

## **Condensed Cream of Menace of the LASFS**

### **Meeting #4459**

Jan. 26, 2023

Scribe: Heath "Scribbles" Row

### **Call to Order**

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

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

Susan Fox stood in for Smith.

#### Hatchings

- Author Philip Jose Farmer
- Editor Judy-Lynn Del Rey
- Author Yoon Ha Lee

#### Dispatchings

- Actor Wally Campo
- Author A. E. van Vogt

On this day in science history, in 1962, as part of the Ranger program, the Ranger 3 was launched—NASA's first attempt to land a spacecraft on the moon. The space probe missed the moon by 22,000 miles.

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

Scribbles read the minutes.

### **Additions and Corrections**

- Eylat Poliner added Rob Powell to the list of people thanked for helping at Karl Lembke's storage unit.
- Scribbles clarified who Charlie's parents are.

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

Dean Johnson bid, won, and named them: "Move to Accept."

### **Call for Approval**

Moved to accept as corrected, and approved.

### **Celebration of Patron Saints**

Gail Selinger was celebrated and recognized by Susan Fox, Charles Lee Jackson II, and Cathy Johnson. Selinger received three cheers and an "Arrr!"

Rick Sneary was celebrated and recognized by Susan Fox, Barbara Gratz Harmon, Charles Lee Jackson II, Cathy Johnson, Lynn Maners, Chris Marble, and Elayne Pelz. Sneary received three cheers.

### **Committee Reports**

- Eylat Poliner announced that upcoming programming includes David Brin on Feb. 2.
- Michelle Pincus indicated that Loscon 49 will hold its first staff meeting April 29, at 12 p.m.
- Cathy Johnson said Loscon 50 is looking for bids.
- Kristine Cherry reported recent improvements to the Web site.

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

There were no guests present.

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

Elayne Pelz reminded members to pay their dues.

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

The next board meeting is scheduled for Feb. 12, 2023, at 11 a.m. on the usual Zoom.

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

None

### **Time-Bound Announcements**

- Kevin Segall: Pasadena Comic Convention and Toy Show (<http://pasadenacomicandtoyshow.com>) on Sunday

### **Regular Announcements**

- Susan Fox: The recent cookbook sale raised \$147 for the club.

### **Special Guest: Tim Powers**

Powers's presentation touched on the value of escapism, the limitations of metaphor, and what he termed the "90-degree shift in perspective" that sf can offer.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Lee Grixit remarked on the coming green comet.
- Cathy Johnson reminded people about the after meeting.
- Michelle Pincus indicated that the moon will occult Mars at the end of the month.

**Call to Adjourn**

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