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EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTION

The vote on the last resolution, to change the name of the club to "Western Canada Science Fiction Association", was 18 yes, 11 no. The resolution was thus defeated because a "yes" vote from two-thirds of the entire voting membership is required.

So now we are back to square one, with a name which I hope will gain more support. Before voting (or not voting) please note the following:

(1) Eligible voters are those who joined the club up to Jan 26, 1975 and who live in British Columbia (see club By-laws for further details). B.C. residents who joined at Vcon IV will become voting members in May.

(2) Attached to the newsletter of voting members is a ballot and a stamped, addressed envelope. Please mark ballot with an "X", place it in the envelope, and drop it into a mailbox. Votes will be counted at the April 26 meeting.

(3) To those who decide not to vote: please note that you are helping to defeat the resolution.

(4) The club must change its name in order to register in Victoria. Reasons stated in last month's newsletter. At the moment we are in limbo. Registration is probably not necessary for small groups which handle little or no money but the membership of the BCSFA is now over 80 and growing and at times a large sum of money is being handled. For example, the club has just purchased a Gestetner machine and had to pay 5% sales tax, something which a registered club would not have had to do.

Frances J. Skene, President

ELECTIONS

The annual elections of the club are to be held in May. All non-subscribing members in good standing may vote. To date, the positions have declared candidates as follows:

President:	Ed Beauregard
Vice President:	Mike Bailey
Treasurer:	Al Betz
Publications Officer:	Fran Skene
Secretary:	David George

If you feel that your presence is required on the executive, fill out a nomination form and submit it by the April meeting. (Phone Rick Mikkelsen (681-8449) if you have any questions about the format of the nomination form.)

MINUTES AND MINUTES

General Meeting March 22, 1975

Meeting held at Chuck Davis' home. The meeting was called to order at 8:35 PM. Vicki Bushell reported that there was a profit of approximately \$600 from Vcon IV. A post-con report is being prepared.

Ed Beauregard and Mike Bailey reported on the types of machines which the Club could buy to use in reproducing the newsletter. The two main suggestions were a reconditioned Gestetner for \$600 with a guarantee and servicing and a rebuilt A.B. Dick 320 from Western Offset for \$850. After discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of both machines, Al Betz moved that the Club purchase the reconditioned Gestetner 360 for \$600 from the Gestetner Company. John Thomson seconded. Mike Bailey moved to amend the motion to include "that the machine be free for the use by members for the cost of materials." Seconded by Gary Walker. The amendment passed with 10 ayes and 4 nays; and the amended motion passed by the same vote.

Vicki Bushell reported on two places available for the May General Meeting: the Stanley Park Pavillion which costs \$45.00 and has room for 50 people and Nero's Restaurant at Cambie & 18th Ave. which is free and can accommodate the same number of people.

The extraordinary resolution votes were counted and the resolution was defeated with 18 ayes and 11 nays. Fran Skene moved the following extraordinary resolution to wit: "That the British Columbia Science Fiction Association change its name to the Greater Vancouver Science Fiction Association." Ballots again will be provided in the next newsletter with self-addressed stamped envelopes for each eligible voting member. The (semi-)formal part of the meeting was adjourned at 10:15.

Executive Meeting April 7, 1975

The meeting was called to order by President Skene at 7:50 PM. All members of the executive were present except Gary Walker plus guests Vicki Bushell, David George and Ed Beauregard.

has accepted to be Guest of Honour at Westercon XXX. His airfare and hotel will be paid by the Convention Committee.

The contract with Gestetner was signed for a Gestetner 360 at a total price of \$669.50, (including tax). This is a different machine from the one reported by Mike Bailey at the March General Meeting. The price includes servicing and a guarantee on parts and labour. Supplies (paper, stencils, etc.) will be billed to the club.

Location of the May executive meeting is not definite-yet; but should be set by the next General Meeting.

So far nominations have been received by the Secretary for all offices. Deadline for nominations is the April General Meeting.

A Westercon Committee is being formed. Those who are planning to attend this year's Westercon in Oakland will be asked to help with the presentation. Please contact Vicki Bushell if you can help.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Rick Mikkelsen

BOOK REVIEW

The Corridors of Sodom by Poul Anderson and Barry Malzberg
Ballantyne Books, April 1975 276 pages.

The long-awaited collaboration of Anderson and Malzberg has finally been published. Since establishing a mail friendship after Poul Anderson had made some pointed comments about Malzberg winning the John

W. Campbell Award, the pair had been rumoured to be working on a collaboration.

The plot concerns the mental instability of a time traveler who becomes concerned with parallel worlds and the modification of the past. It is written in a style one might expect from such a collaboration. For example:

"The red sun edged over the purple-mountained horizon as the cool wind rustled the tall fir trees. This parallel world had not suffered through the industrial age, therefore Holtzberg wore a broadsword instead of a flashburner on his belt as a weapon. Additionally, in his soft leather boots he carried a small dagger and under his purple tunic, special lightweight-alloy chain mail.

"Squinting because of the brightening light, Holtzman finished wiping his ass with the shrub leaves. He hoped that the leaves contained no worm eggs. A sense of *deja vu* interposed itself on his mind. Hadn't he done all this before?"

The denouement is typical Malzberg: after much stream-of-consciousness soul searching concerning his masculinity and that of his superior, Gregory, Holtzberg enters a morass of paradoxes and becomes one with Gregory.

I confess to having mixed feelings towards this novel. I think that this was a collaboration written in a unique manner. It's almost as if the authors never spoke or communicated with one another during the writing.

Mike Bailey

NEW SCIENCE FICTION AT V.P.L.

ANALOG 9 ed. Ben Bova Doubleday 1973 \$5.95

Stories are: Barbara Paul, "Answer 'Affirmative' or 'Negative'"; Pohl, "The Cold at the Starbow's End"; Laumer, "The Plague"; MacLean, "The Missing Lan"; Howard Myers, "Out, Wit!"; Haldeman, "Hero".

Ballard, J.G. Concrete Island Cape 1973 \$4.52

A man lands on a freeway traffic island after a crash and can't get off so leads a Crusoe-like existence.

Barr, Donald Space Relations Charterhouse 1973 \$6.95

"Plump, complacent" John Craig, on his way back from the Betelgeuse Conference, is kidnapped and sold as a slave on the dread planet Kossar. And the story keeps getting better and better. Read all about the kindhearted eunuch, Dr. Khoory, the sadistic Lady Morgan Sidney, and how Craig saves mankind. A delightful novel, unreservedly recommended.

Carr, Terry An Exaltation of Stars Simon 1973 \$6.95

Transcendental adventures in science fiction by Silverberg, Zelazny and Pangborn.

Carr, Terry Universe 5 Random 1974 \$6.95

Stories by Busby, Le Guin, Effinger, Broxon, Leiber, Russ, Pangborn, Wolfe, and other imaginative writers.

Cowper, Richard The Twilight of Briareus Day 1974 \$6.95

People on Earth struggle to survive as the radiation from a supernova in the constellation of Briareus causes storms, sterility and madness.

- Eklund, Gordon Inheritors of Earth Chilton 1974 \$6.50
A group of mutant humans engineer a global war as a way to ensure their own survival.
- Elwood, Roger The Berserkers Trident 1973 \$6.95
Stories of magic, madness and the occult by Blinn, Malzberg, Lafferty, Lupoff, Gerrold, and others.
- Elwood, Roger Continuum 3 Berkley/Putnam 1974 \$7.25
The next installments of story cycles by Farmer, Anderson, Oliver, Scortis, McCaffrey, Wolfe, Pangborn, and Sargent/Zebrowski.
- Gerrold, David Yesterday's Children Faber 1974 \$5.76
About an inter-galactic battle, with the interesting touches that one would expect from the author of The Man Who Folded Himself.
- Haiblum, Isidore The Wilk Are Among Us Doubleday 1975 \$6.95
Humorous; about aliens, monsters, a computer named the Wizard, and Leonard, a galactic sociologist who must save the world.
- Haldeman, Joe The Forever War St. Martins 1974 \$7.95
An interstellar war that is the opposite of the one that Heinlein glorified in Starship Troopers.
- Harrison, Harry Nova 4 Walker 1974 \$7.95
Original stories by Aldiss, Reed, Malzberg, Sheckley, Wellen, Bester and others.
- Hoyle, Fred and Geoffrey Into Deepest Space Harper 1974 \$6.95
Dr. Dick warboys and E.T. friends save the Earth from the dread Yela.
- Lem, Stanislaw The Futurological Congress Seabury 1974 \$6.95
A noted cosmonaut awakes from refrigeration in the year 2039--a rather strange time.
- Morressy, John Nail Down the Stars Walker 1973 \$6.95
The perils and adventures of a twenty-seventh-century Irish bard.
- Mottensteiner, Franz View From Another Shore Seabury 1973 \$6.95
Stories by important European science fiction writers: Lem, Klein, Franke, Mesvada and others.
- Rousseau, Victor The Messiah of the Cylinder Hyperion 1974 (c. 1917)
\$9.50
The first anti-utopia book of the Brave New World and 1984 kind.
Includes the original very good illustrations.
- Silverberg, Robert Mutants Nelson 1974 \$7.50
A reprint collection with oldies but goodies by Anderson, Bixby, Pohl, Aldiss, Silverberg, Lafferty, Blish and others.
- Sternberg, Jacques Future Without Future Seabury 1973 \$6.95
Short stories and the novella "Fin de Siècle" by the Barry Malzberg of French science fiction.
- Tiptree, James Jr. Ten Thousand Light-years From Home Ace 1973 \$0.95
Fifteen short stories by a talented and mysterious author.
- Wul, Stefan The Temple of the Past Seabury 1973 \$6.95
A spaceship falls into the sea on an unexplored planet and is swallowed by a mammoth creature. Fast moving SF adventure.

Fran Skene

SCIENCE FICTION ON TELEVISION, Pt 2 by A.R. Betz

The following list of programs in the series "The Outer Limits" appears to be reasonably complete. Once again, programs are listed chronologically by broadcast date, with the name of at least one of the performers, not necessarily the "star".

The Outer Limits

- 16 Sep 63 "The Galaxy Being" Cliff Robertson
- 23 Sep 63 "The Hundred Days of the Dragon" Richard Loo, Sidney Blackmer
- 30 Sep 63 "The Man With the Power" Donald Pleasance
- 14 Oct 63 "The Sixth Finger" David McCallum
- 28 Oct 63 "The Man Who Was Never Born" Martin Landau, Shirley Knight
- 11 Nov 63 "The Human Factor" Ivan Dixon, Harry Guardino, Sally Kellerman
Gary Merrill
- 18 Nov 63 "Corpus Earthling" Robert Culp, Salome Jens
- 25 Nov 63 "Tourist Attraction" Janet Blair
- 2 Dec 63 "Nightmare" Martin Sheen, James Shigeta
- 9 Dec 63 "It Crawled Out of the Woodwork" Kent Smith, Barbara Luna
- 16 Dec 63 "The Borderland" Gladys Cooper, Nina Foch, Gene Raymond,
Mark Richman
- 23 Dec 63 "Tourist Attraction" Henry Silva, Ralph Meeker
- 30 Dec 63 "The Zanti Misfits" Michael Tolan, Bruce Dern
- 6 Jan 64 "The Nice" (possibly "The Ice") Diana Sands, Henry Silva
- 13 Jan 64 "Controlled Experiment" Carroll O'Connor
- 20 Jan 64 "Don't Open 'Till Doomsday" Miriam Hopkins
- 27 Jan 64 "Zzzzz" Marsha Hunt
- 3 Feb 64 "The Invisibles" George Macready, Neil Hamilton
- 10 Feb 64 "The Bellerose Shield" Sally Kellerman, Martin Landau, Neil
Hamilton
- 17 Feb 64 "The Children of Spider County" Kent Smith
- 24 Feb 64 "Specimen Unknown" Richard Jaekel, Stephen McNally
- 9 Mar 64 "Moonstone" Alex Nicol, Ruth Roman
- 16 Mar 64 "The Mutant" Warren Oates
- 23 Mar 64 "The Guests" Gloria Grahame, Geoffrey Horne
- 30 Mar 64 "Fun and Games" Nick Adams
- 6 Apr 64 "The Special One" MacDonald Carey
- 13 Apr 64 "A Feasibility Study" David Opatashu
- 20 Apr 64 "Production and Decay of Strange Particles" Signe Hasso,
George Macready
- 27 Apr 64 "The Chameleon" Robert Duvall
- 4 May 64 "The Forms of Things Unknown" Barbara Rush, David McCallum,
Vera Miles
- 18 May 64 "The Sixth Finger" Jill Haworth
- 19 Sep 64 "Soldier" Lloyd Nolan, Michael Ansarra
- 26 Sep 64 "Cold Hands, Warm Heart" Geraldine Brooks, William Shatner
- 3 Oct 64 "Behold" Peter Lind Hayes
- 10 Oct 64 "Expanding Human" Keith Andes
- 17 Oct 64 "Demon With a Glass Hand" Robert Culp
- 24 Oct 64 "Cry of Silence" Eddie Albert, June Havoc
- 31 Oct 64 "The Invisible Enemy" Adam West

14 Nov 64 "I, Robot" Leonard Nimoy, Roward Da Silva
21 Nov 64 "The Inheritors" Part 1, Robert Duvall, Ivan Dixon, James Shigeta
28 Nov 64 "The Inheritors" Part 2
19 Dec 64 "The Duplicate Man" Ron Randell
9 Jan 65 "The Premonition" Dewey Martin

To be continued. Next month, "Science Fiction Theatre" and a few short series and isolated programs.

A.R. Betz

CALENDAR

April 26 General meeting of the BCSFA at Fran Skene's house (207 W. 21st Ave) at 8:00 PM. As usual, BYOB and BYOFood. Let's have a turnout of new members, so we can establish new friendships and discover your talents and interests.

May 5 Executive meeting at Fran Skene's. The last scheduled meeting of the current executive. Phone (879-7009) if you wish to attend.

May 24 General meeting at Nero's Restaurant, 18th & Cambie. Those who don't wish to partake in the group meal come after 8:00 PM. Drinks cost \$1.00 and meals start at \$6.25. More details will be presented during the April meeting.

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