



# FEBRUARY 2017

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|   |     |     | 1   | 2<br>LASFS<br>MEETING  | 3 - Open<br>House -<br>Board Gaming    | 4 -   |
| 5                                       | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9<br>LASFS<br>MEETING  | 10 - Open<br>House ---<br>Board Gaming | 11 - Cosplay<br>Sewing Circle<br>Cinema Animé |
| 12 - BoD at 11<br>Open House<br>at 2 pm | 13  | 14  | 15  | 16<br>LASFS<br>MEETING | 17 - Open<br>House ---<br>Board Gaming | 18 - Tom Safer -<br>CFO                       |
| 19<br>Time<br>Meddlers                  | 20  | 21  | 22  | 23<br>LASFS<br>MEETING | 24 - Open<br>House --<br>Board Gaming  | 25  |
| 26 - GOING<br>AWAY<br>PARTY             | 27  | 28  |     |                        |  |   |

## KEY TO CALENDAR & OTHER IMPEDIMENTA

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

**FEBRUARY 2** - Eric Hoffman presents "The Red Skelton Hour" with Boris Karloff and Vincent Price.  
**FEBRUARY 9** - No programme.  
**FEBRUARY 16 - BIG AUCTION.**  
**FEBRUARY 23** - No programme.

**February 26 - TYRONE AVENUE "GOING AWAY" PARTY POT-LUCK, 2 PM until 8 PM. One last party before the buildings A) fill up with boxes; and B) we go away from them.**

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)

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

### COLOPHON

*De Profundis* 528—February 2017. 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 address: [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 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

January - June, 2017

**President:** Nick Smith. **Vice-President:** Debra Levin and Matthew B. Tepper. **Registrar:** Marty Cantor & Marcia Minsky. **Scribe:** Karl Lembke, Kristen Gorlitz and Anna Diamond. **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 (2019), Elayne Pelz (2017), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2017), Mike Thorsen (2019), Kristen Gorlitz (2019), 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 Pro Tem:** Gavin Claypool. **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. **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.

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

### CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

(complete minutes are supposed to be filed in the LASFS' files and can be read there - also at [www.lasfs.org](http://www.lasfs.org))

**Meeting #4126, September 8, 2016**  
**President Nick Smith, presiding**  
**Kristen Gorlitz, scribbling**

Meeting #4127 began at 8:00 pm.

This week's Patron Saints are Dale Hales and Mike Thorsen. They're both not here, but one is more not here than the other. They were each given Three rousing Cheers - and a soda flavor no one has heard of - Diet Rutabaga.

The **Menace** were read and accepted. Jason Duvall bid \$7 to name the Menace "Whiskey for sainthood".

The **Registrar** reports - we have a guest! Martin Kata has been to Wheaton Con but not LOSCON or LASFS. His fan name is Doctor Bits and he likes hard science fiction, Star Trek, and Babylon 5. He is a media and literature fan. His occupation is research!

**Treasury:** We have slightly less money than we did last week, and like it or not, we can't spend it.

**Announcements:** Elayne: Whiskey's memorial is this Saturday. It will begin at 11 am, and they need all hands on deck for set up at 10 am. They are collecting money. And they will ID you, since there will be alcohol.

**Moment of Science:** Nick Smith - Animals - Great Escape consists of fish. About 3 million fish per year are escaping from fish farms and hatcheries. This is ruining local ecologies. The reason being that farm fish are a separate species and are larger than wild fish. Some are predators and not afraid of human beings.

There's a new superfood - but you won't want to eat it - called Cockroach milk and it comes from a species of beetle cockroaches. It's essentially a liquid protein goo fed to their babies and if we can find a way to engineer it, we'll have a valuable and competitive new source of protein.

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**More Announcements:** Joe Zeff is putting out small sweet rolls because, as of today, his age is a prime number.

Francis Hamit is having a full hip replacement on the 27th and will spend most of October in rehab.

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Also, **Wicked Lit** tickets are on sale now.

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After the auction, a motion to put away chairs and tables passed and we adjourned at 9:01 pm.

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**Kristen Gorlitz, scribbling**

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Committee to gouge started the big auction.

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**Meeting 4128, September 22, 2016**  
**President Nick Smith, presiding**  
**Kristen Gorlitz, Scribe**

Meeting #4128 began at 8:00 pm.

This week's **Patron Saint** and club's Sacred Canteen is **Karl Lembke**. He was given Three rousing Cheers - and a pithy comment.

June Moffatt bid \$1.50 to name the Menace "Crickets, nothing but crickets".

**Special Orders of Business:** Marty - A well-known fan has passed. Dave Kyle, a member of first fandom, passed at 97 years old. He had just attended an end of summer party hosted by Bill Burns (who is currently running the Corflu website) on Long Island. Curt Philips was at the party; he used to be EMT and is now a nurse. Dave Kyle collapsed, and Kurt examined him (had medical equipment with him) helped get Dave into his car. Dave's daughter took him home, and soon after they took him to hospital. He was able to see many of his friends before he passed.

History - why he got famous.

He was chairman of the Yorcon, later NYCon II, the New York Worldcon in 1956. After the banquet, they would have Hugo's in same room. You could attend the Hugo's after the banquet, so many people waited on stairs to be let in after the banquet, blocking entrances. So the people on the stairs were told - Dave Kyle says you can't sit here. Turns out the fire marshal had said that.

Many years later, at a convention bathroom, Dave Kyle sat on a toilet only to see a sign in front of him which said Dave Kyle "you can't sit here". He broke out in laughter.

One of the people who was moved from place to place said they were locked out because Dave was foolish enough to overestimate how much was sold to fill banquet. They were indeed moved from one place to another on Dave's orders.

Dave was a prolific fan writer and his writing is available online.

John Hertz: at LunaCon, Dave Kyle was ushering for the masquerade and he told John "actually, you can sit wherever you want"

Nick Smith: Dave was part of the original science fiction league, which tells a part of LASFS history that you usually don't hear, and how it fell apart.

The **Registrar** announced that there are no new guests.

**Programs:** In November, we will have nominations for and the election of our Board of Directors>

**Treasurer's Report:** We did pretty well on last week's Auction, and so, are in better shape than we would have been without last week's auction. Even with our treasurer's absence, we can't spend it.

**Moment of Science:** David Okumura - A fire up near

Vandenberg has delayed the launch of a rocket carrying a commercial satellite.

SpaceX has had difficulties recently after an explosion on its launchpad in Florida. Pressing on, they hope to resume in an alternate Florida launchpad as early as November.

Some think Elon Musk is moving too fast, but he may need to, because there is stiff competition.

Jeff Bezos' Blue Origin will be coming up with a new rocket to compete with SpaceX.

Space program - another rocket did a successful flight. It did not go into orbit but it did manage to complete a dream that was over 32 years in the making. Evel Spirit lifted off and successfully crossed the snake river canyon. In 1974, Evel Knievel and the infamous Skycycle failed - so they built an exact replica of Skycycle and it performed exactly as it had been intended to in 1974.

With global warming becoming more of an issue, people are taking a look at the commercial possibilities in the North, both mineral rights and commercial shipping rights. About 170 years ago, at probably the coldest time in ages, an Arctic expedition was lead to try to find the Northwest Passage only to become stuck. This was the Franklin expedition. They have found the second ship of the Franklin expedition. It was 30 miles away from ship they found years ago. This brings up questions as to how the crew abandoned ship.

CLJII - There is an ongoing spoken legend that if you find the corpse of Franklin himself, the corpse's hand sticks up out of the ice pointing to where the northwest passage must be.

Nick - Caltech - astronomer Scott Adams announced that scientists have found a failed Nova, they think they saw a nova starting to occur and then it withdrew, showing that there is a size of star that will not Nova in the expected way. This failed Nova fits the pattern they predicted.

Ashish - Dark matter - there is a galaxy discovered made entirely of dark matter. 2 days ago, looked at large number of galaxies and we may not need dark matter.

Scratch - Chinese space station came down in flaming ruin. They lost command of it. Atmospheric drag on the solar panels. (*They probably did not use the correct chopsticks.* - ed.)

**Special Orders of Business:** Matthew B. Tepper's birthday is tomorrow - he brought a large package of skittles. (*But the wrong chopsticks.* - ed.)

**Announcement and Reviews:**

Nick - last week was 100th anniversary of Roald Dahl. Not only did he write for the Alfred Hitchcock episode -

Lambs of the Slaughter, he also wrote two Ian Fleming movies - Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, his version was un-filmable, and You Only Live Twice. Both Fleming and Dahl were spies spying on the US to keep track of the American isolationist movement for Winston Churchill's benefit. Dahl was a British fighter ace in Greece but he crashed his plane and suffered injuries, was grounded. The reality is that he ran out of fuel, crash landed the plane so badly that it caused the plane to catch fire. He walked away with a concussion and consequently suffered blackouts.

Debra - Ben's Paternal grandfather fought in WWII - it wasn't unusual for them to be misinformed about where they were supposed to be, making it easy to run out of fuel

Matthew - 2018 marks the 200th anniversary of Frankenstein, (*If we are going to have a celebration of his anniversary, should we not first make him a member? What are his fannish credentials - and who will pay his membership fee?* - ed.)

Milt - Arkwright by Allen Steele is a story of a sci fi writer who didn't actually exist- Nathan Arkwright, who resembles Citizen Kane, is dying. A journalist tells about life of his grandfather Nathan. Milt thought the most gripping idea is to send sperm cells and eggs and have a robot hatchery. It's a pleasant novel, but he doesn't think it's award worthy.

Nick- Dave Kellett, web cartoonist of Sheldon and Drive, has launched a kickstarter for a hardcover edition of Drive and fans responded so much that the kickstarter is past double its funding. Drive is a funny sci fi story with a serious thread - mankind is in big trouble for having stolen faster than light technology.

A motion to put away chairs and tables passed and we adjourned at 9:22 pm.

**Meeting #4129, September 29, 2016**  
**President Nick Smith, presiding,**  
**Karl Lembke, scribbling**

Meeting #4129 began at 8:04 pm. Fred Patten is in attendance. We have the donation of his three latest books.

This week's **Patron Saints** are:

**Ron Ellik:** Contributed to "The Universes of EE Smith"

**Barry Workman:** Drafted the Hugo award one year. (*Did they make it through basic training?* - ed.)

**Mike Donahue:** May be directing a movie.

Each was given Three rousing Cheers - and no waiting

Christian bid \$3 to name the Menace "Ψ. Let's not forget

Whisky".

**Special Orders of Business:**

Lucy Stern has passed away from cancer. She, her husband, and two daughters were longtime club members. We had a moment of silence before moving on to the other orders.

We have also lost Writer and Editor Robert Weinberg, edited any number of anthologies. In recent years he was editor in chief of Arkham House Books, but his works haven't been published. He also worked for Marvel Comics. He wrote several nonfiction books about the field of SF.

For fans of bad movies, we lost Herschel Gordon Lewis (age 87) wrote, directed, or produced some of the worst genre movies including invented genres like nudie musicals and girl biker gang. *Monster a Go Go*, so bad he removed his own name from the credits. Classic horror film was *2000 Maniacs*, he was writer, director, cinematographer, and vocalist for the theme song, and it inspired the *Texas Chainsaw Massacre*. It was described as a cross between the Civil War and *Brigadoon*. Considered America's Godfather of gore.

Some special items of note: Fred Patten has donated some items for the club library. These are his three most recent books.

There was no treasurer's report.

**Committee Reports:**

The Forry Award anthology will be published in a month and a half.

In November, we will have nominations for the election of the Board of Directors

The **Registrar** did not make it in, and so there was no report of guests.

**Moment of Science:**

David Okumura - Still looking for the cause of the SpaceX rocket explosion. It was a failure in helium containment, but the cause is uncertain.

Elon Musk has plans for huge reusable rockets to put a colony on Mars. These would be refueled by orbiting stations for the Earth to Mars leg. He hopes to have 1 million people in 1000 ships to establish a colony within about 20 years.

Rosetta spacecraft will begin its plunge into the comet early Friday morning. It should transmit right up until impact.

### **Time Bound Announcements:**

Christian: This weekend, starting tomorrow, is the San Diego Doctor Who con.

We had a soda auction. Barbara Harmon bid \$2 to get diet ginger ale in the last slot.

There was...

No **New Business**.

But we have **Old Business**. In particular, we have the Forry Awards.

After several rounds of voting, the Forry Award was awarded to Gregory Benford.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs and tables passed and we adjourned at 9:22 pm.

### **Meeting 4130, October 6, 2016 President Nick Smith, presiding Scribe**

President Nick Smith, presiding;  
Kristen Renee Gorlitz, scribbling

Meeting #4130 began at 8:00 pm.

This week's **Patron Saint** is **Steve Bilan** - brother of Greg Bilan. He was given Three rousing Cheers.

The Minutes were read and Marcia bid \$5 to name the **Menace** "Rest in peace Lucy".

### **Special Orders of Business:**

Charlie Hoff has passed; he was our tech god. He had been doing cons for 20+ years. No details are known, he passed over the weekend.

Arthur Jean Cox died. Mark spoke about him - he came in every single day to Mark's restaurant, the Palermo. He was a longtime member of the club and he organized some of the first Worldcons. Cox was a Published author, in Astounding stories and he knew people like Forrest Ackerman and John Neville Campbell Jr. and L Ron Hubbard. He was club secretary.

Kate Yule, co-producer of the fanzine *Bento*. She passed away of brain cancer at age of 55. She was a red-topped beacon of energy.

Bill Warren is probably dying. His wife does not feel he will recover. He could pass anytime. Bill is quite a resource to the film community as well as the club. He worked with Bill Rotsler on a French magazine. He also published the film book - *Keep Watching the Skies*.

Radio and TV personality for 70 years, Oscar Brand.

Wrote fantasy short stories back in the 50s. Passed at the age of 96. Musicologist, wrote several books on the study of song parodies - which inspired filk music. (*He also recorded several 10-inch lps, Bawdy Songs and Back-room Ballads.* - ed.)

The **Registrar** announced guest Eric Hentell, a friend of Josh Sky. He is a Media fan and a Professional Desk Sitter.

### **Moment of Science:**

David Okumura - It's October and a chill is in the air. It's Nobel Prize season again. And there are new advances in terms of superconductors and quantum computing.

Engineering, 3 scientists have been honored with Nobel Prize in Chemistry for extremely small nano machines created atom by atom, 1k times thinner than human hair. (*Personally, I prefer nono machines.* -ed.)

Elon Musk generally is in the spotlight and Jeff Bezos tends to keep his cards close to his chest, but yesterday Blue Origin did something truly spectacular- New Shepard did a test flight. It's the 5th test flight of that same rocket to test safety systems for crew capsule. Nothing went boom, even though they expected a booster to be destroyed. Booster continued on flight then landed perfectly, a spectacular show of their abilities.

Rosetta did complete its mission by doing a slow crash dive into its goal, a comet. This was a 12-year mission.

Researchers now think that 115 years is probably the max lifespan for humans unless there is something really groundbreaking in terms of undoing all the damage that we take in our cells over the course of time.

Rollercoasters - healthy practices? Researcher with too much time on their hands have theorized that people can pass kidney stones by riding roller coasters. (*Just as long as they do not have to pass the speed of light.* - ed.)

Does nectar make bees happy? Tough to be a bug right now, hive collapse syndromes and various pesticides. Nectar gives bees a sugar buzz, which creates an emotional state similar to optimism.

Speaking of optimism, here is the **treasurer's report** - we have money and can't spend it.

### **Announcements:**

Mark Bondurant - his 4th book is coming out, sequel to series, looking for reviews of the first book. Young adult alternate history sf, called Red Jacket.

Ed - Anna and Ed are having an estate sale this weekend.

Jim Ubtersten?- Saturday is the next meeting of the robotic society of Southern California. They build automatic machinery called robots and they are preparing for the "get me a beer" contest, where we make robots our beer slaves.

CLJII - on behalf of Tom Khamis - 10/16 from 2pm-

10pm - 3 hammer vampire pictures and Dr. Jekyll and Sister Hyde

Marty - 2nd Sunday, board of directors meets at 11 am, everyone is welcome to come and watch. Around 2 pm we have open house for board games and socializing.

Nick announced that USC and Huntington library are doing an SF symposium. 10/28-10/29 - Screening movie "Her" for \$5. Saturday at USC Doheny Memorial library - writers talk about implications of SF. Website - usc.edu/icw/scifila. Saturday is free, but one needs to register in advance at SCIFILA to get free tickets

Nosferatu: A Symphony of Terror show is running in North Hollywood. Could it run a little faster?

Wicked Lit runs through Nov 12th

Milt - Hugos have a proposal category for best series. To qualify, one novel in the series needs to be published in 2016. 140 series are now eligible.

There was...  
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Milt - Greg Benford - Beyond Infinity, goes for the big concept and its 1 billion years from now, Klay is an original human, gets revived when nostalgic phase. Suspected that original humans did not have the high tech features she does. (But she doesn't call for people to moisturize her.)

Eric - universal film script series inspired by Forrest J Ackerman. Shooting script for Frankenstein meets the Wolfman. Film is infamous for Bela Lugosi plays the Frankenstein monster.

Josh - Isaac Asimov - In Memory Yet Green is compelling and interesting,  
Westworld is a spin off of Michael Crichton screenplay.

CLJII- story night at the stronghold by Pournelle and Niven Park in Anaheim - new attraction at Disney-Soarin around the World, does begin and end on the Matterhorn. Haunted Mansion has limited smellovision, smell gingerbread baking in one room.

SP Hendrick - Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children is lovely.

Nick - Saturday in Santa Monica, folkworks, Nick will be teaching storytelling workshop

In the absence of any further business... A motion to put away chairs and tables passed and we adjourned at 9:22 pm.

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

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

**Members and Guests:** Kristen Gorlitz, Lee Gold, Barry Gold, Joe Zeff, Matthew B. Tepper, Greg Bilan.

**Called to order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:07 am. Thanks were given to outgoing board member Michelle Pincus. The Chairman welcomed us to the Sunday, December, 2016 meeting of the Board of Directors.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting of November 13, 2016, were accepted as submitted.

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

**Treasurer: (Elayne Pelz):** The treasurer was not here so there was no report.

**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):** No report.

**Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen):** This month: 232 units were sold, bringing in \$232.00. Total units to date: 37,655 and total monies to date: \$33,204.50. We purchased the usual monthly products, some kitchen items, refilled a propane bottle, and got some plumbing items.

**Library (Gavin Claypool):** Library sales table sold many books at LOSCON and used much of that money to purchase other books at that Con. // We have packed 8 boxes preparatory to moving.

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

**Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz):** Not here. Front bathroom as been replumbed.

**AV Equipment (Rob Powell):** No report.

**Events (Nick Smith): (LOSCON 43 [Michelle Pincus])** Overall, it was fun. The numbers were way down. Nick says that this is a trend on West Coast cons with not as many people out of the area. Thanksgiving has been a slow time for cons. // Right now there is a Joe Moe affair to honour Forry with a luncheon.

**Recruitment, and Marketing Committee (Michelle Pincus):** Still on hold because she has been busy.

**LAFa**  
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, February 18, 2017  
Filk: 7 PM to ???  
Terry Brussel, host  
8515 Penfield Ave., Winnetka, CA 91306  
818/886-0069  
(hit # as soon as you hear a voice, to skip the answering machine messages)

**Pre-filk dinner:** 6 PM Potluck. Bring your favorite dish to share. Homemade Chicken and Vegetable Soup provided by your hostess.

**Filk style:** moderated chaos

**Notes:**

1. Crash space available at the filk site--call in advance for arrangements.
2. Bring healthy munchies, juices, etc.
3. **No smoking -- period!!** (Except allowed outside.)
4. Bring all of your usual filk stuff.
5. There is a hot tub.
6. The filk site is air conditioned.

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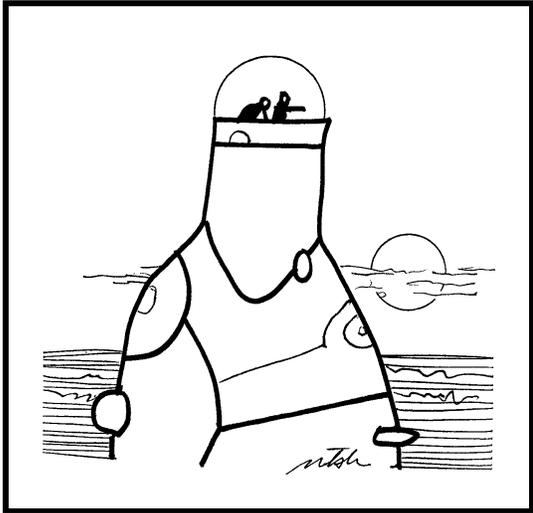
LAFa info: Barry & Lee Gold:  
(310) 306-7456

January 8, 2017.

**TAKE-AWAYS:**  
Looking for property.

The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary



**(Significant Others)**

**Club President (Nick Smith):** There has been a new election.

**WEB MASTER (Barry Gold):** New officers have been listed on the web site.

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

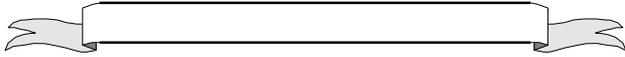
1. The move: planning and logistics. Escrow has probably been closed and we are now paying \$4500 a month rental. We will be starting the packing of books in January. Rob will start taking down the computers. We discussed preparations for moving.
2. Rental, termination of rental, long-term storage. We should make lists of what has to be moved - especially big or awkward items and when stuff should be packed and/or moved. We also discussed hours, dues, and related items.
3. Thank-you letter to council member Ryu about his initiating the motion for Forry Ackerman Square. We read the letter, asked for some changes, and told Karl to mail it.

**OPEN FORUM:**

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be on



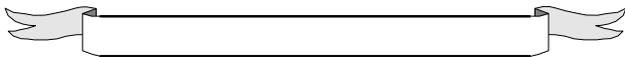
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LASFS  
HAS SOLD  
ITS CLUBHOUSE**

We are now looking for a building which can house the club.

And we are also looking for a vacant lot on which we can build a facility which can be custom-designed to our specifications.



**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.)

**MISSING  
AND INCOMPLETE  
APA-L DISTIES**

Karl Lembke has been digitizing all of the APA-L disties in the files in the APA-L Room at LASFS. This work has been uploaded to flash drives and is being distributed to several universities with appropriate collections.

Unfortunately, there are a few missing disties and some which are also incomplete.

**THIS IS A CALL TO THOSE WHO MIGHT HAVE THE FOLLOWING DISTRIBUTIONS IN THEIR COLLECTIONS. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR KARL LEMBKE OR LEE GOLD, CONTACT THE EDITOR OF *DE PROFUNDIS* AND HE WILL PUT YOU IN CONTACT WITH THEM.**

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- 1476**

**The collection is complete to the current issue: 2687 - except for the above issues.**

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DIRECTORY**

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