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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  
Fictionados - Writer's 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  
Fictionados - 7:00 p.m.  
FWEMS -

## THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

**NOVEMBER 3** - Evans-Freehafer Award selection  
**NOVEMBER 10** - Board of Directors Nominations  
**NOVEMBER 17** - Board of Directors Election  
**NOVEMBER 24** - Meeting will be held at clubhouse  
**NOVEMBER 31** - No programme scheduled at press  
time.

(programme items subject to change  
without notice)

**Fred Patten's web page**  
<http://www.kayshapero.net/FredPatten/fred.html>

## COLOPHON

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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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### CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

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

**Meeting #3551, September 1, 2005**  
**Mike Thorsen, Vice-Presiding**  
**Mike Korp, Substitute Scribe**

Meeting number 3551 convened at 8:11 p.m. There was a motion to pummel the president, which was ignored.

**Special Orders of Business:** -- In regards to the hurricane, Anne Rice survived by moving to San

Francisco. Fats Domino has been found in good condition. Tiny knows people in Biloxi. They're ok.

The **Menace** were read and approved as "Minutes, minutes, raw raw raw!"

The **Registrar** introduced one guest -- Christie -- heard about LASFS from a friend.

**Patron Saints** -- Brett Achorn and Stacy Hallman. They were given two sets of Three Cheers, one set apiece.

Also, last week's **Patron Saints** -- having been neglected last week: **John Trimble**. CLJII said he has the world's finest freckle collection. Matthew Tepper says he was good to his mother Karen Anderson said the Trimbles are active members, worked hard for the club. They also support the Special Olympics and still show up at SCA events. One daughter is a hairdresser, and does lots of work for Locks of Love. Three Cheers were given.

Cake and refreshment have been provided by **Greg Bilan**, our other **Patron Saint** (and hard-working Lord Low Janitor. He was also given Three Cheers.

**Appointed Committee Reports:** Bob Null announced that we have new couches for the room.

Tadao reminded one and all of the 64th Worldcon next year.

**Reviews:** Karen Anderson offered a report on the X-Corp rocket plane.

Allison Stern reviewed the Conchord convention as "great!"

George Van Wagner reviewed a website showing satellite pics of New Orleans. His friend's b&b is ok.

Eric offered something about Dimitri Tiomkin.

The motion to end the meeting occurred at 9:25 p.m.

*Meeting #3552, September 8, 2005  
Ed Green, President  
Karl Lembke, Scribe Pro Tem*

Following a great deal of further ado, meeting number 3552 was called to order at 20:32:01.

That's an atomic clock, Christian. You may not want to have children now. Jerry Pournelle approved the

changing of the atomic battery. Ed Green then committed battery on the table in an attempt to bring the meeting to order. Christian took off to pursue his clock-seeking ways.

Ed Green then thanked Bob Null and his elves for replacing the furniture.

Jerry Pournelle notes Fred Saberhagen did not attend NASFIC on account of his prostate cancer; his sub, Harry Harrison, missed because of health problems of his own.

Harry Turtledove has had successful prostate surgery and is expected to fully recover. It may or may not be for publication, but it's been so widely disseminated that it's pointless to try to squelch the news.

John DeChancie is out of town until 10-1, or thereabouts. Karl Lembke is filling in tonight, other substitute scribes will be sought.

Finally, Dr. Pournelle, at NASFIC, two members, JP and Niven were given the Heinlein award for their work in the genre. Two of the best speeches ever given by two of Ed's LASFS friends were given that night. Congrats to Larry and Jerry.

The **Menace** were not read, and were approved as incorporeal. The articles of incorporation were read instead.

No guests, but we have a **Patron Saint**, sitting by the door for a quick escape. **Greg Bilan** was subjected to the "People Saying Nice Things About Him" treatment. He's silly. George Van Wagner and Phil Castora like that in a person. Mike Stern is Greg's twin, since the president at the time they joined had them confused. Michelle Pincus stated that she and Greg always go to the same events, and Greg beats her there. This works very well, since he saves places in line for fellow LASFS members.

Someone commented, "He's nice for a Klingon." He helps the Marketing committee. Matthew Tepper: He's genial and has a wicked sense of humor. He found a Dr. Demento tape he had recorded, when Matthew had phoned in a request. He was delighted to present Tepper with the tape at the following meeting. Casey: Willing to give up money to Hell 5 society, and he's responsible for our being in the book fair every year.

Christian: We've replaced the battery in the clock. But Tadao noted it's not yet atomically correct.

Christian said a nice thing about Greg. He's been generous with items he got elsewhere and donated to the auction. ("I don't want the stuff!") Mike Stern commends Greg on his years of duty as Lord Low Janitor. Three Cheers, and a mug of blood wine.

We have another **Patron Saint** – **Emil Luwish**, who had a generous son. He doesn't look Luwish, either.

At this point, the atomic clock started racing ahead, and the spaced cadets became time cadets. And Jerry Pournelle started playing the bagpipes. (Oh wait. That's supposed to be singing...) There was a round of applause – for the clock.

**Time Bound Announcement:** CLJII is teaching the Ephemeral Cinema class at GCC. This is a class on B movies. See him after meeting for more info.

Elayne: LA Con IV memberships go up to \$175 next week. Christian amplified. It's not often Worldcon is in our back yard. It's worth every penny. We have a lay away program. *So do undertakers but I believe that their program is a bit different – I hope. – ed.*

Old Business: last week there was discussion about a donation for hurricane relief, deferred to this week. This week, we have a treasurer. Suggestions for money? Marty Cantor moved a \$500 donation, it was multiply seconded, and the treasurer did not scream in horror. Bill Ellern suggested the donation be sent to Boeing, as it was matching donations from individuals 1:1. Bill will relay money, and money goes to American Red Cross. George Van Wagner noted that while immediate donations are pouring in, the organizations that are working on rebuilding will need money six months down the line. A long-term rebuilding organization may be a more effective target. CLJII reports, from a former American Red Cross worker, that earmarking donations to the Red Cross doesn't work. Karen Anderson and Jerry Pournelle pointed out that the Salvation Army gets more money to the recipient than does the Red Cross.

More discussion ensued.

Rob Cole moved that the donation be made to the Salvation Army. The motion failed. Casey pointed out the Tribune company is matching 50¢ on the dollar. Marty Cantor moved that the \$500 be given to the Red Cross via KTLA. (Effectively making it a \$750 donation.) The motion carried unanimously. Casey will talk with the Treasurer to make the arrangements.

**Committee Reports:** Charlie Jackson's lovely assistant

passed the lantern O' Jack to collect for the Autumn Holiday Party. This party can be used to celebrate any autumn holiday, from Mabon to Columbus Day to Halloween to All Souls Day to Thanksgiving to Loscon. You can even celebrate the Loscon Chairman's birthday, if you're so inclined.

Ed Green re-announced the Heinlein award item from the beginning of the meeting. Larry and Jerry were invited to speak about the experience, if they cared to.

Larry: I wanted to say something about numbers, and it went something like this. You think of getting the human race into space, and the lifetime of the species becomes billions of years. The sun will behave badly, but we'd have other suns. The population could come to 10\*\*15. Even if the odds are low, the rewards are huge. It's like a roulette wheel with hundreds of thousands of slots – the one that pays off is worth a lot. Larry compared the gamble to Pascal's Wager, calling the space race that kind of number. Ultimately, we have faith that part of being human is to get off the rock.

Jerry wanted to thank Greg Bear. When they set up the award, they made everyone who might win a member of the board, so there was no one left to award it to. Greg Bear held a stealth meeting to award Larry and Jerry, so Jerry may have to reciprocate. Jerry's speech was basically Heinlein's speech. Humans will go to space. They may not speak English. They may not be Americans. It might be nice, but humans will get into space. In ten thousand years, star jump. In a million years, that's a thousand star jumps. (I guess they can be made concurrently. -- Karl) Go to Jerry's website – [www.jerrypournelle.com](http://www.jerrypournelle.com) – to keep tabs on a certain member of the club. On the front page, there's a link to a series of reports from the Philip Pournelle, XO of a ship moving through the gulf of Mexico, responding to emergencies. If you take a city that's historically the most corrupt, and least efficient, and has the highest murder rate in the country, why expect it to be improved by removing police, power, and infrastructure. Whoever else is not doing their jobs, the Navy is doing their job.

**Miscellaneous:** Fuzzy Niven, given that all info is contained in fandom – There's an item, a rip-off of some other gadget. You mean a SegWay? Before that it was called "It."

Casey: There's a grassroots effort to get stuff to Lafayette LA. They're taking donations of stuff and gas money. Casey has contact info. They're also dropping off animal food at shelters along the way.

[www.bellapooch.com](http://www.bellapooch.com).



**LAFAs**  
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

LAFAs Filksing  
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Saturday, November 19, 2005  
at 7 PM  
The House of Perpetual  
Commotion:  
Hosts: John & Mary Creasey  
3754 W. 170th Street, Torrance,  
CA - (310) 329-6772

PRE-FILK DINNER: 5:00 PM:  
Golden Camel Mongolian BBQ,  
21006 Hawthorne  
Blvd., Torrance, CA  
1/2 block North of Torrance Blvd.,  
on the East side of Hawthorne in a  
strip mall  
CALL THE CREASEYS TO  
RESERVE -- THREE DAYS  
BEFORE, PLEASE!

DIRECTIONS: THOMAS GUIDE  
L.A. CO. PAGE 733 GRID E-7

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

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

Mary Anne moved to adjourn. Joe Zeff seconded the motion after it carried, and we scattered to the three-and-a-half winds.

**Meeting #3554,  
September 22,  
2005  
Ed Green, President  
Karl Lembke, Scribe  
Pro Tem**

Wielding the Louisville gavel, President Green called meeting number 3554 to order at 20:12:19.

**Special Orders of Business:** The LA Times article appeared. We'll discuss it during the review portion of the meeting.

**Menace:** were read and approved as "Nasty, British, and Short"

Tadao announced that, Monday of

this week, Kenny Porter went to the ER. He's at MLK hospital, Wilmington near 405. Infection in leg, possible complications due to blood pressure, possibly diabetes related. He's stable, awake, grumpy, and Kenny. So far, not killed yet.

**Registrar:** Tadao failed to escape before being called to introduce the guests. Erin, who is not Nell. Referred by Bill Rotsler's ghost. Nick, over there. He learned about us from the LA Times. Scott, over there, learned about us from the LA Times. and a last minute entry, Jason, learned about us from the Bookfair.

Four guests!!!!

Michael (Nick) Boone  
Jason Koornick

H.L. "Erin" Harrett-Cezon  
Scott Sonneborn

Scratch mentioned the wonderful young lady has an envelope of Rotsler's art.

**Patron Saints: The Moffatts!!!!** Ed Green stated, except for their taste in wayward children to adopt, they're two of the greatest he's ever known. He and Len both question June's taste in men, but bless her for her delusions. CLJII: It's hard to imagine two nicer people than the Moffatts. They're wonderful people, and he's pleased to count them as friends. Phil Castora stated, Len & June are both good and true, both as fans and people. Going into specifics would take all night.

Selina told us all a little known secret: when she first came to LASFS, the only reason she came back was because of Len and June. John DeChancie: Both are good writers. Len's fiction is very good and he should write more. June writes very good fanfic and fanzines. John Hertz: Len is a member of First Fandom, those who have been able to bring evidence that they were active before the first Worldcon in 1939. Active in 'L... June does most of writing, but Len contributes. TAFF delegates in 1973, and published their TAFF report. It's very good, and alas, many delegates have failed to publish. Co-edited fanzine with them, and thus knows both are good editors. *Button-Tack*, a memorial one-shot to the memory of Rick Sneary. John owes them more than they can say, so he won't try. Scratch: They're both incredibly nice people. They were *each* given Three Cheers.

**Time Bound Announcements**

WE have three more guests!

Bill, Lydia, Wilhelm Couture. Bill escaped during the 70s or early 80s, How'd you learn about it...

**Reviews:** (About the L.A. Times article) - Green: very glad he was wrong. He stated that he expected it was going to be one of THOSE articles. He was moderately respectful of what we were trying to do. There were a few facts wrong, but it showed us in a good light. CLJII: it depicted us as living mummies.

Fred Lazelle asked what date it was. June: Went on web site, they left out the photos. Pink Glasses - LA Times sells back issues at the building 7 X Hill, AS a non-member who read it, he was favorably impressed. Hare: the editor accompanied the writer. The writer was treating us more seriously. The editor produced more

cringe responses.

Christian: moved to spend \$50 on ice cream for tomorrow night just in case. (This was because the article said that we have ice cream socials every Friday night.) CLJII amended to make that \$50 of Christian's money. It carried. Michelle: Christian spent 75 cents on a thing of ice cream. WE didn't eat it. We had to socialize with it. Jerry Pournelle pointed out the article may draw a few people who will expect something.

Christian decided to announce that thing in August. In less than a year, the 64<sup>th</sup> World SF convention comes to Los Angeles. \$175 for memberships, right now.

John Hertz: If you've never been in a newspaper article before, you have been now. That's how it goes.

Doug Crepeau: *Moving Mars*, Greg Bear. Will they take the title literally? They do.

Jerry Pournelle: Roberta was in a cast, now has a removable boot.

CLJII: Reviewed LA County Fair. It was a more than fair, it was fine. Lots of usual fair stuff, and had a wonderful time. Spent 1.5 hours at wine pavilion. They had lots of good wines. (He likes late harvest.)

Martin reviewed the Bathroom in the front building. Well documented, and instructions are very complete, but the instructions for use of TP could cause injury if followed. Ed Green: In the two years since they were installed, no one has commented on any physiological problems.

**Fannish Committee Reports:** Don Wenner reported on having been published. Braille Institute, where he's a student and teacher, has a writing class. They published their writings on audiotape, and he's donating it to the LASFS.

**Misc:** Hare misced over a fannish book. Steve Barnes' wife has a book called Joplin's Ghost. It will be found in the Black Literature section, not the horror section.

CLJII wants it noted that a number of members of the club were treated to the sight of the Van Denbergs shooting off a comet. Ed Green: it was spectacular. Maybe the second best. Thank God it was an announced

launch. Fred Lazelle noted "when we came up, we saw a terrific contrail." Ed Green: Thanks to the United States for giving us a great show before the meeting.

Scratch moved to adjourn. The motion carried at 21:25:13....

*Meeting #3555, September 29, 2005*

*Ed Green, President*

*Karl Lembke, Scribe Pro Tem*

"Would you hand me a gavel, or something blunt?" Wielding something nearly as blunt as Marty Cantor, President Green called meeting number 3555 to order at 20:12:08.

**Menace:** Read and approved as "the big lie". And nary a golfer in the club...

**Registrar:** We have three guests – All three came in response to the LA Times article. Jason Henninger, Owen Perez, and Dale R Burger.

**Patron Saints:** We have two of them tonight. **Ron Ellik:** Karen Anderson knows how to pronounce the name. He was a LaAorean and a BaAorean. He was going to UC Berkeley when Karen met him. Len Moffatt: Ron was among Barbarian Invasion in the 50s. Most of those who called it that were kidding. They were also part of the Long Beach Crew. Around that time, the middle-aged members were starting to become the Old Members. Ron could be very serious, and also could be very wild and crazy. He was one of the few who didn't drink anything stronger than wine. He was the first to ask what kind of wine goes with a peanut butter sandwich. He's also responsible for Westercon visiting the inland states. There was one year when the only bidder was in Boise, Idaho. It wasn't that bad. Those who went had a good time.

Karen Anderson: he spent time in Marines. He was once heard to say, "I'm a trained killer, and for all I know, I may be vicious." Fred Patten: Ron convinced Fred to go to the Worldcon in Seattle in 61. Agreed to be roommate, and watch over him in his first trip away from Los Angeles. Ron Ellik was given Three Cheers, and a handful of cashews.

Second **Patron Saint: Karl Lembke:** Marty Cantor announced Karl doesn't vibrate. Scratch said, He's a nice guy. Karen Anderson: helped with the move down from Orinda. Sean Newton called him funny guy.

Matthew Tepper: He will always give you a fair hearing

when you're talking to him. He's never seen him lose his cool. Zeff: He runs good BOD meetings, and usually keeps them on track. And on time. CLJII: He's the subject of Charlie's only non-movie related Bronson Canyon story. Also, responsible for fact you're not drinking really crappy water.

George Van Wagner called him "a fine cook." Martin alleges he has a good speaking voice. Frank Waller called him a good brewmeister. Michelle Pincus said that when he takes the minutes, he "rewrites what we say to make us sound intelligent." (*And he succeeds – sometimes. – ed.*) Arlene Satin said he's helpful and supportive of the marketing group.

Joan Steward said that "he makes the worst puns I've ever laughed at." He's definitely a saint. Generous, kind, understanding, and it's the first time I've ever dated a saint. Karl Lembke was given Three Cheers, and an ice cube scoop.

**Committee Reports:** Ed Green thanked the clean up crew Karl, Joan, Christian, Selina, and Michael Thorsen for showing up and cleaning. Next clean-up date is tentative. It will be announced.

**Time Bound Announcements:** Fred Lazelle: asked Ed, "How are you going to shift Monday night?" Poor Fred. If he'd been paying attention, he'd know Ed doesn't need to shift Monday night. He doesn't need to shift any night. He's shiftless.

Christian: found out, a few minutes ago. Bill, Sundance's uncle, had a mild heart attack yesterday. It wasn't bad heartburn – it was bad heart ischemia, with a side of infarction.

Gavin announced that Clean-up days may move from Wednesdays. Next Wednesday, Gary Lorden will lecture at Cal Tech. Watch this space for more lectures. It's at Beckman Auditorium

Hare Hobbs: Santa Susana Park area – judging by address of rental and location of fires, may have suffered fire damage.

Jerry Pournelle: Niven is all right. Alarm company kept calling Jerry once an hour because the alarm kept going off. Larry wasn't home. He had his cell phone, but hadn't turned it on. Every hour, Jerry had to tell the police how to get to the house. Fortunately, Fuzzy seems to have had her phone on.

**Reviews:** Karen Anderson reviewed the rocket launch

from Vandenberg. The rocket was a six-story Minotaur rocket, launched at 7:24:29, PDT. Carrying an experimental military spacecraft into a polar orbit. It has first and second stages from a Minuteman ICBM, and third and 4<sup>th</sup> stages are solid fuel modules from somewhere else. It's designed to tell us what's going on in the upper atmosphere.

Jerry Pournelle had a Harlan Ellison story. Ed Green Reviewed Jerry's Story. (*And the Scribe left us hanging by not recording either. \*grump\* - ed.*)

Joan reviewed the clean LASFS bathroom. Selina was in charge of the production. Applause.

**Fannish Committee Reports:** Hare Hobbs reported on an interesting statistic: Rowling is wealthiest author in the UK. Terry Pratchett is in second place for 2004.

Phil Castora moved to adjourn. Michelle seconded, and we adjourned at 21:29:21.

*Board of Directors Meeting, September 11, 2005*

*Karl Lembke, President*

*Marty Cantor, Secretary*

**Board Members:** Mike Thorsen, Tadao Tomomatsu, Bill Ellern, Joe Zeff, Bob Null, Marty Cantor, Brett Achorn, Ed G-R-E-E-N, Liz Mortensen. (Excused absences: Karl Lembke, Cathy Beckstead.)

**Others:** Greg Bilan, Christina Shuy, Glen Wooten, Anne Morrel, Matthew B. Tepper, Gavin Claypool, Scott Beckstead, Arlene Satin, Greg Barrett, Mark Apolinski, Fred Lazzelle.

Meeting called to order at 11:23.

The August **minutes** were approved.

**New Members:** David T. Okamura was accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** We have money and it is nice to spend it on things we need as enumerated in the budget and passed by the Board.

**Kitchen sink & general cleaning:** One general cleaning session on Wednesday evening was done - simple things were accomplished but corners will be a problem. (*Especially if we turn them.*) The Computer room will be a bit of a problem, but this is something we will be doing in the future.

**Marketing committee:** There was no report.

**Gestetner:** Running OK but registration problem and belts need to be taken care of, something Marty Cantor will be doing in a week or so.

**L.A. Times article:** The reporter came back a second time on a weekday and talked in depth to several people. The article is scheduled for pubbing near end of September.

**lasfs.org:** The edresses are being reconstructed.

**Service Mark:** Brett updated the Board about lawyer saying that LOSCON service mark is OK but some work is needed on the wording of our application of the LASFS service mark and it should be re-started from scratch. It was moved, seconded, and passed to pull by-laws change right now.

**LOSCON 32:** Karl is at Coppercon, advertising the Con and looking for new LOSCON members, so there was no report.

**LOSCON 33:** No report at this time.

**FACILITIES:** It is noted that the bike rack has been installed. Kudos to Susan Gleason, Scott and Patrick Beckstead, and Charlie Hoff for this.

And more kudos to Susan for keeping the plants in line and in order, even if they have not yet learned to salute.

**LIBRARY:** Next meeting the Board will be considering the appointment of a new Librarian.

Greg Barrett reported several things: Bookie Monster, the Library computer, is dying and needs to be replaced, a few people have been showing up and doing some work in the Library: Peggy Newvine and Darnell, and the Library needs help in keeping people from just dumping things on the desk, making it impossible from getting much work done.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A special meeting to discuss the appointment of a new Librarian will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2005. This was moved, seconded, and passed.

Glen Wooten presented a proposal for a used cell-phone and PDA drive to raise money for Fred Patten.

At this point there was a quick closed-door meeting.

**CONVENTION DELEGATES:** Liz Mortensen and Karl Lembke to Conjecture.

The meeting was 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:** **INSTANT MESSAGE #759** (NESFA). **EINBLATT! October 2005** (MinnStf). **DASFax Vol. 37, No. 10** (DASFA).

**other zines:** **ARGENTUS 5** (Steven Silver). **NICE DISTINCTIONS 11** (Arthur D. Hlavaty).

#### **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 new listings at this time.*)

### **ATTENTION**

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**USED CELL PHONE & PDA DRIVE**  
**FOR FRED PATTEN**  
*(to be held at LOSCON)*

Glen Wooten is holding this drive to benefit Fred Patten (slowly recovering from a stroke on March 11). He has made some improvement, but he still has along way to go. His medical bills are being covered by the State of California, but this is minimal assistance.

Glen is collecting all models of cell phones and PDAs with docking cradles and the software which came with the device. All PDAs must be in working condition, but that is not a requirement for the cell phones.

Contact Glen at kar120@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions about this cell phone and PDA drive.

Thank you.



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