

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

### **Meeting #4494**

Sept. 28, 2023

Scribe: Heath "Scribbles" Row

### **Call to Order**

Cathy Johnson called the meeting to order before the video recording began.

We are on agenda tonight because we have David Raiklen as a guest.

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

#### Hatchings

- Inventor Edward Herbert Johnson (b. Jan. 4, 1846; d. Sept. 9, 1917)
- Author Michael G. Coney (b. Sept. 28, 1932; d. Nov. 4, 2005)
- Director, actor, screenwriter, editor, and author John Sayles (b. Sept. 28, 1950)
- Collector, fan, and publisher Erle Korshak (b. Oct. 29, 1923; d. Aug. 25, 2021)
- Fan and LASFSan Ron Ellik (b. Sept. 28, 1938; d. Jan. 27, 1968)

#### Dispatchings

- Actor and musician David McCallum (b. Sept. 19, 1933; d. Sept. 25, 2023)
- Actor Michael Gambon (b. Oct. 19, 1940; d. Sept. 27, 2023)
- Musician and songwriter Terry Kirkman (b. Dec. 12, 1939; d. Sept. 23, 2023)

#### Media anniversary

On this date in 1987, *Star Trek: The Next Generation* entered first-run syndication.

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

Scribbles did not read the Condensed Cream of Menace because he was absent.

### **Celebration of Patron Saints**

Mike Donahue was celebrated and recognized by Simmie Noble Collins, Nola Frame-Gray, Chris Marble, and Eylat Poliner. Donahue received three cheers.

Ron Ellik was celebrated and recognized by Susan Fox and Matthew B. Tepper. Ellik received three cheers.

Barry Workman was celebrated and recognized by Chris Marble and Nick Smith. Workman received three cheers—and a kaboom, but not an earth-shattering one.

### **Committee Reports**

- Programming (Eylat Poliner):
  - Sept. 28: David Raiklen, on the music of *Star Trek*
  - Oct. 12: Forry Award nominations and vote
  - Nov. 2: Board of Directors nominations

- Nov. 9: Meeting #4500 and Board of Directors election
- Nov. 16: History of the LASFS featuring longtime LASFSans
- Nov. 23: Meeting at Loscon 49
- Dec. 7: Nominations for president
- Dec. 14: Procedural elections
- Dec. 28: Loscon retrospective
- Loscon 49 (Michelle Pincus):
  - There will be six droids at Loscon.
  - The Progress Report will go out early next week.

**Honor Guard** (Charles Lee Jackson II)

The Spot of Honor is held by Loscon 49. We auctioned off the spot of honor for the month of October. There was an opening bid of \$13, which won. The recipient will be unveiled next week.

**Registrar** (Eylat Poliner)

There's nobody new here tonight.

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

Debra Levin reminded members to pay their dues. You can make donations, and next week is the beginning of a new month.

**Board Report** (Michelle Pincus)

The board will not meet in October.

**Time-Bound Announcements**

- Nick Smith:
  - The New Beverly Cinema is showing the movie *Super 8* as a matinee, as well as three nights of Harold Lloyd silents. Next week, they'll screen a double feature of *Invasion of the Body Snatchers* and *The Thing from Another World*.
  - Everybody else seems to have taken the week off.

**Special Event:** David Raiklen, on the music of *Star Trek*

The LASFS was joined by composer David Raiklen, who makes music for film, television, video games, and live events. He gave a presentation—featuring many examples—about the *Star Trek* music and sound effects library, one of the largest in the world at more than 400 hours of music. After playing a brief game in which LASFSans identified various sound effects, Raiklen walked the club through seven decades of TV, movie, and video game sound. He addressed the repeated use of cues, sound effects as leitmotifs, the Cookerly organ, and the various composers who worked on the series.

LASFSans asked questions about the lyrics Gene Roddenbery wrote to “Theme from *Star Trek*,” John Willams, the phaser sound effect, Gerald Fried’s underscore from the *Star Trek* episode “Amok Time,” and other topics.

### **Miscellaneous**

- Chris Marble: George Mulligan will return to the hospital in the next day or two. He's been on oxygen for the last month or so. At the hospital, they can do appropriate tests.
- Cathy Johnson reminded members about the aftermeeting.
- Nick Smith: This is the last week of Netflix sending DVDs out to people. That will put a bunch of robots out of work because they'd deployed robots to open the DVDs people sent back.
  - Charles Lee Jackson II: If you receive a DVD from them, you can now keep them.

### **Call to Adjourn**

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