



AUGUST 2009

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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 - 11 am
 2nd Sunday = Board and other gaming - 2 pm
 Cinema Anime = Japanimation, time after Tom Safer Cartoons
 CFO = Cartoon Fantasy Organisation
 Work Party = Varies with what needs doing
 FWEMS = Fourth Sunday Movies - 2 pm
 TIME MEDDLERS = Dr. Who club
 Tom Safer Cartoons = 10 am

CALENDAR DETAILS

TRIPE - Noon until whenever
 BoD - 11:00 am, Open House starts 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 - Summer Festival: Vampires

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

AUGUST 6 - Early TV SF
AUGUST 13 - Tom Safer presents cartoons
AUGUST 20 - No programme as of press time
AUGUST 27 - Ghosts in the movies

(programme items subject to change without notice)

LASFS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Photography Shoot

(for our Memory Book)

August 9, Second Sunday,
 after the LASFS Board Meeting.
 Approximately from
 2 pm to 4:30 pm

Check the LASFS web site
lasfsinc.info
 for further information

DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

COLOPHON

De Profundis 438— August 2009. Publisher and Editor: **Marty Cantor**.

De Profundis is the unofficial newsletter of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society (11513 Burbank Blvd., North Hollywood, CA 91601, USA). The LASFS' telephone number is: (818) 760-9234. The club's web site is: www.lasfsinc.info. *De Profundis* is available only from Marty Cantor for his cost of producing the zines: 55¢ in person, \$1.00 by domestic mail. Out of country rates quoted upon request but it is recommended that copies be downloaded - or at least read - from the *DE PROF* web site.

Westercon is a service mark of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society, Incorporated (LASFS, Inc.). Worldcon and NASFIC are service marks of the World Science Fiction Society (WSFS).

I want any news of interest to LASFS members (no poetry or fiction). Send items to the LASFS address *c/o De Profundis* or leave them in the *De Profundis* mailbox at the clubhouse. The editor, Marty Cantor, can be reached at his edress: [martyhoohah \(at\) sbcglobal \(dot\) net](mailto:martyhoohah@sbcglobal.net) or at the clubhouse on Thursday evenings. Deadlines are a bit fluid, but mid-month Thursdays are probably it.

If anybody who receives *DE PROF* via the mail happens to move without letting me know the new address; well, I have more important things to do than to be chasing down addresses so I will stop sending zines to you even if you have given me money to do so.

I will accept no advertising in *De Profundis* but I will always try to find room to announce upcoming events of interest to LASFS members.

Even though *De Profundis* is no longer the official newsletter of the LASFS, I intend to run the zine as if it still belonged to the club. Mostly. Due to space limitations, priority is always given to content mandated in the LASFS by-laws and by any applicable traditions. Also, after that stuff, by what the editor wants to do.

Written in Publisher 2000 on a new custom-built Intel dual-core computer (using the XP Pro 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. As of this issue, *De Prof* will be available on paper solely at cost: currently 55¢. Mailed copies, domestically, will be \$1.00. Subscriptions will be accepted; however, as prices are set at cost of production, there will be no discounts for long-term subs.

Marty Cantor, 11825 Gilmore Street #105, North Hollywood, CA 91606, USA. (818) 761-9401. martyhoohah (at) sbcglobal (dot) net. August 2009. Hoo Hah Publication Number 1399. Thanks go to Elayne Pelz, Cathy Beckstead, Charlie Jackson, Lee and Barry Gold, and any others who are helping me in providing news to LASFS members.

LASFS OFFICERS

Elected Procedural Officers July—December 2009

President: Christian McGuire. **Vice-President:** Maryann Canfield, Rob Powell (tag team). **Scribe:** Karl Lembke. **Treasurer:** (elected in mid-year,

serves for full year) Elayne Pelz. **Registrar:** Michelle Pincus.

Board of Directors

Chairman: Karl Lembke (2009). **Vice-Chairman:** Merlin R. "Bob" Null (2009).. **Comptroller:** Christian McGuire (2011). **Secretary:** Darnell Coleman (2011). **Other members:** Marsha Minsky (2009), Elayne Pelz (2011), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2011), Arlene Satin (2010), Milt Stevens, (2010), Mike Thorsen (2010), Tadao Tomomatsu (2009). **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 Gestetner, LASFAPA/APA-L Liaison: Marty Cantor. **Librarian:** Whiskey. **Assistant Librarians:** Elayne Pelz, Darnell Coleman. **Committee to Gouge Money from the LASFS:** C.B. McGuire, Elayne Pelz. **** 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:** Bob Null, Elayne Pelz, Christian McGuire. **Webmaster - <<http://lasfsinc.info>>:** Barry Gold. **Webmaster Assistant:** Lee Gold. **Sysadmin:** Chaz Baden. **Ministry of Silly Gavel:** Bob Null. **** Committee for Children's Literature:** Anne Morrel, **Editor. Computers & LASFS Archives:** Bob Null. **LASFS Historian:** Fred Patten. **Westercon Liaison:** Christian McGuire. **Program:** Charles Lee Jackson II.

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.

Correction

In *De Prof #437* there was the following item, supposedly a quote by me. This was in the copy/pasted minutes of meeting number 3741 in the section about Patron Saint Bill Warren. What I supposedly said was, "In the final years of Rotsler's life, he and Warren were working for a French publication. Bill did the writing, and Rotsler did the photography. It was Hollywood Blue Video." Categorically, I did not say the last sentence and I was not quite correct previous to that.

Further, here is Bill Warren's response (and correction) to this: "Mystified as to why DeProf says that Rotsler and I worked on a French publication called Hollywood Blue Video. No such thing.

"For the last ten years, not just few years, of Bill's life he was the cameraman for our segment of the French TV show "Destination Series," which was about American TV series. Each of our segments was about a different and filmable aspect of American TV work, such as various locations used in this or that series. One episode was about novelizations of TV shows, and the "guest" was Rotsler himself; we did a hopefully amusing bit with him starting out the shot photographing me, and as I said here's our guest, he handed me the video camera, still running, then I videotaped him.

The Hawaiian volcano the Sterns fruitlessly ascended was and still is Haleakalah, not the spelling in DP."

With permission from Bill Warren I am printing, here, a continuation of what he wrote in two follow-up e-mail postings. In these postings he gives some insight in how

he and Rotsler collaborated in the last ten years of Rotsler's life.

"Rotsler and I loved doing those little French TV shoots. More than once, he said so, loudly, with great gusto, as we drove off to another one. It didn't occur to me until much later that he was pretty much housebound during those last ten years. He didn't really have a steady girlfriend, so that was out; he didn't have much money, so he didn't go many places on his own, though he did scare up enough cash every year to go to one or two conventions. Len Wein took him to movies and out to restaurants; I did the same, plus the French TV shoots. The day Bill died, we had just done another one. After his death, I tried to find another cameraman. Bill was perfect for this; we were given a small home video camera, lightweight but which made videos with relatively high resolution (and in PAL, though I have Beta copies of all our footage). He was ordinarily as rock-steady as a tripod, with one instance where he shook a bit: we'd gone out to the home of Bruce Campbell, and decided to fake two cameras. Beverly was along, and as I interviewed Bruce, Beverly wrote down my questions; the camera was on Bruce. Then Rotsler changed positions and shot me, reading back the questions I'd previously asked--while Bruce made up outrageous new replies. That's when Bill started (silently) laughing so hard the camera jiggled.

"But the replacements I found for Bill weren't replacements at all. No point in telling you who they were, but I was limited anyway--had to have someone who was free during the week to go almost anywhere we could drive to. Neither of them worked out at all. More proof that there was only one Bill Rotsler.

"The French TV show soon fired me."

"Oh yeah, one or rather two more odd things: When I was on the set of STARSHIP TROOPERS for Starlog, they were shooting a scene of hundreds of troopers boarding transport ships. During a break, one of those guys walked up to me and asked, in a French accent, if I had anything to do with the Paris TV show "Destination Series." I always appeared on camera in our little segment. He was a fan of the show, and recognized me from it.

"Another time, at Astro, a coffee shop near here, an American approached me with the same question. He'd recently returned from Paris, and had also recognized me from the show.

"The show also got me and Beverly a free trip to Paris, one of those good news and bad news things: the good news was we got a free trip to Paris (room paid for, too). The bad news: it was in January. Turned out the only time rained was the day we spent in the Louvre".

CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

(complete minutes are supposed to be filed in the LASFS' files and can be read there - also at www.lasfsinc.info)

Meeting #3743, May 7, 2009
Rob Powell, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

"Are we ready for this?"

Meeting 3743, having recovered from Swoon Fly, opened at 20:14:16

Special Orders of Business: Marty Cantor announced the passing of TAFF winner Abi Frost. She was very depressed, suffering from cancer, and died at age 57. She was known as one of the two who have won fan funds who embezzled all the funds when she got back. She was eventually forgiven. We gave her a moment of forgiving

silence.

Marcia Minsky invited all to partake of cake in honor of her 39th anniversary.

The **Menace** were read and approved as "Not in the face! Not in the face!".

Patron Saint, Bob Null: The guy who stars in the Magic Mountain commercials. No, that's not right... He's a member of the club we haven't quite used up yet.

Zeff: He's been many things to the club. AT least 20 terms as vice president, soda fairy, logistics at conventions, and a giver of money. He is not only a Saint, he's a Sacred Object. Hare: when he joined in 1980, Bob was constantly doing things, and he had only joined a couple of months before. CLJII: Mr Null is amazing for the assortment of interests over the years. Numismatics, Off-road racing, various histories, and he's a very nice helpful guy. He's lucky he knows people who need help, otherwise, he'd spend all his time in front of the computer.

Marty Cantor: Bob got into everything at one time, and made things work. He's minister of silly gavels. He also helped collate *De Prof*, from April of 2000 to 2005. Eventually Marty got sick of the job and gave it to Milt (who outsourced it to Elbonia). Gizmo: He's been a key-stone for the club. Mary Ann Canfield doesn't know of any area of the club that needed work that Bob hasn't had a hand in. Bob Null got three cheers, and a raven. Only this, and nothing more.

The **substitute Registrar** introduced a guest -- Josh LuBastanek

There was an auction, featuring books and stuffies, and a set of Russian dolls -- the last one, left unopened, may or may not clean all the spilled icing from the cake off the house.

The **Treasurer** reports we have money. Don't spend it.

A stand-in rose to announce the first hard evidence that a warp drive may be possible.

Fred Lazelle announced they've now made a bio-fuel out of chocolate waste.

David Okamura announced the Obama administration has created a panel to do a thorough review of the manned space program.

Arlene announced some things coming up. The library confirms the reading program starts up June 8.

Some people are waiting for the ingredients lists of the banquet food to be published. Arlene's waiting for the restaurant. (*The rest of us are waiting to be served.* - ed.)

Reviews: Hare Hobbs reviewed The Sci Fi Boys. About

half the people interviewed are LASFS members. It specializes in the stop-motion amateur movie makers.

Onion's review of Star Trek is a wonderful piece of silliness. (*Well, it is hard to think of anything that could be worse than Star Trek.* - ed.)

Fannish Committee Reports: Tadao announced that there was a Westercon in Vegas last year. He was part of the committee. He was asked to be Elvis at opening ceremonies. Afterward, Ops asked if he had his Elvis license. HE went to a convention to the Midwest, got off the plane at Memphis. There were elvises waiting. Now, he finally has his Elvis license. It turns out the plural of Elvis is Elves. Latin second declension. Alas, although the Scribe took a year of Latin, he's since given most of it back.

Miscellaneous: Milt Stevens got swindled by Microsoft. Running Windows Vista, in Windows Mail, it developed a situation where you couldn't get rid of messages in the deleted items folder. Tech support cost \$229, and then a common upgrade to Vista fixes it. (*Seriously: Windows XP Pro is so superior to Vista for most uses that Vista should be removed from computers - unless your uses are primarily with graphics - and replaced with the earlier programme.* - ed.)

Gizmo announced that the best way to combat the epidemic is simply to wash your hands, and don't lick people's noses.

We adjourned at 21:16:48.

Meeting #3744, May 14, 2009
Rob Powell, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

"It makes Die Meistersinger sound like a snappy farce." – Matthew Tepper

Meeting 3744 opened at 20:15:48.

Special Orders of Business: Milt Stevens announced that A Langley Searles, a longtime fan, has passed. From his obit, it turns out he was a doctor in chemistry. He published Fantasy Commentator, a fanzine which became more scholarly as it got older. We held a moment of silence in his honor.

The **Menace** were read and approved as "Warped".

Patron Saint, Tom Digby: He is the 14th most strange person in the universe, and the ones who beat him out, you don't want to meet.

Milt Stevens – many pieces of fan writing were in the style of explaining stuff to people in his home dimension. If you went to a wine and cheese party, how to tell the wine from the cheese. Also, practical applications of fantasy items, such as coin-operated crypts for traveling

vampires. And then there's the frog-prince perpetual motion machine, with a witch turning princes into frogs at the top, and a princess kissing frogs at the bottom. He has showed up in pieces of fiction. In Twilight zone comic, he was a mad TV repairman intent on taking over the world. And of course, what can you say about chocolate covered manhole covers?

Doug Crepeau. He did a piece on the origin of Putridos, the worst operating system in the world. (*To say nothing of Vista - or, maybe, to say as little as possible about it.* - ed.) Hare Hobbs: His first exposure to Digby was at a screening at a movie theater. There was a guy there with a crystal bone through his nose, jewels glued to his forehead, pierced nipples, etc. Joe Zeff: Years ago, saw Tom at Loscon. He had received a letter from the Minbari asking him to work on environment tanks for creatures that can't survive in a terrestrial atmosphere.

Dr Pournelle's story – He asked Tom, "Why the enormous amber thing through your nose?" Tom replied, "Why does anyone wear jewelry? To make themselves attractive." Jerry knew better than to ask, "To what?" Knowing Digby, it could have been anything.

Zeff: Year before last, saw him in bay area, at Westercon, wearing a pale green sari. Didn't ask him why – he knew the answer. JP: No, nobody knows what Digby will answer.

Scratch – Tom came up with songs like "Little Teeny Eyes." Karl – it's now old enough to be a drinking song. Marcia – Tiny bubbles – he walked around with bubble soap. CLJII: for many years, he was a contributor to APA-L. He was one of the geniuses to Mergerville Newspaper, which had a different newspaper name appended to it each week. He also thought of funny vegetable and funny mineral comix, along with Jack Harness, and has so far declined to sue VeggieTales for copyright infringement. Patron Saint Tom Digby was given three cheers, and a bubble.

The **Registrar** introduced a lack of guests.

We have no **treasury**. We still can't spend it.

No **moment of science**. Hubble was worked on today.

Marty Cantor announced Staples Reward Program. Then, being a member of Staples Rewards, turn in toner or ink jet cartridges, get \$3 credit to give to LASFS. Or donate the cartridges to LASFS.

Tadao announced that LaLaCon is being cancelled due to the economy and the very low pre-registration.

Arlene Satin held up a bookmark. We took 1000 to the Star Trek thing, and came back with zero. It was a very successful event. The theater wants us back for the Harry Potter debut, July 15.

Reviews: CLJII saw 20 mule team with Wallace Berry, filmed on location in death valley. (*Should not this be a backwards-in-time announcement? - ed.*)

Doug Crepeau – every version of Star Trek that exists is currently running as a series on TV. And there's a history channel show on the history of Star Trek. This may be by way of a promotion or something. (*Mostly an “or something” as we sane people who consider the labels on ketchup bottles to be more intellectually uplifting than Star Trek pay no attention to that show. - ed.*)

Fannish Committee Reports: Joe Zeff reported from the committee for unmitigated gall in everyday life. Likes to look through spam folder for interesting stuff. Found one – subject line: “You Have Been Compensated”. According to this email, there's a task force of Nigeria, Ghana, and two other countries, looking for those who have been scammed to compensate them. Just sent them account information.

Hare Hobbs reviewed the Throwback Pepsi. It has real sugar in it. Compared with Passover Coke, it fails. He didn't throw it back, though.

Tadao moved to run away screaming. The Vice President moved to wait until we'd had a chance to present announcements.....

Miscellaneous: Fred Patten misced that on the Cartoon Brew website have been published contemporaneous reviews of the old Superman cartoons. Originally they got negative reviews because they weren't funny. Cartoons are supposed to be funny, dammit!

Tadao asked if we were the first club to hold Eye of Argon readings. It was suggested that if we were, we might not want to admit to it.

Marcia reported that there is a double blind study going on for an add-on drug for MS. Marcia was at USC in a group of twelve. Depending on lab results, she'll be included in the study.

CLJII wondered if anyone has or knows where to score an inkjet printer that will print from hardcopy to 14” as a copier.

We adjourned at 21:13:57.

Meeting #3745, May 21, 2009
Rob Powell, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

“Weener, Wye-ner. You just can't win the pronunciation game.”

Meeting 3745 opened at 20:15:00!

The **Menace** were read and approved as “fine Digby any-

Patron Saint, DeeDee Lavender: Tepper: She passed away and she's very much missed. She was married to Roy. She and Roy were both SF readers, more interested in SF than in fandom, which is why they were not better known. DeeDee Lavender was given three cheers! And silence.

The **registrar** announced we had no guests tonight, but one on Friday. Michael Johnson, not from Wisconsin (because he's from Texas). He's interested in all areas of SF.

We had a **Moment of Science**. Karen Anderson announced that birds can learn to recognize us.

(Marketing) Arlene announced: If the world doesn't end before the 27th of October, we'll have an anniversary, our 75th. On October 23, at Castaway's, we'll have a banquet and presentations and other stuff, starting at 7 PM and running until midnight or so. Tuesday, the 27th of October, we celebrate the nearly exact anniversary here with a meeting, which will be continued to the following Thursday. The banquet is \$50/person, and lay-away is available.

Christian showed an item for the auction next week – a vial of genuine, imitation H1N1 flu, extracted from a genuine, imitation H1N1. (*I see one of the Harry Potter stars has swine flu. Do you think he'll get hog warts? - ed.*)

Time Bound Announcements: Warren announced June 18, David J Williams, a fine writer, comes in from DC. He has two books published.



Reviews: Warren reviewed the very first Williams novel: Burning Heaven. It's a very fast read, it's very cyberpunk, well worth reading.

Hare Hobbs reviewed the opening of the classic homes in heritage square. He figured out why they wanted to encourage use of buses and rapid transit for the trip to and from. The road leading in is very narrow. Once you get there it's marvelous. It's well worth seeing.

Fannish Committee Reports: The Hubble scope was released and is back in service. There were no parts left over after it was reassembled. (*Obviously, no sf fans were involved in the repair work. - ed.*)

We adjourned at 21:06:55.

Meeting #3746, May 28, 2009
Robert Powell, Presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

“You know what I'm missing?” – Gizmo “A bangy thingy?” – Karl

Lafa
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Lafa Filksing
Saturday, August 15, 2009
Filk: 7:00 PM to ???

Pre-filk Potluck Dinner: 6:00 PM: bring something delicious to share
Terry Brussel, host
8515 Penfield Ave., Winnetka, CA 91306
(818) 361-6737: hit # as soon as you hear a voice, to skip the answering machine message

DIRECTIONS: Thomas Brothers. (Old) LA Co, page 12, F1
(New) LA Co, page 530 E-1

FILK STYLE - moderated chaos
NOTES --

1. Crash space available at the filksite-call in advance for arrangements.
2. There is a double Feline Warning, two units on prowl. The hosts will try to keep them out of the filk room.
3. Bring healthy munchies, juices etc.
4. NO SMOKING – PERIOD!! (Except outside.)
5. Bring all of your usual filk stuff.
6. There's a Jacuzzi hot tub.
7. The house is air-conditioned.

ConChord: September 11-13, 2009
Warner Center Marriott (Topanga Cyn exit off the 101),
21850 Oxnard Street, Woodland Hills, 818-887-4800
<http://www.conchord.org/>

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

Meeting 3746 opened at 20:13:12

The **Menace** were read and approved as “Don't kill a mockingbird”.

Patron Saint, Ed Baker: We haven't had a good Ed since he stopped baking them. Karen Anderson – Ed Baker was an Esperantist. Beware of all native-born Esperanto speakers. CLJII – Phil Castora has an assortment of stories about Ed Baker. He doesn't like his coffee too sweet. Joe Zeff: Another Castora comment about Ed Baker – he was supposed to be very good at blushing on cue. And he gave us lots of money.

We have a **treasury** report. We have money. Don't spend it.

We have a **Moment of Science**. Karen Anderson rose to tell us that on 12/30/24, 4000 scientists went to the AAAS meeting in Washington DC, and the American Astronomical Society also met there. There was a paper read on the subject of Cepheids in Spiral Nebulae. The author was worried that his paper might not be that well received. His discovery – the Andromeda Galaxy was a spiral galaxy just like the Milky Way. He was able to resolve Cepheid variable stars in the Andromeda galaxy, and use these to determine how far away Andromeda was.

Now, we have guests!!! Madame **Registrar** introduced the hapless Tony Caroselli, who heard about us from the Internet, and is investigating the Eye of Argon.

Arlene announced we have paid for space for the WeHo book fair. October 4, Sunday, one day.

The Committee to Gouge auctioned off a hernia maker – a whole load of stuff from Time-Life books, and some swine flu. (*Swine flew?* - ed.)

Time Bound Announcements: Tadao announced LaLaCon will not be taking place next month. Pins are available.

Reviews: Harry Potter is coming out next month. (*He's gay?* - ed.)

Arlene recalled what she was going to mention. The 75th anniversary will feature a memory book. Sort of like a yearbook with pictures. June 6 at 11 am will be the first photo session. Other photo sessions will be scheduled as the photographer is available.

Fannish Committee Reports: Tadao reported with weird tidings. He went to a red carpet thing at Warner Bros dressed as the Doctor. Google Tadao Tomomatsu and Wonder Woman.

Jerry likes Larry Niven's line, “I do not insist that my friends like each other.”

We adjourned at 21:19:15.

***There was no Board of Directors meeting
in April of 2009***

***Starting with the May 2009 meeting, the BoD minutes
in De Prof will be the uncorrected ones taken
by the editor of this zine***

***Board of Directors meeting, May 10, 2009
Karl Lembke, Chairman
Darnell Coleman, Secretary
uncorrected minutes for De Prof by Marty Cantor***

Board members in attendance: Mike Thorsen, Tadao Tomomatsu, Darnell Coleman, Marcia Minsky, Christian McGuire, Elayne Pelz, Rob Powell, Arlene Satin, Bob Null, Milt Stevens, Karl Lembke.

LASFS members and guests: Marty Cantor, Greg Bilan, Judy Zeff, Fred Lazzelle, Michael Pell, Tony Benoun, Sherri Benoun, Don Wenner, Joe Zeff, Jeni Burr, Michelle Pincus.

The meeting was called to order at 11:08 am.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as corrected.

New Members: Seth Talley, Gary Pirrow, Deborah

Painter, Robert Cannon, and Gerald W. Aho were all accepted as members.

Treasurer's Report: Next month we will do the budget.

30 Second Reports (Board Members)

Chairman (Karl Lembke): There is nothing major to report.

Vice Chairman (Bob Null): Charlie Jackson is going to try to fix the Gestetner.

Secretary (Darnell Coleman): I have nothing to report.

Comptroller (Christian McGuire): Nothing to report.

Library (Elayne Pelz): I have recently discovered that there were years of non-adding many magazines to the library database.

Physical Plant (Tadao Tomomatsu): There will be a termite inspection next week.

We will be getting an estimate for a new carpet in the back room and Elayne will get the estimate. A recommendation to replace the carpet with tile results in a noise problem in the room. There was a discussion of carpet vs. tile. It was MSP (Moved, Seconded, and Passed) to get an estimate for a new carpet.

There was a discussion about removing the water system put on our property by our neighbor to the east.

There was a discussion of the broken sidewalk in front of our building and it was mentioned that it might have gotten broken from a ground-supporting unit of the truck which had removed the billboard above the building 2 doors west of the clubhouse.

It was decided to explore installing a hepa-filter air purifier unit in back building to eliminate bad odours. It was MSP to have Elayne get one immediately if under \$200 or report back if the cost was higher.

AV Equipment (Robert Powell): Everything is functional.

Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen): I have re-supplied dead tree products. Soda – sold 622 units (to date: 11, 423 units) total sales for this period is 7421 units (to date \$466.50).

Publications (Milt Stevens): Reported on *De Prof* and the Gestetner. *De Prof* is alive and being run by Marty Cantor but the Gestetner might be dead. D/o/c/t/o/r/ Charlie Jackson is examining the p/a/t/i/e/n/t/ machine and we should get a diagnosis soon.

Events (Marcia Minsky): Westercon is on schedule and next PR will be at end of this week.

Sherri had no report on LOSCON 37.

Tadao reported on LaLaCon. Prereg attendance seems slim and it may not be viable either this or next year due to small attendance. The con should possibly be postponed or discontinued. There was a discussion of this. MSP (with 3 abstentions) that LaLaCon go on hiatus. The Board will reinstate LaLaCon if there is future interest. The vote for this: 6 aye, 2 nay, 3 abstentions.

Fundraising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin): 75th Anniversary festivities are moving forward on schedule.

Zapple.com price point is 20%. Art needs to be picked. Arlene hopes to have it up and available by June 1.

Volunteers set up a booth at the Star Trek movie at the IMAX theatre in Orange County. All bookmarks were given away and people were happy. Arlene thanked volunteers. The committee was asked back for the Harry Potter movie. A new banner is needed with better colours.

Library Reading Programme will be continued this summer as the Librarian is happy with what we did.

Book Faire: West Hollywood Book Faire will be repeated and some things will be finished by the end of this week.

(Significant others)

Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin): (see above)

Club President (Mike Thorsen): Nothing to report.

Agenda Items

Marketing /Fundraising (Arlene Satin): (see above)

Geocaching: The event was cancelled because Patrick had to go to Kansas because of tornado damage to his property there.

Bob Null says the previous owner of property to the west of us had probably been disposing of motor oil in the drain in his back parking area.

Christian: There was an April 30 large auction of material owned by Forry. Lot 717 included SF League Chapter 4 papers. SCIFI tried but did not win that auction lot. SCIFI is trying to get the historical documents from bid winner.

Open Forum

Goodsearch.com (Good shop.com) (on our web site) has lots of resources.

There was a discussion of the cat hanging around the premises.

Marty Cantor clarified with Elayne about there being no mention of exact amounts of club monies going up on web site. All that should be mentioned in minutes and in *De Prof* is that people should check with the treasurer to get the amount.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm.

Board of Directors meeting, June 14, 2009
Karl Lembke, Chairman
Darnell Coleman, Secretary
uncorrected minutes for De Prof by Marty Cantor

Board members in attendance: Karl Lembke, Mike Thorsen, Tadao Tomomatsu, Darnell Coleman, Marcia Minsky, Elayne Pelz, Rob Powell, Arlene Satin, Bob Null, Milt Stevens. Christian McGuire was at Westercon and his absence was excused.

LASFS members and guests: Marty Cantor, Greg Bilan, Fred Lazzelle, Michael Pell, Tony Benoun, Sherri Benoun, Don Wenner, Joe Zeff, Jeni Burr, Joyce Sperling, Lee Gold, Barry Gold.

Meeting called to order at 11:07 am.

Minutes: The minutes were approved as corrected.

New Members: There were none.

Treasurer's Report: Elayne reported on the budget later in the meeting.

30 Second Reports
(Board Members)

Chairman (Karl Lembke): The Chairman had nothing to report.

Vice Chairman (Bob Null): Charlie thinks the Gestetner is repairable. New locks are needed for some cabinets so that the Gestetner drums can be impounded between uses.

Secretary (Darnell Coleman): The meetings will now be recorded on audio.

Comptroller (Christian McGuire): Christian was at Westercon.

Library (Elayne Pelz): Elayne had nothing to report.

Physical Plant (Tadao Tomomatsu): The termite inspection went well. There is no progress yet on sidewalk repairs. (Elayne- no report yet on the back-building rug. The certified letter (on the rose bushes planted by the dentist next to our building and on our property) to the dentist/owner of the building to the east of us was returned. Also, the Hepa filter for our back building will cost about \$500.) (Karl mentioned that the hand-carts are still missing.)

AV Equipment (Robert Powell): A better rack for the equipment is needed.

Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen): Mike was not at the meeting at this time but he gave his report when he showed up. (Machine units sold: to date, 11,795 – this period, 372. Machine total sales: to date, \$7,750.00 – this period, \$279.00.)

Publications (Milt Stevens): Milt gave a report on De Prof and Gestetner, essentially the same report as last month. He also mentioned that Marty Cantor wanted the

Prof was now Marty's, it was being run as if it were the club's and that he should be given all announcements and other items of interest to the club so that he can publicize them in the zine. (Barry & Lee mentioned good things about Host Color for web hosting.)

Events (Marcia Minsky): 75th Anniversary celebration & Loscon moving along – LOSCON memberships are slightly higher than usual for this time of year. (Arlene mentioned photo-shoots for photographs for our 75th Anniversary – the photo-shoot just done in June and the upcoming ones in July and August.)

Fundraising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin): Zazzle.com still in progress and prospective art shown. More art is needed. Harry Potter show is still on and they want LASFS to work at the event. West Los Angeles book fair is also still on and we will be there. Age range of book audience at Library Readings is a bit younger than that for which we planned. We are working on our presentation with the new librarian.

(Significant others)

Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin): Our table displays need updating.

Club President (Mike Thorsen): (Mike was not yet here when called upon for his report.)

Club Vice-President (Rob Powell): New procedural officers have just been elected.

Agenda Items:

Budget (Elayne Pelz): The yearly budget was presented. More than half of the monies have already been expended. We will be getting an estimate from Terminex for getting rid of water bugs. Elayne explained the budget and answered questions about it. We are \$1400 ahead for 1st 6 months. The budget was accepted unanimously.

Building (Elayne): Our property is worth about \$550,000 according to an appraiser. A committee was appointed to look into buying a new building. (And Elayne is reading a "How to get grants" book.)

Inspection of corner of main room: And we also have to replace the corner cabinet. Elayne moved to rebuild (with lock) the corner cabinet (up to \$600.) Passed unanimously. There will be a work party in August to do this work.

Open Forum:

Bob Null – The tree in front needs to be removed as it partially blocks the driveway. Removing the tree will also increase drainage. The Board discussed the possibility of just trimming the tree.

Tadao mentioned problems with 2 cats shitting on our property: he can smell (but not find) what they are using for a litter -box, so please do not feed them.

Robert Powell has looked into replacing interior doors in front bathroom, but he needs to get prices.

Darnell asked if there have been any savings from closing the clubhouse on Fridays? "Too early," was the consensus.

Take-Aways:

The contractor will show up to give an estimate of how much the job will cost after the corner of the back room can be examined.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:16 pm.

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. Reading books, whatta concept...)

Terminator: Salvation	Foster, Alan Dean	Temple and the Crown, The	Kurtz, Katherine & Harris, Deborah Turner
Skyfall	Harrison, Harry	Fox and the Hound, The	Legault, Lance
Cat Who Walks Through Walls, The	Heinlein, Robert A.	Snow Crash	Stephenson, Neal
Dune: House Harkonnen	Herbert, Brian & Anderson, Kevin J.	Silverlock	Myers, John Myers
Reflections of the Future	Hill, Russell	Gripping Hand, The	Niven, Larry & Pournelle, Jerry
Slaves of Sleep & The Masters of Sleep	Hubbard, L. Ron	Space Magicians, The	Norton, Alden H. & Moskowitz, Sam
Brak: When the Idols Walked	Jakes, John	Catfantastic III	Norton, Andre & Greenberg, Martin H.
Zeus and Co,	Jones, David Lee	Flight in Yiktor	Norton, Andre
English Assassin, The	Moorcock, Michael	Forerunner: The Second Venture	Norton, Andre
Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh, The	Plummer, Christopher	Fur Magic	Norton, Andre
Conspirator	Cherryh, C.J.	Garan the Eternal	Norton, Andre
Last Theorem, The	Clarke, Arthur C. & Pohl, Frederik	Gryphon in Glory	Norton, Andre
Star Trek New Frontier	David, Peter	Gryphon's Eyrie	Norton, Andre & Crispin A.C.
Kiss of Shadows, A	Hamilton, Laurell K.	Hands of Lyr, The	Norton, Andre
Seduced by Moonlight	Hamilton, Laurell K.	Here Abide Monsters	Norton, Andre
Kops	Hammond, Warren	High Sorcery	Norton, Andre
DragonsBlood	McCaffrey, Todd	Horn Crown	Norton, Andre
Deathwing	Pringle, David & Ehrenfeld, David	House of Shadows	Norton, Andre & Miller, Phyllis
Ultimate Encyclopedia of Fantasy	Pringle, David, ed.	Huon of the Horn	Norton, Andre
Bambi	Disney	Ice Crown	Norton, Andre
Ruba'ya't of Omar Khayya'm	Khayya'm, Omar	Imperial Lady	Norton, Andre & Schwartz, Susan
Bachman Books, The	King, Stephen	Iron Butterflies	Norton, Andre
Time of Ghosts, A	Kirk, Richard	Iron Cage	Norton, Andre
Jan of the Jungle	Kline, Odis Adelbert	Jargoon Pard, The	Norton, Andre
Beyond Tomorrow	Knight, Damon	Judgment on Janus	Norton, Andre
First Voyages	Knight, Damon & Greenberg, Martin H.	Key of the Keplian, The	Norton, Andre & McConchie, Lyn
Funhouse, The	Koontz, Dean R.	Key Out of Time	Norton, Andre
Marching Morons	Kornbluth, C.M.	Knave of Dreams	Norton, Andre
E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial	Kotzwinkle, William	Last Planet, The	Norton, Andre
E.T.: The Book of the Green Planet	Kotzwinkle, William	Lavender - Green Magic	Norton, Andre
Blood Roses	Block, Francesca Lia	Lord of Thunder	Norton, Andre
Waters and the Wild, The	Block, Francesca Lia	Lore of the Witch World	Norton, Andre
Trouble Magnet	Foster, Alan Dean	Magic in Ithkar 3	Norton, Andre & Adams, Robert
Witch Way to the Mall	Friesner, Esther M.	Mark of the Cat, The	Norton, Andre
Skin Trade	Hamilton, Laurell K.	Merlin's Mirror	Norton, Andre
Ranxerox in New York	Liberatore, Torino & Tamburini, Stefano	Moon Called	Norton, Andre
Command Decision	Moon, Elizabeth	Moon Mirror	Norton, Andre
Engaging the Enemy	Moon, Elizabeth	Moon of Three Rings	Norton, Andre
Victory Conditions	Moon, Elizabeth	Night of Masks	Norton, Andre
Adventures of Captain Underpants, The	Pikey, Dav	No Night Without Stars	Norton, Andre
State of Fear	Crichton, Michael	Opal - Eyed Fan, The	Norton, Andre
Other Boleyn Girl, The	Gregory, Phillipa	Operation Time Search	Norton, Andre
Red Dragon	Harris, Thomas	Ordeal in Otherwhere	Norton, Andre
From a Buick 8	King, Stephen	Perilous Dreams	Norton, Andre
Darkest Evening of the Year, The	Koontz, Dean	Plague Ship	Norton, Andre
Adept, The :Book 3 The Templar Treasure	Kurz, Katherine & Harris, Deborah Turner	Postmarked the Stars	Norton, Andre
		Prince Commands, The	Norton, Andre
		Quag Keep	Norton, Andre
		Quest Crosstime	Norton, Andre
		Ralestone Luck	Norton, Andre
		Red Hart Magic	Norton, Andre
		Sargasso of Space	Norton, Andre
		Sea Siege	Norton, Andre
		Secrets of the Lost Race	Norton, Andre
		Seven Spells to Sunday	Norton, Andre & Miller, Phyllis
		Shadow Hawk	Norton, Andre
		Sioux Spaceman, The	Norton, Andre
		Snow Shadow	Norton, Andre

Songsmith	Norton, Andre & Crispin, A.C.	Gideon the Cutpurse	Archer, Linda Buckley
Spell of the Witch World	Norton, Andre	Divergence	Ballantyne, Tony
Star Born	Norton, Andre	High Road, The	Bova, Ben
Star Gate	Norton, Andre	Storm Front Vol. 1 The Gathering Storm	Butcher, Jim
Star Guard	Norton, Andre	Phantom Horde / Star Man	Darlington, Clark & Byrne, S.J.
Star Hunter and Voodoo Planet	Norton, Andre	Reluctant King, The	DeCamp, L. Sprague
Star Ka'at World	Norton, Andre & Madlee, Dorothy	Dr. Dimension Masters of Spacetime	DeChancie, John & Bischoff, David
Star Ka'ats and the Plant People	Norton, Andre & Madlee, Dorothy	Doctor Who The Key to Time	Haining, Peter
Star Rangers	Norton, Andre	All I Really Need to Know I Learned from	Watching Star Trek.
Stars are Ours!, The	Norton, Andre	Blue Mars	Marinaccio, Dave
Steel Magic	Norton, Andre	Persistence of Vision, The	Robinson, Kim Stanley
Storm Over Warlock	Norton, Andre	Art of War, The	Varley, John
Storms of Victory	Norton, Andre & Mathews, Patricia	Bushido Code	Yoshikawa, Eiji
Tales of the Witch World 1	Norton, Andre	Way of the Samurai, The	Yoshikawa, Eiji
Tales of the Witch World 2	Norton, Andre	Way of the Sword, The	Yoshikawa, Eiji
Tales of the Witch World 3	Norton, Andre		
Three Against the Witch World	Norton, Andre		
Time Traders, The	Norton, Andre		
Trey of Swords	Norton, Andre		
Uncharted Stars	Norton, Andre		
Velvet Shadows	Norton, Andre		
Victory on Janus	Norton, Andre		
Ware Hawk	Norton, Andre		
Web of the Witch World	Norton, Andre		
Wheel of Stars	Norton, Andre		
White Jade Fox, The	Norton, Andre		
Wings of Magic, On	Norton, Andre		
Wizard's World	Norton, Andre		
Ultimate Hitchhiker's Guide, The	Adams, Douglas		

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