



# NOVEMBER 2011

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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  
 D.I.G. = Developer Interest Group = 7 PM

## THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

**NOVEMBER 3** - Speaker: Josh Pryor  
**NOVEMBER 10** - Board of Directors Nominations  
**NOVEMBER 17** - Board of Directors Election  
**NOVEMBER 24** - No programme, but meeting will be at clubhouse

programme items subject to change without notice)

Updated programme information can be found at this web site:  
[http://www.lasfsinc.info///index.php?option=com\\_events&Itemid=185](http://www.lasfsinc.info///index.php?option=com_events&Itemid=185)

## 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  
 DIG—7:30 pm  
 FWEMS -



**THE NOVEMBER 24 LASFS MEETING WILL BE AT THE CLUBHOUSE, NOT AT LOSCON.**

## DE PROFUNDIS - the unofficial newsletter of LASFS

### COLOPHON

*De Profundis* 465– November 2011. Publisher and Editor: **Marty Cantor**.

*De Profundis* is the unofficial newsletter of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society (6012 Tyrone Ave., Van Nuys, CA, USA). The LASFS' telephone number is: (818) 904-9544. The club's web site is: [www.lasfsinc.info](http://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 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.

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### LASFS OFFICERS

#### Elected Procedural Officers July - December, 2011

**President:** Marcia Minsky. **Vice-President:** Greg Bilan. **Scribe:** Karl Lembke. **Treasurer:** (elected in mid-year, serves for full year) Elayne Pelz. **Registrar:** Michelle Pincus.

### Board of Directors

**Chairman:** Karl Lembke (2012). **Vice-Chairman:** Christian McGuire (2011).. **Comptroller:** Bill Ellem (2013). **Secretary:** Marty Cantor (2012). **Other members:** Marsha Minsky (2012), Warren "Whiskey" Johnson (2012) Elayne Pelz (2011), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2011), Arlene Satin (2013), Mike Thorsen (2012), Darnell Coleman (2011).. **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:** Christian McGuire. **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:** Elayne Pelz, Christian McGuire. **Webmaster - <<http://lasfsinc.info>>:** Barry Gold. **Webmaster Assistant:** Lee Gold. **Sysadmin:** Chaz Baden. **Committee for Children's Literature:** Anne Morrel, **Editor. Computers & LASFS Archivist:** Christian McGuire. **LASFS Historian:** Fred Patten. **Westercon Liaison:** Christian McGuire. **Program:** Charles Lee Jackson II. **Hall Decoration:** C.B. McGuire, Charles Lee Jackson II. **Cat Liaison:** Don Wenner.

### 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.

If there is an X in this space, your sub has run out \_\_\_\_\_

### CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

(complete minutes are supposed to be filed in the LASFS' files and can be read there - also at [www.lasfsinc.org](http://www.lasfsinc.org))

### Meeting 3860, August 4, 2011 President Marcia Minsky, President Karl Lembke, Scribe

Meeting #3860 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society was called to order at 20:11.

**Special Orders of Business:** Charlie Jackson announced he didn't have enough wind to announce his special orders. Matthew Tepper undertook the job of projecting on the Emperor's behalf. (*And here I thought that Charlie always could produce hot air.* - ed.)

Phil Ramen, used to throw parties at Worldcon. He was 59.

William Slator, 66, author of *Interstellar Pig*, and other pig books for young readers.

Kevin Anderson reports Leslie Easdale Banks died Tuesday morning. Gordon Van Gelder spoke with Leslie about her decision to write paranormal instead of romance, and she had to convince her agent it was the right decision.

For these worthies we had a moment of silence.

Christian McGuire announced a positive order: Fan Artist Stu Schiffman has been awarded this year's Rotsler Award. He'll get a plaque and \$300. Go to SCIFIINC.ORG/Rotsler to see examples.

The **Menace** were read and accepted as "Lancelot Hogben" courtesy of Milt Stevens. (wrote Mathematics For The Millions).

**Patron Saint, Sean Cleary:** David Okamura notes he's a member of LAFA. He has not written any filk material of his own, but is an avid listener and participant. He has two wonderful daughters. **Patron Saint Sean Cleary** was given three cheers and a random recipe generator.

**Registrar** Michelle asked to table her report until later in the meeting

**Science Monitor** David Okamura announced Juno Satellite is set to launch tomorrow for Jupiter. Also, news that Earth once had two moons, and they collided. (*Charlie Jackson has reviewed the live action documentary he watched being made. Your editor was too busy to watch as he was making the clay tablets for Harry Warner's first locs. - ed.*)

Under don't try this at home, a Swedish man has been charged with unlawful possession of radioactive materials after trying to make a bomb in his kitchen. Really, don't try this at home. (*And the APA-L Room is also not a good place to do this. - ed.*) Barbara Harmon: The man had called the police and asked if making a bomb in his kitchen was okay. The answer was "no".

Matthew Tepper notes possible signs of flowing liquid water on Mars. (*Matthew Tepper is an expert on water things as he is already all wet. - ed.*)

Jerry Pournelle finds it interesting that no one seems to have known the difference between chemical and nuclear reactions, at least in Sweden.

**Committee Reports:** Marcia Minsky announced that on the 25th of August, the last meeting here, we will be on Agenda Ultra, Ultra Light. Come prepared to help finish packing.

Registrar Michelle Pincus announced a guest. Talya Gomez, referred by Connor Foss.

Eylat Poliner announced we're moving. The first meeting in the new clubhouse is a potluck and it's turning into a major potluck. Major food will be showing up. Sign up on the sign-up sheet, or email Eylat. Or comment on her Facebook post.

CLJII had his lovely assistant pass the Lantern O'Jack for the Autumn Holiday Party. We also start on the Winter Holiday Party. People are welcome to come in costume for the Autumn party. I guess the Winter Holiday Party as well, if you must. There will be food and movies. (*And there is enough room in the new clubhouse for*

First week of September, grand opening part I for new clubhouse. Later on, after stuff is set up, we'll have an official inauguration shindig. For the first meeting, we'll have something special. Invite any LASFS members who haven't been here in a while. See if the old members can come from the voodvork out. The current serial will wrap up two weeks from tonight.

**CRAB** (Matthew Tepper) One bookstore: Alias books East, Glendale, a tiny bookstore with one solid bookcase of SF hardcovers in excellent condition and a large selection of graphic novels. 3163 Glendale Blvd.

The committee to uphold obnoxiousness moved to adjourn. This was taken under advisement.

**Fannish committee Reports:** Hare Hobbs has been reading the man in the Rockefeller suit. Hare went to Dangerous Visions a couple of times, and there was a man playing bagpipes. It turns out Clark Rockefeller plays bagpipes. Was it the same person???

Doug Crepeau announced from Tasmania, (*Oh, if only he was there! - ed.*) there's a new explanation for crop circles. Australia is one of the few countries where you can grow opium poppies. Wallabies have been eating the poppies, and going around in circles, crushing the crops, and creating circles. Sheep have been doing the same.

Milt Stevens notes Bill Tuning was a fan who played bagpipes.

Following a motion to Scott Beckstead, we adjourned at 21:47.

### **Meeting 3861, August 11, 2011 President Marcia Minsky, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe**

Meeting #3861 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society was called to order at 20:14.

**Special Orders of Business:** Charlie Jackson announced he has nothing to say! (*And how many hours did he take to say nothing? - ed.*)

The **Menace** were read and accepted as "Keshet" courtesy of Marcia Minsky. (Gesundheit!)

Gavin Claypool brought an elephant cake in honor of Bruce Pelz' birthday

**Patron Saint, Tim Merrigan:** Hare: Tim collated APA-L when it was fatter than it is now, and he would announce when it was collated. He was one of the most mild-natured, sweetest guys he ever met. Once, helping a friend move, he was trapped in Hollywood by the Hollywood Lane Pa-

rade. He got to see [Iron Eyes] ionized Cody. Zeff: Tim showed up once with his head shaved. His father was getting pushy about his long hair.

CLJII: Many LASFSians have been subjected to having animal analogs in Amazing Adventures. Tim wanted to be a Manx cat with a prosthetic tail. His prosthetic tail was in a wagon he pulled behind him. **Patron Saint Tim Merrigan** was given three cheers and an issue of APA-L.

**Patron Saint, Jerry Pournelle:** Michelle Pincus called him a true gentleman. Milt: he's written a few things including "Arming the Incomplete Enchanter" a fanzine. At that time, the conventions had a much bigger SCA presence than today. He was invited to prove his thesis. Thorsen: Jerry helped to refurbish this building when the club moved into it, and he built it like a battleship. (*Unfortunately, he forgot to build a crew so the place became overrun with fans.* - ed.)

Joe Zeff: Jerry has given us lots of money, donated computer kipple and given us interesting science reports. CLJII: He's given us quite a few words of wisdom. And given his word rate, we're getting a bargain. Frank Waller: He's one of the people I listen to. Pat: Dr Pournelle taught him more about nuclear power than he had learned in many years.

Jim Busby: remembers reading first Pournelle/Niven books and other kids in class accusing him of reading "that smart stuff". Craig Miller: He's on the list of 100 best fantasy and SF novels. Twice. Mote in God's Eye and Lucifers Hammer. Kent Hastings: They were given the choice between Kilobaud and Byte magazine for the computer club, and by golly, they chose Byte. Julie Scott: He's a nice man and it's fun to make fun of old serials with him.

Larry Niven: He's a good friend. We've been friends since he arrived in the area, and we have more fun collaborating than you'd believe. **Patron Saint Jerry Pournelle** was given three cheers and a box of computer stuff for his dog to play with.

**Registrar** Michelle announced three guests Raymond Garcia, Melanie Pressen, and Alan Hawkins II.

**Science Monitor** David Okamura announced we have science. From last week, Juno is on its way, having launched last Friday.

Very salty water may have been detected on Mars.

NASA handed out \$10M in contracts to carry payloads into Earth's upper atmosphere. Four companies are based in Southern California.

A Minotaur IV rocket was launched, but lost radio contact on separation. (As of 4:30 this PM, it met its speed objective, flew for 9 minutes instead of 30, and then contact was lost.) This is very hush-hush, so we had to learn about it through DARPA's twitter feed.

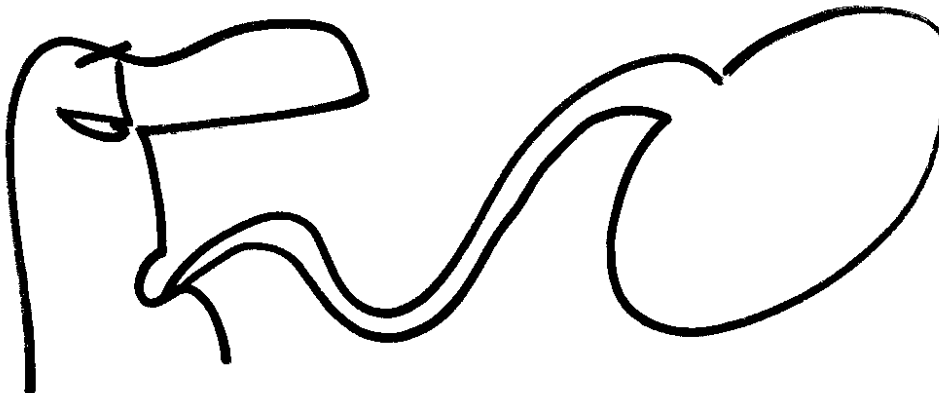
Something that may affect us: scientists report success with gene therapy to treat leukemia. It uses modified T cells to fight cancer. Apparently, a side-effect is very severe flu-like symptoms. It won't be approved tomorrow, still under test. It may be capable of being adapted to treat other cancers. They've already started testing it on HIV patients.

Jim Busby: Last weekend, he was invited to participate in a non-conference held at Columbia Center: Space Up Los Angeles". Lots of people were giving half-hour lectures about their projects on a first-come, first-served basis. After the day's panels, they adjourned to a bar and talked into the night.

**Committee Reports:** Tim Trzepacz reported on DIG, happening on the 6th of September. We've been going around to other groups. Went to Crash Space meeting last Tuesday. Safe Casts . org, measuring radiation in various parts of Japan.

Working on a plan to bring Internet connectivity to the LASFS. Presenting a little bit about that at the upcoming Board meeting. Found sponsors and a reasonable provider.

September 1, part I of LASFS housewarming. Potluck. There's a Facebook event page, and people have been invited. We begin a new series of serials, assuming everything's hooked up. Failing that, we can turn on a spotlight and CLJII can do hand shadow puppets. Festivities



**Reviews:** Hare Hobbs reviewed The Man in the Rockefeller Suit, by Mark Seal. It's very interesting. It was comparable to Helter Skelter in some ways. This fellow befriended some very famous and rich people, somehow. The part about Linda Mayfield and her husband was very well done. A few quibbles about how fandom is handled.

Emergency exit doors installed on new building. Ceramic tile goes in tomorrow. Kitchen over next couple of days, then finish bathroom, and carpet should be in place early next week. All is well.

### **Fannish committee Reports**

Jerry Pournelle rose to discuss the finding of antimatter in the Van Allen Belt. Obviously there can't be very much, because we're still here. It's up in a place where the mean free path is from centimeters to meters. How does it get there? Cosmic rays that hit the right kind of particle the right way will knock things apart, forming antiparticles.

**Misc.:** Tim Trzepacz announced his birthday is coming up. He may be getting his first personal robot. (*That is no way to refer to Jeni, Tim.* - ed.)

Marcia made the Dean's List again. She's very happy about that.

Following a motion to Scott Beckstead, we adjourned at 21:31.

### **Meeting 3863, August 18, 2011 President Marcia Minsky, Presiding Joe Zeff, Substitute Scribe**

Bang, bang, Marcia's wooden mallet came down upon the table, bringing meeting 3682 into existence at 8:14.11 PM. And not a moment too soon.

The **minutes** were given an unsympathetic cold reading, and after a few nitpicks were approved as "Where the Hell is everybody?"

**Patron Saint, Bjo Trimble:** June Moffatt reminded us how Bjo saved the club when it was almost falling apart. Mike Thorson told us how Bjo kept track of things by sticking them in piles, then trying to remember which pile it was in. CLJII told us that when she was young she was good looking enough to star as a dancing girl in a fan film and did a great job.

Pat Fahey met her at his first convention, when he worked for her. Bjo also did the program book for the club's 75th anniversary. Bjo also was heavily involved in getting us the third season of Real Star Trek. She got three cheers and a bucket-load of quatloos.

**Patron Saint, Mark Bilan:** Marty Cantor explained that Greg Bilan is in the process of buying everybody in his family a patron sainthood, and Mark, as his brother, has now received his. Mike Thorson told us that when Michael Mason was locked out of his car at Denny's, Mark provided the AAA card to get it opened. (Greg says no, it was actually Steve who was there.) Mark Bilan received three cheers and an AAA card.

**Substitute Registrar,** Arlene, reported that we have no guests.

**A Moment of Science:** the Natural History Museum

has on display the fossil of a pregnant plesiosaur, proving that they didn't lay eggs. Scientists have also announced that rocks brought back by Apollo 15, and thought to be from some of the oldest formations, are 200 million years younger than previously thought. There's also a proposal to send human beings to Alpha Centauri.

**Reviews:** Mike Thorson reviewed Ghost Story by Jim Butcher. It's the latest in a series and clears up a mystery left from the previous book.

Marcia Minsky reviewed ITARA Son of C'reseth, by M.K. Presson calling it an interesting read. There are a few nitpicks, which she'll discuss with the author off-line.

Bill Ellern reviewed How To Build A Beating Heart, about new ways being developed at Massachusetts General to help soldiers wounded in Afghanistan. He was most interested in new techniques for dealing with burns using stem cells harvested from the victim.

**Fannish Committee Reports:** Mathew Tepper pretended to be the Committee to be Obnoxious. (*Now, you do not think that I am going to write that Matthew does not have to pretend to be obnoxious?* -ed.)

Rob Powell reminded us that next week Everything Must Go! (*Ohhhhhhh. Can we get rid of some members, too?* - ed.)

**Misc.:** Hare told us that his aunt has done a lot of work restoring animation cells she'd worked on at Filmation and the opening credits of Dennis the Menace. They're now on sale up in Santa Barbara.

Jerry Pournelle pointed out that HP is now out of the computer business and that Northrup, the last aerospace company headquartered in California, has moved its headquarters to the East Coast, and the rest of the company will be following RSN. (*This is not a smartass comment but is something I have known for some time but is now more or less confirmed as of October 12: the CEO who wanted to rid HP of its computer business was fired and HP is reconsidering that stupid decision of his and it is likely they will continue to build computers.* - ed.)

Frank Waller had even less to say than usual. And there was much rejoicing.

The meeting came to a close, finally, at 9:26:40 PM.

### **Meeting 3864, August 25, 2011 President Marcia Minsky, Presiding Karl Lembke, Scribe**

Meeting #3863 of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society was called to order at 20:12:25.

**CLJII announced a good thing!** Movers will be here August 31 at 8 AM. IF you're available, show up to help. 7 PM, we have a meeting to sort through stuff. The contractor may be 98% finished by the meeting date. Do not expect perfection. We're working on couches. (*Even though we really can do a better job if we are working*

on our feet. - ed.)

We are having a work party here Sunday to pick up every loose bit. Also need 3-4 guys at the new building to put up shelves at the new library.

IT's all written on a flier on Elayne's desk.

The **menace** were read, and Christian paid \$10 to name them "and for the penultimate menace"...

**Patron Saint, Fuzzy Niven** was honored. Milt Stevens says she started her fan career in Boston, at NESFA, and had been a MIT student in mathematics. She went into computer design, and came out here when she married Larry. She's a first-rate cook, and has fed whole bunches of fans at times. She made it to Renovation, and was seen at the chili party. At least there's nothing wrong with her digestion. After that, he did not see her again. Scratch and Tom Safer called her a very nice lady.

Lucy Stern notes she wins prizes for her tatting. Regina Reynante says she Smofs at art shows. Christian believes she's nearly the first woman from MIT with a math degree. Fuzzy Pink Niven was given three rousing cheers and a Jane Russell movie.

**Registrar** Michelle had not found any guests. She postponed her report until after she could process the two guests who were here.

The **Science Monitor** reported on yesterday's development. The capsule that was supposed to re-supply the International Space Station barely made it to Siberia, blowing up shortly after launch. Next month's manned mission could be in jeopardy, as they're using the same booster. People critical of the decision to retire the shuttle program are saying "I Told You So". And he assumes SpaceX is quietly going double-time now.

Christian: The BOD has elected Christian head of decorations for the new clubhouse. The food table will not be in the main meeting room. You will have to walk to make it to the table.

**One other thing: If you bring a container and put it down on the food table and open it up for sharing, you are responsible for taking care of it at the end of the meeting. Toss your container when it's empty.** CLJII suggested a penalty to be assessed for failure to clean up.

**Registrar** Michelle begged for another two minutes. (*Most Registrars can beg for longer than that.* - ed.)

Elayne announced we cannot park in the MTA lot. Well, you probably can, but not close to the entrance. They probably won't check, unless they do. There are 16 parking spaces within half a block. There's lots of parking across the busway. We cannot apply for a variance in the parking restrictions until mid-September, due to budget cuts at the City of Los Angeles. We'll apply to get the timing on Aetna changed. Parking up and down Tyrone is

everyone fears. We can probably get it changed to no parking after 1 PM. Dan spoke with a neighbor, and the parking situation was due to a complaint about homeless people parking campers on the street and dealing drugs out of their vehicles.

**Committee Reports:** Arlene, ad Loscon chair, handed Elayne our first sponsorship check from OASIS, who is sponsoring our science program for \$300. We have plenty of slots for sponsors.

**Registrar** Michelle introduced Meg Totusek, who heard about us at Worldcon, and was in the area. She also introduced a returning person, not seen since 1984. Taral Wayne.

October 31, from 7 until the witching hour, we have our Autumn Holiday Party. The Lantern O'Jack was passed.

On December 25, we also have a Winter Holiday Party.

And a warning: November is coming faster than you think. We'll have Board elections.

The new building will be open at 6 PM for the first meeting, and there will be a work party Sunday to install I-brary bookcases

**Time Bound Announcements:** Don Wenner announced he's following through on what he had decided long ago. He will probably not be a regular LASFS member at the new location.

**Registrar** Michelle announced another guest, Brian Glass.

**Reviews:** Milt Stevens notes Chris Garcia won the best fanzine Hugo and almost exploded on stage. It was a great convention. Some 4200 people there.

Christian drove a truck to and from Renovation. Between those, he enjoyed a great Worldcon. The masquerade started only 11 minutes late. Both that and the Hugo Award ceremonies were great.

The Con Suite had horrendous restrictions on it due to Nevada laws on food (only packaged, single-serving food could be provided). (*Those laws do not seem to apply in Las Vegas as I have been to several Corflus there and no such thing ever happened at those cons. Methinks somebody misread something.* -ed.)

The art show, run by Elayne and driven there by Christian did quite well, and had \$100K in sales.

The dealers' room was incredible. It was filled with book dealers. And because of HBO's generosity, they had the throne from Game of Thrones, and people could sit on it and be photographed.

**Misc.:** Frank Waller pointed out people who had been here when the current building was first obtained.

Janis Olson is still looking for a cornet for Jonathan.

Following a motion to run away, we adjourned at 21:42:25.

**Board of Directors meeting  
September 11, 2011  
Karl Lembke, Chairman  
Marty Cantor, Secretary**

**Board Members in attendance:** Karl Lembke, Elayne Pelz, Darnell Coleman, Mike Thorsen, Bill Ellern, Marcia Minsky, Rob Powell, Marty Cantor, Warren “Whiskey” Johnson. Excused absences: Christian McGuire, Arlene Satin.

**Members and Guests:** Greg Bilan, Joyce Sperling, Joe Zeff, David Okamura, Timon Trzepacz, Barry Gold, Lee Gold, Michelle Pincus, Ed Hooper, Eylat Poliner, Matthew Tepper, Jeni Burr, Tony Benoun, Sherri Benoun, Heidi Nichols, Frank Waller, Gavin Claypool, Wendy Wiseman, Tom Safer, Michael Pell.

**Called to order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:08 am

**Opening Remarks:** The Chairman bid us welcome to the first, regular Board meeting at this venue.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the Meeting of August 14, 2011 were accepted as presented.

**New Members:** There were applications (and membership fees) from Adam Bruno, Melanie Presson, S.P. Hendrick, Alec Orrock, Teresa Trousdale . They were accepted, unanimously.

**Treasurer:** We have no money– do not spend it.

**30 Second Reports:**

**Chairman (Karl Lembke):** No report.

**Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire):** Mister Christian was at a convention.

**Secretary (Marty Cantor):** No report.

**Publications (Marty Cantor):** I am waiting for the last fixture in the APA-L Room, a fixture of locked drawers. Also, the doors have to be installed on the bin fixture. When these are finished I will be able to finish putting things away and will have lockable bins and drawers for other members who need them. I will then know where everything is in the room and be able to use it more efficiently.

**Comptroller (Bill Ellern):** No report.

**Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen):** Soda units sold: 19,078 to date, 238 for this period. Soda money: \$13,897.75 to date, \$178.75 for this period. I just purchased extra paper and cleaning supplies and this should be good for several months, as long as people don't start going hog wild with the loo tissue & paper towels. New style trash cans have replaced the old-style trash cans.

**Library (Warren “Whiskey” Johnson):** The books have not yet been put away.

**Archives (Marcia Minsky):** We still have archives.

**Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz):** I will report later in the meeting.

**AV Equipment (Robert Powell):** The television set is up and working, and a sound system has been installed. VCR & DVD will be installed soon, along with the installation of the projector. The center speaker will be re-centered. More speakers will be set up. Additional audio and video equipment will be connected. // The current contractor will be installing a bracket for the projector. // The windows in the computer room need security treatment. (There was a discussion about how to provide this security.) // There are still some electrical issues in the building.

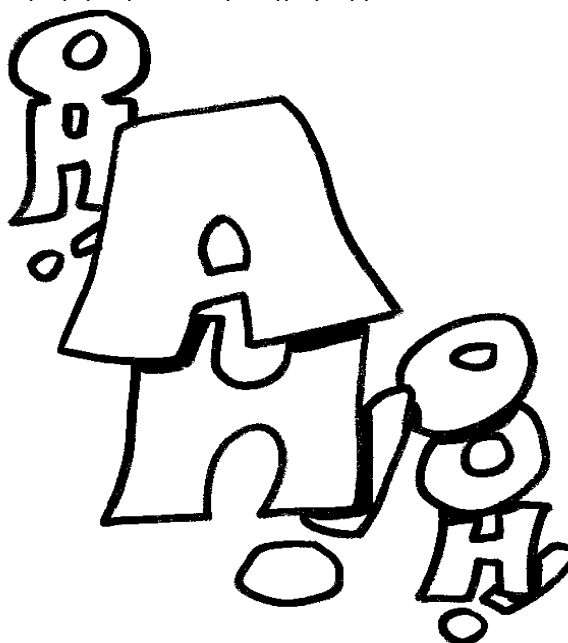
**Events (Darnell Coleman):** LOSCON (from Christian: he sent an e-mail saying that there is nothing to report about LOSCON 39). Darnell read a report from Arlene. “Christian and I are at Conjecture in San Diego. We are hosting a party on Saturday night. As of September 3, we had 465 memberships in LOSCON. Badge art is done and has been forwarded to Lin Daniels (Registration). // Marketing & Promotions: Press Releases have already started going out.”

**Fund-raising and Recruitment (Arlene Satin):** Not here, but see previous paragraph.

**(Significant Others)**

**Marketing Committee (Arlene Satin):** Absent.

**Club President (Marcia Minsky):** First meeting on Sept 1 had over 150 people present and the second meet-



**WEB MASTER (Barry Gold):** Barry presented a written report, the gist of which follows. "The webmaster got an email from a baffled LASFS guest (who had been reading the web site using the Brief Menu and the Brief Home Page) and who didn't understand why she was being asked to pay her membership fee when the Treasurer asked her to pay \$5. Lee made an attempt to answer her questions and made some revisions on the web site. // Michelle has given her permission to designate the Registrar as "Speaker to Guests." Is there any way to make this quasi-official without having to amend the Rules?"

Barry then provided two paragraphs of wording which now start at the VISITORS page. The Home pages (Brief & All) say to go to VISITORS to find out about the membership fees and dues. Barry also provided some revised wording for other problem places on the web site.

From Lee: "I looked up LASFS on Google Maps and got the Burbank address and filed an error report. Barry said that Google Maps is sending a postcard to LASFS to confirm our change of address and phone number, after which they'll update their listing for us. Once that's done, we may be able to send a current picture of the entrance to Google Maps."

**Agenda Items:**

Elayne Pelz wishes to discuss some items with respect to the new building:

Air conditioning: The new thermostat in north building AC is not liked by those attempting to use it. // We should find out where the filters are in the new unit.

Storage Area: Any other use for library back-up books in storage area?

Crowding in APA-L Room: We should remove two file cabinets. Marty Cantor agrees as long as he can designate the cabinets to be removed.

Couches: The couches which are here will be removed as the person paying for them is giving us more money to get better ones.

The library lights are not finished.

The fire extinguishers are at the right height. We need fluorescent tubes for the sign on Aetna. We need several drop ceiling panels. It was mentioned that there were 5 panels upstairs.

One microwave oven had to be thrown away because it no longer worked. We could use the donation of another microwave oven.

Internet Access for club (wi-fi). We will get a wi-fi connection soon, with it being paid for by donations.

**Open Forum:**

Heidi brought up the topic of her committee, the why's of our building names; specifically, the Paul Turner Building and Freehafer Hall, and she will bring in mock-ups of the displays at the next meeting. (The Secretary volunteered to write about Bob Null and the Null Space.)

The next meeting will be October 9, 2011.

It was moved and seconded that we raise the minimum price of items in soda machine to \$1. This was passed.

We decided to discuss dues raises at our November and December meetings.

Tom Safer asked for a continuation of his programme and this was agreed to.

Tony has new business cards for the club. He was thanked.

There will be a liaison with the city parking authority on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Take-Aways:**

**Taken Away from previous meetings:**

Christian is handling the making a badge for the person who is to pick up stuff from UPS

Speaking to AT&T and contractor.

**Adjournment:** The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marty Cantor, Board Secretary





**LAFAs**

(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

Saturday, November 19, 2011, 7 PM  
Pre-filk dinner at 5 pm. see notes  
The House of Perpetual Commotion  
Hosts: John & Mary Creasey  
3754 W. 170th Street, Torrance, CA  
(310) 329-6772

**Pre-filk dinner:** 5 pm, Golden Camel Mongolian Bar-B-Q,  
21006 Hawthorne Blvd. Torrance, CA  
1/2 block North of Torrance Blvd., on the East side of  
Hawthorne in a strip mall  
Call the Creaseys to reserve -- three days before, please!

Directions: See Thomas Guide L.A. CO. page 733 grid E-7

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

Notes:

1. Mucho crash space available; call to reserve yours; bring sleeping gear in case we run out of beds.
2. Children welcomed on good behavior.
3. Bring all of your usual filk stuff.
4. NO SMOKING indoors PLEASE!!
5. There is a piano, it's playable but very old and tuned a hair under 440
6. There be computers here! (PC clones).  
THEY WILL BE IN HIBERNATION for the night except for song archiving. 'Tis a filksing, not a bytebash.
7. There is a copier available; slight cost to cover supplies.
8. The last survivors will be conscripted into cleaning up the remains.
9. Random Factors will be open for business.
10. There are no pets with more than two legs.

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

**LASFS MERCHANDISE NOW AVAILABLE!**

Want a mug with the LASFS Logo?  
Looking for a gift for friends and family?  
Want to help the club raise money?  
Then check out our new store!

20% of the proceeds go to benefit the LASFS.

GO TO: <http://www.zazzle.com/lasfsinc>

Please help me find these

**LOST DE PROF pdf subbers**

*The following subbers to the DE PROF pdf list had their De Prof #464s returned. If anybody knows their current e-mail address, please let me know:*

Dori Sahagian

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Respect Yourself, Others,  
and the Property of LASFS.  
Treat them Respectfully  
While On the Premises**

**LASFS PRESENTS NEW WEBCAST SHOW**

Making its debut on 1 MAY 2011 is 'LASFS Spotlight,' an internet series by and about the LASFS. After a special introductory episode (which may raise as many questions as it answers), subsequent shows will feature a guest discussing his or her history with the club, or some aspect of club activities or history: Members Milt Stevens and Marty Cantor have already recorded segments. Hosted by Charles Lee Jackson, II, the series will post new installments on a monthly to twice-monthly schedule on YouTube, and may be accessed there or through links on The Voices of Fandom and LASFS web sites.

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## **NEW HAPPENINGS AT THE NEW LASFS CLUBHOUSE**

As we have moved into a brand new clubhouse, there will be some changes that need to be made to keep it looking its best.

The ever-popular “Food Table” will now be permanently located in the North side of the building – **not** in the main meeting area on the South Side. There will be no exceptions for any meeting, gathering, party or event. This should cut down on the small chatter during meetings, the bottleneck in the main throughway, and keep the new carpet cleaner. The table will be in the “Comfy Seating Area.” You may take food into the meeting room, but please clean up after yourself. If you drop anything, pick it up. If you spill anything, wipe it up.

If you bring food into the building – any food in any part of the building – you are responsible for cleaning up said food (and packaging) when you finish or leave. **DO NOT LEAVE OPEN CONTAINERS OF ANYTHING** on tables, chairs, etc. No pizza left in the box, no half-bags of chips, nothing! Throw away all leftover food into the dumpster on the patio. This will hopefully cause us **NOT** to harbor critters and bugs...

Remember, this club is for everyone. Keep it clean and remember that everyone is a volunteer. Do your part!



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