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KEY TO CALENDAR & OTHER IMPEDIMENTA

ESTROGEN ZONE = Ladies Auxiliary Sewing and Fallout Society
 TRIPE = Temporal Retrieval of Information Programming and Entertainment.
 BOD = Board of Directors
 2nd Sunday = Board and other gaming
 Cinema Anime = Japanimation
 CFO = Cartoon Fantasy Organisation
 Work Party = Varies with what needs doing
 FWEMS = Fourth Sunday Movies - 2 pm
 TIME MEDDLERS = Dr. Who club

CALENDAR DETAILS

TRIPE - Noon until whenever
 BOD - 11:00 am, games start at 2:00 pm
 Cinema Anime - 1:00 pm until it ends
 CFO - 1 pm to 8 pm
 Work Party - 10:30 am
 TIME MEDDLERS - 10:30 am
 ESTROGEN ZONE - 2:00 pm

Marketing Committee - 7:30 pm
 FWEMS - Cowboy Sidekicks

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

SEPTEMBER 2 - Physics, Chapter 8.
SEPTEMBER 9 - LASFS Meeting #3500, Special Observance.
SEPTEMBER 16 - What are you reading now? Roundtable.
SEPTEMBER 23 - If I were Dreamworks: What film would I make?
SEPTEMBER 30 - Japanese TV SF, Part 2.

A FEW ADDITIONS TO LAST ISSUE'S MATERIAL ABOUT ALLAN ROTHSTEIN

Allan was Procedural Director (now called President) of LASFS for 2 terms: January-June, July-December, 1977

Allan was on the LASFS Board of Directors 1977-1979. He was Secretary of the Board during that time.

COLOPHON

De Profundis 380 – August, 2004. Editor: **Marty Cantor**. Production Assistants: **Bob Null**. Mailing List: **Liz Mortensen**. Mailing Labels: **Fuzzy Pink Niven**.

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We 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 the clubhouse on Thursday evenings or at his edress: hooah-pubs@earthlink.net. Deadlines are a bit fluid, but mid-month Thursdays are probably it.

Address corrections should be given or sent to the LASFS Treasurer at the clubhouse.

Due to the press of other material there is currently no space available in *De Profundis* for advertising. I will always try to find room to announce upcoming events of interest to members.

Due to space limitations, priority is always given to content mandated in the LASFS by-laws and by any applicable traditions. Also, after that stuff, by what the editor wants to do.

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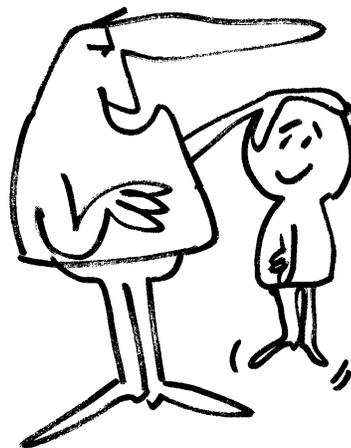
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CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

(complete minutes can be read in APA -L and are filed in the archives)

Meeting #3490, July 1, 2004
George Van Wagner, President
Karl Lemke, Scribe

President George called LASFS to order at 20:11:42.

Special Orders of Business: The Emperor of Wrecks had no special orders to announce.

The Menace were read and approved. The offered approvals were "take that, NASA" and "Galactose intolerant." Ed

Green auctioned off the right to choose which of two approvals. The winner was, "one wedding and a funeral"

The Registrar: We have both a registrar and a guest – Megan, who is interested in all aspects of SF, and visiting from Columbia, MO. She will be moving into the area if we don't scare her off.

Tonight's Patron Saint: Doug Abe, whose name was beautifully pronounced by our President. Joe Zeff: The only time the two met was last year, on his saints night, when he showed up and gave away used paperback books. Vanessa spoke to him this week. He said hello, and his main fanac is trying to make it here on his saints' night. Len: he was among a few who was known as a human wallet. He's a very quiet man. Len would ask him to stand up and tell what he was doing each time he was honored. That was the only time he was ever heard to speak at any length. Scratch: He's a nice guy, gave us money. Karen: The books he gave away were of good quality. Three Cheers and some really good yard sale finds for his store...

Committee to Gouge: auctioned off some stuff, including stuff brought back by Karen Anderson, and a vial of spider scents.

Committee Reports: Francis Hamit: Yesterday was the 15th anniversary of Leigh Strother-Vien's moving in and becoming business partner, etc. (*Is this from the Committee for life in everyday surrealism?* – ed.)

Time-Bound Announcements: Jerry Pournelle approached the board to write a URL. < There is some nasty malware that was affecting people. The KGB has shut the site down. If you don't have a high speed connection, it doesn't matter. IE was designed to be extensible, and some folks figured out how to take advantage of that. If you run SP2 on XP, it's taken care of. But it's a good idea to look in at that URL from time to time.

George Van Wagner: those concerned about safe computing and privacy: Court has decided it's legal for ISPs to read e-mail that passes through them. There are open source versions of PGP available.

Matthew Tepper: After helping the Rothstein's with clean-up, will be at loose ends. (*Both of his ends will be loose?* – ed.) The cat doesn't talk as interestingly as Allan did.

Reviews: Hare: Read Ringworld's children. Only complaint: too much background, but otherwise, enjoyed immensely. Larry says this will be the last Ringworld book. He's said that about every Ringworld book so far.

Tadao: Anyone selling 2 Westercon memberships, Terry Brussel Gibbons is looking to buy.

Bill Ellern: NASA TV had a panel discussing pho-

tographs of Saturn. One person used term Ring Scientist, which leads to Ring Engineers.

Phil Castora: Good idea to remember that the ephemeris program NASA used to tell which way to point cameras was product of Dan Alderson. Until recently, all rockets going beyond moon was guided by TRAM, Dan's program.

Jerry Pournelle: No spacecraft inside the solar system navigates without using Dan's low thrust trajectory program. Also: rings – F rings' anomaly is gone. Edges of some ring divisions are scalloped. It's not an artifact of the image. There's something looking like straw in one of the rings. Other rings have wood and brick...(*But not to worry until they find a ring of bagel and cream cheese.* – ed.)

Karl reviewed Allan Rothstein's funeral

Fannish Committee Reports: Bob Null: Westways Magazine has Batmobile and Bronson cavern as a lead in for TV shooting locations you can visit.

Don Wenner reported on some new ways to commit murder and mayhem. Some kids around the club have been trying to zap helicopter pilots with laser pointers. That's a felony.

There was someone here last week who boasted about turning his laser on helicopters.

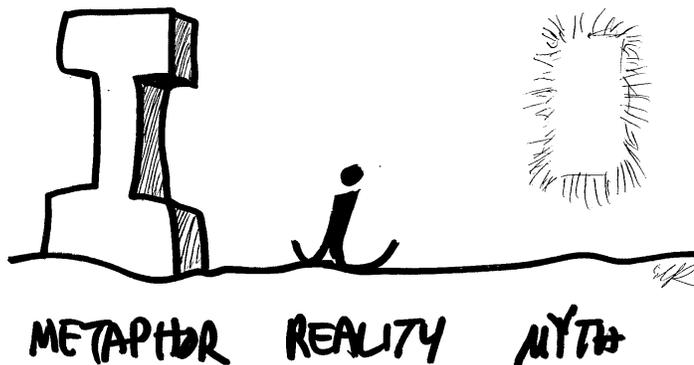
Miscellaneous: George Van Wagner: William Basil Armstrong 65 charged with robbing a Clark Mart. He gave up halfway through and had to have clerk run to his car for oxygen bottle.

Frank Waller has chips, cookies, pretzels, candy, trail mix, jerky, and occasionally breath mints and other stuff.

Janis Olson announced her husband is taking the captain's exam at the fire department. Good thoughts are welcome

Hare: Larry Niven has dedicated the Ringworld book to all the firefighters who fought the fire in October.

The meeting adjourned at 21:17:33.



Lafa

(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Lafa Filksing
Saturday, September 18, 2004
Pre-Filk Dinner: 5:00 PM
Filk: 7 PM to ???

Rick's Cafe Terrestrienne:
Rick Weiss and Tess Calhoun, hosts
13261 Donegal Dr., Garden Grove,
CA 92844: 714/530-3546

Dinner: New Seoul Korean BBQ,
5 PM, 9902 Garden Grove Blvd,
GardenGrove
Cost: \$15.99, vegetarian entrees
available. RSVP by noon Saturday to
Rick or Tess.
The restaurant is a short walk from the
filksite.

FILKSITE DIRECTIONS: See
Thomas Bros. Orange Co.: Page 798,
D-7
(1992 edition);
Page 15, F-5 (older editions).

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

*Meeting #3491, July 8,
2004*

*George Van Wagner,
President
Karl Lembke, Scribe*

President George called LASFS to order at 20:16:29. "On this day, we honor the impeachment pox, and a feud in baseball. A pox on both houses of the legislature!"

The Menace were not read or approved because the computer had been Raptured earlier today. The Vice President will install some sin files in order to make the next computer unrappable.

The Registrar: announced that guests were likewise missing, though probably not for the same reason.

Tonight's Patron Saint: Marc Schirmeister.

Tom Safer thanked him for the ice cream. Marty Cantor said Marc is probably one of the most gifted artists never to be Hugo'd. He was doing covers for APA-L in '75 or so, and still does some from time to time. He has also drawn covers for his own genzine, *HOLIER THAN THOU*. Len Moffatt wanted to say he's so old he can remember when Schirm couldn't draw flies. Unfortunately, he's always been very talented. His art is reminiscent of old-style cartoons, back when cartoons actually were art. In addition, he's very good at re-creating styles. And, he has a quick wit.

Phil Castora, who has used mimeo in the past, on this occasion dittoed the previous remarks. Matthew Tepper remembers a joyous time when Marc and Elst were looking at some of his art, and felt that thrill of discovery. Charlie Jackson, II observes that Schirm didn't quite spring from nowhere – Hippolytae's brother molded him from clay.

Ken Porter called him "someone you can sit and chat with, and discuss fan politics. The man is better than his work." Marc had a dog named Jimbo, and it as Jimbo's indiscretion that got him, and all other quadrupeds, banned from the club. (Presumably except for service animals.) (Jerry Pournelle says, "Oh yes, that's why we passed that rule...")

Fred Patten recalls that Jimbo got in a fight with a coyote, and the coyote was rather the worse for it. Schirm is partly responsible for the growth of Furry Fandom, making it accessible to all. He has a fine sense of wonder. He also has quite a collection of recordings, including one of the German equivalent of the USO, entertaining the troops occupying Riva.

Scratch notes that, with all that was said and done, "he's a nice guy and he gave us money." Jerry Pournelle added, "He brought ice cream."

Marc Schirmeister thanked the members. He's been in the club for years, and the club gave him the confidence he needed, and a chance to grow in his craft. Now he has a career in storyboard animation.

Committee Reports: Ken Porter reported that the Mah Jongg tournament will be held during Halloween weekend.

Vanessa stated that we have a visitor after all. Martin Young is visiting, and has joined the club.

Time-Bound Announcements: George Van Wagner announced we've received a post card from Bill Anderson.

Karl Lembke announced that we have a pillar fund for Allan Rothstein. Donate early, donate often.

Reviews: Jerry Pournelle says Spiderman II has the best depiction of Pierson's Puppeteers he's ever seen.

Ken Porter noted the existence of "Black to the Future", an organization for Black SF and fantasy writers, and asked, "Do we really need a separate branch of fandom?" This led to some discussion, which was eventually postponed for a discussion program someday. Doug Crepeau suggested that a listing be placed on Craig's List, and that we invite any interested members of Black to the Future to come, with their 2¢ worth.

Fannish Committee Reports: Vanessa Van Wagner, for the Kvetch Committee, thanked those who washed the dishes in the front sink.

Miscellaneous: Scratch has 77 kids learning AD&D in his class.

Marc Schirmeister notes Disney has released Werner Von Braun's "Man in Space" series.

The meeting adjourned at 21:09:56.

*Meeting #3492, July 18, 2004
George Van Wagner, President
Karl Lembke, Scribe*

On this day in history.
1099, first crusade captured Jerusalem
1815, Napoleon captured

1869, margarine patented
1924, first duckbill platypus exhibit.
2004, tried to make sense out of LASFS meeting 3492 at
20:14:23

The **Menace** from 3491 were forgotten.

The Registrar: announced no new guests, and one used one.

Tonight's Patron Saint: Another one I'm not familiar with, **Bill Curry**. Matthew Tepper called him a genial fellow, who used to attend weekly until a few years ago. He has come back a couple of times. It's always a joy to see him. He laughed loudly at all the right places in the meeting Joe Zeff reported that his health problem has to do with a severe tremor in hands. Hare added that it was Parkinsons's. He had asked. Scratch would have said, "and he gave us money". Three Cheers, and a mango lassi.

Committee Reports: Committee of Hant Parenthood: If you know who's putting propaganda on the box in front of the clubhouse, this isn't the forum.

Time-Bound Announcements: Joe Zeff: Peggy Corrigan is in hospital for a new hip. They're replacing one at a time, lest she become too hip. (*I hope that they know to stop after two. – ed.*) Send messages via Frank Gasperik. A card will be sent.

Ron picked up a crow with a broken wing, and wants to know if anyone knows what to do with it. Advice: turn it in to authorities. Hare suggested they try the Wildlife Waystation. Vanessa was talking with city vector control. They may want to look at the animal. Scott Beckstead notes it's illegal to touch or move any native bird, so don't crow about handling it.

The meeting adjourned at 20:45:55.

Meeting #3493, July 22, 2004
George Van Wagner, President
Karl Lembke, Scribe

It's about that time...

On this date in 1587, the second Roanoake colony was founded
1918 504 sheep killed by lightning in Wasatch National Park
1967 Jimi Hendrix quit as the opener for The Monkees
1982 -- Sun Myung Moon officiated at a mass wedding at Madison Square Garden
1993 -- The Shoemaker-Levy Comet finished hitting Jupiter

1994 -- OJ pleaded Absolutely, Positively, not guilty
2004 -- we tried to make sense of this mess. at 20:13:18.

The Menace were read and accepted as "let's approve the minutes already!!!"

The Registrar: announced three whole guests! (*Whatever happened to the partial guests? – ed.*) Came to us by way of Doug Crepeau. Shield, Mikki, Zozer who described himself as a wit. Let's hope he's more than half right.

Tonight's Patron Saint: This is one the president has some acquaintance with. **Ed Green**... Hare Hobbs remarked that his first time around as Pres, we went through some bad times. One thing that went on was the non-smoking problem. And he kept running for the job. There was also the infamous Tower problem. And every week, someone managed to come up with something to fight about. Zeff: Back during his first interminable term, he had brought in a green nuclear football. Green has always failed sanity rolls. This is the second LOSCON he's led. Matthew Tepper: I remember being an integral part of his first ascension to power. They cooked up idea that what we really needed was a President And Scribe ticket, on a theme of Order and Merriment. Having observed him at close range while he was building his power base, I can say – aside from being a fine human being and oft times a friend, he was very organized and very good at nurturing the inchoate.

Joe Fekete, likes him as he's up there auctioning. George Mulligan seconds. He's been a generous and enthusiastic supporter of the toy drive. Vanessa Van Wagner said, "Since he's not here, we can comment on his qualities as a leader. He may be wrong, but he's never uncertain." Joe Zeff: Ed once ran against Joe for scribe. Ed made a very good scribe. When Joe was Board scribe and Ed was a Board member, on the first set of minutes Joe spelled out Ed's name. Afterward, asked if it should continue. Ed was OK with it.



MAGIC
The Gathering

**Tournaments
 held at LASFS
 First Friday
 every month**

Contact for Magic The
 Gathering:
 Drew Sanders,
 mailto:
 Drew_Sanders@hotmail.com
 or
 peggy_little@earthlink.net

Doug: once gave him a name in Angstroms, based on the wavelength of green. Ken Porter. He's a wonderful guy, but he hates losing. He's lots of things, but not a good loser. CLJII: As was said of the Earl of Greystoke: Not only a fine human being, but a great ape as well. Ed, in addition to work at LASFS, was in the military. In the National Guard, he helped patrol the streets in time of disaster. Most important, he's also a comic book character. Hare: Remembers him talking after last LA riots. He was full time military, but was in the National Guard, because it was his job to get things started. No, not the riots. He's good at telling stories about his time in the military.

Matthew Tepper: Referring once again to time on dais: Very impressed by organizational abilities. They tried to perform duties in such a manner that others could take over and do it. "He organized the job of president so any fool can do it," Matthew said, "And I did." Phil Castora has known Ed for a number of years now. "I've known some more intelligent, more competent, and more consistently right. Put all three together, and it's darn hard to top." Scratch: And he gave us money.

Three Cheers, and G R E E N. (*But ye ed wonders why, with Ed Green not being present, no-one took the time to tell us what they really thought of him? – ed.*)

Committee to Gouge: auctioned off some stuff. Some of it was still moving. (*Obviously, then, it was not LASFS members being auctioned off. – ed.*)

Committee Reports: Committee to Annoy Jerry Pournelle announces failure.

Mah Jongg tournament Halloween weekend. – Ken porter.

Fannish Committee Reports: Darwin Award nominee: One fellow found out the hard way that protective vests were not effective against knives. Gabriel is no longer with us, and Armando is facing charges.

Joe Zeff: Sign on street, indicates one of two things. Either the appalling lack of literacy, or an appallingly casual market in human beings. "Hugh Sale".

George Mulligan: In Target, noticed on door, "Service Animals Only Allowed". Taken literally, it seems to mean "no humans allowed". (Except servants, I suppose.)

George Van Wagner mentioned seeing-eye horses. Miniature horses are used for this.

Miscellaneous: Rick Foss: those following the X prize: There will be a press conference Tuesday. There will be announcements from teams going for the prize. And ... some saw article in City Beat. It's been syndicated.

Francis Hamit announced: Tomorrow his lawyer's filing the first of several copyright infringement suits. He's not allowed to comment. (*So, should I have left this space blank? – ed.*)

Doug Crepeau: Dr Hawking has lost his bet on the nature of black holes. He's now saying that if you fall into a black hole, the information about you will come back out. (*Mangled – making you a typical LASFS member. – ed.*)

Phil Castora is now online. He's been under a lot of stress. He was surprised to learn he's a private detective, living in Maine.

Thanks to Phil for being the Doppel-Liz.

The meeting adjourned at 21:10:12.

Meeting #3494, July 29, 2004
George Van Wagner, President
Karl Lembke, Scribe

It's about that time...

Coincidence or conspiracy

On this day in 1920, we had the first transcontinental airmail flight, and the surrender of Pancho villa. His luggage surrendered two weeks later, in Bangladesh.

n 1930, it hit 115 deg in holly springs Missouri, and the first airship flight from England to Canada landed in Canada.

In 1966, Bob Dylan was hurt in a motorcycle accident, and the Nigerian chief of staff held a coup.

1982, in a Cleveland metro park zoo amphitheater, Charles and Di get married.

In 2004, 2 strange new species of worm are found living on bones of dead whales in Monterey bay, and President George Van Wagner attempted to call the meeting to order.

Special Orders of Business: Sir Francis Crick co-discoverer of double heliacal nature of DNA. Pause while Scribe tries to figure out how to spell DNA. There was a Moment of Silence.

The Menace were read and accepted as "mangled information".

The Registrar: We have guests, one of whom has already fled. Kirsten Manning, in town for Costume College, and Eris, Martin Young's daughter.

Tonight's Patron Saint: "Not a gentleman I've met" **Sean Cleary:** Real life circumstances make him unable to get to meetings. He studied tai chi at one time. Kay Shapiro noted, "he sings good."

And he gave us money! Sean Cleary was given Three Cheers, and the better institutional memory...

Committee Reports: Ed Green: Under LOSCON hat: Thanks to people for hard work at ComiCon. Bilan, Mortensen, Achorn, Stacy, and Lynn Green, Ed's kid sister.

Ken Porter: We're having the Mah Jongg tournament over Halloween weekend.

Time-Bound Announcements: Charlie Jackson looked for a lovely assistant to carry the Lantern O' Jack around the club. The Autumn Holiday party will be taking place on October 31. You can celebrate any autumn holiday you like.

Fred Patten announced there are fliers for a screening this Saturday. We assume everyone knows who Len Glasser is. \$10 admission.

Mike Thorsen: Estrogen Zone has been postponed a week so it will actually occur on the first Saturday of the month. Our monthly temporal experiments will happen this Sunday.

George Van Wagner mentioned the Central Ave Jazz Fest, across from the Dunbar hotel.

Mark Poliner and Eylat have Worldcon memberships for sale. \$140 each. Save \$40 each.

Reviews: Rick Foss reviewed *The Confusion* by Neil Stephenson. It's the second book of a trilogy. It's an ill-named book, because the title allows for cheap shots at the book. But for having a dozen viewpoint characters, somehow, it is not confusing, it's engrossing. Quicksilver was unique in being SF where the science is economics. What if economic warfare had taken hold when Louis XIV was on the throne? It's an excellent piece of scientific historical romance. Highly recommended.

Ed Green reviewed ComiCon 2004. It's a trade show, it's gone from a con for comic book fans (1000WBC) to nearly a 100,000WBC trade show. Marvel Comics had a large display; none of their comics were on display. If you go, be ready for a mob scene. Masquerade: one funny bit where they replicated a scene from Star Wars where Luke's buying the droids. "Here's the other droid" – Bender from Futurama

Michelle Pincus: They did it. The exhibit hall has gotten too big. They need two cons, the exhibit hall and everything else. The other thing is, saw inuyasha movie I, and it was wonderfully animated. Fred Patten mentioned it will have a brief theatrical release.

Mike Sheffield reviewed the Pageant of the Masters: They do marvelous things taking three-dimensional things and

making them two dimensional. Joe Zeff noted that in one painting, they had actually set it up in front of you so you could see what was happening. Then, when they set the lights, everything went two-dimensional.

Rick Foss: An event review: Timeline – a repeating event. It's coming up to the valley at Prado Dam rec area. A grouping of historical re-enactors from historical periods. They set up campsites re-creating historical lifestyles. A majority of the Roman Legionaries speak Latin. October, Prado Dam Rec Area.

Because we have a program item tonight, let's speed through Fannish Committees and Misc.

Miscellaneous: Karen Anderson mentioned the Bulwer-Lytton contest. There's been a Faulkner contest. Winner this year "As I Lay Qvetching" The three stooges, doing remodeling...

Mark Poliner: Dumb criminal: someone schmoozed with sheriff's deputy about dumb crooks. Deputy couldn't help but notice bag of pot in man's pocket. Canadian embassy in Mexico announced strippers must provide nude photos. Alas, this has been debunked.

Zeff: Earlier this week, sister couldn't get computer to boot. Gave suggestions. Nothing worked. Went over, tried pushing "on" button. It worked. Sure, for him, it works.

Tadao announced: Susan needs help with drywall and floor moving. Dragonfest, Hollywood Martial Arts SF convention. Will be autographing. I didn't know hand-shaking was a martial art!

The meeting adjourned at 21:17:20.

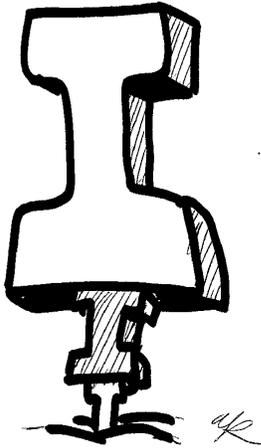
ESTROGEN ZONE

Scrapbooking classes and workshops

If you have scrapbooked before, please bring your supplies and come and sit and talk as the rest work on their projects.

Rebecca will be glad to help anybody who has not done this get started.

Questions? Call Rebecca at: (310) 710-3291



PERSONAL EVOLUTION

LASFS Board of Directors Meeting of August 8, 2004

*Karl Lembke,
Chairman
Brett Achorn, Sec-
retary*

Directors: Karl Lembke, Mike Thorsen, Bill Ellern, Brett Achorn, Marty Cantor, Liz Mortensen, Ed Green, Bob Null, Joe Zeff, Cathy Beckstead, Michael Mason.

Others: Joyce Sperling, George Van Wagoner, Tadao Tomomatsu, Anne Morrel, Scott Beckstead, Joan Steward, Phil Castora, Mathew Tepper, Arlene Satin, Frank Waller, Gavin Claypool, Patrick Beckstead, Eugene Kuark.

Karl rang the meeting to something like order at 11:13 a.m.

Minutes: Approved

New Members: Barry W. Lew, Thom Severtson, Martin Young, Jennifer Stallion. All accepted.

Treasurer's Report: we have some money. Yard sale took in \$114.19 + \$80-90 of club "collectable" sales. Accepted.

Facilities:

Facilities/Building Remodel: computer room remodel has 5 of 6 computers done and the server left to do. Joe mentioned one needed a sound card fix (Leon knows about it)

Facilities/Furniture: a couple of computer room chairs have gone on to meet their maker. Bob brought up the question of replacing some more of the brown tables with white tables. Cathy moved to replace, which passed.

Facilities/Building Maintenance: Ed is working out the appointment with the sign company. Also, the Terminex guy was visiting, took care of some termites in the storage shed, but couldn't access part of the crawlspace, so he suggested a trap door in the library or another crawlspace access.

Facilities/Parking: Tentative date of July 24th for restenciling parking lot.

Facilities/Computers: Bob is going to add a 5 1/4" to the clubs computer.

Facilities/Hall Decorations: nothing new.

Facilities/Plaques: Tadao and Cathy are getting together to deal with plaques.

Communication:

Communication/Gestetner: Gestetner ok, but the Canon was making a funny noise, per Marty.

Communication/Club Machines: Projector works, audio system still on its way

Communication/Marketing: Business cards are in the works, workshops still getting worked out. Tadao presented a LASFS virtual video he'd done.

Communication/Publications: Children's recommended reading list revision coming out soon. Adult recommended reading list—no change.

Communication/Outreach: nothing new

Communication/Mailing Lists: 25% bounce rate on most recent use.

Communication/Library: New library software and a new librarian who'll be building new shelves.

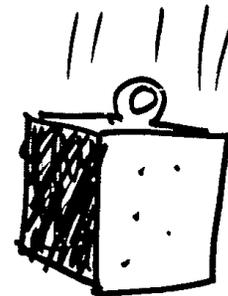
Communication/Video Library: Nothing new.

Communication/Archives: Nothing new.

Communication/LASFS.ORG: Moving site to new host. New site won't object to front-page links to Amazon.com. Maintenance will also be easier. Cost will be about \$60 per year. Those with e-mail addresses won't be affected, aside from changing mail server information.

Communi- cation/New Business:

Technically, we're responsible for the Westercon site selection form. Ed suggested posting a PDF on the westercon.org web site to discharge our duty. He also suggested appointing a Westercon liaison with terms run-



ning concurrent with Westercon cycles. Karl created the position and appointed Ed.

Events:

Events/LOSCon 30: Michael turned over a last, lingering check for \$137.50.

Events/LOSCon 31: Ed had party at Westercon and sold 6-7 memberships. Table at Comic-Con. First walkthrough went well. PR still to go out (this week).

Events/LOSCon 32: Karl will be consulting with Michael Mason about an Artist Guest of Honor. Fan GoH also under consideration.

Events/Westercon Liaison: Calgary is the next Westercon, followed by San Diego (Conzilla).

New Business:

Paperwork: The issue of whether our paperwork is in order came up. Double-checking is being done, but everything seems to be okay so far. Thanks to Francis for bringing it up.

Allan Rothstein: A Remembrance: Sunday, August 22, noon to 5 p.m. This would involve moving FWEMS to the fifth Sunday. CLJII is okay with it. Ed moved for up to \$200 for this event. Passed.

Filming at LASFS: Ed moved that filming for commercial or non-personal use at LASFS must be approved by the Board of Directors. Passed.

Board approved Thorsen's request for videotaping for virtual masquerade for LOSCON.

Convention Delegates: Ed and Liz to Comic-Con. Gavin to Mythcon.

Meeting adjourned at 12:36 p.m

Zines received in trade

(All zines are available to read and are in the *De Profundis* mailbox and can be taken out for a week)

club zines: *ConNotations* Vol. 14, No. 4 (CASFS). *PSFS News*. Aug. 2004 (PSFS). *Einblatt! August 2004* (MinnStf). *Instant Message #738* (NESFA). *BCSFAzine 375* (BCSFA).

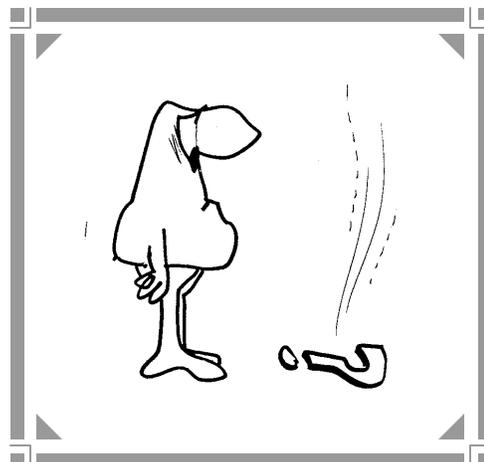
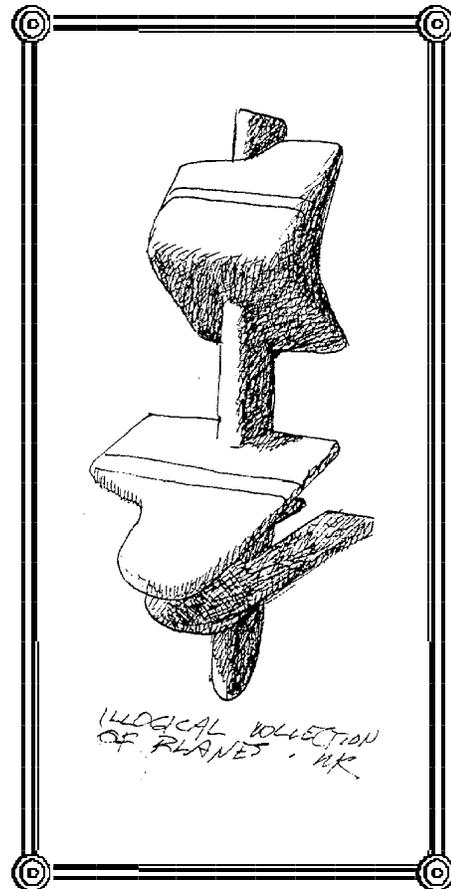
other zines:

NEW BOOKS

(This is a section devoted to listing new books and other items received by the LASFS Library. Our extensive library is not just for collecting and looking at that wonderful collection of books on shelves. Members may take them out and read them. The Librarian has no current listings at this time.)

NEW DVDS

Star Trek the Next Generation, Season 1. Star Trek the Next Generation, Season 2. **Terror in the Haunted House.** Dead Men Walk. **Devil Bat's Daughter.** House on Haunted Hill (1958). **Attack of the Giant Leeches.** The Wasp Woman (1960). **A Bucket of Blood (1959).** Attack from Space (Starman). **Evil Brain from Outer Space (Starman).**





**SECOND SUNDAY
BAKE SALE**

September 12, 2004

Help start a new tradition,
contribute to the club's cash flow,
and Devour some Goodies!

Donations of baked goods will be gratefully
accepted on Thursday, September 9,
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See Dr. Susan Gleason
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