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### KEY TO CALENDAR & OTHER IMPEDIMENTA

BoD = Board of Directors - 11 am

### CALENDAR DETAILS

**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 for August has been cancelled.

### THURSDAY PROGRAMME ITEMS

- AUGUST 3 - No programming
- AUGUST 10 - Arlene Busby, the Aerospace Legacy Foundation and its upcoming Conference.
- AUGUST 17 - Big Auction
- AUGUST 24 - No programming
- AUGUST 31 - No programming.

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)

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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* 534— August 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](http://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 \(at\) sbglobal \(dot\) net](mailto:martyhoohah@sbglobal.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

July - December, 2017

**President: Nick Smith. Vice-President: Matthew B. Tepper. Registrar: Marty Cantor. 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.**

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 2¢ 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](http://www.lasfs.org))**

**Meeting 4151, March 2, 2017  
President Nick Smith, presiding  
Kristen Gorlitz, scribbling**

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4151 to order at 8:02 pm.

This week's **Patron Saints** are **Marjii Ellers** and **Bill Ellern**. They were each given Three very loud Cheers.

David Okamura bid \$1 to name **Menace** #4149 "I didn't say that".

Christian bid \$1 to name the **Menace**, "Oh yes you said that, David."

**Committee Reports:** Board report - Elayne reminds us that we are paying rent on this facility. Please start looking around for a place to hold the meeting.

Matthew asks - is location important? Elayne - anywhere in the valley.

Milt - What will it cost us to store? Elayne - It will be cheaper than what we are paying.

We need a room that can seat 70-100 people from 6-11 pm on Thursday nights

**Moment of Science:** David Okamura reports: After 5 years of drought we have become leery of any predictions of relief, however, recent measurements of the snowpack in the Sierra Nevada are very encouraging. Up 180% of normal. We haven't had this much in decades. We may be able to say that the drought for now is over. // Karl: The Sierra Snowpack is on track to be the wettest year on record.

**Downstream at the dam, they are not looking at silver, they are looking at gold.**

SpaceX has proposed that they may be flying 2 civilians around the moon in 2018. They have not provided the specifics.

A story came out recently that brought to light an important medical advance from 100 years ago. Every time we have a major scientific or technical advance, there is probably resistance. Obituary of Lucille Colin Horn, passed at age 96, was a New Yorker. Had a twin sister who died at childbirth. Lucille was less than two pounds at birth. But the father was desperate, wrapped her in blanket, rushed her down to Coney Island and put her in a side show. That was the only place that could help her. Dr. Couney, a German immigrant, starting in about 1903, had a baby farm with incubators. Most medical authorities were very suspicious of this device. Set up incubator along carnival midway, never charged anything to the parents. They probably had the best care in America. People would pay 25 cents to view the struggling babies. About 6500 babies he looked after survived. Lucille spent about 5 months there and was able to later return at age 19 to thank Dr. Couney in person. Now Lucille is buried next to her twin sister.

**Registrar** report: Guests --Samir Shaw, engineer, student, showed up for board gaming on Friday because of the Meetup.

Victoria Chenoweth , student, media fan, literature fan, loves the library

The committee to gouge held a small auction.

**Special Orders of Business:** Matthew reports LASFS member Johnny Duffy passed away just short of his 60th birthday.

Sad to report the passing of Susan Casper, a writer and reviewer and anthologist. Born in 1947.

John Hertz- intercontinental traveling fans fund TAFF. DUFF - down under fan fund. Going Under Fan fund or the Get Up and Over Fan Fund. Passed around ballots.

**Old Business:** Gavin Claypool presented a simple summary of the proposed standing rules.

Proposed standing rule #1 (cleanup from last week) - passed for a second time.

Proposed Standing rule change #2 was voted upon. It passed with 1 abstention.

Proposed Standing rule change #3 regarding pass on memberships was voted upon. It passed with 1 abstention.

**Time Bound Announcements:** CLJII - Announced Tom Khamis is sponsoring a LASFS movie day this coming Sunday 2-10 pm Lee Van Cleef.

2nd Saturday of the month is the meeting of the Robotic Society of Southern California. Held on the Campus of California State University in Long Beach.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs carefully passed at 9:32 pm.

**Meeting 4152, March 9, 2017  
President Nick Smith, presiding  
Kristen Gorlitz, scribbling**

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4152 to order at 8:00 pm.

This week's **Patron Saint** is **Dan Deckert**.

He's the one who came up with "all in favor say aye, all opposed say aye, the ayes have it." Joe Zeff pointed out he didn't invent it, but was the first to use it at LASFS. If you plagiarize more than three sources, it's "research." **Patron Saint Dan** Deckert was given Three very loud Cheers!

David Okamura bid \$5 to name **Menace** #4151 "Game over? Too soon, man."

**Moment of Science:** David Okamura reported that two

is not necessarily better than one. We have two earthquake faults that turn out to be one big fault. from San Diego to Los Angeles. It seems capable of a 7.5 magnitude quake.

The San Andreas fault has been building up stress for 160 years. Usually there's movement at least every 100 years or so.

A gentleman who has Alzheimers has been getting experimental therapy, injecting his own stem cells into his brain. Results are guardedly encouraging. The stem cells are extracted from the patient's body fat. So we're all storing up Alzheimer's insurance.

If you don't want to have future scholars finding out what you eat, brush and floss regularly. Researchers have been able to determine the diets of Neanderthals from their dental plaque. Belgian Neanderthals ate wooly rhinos and sheep. Spanish Neanderthals ate less red meat and more nuts and mushrooms. They found a teenage Neanderthal skeleton, and on his teeth were remnants of the Poplar tree, which contains one of the main ingredients for aspirin, and moss that has a version of penicillin. (I'm reminded of the Gary Larson cartoon of a dog's medicine cabinet. Lots of little bottles, all labeled "grass". -- Karl)

You hear about biodiversity: On Wrangel Island, a small group of wooly mammoths survived 6000 years later than the rest of the species. They were finally done in by inbreeding. (My Little Mammoth -- Karl)

Nick Smith notes that Native Americans didn't immediately hunt all animals to extinction. They kept the cute little horses around until they got very hungry.

Francis Hamit called for a personal moment of silence for himself and Scratch. Not only were we poisoned once (Agent Orange) but twice (Malaria pills -- the artificial version of quinine.)

**Committee Reports:**

Board report - Elayne reminds us that we are paying rent on this facility. Please start looking around for a place to hold the meeting. We need a room that can seat 70-100 people from 6-11pm on Thursday nights

Karl Mentioned Second Sunday and the Board Meeting, where we will be hearing LOSCON 45 bids.

**Cool stuff about to happen:**

Sierra Madre Playhouse is presenting a stage adaptation of A Wrinkle In Time.

Tomorrow night Tim Griffin is in concert in North Hollywood and everywhere else. He will be in a webcast concert at Kulak. [www.griffined.org](http://www.griffined.org) for information. \$10 admission. Imagine a 1960s coffee house with 2017 audio-visual tech.

This week is the 100th anniversary of Will Eisner's birth. Closest to here is Saturday afternoon 2PM Pasadena Central Library.

Both Game of Thrones musicals have been extended.

The Vintage paperback show is Sunday March 19 9-4, \$5 admission, Glendale Civic Auditorium., many LASFS authors will be there.

#### Reviews:

Third edition of Cthulhu Mythos Encyclopedia. Everything except how to summon.

Telos books has a reference book on Cthulhu and company.

And... Two weeks from today, we have something Doctor Who-ish in nature, details subject to change.

Milt Read Babylon's Ashes, Vol VI of The Expanse series. TV is still in vol 1. The series is going quite well. Their future solar system is quite believable, not being the cleaned up and respectable Star Trek universe.

Nick Smith reviewed Tor Books website. They posed a challenge to a number of authors, and a dozen or so responded. They wrote short, short fantasy and horror based on a phrase.

It being eight minutes to the hour, the Aetna warning was pronounced.

#### Miscellaneous:

The main restaurant in Disneyland has had a makeover. The early Pinocchio decorations have been covered. The menu now includes a dessert, "The Gray Stuff" from Beauty and the Beast. It's appropriately tinted white chocolate mousse, covering red velvet cake with a raspberry on top, served on a wafer cookie.

Eric Hoffman notes the Chief Censor in Russia is trying to get the new Beauty and the Beast banned. It promotes bestiality.

#### Time Bound Announcements:

LOSCON is showing up at other conventions and recruiting members. they are organizing committee members, setting up meetings, and has its full complement of GoHs.

Howard Chaykin is the Artist GoH.

Frank will be a vendor at the Pasadena Rose Bowl Swap Meet.

Nick: Watch the calendar of the Pasadena Convention

Center. The new management is very much trying to bring in science and fannish programming. Lots of SF related stuff this year including a cosplay convention this fall.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs carefully passed at 9:03 pm.

### Meeting 4153, March 16, 2017 President Nick Smith, presiding Kristen Gorlitz, scribbling

President Smith called LASFS meeting #4153 to order at 8:01 pm.

This week's **Patron Saint** is **Gavin Claypool**, man of many libraries. **Patron Saint Gavin** Claypool was given Three very loud Cheers!

Frank bid \$4 to name **Menace** #4152 "Redundant redundant."

**Moment of Science:** David Okamura. There's some good news and some not so good news for SpaceX recently. They won a \$96.5 million contract on air force to launch satellite, however, NASA is raising the insurance for launching at Cape Canaveral.

Cassini is on its last legs. It is running out of fuel and will probably take a swan dive into Saturn in September. In the meantime, it is taking some very nice pictures.

They pulled the ripcord off the Goodyear blimp, all the helium was released, and the ground crew rolled it up. This will be the last time for this particular model. There will be a new model. They will still call it the Goodyear blimp.

Biodiversity - last week we talked about the threat of a declining number of species. Humans have actually had a hand in increasing new minerals.

Astronomers have just found a star orbiting a black hole that is very close, it's only 2.5 times further than the earth to the moon, and its orbit only takes 30 min (traveling at 1% the speed of light) so it is getting sucked in very fast.

A startup company has come up with artificial chicken - chicken grown in a lab. Same company that made hamburger grown in a lab. 1 pound of chicken meat was almost \$9,000.

#### Committee Reports:

Board report - Elayne, we still have not found place to move. Please, everyone check around for places we can

meet on Thursday nights. We need a room that can seat 70-100 people from 6-11pm on Thursday nights

The **Registrar** announced that there were no new guests.

### **Special Orders of Business:**

George Olah, Nobel Laureate

Lloyd Conover - chemist who developed the artificial means of developing antibiotics

**Announcements:** - Metro is doing a science fiction series at Union Station -

Sunday is the paperback show at the Glendale Civic Auditorium from 9 am-4 pm.

In the absence of any further business...

A motion to put away chairs carefully passed at 9:20 pm.

### **Meeting 4154, March 23, 2017 Vice President Matthew Tepper, Vice Presiding Karl Lembke, scribbling**

Vice President Tepper called LASFS meeting #4154 to order at 8:01 PM

This week's **Patron Saint** is Dave Fox, man of many countries. **Patron Saint Dave Fox** was given Three very loud Cheers, and "on Khorlia".

Christian McGuire bid \$2 to name **Menace** #4153 "Blessings on this vat chicken." The **Menace** were so accepted.

**Treasurer's Report: Shows income, outgo, and money in the treasury.**

**Registrar: Registrar Marty introduced Coleman Cox, who lives in the area.**

Marty Cantor announced that, due to the impending move, people who have been storing stuff in the bins in the APA-L Room need to empty them.

Tom Khamis introduced his friend, Rick Ridgway, also a guest, from Time Meddlers.

### **Science Monitor:**

David Okamura announced the rains have made it possible for Silverlake to get its Silver Lake back. We have more water than we know what to do with. Also, the Owens Dry Lake is about to get a lot less dry.

The Seal Beach wetlands are also likely to become a lot wetter. The Newport - Inglewood fault goes under that area, and the next big one could submerge the area up to three feet.

Comets are constantly boiling away as they round the sun. If you recall the Rosetta space probe, they were comparing photographs. The landscape of comets is quite active. they found evidence of a landslide. Not a big one, but still a landslide.

20 years ago, Hale Bopp was greeted by the deaths of the Heaven's Gate cult. Researchers are examining the group to see how something like this could go so far off the tracks. Heaven's Gate website is still being maintained -- by a couple of ex-members who had to leave because they got married.

### **Reviews:**

Milt Stevens reviewed "All the Birds of the Sky" by Charlie Jane Anders. It starts with the story of a girl and a boy. He grows up to be an engineer, she grows up to be a witch. Milt didn't like the cruelty in the book. The first third of the book covers schoolyard cruelty. Then there's the anti-science sentiment. Then there's the anti-human sentiment. Conclusion, we should quit using science and go back to witchcraft.

"You could not see a cloud because no cloud was in the sky,

No birds were flying overhead -- there were no birds to fly."

### **Miscellaneous:**

Should we need a temporary meeting place, there's one at the corner of Ventura and Radford. There is parking on site, we'll have the facility from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. It is in the Art Director's Guild building. There is parking onsite. We have it starting the end of April. Hopefully this will be used only a small number of weeks.

Christian: Ventura and Radford is the location of the Director's Guild. Also, for those who dine, Du Pars, open 24 hours, is across the street. The Mc Donald's in the area shut down. (For some reason North Hollywood is losing fast food places.) Julie mentioned Studio City bans fast food places.

Francis Hamit noted a company, night scope, selling shares through SeedInvest. They are selling security robots.

Frank Waller will be at Pierce College at the antique swap meet. He'll be selling rusty, crusty, and busted stuff.

### **Time Bound Announcements**

Those who remember Bob Greenburg -- there is a party

being held in honor of the anniversary of his birth. Talk to Barbara Harmon if you want to attend. But it's tomorrow night, so there's not a lot of time to sign up.

Francis Hamit has a short story on Amazon Kindle, "Sundays in the park with George". It's surged 400% over its normal sales, and Francis would like to encourage this. It has elements of the paranormal.

#### **In the absence of any further business...**

A motion to put away chairs carefully passed at 8:45 pm.

### **Board of Directors Meeting June 11, 2017 Karl Lembke, Chairman Marty Cantor, Secretary**

**Board Members in attendance:** Karl Lembke, Marty Cantor, Gavin Claypool, Marcia Minsky, Debra Levin, Christian McGuire, and Elayne Pelz. Nick Smith had an excused absence. Also not here: Mike Thorsen, Rob "Gizmo" Powell, and Kristen Gorlitz.

**Members and Guests:** Matthew B. Tepper, Michelle Pincus.

**Called to order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:06 am. The Chairman welcomed us to the Sunday, April 9, 2017 meeting of the Board of Directors, meeting at Elayne Pelz' house.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting of April 9, 2017, were accepted unanimously. The minutes of the Special Meeting were accepted unanimously.

**New Members:** There were 6 applications for membership: Hein Hundal, Kenneth L. (Duckie) Osborne III, Katarina Slama, Jeff. R. Schroeder, Elijah Sage, and Ben Evans. They were accepted unanimously.

**Treasurer: (Elayne Pelz):** We have money and it has been moved into a higher-bearing savings account. See the Treasurer for details.

#### **30-second Reports:**

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

**Vice Chairman (Christian McGuire):** We seem to be doing fairly well at our temporary meeting site.

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

**Publications (Marty Cantor):** APA-L is now being collated at my apartment and DE PROFUNDIS continues to be pubbed monthly.

**Comptroller (Gavin Claypool):** No report.

**Quartermaster/Supplies (Mike Thorsen):** (Not here.)

**Library (Marcia/Gavin Claypool):** Approx 4000

books and magazines were donated during the last 2 month. Donations before our new clubhouse will be handled on a case by case basis.

**Archives (Debra Levin):** In storage.

**Physical Plant (Elayne Pelz):** No report. The old clubhouse was broken into just after we moved out. // The property we looked at - reported on in our Special Meeting minutes - had two higher offers than ours.

**AV Equipment (Rob Powell):** (Not here.)

**Events (Nick Smith):** Absent, at work. Elayne mentioned that the LOSCON web site has been rewritten and is now live. // Christian has been in conversation about extending the LOSCON hotel contract in future. Moved, seconded, and passed to renew Christian as contract negotiator to hotel.

**Recruitment, and Marketing Committee (Kristen Gorlitz):** (Not here.) Marty: the club's Meetup started out like a house on fire with lots of them RSVP' ing Yes but has currently slowed down. This is normal Meetup activity action.

#### **(Significant Others)**

**Club President (Nick Smith):** (Not here.) Karl mentioned that the Club President was absent but we continue to have meetings.

**WEB MASTER (Barry Gold):** Neither Lee nor Barry are here. Marty: Barry has a new hip and is now home from the hospital.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. Fundraising: (Elayne). I have been going over budgeting and we are not bringing in much money, only some auction and dues money - no rental income, no nothing. This is not enough to keep the club going. Thinking it is time to consider time to consider assessments for lifetime members as a lot of the attending members are lifetime members. We are having more lifetime members attending than we have dues-paying members - about 20 lifetimers to 10 dues-payers. It was discussed that we put before the club the idea that lifetime members pay \$2 per week (who show up at meetings) or \$100 a year. We also discussed having an annual membership fee. It was also discussed that out of town members might be able to pay to vote for the LOSCON chairman. It was moved, seconded, and passed with one abstention that we have the club vote on a motion for an annual membership assessment: \$50 per member per year to begin Jan. 1, 2018. (We should have talking points.) Elayne, Gavin, and Debra were appointed as a committee to finalize the details of the motion.

Elayne has been working on grant proposals and is ready to send out the first one. Karl has been working on Crowdfunding.

2. Gift Exchange. There is a possibility of canceling it for this year considering that it needs a large space and it is a

LAF  
 (Los Angeles Filkers Anonymous)

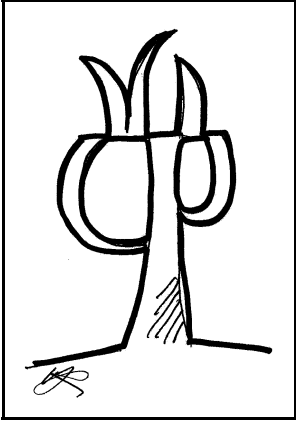
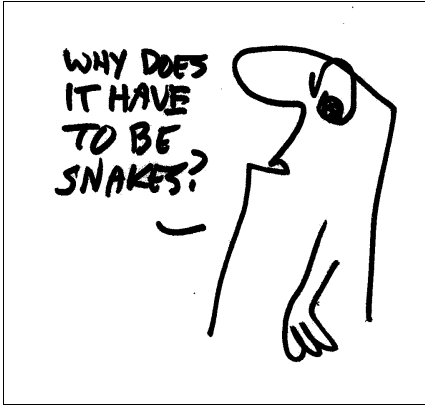
Saturday, August 19, 2017  
 Filk: 7 PM to ???  
 Pre-Filk Dinner: 5 PM, The Palace  
 (Chinese cuisine and some Dim Sum)  
 Brandyhall  
 Lee and Barry Gold, hosts  
 3965 Alla Rd., Los Angeles, CA 90066  
 (310) 306-7456  
**Pre-filk dinner:** 5 PM, at 11701 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90025, 310-979-3377

**Filk style:** Poker Chip (Non-Topological) Bardic, or Chaos

**Notes:**

1. No Smoking Indoors! -- Use the front porch in good weather; the enclosed patio during bad weather.
2. Please bring munchies & drinks to share.
3. There are no domestic animals in residence.
4. Crash space available (couch, recliner, floor space).
5. Two Silicon life-forms are present. The old photocopier is gone, but we have an all-in-one scanner/printer/FAX machine.

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



messy (but fun) event. It was mentioned that we could change the Friday evening time we usually have it for another day.

3. LOSCON date. As we are heading to a new contract, should we move to a new date? Elayne recommends Columbus Day. We can also look into Labor Day if we want to stay in the Fall.

The next BoD meeting will be on July 9, 2017.

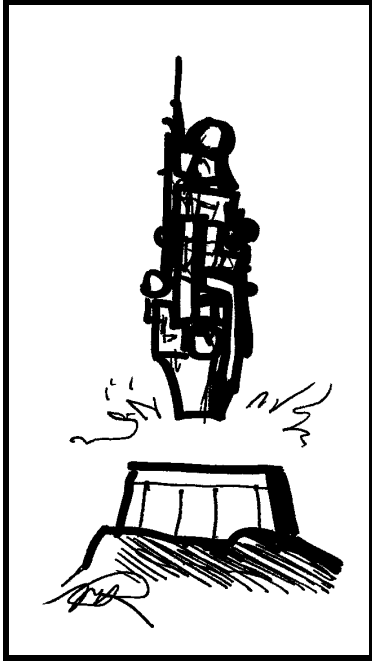
**OPEN FORUM:**

**TAKE-AWAYS:**

Looking for property.

The Board adjourned its meeting at 12:24 pm.

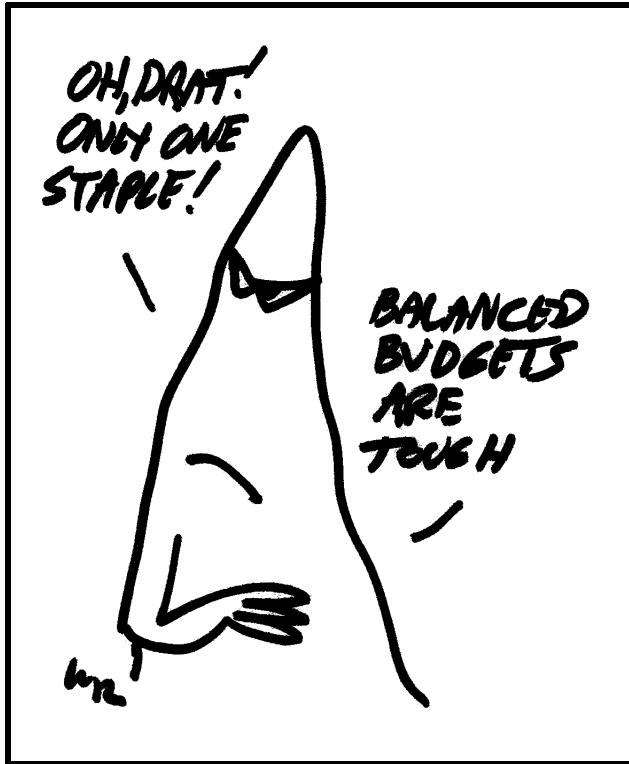
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 Marty Cantor, Board Secretary



**Board of Directors meeting:**  
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## BOARD GAMING MEETUP

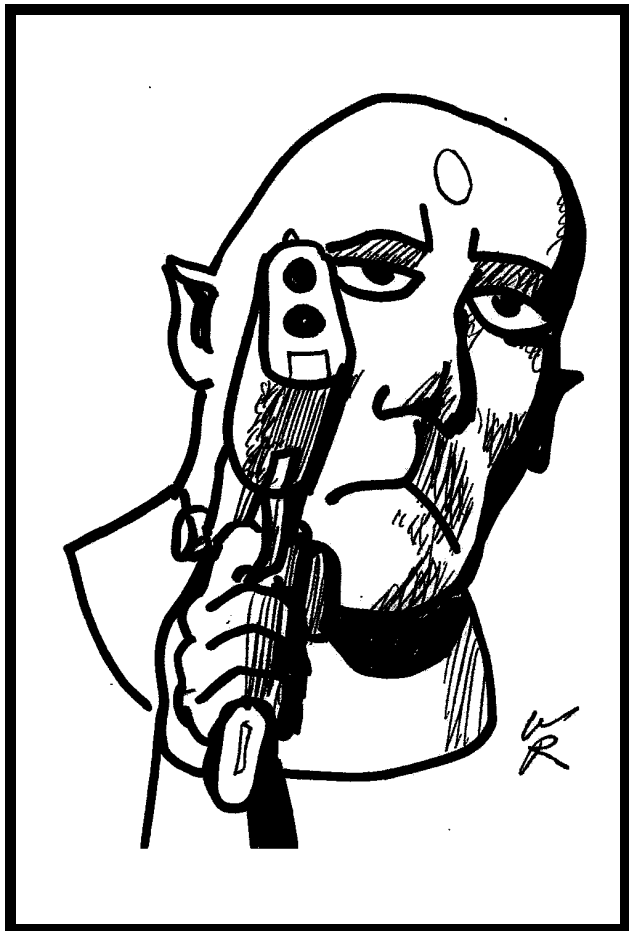
The board gaming Meetup which had been meeting at LASFS on Friday Nights has moved to a temporary venue, a game store in Sherman Oaks.

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.



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