



# Mentor

*The Newsletter of Arisia, Incorporated—Number 199—JUNE 2012*

## Notices

The next meeting of Arisia, Inc will be held on Tuesday June 26 at 7:30 pm at the NESFA clubhouse. A corporate budget and a grant proposal (both printed within) will be voted on at this meeting. The quorum for the June meeting is 9 based on 51% of the average attendance of the last three meetings (15, 19, 17).

## May 2012 Meeting Minutes

**Time and place:** Meeting called to order by Rick Kovalcik at his house at 7:47 pm on May 22, 2012.

**In attendance (17 members):** Andrea Carney, Emily Coombs, Mary Dumas, Lisa Hertel, Terry Holt (new member), Rick Kovalcik, Alex Latzko, Ben Levy, Dale Meyer-Curley, Skip Morris, Tom Murphy, James Pinkerton, Sharon Sbarsky, Nicholas Sheckman, Rachel Silber, Kris Snyder, and Tanya Washburn.

**Proxies:** Bridget Boyle to Alex Latzko, David D'Antonio to Skip Morris, Lisa Holsberg to James Pinkerton, Pete Thomas to Tom Murphy, Michael Leuchtenberg to Kris Snyder, Kim Riek to Rachel Silber, and Noel Rosenberg to Kris Snyder.

**Corrections to the minutes:** the minutes were for the April 24 meeting, not the March meeting.

**Eboard (Rick Kovalcik):** The eboard voted to lend art show equipment and staff den equipment to Chicon. We voted to lend pipe and drape to Concertino. The eboard met on May 1 and voted to recommend Lisa Hertel as con chair for Arisia 2014. *The membership voted to APPROVE Lisa's appointment 17-3.* Congratulations! Lisa is looking for suggestions for guests. Please email her privately.

**President (Rick Kovalcik):** I am still looking for someone to run the student art contest for 2013.

**Vice President:** No report.

**Treasurer (Ben Levy):** I paid the ASCAP and MPLC license for 2011 and ASCAP for 2009, which we apparently forgot to do. I purchased two copies of Robert's Rules of Order and a copy of Robert's Rules of Order In Brief. If we close the Arisia 2012 books by the end of the fiscal year and pay off the debts I am aware of, we will end the fiscal year with about the same amount of money as we started with. The audit is moving very very slowly.

**Clerk:** No report.

**A12:** No report.

**A12 Treasury (Ben Levy):** We are hoping to close the books by the end of the fiscal year.

**A13 (Rachel Silber):** There is a concom meeting on May 29 at 7:30 at the NESFA clubhouse. We are working on the budget. We had a successful div head meeting to discuss space allocation and we have a draft budget which needs a whole lot of work. I am trying to quantify what we are doing with recruiting staff and found some interesting numbers about our staff. A10 had 11.6% earned comps. A11 had 10.5% and A12 had 9.5%. To come back up to the level we were at in 2010 we would need 40 new staff, which is an awful lot. Staff here is defined as anyone who worked 12 hours or more, since those are the numbers we have. The absolute numbers are going up, but not evenly. Crystal added 30 people, but the other years added only a few. I will be at the Relaxacon and I am happy to discuss budget or things to do at the con or recruiting thoughts with anyone at any time. Merv: we're growing the con. Are we growing the number of places we need staff? Some things will need to expand and some things will stay the same. Rachel: The only data I have are the earned comps. There is no detail, and also no total number of hours worked, and no breakdown for precon or at con. Although there are areas that don't need more staff as we grow, there are also places that get more complicated [faster than the con grows]. Merv: Can you get the raw timesheet info? Rachel: The google docs aren't very accurate or complete, and also don't account for hours worked by people who didn't earn comps. Merv: What does the raw timesheet say? Rachel: It's just the total number of hours worked. Skip: Sometimes it has had what department people worked in. Kris: There's no consistent online data. Several other people make this same point.

**A14 (Lisa Hertel):** I am looking for suggestions for guests.

**Art Show Capital Equipment Committee (Tom Murphy):** I need to buy a little more wood, and a few more ratchet down straps. I may go over budget a little.

**CIC (Rick Kovalcik):** there is still stuff from 3 personal members in storage who has to get it out of there. We're working on two of those. The eboard would like it if the remaining person dealt with this by July so that we can have some space to put things together for Chicon. Merv: The door has been fixed but the signage has not been updated.

**Grant committee:** no report.

**Hotel Search (Noel Rosenberg, by email):** We have a signed overflow contract with the Renaissance Boston Waterfront hotel for 2013. I hope to have a draft of the Westin contract addendum done this evening.

**Honors Committee (Nicholas Shectman):** I am looking for contact info for the family of Tom Fish. Lisa: We should send a sympathy card to Jan Dumas.

**LRP:** No report.

**Relaxacon (Kris Snyder):** Is in a little less than 2 weeks. We have over 40 people registered. It's going to be fun. If you registered more than 24 hours ago and haven't gotten an email from me with a food survey, please let me know so we can make sure that everyone is appropriately fed. If you have questions ask me after the meeting.

**SAC: Vacant.** Please see Rick if you're interested in working on the SAC.

**Budget (Ben Levy):** I've started working on the budget for next year.

**Old business:**

A bylaws amendment has been printed in MENTOR. MSPU (Shectman, Latzko) to call the question. Bylaws amendment passes 17-1.

M to cancel the August meeting. MSPU (Dumas, Carney) to amend by replacement to hold the August meeting on August 21 at a place and time to be determined. Motion PASSES unanimously as amended.

**New business:** none.

**Announcements:**

Beth Simms aka Wrenn's ex-husband was killed in an industrial accident on Friday.

Peter O and Mary got married this weekend. Congratulations!

Fedora got a commission in Barfleet and is now the chaplain of the UBS shameless.

This last weekend was Nauticon and it was a great time.

Dan Kimmel's book Jar Jar Binks Must Die has been nominated for a Hugo.

*Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm.*

**Grant Proposal**

The Grant Committee recommends fully funding the following grant:

**Applicant Information**

Applicant name: Roscoe Free Library

Address: PO Box 339,85 Highland Ave.

Roscoe, NY 12776

Chairperson: Gwen Baldo, President

Director: Dr. Joyce Conroy, Director

Contact: Lisa Chesney, Treasurer/Trustee

Library: 607-498-5574, Contact home: 845-4394423

Mission Statement: The Roscoe Free Library exists to serve the reading and informational needs of our residents. This is accomplished through our collection and through our

membership with RCLS. Our mission is to foster a lifetime of enjoyment through reading.

Last fiscal year total income: \$64,350.00

Last fiscal year total expenses: \$64,342.02

**Project Information**

Fantasy lives in Roscoe

To enhance the Science Fiction and Fantasy section of our Library.

Project start date: June 2012

Project end date: August 2012

Number of individuals directly participating in/benefiting from this project: 2500

Amount Requested: \$500.00

Lisa Chesney, Trustee/Treasurer February 9,2012

**Proposed FY12-13 Corporate Budget**

<b>Income</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>Actual (as of June)</b>
Dues	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,339.00
Interest	\$100	\$100	\$100.22
A'13 Convention Payment	\$12,100	\$11,000	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>13,200</b>	<b>\$12,100</b>	<b>\$1,439</b>
A12 Convention Excess Proceeds		\$0	

<b>Expenses</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>Actual (as of June)</b>
Rent (\$900/ \$925) per month	\$10,950	\$10,350	\$9,600.00
Mailbox (paid through 2/2013)	\$150	\$100	\$120.00
Liability Insurance - Arisia Storage plus Convention and Relaxacon	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$798.00
Student Art Contest Prizes	\$800	\$800	\$800.00
SAC Admin, Marketing, and Mass Mailer	\$500	\$500	
Mentor - Postage and Copying	\$600	\$600	
Admin	\$200	\$200	\$65.87
Supplies	\$300	\$300	\$101.97
Domain Name (paid through 2015)	\$0	\$0	
Server Hosting	\$0	\$0	\$280.00
Credit Card/Paypal Fees	\$200	\$200	\$87.97
Contingency Fund	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$1,265.39
Summer BBQ	\$300	\$300	\$237.53
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$17,000</b>	<b>\$16,350</b>	<b>\$13,356.73</b>

## Detailed Treasurer's Report

April 30 <sup>th</sup>		Change vs last month
Even Year - A12	\$52,962.90	\$0.00
Odd Year - A13	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
<b>Reserved</b>		
2+ years expenses	\$35,496.14	\$7.73
Grant Fund	\$1,550.00	\$0.00
Grant to Operation Hammond	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
Lunacon CC Loan	\$0.00	-\$7,559.91
Capital Equipment	\$4,245.04	\$71.29
Training Fund	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Relaxacon	\$651.26	\$185.42
Voted Expenses (excludes budget)	\$0.00	\$0.00
Unspent Budget	\$3,468.40	-\$900.00
<b>Total Reserved</b>	<b>\$49,910.84</b>	<b>-\$8,195.47</b>
<b>Unallocated</b>	<b>\$13,065.20</b>	<b>-\$1,646.38</b>
<b>Total Corp Funds</b>	<b>\$62,976.04</b>	<b>-\$9,841.85</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$117,938.94</b>	<b>-\$9,841.85</b>

## Committees List

<b>Budget Committee:</b> Ben Levy (chair), Jill Eastlake, Alex Latzko, Alan McAvinney, Kim Riek, Cris Shuldiner	<b>Inventory Control Committee:</b> Rick Kovalcik (chair), Steve Huff, Tom Murphy, Lia Olsborg, Skip Morris, hobbit, Lisa Hertel
<b>Grant Committee:</b> Crystal Huff (chair), David D'Antonio, Samantha Dings, Mike Sprague	<b>IT Committee:</b> Alex Latzko (chair), Ben Levy, Skip Morris, Noel Rosenberg, Nicholas Shectman.
<b>Honors Committee:</b> Nicholas Shectman (chair), Samantha Dings, Ken London	<b>Hotel Search Committee:</b> Noel Rosenberg, Samantha Dings, Rachel Silber, Kris Snyder
<b>Student Art Contest Committee:</b> Vacant	
<b>Relaxacon Committee:</b> Abby Noyce and Kris Snyder (coheads)	<b>Long Range Planning Committee:</b> Mary Dumas (chair), Ken London

## Key List

If you do not have a key and need to get into storage, email keys@arisia.org and all keyholders will get your request.

Key	Holder	Key	Holder
1	Landlord	10	Rick Kovalcik
2	Noel Rosenberg	11	Crystal Huff
3	Skip Morris	12	MERV
4	Persis Thorndike	13	Rachel Silber
5	Dave Shevett	14	Lisa Hertel
6	Phi	15	Ben Levy
7	Dan Noe	16	Lia Olsborg
8	Michael Trachtenberg	17	Lisa Holsberg
9	Hobbit	18	Peter Olszowka

## Executive Board

<b>President</b> Rick Kovalcik 19 Chesley Rd Newton Centre, MA 02459 president@arisia.org	<b>Arisia 2012 ConChair</b> Cris Shuldiner 9 Jeremy Hill Rd Pelham, NH 03076 chair@arisia.org
<b>Vice President</b> Crystal Huff PO Box 400928 Cambridge, MA 02140 vp@arisia.org	<b>Arisia 2012 Treasurer</b> Alan McAvinney 52 Elm St Somerville, MA 02143 treasury@arisia.org
<b>Treasurer</b> Ben Levy 47 Brown St Andover, MA 01810 treasurer@arisia.org	<b>Arisia 2013 ConChair</b> Rachel Silber 59 Orient Ave Melrose, MA 02176-3222 Chair13@arisia.org
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## Membership List (as of 6/13/2012)

Aaron Agassi	Steve Huff	Karen Purcell
Debra Aldred	Rachel Kadel-Garcia	Danielle Reese
Paul Aldred	Jeanne Kahn	Kim Riek
<i>Rob Bazemore</i>	Walter Kahn	Jason Riek
Melissa Beetham	Allan Kent	<i>Mary Robison</i>
Bridget Boyle	Rick Kovalcik	Noel Rosenberg
Anna Bradley	Zanne Labonville	Sharon Sbarsky
Andrea Carney	Alex Latzko	Richard Schmeidler
Emily Coombs	Paul Letersky	Jude Shabry
<i>Brian Cooper</i>	Michael Leuchtenberg	Nicholas Shectman
Tom Coveney	Benjamin Levy	Dave Shevett
Jet Cultir	Carol London	Cris Shuldiner
Dale Curley	Ken London	Rachel Silber
David D'Antonio	Glenn MacWilliams	Kristen Snyder
Samantha Dings	Alan McAvinney	Mike Sprague
Mary Dumas	Lauren McDade	Janet Stickle
Don Eastlake	Skip Morris	Julia Suggs
Jill Eastlake	Susan Mozzicato	Pete Thomas
John Francini	Tom Murphy	Persis Thorndike
Jaime Garmendia	Dan Noe	Pat Vandenberg
Brendan Hertel	Pam Ochs	Al Walker
Lisa Hertel	Lia Olsborg	Conor Walsh
Lisa Holsberg	Peter Olszowka	Tanya Washburn
Terry Holt	Sheila Oranch	Alphonse Wright
Crystal Huff	James Pinkerton	

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## Mentor Subscription Information

Subscription to *Mentor of Arisia* is included with Corporate Membership to Arisia, Incorporated. Membership runs from September 1st to August 31st and costs \$24. Dues are pro-rated on a monthly basis for members joining during the year.

September	\$24	March	\$12
October	\$22	April	\$10
November	\$20	<b>May</b>	<b>\$08</b>
December	\$18	June	\$06
January	\$16	July	\$04
February	\$14	August	\$02

## Upcoming Events and Meetings

**July 12-15:** Readercon in Burlington, MA

**Tuesday June 26** at 7:30 pm: Corporate meeting at the NESFA clubhouse

**Sunday, July 29** at 2pm: Summer corporate meeting, followed by concom meeting and BBQ

**August 17-19:** 7Pi-Con in Enfield, CT

**Tuesday, August 21:** Corporate meeting, place TBD

**August 30-September 3:** Worldcon in Chicago, IL

**Sunday, September 9** at 2pm: Fall kickoff concom meeting at MIT building 66

**Tuesday, October 2** at 7:30pm: Concom meeting at the NESFA clubhouse

**October 5-7:** Gaylaxicon in Minneapolis, MN

**October 12-14:** Capclave in Gaithersburg, MD

**October 19-21:** Albacon in Albany, NY

**Sunday, November 4** at 2pm: Concom meeting at MIT building 66

**November 30-December 2:** Smofcon in Philadelphia, PA

**Sunday, December 9** at 3pm: Concom meeting at MIT building 66

**Sunday, January 6, 2013** at 3pm: Concom meeting at MIT building 66

**January 18-21, 2013:** ARISIA at the Westin Waterfront

**February 15-17, 2013:** Boskone at the Westin Waterfront