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Business and Announcements

- Items that are changed from last time are preceded by ¶ for important business or ¶ for urgent business.
- The deadline for mailing 359 is **Thursday 30 May 2024**.
 - Send 14 copies of your zine to: **2824 Kulshan St, Bellingham, WA 98225-2345**.
 - Email a PDF of your zine to jeff.copeland@gmail.com.
 - As usual, the defacto deadline will be when mail is delivered at our house on the Saturday after the deadline. *The Southerner* will be printed and mailings will be bundled over the weekend, and taken to the post office by Tuesday morning. Email announcing the electronic mailing will be sent after the physical mailing has been dispatched.
 - Members opting for electronic-only distribution will still receive a printed copy of *The Southerner*.
- SFPA's online presence will continue to be at bywaterpress.com/sfpa. That will include our cumulative index and copies of *The Southerner*.
- Note that for security and privacy the full location for the online distribution of zines will *not* be noted in *The Southerner*, but only in email to the members announcing the departure of the mailing.
- ¶ I'll review the responses in your zines to "Proposal for a Feasibility Study," and act on next steps for the May mailing.
 - As a special bonus, in addition to SFPA mailing 10 (as reported last time), Mr Lynch has provided scans of mailings 11, 12 (March and June 1964) and 204 (July 1998). All are available online.
- This mailing's Perfectly Peripatetic Progress Award goes to Tom Feller, whose zine is post-marked March 20, with an expected arrival date of March 22, departed Nashville on March 21, arrived in Guam on the evening of March 23, arrived in Honolulu early on the morning of March 24, departed Hawaii that evening, arrived in Seattle on the evening of March 27 (with some unspecified stops in between), and meandered its way up the Puget Sound to arrive on my doorstep at lunchtime on March 28th.
- This issue's masthead is the National Radio Astronomy Observatory Very Large Array in New Mexico.

The Rules of SFPA

1. SFPA's member limit is 20. In the unlikely event that we reach that number, we will reinstitute a waitlist and reconstitute *Shadow SFPA*.
 - a. Cohabiting members may share a membership spot and mailing. Each member has a vote in the Egoboo poll and OE Election. Each member is responsible for maintaining minimum activity.
 2. Minimum activity is defined as original and personal writing in each two consecutive mailings.
 3. The copy count is *one* greater than the current count of the roster, minus the number of members who elect to skip paper mailings — that is, 14. (Please do not send extra copies of your contributions. I have no place to store them and they will just end up being recycled.)
 4. It's hard to trust stairs: they're always up to something.
 5. Dues are \$35 per year, reduced to \$10 for members opting out of the print distribution. Dues are owed by the deadline of the mailing date listed after your name in the roster. Tardiness in submitting dues may cause your mailing to take a 49-state tour on its way to your mailbox.
 - a. Dues may be paid either via PayPal to `copeland@alumni.caltech.edu`, or by check to the OE. (Note, please, that PayPal account address is different from my normal email address.)
 6. The Official Editor of the Southern Fandom Press Association is *only* the distribution agent for the contents of each mailing and as such bears no responsibility for the contents of individual contributions.
 7. Back mailings (if available) can be obtained for \$8 each by application to the Official Editor. If not needed or requested, extra copies of mailings will be recycled when the collating drawer is full.
 8. Read *The Southerner*. Or you might miss this mailings's dad joke in rule 4.
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Finances

balance prior to mailing 357:	\$200.22	
postage for mailing 357:	-97.13	
Tyvec envelopes:	-57.65	
contribution:	340.00	see below
dues:	150.00	Wells @ 10, Schlosser, McCutcheon, Plott, Jennings @35
balance prior to mailing 358:	<u>\$535.44</u>	

- ¶Mr Wells's replacement check arrived and was successfully deposited. Dues have been extended by two mailings for members getting paper distributions and one year for those opting out of print. These have been applied on the roster, overleaf. The residue of Mr Wells's gift will be kept in reserve against upcoming postage rate increases or a possible additional dues extension later in the year.
- ¶Ms Gelb will be exempt from dues going forward. Instead, she'll cover the cost of postage for her mailings directly. (And also to give her the benefit of the dues extension, the treasury will cover her postage for the January mailing. Except for that instance her postage will not show up in the regular accounting.)

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☞ denotes members who have opted out of print distribution.

✉ denotes members who are covering mailing costs directly.

Pages Owed: none. (Wells remains on the injured-reserved list.)

Dues Overdue: Strickland, weber.

Dues Owed: Dengrove, Robe.

Change of Address: weber (again).

The mailing at the end of your roster listing is the mailing *through which* your dues are current. In other words, pay your dues when you send in your zine for that mailing. See rule 5 overleaf for remittance details.

You'll find an envelope addressed to me in your mailing when your dues are due (or overdue).

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