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All times are PT. Events in black text are LASFS events. Events in gray text are not.

\* **Thursday Programme Items: Jan. 25**—meeting in person (and online) at New Musicals Inc., 5628 Vineland Ave., North Hollywood, CA 91601. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., meeting at 8 p.m., out by 9:30 p.m.

**Meeting Tech Specs:** LASFS meetings are currently held online via Zoom. Contact host Susan Fox at [susanfox@scifi.radio](mailto:susanfox@scifi.radio) to receive an invitation, the meeting password, and weekly reminders.

## COLOPHON

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**Addendum:** At the LASFS Board of Directors meeting Dec. 11, 2022, the directors accepted Eylat Poliner's proposal that Heath Row become editor of *De Prof*. He will do so as LASFS scribe.

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## LASFS OFFICERS

**Elected Procedural Officers**  
January-June 2024

**President:** Cathy Johnson  
**Vice-President:** Eylat Poliner  
**Registrar:** Heide Nichols  
**Scribe:** Heath Row  
**Treasurers:** Elayne Pelz and Debra Levin

**Board of Directors** (to be updated next issue)  
Chairman: Michelle Pincus (2024)  
Vice Chairman: Nick Smith (2023)  
Comptroller: Gavin Claypool (2025)  
Secretary: Susan Fox (2024)

**Other Members** (to be updated next issue)  
Cathy Johnson (2024), Dean Johnson (2025), Christian B. McGuire (2023), Heide Nichols (2025), Elayne Pelz (2023), Eylat Poliner (2024), and Rob Powell (2023)

### Special Advisors

Charles Lee Jackson II  
Deceased/honorary positions: Forrest J Ackerman, Walt Daugherty, Len and June Moffatt, and Fred Patten

### Appointed Officials

Cat Liaison, Computers, Editor, LASFS Archivist, Publications, and Westercon Liaison: Christian B. McGuire; Committee to Gouge Money from the LASFS and Key Control: Christian B. McGuire and Elayne Pelz; *De Profundis* Editor and APA-L Liaison: Heath Row; Film Coordination Committee, Honor Guard, Party Rabbi, and Video Collection Curator: Charles Lee Jackson II; Hall Decoration: Charles Lee Jackson II, Christian B. McGuire, and Elayne Pelz; LASFAPA Liaison: David Schlosser; LASFS Information: Lee Gold and Matthew B. Tepper; Librarian: Gavin Claypool; Assistant Librarian: Elayne Pelz; Marketing and Promotions: Michelle Pincus; Patron Saints List Manager: Elayne Pelz and Eylat Poliner; Photographic Collection (Special): Mike Donahue; Program: Eylat Poliner; Science Officers: Bill Green and Nick Smith; Assistant Video Collection Curator: Tom Khamis; Webmistress: Kristine Cherry; Web Advisors: Barry and Lee Gold

## Condensed Cream of Menace

(Official, approved minutes are also available online at <https://www.lasfs.org/lasfs-meeting-minutes>. Unofficial, unexpurgated minutes can be read in *Menace of the LASFS*, which is available upon request.)

### Happy Halloween 2023. Meeting #4498, Oct. 26, 2023

Cathy Johnson, presiding  
Heath "Scribbles" Row, Scribe

#### Call to Order

Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order at 8 p.m.

#### Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith)

##### Hatchings

- Actor and film director Bob Hoskins (b. Oct. 26, 1942; d. April 29, 2014)
- Screenwriter, producer, and director Kenneth Johnson (b. Oct. 26, 1942)
- Scholar Jane Chance (b. October 1945)
- Actor Cary Elwes (b. Oct. 26, 1962)

##### Dispatchings

Actor and model Richard Roundtree (b. July 9, 1942; d. Oct. 24, 2023)

##### Media anniversary

On this date in 1966, the Jerry Lewis and Connie Stevens movie *Way... Way Out* was released. On this date in 1926, the silent Soviet spy film *Miss Mend* (aka *The Adventures of the Three Reporters*) was released.

#### Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row)

Scribbles read the Condensed Cream of Menace for Oct. 19, 2023.

#### Additions and Corrections

None

#### Auction to Name the Minutes

Susan Fox bid \$10, won, and named them "Shut Up and Give Me the Cookbook."

#### Call for Approval

Moved to accept as read, and approved.

#### Celebration of Patron Saints

Lee Jacobs was celebrated and recognized by Scribbles. Jacobs received three cheers. Scribbles read an excerpt of a profile of Jacobs that was published in APA-L as part of

*Telegraphs & Tar Pits* #39. (Available upon request.)

#### Committee Reports

Loscon 49 (Nick Smith): Arlene Busby has been working on the programming schedule and sent materials to participants for confirmation. Smith will interview Peter S. Beagle on Saturday morning.

Cathy Johnson shared additional details about Loscon. Eylat Poliner reminded staff and potential volunteers about the Loscon staff meeting Oct. 28.

##### Programming (Eylat Poliner)

- Nov. 2: Board of Directors nominations
- Nov. 9: Meeting #4500 and Board of Directors election
- Nov. 16: History of the LASFS with historical LASFSans
- Nov. 23: Meeting at Loscon 49
- Dec. 7: Nominations for President
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#### Honor Guard (Charles Lee Jackson II)

A shrouded skeleton, not the voice of Vincent Price, stood in for Jackson. The Spot of Honor is held by CLJII's Hallowe'en Haunts, Highlights, and High-jinks. (<https://www.facebook.com/HalloweenHauntsHighlightsAndHiJinks>)

Gregory Lipscomb bid \$25 for Loscon 49 to hold the Spot of Honor for the next month.

#### Registrar (Eylat Poliner)

We welcomed a guest, Kayla Denson, who found out about the LASFS from its Web site. She's from Los Angeles and is looking for a community with shared interests, perhaps a fantasy book club. She's a student at UCLA Extension, a literature fan, and a writer. She's also a marketing manager and an associate producer.

#### Treasurer (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz)

Debra Levin reminded members to pay their dues. Next week is the beginning of a new month. Donations are also welcome.

#### Board Report (Michelle Pincus)

Susan Fox stood in for Pincus. The next board meeting is 11 a.m., Nov. 12, 2023.

#### Old Business

Cathy Johnson indicated that we're still looking for a place to meet in person once a month. If you know of such a place, feel free to gather

additional information to bring back to the club. We were not able to meet at the church again.

### **New Business**

None

### **Time-Bound Announcements**

Nick Smith:

- Dark Delicacies will host a signing with horror filmmaker Darren Lynn Bousman for his children's book *But Daddy, We Are Scared*.
- New Beverly Cinema will show the original *Night of the Living Dead*, *Tales from the Darkside: The Movie*, and *Beetlejuice*.
- The Los Feliz Theatre will show the Spanish-language version of *Dracula* on Sunday. That night, they're also showing *Omen* (not *The Omen*). They'll later screen *Psycho*.
- The Aero Theatre will screen *Monster House*, *Dial M for Murder*, and a double feature of *Creature from the Black Lagoon* and *House of Wax*.
- Landmark's Nuart Theatre hosts late-night screenings of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* on Friday and Saturday nights.
- The Old Town Music Hall will screen *Dracula* on Saturday and the 1925 *The Phantom of the Opera* on Sunday with live organ accompaniment.

### **Moments of Science**

Lee Grixit: There's another possible breakthrough for diabetes, implantables with long-term supplies. You'd have an implant with a couple year's supply of insulin dispensed at proper intervals.

There's also a smaller handheld ultrasonic machine that breaks up kidney stones. And there's a new, portable neuro inductive router with minimal attachments to help a patient's brain get their limbs moving again.

Eylat Poliner: Southwest Airlines will be the first airline to be able to track your luggage in real time. (<https://www.thrillist.com/news/nation/southwest-airlines-baggage-tracker-app-website-launch>)

Nick Smith: The NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory is mapping indicators for possible locations of subterranean ice on Mars. It uses a combination of technologies to measure where ice ought to be.

Charles Lee Jackson II's skeletal stand in, Window Ghost—not Skeletor—offered two items: During Jackson's last reading, the story "Fallen Hero" incorporates technology similar to what Grixit described above.

Jackson is currently taking several new medications that include side effects. He hasn't yet experienced the side effects, but has experienced the opposite of the side effects.

Nola Frame-Gray also commented on the insulin implant. They implanted islets of langerhans cells from the pancreas in mice. She doesn't understand why the tissue wasn't rejected.

### **Regular Announcements**

Scribbles let the club know that he'll be traveling in November. Please record the meetings, and he'll continue preparing minutes for reading at the meetings.

### **Reviews**

Eylat Poliner finished watching *Ahsoka*. She felt that the series brought *Star Wars* back even more than *The Mandalorian* did.

Lee Grixit commented on a silly new cartoon called *Krapopolis*. It's one of those not quite historical things. The gods are a bunch of soap opera characters.

Kayla Denson has been watching *The Fall of the House of Usher* on Netflix. If you're a fan of Edgar Allan Poe, they draw on a lot of elements of his work. It's very good.

### **Miscellaneous**

Simmie Noble Collins shared a faux pas. She was listing a rare book on eBay, a first edition of Philip K. Dick's *The Man in the High Castle*. She listed it for \$50 before realizing it sells for anywhere from \$800 to \$3,000. Someone bought it before she was able to edit the listing. She wrote an apology to the buyer, pleading ignorance. The buyer accepted her apology, and she refunded his money. Then eBay relisted the book automatically, and it sold again. She had to do the same thing all over again. Now it might go for \$1,500.

Eylat Poliner commented that the LASFS library contains rare books that members can check out.

Chris Marble reported that George Mulligan has lost more weight and is down 100 pounds from his peak. The potential for a day trip for Christmas exists.

Window Ghost reminded people about next week's nominations for the board of directors.

Charles Lee Jackson II will explain the process fully next week.

Eylat Poliner asked whose seats are up for election and checked the LASFS Web site. Scribbles shared the details from *De Profundis*: Nick Smith, Christian B. McGuire, Elayne Pelz, and Rob Powell's seats are up for election.

Poliner volunteered to let those folks know that their seats are up for renomination.

Cathy Johnson reminded members about the aftermeeting.

Eylat Poliner found an inexpensive Middle Eastern Greek restaurant, Athenian Grill, in Reseda. It might make a good location for the Greater Angeleno Gourmet Society (GAGS), perhaps in November. Another option could be Hummus Bar & Grill in Tarzana.

### **Call to Adjourn**

Eylat Poliner so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

### **Come Back Soon, Scribbles. Meeting #4499, Nov. 2, 2023**

Cathy Johnson, presiding  
Heath "Scribbles" Row, Scribe

### **Call to Order**

Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order 3:20 into the video recording.

### **Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith)**

#### **Hatchings**

- Actor and producer Burt Lancaster (b. Nov. 2, 1913; d. Oct. 20, 1994)
- Actor Warren Stevens (b. Nov. 2, 1919; d. March 27, 2012)
- Comic book artist and writer Steve Ditko (b. Nov. 2, 1927; d. June 29, 2018)
- Author Lois McMaster Bujold (b. Nov. 2, 1949)
- Fan and LASFSan Don Fitch (b. Nov. 2, 1928)

#### **Dispatchings**

- Actor Tyler Christopher (b. Nov. 11, 1972; d. Oct. 31, 2023)
- Actor Matthew Perry (b. Aug. 19, 1969; d. Oct. 28, 2023)
- Astronaut Ken Mattingly (b. March 17, 1936; d. Oct. 31, 2023)
- Actor Richard Moll (b. Jan. 13, 1943; d. Oct. 26, 2023)
- Fan and artist Carolly Cristin Hauksdottir

Media anniversary

On this date in 1924, the silent sf movie *The Last Man on Earth* was released.

### **Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row)**

Susan Fox stood in for Scribbles and read the Condensed Cream of Menace for Oct. 26, 2023.

### **Additions and Corrections**

None

### **Auction to Name the Minutes**

Gregory Lipscomb bid \$10, won, and named them "Happy Halloween 2023."

### **Call for Approval**

Moved to accept as read, and approved.

### **Celebration of Patron Saints**

Francis Hamit was celebrated and recognized by Cathy Johnson and Matthew B. Tepper. Hamit received three cheers.

Bill Rotsler was celebrated and recognized by Tony Benoun, Charles Lee Jackson II, Christian B. McGuire, Matt Mitchell, Nick Smith, and Matthew B. Tepper. Rotsler received three cheers.

### **Committee Reports**

Programming (Eylat Poliner)

- Nov. 2: Board of Directors nominations
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Cathy Johnson added that the Loscon meeting during the con will take place on the 16th floor at 8 p.m. There will be a Big Auction, so bring money.

Christian B. McGuire won't be there, and Johnson will take the lead. 10-20 items will be offered for auction, including another copy of Karl Lembke's recipe book.

Johnson asked Susan Fox if she'd serve as scribe for that meeting because Scribbles is out of town.

Fox said she would determine whether she has any conflicts and asked if it'd be done on Zoom.

Johnson indicated she didn't plan to offer a hybrid meeting.

Fox agreed to serve as scribe, but she won't enjoy it.

McGuire will provide a list of items, the physical items, and an actual auction sheet.

Eylat Poliner volunteered to record the auction results.

Loscon 49 (Michelle Pincus): Your last chance to make hotel reservations is approaching. Our room block closes Nov. 8.

The online membership rate will close soon, and it'll cost more at the door.

Heide Nichols: The music room will be on the 16th floor. Concerts featuring Tim Griffith and the Fallen Stars will take place on the main stage.

**Honor Guard** (Charles Lee Jackson II)  
The Spot of Honor is held by Loscon 49.

**Registrar** (Eylat Poliner)  
There are no guests tonight.

**Treasurer** (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz)  
Elayne Pelz reminded members to pay their dues. It's a new month, so pay your monthly or weekly dues. It's also November, so start thinking about yearly dues, which you can start paying next month: \$135 for 2024.

Charles Lee Jackson II: Only standard, regular members who have paid their dues can vote in elections. Next week, when we have an election, anyone who's delinquent in their dues won't be able to vote.

**Board Report** (Michelle Pincus)  
The next board meeting is Nov. 12 at 11 a.m.

**Old Business**  
Nominations for the board elections (Charles Lee Jackson II): Jackson explained the purpose and structure of the board of directors, as well as the requirements for a member to serve on the board as documented at <https://lasfs.org/lasfs-by-laws>. He then described the nomination process.

Cathy Johnson clarified which seats are up for election: those currently held by Nick Smith, Christian B. McGuire, Elayne Pelz, and Rob Powell.

Jackson listed the people who are ineligible for nomination because they're currently on the board or are otherwise unable to be nominated. Nominations were opened.

Christian B. McGuire nominated Elayne Pelz, who accepted the nomination enthusiastically.

Eylat Poliner nominated Rob Powell, aka Gizmo, who accepted the nomination with beautiful articulation.

Cathy Johnson nominated Christian B. McGuire, who accepted.

Heide Nichols nominated Tony Benoun, who declined.

Eylat Poliner nominated Debra Levin, who declined.

Christian B. McGuire nominated Nick Smith, who accepted, suggesting that if elected, it would be his last term on the board.

Susan Fox nominated Heath Row, who isn't present. Jackson asked Scribbles to confirm whether he accepts or declines the nomination. Elayne Pelz confirmed that Scribbles is eligible to serve.

Eylat Poliner indicated that Scribbles had informed her that he could serve on the board or as scribe.

Fox withdrew her nomination.

Jackson asked Scribbles to confirm regardless.

Lee Grixit nominated Matthew B. Tepper, who accepted the nomination.

McGuire moved to close the nominations.

Next week, we will hold the election of directors. Jackson will describe the procedure then.

**New Business**  
None

**Time-Bound Announcements**  
Nick Smith

- Dark Delicacies will host a signing Saturday with Peter H. Brothers for *Citizen Kong: A 90th Anniversary Appreciation* and Steve Niles for the *30 Days of Night Deluxe Edition* hardcover. On Sunday, there's a signing for the *8 Found Dead DVD*.
- The New Beverly Cinema's Saturday matinee is Charlie Chaplin's *The Gold Rush*. Adult programming includes *Touch of Evil* and *The Lady from Shanghai*.
- The American Cinematheque is finishing its run at the Los Feliz Theatre with John Carpenter's *Prince of Darkness* and Rob Zombie's remake of *Halloween*.
- There's a full day of animation features at the Aero Theatre in Santa Monica.
- Landmark's Nuart Theatre will show *Rosemary's Baby* and *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*.

Charles Lee Jackson II: Beginning Saturday morning on Facebook, another page of mine will make its debut. It's called CLJII's *Your Best Entertainment Companion*. (<https://www>)

[facebook.com/profile.php?id=100081418001578](https://facebook.com/profile.php?id=100081418001578)

???: A time change goes into effect Saturday evening. You don't want to be late to the stuff you're going to on Sunday.

### Moments of Science

Lee Grixit: Chinese scientists have figured out how to use an artificial virus to change someone's genetics. One application could help children who are deaf because they can't grow the correct cells in their inner ears.

Dean Johnson: The second person who's ever received a pig heart transplant died. He only lasted six weeks.

### Regular Announcements

Matt Mitchell: Gallifrey One announced its newest guest, actor Billie Piper. It will be her first con appearance in 10 years.

### Reviews

Heide Nichols: The quirky *Upload*, a very weird series, is back. It's a comedy, and it's currently on Prime Video.

Victor Khaze has been enjoying the urban fantasy slice-of-life anime *The Masterful Cat Is Depressed Again Today* on Crunchyroll.

### Miscellaneous

Christian B. McGuire: Last week was this year's Worldcon in Chengdu, China. They built a floating museum and a brand new convention center. Bay Area fan Richard Man won the Best Fan Artist Hugo award. A Midwest fan, Chris M. Barkley, won the Best Fan Writer Hugo award. And Bobbi Armbruster received the 2023 Big Heart Award.

Cathy Johnson: Also, Seanan McGuire won the Hugo Award for Best Novella.

McGuire: The average age of members was 18.

Cathy Johnson reminded people about the aftermeeting.

### Call to Adjourn

Eylat Poliner so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

**4,500 Down, 500 to Go,  
to Infinity and Beyond.  
Meeting #4500, Nov. 9, 2023**  
Cathy Johnson, presiding  
Heath "Scribbles" Row, Scribe

### Call to Order

Scribbles presumes that Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order before the video recording began.

### Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith)

#### Hatchings

- Actor and comedian Ed Wynn (b. Nov. 9, 1886; d. June 19, 1966)
- Fan, author, editor, and literary agent Larry Shaw (b. Nov. 9, 1924; d. April 1, 1985)
- Director Cliff Bole (b. Nov. 9, 1937; d. Feb. 15, 2014)
- Actor and professional bodybuilder Lou Ferrigno (b. Nov. 9, 1951)

#### Dispatchings

- Martial artist Pat E. Johnson (b. Dec. 31, 1939; d. Nov. 5, 2023)
- Courtesy of Matthew B. Tepper: Aeronautical engineer, NASA astronaut, test pilot, and businessman Frank Borman (b. March 14, 1928; d. Nov. 7, 2023)

#### Media anniversary

On this date in 1966, the Vincent Price movie *Dr. Goldfoot and the Girl Bombs* was released in the United States.

### Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row)

Susan Fox read the Condensed Cream of Menace for Nov. 2, 2023.

### Additions and Corrections

Charles Lee Jackson II clarified that only "standard, regular" members will be able to vote in the LASFS board election. Cathy Johnson added that members must be current with their dues.

### Auction to Name the Minutes

Christine Lipscomb bid \$5, won, and named them "Come Back Soon, Scribbles."

### Call for Approval

Moved to accept as corrected, and approved.

### Celebration of Patron Saints

Woody Dodge was celebrated and recognized by Matthew B. Tepper. Dodge received three cheers.

### Committee Reports

Programming (Eylat Poliner)

- Nov. 9: Meeting #4500 and Board of Directors election
- Nov. 16: History of the LASFS with historical LASFSans
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Loscon 49 (Michelle Pincus): Loscon's on schedule and is going to be fabulous.

**Honor Guard** (Charles Lee Jackson II)  
The Spot of Honor is held by Loscon 49.

**Registrar** (Eylat Poliner)  
We have somebody new: Amy, who has worked con ops for Loscon and Gallifrey.

**Treasurer** (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz)  
Debra Levin reminded members to pay their dues. She confirmed whether Crys Bowie, Victor Khaze, Matt Mitchell, Anita Nunez, and Willard Stone were current with their dues.

**Board Report** (Michelle Pincus)  
The next board meeting is Sunday, Nov. 12, 2023, at 11 a.m.

**Old Business**  
Charles Lee Jackson II led the election for the seats open for election on the corporate board for the LASFS. Last week we called for nominations, and we ended up with five nominees for the four seats. We proceeded with the Dan Alderson plan to hold an election. Jackson indicated that he will describe a candidate, and then members will raise their little pink hands for counting.

For the first seat, Elayne Pelz received 20 votes—including three proxy votes from Eylat Poliner—and was re-elected to the board. For the second seat, 17 members—including three proxies from Poliner—voted for Rob Powell, who was re-elected. For the third seat, 14 members—including three Poliner proxies—voted for Christian B. McGuire, who was re-elected. For the fourth seat, 14 members—including Poliner's three proxies—voted for Matthew B. Tepper, who was elected to serve on the board.

Cathy Johnson welcomed the new board members and thanked Nick Smith for his years of board service. Members gave him a round of applause as an outgoing board member. Tepper also received a round of applause.

Jackson indicated that the new term begins in January.

Johnson doubled everybody's salary.

Tepper was fined for a delightful joke about serving on the board for the Southern California Naturist Association. Someone else also was charged a fine.

## **New Business**

None

## **Time-Bound Announcements**

Nick Smith:

- Dark Delicacies will host a signing Saturday for Jessica Hobbs's *The Witch and Other Tales of the American Gothic* and Colin Hinckley's *The Black Lord* on Saturday. On Sunday, they'll host a signing for the *Friday the 13th Part 3* Ultimate Cut CD with composer Harry Manfredini.
- The New Beverly Cinema will screen cartoons Saturday and *One Hundred and One Dalmatians* on Saturday and Sunday.
- Quentin Tarantino's new Vista Theater is opening next week; they missed the theater's 100th anniversary by just a few weeks.
- The American Cinematheque returns soon to the Egyptian Theatre. Tickets to the Nov. 21 screening of *2001: A Space Odyssey* sold out immediately. *Vampire's Kiss*, *Pit and the Pendulum*, and *The Time Machine* screen this weekend at the Los Feliz Theatre.
- Vidiots remodeled the old Eagle Theater in Eagle Rock. This Saturday they'll screen *The Secret of Nimh* and *Ghost World*. *Spy Kids* screens Sunday.
- The Landmark Nuart Theater will screen *Children of Men* on Friday and *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* on Saturday.

Eylat Poliner: Next week, we will celebrate meeting #4500 by hosting a panel featuring Matthew B. Tepper, Craig Miller, and Charles Lee Jackson II to explore the history of the club.

## **Regular Announcements**

Charles Lee Jackson II will sign his new book *Your Best Entertainment* at Loscon on Saturday. He will have some physical copies available for sale, and he also offers an ebook autograph card.

"Grok" was a clue on *Jeopardy!* recently.

Chris Marble: George Mulligan is getting stronger and might be able to take a day trip for Christmas.

Scott Beckstead successfully revived his



Amiga 1000, now dubbed the FrankenAmiga, with a Raspberry Pi as a processor.

Nick Smith commented that *Babylon 5's* special effects were done on an Amiga 2000.

### Miscellaneous

Cathy Johnson reminded members about the aftermeeting.

### Call to Adjourn

Eylat Poliner so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

## Board Meeting

Nov. 12, 2023

Michelle Pincus, chairing

Susan Fox, Secretary

### Call to Order

11:03 a.m.

### Present

Chairman Michelle Pincus, Vice Chairman Nick Smith, Secretary Susan Fox, Eylat Poliner, Gavin Claypool, Rob "Gizmo" Powell, Cathy Johnson, Dean Johnson, and Heide Nichols.

Non-board members: board member-elect Matthew B. Tepper.

### Minutes

Approved and accepted

### New Members

None

### Treasurer's Report (Elayne Pelz)

Pelz was absent, attending Orycon 43 in Portland, Ore., to promote a Worldcon bid.

### 30-Second Reports

Chairman (Michelle Pincus): No report

Vice Chairman (Nick Smith): No report

Secretary (Susan Fox): No report

Comptroller (Gavin Claypool) He is working on finishing up Form 990 for the club.

Library (Gavin Claypool): He has lots of books to process between now and Loscon.

Quartermaster (Heide Nichols): No report

Physical Plant/Storage (Rob Powell): Powell and Eylat Poliner did some inventory of the materials in LASFS storage and got rid of some stuff. We have an additional storage unit for Loscon, now set up for the green room, soda, and water. There's additional space for more stuff to go to Loscon. That unit will be closed one week after Loscon.

AV Equipment (Dean Johnson): The AV equipment is ready for Loscon.

Rob Powell asked about AV setup for LASFS hybrid meetings when they are scheduled.

Cathy and Dean Johnson indicate that they tested it out at the Loscon in-person meeting.

Events (Eylat Poliner): Club events are scheduled through the end of the year, including Loscon.

Publications (Christian McGuire): Not present; no report.

Marketing and Recruitment (Michelle Pincus): Marketing is on track. There are more avenues for marketing, mostly for the conventions.

### Significant Others

Club President (Cathy Johnson): We are still meeting weekly on Zoom. Eylat Poliner has scheduled great programming through the end of this year.

Programming (Eylat Poliner)

- Nov. 16: History of the LASFS with historical LASFSans
- Nov. 23: Meeting at Loscon 49
- Dec. 7: Nominations for President
- Dec. 14: Procedural elections
- Dec. 28: Loscon Retrospective

We are still looking for a rental location for in-person meetings once a month. Keep looking!

Loscon 49 (Michelle Pincus): The con is on track.

Johnson: LASFS board members should attend the Westercon business meeting at Loscon, because we are responsible for the Westercon trademark. Kevin Standlee has a discussion in social media and will probably run the meeting as the chair of the latest Westercon.

Poliner: A fan table was requested for Westercon 76 in Utah.

Johnson: There are no bids for Westercon 77.

Nick Smith: We could do Tonopah again! They would love it.

Poliner asked if the Loscon program has gone live online. Michelle Pincus replied that it's on the link to the app with the programming, <https://loscon.lineupr.com>.

Loscon 50 (Eylat Poliner): Krystal Rains will run the party at Loscon 49, Friday and Saturday evenings on the 17th floor.

Susan Fox will run the sales table on the Ballroom level during the days. Poliner will enlist Debra Levin to staff the table during Fox's program items.

## Agenda Items

None

### Open Forum

Eylat Poliner asked a friend to come to Loscon. The friend felt unsafe after the Gregory Benford incident. If it can happen to Gregory Benford, it can happen to anybody. Are we handling incidents incorrectly? For future conventions, maybe talk to people. Poliner said she would bring it up in the board meeting.

Heide Nichols had a very similar reaction from someone she has known since she was a teenager. The friend said, "We don't do Loscon anymore." We need a procedure to do this privately and not in public for the rumor mill.

Cathy Johnson: We should handle things privately, and the Benford incident was handled incorrectly. Nobody questions that. Any such thing in the future, we would not handle that way.

Michelle Pincus: People fear that if they say One Wrong Word, they will be kicked out of the convention and canceled, not only at that con but in fandom.

Johnson: He was our next Writer Guest of Honor, for the 2020 virtual and 2021 in-person convention, so he was not canceled permanently.

Pincus: A member has requested that we ban all discussion and conversation about the Israel-Hamas war.

Poliner: That is a very sensitive topic, but all we can really do is take action when people start arguing.

Nick Smith was there at the Benford incident. The fallout was not based on the rumors so much, but the other people who were at the autograph table at the same time have not returned to Loscon since. When something happened at Smith's Loscon, it was handled privately and there was no major blowback for the con or the club. It has already been addressed. It will take some time to make people understand that it has been handled.

Poliner: There's still one person who is still threatening to sue us.

Smith: We have not embarrassed him in public.

Susan Fox: We need to publicize a code of conduct for the convention runners, and show transparency about the change in procedure.

Poliner: Other people have expressed grievances about Loscon, including vendors' lack of sales at Loscon.

Johnson: We need to grow new people to come to Loscon.

Rob Powell: We don't want to be completely transparent about the incidents, but we do need to be transparent about our procedures. We need to be clear about our improved policies. Naming names is not necessary; focus on the policies.

Poliner thanked the board for the discussion. She will report back to the person who asked in the first place.

Loscon logistics: We have a temporary storage space. We have a rental truck. We are getting a smaller truck this year, to save budget. We need volunteers for loading and unloading.

Numbers for items in storage: We need the numbers of art show equipment units

The truck and tech are both unloading at the lower level by the ballrooms. Both will arrange with our hotel liaison, Jason Justice.

Loading and unloading, before and after: Art show, and office supplies. Please keep Powell in the loop.

Poliner will reach out to Joyce Sperling about the office.

Pincus will round up loading and unloading volunteers.

We have a 16-foot truck, "overcap" instead of smaller version. There's one problem: The height does not match the dock, but we can unload at the Ballroom level. The savings is significant. We are renting from Enterprise this time.

Gavin Claypool had three mini-topics. Is there a bid for Westercon 77? Not yet. There is a seated bid for Westercon 76 in Utah. One possible future for Westercon is for it not to be an independent convention but a "label" associated with an existing western convention at their regular time.

Dean Johnson: Kevin Standlee brought that up. There would need to be by-laws changes. (<https://kevin-standlee.dreamwidth.org/2277786.html>)

Loscon is in favor of civil discourse and not its opposite.

Fox: Emphasize that we believe in respectful free speech but will not tolerate uncivil behavior.

Cathy Johnson and Powell recommended we take issues to con ops. If it escalates from there, that's not on the con floor.

The Benford incident brought some fallout from bringing things up in an open way. One possibility: We could draft a letter to give to people who bring it up again, instead of dragging it out yet again in public.

Powell will be available to get the books to the Loscon storage. They will talk after the meeting.

### **Take-Aways**

Michelle Pincus will provide Rob Powell information about art show needs, and loading and unloading.

### **Next Meeting Date**

Dec. 10, 2023, at 11 a.m.

### **Adjournment**

Occurred at 12:01 p.m.

**Unnamed. aka  
I Miss You, Uncle Milty.  
Meeting #4501, Nov. 16, 2023**  
Cathy Johnson, presiding  
Heath "Scribbles" Row, Scribe

### **Call to Order**

Scribbles presumes that Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order before the video recording began.

### **Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith)**

#### **Hatchings**

- Singer and actor Richard Hale (b. Nov. 16, 1892; d. May 18, 1981)
- Actor and filmmaker Burgess Meredith (b. Nov. 16, 1907; d. Sept. 9, 1997)
- Actor and director Clu Gulager (b. Nov. 16, 1928; d. Aug. 5, 2022)
- Author Robin McKinley (b. Nov. 16, 1952)
- Fan Milt Stevens (b. Nov. 16, 1942; d. Oct. 2, 2017)

#### **Dispatchings**

- Author Michael Bishop (b. Nov. 12, 1945; d. Nov. 13, 2023)

#### **Media anniversary**

On this date in 1961, *Hercules in the Haunted World* debuted in Italy. It was released in the United States in April 1964.

### **Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row)**

Scribbles is still missing. Susan Fox reported that he hasn't had a chance to transcribe last week's minutes yet. We will continue to record, and he will catch up.

### **Auction to Name the Minutes That Weren't Read**

Gavin Claypool bid \$45, or 4,500 pennies—one for each meeting—won, and named them "4,500 Down, 500 to Go, to Infinity and Beyond."

Susan Fox commented that Meeting #5000 will occur June 9, 2033.

### **Celebration of Patron Saints**

Milt Stevens—also a sacred object and heavenly body—was celebrated and recognized by Maryann Canfield, Charles Lee Jackson II, Eylat Poliner, Nick Smith, and Matthew B. Tepper. Stevens received three cheers.

John Trimble was celebrated and recognized by Susan Fox, Cathy Johnson, Craig Miller, and Nick Smith. Trimble received three cheers.

Eylat Poliner was celebrated and recognized by Tad Daley, Susan Fox, Nola Frame-Gray, Cathy Johnson, Christine Lipscomb, Chris Marble, Matt Mitchell, Anita Nunez, Mark Poliner, Echo Skyhorse, and Matthew B. Tepper. Poliner received three cheers.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Programming (Eylat Poliner)**

- Nov. 23: Meeting at Loscon 49—it will not be hybrid
- Dec. 7: Nominations for President
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Loscon 49 (Michelle Pincus): It's coming up. We're looking for truck unloading volunteers at 10 a.m. Thursday. Spend Thanksgiving with us setting up the con and get an extra day of convention!

Cathy Johnson: Next week's meeting will be at Loscon. It will not be a Zoom meeting.

Tad Daley recommended that we promote the LASFS more at Loscon so people become more aware of the club.

### **Honor Guard (Charles Lee Jackson II)**

The Spot of Honor this month is held by Loscon 49.

### **Registrar (Eylat Poliner)**

We have two guests tonight. One is a returning guest, Echo Skyhorse, who will work in the green room at Loscon.

We also have a new guest, Stephen Judah, who heard about us from Simmie Noble Collins. He takes his writing pretty seriously. He appreciates science fiction but doesn't know anyone else who does. He lives an hour south of Austin, Texas, and moved there a year and a

half ago. His favorite authors include Isaac Asimov, Robert A. Heinlein, and Charles Sheffield, and he's enjoying a lot of 19th century writing such as Alexandre Dumas's *The Count of Monte Cristo*, Miguel de Cervantes's *Don Quixote*, and Herman Melville's *Moby-Dick*.

**Treasurer** (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz)  
Elayne Pelz reminded members to pay their dues. The new year is creeping up on us, so cough up your \$135 for next year.

**Board Report** (Michelle Pincus)  
The next board meeting is Dec. 10, 2023, at 11 a.m. on Zoom.

**Old Business**  
None

**New Business**  
None

**Time-Bound Announcements**  
Tad Daley reported that *Interstellar* is showing at the Fine Arts Theatre Beverly Hills this weekend. (<https://fineartstheatrebh.com>)

**Special Event:** History of the LASFS with historical LASFSans  
Eylat Poliner introduced the panelists, who included Charles Lee Jackson II, Craig Miller, Matthew B. Tepper, joining in 1967, 1968, and 1969, respectively. She asked them to discuss when they joined, what was going on in LASFS and fandom, and what was going on in the world.

The panelists talked about various meeting places and clubhouses such as the Hill and Tom Digby's home—as well as the first clubhouse—Forrest J Ackerman, Ray Bradbury, Digby, David McDaniel, Larry Niven, Bruce Pelz, Jerry Pournelle, Bjo and John Trimble, the Apollo missions and moon landing, APA-L, and the welcoming nature of the LASFS.

**Miscellaneous**  
Christine Libscomb asked about traffic after the fire on the I-10. Members reported that it would be open for Thanksgiving and shouldn't affect Loscon.

Chris Marble will see the LASFS' earliest living member, Don Fitch, soon. He first visited the club in the late 1940s.

Also, George Mulligan says hi.

Charles Lee Jackson II: The sales of the physical edition of his new book have not been

as good as the digital version. He'll have copies of that book available at Loscon.

Cathy Johnson reminded members about the aftermeeting.

### **Call to Adjourn**

Eylat Poliner so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

### **Chris Named These Minutes. aka Unnamed.**

### **Meeting #4502, Nov. 23, 2023**

Cathy Johnson, presiding

Susan Fox, Stunt Scribe

Minutes recorded live at the Los Angeles Airport Marriott

### **Call to Order**

Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order at 8 p.m.

### **Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith)**

#### Hatchings

- Actor Boris Karloff (b. Nov. 23, 1887; d. Feb. 2, 1969)
- Actor Bess Flowers (b. Nov. 23, 1898; d. July 28, 1984)
- Author and fan Nelson Bond (b. Nov. 23, 1908; d. Nov. 6, 2006)
- Actor Michelle Gomez (b. Nov. 23, 1966)

#### Dispatchings:

- Actor Joss Ackland (b. Feb. 29, 1928; d. Nov. 19, 2023)
- Author, engineer, and fan Bill Ellern (b. Nov. 30, 1933; d. Nov. 18, 2023)

#### Media Anniversary

On this date in 1963, *Doctor Who* aired on television for the first time. In 2015, *The Expanse* premiered on TV. And the musical fantasy comedy *Just Imagine* hit the big screen in 1930.

### **Reading of the Minutes (Susan Fox)**

Fox moved to delay such reading until next week. It was so moved, seconded, and voted, and the ayes had it.

### **Auction to Name the Minutes That Weren't Read**

Eylat Poliner bid \$20 to not name the minutes. She then proceeded not to.

### **Celebration of Patron Saints**

Jim Tanenbaum was celebrated and recognized by Susan Fox, Nola Frame-Gray, and Hare Hobbs. Tanenbaum received three cheers—and an Emmy.

### **Committee Reports**

Loscon 49 (Michille Pincus): Loscon 49 is this weekend! Don't forget the Falling Stars concert and astronomy panel. There will be a Loscon 50 party Friday and Saturday in Room 1746.

Programming (Eylat Poliner)

- Dec. 7: Nominations for President
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### **Registrar** (Eylat Poliner)

We have two guests tonight. Sobek Meri Ra is attending for the first time. He's an aspiring chef and author of the book *Dirty Saints. A Doctor Who* fan, he's happy to be here.

We also welcomed John Spence, who has been helping in the Loscon game room. This is his first actual club meeting. He's a tech helper and a really nice guy.

### **Treasurer** (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz)

Elayne Pelz reminded members to pay their dues.

### **Board Report** (Michelle Pincus)

The next board meeting is Sunday, Dec. 10, at 11 a.m.

### **Old Business**

If you can make calls to find a location for face-to-face meetings, please do so. Or contact Elayne Pelz with your recommendation, and she can make the call.

### **New Business**

None

### **Special Event:** The Big Auction

There was an auction. A record of the auction was kept, but discarded.

### **Regular Announcements**

Super secret Loscon logo pins are available to those who prepaid. Very few are left for sale at the information booth. If they sell out, you can put your name on a list for when we reorder.

Heide Nichols asked LASFSans to clear their trash from the room so we can use it for music in the morning. On Sunday morning, there will be a panel here on the topic of death.

### **Reviews**

Nick Smith reported that *The Marvels* is a better sf movie than it is a comic book movie.

### **Miscellaneous**

Chris Marble visited George Mulligan.

Krystal Rains: This weekend only, Loscon 50 memberships are available for \$35.

Nick Smith: The LASFS will host a book sale at Loscon. It will include books from the Marty Cantor and other late members' estates.

Cathy Johnson: The aftermeeting will take place over the next three days! Enjoy Loscon 49.

### **Call to Adjourn**

Eylat Poliner so moved. That was seconded. The ayes had it.

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## **Upcoming Conventions**

**Jan. 4-7:** Anime Los Angeles, Long Beach, <https://animelosangeles.org>

**Jan. 13-14:** Anime Impulse, Pomona, <https://www.animeimpulse.com>

**Jan. 26-28:** Xenites Reunion Weekend, Burbank, <https://www.creationent.com/cal/xela.htm>

**Jan. 27-28:** Orange County Brick Convention, Costa Mesa, <https://www.brickconvention.com/orangecounty>

**Jan. 28:** Pasadena Comic Con, Pasadena, <https://pasadenacomicon.com>

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## **Upcoming Events**

**Jan. 6:** Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous Housefilk hosted by Lee and Barry Gold via Zoom only. No pre-filk dinner. Filk style: Chaos.

**Jan. 6:** *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* at Landmark's Nuart Theatre

**Jan. 6:** *Fantasia* and *From Beyond* at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 6:** Hayao Miyazaki 35mm marathon (four movies) at the Egyptian Theatre—sold out

**Jan. 7:** *Fantasia* at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 7:** *The Boy and the Heron* at the Aero Theatre in Santa Monica

**Jan. 7:** *The Man Who Laughs* at the Los Feliz Theatre

**Jan. 7:** *Solaris* at the Egyptian Theatre

**Jan. 8:** *The Psychic* at the Los Feliz Theatre

**Jan. 9:** *Destroy All Neighbors* at the Aero Theatre in Santa Monica

**Jan. 12:** *Zardoz* at Landmark's Nuart Theatre

**Jan. 13:** *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* at Landmark's Nuart Theatre

**Jan. 13:** *The Iron Giant* and *Jurassic Park* at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 13:** *Nacho Libre* and *You Won't Be Alone* at the Los Feliz Theatre

**Jan. 13:** *Spider-Man—Across the Spider-Verse* at the Aero Theatre in Santa Monica

**Jan. 14:** *Jurassic Park* at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 15:** *Leatherface—Texas Chainsaw Massacre III* and *Stepfather II* at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 15:** *The Killer Is Still Among Us* at the Los Feliz Theatre

**Jan. 16:** *Dead Ringers* at the Los Feliz Theatre

**Jan. 19:** *The Exorcist* (1973, 2000 Director's Cut) at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 20:** The Twilight Saga marathon (all five movies) at the New Beverly Cinema—sold out

**Jan. 20:** *Torso* and *The Strange Vice of Mrs. Wardh* at the Egyptian Theatre

**Jan. 21:** *The Wizard of Oz* at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 22:** *Eye of the Cat* and *Games* at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 22:** *Amuck!* at the Los Feliz Theatre

**Jan. 27:** *Creature from the Black Lagoon* in 3D at the Old Town Music Hall, El Segundo

**Jan. 27-28:** *E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial* at the New Beverly Cinema

**Jan. 28:** *Robot Monster* in 3D at the Gardena Cinema, Gardena

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## Game Days

### Mondays

*Dungeons & Dragons* Adventurers League at Next-Gen Games (<https://www.nextgengames.la>)

*Magic: The Gathering* at Next-Gen Games, Odyssey Games in Pasadena (<https://odysseygamesco.com>) and Turn Zero Games (<https://www.turnzerogames.com>)

*Warhammer: Age of Sigmar* at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

### Tuesdays

*Magic* at Collector Legion in Lawndale (<https://www.collectorlegion.com>) and Next-Gen Games

*Warhammer: Age of Sigmar* and *Warhammer 40,000* at Next-Gen Games

*Warhammer 40,000* at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

### Wednesdays

*Dungeons & Dragons* Adventurers League at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

*Magic* at Collector Legion in Lawndale, Mega City One (<https://www.megacity.one>), and Next-Gen Games

### Thursdays

*Magic* at Collector Legion in Lawndale

*Star Wars: X-Wing* at Next-Gen Games and Odyssey Games in Pasadena

*Warhammer 40,000* at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

### Fridays

*Dungeons & Dragons* Adventurers League at Odyssey Games in Pasadena

Friday Night *Magic* at Knight Ware (<http://www.knight-ware.com>), Mega City One, Next-Gen Games, Odyssey Games, Paper Hero's Games in Sherman Oaks (<https://www.paperherosgames.com>) and Turn Zero Games

Board Game Day at Paper Hero's Games in Sherman Oaks (<https://www.paperherosgames.com>) from 2-10 p.m. (Courtesy of Nick Smith!)

### Saturdays

*Magic* at Odyssey Games in Pasadena  
*Warhammer* at Knight Ware (third Saturday of the month)

### Sundays

*Magic* at Next-Gen Games and Odyssey Games in Pasadena  
*Warhammer 40,000* at Paper Hero's Games in Sherman Oaks

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Please contact the con, store, or venue (or visit its Web site) to confirm any events and logistics before traveling to attend. Events and schedules are subject to change. Additions and updates welcome.

If you'd like to submit cons, events, or news items of interest to LASFS members for inclusion in *De Prof*, please do so by contacting the editor (see Colophon above).

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### Members Meeting Members

Joshua Sky seeks to buy used video games and vintage comic books. If you have any items to sell, contact him at 347-268-3290 or [skyjoshua@gmail.com](mailto:skyjoshua@gmail.com).

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### Clubzine Exchange

In addition to sending *De Prof* to the LASFS membership, we also send copies to about 40 sf clubs around the world. Some of them reciprocate with their own publications, which I can forward to LASFSans upon request. Just ask for what you'd like to receive by name. Since the last issue, we've received:

*Fanactivity Gazette* Vol. 3 #7 (National Fantasy Fan Federation, December 2023), *Instant Message* #1004 (NESFA, December 2023), *Ionisphere* #44 (N3F, December 2023), *Mangaverse* #7.1 (N3F, December 2023), *The N3F Review of Books* (November and December 2023), *The National Fantasy Fan* Vol. 82 #12 (N3F, December 2023), *Origin* (N3F, December 2023), *Probe* #198 (SFFSA, December 2023), *Science Fiction Forum*

*Newsletter* #12-13 (Stony Brook University SF4M, November-December 2023), *Sigma* #453 (Parsec, Pittsburgh), *The Starship Express* (SFABC, December 2023), *The Starship Local* (SFABC, January 2024), and *Tightbeam* #351 (N3F, December 2023).

We also heard from the Academy of Science Fiction and the Saturn Awards, the Bay Area Science Fiction Association, the British Fantasy Society, the British Science Fiction Association, the Fanac Fan History Project, the International Association for the Fantastic in the Arts, the Libertarian Futurist Society, Melody Friedenthal of the Worcester (Mass.) Public Library's science fiction book club, the Science Fiction & Fantasy Poetry Association, the Science Fiction Research Association, and the USS Angeles.

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### Fanzines and Prozines Received

These items aren't received in trade for *De Prof*, but are received, read, and recommended by Scribbles. I can't send you these, but you can explore them yourself:

*Amon Hen* #304 (December 2023), *Analog Science Fiction & Fact* (January/February 2024), *Angels Flight* (December 2023), *Asimov's Science Fiction* (January/February 2024), *The Compleat Anachronist* #201 (Q3 2023), *The Crown Prints* Vol. 26 #1 (January 2024), *The Dark* #103 (December 2023), *Focus* #77 (Winter 2023), *Idea* #13, *JenZine* #8, *Journal of the Fantastic in the Arts* Vol. 34 #3 (2023), *Kaleidotrope* (Winter 2024), *Locus* #755/756 (December 2023/January 2024), *Mallorn* #64 (Winter 2023), *MarkTime* #147, *My Back Pages* #29, *Nightmare* #135 (December 2023), *The Obdurate Eye* #34, *Pablo Lennis* #433 (December 2023), *Scientifiction* #78, *SMOF News* Vol. 3 #14, *Starfleet Communique* #217 (Q4 2023), *Strange New Words* #2, *This Here...* #71, and *Vector* #298 (Autumn 2023).

New fanzines available via <https://efanzines.com> include *Alexiad* #131, *Captain Flashback* #61, *Claims Department* #62, *CyberCozen* (December 2023), *The Drink Tank* #452, *Idea* #13, *JenZine* #8, *Journey Planet* #76-77, *Knot a Fanzine* #5, *The Megaloscope* #10, *My Back Pages* #29, *The Obdurate Eye* #34, *Opuntia* #561-562, *Pixel Dreams* #2, *The Ray X X-Rayer* #174-175, *The Stf Amateur* #3 (December 2023), *Taffluorescence* #1, *This Here...* #71, and *Wild Ideas* #42.