

Bell Labs Science Fiction Discussion Group

Club notice - 8/24/78

1. We get roughly half the membership showing up at the meetings. That is a reasonable size for a discussion group, but there are obviously a number of people who have joined whom we are not doing anything for. As a question to everyone in general but to non-participants in particular, are there other activities we could add that would be of more interest? The club is still fairly pliable and can be molded to be whatever the members want it to be.

2. Upcoming meetings:

Sept 6, rm 3H506 - RINGWORLD by Larry Niven

Sept. 20, rm 3H506 - LEFT HAND OF DARKNESS

by Ursula K. LeGuin

(LeGuin's book is currently in print and over the last week was seen on the shelves of the Walden Bookstores in both Monmouth Mall and Brunswick Square shopping Ctr.)

3. It would seem to be a good idea to plan on what books we are going to read more than four weeks in advance of the

discussion. We need a list of books that are worth reading and have some chance of being available.

If you can suggest one or more titles that might be available and worth reading, I will start looking around to see if enough copies are available.

4. The suggestion has been made that when a book is selected for a future discussion, instead of everybody running out to buy the book, we have one purchasing agent who will collect the money and then buy the proper number of copies and distribute them. The person who has volunteered for this headache is Ms. Evelyn Leeper (catchy name!) IB-532 x6334. If you wish to buy a copy of the book, get her the money ^{for} ~~mine~~ of the book by the Friday 14 days before the discussion and she will try to get you a brand spanking new copy of the book before the following Tuesday. (This assumes it is humanly possible to do so.) Unfortunately Ms. Leeper will not be around to perform said service for the two books in item 2. (shirking already!)

Evelyn will be able to get copies of LEFT HAND OF DARKNESS this weekend if people who want it get her the ~~the~~ \$2.05 (\$1.95 + 10¢ tax) by Friday, Aug 25. She will go to Walden Books either this weekend or Monday night.

5. The form below is for suggestions for books (à la item 3) or activities (à la item 1). No more complaints about Rich Ditch will be accepted.

Fill in suggestions on other side, tear along line line
and staple with my name out

Mark Leeper
IB-512