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BoD = Board of Directors - 11 am

CALENDAR DETAILS

UNTIL LASFS FINDS ITS NEW PERMANENT HOME LASFS WILL JUST BE HAVING ITS THURSDAY MEETINGS - ALL OTHER HAPPENINGS AT THE CLUB WILL NOW HAPPEN ELSEWHERE.

Board of Directors meeting:
Elayne Pelz' residence, 15931 Kalisher St.,
Granada Hills.
NO OPEN HOUSE AFTERWARDS.
Beware those with allergies: cats in house!!!

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

- SEPTEMBER 7** - Forry Award Nominations and voting.
- SEPTEMBER 14** - Continuing Forry Awards if we run out of time on the 7th
- SEPTEMBER 21** - Big Auction
- SEPTEMBER 28** - No programming

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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DE PROF WILL SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF WHEN AND WHERE LASFS WILL MEET IN THE FUTURE

DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

COLOPHON

De Profundis 535– September 2017. Publisher and Editor: **Marty Cantor**.

De Profundis is the unofficial newsletter of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society (No current permanent address). The LASFS' telephone number for information: **(818) 246-2552**. The club's web site is: www.lasfs.org. *De Profundis* is available only from Marty Cantor for his cost of producing the zines: 75¢ in person, \$1.25 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 hand them to me at wherever LASFS meetings are being held. The editor, Marty Cantor, can be reached at his edress: [martyhoohah \(at\) sbeglobal \(dot\) net](mailto:martyhoohah@sbeglobal.net) or at club meetings 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

July - December, 2017

President: Nick Smith. **Vice-President:** Matthew B. Tepper. **Registrar:** Marty Cantor. **Scribe:** Karl Lembke and 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 (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 ____

LASFS TEMPORARY MEETING PLACE

by Christian McGuire

On Thursday nights (starting May 4), the LASFS will be meeting in Robert Boyle Studio 800 on the first floor of the Art Directors Guild (ADG) building at the corner of Ventura Blvd., and Radford.

**Art Directors Guild
Robert Boyle Studio 800, 1st floor
11969 Ventura Blvd.
Studio City, CA 91604.**

The space is open to LASFS members and guests from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm each Thursday.

Do not arrive before 6:30 pm. We will be out of the space by 9:30 pm.

We are responsible for setting up and putting away chairs and tables.

Nothing will be left behind or stored on the property.

No food will be allowed in the building. Drinks are ok. The water cooler is off limits, as are any random

bottles of Sparklett's water.

No opening of random doors. The club has use of the meeting room, the hallway, and the bathrooms.

None of the media equipment, nor the wifi, are available for club use.

There are no other days or times where the space is available. Please do not ask.

The liaisons between the LASFS and the ADG are Christian B. McGuire, and Elayne Pelz. All questions, comments, and your 2¢ must go through them.

**PARKING:
LASFS MEMBERS CANNOT ENTER THE
PARKING LOT BEFORE 6:30 PM. NO NOT
EVEN YOU. NO.**

The parking lot is accessible from Radford Blvd. through an alley behind the ADG building. The lot is the first gated lot on the south side of the alley. Pull up to the parking card reader; on the bottom of the reader is a black button - press the button and the parking gate will open.

Fill in the spaces starting from the Ventura Blvd side of the lot. If the lot is full you can also find parking along the alley, metered parking on Ventura Blvd., and the local streets.

If you park across the street where the Trader Joes market is, your car may be towed. They have two guys with chalk markers and cell phones diligently looking for cars that have been parked there longer than reasonable.

Du-par's Restaurant and Bakery is across the street and open 24 hours and can be used for aftermeetings. In case the ADG space is unavailable an alternative meeting may be held there. Everyone will have to order at least a drink.

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 4155, March 30, 2017
President Nick Smith, presiding
Karl Lembke, scribbling**

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4155 to order at 8:04 pm.

This week's **Patron Saint** is **Sue Haseltine**. She had a security clearance at one time (*And was a good LASFS Librarian.* - ed.)

Patron Saint Sue Haseltine was given Three very loud Cheers, and "let's read the minutes".

The **Menace** was read and Christian McGuire bid \$1 to name menace #4154 "And the Band Played On". The **Menace** were so accepted.

Registrar:

Registrar Marty announced a lack of guests.

Treasurer's Report :

No report.

The **Committee to Gouge** auctioned off, amongst other things, a wrapped box, which Eylat Poliner paid \$5 to unwrap. And at one point, it turned out we were all out to launch.

Science Monitor

David Okamura reported on some science. To paraphrase Neil Armstrong, the retread has landed. Space-x celebrates the successful launch of a previously flown Falcon 9. This is its second landing on the barge. Space-x hopes to shrink the turn-around time for its rockets. We don't know how much they charged their client, but soon there will be a website with a drop-down menu...

We have encouraging news about the California red legged frog. It's starting to breed on its own without human interference, and this is the celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County.

With all the rains, the Antelope Valley is back in bloom. The poppies are exploding. Hay fever sufferers are also exploding.

When you think about Morro Bay, most think about the big rock. Some think about the nearby lake. Tourists are flocking in because the sea otters have started to come back to the area. It's now 40-60, after being hunted near to extinction. If the numbers stay above the 3000 threshold for a few years, they can be taken from the endangered list.

Oldish - Newish Business

The LOSCON Bid
LOSCON 45,
Crys Pretzman and Christian McGuire, chairs.
There was a question and answer session for the one bid, and a vote was taken. The bid passed, essentially, unani-
mously.

Special Orders of Business:

Gary Bernard had an item for consideration. He was here Friday, and left before the registrar got here. Before things got rolling, his wife came out, having heard some "real vile, hate-speech being played in the back room". Mike Thorson was listening to a radio program on his

computer a program that insulted Muslims and people who associated with them.

This led to a discussion of matters such as courtesy, insulting behavior, self control, and a variety of related topics. One issue is that people encountering disrespect or offensive behavior never make a fuss. They leave and never come back.

We do have a code of conduct, and members may ask club officers to intercede. Does requiring someone to contact a club officer unfairly put the onus on the offended? Well, without an officer witnessing, who's right and who's wrong? We have a tradition of fans policing themselves, and it may be breaking down.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs carefully passed at 9:45 pm.

Meeting 4156, April 6, 2017 President Nick Smith, presiding Karl Lembke, scribbling

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4156 to order at 8:08 pm.

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Chuck Donahue**, and **Tom Stern**.

Tom Stern's foot is healing after surgery.

Each **Patron Saint** was given Three very loud Cheers.

Marcia Minsky bid \$1 to name **Menace** #4155 "And there was much rejoicing".

The **Menace** was so accepted.

Registrar:

Registrar Marty announced a lack of guests

Science Monitor:

David Okamura reported news, some good, some not so good. We have a new mountain lion cub. P54. P-54, where are you? Santa Monica Mountains. Mom is P-23, and father is P-30, probably her half brother. So are their last names Hapsburg?

The MAVEN satellite orbiting Mars has an idea why the planet's lost so much atmosphere. Mars has a weak magnetic field, and doesn't repel the solar wind. That could change. NASA has proposed putting a huge electromagnet at the L-1 point of Mars to create a magnetic shield. Within a very short time, the planet could retain enough CO2 to change the climate. Up to a seventh of the original oceans could return.

Brexit: scientists have determined how Britain split from the European continent. A melting glacier broke off and caused a huge flood that eroded the land east of Dover. This would have happened 450,000 years ago. 300,000 years ago, there was another flood.

Jerry Pournelle called attention to the LA Times piece on

hagfish. It's a primitive jawless fish. It's a link between vertebrates and invertebrates. The interesting point is that a fellow wrote his doctoral dissertation on the species, just retired, and never discovered how they reproduce. Apparently they're very shy. (*But not Overly Shy as they have somehow figured out how this reproduction thing works.* - ed.)

The Committee to Gouge:

Auctioned off some stuff, including a non-mint copy of the latest Writers of the Future.

Announcements:

Matthew Tepper announced some anniversaries this date:

100 years ago, the US entered WWI

50 years ago today, The City on the Edge of Forever aired

25 years ago today, Isaac Asimov died.

Final Hugo Ballot :

Copy in list from elsewhere.

The finalists are:

(Actually, this list goes on for pages; and, as the winners have already been announced, the editor/publisher of this rag is not going to spend pages devoted to printing this.)

Reviews:

CLJII reviewed Disneyland and California Adventure. The Main Street Electrical Parade has been diminished. Disney had a food and wine festival, and they had a nice maple bacon whoopie pie. They had a lot of other items there, some of which were too intimidating to eat.

Security has gotten insane. He was pulled out of line because his belt buckle made a noise at them. Be prepared for a long wait to enter the park.

Milt Stevens reviewed Revenger by Alastair Reynolds, set in a future of ten million years from now. The solar system is occupied by has been occupied by 13 different alien empires sequentially over the years. There are also black spaces where an empire may have collapsed. Also, the solar system has been pulverized, and with black hole technology, they have 1-g fields on many of these asteroids. It reminded Milt of Treasure Island, it does have pirates, and treasures.

Nick Smith read the new John Scalzi book. the opening chapter was the worst part of the book. The Collapsing Empire is mostly a good book. He sets up a universe that shouldn't work, but that's a plot point. You have an economy that shouldn't work, and that's a plot point. The whole thing is set up as ... imagine a cross between Isaac Asimov and the Music Man.

Miscellaneous:

CLJII: Our new, temporary Meeting location is in the Art Directors Guild building, across from DuPars. It is on the corner of Radford and Ventura. (*Actually, DuPars is at the west end of the parking lot which is across the street from us. The building where we are meeting is just a tad west of the dead McDonalds across the street from the building where we will be meeting.* ed - ed)

11969 Ventura Blvd. 91604 is our temporary address.

Jerry Pournelle wondered if there was some way LASFS could have a designated member who votes on the Hugo awards as the club directs.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs carefully passed at 9:20 pm.

**Meeting 4157, April 13, 2017
President Nick Smith, presiding
Kristen Gorlitz, scribbling**

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4157 to order at 8:00 pm.

This week's **Patron Saint** is **Elliot Weinstein**. He was a creator of interesting fannish things - including the game "For This You Die". He created the Hogus - an anti Hugo banquet.

Matthew says - He originated friends of Klingon, which was the first fan group he knows of that concentrates on the Klingons of the original Star Trek. Also created APA-H, the APA for members who don't exist. (*It is usually called an APA for hoaxes.* - ed.)

Patron Saint Elst Weinstein was given Three Rousing cheers. Marty notes- he's the one who created with the original chocolate covered manhole cover for the gift exchange.

Christian bid \$2 to name **Menace** #4156 " We're almost out of here ".

The **Menace** was so accepted.

Registrar:

Registrar's Report - no new guests this evening.

Committee Reports:

Elayne - April 23rd is a work party at the clubhouse. We will be packing up the clubhouse. (*I only wish we had packed up the clubhouse instead of just its contents. Then, instead of building a new building we could just find a place in which to plunk it down and move our stuff back into it.* - ed.) Starts around 12:00 pm. Come by and help!

The move is scheduled for the 16th or the 23rd of May depending on the library.

The Hugo nominees are now in the library (not packed up). (*Um. And, when you pack them up, will they have enough food, water, and air to last until they are unpacked?* - ed.)

May 4th will be the first meeting at the new location.

CLJII (Program)

4/20 - The last Big Super Duper Exciting, Thrilling, Astonishing... Adequate Auction in this building. It will be the last auction by the LASFS at this clubhouse.

4/27 - Magic 8 ball offers nothing useful.

Committee to gouge held a small auction

Science Monitor:

David Okamura - Cassini satellite that is making its swan song around Saturn provided information that one of Saturn's moons (Enceladus) has all of the requirements for life.

Jupiter is extra close and bright this week, so Hubble has been taking some extraordinary shots.

Australia is doing a survey on the island of Tasmania. There have been reports of the Tasmanian tiger. There have been sightings that could be this tiger so there may be a comeback from extinction.

Older technology - 200th anniversary of the bicycle. Invented by Karl Von Dress in 1817, also called the hobby horse, two wheeled contraption. Pedals were not invented until around 1858. In 1895, patent granted for battery powered bicycle, his hub motor design is still in use today.

Pioneer in inner space exploration - Terrence Reed Parker, sponge diver off Florida, hard hat diver. Created Parker Diving service. Wrote book 20,000 jobs Under the Sea. Followed up that book with 20,000 Divers Under the Sea.

CLJII notes - speaking of antiquated technology, he recently discovered an almost full box of ditto masters.

Scratch - pre- WWII US Navy built large fuel tanks underground at Pearl Harbor. Today, those tanks are used for fresh water storage.

Special Orders of Business:

Michael Levy, longtime reviewer and academic, passed at age 66. Taught course on science fiction and fantasy

Computer scientist Harry Huskey, passed at age of 101. Worked with Alan Turing in the late 1940s. Designed the bendix G-15, the first personal computer. Unique in the 1950s because you could fit it into the size of a modern home entertainment center (the whole thing). Most were sold to engineering firms.

Major General Albert Stubblebine - the founder of the remote viewing party for the US army. Cost him his 3rd star, but it was a real program.

Announcements:

A Wrinkle in Time is still running at the Sierra Madre Playhouse. Nick says they did a remarkable staging of the book. They did it with six actors playing all the roles on a virtual set.

Reviews:

Eric Hoffman - Bela Lugosi book "In Person". The book just came out and his friend Gary sent it to him. He has just started going through it.

Francis - Tuesday marked the 7th anniversary of the day Mike and Francis decided to turn his play Marlowe into a movie. Being a film producer is the most fun you can have legally.

Nick - the new Carrey Doctorow book "Walkaway" is strange even for him - in it, abundance leads to some odd changes in culture. Very interesting novel with some weird stuff going on.

Nick - reviews a board game - Terraforming Mars, it is like playing the Kim Stanley Robinson Mars trilogy. You are employed as one of the workers on Mars. This is the most science fiction type game he has ever played and it's exciting. Excellent game.

TSPC is now on hold until we find our next building.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs carefully passed at 9:06 pm.

Meeting 4158, April 20, 2017 President Nick Smith, presiding Karl Lembke, scribbling

President Smith began to commence LASFS meeting #4158 to order at 8:00 pm.

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Stan Burns** and **Len** and **June Moffatt**.

Patron Saint Stan Burns and **Patron Saints Len** and **June Moffatt** were given Three rousing Cheers.

Eric Hoffman bid \$3 to name **Menace** #4157 " I have absolutely no idea what you guys are talking about " The **Menace** was so accepted. CLJII moved to declare the meeting a success.

Registrar:

Registrar's Report - we have guests, three of them Jeff Schroeder, finally had time to come in Katarina Slama, learned about us from Jeff, and online Cody Lawrence, took a wrong turn on Tyrone

Marty personally mentioned that he's taking a lot of stuff from the APA-L Room to his storage unit, and needs someone to help him move stuff tonight.

Committee Reports:

Elayne - April 23rd is a work party at the clubhouse. We will be packing up the clubhouse. Starts around 12:00pm. Come by and help!

Starting May 4, we will be meeting at the Art Directors Guild. Guild - it opens at 6:30.

Science Monitor:

David Okamura - Orbital ATK has launched its cargo capsule aboard a united technologies rocket. It will take longer to reach the ISS so the astronauts en route will arrive in time to help unload.

We've been talking about alternate energy vehicles. Tesla is about to unveil an 18-wheeler, followed by a pickup version. Toyota has an 18-wheeler fueled by liquid hydrogen.

Today, just heard about Slovokia has a company offering a flying car. For 1.3 to 1.8 million, you can get a two-person vehicle that converts to an aircraft. 430 mile range highway, 460 in air.

We have enough trouble with people trying to drive in two dimensions, what happens with people driving in three? (What about four dimensions?)

One final piece: river piracy is a term used by geologists when one river captures and diverts the flow of another. This has happened right now in Canada.

Some of the items to be auctioned off have to do with Cory Doctorow and John Scalzi. They will be doing signings at the Festival of Books and at Vromans on Tuesday. If you buy some of these items, you can get them signed.

Marcia Minsky announced that there will be some gaming here Friday night, just without Marty's collection of board games.

The Committee to Gouge did so, selling off, among other things, a collection of postcards from the South Pacific. (they have to be carefully bought)

Special Orders of Business:

Robert Taylor, age 85, worked on ARPANet, back before Al Gore started working on it. Promised to make Selectric typewriter obsolete.

Announcements:

Huntington Library has an exhibit based on the papers of Octavia Butler. Go show interest in the collection.

Saturday and Sunday 10 am to 5 pm is the LA Times Festival of Books. Most of the SF and graphic novel portions happen Saturday.

We have been invited to a screening of The Hand-

maiden's Tale at the Arclight, tickets are free, you have to arrive early.

CLJII -- we used to get invited to screenings all the time. We stopped going to screenings and invites to screenings stopped coming.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs carefully passed at 9:06 pm.

Meeting 4159, April 27, 2017 President Nick Smith, presiding Karl Lembke, scribbling

President Smith began to commence LASFS meeting #4159 to order at 8:01 PM.

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Bill Warren** and **Nick Smith**.

Sandy had lunch with Beverly Warren, recently. They miss Bill. Bill was Sandy's friend for decades. He was an excellent film reviewer who wrote the book "*Keep Watching the Skies*."

What don't we know about Nick yet? Nick mentions that he is now listed on Boardgamegeek as a designer! They finally noticed he is himself. It is for the Panzer Leader board game.

Michelle is eternally jealous of Nick because one time, when at a convention, he spent time with Peter Beagle and learned how the songs in his books are supposed to be sung.

Patron Saint Bill Warren and **Patron Saint Nick Smith** were each given Three Rousing cheers.

Previous Menace:

Eric Hoffman bid \$2 to name the **Menace** from #4158 "In honor of Bill Warren."

Registrar:

Registrar Marcia Minsky announced guests. Eshan Knopf - can call him SC. Lives in LA. Found out about us from a book. Gamer, artist, writer. Journalist and filmmaker / writer.

Julio Molina - from LA. First time. Heard about us from the aforementioned SC. Has a science fiction feature coming out. Belongs to the Art Director's Guild.

Janice Morningstar and Chip Morningstar - live in Palo Alto and are here for Corflu.

Committee Reports:

CLJII reports that the next LASFS program item will be

on the 3rd meeting of next month, and the program will be... a fairly tepid auction.

With regard to moving our stuff, we have boxes of video tapes and DVDs that need climate controlled storage. We are transferring them to Len and June Moffat's library, but need help moving the items.

Treasurer's report - Dues will be collected at the Art Director's Guild.

Science Monitor:

David Okamura - The Cassini space probe successfully made the first dive down between the rings and the Saturn. It will be making about 21 more of these dives closer to the planet's surface, until the fuel is finally exhausted.

Aboard ISS, one astronaut has broken a US flight record. Peggy Whitson, the commander for the 3rd time (also a record), has set a record for the longest stay of a female astronaut in space, and will be breaking all American records when she finishes her tour. 666 days and 3 flights.

SoCal has always been a tourist Mecca. Human like creatures settled here 130,000 years ago, which is earlier than we assumed. Might have been Neanderthals.

They found Ice age fossils at a subway station. And now they found another one for the 2nd time in 5 months. Digging up a lot of our heritage. (*Must have been Boston Charlie*. -ed.)

Marines are looking for a few good machines, drones, etc. We don't have a commanding technological advantage when even ISIS can fly drones. Unmanned stealth boat.

On a less technological but still cool note - Police cars are now equipped with an air compressed canister that can fire a tracer onto a car.

Special Orders of Business:

Children's author Patricia McKissack, died April 7. She wrote the Clone Codes Trilogy.

Reviews:

Eric Hoffman - reviewed the book *Dario Argento - The Man, the Myth, and the Legend*. It contains tons of pictures and interviews.

George - read the mystery novel *Groucho Marx, Master Detective*. The writer gets Groucho's speech pattern down to a T. Extremely amusing and the mystery angle aint bad.

George also recommends a Mexican place Dom Reglio in Inglewood -tex mex place they went to for June's other birthday party. A little hard to find. But the food is magnificent.

Time Bound Announcements:

May 6th - LASFS Bizarre, let everyone you know about our book sale. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.

Lafa
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, September 9, 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)

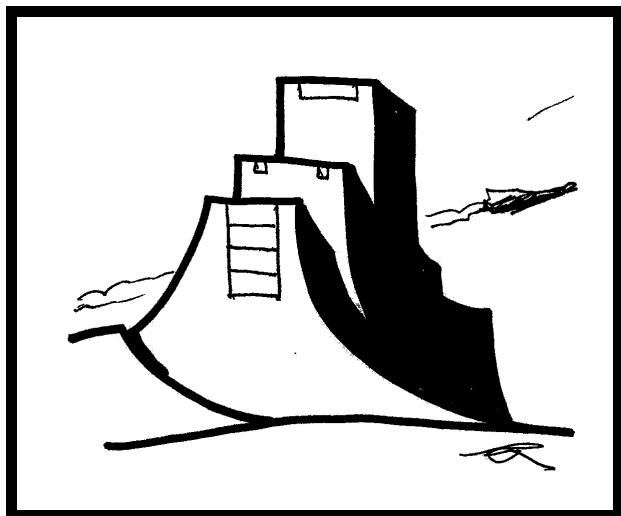
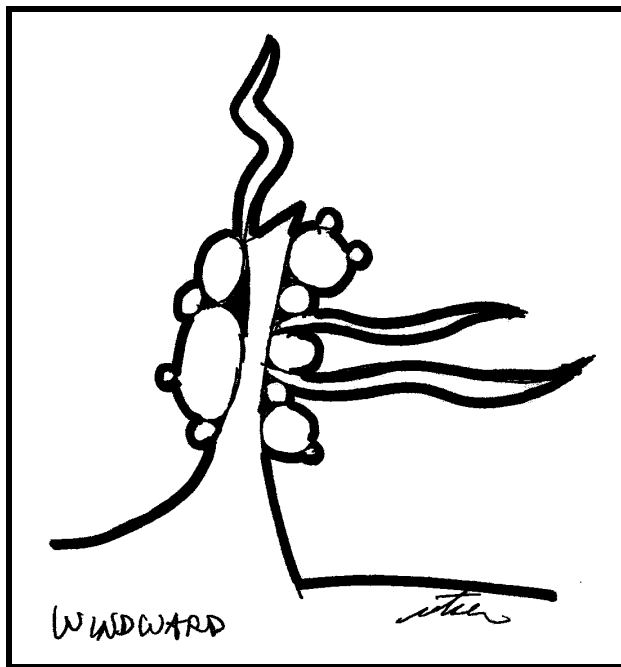
Pre-filk dinner: 6 PM Potluck. Bring your favorite dish to share. Homemade Chicken and Vegetable Soup provided by your hostess.

Filk style: moderated chaos

Notes:

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

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



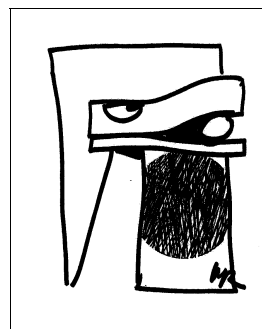
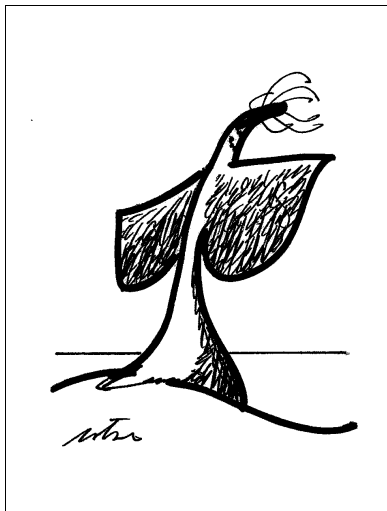
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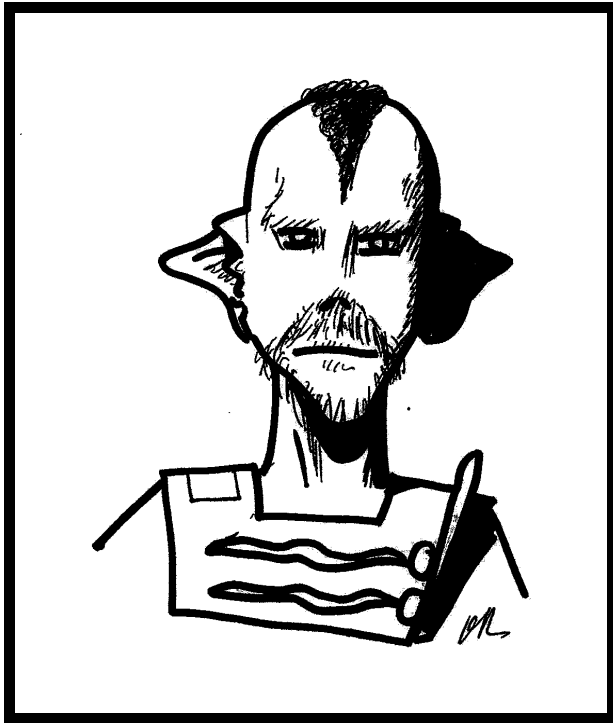
**Board of Directors Meeting
July 9, 2017**

**Karl Lembke, Chairman
Marty Cantor, Secretary**

(As the Board did not meet in August, the Minutes of the July meeting will not be presented to the Board until September)



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BOARD GAMING MEETUP

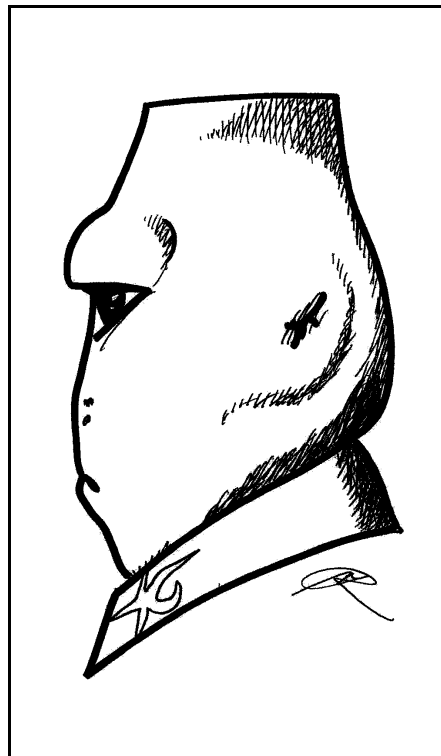
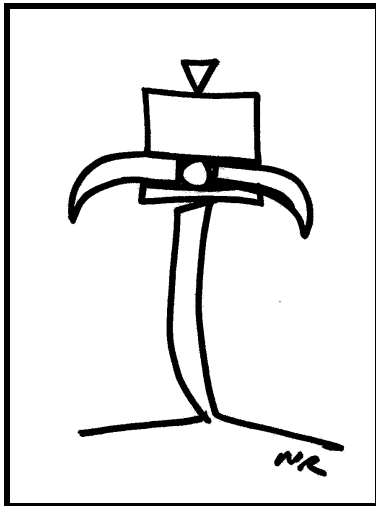
The board gaming Meetup which had been meeting at LASFS on Friday Nights has moved to a temporary venue, a game store in Sherman Oaks.

Paper Hero's Games is at 14109 Burbank Blvd., Sherman Oaks, 91401. The shop is in the interior juncture of an L-shaped strip mall on the Northwest corner of the intersection of Hazeltine and Burbank.

Our new hours are 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm.

We hope to see our regular gamers at that venue.

We shall move our gaming back to LASFS when the club moves into permanent quarters.



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DIRECTORY**

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Elayne will e-mail
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