



NOVEMBER 2016

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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
 FW-EMS -

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

NOVEMBER 3 - Board of Directors Nominations.
NOVEMBER 10 - Board of Directors Election.
NOVEMBER 17 - BIG AUCTION.
NOVEMBER 24 - No programme.

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

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The November 24 LASFS meeting will be at the LASFS' clubhouse

DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

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De Profundis 525– November 2016. Publisher and Editor: **Marty Cantor**.

De Profundis is the unofficial newsletter of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society (6012 Tyrone Ave., Van Nuys, CA, USA). The LASFS' telephone number is: (818) 904-9544. The club's web site is: www.lasfs.org. *De Profundis* is available only from Marty Cantor for his cost of producing the zines: 55¢ in person, \$1.00 by domestic mail. Out of country rates quoted upon request but it is recommended that copies be downloaded - or at least read - from the *DE PROF* web site.

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, 2016

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

Board of Directors

Chairman: Karl Lembke (2018). **Vice-Chairman:** Christian McGuire (2017).. **Comptroller:** Debra Levin (2018). **Secretary:** Marty Cantor (2018). **Other members:** Marcia Minsky (2018), Gavin Claypool (2016), 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.

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

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

Meeting 4116, June 30, 2016
Vice-President Debra Levin, presiding
Nick Smith, Scribe

Meeting number 4116 was called to order at: 8:01 pm.

The Minutes of the Previous Meeting were read, corrected, and named. Eric spent \$1 to name them as [sound of snoring].

Patron Saint Alan Frisbie: Alan Frisbie is our Sacred Flying Disc. Alan Frisbie is one of two LASFS "human wallets," with the other being Randy Greiner, teh both so-named because of the amount of money they contributed to the club before it became more common for some members to contribute large sums of money.

Alan built Altair Niven; ,the only LASFS member ever donated to the club and the only member ever auctioned off to the highest bidder. Alan managed to addict the entire club to the game of Zork and he was the first person thrown out of his own Patron Saint's day meeting. Alan's pet rat was the official mascot of the 1984 Worldcon. **Patron Saint Alan Frisbie** was given three cheers and something not recorded by the Scribe.

Treasurer's Report: we have money and can't spend

it, but we also have two new members.

The **Registrar** introduced a guest: Stanley Thornton, who heard about us from Facebook, and who writes left-handed, just to confuse Michelle. (*Well, what did Michelle expect, the guest to write right-footed?* - ed.)

Auction for soda flavor for the month of July: \$5 to Joe Zeff as Diet Hansen's Root Beer.

Miscellaneous: Tom Safer has two memberships to Worldcon available at cost.

Minute of Science by David Okamura: Happy Asteroid Day! We've survived it so far, anyway. This is the anniversary of the Tunguska Impact of 1908, which is now estimated to have had the energy of roughly 185 Hiroshima-sized bombs, and June 30th has become a day to remind ourselves that we're only one asteroid impact away from having a very bad day.

Passings ("Special Order of Business"): French science fiction writer Maurice Dantec died at the age of 57. He worked with Norman Spinrad on various projects in France, and Del Rey has translated some of his work into English, but unfortunately, in the U.S. he is best known for a really bad movie adaptation of one of his novels. The American film was called **Babylon A.D.**, starring Vin Diesel, and scored a whopping 6% on the Rotten Tomatoes film site.

Chet Krause died at the age of 92. His company, Krause Publications, kept fans of different kinds of collectibles in touch with each other before the Internet and eBay. **The Comic Buyer's Guide** and the collectible card game magazine **Scrye** were two of his publications.

Author and futurist Alvin Toffler, author of **Future Shock** and **The Third Wave**, died at the age of 87. He correctly predicted a number of societal and economic trends, and influenced the works of several science fiction authors, including John Brunner, Joe Haldeman and Alan Moore.

Also, legendary engineer and businessman Si Ramo died at the age of 103. He was a developer of the electron microscope during his time at General Electric, and during his time there he registered many patents. He then moved on to work with Howard Hughes in his aerospace division. He and the Air Force both became frustrated with Hughes at about the same time, so Ramo left and formed a separate company, Ramo Wooldridge, which eventually became TRW. His work with the Air Force helped the development of the Atlas, Thor and Titan missiles, both for military and NASA purposes. He also had a legendary biting sense of humor. After one missile lifted up about six inches, fell over and exploded, he said "Now that we know the thing can fly, all we have to do is work on the range a bit."

Matthew announced the Robert J. Sawyer has been awarded The Order of Canada. Jerry asked that we send an appropriate congratulatory message to Mr. Sawyer.

Announcements:

The Bookstore of Mystery and Imagination in Glendale, 238 N. Brand, is continuing its 70% off sale, and expects to close the physical store by the end of July. The plan is to keep selling online and at special events, which is where they were making most of their money.

Reviews:

Milt is reading the books nominated for the retro Hugos. The T. H. White nominee is an adult Arthurian story. The Van Vogt, E.E. Smith and Jack Williamson nominees are science fiction, but this is technically mainstream. White was a better writer.

Elayne mentioned that the Hugo nominees are now in the library.

Jerry Pournelle recommended the short story nominee "Seven Kill Tiger," which was in the new *There Will Be War* anthology, so Jerry admits to possible bias, but he strongly recommends it.

Nick Smith recommends *Circus Mirandus*, a juvenile fantasy in the same genre as *Circus of Dr. Lao* and *Last Unicorn*.

Scratch has been reading short stories by Gail Carriger. Steampunk bodice rippers, very good.

Marcia Minsky read K.A. Fenwolfe's fantasy story, *Tiz Phoenix and the Witch's Tree*.

CLJ II read *Dictator of the Damned* and the *Milltown Murders*, part of *The Spider* pulp series. Very violent, and *The Spider* basically kills the bad guys in large numbers.

We adjourned to the programme at 8:50.

Meeting 4117, July 7, 2016 President Nick Smith, presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe

This week we honor **Patron Saint Doug Abe**, who did not speak Japanese while in Japan where he was at one time sent by his employer.

Question for the minds of the audience: Does anyone know whether or not Doug was a fanzine writer at any point. Milt guesses "no."

The rat as the mascot of the 84 Worldcon led to a filk album called "a little rat music." John Hertz believes we had two rats, and a contest to name them. Names were Reynolds and Masterson, so another tape was "Rat Masterson."

Scratch offered the title of the book by Gail Carriger *Poison or Protect*. Scratch bid \$3 to have Debra Levin name the Menace "Ringo". ("Ring-O")

That silliness being handled, we have a guest but no registrars. Elayne introduced Chris. Don't trip over his dog, Rocky. He found us on the Internet, so he must be interested in SF.

Treasurer – There were no major expenditures the past week. Let's keep it that way.

Program committee (CLJII): We hope to find an evening when Phil Proctor is not working, so he can show up here and be the program.

A Second of Science: Juno arrived at Jupiter within one second of the scheduled time, based on the launch time. The folks at JPL are being very smug about this.

Announcements:

Francis Hamit says for those who didn't take advantage of the 99¢ sale on his fiction, the prices are back up where they normally are.

Matthew Tepper said that if they can remove books from a Kindle, they can retroactively edit them..

Francis added the printed editions stay the same price.

Michelle announced LOSCON 43. There will be a lunar rover and moon diorama that can be remotely controlled. You may even be able to control it from your hotel room. This is a NASA project intended as a fundraiser.

Reviews: Debra Levin reviewed the second half of *Steamjammer* by our own John Eubank. Most of it was fun and interesting, and occasionally thought provoking. It may even get a re-read in the near future.

This weekend, went to the Pacific Pinball Museum on Alameda Island. Lots of old pinball machines, and some even further back than the 1950s. You pay \$20 for admission, and can play the machines that are open for playing as long you like.

Jeff: Can't reveal on Facebook, but... Guillermo del Toro's show at LACMA is going to be an amazingly diverse collection of artifacts from his collection. He gives Forry a run for his money.

Milt Stevens reviewed the *A Thing called Callowcaine* by Aaron Boyd. It's a Swedish dystopia that may have influenced 1984. Servants known as family assistants report to the police. The hero has a belief that his wife is having an affair with his superior. He develops a drug called Callocaine that acts as a truth serum. There is a Voluntary Sacrificial Corps, with volunteers so hopped up on propaganda they volunteer to try out the newest poison gas. Doesn't have the lurking realism of 1984. George Orwell died shortly after publishing his book, and Boyd died the year after his book was published.

Nick: Mystery and Imagination Books is closing, so fans will need other places to hunt for books.

1271 East Colorado, Book Alley, has enhanced its SF collection of the past few months. You can find stuff that's been very hard to find. Most SF paperbacks are \$3 each, a few have lower prices. They're not taking SF books in trade, because they're overloaded right now. What they're interested in is rare SF hard covers. Rowan used

to go there, and knows the owner. It's a cool place, and well worth visiting. When Nick was there, the counter display featured Arkham House books. They also have a large selection of graphic novels and manga.

Seeds of Change -- Milt's wife grabbed a bunch for throwing at the cats, and after fans have shredded all the other copies, these will be valuable collectors' items.

Scratch has just read the fourth book in the series of "Tinker", WoodSprite. It dovetails nicely into the other three books, showing small geniuses are worthwhile.

We have an Aetna Warning. We are 16 minutes away from enriching the City of Los Angeles.

Do we have any closing remarks?

One brief announcement: this weekend is the Special Event at Old Fort MacArthur. It is an all-weekend historical re-enactment at the defense fort in San Pedro. Whiskey will be re-enacting, and Nick will be providing information. The historical re-enactments include cannon. Tchaikovsky overtures are optional. You can also visit the parts of the old fort that still exist and see emplacements as they existed in period. This is for re-enactment of any military unit, so long as you get the historical details right. There is a small admission fee, which goes to the museum.

Karl: Second Sunday this weekend. There will be a Board meeting and an open house.

We moved to adjourn, and put away chairs when we leave. Adjournment was at 8:50.

Meeting 4118, July 14, 2016 President Nick Smith, presiding Karl Lembke, scribbling

This week's **Patron Saint** is **Marc Schirmeister**.

The **Menace** from the previous week were read. Or green. Or something. Additions or corrections? In the absence of any major corrections, Mark Bondurant bid \$1.50 to have Scratch name the Menace, "It's Mark's fault. (That mark)."

The **Treasurer's Report** shows we have some money and we can't spend it.

We have instructions to vamp until the auctioneer is on site.

This week, just to be different, we have a **Registrar** but no guests.

Announcements:

CRAB (Committee to Report on Area Bookstores) announced another book store we should know about: Next Chapter in Canoga Park, run by a friendly fellow named Boyd, and it has a nice SF section.

Committee Reports: Michelle Pincus announced LO-

SCON - the price goes up to \$55 on 7/31. There will be lots of amazing fun stuff you haven't seen at a LOSCON.

Elayne Pelz reported that the BoD is going to start searching for a new building. This is on account of local problems which the police are going to do nothing about, because we're in an industrial area. Milt suggested informing the captain at the precinct and the local city council critter that we're leaving the area, and why. Any new building must be at least 5000 square feet, on a main bus line, metro, train, or whatever, easy to get to, probably still in the valley.

Realtors: we need a specialist in commercial real estate. Elayne has one such, and the names of members who are Realtors turn out not to be the names of commercial real estate specialists. Tom Safer asked why we're moving. It's the habitat of humanity.

We have an Aetna Warning. We are 16 minutes away from enriching the City of Los Angeles.

Do we have any closing remarks? There not being any, we moved to adjourn, and put away chairs when we leave.

We adjourned at 9:28 pm.

Meeting 4119, July 21, 2016
President Nick Smith, presiding
Kristen Renee Gorlitz, scribbling

This week's Patron Saint is Bill Curry. Bill is a long time book collector, gamer (fun to hang around with) and helped determine that the LOTR role playing game is broken (bats, you can't kill bats).

The **Menace** from the previous week were read and June Moffatt bid \$2.50 to name the Menace "Let's name 'em Archie". John Hertz considers that a good win. He paid \$1 for the pun.

Guests: The **Registrar** reported that we have 4 new guests - Sean, Suzi, Jeff, and Josh Fitzwater. They are a family of 5 but one is in Oregon. They basically like all science fiction and they all encouraged each other to come.

DUFF - Down Under Fan Fund winner, Claire McDonald Sims, (from Australia) has joined us for the first time at this clubhouse. Mike Glycer of file 770 paid us a visit this week. (*Long-time LASFS member Mike brought Claire to the meeting.* - ed.)

Committee Reports:

Moment of Science:

It turns out that Bees invented air-conditioning. Bees cool hives by flapping their wings. That's phase one. Phase two involves evaporative cooling. Young bees bring back water so that eggs can be cooled by evaporative

cooling. Seems bees have not yet discovered freon.

Treasurer's Report: We have slightly more money than last week and we still can't spend it.

Announcements:

The Democratic convention is using PokemonGo to encourage people to capture donkeys.

We moved to adjourn and put away chairs at 8:54 pm.

Meeting 4120, July 28, 2016
President Nick Smith, presiding
Karl Lembke, scribbling

The musical rabbit having been moved to the Treasurer's desk, meeting 4120 was gaveled to order. We're going to go on with tonight's meeting with two **Patron Saints!**

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Ed Green** and **Tom Safer**. Ed is a past President, a past Board member, and a past LOSCON chair. He is currently trying to achieve stardom in The Industry.

Tom is a great fan of Bugs Bunny and a presenter of films and videos for the club.

We had three rousing cheers for each **Patron Saint**, for a perfect six cheers!

The **Menace** from the previous week was read and Anna Safer bid \$2 to name the Menace "Veronica."

Moment of Science: We have three bits of science. It turns out the Great Red Spot of Jupiter may have been created by sound waves coming up from the depths. The Spot is hundreds of degrees hotter than anywhere else on the planet. It's driven by acoustic waves from below, and this energy heats the atmosphere up by about 700 degrees. We don't know if the sound waves are from someone playing Also Sprach Zarathustra, and we note the article author's name is Hotz.

Mars Rover Curiosity has been reprogrammed to make its own command decision on when to fire its laser. For scientific purposes, of course.

Scientists have been looking for new antibiotics and found one. It's in your nose. Staph lugdunin is very good at killing off S. aureus. It's not a perfect antibiotic, because S. lugdunin creates an extreme arthritis in some people.

Treasurer's Report: We have slightly more money than we did last week, and we still can't spend it. Internet and pest control bills got paid, and property rental gave us income.

Sage Break: Jerry Pournelle mentioned two items.

This is the fourth day of no sunspots, and the sunspot count is very low this year. There are half a dozen models that suggest we may be coming to a Maunder Mini-

mum. We are, after all we ARE in an interglacial period. (*Ah - so now is when time travelers should bring Antonio Stradivari to us.* - ed.)

There was a white streak across the night sky in California last night. It was a re-entering Chinese rocket, a very large one. This reminds him of a bit of history. We had a treaty with the Russians saying neither of us would use orbital ICBMs (intercontinental ballistic missiles). The Russians were testing orbital ICBMs anyway, firing them south so they'd approach us from the south, and de-orbiting them over Peru and Chile, making them sort of legal.

The CIA decided not to tell us about this, so as not to embarrass the Russians and force us to do anything about it. The KGB would pass these off as flying saucers, and the CIA wouldn't dare to contradict.

Nick notes there's no such thing as a story too old to be embarrassing.

Francis Hamit related that in 1970 we learned that the Soviets had lost a cosmonaut in orbit. He was still alive and couldn't get back, and he had some interesting things to say about Russian engineering as he re-entered in a fireball. We couldn't use it for propaganda because then the Russians would know we'd cracked their codes.

Guests: The Emergency Holographic Registrar announced no guests.

Special Orders of Business:

We have lost fan Michael Liebman, a local fan, who was heavily into filk, and a regular at LOSCON. He funded a number of fannish projects, including a recording of music related to the space program. Services are Sunday in Simi Valley. Contact the Golds for info.

Robert Sawyer reports that Ian "the beast" Wilson has passed away, according to Lloyd Penny.

Announcements: Francis Hamit won the screenplay category from the Hollywood Book Festival, for Marlowe.

CLJII: New book, *Master of the Octopus*, was in the top 1000 of comic book / superhero related. 99¢ from Amazon.

Near our previous clubhouse at the El Portal beginning Friday of next week is Chickspeare, an all woman comedy team that improvises Shakespeare on the fly. (*Well, as long as they do not improvise Shakespeare on the mosquito -ed.*) This will show play all summer long. Definitely worth going to. El Portal is on Lankershim south of Chandler. Tickets are \$20 full price.

Reviews:

Scratch Galloway reviewed Gail Carriger's *Prudence*, and *Imprudence*. Good book.

The fantasy graphic novel "Ghosts", by Raina Telgemeier will have a print run of 500K.

There was an Aetna Warning at 8:46 pm.

So we moved to adjourn at 8:47 PM and after the program, put away chairs.

And there was much re-seating.

Meeting 4121, August 4, 2016 President Nick Smith, presiding Kristen Gorlitz, scribbling

Meeting #4121 was called to order at 8:00 pm.

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Sean Cleary** and **David Okamura**, and they are partly here. David brought us stuff to eat! And Sean Cleary is living too far away. There was a set of cheers - Three rousing Cheers for each **Patron Saint**.

The **Menace** from the previous week was read and Matthew bid \$1.5 to name the Menace "Nov shmoz ka pop". (Gene Ahern) Matthew thought June would like it, and she does.

Special Orders of Business:

Joyce Katz died. She had a stroke and never recovered. From Mike Glycer's File 770 "Joyce Katz, who along with her husband Arnie Katz and friend Bill Kunkel founded the first magazine devoted to videogames"

Treasurer's Report: We can assume that we have money and can't spend it.

Moment of Science:

Moon Express did get the okay for a private lunar landing from the United States. They hope to do mining and other experiments, but they still need approval for the flight.

The Chinese moon rover is officially deceased.

It's been a long time since we've had people on the moon, I guess we don't have the heart to go back because it turns out that going into deep space may be bad for the heart. Astronauts who went to the moon are almost five times as likely to die from heart disease. (small sample size, however). It was suggested we send more people to the moon to increase the sample size of the experiment.

Sample sizes: Harvard Massachusetts crowd-sourced genetic analysis. Found people who paid to have their gene maps done and then asked them questions and found 15 genome types that are associated with depression. Breakthrough on how you get the data.

Only out for a month, but experts are warning that PokemonGo and driving is far more dangerous than texting

and driving. There have been over 700 traffic tickets and over 15 traffic tickets with injury in a little over a week in Japan. Also, the guards at Area 51 are highly annoyed with PokemonGo players.

Jerry Pournelle - regarding the radiation on the moon - this is hardly a new discovery. Solar radiation around the moon. Don't go out camping if you're living on the moon. (tunnel instead)

VRLA (Virtual Reality) convention this weekend for gaming also has new therapeutic technology where they can intervene in processing sequence for very effective pain treatment.

Doug - just announced the first programmable and re-programmable quantum computer.

Perseid meteor shower- Aug 11 and 12th

Guests: Registrar Ed introduced our two guests. Darlie Brewster from Sherman Oaks, brought by Eric Hoffman. She's an artist, filker, nerd, geek and animator. Sonya Park - daughter of Park. Heard about it from her father. Likes time travel.

Miscellaneous:

Doug announced that Mike Jittlov is thinking about visiting.

Reviews:

Scratch - Anthology series created by Larry Niven - Treasure Planet - is superbly done

George makes a motion to take the motion out on a date. That motion was denied, but we seconded the motion to move to the program and put the chairs away correctly this time! (*Correctly? When I come in on Friday afternoons I still find, almost half the time, errors in stacking which require me to reposition chairs so that I can set up for Friday activities. *grump* - ed.*)

Speaking of the moon, in several 1950s movies, premise is you can't return to earth or you will die.

Jerry Pournelle: 2 meters of lunar regolith is the equivalent of Earth's Atmosphere as radiation shielding.

Board of Directors Meeting September 11, 2016 Karl Lembke, Chairman Marty Cantor, Secretary

Board Members in attendance: Karl Lembke, Marty Cantor, Gavin Claypool, Mike Thorsen, Michelle Pincus, Rob "Gizmo" Powell, Marcia Minsky, and Debra Levin, Elayne Pelz and Christian McGuire. Absent: Nick Smith.

Members and Guests: Barry Gold, Lee Gold, Joe Zeff,

Matthew B. Tepper, and Eylat Poliner.

Called to order: The meeting was called to order at 11:08 am. The Chairman welcomed us to the Sunday, September 11, 2016 meeting of the Board of Directors. We had a moment of silence for the victims of 911.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of August 14, 2016, were accepted as amended.

New Members: There were 6 applications for membership from fans who paid their \$10 application fee: Joseph Hawkins, Suraiya Ahmed, Zayyir Ahmed, John Ehlers, Brighton Dawe (Rusty), Kathleen Dawe. They were accepted.

Treasurer: (Elayne Pelz): We have money in the treasury and there is a reserve. See the Treasurer for details.

30-second Reports:

Chairman (Karl Lembke): No report.

Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire): No report.

Secretary (Marty Cantor): No report.

Publications (Marty Cantor): No report.

Comptroller (Debra Levin): Still waiting for after Worldcon.

Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen): This month: 305 units were sold, bringing in \$305.00. Total units to date: 36,822, and total monies to date: \$32,371.50. We purchased the usual paper products.

Library (Gavin Claypool): Backlog has been finished and added to our catalog. 72 items added to library since our last meeting. Re-arrangement of some books done. A couple of volunteers has helped.

Archives (Marcia Minsky): No report.

Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz): Signed with a realtor for a new building and selling our current one.

AV Equipment (Rob Powell): No report.

Events (Nick Smith): (LOSCON 43 [Michelle Pincus]): Moving forward: needs more people to stay at the con and we need more members.

Recruitment, and Marketing Committee (Michelle Pincus): No report.

(Significant Others)

Club President (Nick Smith): (Nick is at work today.)

WEB MASTER (Barry Gold): Pretty quiet and thanks to Mike for pictures of new officers. Put up memorial in-

LAF
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, November 19, 2016, 7 PM
Pre-filk dinner at 5 pm., see notes
The House of Perpetual Commotion
Hosts: John, Mary, Devon and Richard Creasey
3754 W. 170th Street, Torrance, CA
(310) 329-6772

Pre-filk dinner: 5 pm, Golden Camel Mongolian bar-b-q
21006 Hawthorne Blvd. Torrance, CA
1/2 block North of Torrance Blvd., on the East of Hawthorne
in a strip mall

Call the Creaseys to reserve -- three days before, please!
Note: Golden Camel seems to have changed their name.
**You may have to walk up and down the strip mall looking
for a restaurant with a circular grill visible in the window.**

TYPE OF CIRCLE: -TBD- & Theme basket-John and/or
Mary will be Demighod.

Notes:

1. Mucho crash space available; call to reserve yours; bring sleeping gear in case we run out of beds.
2. Children welcomed on good behavior.
3. Bring all of your usual filk stuff.
4. NO SMOKING indoors PLEASE!
5. There is a piano, it's playable but very old and tuned a hair under 440.
6. There be computers here! (PC clones). THEY WILL BE IN HIBERNATION for the night except for song archiving. Tis a filksing, not a bytebash.
7. There is a copier here; slight cost to cover supplies.
8. The last survivors will be conscripted into cleaning up the remains.
9. Random Factors will be open for business.
10. There are no pets with more than two legs.

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

Eylat gave a report for the Whiskey memorial at LASFS. Many people have volunteered to help

There was a further discussion about the homeless encampment on Tyrone north of Aetna.

OPEN FORUM:

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be on October 9, 2016.

TAKE-AWAYS:

The Board adjourned its meeting at 11:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary



formation about "Whiskey" Johnson. // Attempting to keep up with on-going activities. // Still need help for web site upgrade. // LASFS History has been upgraded.

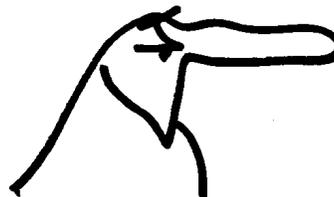
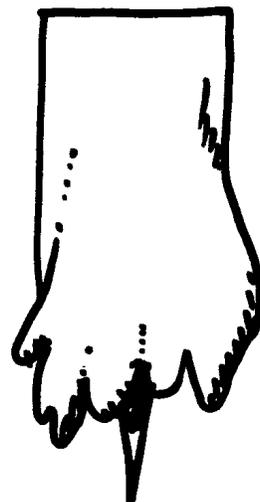
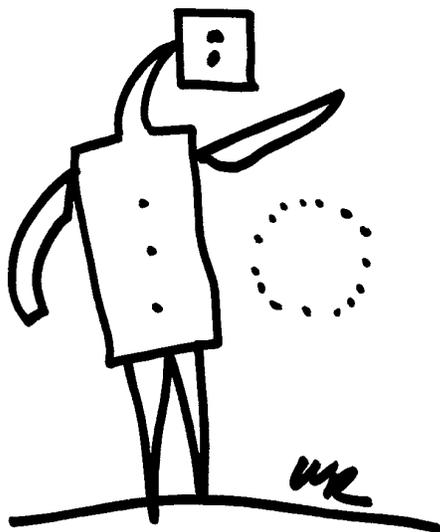
AGENDA ITEMS:

NEW LIBRARIAN: Gavin and Elayne want to keep the present pro-tem position until the end of this year. The consensus of the Board is to do this.

Elayne discussed an organization which helps other organizations get grants and finding people and other groups to fund us. She also discussed another organization which can cost \$100 - GrantStation - . Writing for enlarging the library.

Karl showed wristband for Whiskey memorial.

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WILLIAM ROTSLER**



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Friday night board gaming

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

**LASFS
DIRECTORY**

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The directory is now available.
Elayne will e-mail
the following directory files, free,
upon request:
xl spreadsheet, or
pdf

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or printer access
Elayne will provide a printed copy upon request
for a small fee.

Contact Elayne at:
treasurer@lasfs.org

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