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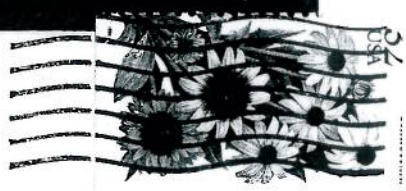

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* Doors open 7:00 P.M.(A door is something with a hinge, a panel is something that can be removed. Some doors are panels)

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Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 27,1996 , 7:30 PM at The Usual Place, 2400 East Chapman, Fullerton, a half mile west off the Orange Freeway. (SE corner of Chapman and St. College in Fullerton)

The Reading Orbit Discussion Novel: "TBD"by Anonymous

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The Chief Speaks

I'm still looking for submissions to The Orange Pulp. Dave Silva has contributed to every issue since I've been the editor here and I want to thank him for all of those and I hope we can expect more of the same in future issues. I would really like to see more from the other readers. Even if you just have an interesting line I can put as a quote, write it down and send it in.

I would like to see more on the media also. If you particularly like one of the new SF series let me know maybe we can do a readers poll. With a few comments.

I'd also like to see some original fan art or fan fiction. This would be a good way to express yourself in print. We have such a small readership that the liklihood of receiving anything but praise is small.

Now that I've opened my big mouth, I finally decided to take word processor in hand and try doing it myself. What I wrote does meet the criteria I set for it. It fills a whole page of Orange Space

SUBMISSIONS TO THE ORANGE PULP

Send your letter, short story, article, or other items for publication consideration to:

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Previous Meetings

In January we had our attitude adjustment meeting where we try to decide what we want to do for the rest of the year. A number of good ideas were presented for speakers and I would put them all here except that I forgot them. (We really should get new T-shirts before WorldCon)

February brought us a horror writer. **Bentley Little** with two of his novels *University* and *Dominion*. Both having refrences to places in and around Orange County. It was a casual question and answer session and everyone, including the speaker, seemed to enjoy it..

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Greg has booked speakers up through June. It looks as if we're going to be seeing a lot of authors this year which is great as far as I'm concerned!

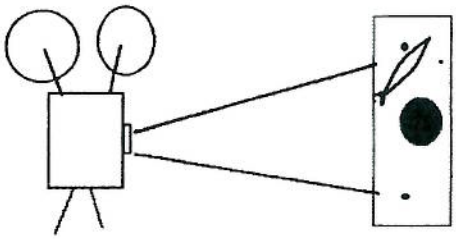
Coming right up in March our speaker will be **Molly Squire** who will speak about The Legends of King Arthur

In April, a Science Fiction Author, **Debra Wheeler**: who has written tow books with a third one on the way will be our speaker.

Jim Blaylock will return as a guest speaker in May

In June **Atara Stein**, an English Professor at Cal State Fullerton who teaches a class about SF writing will be speaking to us.

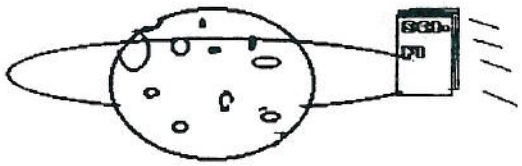
MOVIE NIGHTS



The number of movies we've attended has been down for a while (well, actually zero). But sooner or later they're going to release one that we all just have to see,

If you're interested in attending with us, we usually plan to go on the second Wednesday of the month, in the evening, Call the phone number on the previous page for information about if, when, and where we'll be going.

THE READING ORBIT



Due to a lack of people, we didn't have our reading discussion last month. Hopefully we will be able to discuss the J. Lethem book *Amnesia Moon* at our next meeting and pick the next book too.

MEMORIES OF WITCHCRAFT AND SORCERY

By

Dave Silva

One of the first SF cons I attended was Bill Crawford's Witchcraft and Sorcery convention held at the Biltmore hotel, just north of Pershing Square, in L.A. At that first Con, in 1971, the Biltmore was a grand old hotel, opulent with marble and detailed woodwork that modern hotels find too expensive. I recall being apprehensive about the name, "Witchcraft & Sorcery", since I was more into science fiction than the occult. Those fears proved groundless, the name was simply a promotion for Bill Crawford's current publishing venture, "Witchcraft & Sorcey" magazine. Originally it had been titled "Coven 13", when it started in late 1969, and was changed late in 1970.

Bill Crawford was a white-haired elderly man when I first met him at a WesterCon in L.A., but very fit and vigorous for his age. He and his wife were selling in the huckster room close to my table. Bill was one of the pioneers in fan publishing. His first effort was, the now rare, Marvel Tales, starting in May 1934, and ran for 5 issues. He also published Fantasy Book magazine and FPCI hardcover books in the late 1940's. Oddly enough, he bought an FPCI book from me, because he no longer had a file copy and might someday want to do a reprint.

The success of the Witchcraft & Sorcery Cons was simply that Bill Crawford had so many friends in SF that were willing to help him make these little conventions special. At the 1971 Con they had Morris Scott Dollens do a slide show on early magazine covers, E. Hoffman Price talked about his years with Weird Tales, they had art by Gahan Wilson, George Barr and Alicia Austin, there was a special lunch with Robert Block, Forry Ackerman did "Filmonsters I have known". Ray Bradbury was GofH at the banquet and other guests were Leigh Brackett, Walt Dougherty, Alan Dean Foster, Edmond Hamilton, Jack Kirby, Larry Niven, Emil Petaja, Ross Rocklynne, Larry Shaw and A.E. Van Vogt. This was all in an elegant and uncrowded atmosphere. One of the most interesting people I met in the huckster room was Ken Kruger the publisher of Essex House books and Shroud Press. Ken was very funny guy who loved pornograpy and science fiction and was amused that his Essex House books, which he made no money on, had become such a hot collectors item.

As good as the huckster room was (better than any LOSCON) the masquerade was so laughable bad it was fun. The GofH at the 1972 Con was C. L. Moore, who in addition to being the first important woman writer in SF, was the other half of Lewis Padgett with her husband, Henry Kuttner. It was the only opportunity I ever got to see her. At the 1973 Con Bradbury was again the GofH, also Marion Zimmer Bradley, who was strating to make a name in writing was there, and Seymour (Larry Vincent) the witty MC of TV's "Fright Night", was a regular at the Con. For whatever reason the "Witchcraft & Sorcery" Con ended they were sort of like going to a LOSCON, you pretty much know what it's going to be like after the first one, but that's okay because it's still fun.

Hey, What's going (C)on there?

CON-DOR was great, if you missed it, be sure not to next year

BayCon, San Jose May 24-28 $45 till April 30. If you'd like a reason to take a drive up the coast

L.A. con III Aug 29- Sep 2 **1996** L.A. con III P.O. Box 8442 Van Nuys, CA 91409. Or write to the E-Mail Infobot through internet: lacon3-info@netcom.com

1997 Worldcon : San Antonio, LoneStarCon II

1998 Worldcon: Baltimore

Omighod!, he's trying to write, Dept.

Orange Berk

by Jeff Stein

The dolphins once again entered their virtual world created on the internet. And after returning from an alternate history in which nobody gave a damn if you called one of them a fish, their characters grew a little.

Now, that all the mandatory stuff for modern SF is out of the way, we can get on to the real Science Fiction.

Professor Botts' home lab was just a little darker, just a little danker*, and just a little bit spookier than most. Roughly the size of 192 Monopoly boards, placed side to side and end to end, it was filled with gray workbenches and shelves, each of which was filled with tools and equipment whose purpose was only known by the professor.

With test tubes bubbling and sparks flying from strange pieces of equipment, you could tell that he was working on something important.

He had been working on a thing that wasn't quite a refrigerator. The reason it wasn't quite a refrigerator is that it didn't quite keep anything cold. While working on his not-quite-a-refrigerator he was listening to his not-quite-a-tv, on which the picture hadn't worked in years, which he kept in his lab so he could listen to his favorite shows and plan to fix it one day..

The professor's lab assistant, Berk, entered the lab. ''Pro-fess-or, I got your whopper, fries, and Coke here.''

''Good, put it down on the bench.''

''Which bench?''

''Any bench!''

Berk put down the professors' lunch on the bench next to a thing that looked like not-quite-a-radio and chainsaw which was actually a GravMaster(tm) gravity reducer. The cup holding the Coke, having lost its will to stay right side up, tipped over. At that point, the Coke inside the cup, seeing its chance for freedom, spilled out all over the workbench, allowing electrons to see their chance for freedom and quickly escape from the radio chain saw GravMaster to the not-quite-a-tv.

Suddenly, the not-quite-a-tv felt whole again. The professor looked up. Berk looked up. The picture was some sort of message

''VISIT US FOR YOUR FREE GIFT''

followed b.y a long string of numbers.

''That looks like a star classification number'' murmured the professor. ''I'll look it up.''

Pulling out his star chart, he began rummaging through the pages.

''Should I clean up this mess?'' said Berk. The professor was too busy to notice him.

''This is it'' yelled the professor ''The fourth planet from a star named 'Poopsie'''

''Poopsie?'' asked Berk, still looking at the dripping bench.

''Back a few years ago they were allowing people to name stars after themselves for a small donation. This one was named after a cocker spaniel'' said the professor.

''You must go there! I want my free gift!'' he continued.

With that the professor and Berk walked out to his private launch pad where the professor's rocket was waiting for just this sort of thing..

Several hours later Berk was belted in to the rocket, the coordinates had been selected, the fuel had been loaded and the countdown started. Berk thought "I wonder what the professor's gift is going to be"

TO BE CONTINUED (what'd you expect)

* *Just a Little Danker* went on to be a big hit song in Germany

To hang this calender on the wall drill a hole right here

March

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Note: Crossing the international date line can cause you to lose a day!						
24/31 take your choice day	25	26 1st Quarter	27 OCSFC 7:30	28 Meeting over, go home	29	30

April

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 April Fool's day	2	3 Full Moon	4	5	6 Dye Eggs Day
7 Easter	8 cleanup egg dye day	9	10 last 1/4 OCSFC Movie	11	12	13
14	15 Another taxing day	16	17 new moon (No moon)	18	19	20
21 Jedi Knights	22 Earth Day	23 Martian Arts Day	24 OCSFC 7:30	25 1st 1/4 moon	26	27
28	29	30				

MAY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 May Day May Day	2	3Full Moon	4 May the 4th be with you
5	6	7	8 OCSFC Movie	9	10 Last 1/4	11
12	13	14	15 the ides of May	16	17 New Moon	18
19 Jedi Knights	20 Victoria Day (wowie)	21 1st 1/8 moon	22	23 1st 3/16 moon	24 BAYCON	25 BAYCON 1st 1/4 moon
26 Baycon Unnecessary day	27 Baycon Memorial day	28 Even More BayCon	29 OCSFC 7:30	30	31	32 addicted to counting day