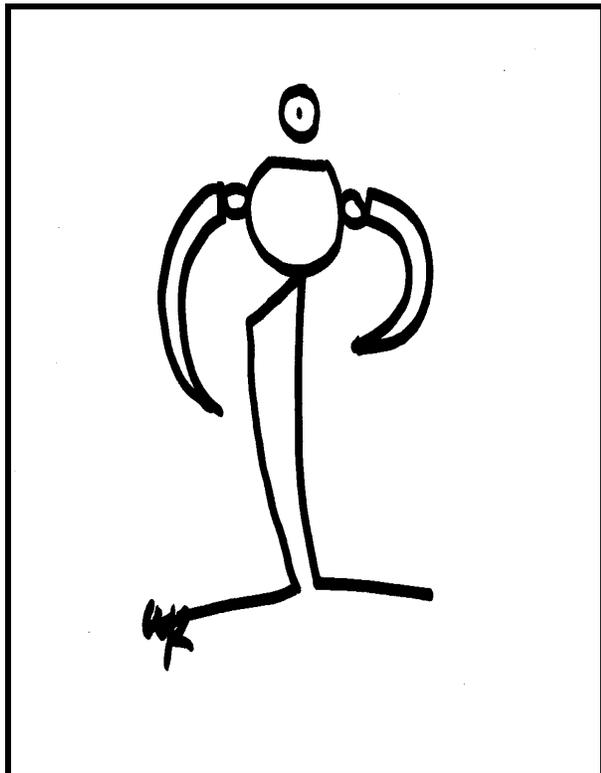
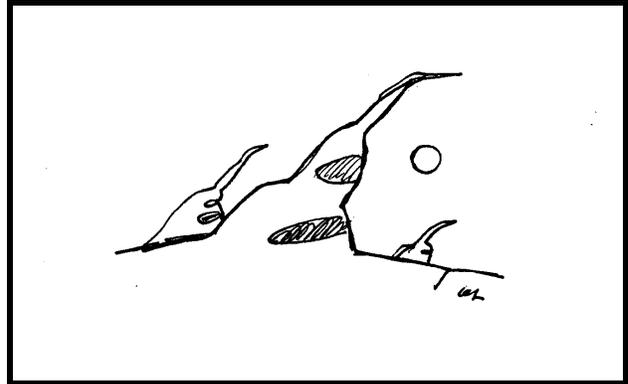
A move was made to create a Committee to process Code of Conduct violations.

A committee of three people was created to draft a procedure for addressing alleged Code of Conduct violations.

**TAKE-AWAYS:**

The Board adjourned its meeting at 1:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary



**Friday night board gaming**

Friday Night Board Gaming is a Meetup which meets at LASFS most every Friday evening, usually starting around 4:30 and ending around 11:00.

All LASFS members are invited to play these modern, mostly European, board games. There is no charge for gaming but members are responsible for any LASFS' dues which must be paid.

Members of the Meetup game at LASFS the same way other guests visit the club: 3 free meetings and then joining the club if they continue to like coming here. After they join the club they pay dues like any other member.

(Our experienced gamers are willing to teach these games to beginners.)

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