

Minutes of LASFS Meeting #4438  
Sep 1, 2022 Call to Order at 8:00 p.m  
Susan Fox Presiding

Charles: Eric Hoffman Long time member of the LASFS who had been with the club longer than I, passed away this week. He died of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree burns and smoke inhalation, was overcome and lost consciousness on the ground floor of his house, while there was a fire on the second floor. He was in the kitchen, so it looked like he was trying to get out but did not make it. He spent the weekend in the ICU and succumbed to his injuries. It was expected, as there was no path of recovery, he was so badly injured. He leaves us with a huge legacy of the Serials, Dr. Who program and Horror Films in general. He was at one time Professor Gruebeard and the Answer Man at different times for Famous Monsters of Filmland where he would give some serious answers to readers' questions and then they would be edited as Mr. Ackerman was likely to do. He was a fount of knowledge, impressive even to me. I was proud and pleased to have him as a friend since about 1967. I met him shortly after I joined the club when it was meeting in the Fan Square Mile at The Hill on South St Andrews Place near Wilshire and Western. He will be greatly missed. He has been missed lately already, because he was having trouble getting around for the last couple of years making it hard for him to appear at conventions as he had done so often in the past. His brother and two other close friends of his, will be making arrangements for the memorial. Not sure what will be done electronically, because Eric was not one to be on zoom and other platforms and neither are most of his closest friends. We will see what can be done, but a whole panel at Loscon is expected and at Gallifrey next year. But for tonight it is Farewell and as he so often said "Prince Sirki came to carry him off" With any luck he is arguing films with Forry.

A moment of silence for Eric Hoffman

Birthdays

Edgar Rice Burroughs of Tarzan fame

Yvonne De Carlo aka Lily Munster would be 100

Lily Tomlin sf includes The Incredible Shrinking Woman and animation voices in Spiderman Into the Spiderverse

Zendaya, aka Zendaya Marie Stormer Colman Spiderman/Dune

Film releases on this date: La Voyage dans la Lune/A trip to the Moon by George Melies in 1902

Reading the minutes

Additions/corrections

Three Stooges go around the world in a daze"

Bid to name the minutes, \$5 Lynn Maners, "Enjoy Worldcon you lucky bastards, In a friendly way."

Patron Saints

Allan Rothstein

Contributor to the club in many ways

Susan Rothman I spent a lot of time in his house, she spent time with his brother. He was close with his family. Good father to his 3 sons and a great son to his parents and brother. Bill Warren's best friend. Hosted parties several times a year. He made soup, and loved making soup.

Charles Gentleman and an Officer, as a deputy sheriff, his favorite place to be was Disneyland, when he retired from active service, he was given a pass for 2 to Disneyland, and finding no lady friend to go with, he invited me to go with him. During the visit, he purchased annual passes for both of us, after inquiring if I would return with him. Unfortunately we never attended together again. But I continue to get a pass and go in his honor of his memory.

Matthew: Allan Rothstein, loved Mickey Mouse, I lived in Allan's home for the last few years of his life. Occasionally drove him around, and we stopped at a yard sale, with a giant Mickey Mouse statue.

When he returned to the car, I asked how much he paid. He replied, "I finally got her to take \$20", How much was she asking? \$5 he answered.

Maryann, Alan was a grocery customer at my store. Always smiling and friendly, and would not accept

"help out" even when he was pushing around a supplemental oxygen tank. He was an interesting person to talk to at the club.

Three rousing cheers for Patron Saint Allan Rothstein.

Matthew Tepper

Eylat, I have nothing nice to say about Matthew, I have known him for about 35 years. I am close friends with his wife. Matthew and I fight like brother and sister, but we love each other. He has done a lot for the club, he was the one who initiated having the club on zoom to maintain our meetings. One of the things that impresses me is his knowledge of music is amazing and an avid collector of Asimov.

Susan. Called the meeting to order with the three members of his family which was enough for a "meeting" and closed the meeting, then we, SciFi radio, stepped up.

Charles. I have known Matthew since he was young and un-bearded. He always has good memories of the members of the clubs.

Kristine: Thank him for running a great Loscon, one of our favorites. It was smooth and organized.

Highlights of the club. Singing off key "We love you Matthew"

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CLJII Spot of Honor"Loscon 48" Los Angeles area convention hosted by the LASFS.

Fundraiser for the club, to advertise what you would like to highlight.

See you all at Loscon 48!

Registrar, No guests

Programming:

Tim Griffin rescheduled to Sept 8<sup>th</sup>

Sep 22 Larry Niven

Sep 29 David Gerold

Oct 6 Forry Awards.

Treasurer Pay your dues, \$4 a week, it's the beginning of the month, \$12 for the month. Paypal or Zelle

Board report, no board meeting in Sept, next meeting in Oct

Website: Kristine: Memorial page up with Karl and Eric, Eylat is helping with the 25 page document of Memorials for the club. More tweaks and adjustments.

Old Business, none

New Business none

Time Bound Announcement.

Rob Artemis is rescheduled for Saturday.

Moment of Science

Lee Continuing in the tradition since the beginning of the program, Voyager, had a glitch and they fixed it. As they have been doing since the first 6 weeks of the program.

James Webb Telescope showed an amazing timely ,2 black holes about to merge and we don't know what will happen. That if it hadn't been operational, would have been missed.

Lynn: Remember Ötzi, the mummified/frozen corpse that was discovered just on the Italian side of the Austro-Italian border? (It is not clear whether he eroded from an ice patch or a glacier. Basically, glaciers move while ice patches simply melt (lots of artifacts have been recovered from ice patches melting in Scandinavia and Canada). DNA analysis has indicated that almost a score of modern Austrians can trace their DNA back to Ötzi

#### Announcements

Heath: Update on Marty, on Friday he went into the hospital, there through Monday, he had pneumonia. That is what was causing most of the symptoms. He was released on Monday, but returned on Tuesday for mobility issues and he will be moved to a rehab facility to recover. Eylat is organizing a card to be sent to him, comments for a word document.

#### Review

Eylat continues to watch and enjoy Sandman Not horror, but there is blood and gore. Fun to watch. Watching for the first time Deep Space Nine, didn't see it when it originally came out, but enjoying it.

Kevin: Watched the first episode of Lord of Rings, enjoying it! More on video

Susan Many episodes dropped today from several shows

Kristine: She Hulk, we've been watching it, it is FUNNY! New guest is coming up. Star Trek Lower Decks, no spoilers, lots of good stuff coming out.

#### Misc

Eylat Susan is doing a great job running the meeting.

Charles, True Believers, tomorrow the Halloween season opens at the Park.

Lynn sharing with students unusual mashups google "Ramen Tacos"

Matthew, Chicon8 opened today in Chicago, haven't got to any panels, but have been meeting friends old and new. Time bound, opposite closing ceremonies, I am in a panel about Science Fiction clubs and conventions in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Ed Star Wars series to drop in two weeks to fill in the gap between previous episodes and the beginnings of the rebellion. The intrigue and all the backstabbing and such.

Charles, reminds me of an old LASFS aphorism "How did you know the man with 6 knives in his back was a LASFS member, he was Steve Cartier, he had 7 knives in his back. If you are a Risk player you get the joke.

Eylat: there is a market that is new to me, but not new, across from Norms on Sherman Way/Woodman

Eylat Move to adjourn,