

Condensed Cream of Menace of the LASFS

Meeting #4456

Jan. 5, 2023

Scribe: Heath "Scribbles" Row

Call to Order

Cathy Johnson at 8 p.m.

Hatchings and Dispatchings (Nick Smith)

Dispatchings

- Suzy McKee Charnas
- Fay Weldon
- Darren Watts

Hatchings

- George Reeves
- Tananarive Due
- Seanan McGuire
- Hayao Miyazaki

Media anniversaries

The first appearance of Pepe le Pew and the mixed-genre movie *Two Lost Worlds*

Reading of the Minutes (Heath Row)

Scribbles read the minutes.

Additions and Corrections

Matthew B. Tepper and Charles Lee Jackson II offered corrections.

Auction to Name the Minutes

Eylat Poliner bid, won, and named them "Good Job, Heath."

Call for Approval

Moved to accept as corrected, and approved.

Celebration of Patron Saint(s)

- Dan Alderson was celebrated and recognized by Cathy Johnson, Barbara Gratz Harmon, Chris Marble, Charles Lee Jackson II, and Larry Niven. Alderson received three cheers.
- Joe Zeff was celebrated and recognized by Eylat Poliner, Chris Marble, Barbara Gratz Harmon, Heath Row, Tom Safer, and Matthew B. Tepper. Zeff received three cheers and some sideburns.

Committee Reports

Cathy Johnson: Any existing committees can continue into the new term unless someone wants to stop serving in their current capacity.

Eylat Poliner: Upcoming programming includes

- Jan. 12: Brandie June, author
- Jan. 26: Tim Powers, author
- Feb. 2: David Brin, author
- Feb. 23: Craig Miller, author
- March 2: Dr. Laura Brodian Freas Baraha presents a program about the art of her late husband, Kelly Freas
- March 23: Kristen Renee Gorlitz offers a virtual reality demo

Krystal Rains is also recommending potential authors, and Poliner will continue to recruit additional authors and develop other kinds of programs. She's aiming for two programs a month and will schedule events through June.

Michelle Pincus

- Loscon 49: The first program item selected will be the screening of an animated short with a Q&A session with the creators afterward.
- Marketing: LASFS and Loscon will table at the Los Angeles Vintage Paperback Collectors Show on March 19 at Glendale Civic Auditorium. LASFS will also have a book sales table there.

Honor Guard (Charles Lee Jackson II)

Jackson will take the month of January off.

Registrar (Eylat Poliner)

There were no guests present, but there was a returning member: Mark Bondurant.

Treasurer (Debra Levin and Elayne Pelz)

Debra Levin reminded members to pay their dues.

Board Report, If Any (Michelle Pincus)

The next board meeting is scheduled for Jan. 15, 2023, at 11 a.m. on the usual Zoom.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Time-Bound Announcements

- Nick Smith
 - Dark Delicacies signings featuring *I Was a Teenage Monster Hunter!* and books related to *Avatar: The Way of Water*

- New Beverly Cinema screenings of *Fantasia* and an IB Tech print of *The Wizard of Oz*
- American Cinematheque screening of *Twin Peaks: Fire Walk with Me* at the Los Feliz 3
- Anime Los Angeles at the Long Beach Convention Center
- Eylat Poliner: An online Celebration of Life for Ed Hooper

Moment(s) of Science

- Lynn Maners: Pictographs representing the lunar calendar and animal behavior patterns
- Eylat Poliner: 80 percent of manganese comes from Ukraine. The war will affect that supply.
- Tom Safer: Scientists born on this day included Aaron “Bunny” Lapin, Dame Kathleen (Mary) Kenyon, and King Camp Gillette.
- Charles Lee Jackson II: Mohs surgery is the least invasive surgery he’s ever experienced.
- Lee Grixit reported on Mars craters that are full of opals, a potential indicator of water.
- Lynn Maners commented on Howard Hughes’s Glomar Explorer, which was ostensibly intended to harvest manganese nodules but was in fact a CIA front to retrieve the wreck of a Soviet submarine.

Regular Announcements

- Chris Marble reported on visits with Greg Barrett, Don Fitch, and George Mulligan.
- Eylat Poliner reminded LASFSians about the Jan. 14 cataloging at Karl Lembke’s storage unit.

Reviews

- Tom Safer recommended *Master of the World* starring Vincent Price and Charles Bronson
- Nick Smith reviewed *Two Lost Worlds*
- Dean Johnson suggested *YouTube* videos documenting easter eggs in *Glass Onion: A Knives Out Mystery*
- Eylat Poliner enjoyed William Shatner’s role on *Boston Legal*
- Heath Row commented on Barbara Hambly’s *Star Trek* tie-in *Ghost-Walker*
- Debra Levin watched *1899* on TV
- Lee Grixit saw the TV show *Marie Antoinette*
- Matthew B. Tepper said, “*Weird* is.”

Miscellaneous

- Debra Levin thanked Lee Grixit for letting her know *1899* won’t see a second season.
- Cathy Johnson recommended the after meeting.

Call to Adjourn

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