

Minutes of LASFS Meeting #4440  
Sep 15, 2022 Call to Order at 8:00 p.m

Nick  
Deaths

Marsha Hunt, Actress 104, 73 year acting career including Twilight Zone, Outer Limits and Star Trek Next Generation. 1935-2008 career spanning both sides of the blacklist era, that interrupted her career.

Jean-Luc Godard 91, pioneering French Director, with 130 credits on IMDB

Birthdays

Norman Spinrad, local Science Fiction author  
Chelsea Quinn Yarbro, fantasy/horror author  
Howard Waldrop, Loscon 46 Writer Guest of Honor  
Tommy Lee Jones, actor

Media anniversary Lost in Space, first episode.

Reading of the minutes Add/Corrections None  
Bid to name the minutes \$6 Chris Marble "I enjoyed Tim Griffin"

Honor Guard

Charles: Spot of honor is held by Loscon 48 the Los Angeles premier Science Fiction convention Thanksgiving weekend.

Registrar: No guests

Patron Saints Dale Hales, Michael Thorsen

Dale Hales:

Chris: Nice enjoyable fellow

Nick Came to second sundays and joined in the gaming, nice guy to talk to and play games with.  
Charles I've known Dale for so long he didn't use the name here. Didn't get along with his father. When he inherited \$ from his father, he spent it giving things to other folks because he didn't want it. We went to Columbus elementary school together. We moved, then we didn't see each other, but he came to the 1984 Loscon, and then found LASFS and we reconnected.  
Haven't heard from him in awhile.

Eylat: When he was gifting friends, he gave me some Dragon goblets that I have in my curio cabinet.

Matthew: He spent copious amounts of \$ to Allan Rosteins memorial. He is a nice guy, I miss him and hope to see him again soon.

3 rousing cheers for patron saint Dale Hales.

Michael Thorsen

Matthew: one of the club's multitude of nice guys.

Debra: Mike is a nice guy and I enjoy talking to and he has done a lot for the club.

Always pleasant and willing to talk to Ben

Eylat: a good mahjong player, came to Karl's birthday last year.

Charles: Mike was a dedicated, overly dedicated worker at the clubhouse. Got a lot of stuff done, with a little gaming in-between. Did lots of helpful work for events I put on at the club. I

appreciated him and we had some good conversations

Matthew: On my 45th birthday, I gathered several people to go to Universal Studios, and we carpooled from the LASFS clubhouse on Burbank. Mike was there, had been at the club all night working on the computers and I invited him to join us and he enjoyed himself. Another time we went to a themed restaurant, with Marvel characters. Cartoons playing on the screens and mighty Thor came on, and he said "Hi Dad"

Eylat: He did videoing of the hallway masquerade with Kermit the Frog

Ed: He is one of the ones that picked up the slack when Bob Null passed away, keeping the soda machine filled.

Three rousing cheers for Patron Saint Mike Thorsen (and Charles was wielding a hammer in the background)

Treasurer: Pay your dues!

Website: We have two new registrations for commenting on the website, New blog post with updates. Please share content for the website.

Putting out an appeal to anyone who attended the LASFS 75th anniversary at Castaways.

Loscon 48: No special report this week.

Board/Marketing No board meeting this month, next meeting Oct 9th,  
Krystal is doing an amazing job on social media, with a flurry of new posts.

Kristine:Eylat did a great job doing the membership database, it's a google document

Programming:

9/22 – Larry Niven

9/29: David Gerrold

10/6 - Forry Award Nominations and vote

10/20 – Kevin Segall

11/3 - Board nominations

11/10 - Board vote

11/24 - Live meeting at Loscon 48

12/1 - Nominations for President

12/8 - Nominations and vote for procedural officers of the club

Forry Awards: The Forrest J. Ackerman award is a Lifetime Achievement award for contributions to Science Fiction. It can be anyone who has done exemplary work to bring Science Fiction to the community. No one can win more than one time. Charles will share previous winners.

Elections:

Board member elections are held each year and approx 1/3 are up for election, with various requirements for being on the board. We vote only to put people on the board, once on the board, there are job assignments to make sure things get done.

Procedural elections first nominate the president, then the vote is the next week. Consider how

you can support the club, and find someone to nominate you for the position.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

#### Time bound announcements

Nick: Live Theater is coming back and is doing Science Fiction. Tales from Tomorrow, Origins. Stories and poetry inspired by Ray Bradbury, online  
Movie showings for the weekend.  
Book signings

Heidi: Neighbor, Erin Rado, released a series of short novels: Tales of the Raven's Daughter, Beast of Bast available for 99 cents this week.

Susan Fox: Erin is our special guest on the The Event Horizon show on SciFi Radio on Saturday and Sunday at 4pm PDT

#### Moment of Science.

Nick: Scientists have demonstrated that Einstein's theory of general relativity is correct to a remarkable degree of accuracy, despite having been around for more than a century. As well as placing constraints on deviations in the weak equivalence principle, the findings also disfavor any deviations in Einstein's 1915 theory of gravity, general relativity, as a whole. Scientists continue to look for such deviations because general relativity, the best description we have of gravity, doesn't jive with quantum physics, the best model we have of reality at incomprehensibly small scales.

Lynn Maners: "Consumer Reports states that in the winter, electric cars will lose 25-40 of their range. Carol Tribble comments that use of the heater will account for some of that."  
Separately, in response to a question about electric cars, by CLJ III, Lynn remarks "Dammit, Jim! I'm an anthropologist, not a physicist or electrical engineer!"

#### Regular Announcements

Heath Update on Marty, spoke to him on Tuesday, still doing physical therapy, they are setting him up with a walker, he's walked the most he has so far, now he needs to build up his arm strength for the walker. Nick fielded the receipt of a new game with the fancy components that Marty was looking forward to getting.

Eylat: Will be traveling from Sep 29-Oct 15th and I need someone to be Registrar during that time. Could Cathy or Debra do it, as it is online. Heidi volunteered to do so.

#### Reviews:

Nick: Bixelstrasse: The SF Fan Community of 1940s Los Angeles, a book about LASFS in the 1940's from LASFS minutes and zines. Many bits of fannish history. Club members working in the movie industry. LASFS tried to rename the upcoming Worldcon, from Pacificon to PostWar con. A map on the back, explained why they met at the cafeteria downtown. Many fans could

walk to Cliftons from where they lived. E-book by Rob Hansen, a London Fan.

Matthew: A building with several fans living is called a "Slam shack"

Willard: Attended a play called Silent Sky, about Henrietta Leavitt, a mathematician, who loved astronomy. In the Harvard observatory in Peru, she developed a way to determine how far a celestial object was from Earth. Tickets are on sale through Oct 9th.

Heath: Radio show in NY, reading series Hour of the Wolf, on WBAI.

Heidi: Upload, a two season show, science based and pretty hilarious. Quirky and futuristic.

Misc

Charles: Available on Youtube, promotional video Bill Mills and I created together for Halloween Hijinks, a link from my facebook page.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eH0Cx6nOUrA&t=4s>

Dean/Cathy Invitation to the after meeting, link in chat, for after this meeting.

Ed Next Wed Disney plus will start screening episodes of Andor

Hello to Larry and we are looking forward to you joining us next week for an interview.

Eylat: move we adjourn,