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CALENDAR DETAILS

BoD - 11:00 am,

THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

- JUNE 1 - Presidential nominations open and recess
- JUNE 8 - Nominations for Procedural offices
- JUNE 15 - BIG Auction
- JUNE 22 - No programming
- JUNE 29 - Screenwriter Scotty Mullen will discuss his career and his upcoming Syfy channel movie

UNTIL LASFS FINDS ITS NEW PERMANENT HOME LASFS WILL JUST BE HAVING ITS THURSDAY MEETINGS - ALL OTHER HAPPENINGS AT THE CLUB WILL NOW HAPPEN ELSEWHERE.

Board of Directors meeting:
Elayne Pelz' residence, 15931 Kalisher St., Granada Hills.

NO OPEN HOUSE AFTERWARDS.
Beware those with allergies: cats in house!!!

Updated programme information can be found at this web site:
http://www.lasfsinc.info///index.php?option=com_events&Itemid=185

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DE PROF WILL SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF WHEN AND WHERE LASFS WILL MEET IN THE FUTURE

DE PROFUNDIS - the *unofficial* newsletter of LASFS

COLOPHON

De Profundis 532– June 2017. Publisher and Editor: **Marty Cantor**.

De Profundis is the unofficial newsletter of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society (No current permanent address). The LASFS' telephone number for information: **(818) 246-2552**. The club's web site is: www.lasfs.org. *De Profundis* is available only from Marty Cantor for his cost of producing the zines: 75¢ in person, \$1.25 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 hand them to me at wherever LASFS meetings are being held. The editor, Marty Cantor, can be reached at his edress: [martyhoohah \(at\) sbcglobal \(dot\) net](mailto:martyhoohah(at)sbcglobal(dot)net) or at club meetings 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 custom-modified Intel quad-core, DELL Workstation (using the Windows 7 Professional 64 bit 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. *De Prof* is available on paper solely at cost: currently 75¢. Mailed copies, domestically, will be \$1.25. Subscriptions will be accepted; however, as prices are set at approximate cost of production, there will be no discounts for long-term subs.

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LASFS OFFICERS

Elected Procedural Officers

January - June, 2017

President: Nick Smith. **Vice-President:** Debra Levin and Matthew B. Tepper. **Registrar:** Marty Cantor & Marcia Minsky. **Scribe:** Karl Lembke and Kristen Gorlitz. **Treasurer:** (elected in mid-year, serves for full year) Elayne Pelz & Michelle Pincus.

Board of Directors

Chairman: Karl Lembke (2018). **Vice-Chairman:** Christian McGuire (2017).. **Comptroller:** Debra Levin (2018). **Secretary:** Marty Cantor (2018). **Other members:** Marcia Minsky (2018), Gavin Claypool (2019), Elayne Pelz (2017), Rob "Gizmo" Powell (2017), Mike Thorsen (2019), Kristen Gorlitz (2019), Nick Smith (2017). **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 toners, LASFAPA/APA-L Liaison: Marty Cantor. **Librarian Pro Tem:** Gavin Claypool. **Assistant Librarians:** Elayne Pelz, Gavin Claypool, Ed Hooper. **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://www.lasfs.org>>:** Barry Gold. **Webmaster Assistant:** Lee Gold. **Sysadmin:** Chaz Baden. **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. **Science Officer:** David Okamura (with Karl Lembke). **Marketing and Promotion:** Michelle Pincus; **Parking/MTA Liaison,** Milt Stevens.

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

LASFS TEMPORARY MEETING PLACE

by Christian McGuire

On Thursday nights (starting May 4), the LASFS will be meeting in Robert Boyle Studio 800 on the first floor of the Art Directors Guild (ADG) building at the corner of Ventura Blvd., and Radford.

**Art Directors Guild
Robert Boyle Studio 800, 1st floor
11969 Ventura Blvd.
Studio City, CA 91604.**

The space is open to LASFS members and guests from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm each Thursday.

Do not arrive before 6:30 pm. We will be out of the space by 9:30 pm.

We are responsible for setting up and putting away chairs and tables.

Nothing will be left behind or stored on the property.

No food will be allowed in the building. Drinks are ok. The water cooler is off limits, as are any random

bottles of Sparklett's water.

No opening of random doors. The club has use of the meeting room, the hallway, and the bathrooms.

None of the media equipment, nor the wifi, are available for club use.

There are no other days or times where the space is available. Please do not ask.

The liaisons between the LASFS and the ADG are Christian B. McGuire, and Elayne Pelz. All questions, comments, and your .02 must go through them.

**PARKING:
LASFS MEMBERS CANNOT ENTER THE
PARKING LOT BEFORE 6:30 PM. NO NOT
EVEN YOU. NO.**

The parking lot is accessible from Radford Blvd. through an alley behind the ADG building. The lot is the first gated lot on the south side of the alley. Pull up to the parking card reader; on the bottom of the reader is a black button - press the button and the parking gate will open.

Fill in the spaces starting from the Ventura Blvd side of the lot. If the lot is full you can also find parking along the alley, metered parking on Ventura Blvd., and the local streets.

If you park across the street where the Trader Joes market is, your car may be towed. They have two guys with chalk markers and cell phones diligently looking for cars that have been parked there longer than reasonable.

Du-par's Restaurant and Bakery is across the street and open 24 hours and can be used for aftermeetings. In case the ADG space is unavailable an alternative meeting may be held there. Everyone will have to order at least a drink.

CONDENSED CREAM OF MENACE

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

Meeting 4142, December 29, 2016

President Nick Smith, presiding

Karl Lembke, scribbling

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4142 to order at 8:12 pm.

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Elayne Pelz, Robbie Bourget, and Marty Cantor**. Each **Patron Saint** was

given Three very loud Cheers!

The Menace was read and approved. Marcia Minsky bid \$1 to name the Menace "<sigh> Now I don't know."

Committee Reports:

We have several **Special orders of Business**.

Richard Adams, wrote Watership Down, and many others, Pierre Sellars, astronaut, was on three long missions for NASA.

Jerry Pournelle notes Watership Down became a surprise bestseller just when David Hartwell was becoming editor at Pocket Books. He bid a great deal for a book about a chicken, which sold in the hundreds.

Moment of Science:

David Okamura reports that Raymond Leroy Heacock, who helped lead the Voyager project, has passed, and Vera Ruben, theorizer of dark matter, passed at 88.

An orca was spotted carrying a shark under its fin, apparently as a snack.

The **Committee to Gouge** had a small auction. It being the last Thursday of the year, Hansen's Diet Root Beer was nominated as the last flavor.

Announcements:

Thrones, the musical at Hudson Main Stage Theater has had its run extended to 1/22.

Matthew Tepper and Debra Levin will be hosting the Party of Last Resort 12/31, from 6PM until sometime after midnight. Potluck.

Reviews:

Frank Waller saw Star Wars. It was technically very good. But the last third of the movie felt rushed and was atrocious.

Nick disagreed with atrocious, but the last third felt very cookie-cutter.

Larry Niven saw Star Wars, and got sick of exploding spacecraft.

Miscellaneous:

Nick Smith writes for a pop culture journal and website. Media analysts have identified the top ten most pirated TV shows from 2016. Game of Thrones, Walking Dead, Westworld, The Flash, Arrow, Big Bang Theory, and Vikings are the top 7 most pirated, followed by Lucifer, Suits, and The Grand Tour.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs in a manner that Marty will approve of passed, and we adjourned to the program at 9:12 pm.

Meeting 4143, January 5, 2017
President Nick Smith, presiding
Karl Lembke, scribbling

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4143 to order at 8:03 pm.

"Thanks to our special guest Tim Griffin for his performance this evening!"

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Dan Alderson** and **Joe Zeff**.

Patron Saints are those who have given money (A *minimum of \$1,000*. - ed.) or comparable goods to the club, and they are why we have this building to meet in. Each **Patron Saint** was given Three very loud Cheers!

Joe Zeff bid \$1.25 to name the Menace "A great disturbance in the force"

Committee Reports

A **Registrar** announced guests, all of whom were here to hear Tim Griffin: Charles Thumann, and a gaggle of Abercrombies. There was also one Emory Schultz who learned about us from Jackie Beric.

We have a **Treasurer's Report**. We have money, don't spend it unless it's on a building.

The year 2016 took one other person related to fandom. Tyrus Wong, artist, who enjoyed flying highly decorated kites. He worked for Disney, doing backgrounds and forest scenes for Bambi, among others. He left during a strike and went to Warner Brothers and did stuff for them. He was 106.

John Zweigert, board game designer, passed recently. Most of his games were very good.

Moment of Science: David Okamura reports - This being the beginning of the year, it's time to do some self-reflection. We have an extra organ in our bodies. The mesentery turns out to be a single organ.

Monday, SpaceX will try launching. Cape Canaveral's launch pad is still being rebuilt from SpaceX's failure there. They think the failure mode involved a large tank in the second stage.

Elon Musk is working on Tesla cars, and has a factory gearing up to make lots of batteries.

Another electric car company, Faraday Future, funded by some mysterious person, is producing autonomous vehicles.

In the future, you may have seen some of these household smart devices like Echo. These devices might be able to testify against you. There's a murder case where

they're trying to get voice records from an Amazon echo. You may recall the story of wi-fi connected talking dolls that also record what people say.

Possible bad news: earlier this week they were measuring the water content in the Sierra snowpack. 53% of normal this time of year. That was before the storms.

It turns out the Barbie Typewriter comes with an encryption feature, four different cypher modes are available. They're not terribly secure, but still...

Nick had a **Miscellaneous:** Michigan came up with another stupid thing to do. They're penalizing people who buy Teslas and hybrid cars, because they don't use as much gasoline.

Librarian: There will be no work party Saturday. We will do the working and partying Sunday, starting around 2 pm.

Reviews:

Nick has been talking to people about Rogue One, and everyone had a part they thought could have been better, but no one agreed as to which part it was.

Nick Smith announced something that affects Sci Fest and other stage plays in the LA Area.

National Actors Equity has overruled LA Actors Equity, so we won't be ABLE TO see big name actors in small theaters. Sci Fest will not be doing a full theater festival in 2017. This affects all the 99 seat theaters in LA. The Thrones musical parody would not be possible under these rules, and will stop as the new rules take effect.

Matthew asked if this applied to open rehearsals that are not actual productions.

Nick says Sci Fest is looking into membership theaters as a possible workaround.

This will reduce the number of training opportunities for actors who want to work between paying gigs.

Miscellaneous:

Nick notes we may have a lawsuit in progress that will haunt fandom for generations. Axanar has grown out of control. It grew from a 20 minute fan film to a \$1.5 million feature length fan film, without Paramount's approval. Paramount was willing to look the other way for 20 minutes at a time, but had not abandoned the rights to the character, and sent a cease and desist order. Fan-nish derivative works are at the heart of this lawsuit, and will be defined by the court as to what is or is not permissible.

Once a month on the second Saturday, we have the robot society meeting. We build autonomous robots and bring them to the meetings. We meet in a room at CSULB Engineering Department. rssc.org for info.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs in a manner that Marty will approve of passed, and we adjourned to the program at 9:12 pm.

Meeting 4144, January 12, 2017
President Nick Smith, presiding
Kristen Gorlitz, scribbling

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4144 to order at 8:00 pm.

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Bruce Pelz** and **Christian McGuire**.

Bruce Pelz is one of the pillars of LASFS. He contributed to the club in many ways over the years. Christian is also a strong driving force for the club.

Each **Patron Saint** was given Three very loud Cheers!

The **Menace** were read and accepted. Matthew Tepper bid \$2.00 to name the Menace "Korla Pandit"

Committee Reports:

Moment of Science: David Okamura reports - Roughly half of California is now out of the drought. Unfortunately for us, it is mostly northern California.

If a tree falls in the forest and nobody is around to hear it... Well, people around the world mourn the loss of the drive through redwood Sequoia. The tree had a large lightning scar through it and shattered on impact. Cutting out the portion of the tree is part of the reason why it fell earlier than it should have.

Rain has further delayed the launch of the Falcon 9.

George Lucas has agreed to have his art museum (museum of sequential art) in Exposition Park.

Special Orders of Business:

Marty - we have lost a person very famous in British fandom - Peter Weston. All the rockets on the Hugos were made in his factory. He founded a lot of conventions and was nominee for Hugo Award for Best Fanzine, awarded Nova award for best fanzine, was a TAFF winner, Doc Weir award in 1975. Wrote "With Stars in my Eyes: my adventures in British Fandom". (Peter Westin made these rockets from 1984 until recently; before that they were made by Phil Lebow.)

Announcements:

Mark Bondurant - There is cake and Martinelli's to celebrate the release of his book *A Bad Crossing* which is a sequel to *Red Jacket*.

SciFest is launching their writing competition for high school students. Go to scifest website for more information.

Reviews:

CLJII - he recently read the nonfiction "Knotts Preserved". It is a very well put together, detailed book and was loaned to him by David Okamura.

David Okamura - more about "Knotts Preserved", before everything became corporate on both sides, Knotts and Disney had a very cordial relationship. Knotts would frequently go to Disney on the night of Swing Dances.

Gavin - the committee for turning LASFS into dense matter helped pack up paperbacks on Sunday with help of David Okamura, Greg Barrett, John Reidy, Elayne Pelz, Sandy Stoller, Sasa Neuman, Jim Übersetzung, Tita Ramirez, Harold Goldstein, Debra Levin, Joshua Sky, and Gavin Claypool - aka - Jack the Ripper.

Miscellaneous:

We had a small auction.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs in a manner that will keep Marty ecstatically happy (June notes - is it possible for Marty to be ecstatically happy? Nick - relatively, yes) and adjourn into the night was passed at 8:47 pm.

Meeting 4145, January 19, 2017
President Nick Smith, presiding
Karl Lembke, scribbling

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4145 to order at 8:00 pm.

This week's **Patron Saint** is **Jeff Siegel**.
This week's **Patron Saint** was given Three Cheers!

The Menace were read and approved. Christian McGuire bid \$1 to name the Menace "In memory of Marty's ecstatic happiness" (*Grump!* - ed.)

Committee Reports:

Moment of Science: David Okamura reports -

Port of Los Angeles, aka San Pedro, has seen many ships go through its harbor. Currently, there is a battleship in port. This week we had a rocket ship in port. The barge on which the first stage of SpaceX's latest launch landed was towed into San Pedro and has become rather a tourist attraction.

A major NASA safety advisory group is still a bit leery of SpaceX's loading procedures. There are safety concerns with respect to super-chilled oxygen loaded into the spacecraft.

We've been getting a lot more precipitation of late. That's good in one respect -- it's filling the reservoirs in North-

ern California. We need snow to supply water throughout the spring and summer.

For the third straight year, global temperatures have hit a high. A large section of the Antarctic ice shelf is threatening to break off.

Marty Cantor introduced Patrick Bowman. Welcome.

Special Orders of Business:

Eugene Cernan, last man to walk on the moon, has died. He was the last to board Apollo 17 for the return trip. (He is not the last of the set of people who have walked on the moon; he was the one who was supposed to turn out the lights.)

William Peter Blatty died at age 89. He won enough money on "You Bet Your Life" that he quit his job and started writing. Now he's trying out for "You Bet Your Afterlife".

Yanni Alexis Martis, Magic Alex, a mad inventor whose inventions never quite worked. He also designed a telephone that could respond to voice commands and identify the caller.

Opera Singer Roberta Peters, who appeared in *Die Zauberflöte**, definitely a fantasy. (*Here's where we find out if the other scribe reads German.) (*Jawohl, ein wenig.* ed.)

Announcements:

Jerry Pournelle notes he and Niven designed the pocket computer.

"I always knew I'd live to see the first man on the moon. Never dreamed I'd outlive the last man on the moon." (Don't worry, you won't. But you'll have to practice your pronunciation of Chinese names.)

Nick Smith notes that AMC has greenlit James Cameron's plan to do a documentary on the history of SF. It traces the DNA of SF back to Jules Verne and HG Wells. The series is planned to launch sometime in 2018.

Another item: a publishing company based in LA is being sued by the estates of the likes of Hemingway and Arthur Clarke, Truman Capote, over a bunch of children's books. The company is publishing study guides for young children under the brand name of *KinderGuide*. The Aldous Huxley estate could sue over the concept of converting classics into jingles.

We broke for the Committee To Gouge...
And after considerable time, we resumed with:

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs in a manner that will keep Marty from chewing off club members' ankles passed at 9:24 pm.
(It was worse this time! -- Marty)

Meeting 4146, January 26, 2017 President Nick Smith, presiding Karl Lembke, scribbling

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4146 to order at 8:04 pm.

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Gail Selinger** and **Rick Sneary**.

Rick Sneary brought us South Gate in '58. Gail Selinger wrote *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Pirates*. She's the expert consulted by many National Geographic and other history shows. Each **Patron Saint** was given Three very loud Cheers!

The **Menace** were read and approved. Frank Waller bid \$1 to name the Menace "Aaaarrgh!"

Moment of Science:

David Okamura reports that we're still having more chance of rain next week. This is good. They've upgraded So Cal to "severe drought", because it takes more than one year to replace 5 years' shortage. There are other possibilities, though.

People have gone ahead with plans to install desalination plants. These use reverse osmosis filters, and then minerals are added back for taste and to counter corrosion. It's very expensive and energy intensive, but in some places it's worth it. (It's down around \$1000 per acre foot) There are plans to convert plants in Huntington Beach and elsewhere.

Another crew of 6 scientists are spending time in a dome on a Hawaiian volcano, another Mars simulation. One thing to simulate the distance is that all their communications are on a time lag. It was chosen to look like Mars. It's located on Mauna Loa, an extinct volcano. If it does erupt, we have The Angry Red Planet.

One more thing: just recently announced. We are becoming adept in implanting human cells into other species. They have successfully put human stem cells into a pig embryo, in hopes of growing replacement organs. Pig heart valves have been used in transplants, so maybe other parts can be made to work. Also, the organs are similar in size to human organs.

Hare Hobbs notes a report that Mount Saint Helen's dome is growing again.

Scratch notes that Israel uses desalination and is no longer on water rationing. They're exporting water to their neighbors.

Frank Waller: They say we need at least a couple more years like this.

Scratch: Aquifers collapse. You get sink holes and you never recover capacity.
(Karl notes, that's why they have Watermasters.)

Registrar :

Marty Cantor introduced Jason Wisman, a filmmaker,

and Peter Longmeier, a student, gamer, and media fan. Both of these were introduced by Whiskey. Welcome, and welcome back!

Special Orders of Business:

We have lost Dave Dutton, who owned Dutton's Books. The last Dutton' Books store on Laurel Canyon is now occupied by weight machines.

Mary Tyler Moore, age 80, got her start in TV as a Dancing Elf. She did commercials on the Ozzie and Harriet show. She had repeat appearances on Boris Karloff's Thriller series, and she was in detective and western shows.

Her most famous SF role was Dick Van Dyke show, "It May Look Like a Walnut". She saved up her money and established MTM Productions. The cat was her personal cat. When the cat passed, there was a tribute in the closing credits for St Elsewhere. *(MTM Productions were filmed at what is now CBS Studio Center. When I had my tobacco shop on Ventura Boulevard in Studio City, it was across the alley from that studio and when I did not need my car before or after when my shop was open, I would leave it at home and walk to my shop from where I lived (about a half-mile away), noticing the MTM Productions sign as I walked by the studio. - ed.)*

British author Emma Tennant, wrote alternate versions of classic novels. Two Women of London was the alternate Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde. She was an expert in rugs and rug making.

Fan and filker Mike Briggs passed after a very short illness. He was his wife's research assistant after he retired. He had started going to SF conventions with his wife and hanging out in filk rooms. He turned out to be a very good musician, but he died before he could be sent as GoH to a convention.

One odd obituary, there was a character in Pasadena who was the nephew of either a great explorer or a great liar. Chances are the huge gold mine he found didn't exist. Cocoweef, in the Mojave desert, is a great story.

Jerry Pournelle has heard Marvin Minsky died this week. He was quite a fan, and was Marilyn's professor at MIT. He was quite the expert in AI. His death was one year ago Tuesday.

Reviews:

Larry Niven has late breaking news: Fox is buying Instant Moon as a movie. The guy in charge is a guy named Levy, who made Arrival. He may do a good job, then.

Milt Stevens read The Nightmare Stacks, by Charles Stross, vol 7 of The Laundry Files. The Laundry defends Britain from horrors from beyond space and time. The Morningstar empire, an alternate world down the shadow road, is in trouble. Magic has gotten out of control, the moon has self-destructed, and tentacled horrors are loose. Eventually we have the host of air and darkness vs the British bureaucracy. This sounds like a book worth reading.

Nick says the smart phone technology is hysterically

funny, and explains why the iPhone is so popular.

We paused for the soda auction, auctioning off the last slot.

June Moffatt bid \$7 to have us drinking Canada Dry Diet Ginger Ale.

Hare Hobbs: The Magic Castle had a fire a few years ago, and decided to do some remodeling. New stuff is opening up next month. If you get a chance to go, go there.

Joshua Sky: Reading part 2 of Isaac Asimov's autobiography, In Joy Still Felt, extremely good.

The Brand Library is a beautiful, great library, in Glendale. It's the specialized art library for the City of Glendale.

Nick Smith: evidence that fandom is influencing science. A new species of crab has been named Harryplax Severus. It took time for the information about the crab to come out, so Severus after the delay in learning all the details about Severus Snape.

Axanar: After the case went to the jury, the defense settled. They backed off from doing what they were planning to do. Paramount has set standards and will stick to them in future fan productions. Their new rules will put many fannish productions out of business, including Star Trek Continues.

Nick: ruling and agreements so far don't affect fan fiction, commentary, filk, or other stuff done not for profit. Don't use Star Trek in your title, don't go over 15 minutes, and adhere to a few other things.

The guidelines turn out to be pretty close to what Lucasfilms had unofficially done.

June Moffatt: We should have a program about a Space Laundry and call it Starch Wreck.

David Okamura was reminded of a topic for the science report. Swiss researchers have developed a possible way of storing solar heat until it can be released. They're collecting solar energy and focusing it on a solution. The water evaporates from the solution and it absorbs heat. When water is added, it releases heat. This is a sodium hydroxide solution -- lye.

So solar energy, like golf, is a matter of improving the lye. Nick says it's better than the molten salt systems that have been used in the past.

Miscellaneous:

CLJII: Fans are theoretically near and dear to writers. I got a fan letter from a guy who's really reading the books. What's the deal with the tin fresh cocoa? (Like garden fresh or ranch fresh. Obviously he reads very closely...)

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs carefully, because Marty will be watching passed at 9:23 pm.

LAFAs
(Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

June 17, 2017, 7 PM
Heide Nichols
@Heartsong
541 Valley Rd.
Crestline, CA 92325
909-222-7158

PRE-FILK DINNER: 6 PM. Heide will provide dinner: a make-your-own-sandwich bar, with, water, tea, coffee, and homemade lemonade. If that doesn't meet your dietary needs, please bring what you will eat. Feel free to bring deserts, appetizers, and snacks along with your preferred beverage.

Parking for 4-5 cars in driveway or on parking pad (carpooling recommended). More parking around the corner on Valley Road: park along the left side of the road in the gravel lot.

Type of circle: Fortune cookie, or whatever develops? digresses?

Notes:

1. No smoking, please.
2. **No Animals on site**, please don't bring any.
3. Computer on site; no printer or internet connection.
4. Crash space for several: **One** extra bedroom, futons, and mats for sleeping. For those who crash overnight, Heide will be making a waffle breakfast in the morning.
5. **Please feel free to come early** and enjoy the Lake, the town, and visit. Also feel free to stay and crash or visit in town the next day. I live in a beautiful place and like to share it!

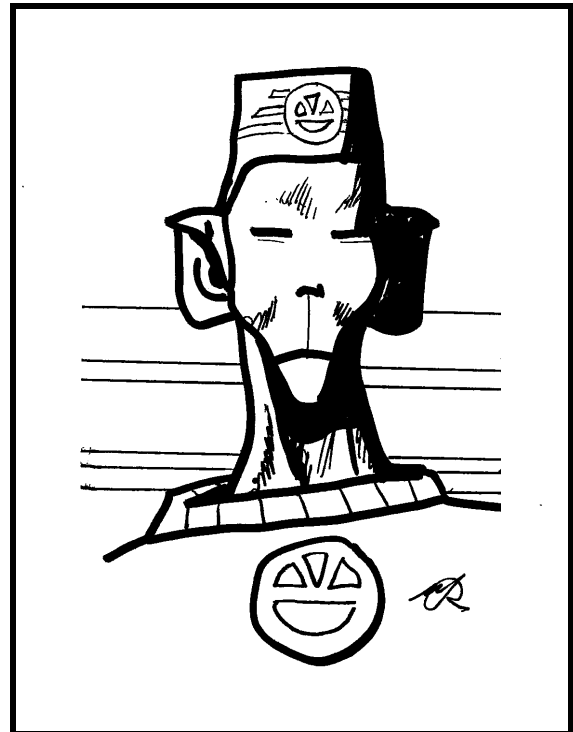
LAFAs info: Barry & Lee Gold:
(310) 306-7456

Board of Directors Meeting
April 9, 2017
Karl Lembke, Chairman
Marty Cantor, Secretary
(as the Board did not meet in May,
the April minutes will not be
approved until the June meeting)

Board of Directors meeting:
Elayne Pelz' residence, 15931 Kalisher St.,
Granada Hills.

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BOARD GAMING MEETUP

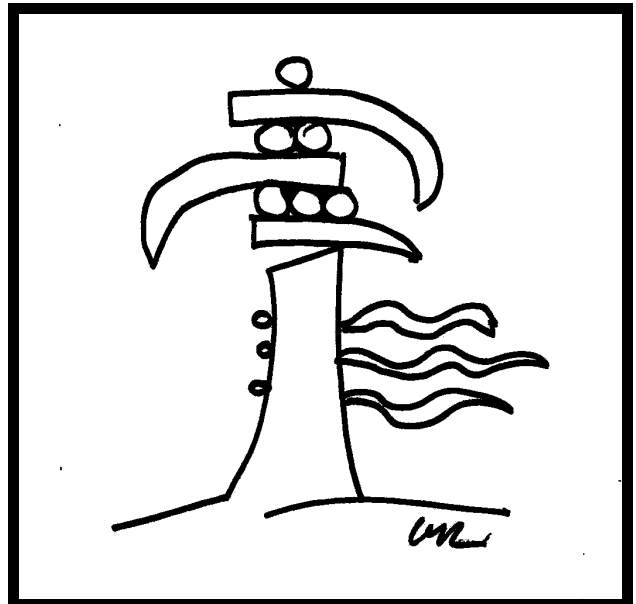
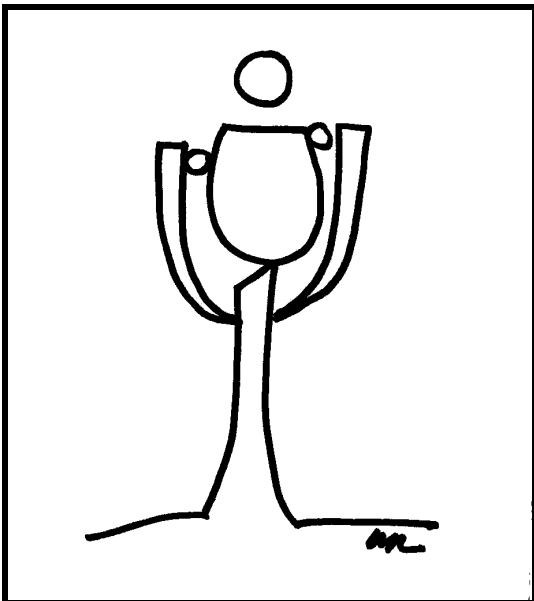
The board gaming Meetup which had been meeting at LASFS on Friday Nights has moved to a temporary venue, a game store in Sherman Oaks.

Paper Hero's Games is at 14109 Burbank Blvd., Sherman Oaks, 91401. The shop is in the interior juncture of an L-shaped strip mall on the Northwest corner of the intersection of Hazeltine and Burbank.

Our new hours are 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm.

We hope to see our regular gamers at that venue.

We shall move our gaming back to LASFS when the club moves into permanent quarters.



**LASFS
DIRECTORY**

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The directory is now available.
Elayne will e-mail
the following directory files, free,
upon request:
xl spreadsheet, or
pdf

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Contact Elayne at:
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