



November 2003

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KEY TO CALENDAR & OTHER IMPEDIMENTA

ESTROGEN ZONE = Ladies Auxiliary Sewing and Fallout Society

TRIPE = Temporal Retrieval of Information Programming and Entertainment.

BOD = Board of Directors

2nd Sunday = Board and other gaming

Cinema Anime = Japanimation

CFO = Cartoon Fantasy Organisation

Work Party = Varies with what needs doing

FWEMS = Fourth Sunday Movies - 2 pm

TIME MEDDLERS = Dr. Who club

CALENDAR DETAILS

TRIPE - Noon until whenever

BOD - 11:00 am, games start at 2:00 pm

Cinema Anime - 1:00 pm until it ends

CFO - 1 pm to 8 pm

Work Party - 10:30 am

TIME MEDDLERS - 10:30 am

ESTROGEN ZONE - 2:00 pm

Marketing Committee - 7:30 pm

FWEMS - Not this month

THURSDAY

PROGRAMME ITEMS

NOVEMBER 6 - Tom Safer Cartoon show

NOVEMBER 13 - Board of Directors nominations

NOVEMBER 20 - Board of Directors elections

NOVEMBER 27 - No programme. There will be a meeting - and APA-L will be collated - even though most members will be at LOSCON.

COLOPHON

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

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

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

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

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CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

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

Meeting #3447, September 4, 2003
Ed Green, President
Karl Lemke, Scribe

Meeting number 3447 started at 20:11:45. Admin note: Some level

of agenda light, because we have a guest. Robert Keller introduced Sala Baker in absentia. He played Sauron in the Lord of the Rings.

Special Orders of Business: Christian had a SOB, good news to some. Last Saturday, at 8:30, the 64th Worldcon was awarded to Los Angeles (Anaheim, really). GOH is Connie Willis writer, James Gurney, artist; fan = Howard DeVore; Frankie Thomas, the original Tom Corbett, Space Cadet will be a special guest. Visit www.laconiv.org for further info. Expect a very good convention. There is a suspension on sales of the final patch until after the first of the year. The treasurer of LACon IV is busy converting people to members. She'll actually take your conversion money now. Marty had a less happy SOB, Pamela Lynn P.L. Caruthers-Montgomery, former Pres and V.P. of the Southern Fandom Confederation, died after a long illness.

Ed announced good news: the Big Heart Award was presented to John Hertz at Worldcon.

The Menace were read and approved as "approved, I'm too tired." No one dared approve them as "between a rock and a hard place."

The Registrar: Being wiser than the President, had left the meeting.

Tonight's Patron Saint: 1)

Emil Luwish, the father of Mike Luwish, who paid to make his father a saint. Three cheers and a memory improvement course.

2) **Greg Bilan**, who thinks the LASFS should be hauled away AS garbage – CLJII. Christian called him a hard worker, and we appreciate the pleasant demeanor he brings to the club. George Van Wagner would like to thank Greg for being the single most outstanding person who showed him it's perfectly acceptable to sit in back and make wisecracks during the meeting.

Christian said Liz would compliment Greg on his willingness to travel and support Loscon, and for raising the money for our first booth at the festival of books. Vanessa: He gave me a T-shirt once. Scratch: somebody once said, if you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all. "What's the fun in that?" – Greg Bilan He was given three cheers.

Greg then announced that due to his stupidity, last Monday was his birthday. (*If he had not been stupid, would last Monday not have been his birthday? – ed.*) He was given three more cheers, and Jerry Pournelle didn't sing. What he did do was loud and enthusiastic, however. Thorsen: Pournelle's comment is about Bilan, that he was shedding his outer integument, was omitted, to Jerry's delight.

Reviews: Rick Foss reviewed Lord of Snow and Shadows, a Heroic

fantasy. Not his usual interest, but it grew on him. (*He should have used a fungicide. – ed.*) It's set in Russia, and author did her homework. The author is Sarah Ash, and it's well worth reading. There's nothing startling, but the different background makes it interesting.

John reviewed Fred Patten's book. He wasn't sure what furry fiction was. It's surprising him. There are excellent authors in it.

George Van Wagner called attention to a book; newly back in print, Dr. Jekyll and Mr Holmes. Fun read, well done, highly recommended.

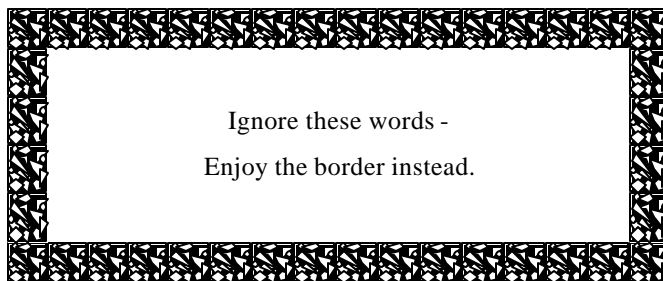
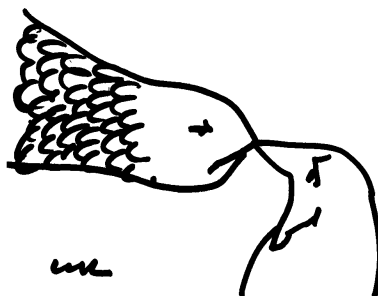
Miscellaneous: Christian offered an extended thank you for the work done in Toronto that helped us win the bid. First and foremost, the Lux Players, who were all up there making fools of themselves, EdGreen who worked the table for endless hours, and any number of other people. Liz added the names: Joyce Barnes, Stacy Hallman, Sheri Benoun helped with bid. (This is the first contested Worldcon bid LA's ever won.) 1087 days and counting. Fred Patten made this historical correction: LA did win 1942 Worldcon, which was heavily contested. When '72 started bidding, it was contested until SF dropped out in '71.

Rick Foss asked for help. He's working for City Beat as a reviewer. Those who live in Valley, who know of interesting places to eat that have opened recently, let him know. Also writing for City Beat, in the Santa Monica area.

Matthew Tepper made note of a youthful novel, written by Robert A Heinlein, before Time Line. A manuscript turned up in the possession of one of Heinlein's navy buddies. It has been prepared for publication. It will be published by Scribners. JP: Heinlein thought he had burned all the copies. JP: Please minute that he did not believe Ginny was aware the ms. existed. She did in fact die before it was announced.

The meeting was turned over to Robert Keller so he can vamp for the time being....

The meeting adjourned at 21:08:11.



Meeting #3448, September 11, 2003
Ed Green, Mike Thorsen, presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

Meeting number 3448 began at 20:12:28.

Procedural announcement: We'll have a bit of a program tonight about 9-11. Do we want a bit of a break from it all, or do we want to have a moment of silence? Decision re 9-11 commentary: (Just as well it was after the meeting as it lasted 1 1/2 hours.)

Special Orders of Business: Dr. Edward Teller, grandfather of fifty science fiction movies, some of which were, indeed, bombs. Karen Anderson wanted to quote Greg Benford. Teller told Greg that politicians had no clue what atomic energy meant, but the SF writers did. Jerry Pournelle stated he doesn't know whether it's possible to separate artists from their beliefs, but we manage in the case of a large number of artists. He also stated that the US would not exist had there been no Dr. Edward Teller.

APA-L is the unofficial APA of the LASFS. It is 39 years old, and for the past 20 years, Tim Merrigan has been the OC. This is his last night of OC-ing of the APA. The club voted him a vote of thanks, and a round of applause.

The Menace were read and approved as "oh, and one other thing". Thank you young man Colombo.

The Registrar: we have a guest. Ms. Kennedy, who has fled into the night.

Tonight's Patron Saint: 1) **Michael Thorsen**, a novelty in the club, quiet and retiring. Scratch Galloway said, "nine cents! George Mulligan called him one of them wonderful people he can count on when he needs a truck loaded, or unloaded. Matthew Tepper: Everyone likes to say how hard someone works, but he also has a fun side. I remember one time; we were meeting to go off to Universal Studios. Michael was at the clubhouse, and had been up all night playing video games. On the spur of the moment, they asked him if he wanted to come. He decided he did, and had a great time.

Allan Rothstein said he once gave up a date for a meeting at the clubhouse so Allan could celebrate his 60th birthday. Frank Waller said, "He works so hard my nickname for him is Thor." Maybe he should use a thalve. George Mulligan observed that he once devoted a lot of time getting George's car running again. Joe Zeff: Thorsen kindly donated most of his time at conventions running the virtual masquerade, now it's so popular it's still going on even though the masquerade is back. Ed Green: he's taken on the job of Vice President in Bob

Null's absence. He's doing it in his own way, which is at least as good as Bob's. We gave him Three Cheers, and a crapload of nine centses.

2) **Dale Hales**, who attends rarely. He's a steady and hard worker, and has a very quiet and sly sense of humor. George Mulligan. Another one who's always there to fill and empty trucks. Mike Thorsen: Dale is one of the ongoing Usual Suspects at Loscon and practically every other con he's been to. Helps with setup and takedown, and other shows. Joe: A lot of people looking at Dale don't realize that he's taken so many different types of medicine that people have taken blood tests and wondered why he was still alive. (Are we sure he is?) Kris: he has outlived all expectations— he was expected to die before six. (Are we sure he didn't?) Bill Ellern: Dale does things that need to be done. He was very stalwart in the Bruce Pillorization Project. He personally donated a significant amount of money for that, and has done similar things around the club. Three Cheers, and an almost perfect Manticorian naval uniform. (David Weber spotted the mistake).

Time-Bound Announcements: Elayne will still take your money for LACon IV. Volunteers are still needed in library.

Rick Foss: For those who live and work in South Bay, this week's Easy Reader has his account of World-con

Alison Stern announced that in about 2 weeks, she's losing her place of residence. She has a cat who needs a home. She does too. Her boss passed away three weeks ago. Now's the time to stop by store and buy stuff, as they're going out of business. JB&E will be closed, most likely, within 2 months.

Reviews: At this point, the president asked the Vice President to fill in for him.

Mr. Foss reviewed a new book, *Nine Layers of Sky*, Liz Williams, also set in Russia. It's a very interesting book. Trying to figure out whether it's fantasy or SF takes a while.... This is a fascinating piece of work that you'll be wondering about. Beautifully written, a story of hope set in grim and depressing circumstances.

Hare hobbs has finally finished *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*. Only criticism, he found it slowed down a bit in spots, which makes quite a difference for him.

Jerry Pournelle observed that once you've made a million dollars for your publishers, you no longer get edited.

Ed Hooper picked up a piece of fiction at Torcon. The plot bad, pacing horrible, printing awful, it was the pocket program. It was suggested we nominate it for the novella category in next year's Hugo



award.

Fannish Committee Reports: CLJII: report on fannishness in real world: fine publication, the voter's pamphlet. It has a lot of information, some of which may be useful, and adjectival phrases to describe occupations. Some of the names are unusual.

George Van Wagner: The committee to encourage licensing of dop-pelgangers has a stupid crook report. A woman arrested for speeding had left license at home, but gave a name, address, and date of birth. She was promptly arrested for outstanding federal warrants. She was actually using someone else's info, and was arrested for her outstanding warrants.

Dan Quayle was recently busted. He has a marble bust in the capitol rotunda. (*John Ashcroft immediately placed a cover over it as he always covers up boobs. – ed.*)

Karen Anderson: The only baseball organist ever ousted by an umpire has died. After a doubtful call, the organist played "Three Blind Mice". He left the keyboard when ordered, but spent the rest of the game making balloon mice for kids at the stadium

Phil Castora told of one player did not see eye to eye with an umpire named Moriarty... after his fourth questionable call, he asked how the ump spells his name. "As I thought. Only one eye."
The meeting adjourned at 21:20:52.

Meeting #3449, September 18, 2003
Ed Green, presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

Meeting number 3449 started at 20:12:34. Ed Green had an administrative announcement: let us restate the policy for SOB. These are designed to acknowledge the passing of members of the SF community, public figures known for contributions to the field, or those who have lifetime contributions to the field. We're seeing too many announcements based on few or tortuously arrived at connections to the field. Also, please submit all proposed SOB announcements to Charlie before the meeting. Ed mentioned SF and Fantasy as appropriate for SOBs.

Special Orders of Business: We have one very important one. A past president of LASFS – Adams Douglas, on 9/9. He slipped and fell, sustaining internal injuries. He is survived by his mother, though his father passed some time ago. He presided during the second half of 1981.

The Menace were read and approved as "Step away from the organ."

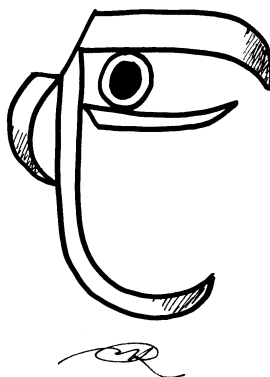
The Registrar: announced we have no guests, and then helped himself to cake.

Tonight's Patron Saint: We have two, the **Moffatts**. First, until recently, they had separate nights to celebrate their sainthoods. During the Great Saint Night shortage, they volunteered to share their night. Someone asked, "Which night?" Jerry Pournelle said, "I think that's a private decision between a man and his wife." Scratch said, "They're nice people." Frank Waller noted, "They've sat in the same spot for as long as I can remember." "And boy are we tired," said Len. Greg Bilan said that one of them is a game addict. John De Chancie said, "Anyone from wherever the hell you're from can't be all bad." Rick Foss pointed out, "We're talking about a large part of the institutional memory of LASFS" Bob Null called them Instrumental in starting up Bouchercon

Scratch said of June, "She's a saint for putting up with Len." CLJII said, "It's hard to find a finer person around here than Len Moffatt, unless you look one seat to his left." Ed Hooper said, "I've never heard them insult anyone, raise their voices, speak out of turn, ... do they belong in fandom?"

Vanessa Van Wagner said they gave her the warmest welcome to APA-L anyone could.

Jerry Pournelle said Len Moffatt killed the director's dinner by auctioning off his dessert at great length. Phil Castora said, "They make the place pleasanter. If there's a finer couple around, I don't know who they are." Joe Zeff told how they shared a chair on the Board of Directors by alternating their turns on the board.



John Hertz told how the Moffatts were co-editor and co-publisher on Rick Sneary's memorial zine. Inspired by them, John was able to get MZB's first piece of fan writing in decades, possibly never last, and possibly Rick Sneary's last published letter. They are literate, personable, examples of wit and good humor. While not the people who got him into fandom, they've been an inspiration. They were TAFF delegates, and actually published their reports.

Doc adds that their fame in fandom extends even to South Texas. The names of the Moffatts are mentioned with reverence and a smile. Fred Patten : June says that she was fascinated when he joined. She didn't make it back to the club until '64, but he can't remember LASFS without her. Ed Green warned us all that the Moffatts do have a nasty habit. They'll occasionally adopt a young fan and put him up for a length of time. They adopted him and allowed him to live with them for a while. They are his fannish parents, and he loves them very much, and he's honored to be up here talking about what wonderful people they are. The Moffatts were given Three Cheers, and another Three Cheers.

Time-Bound Announcements: Len announced cake on the table. That should expire very soon

Vanessa: Next Week, banned books week by American Library Assn. The website is ALA.org.

New business: Forry Award..

Lots of people were nominated, and the nominations were closed. And there was much rejoicing voting.

And the Forry Award winner for 2003 is Philip Jose Farmer, with Len Moffatt hot on his heels.

Fannish Committee Reports: Doug managed to get noticed long enough to announce: North Carolina cops are looking for someone who passed a \$200 bill with a portrait of George Bush on the front, and a modified White House on the back. In a separate incident someone else was arrested for trying to pass a similar bill.

Miscellaneous: Jerry Pournelle moved that club donate \$100 to Adams Douglas memorial fund. The motion passed with unanimous consent. This is a fund arranged through Simon's Rock College. The Adams Douglas Fund is a Scholarship Fund.

Ed Hooper spent 45 minutes in the immigration line at Vancouver airport, and now recommends going to Victoria and taking the ferry to Vancouver instead.

The meeting adjourned at 21:26:35.

Meeting #3450, September 25, 2003

Ed Green, presiding
Karl Lembke, Scribe

Meeting number 3450 started at 20:12:39.

Special Orders of Business: Jerry Pournelle announced the passing of the Galileo space probe. It was destroyed on purpose so it wouldn't contaminate Europa. NASA scientists preferred to contaminate Jupiter instead.

The Menace were read and approved "as if none of the previous approval suggestions had been made."

The Registrar: We have three guests. Lee Anne Tanner and Jessica Day who showed up on account of some bookstore in Canoga Park, and Jim Young who should have been a member but never actually showed up.

Tonight's Patron Saints: 1) **Ron Elik:** Karen Anderson: knew him while he was going to Berkeley. He stayed in a dorm called Barrington

Hall, where the original tower of beer cans to the moon was begun. Or maybe it was the tower of bubble. He was well known for being bright-eyed and bushy-tailed. He was a root beer drinker, and thus not subject to the early morning slowdowns others were. He was a TAFF winner and published "A Squirrel's Tale," bucking the trend of not writing up TAFF reports. Len Moffatt stated that Ron and Terry Carr published a newszine called Fanac, out of Barrington Hall. They liked to call it the back fence of fandom. It was brought out to help promote the South Gate in 58 Worldcon. He was one of the Long Beach crew, the barbarians who invaded LASFS in the 50s. This was a group which included Paul Turner. He also turned out to be one of those who helped keep the club going. Ron Elik was given Three Cheers, and an impenetrable coconut.

2) **Karl Lembke:** Ed Green led off, saying: "I know him a lot better, because I have the privilege of sitting next to him of late. Has two of the toughest jobs in LASFS – Scribe and Chairman of the BOD.

As scribe, he has all this stuff happening around him, and he can't defend himself. At least as Chairman, he can, a little.

He's a good man, but there's a lot less of him than there was." Karen Anderson: He helped me move. Joe

Zeff always enjoys listening to Karl's minutes.

And he can defend himself as Scribe, as he controls what goes into the Menace. (*With said defense modified a bit by not being*

able to control what goes into DE

PROF. – ed.) Liz Mortensen said,

"When he's talked into cooking at LaLaCon, he manages to produce great dishes,

and cooks great meatless items for the vegetarians among us."

Jerry Pournelle offered his thanks for many excellent contributions to his website.

Fadao also admires his contributions to LaLaCon Banquet, as well as how does he do it in only two days. Maybe he has a time machine in his kitchen.

(Actually, Tom Digby once pointed out that ketchup stretches time. You have to wait longer for a fast-food hamburger without ketchup than for one with it.) Matthew Tepper said, "He does so well at two skills, I'm hoping to give him a combination word and food processor." (But how do you save stuff to disk?) (*You can only save alphabet soup. – ed.)* Nola Frame-Gray said, "He writes a mean APA-L zine"

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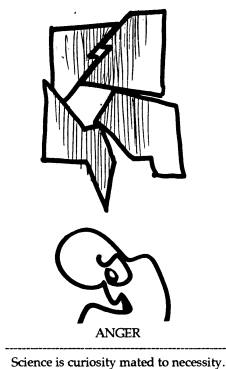
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DeProfs and save the club money. Also, there will be a program tonight, on the subject of fanzines. John Hertz described the program.

Time-Bound Announcements: Ed said, See Elayne Pelz if you want to convert memberships for Worldcon. The Library needs volunteers.

Reviews: John (?) recommended the book, *Dancing Naked in the Mind Field*, by Terry Mullis. Arthur C. Clarke called it "one of the most mind-stretching and inspirational books I've read in a long time".

Fannish Committee Reports: Matthew B. Tepper: Summing up an announcement a couple of days ago, now intends to lie about his age. He's now going backwards. He will now count down toward his second childhood. (*I think that Matthew is LASFS' expert on going backwards.*)

Karen Anderson showed a photo of Trek Thunder Kelly, candidate for Governor. Significantly, Jerry Pournelle did not offer to pay not to see it.

Miscellaneous: Frank Waller has with him in his truck of munchies, cheddar potato chips, dill pickle potato chips, steak and onion chips, as well as other stuff. He also has Halloween goodies.

Mike Thorsen, speaking of interesting things to put in one's mouth, noticed that one of his molar crowns is missing. If anyone has stubbed his toe on such a thing, he wants it back.

The meeting adjourned at 20:56:34.

*LASFS Board of Directors
Meeting of September 14, 2003
Karl Lembke, Chairman
Joe Zeff, Secretary*

Directors: Karl Lembke, Mike Thorsen, Bill Ellern, Brett Achorn, Marty Cantor, Bob Null, Joe Zeff, Cathy Beckstead (arrived late in the meeting), Michael Mason. Liz Mortensen and Ed Green absent with proxies.

Others: Joyce Sperling, Tadao Tomomatsu, Anne Morrel, Greg Bilan, Ed Hooper, Susan Gleason.

Chairman Karl Lembke called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m. Although we didn't have all board members present, we wanted to get the meeting over in time to go to Adams Douglas's memorial service. As not all members have read the minutes, there was a proper reading. After some spelling nitpicks, they were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: As always, we have money but mustn't spend it.

NEW MEMBERS: Phillip Paul Martinez, an accountant, Aaron Preacher, a librarian, Glen Colflesh, a LAN Admin who learned about us through Google, Stephanie Cass, a student, Bruce Katz, a manager of sterile processing and Ann Totusek. All were accepted without dissent.

FACILITIES: After All the discussion last month, the benches didn't get borrowed. The lighting in our pole sign is getting very dim, and it's probably down to one working tube. We will probably need to lower the sign to replace the tubes and may need to rent a ladder for the job. We are still having trouble with people parking in the handicapped space. As Tony Benoun has access to a stencil for this at work, he offered to check out borrowing it and getting the proper paint for us to do it ourselves.

COMPUTERS: We are currently getting only SVGA monitors, making things simpler. The printer in the APA-L room is getting very unreliable. It was moved to spend up to \$200 getting a new "all in one" printer, that also does scanning. After a brief discussion, the motion was passed with Liz's proxy voting against it, and Ed's abstaining.

HALL DECORATION: We have added a number of new posters and re-arranged many of the older ones. We have mounted a photo of Russ Hodgkins and Walt Daugherty "performing unspeakable acts with a mimeo machine" from the forty's that was found in a tube in Bruce Pelz's effects.

GESTETNER: Still functioning very well.

VIDEO PROJECTOR: Working fine.

CLUB MACHINES: One of the VCR's stopped accepting tapes and has been replaced. The DVD machine may need replacing with one that accepts DVD-R format. Many of the films being sold today are in this format, as they're produced in small runs.

MARKETING COMMITTEE: No report.

OUTREACH COORDINATOR: Nothing to report.

LIBRARY: We've added Ed Hooper and a second librarian to be named later.

VIDEO LIBRARY: No report.

ARCHIVES: Nothing to report.

LASFS.ORG: No time to update the site.

LOSCON XXX: There was a Programing meeting last night, and 90% of the program has been set up. As a side note, Brett Achorn mentioned that LACON IV will be in Anaheim in 2006, having won the contested election by 74 votes.

NEW BUSINESS: Arlene hasn't gotten back to Bob about updat-



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other zines: PABLO LENNIS #191 (John Thiel).

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 not provided a current list.)

ing the lighting in the meeting hall.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL: The latest meeting decided to activate a number of committees, including people not on the council. Marty Cantor joined the Rules and Elections Committee, with the intent of getting representation for organizations other than arts organizations.

CONVENTION DELEGATES:

Michael Mason to Conjecture.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:56 AM.

LETTER OF COMMENT

Robert Lichtman

robertlichtman@yahoo.com

On page 4 of *DE PROF* #369, a minor correction. Chauvenet invented the word "fanzine" in 1941, not 1940. And at the very bottom of page 4, I want to note that Bob Leman's wonderful book is still available for purchase from the publisher . . .

<http://www.darksidepress.com/leman.html>

. . . although it's pricey at \$40 plus shipping. One can get a slight discount by ordering from Mythos Books LLC, where copies are available for *only* \$36 plus shipping. These copies can be accessed via ABR, Bookfinder, AntiqBook, and BookAvenue. As DeChancie correctly notes, Leman is Worth Reading.

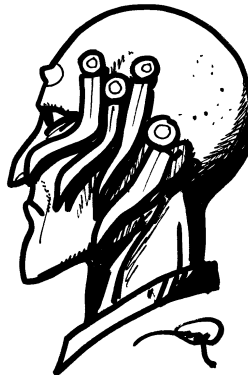
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By Ted White

(There is no fanzine review column this month.)

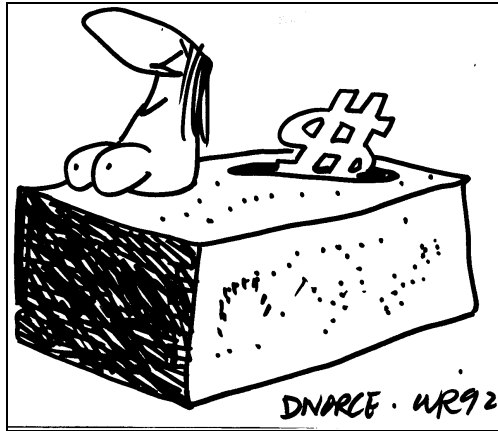
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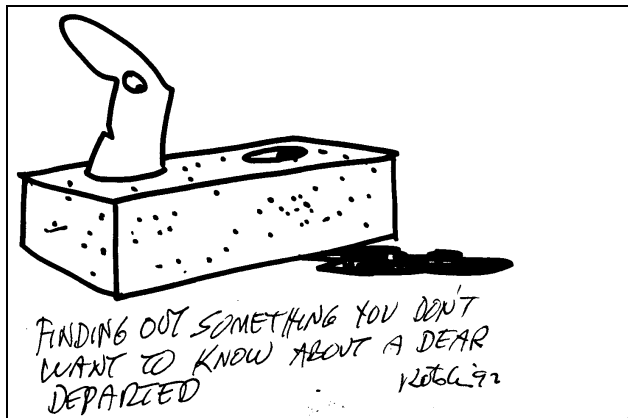
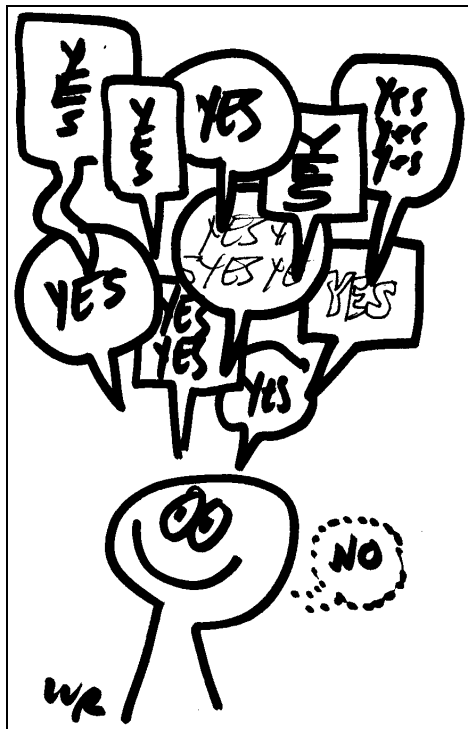
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