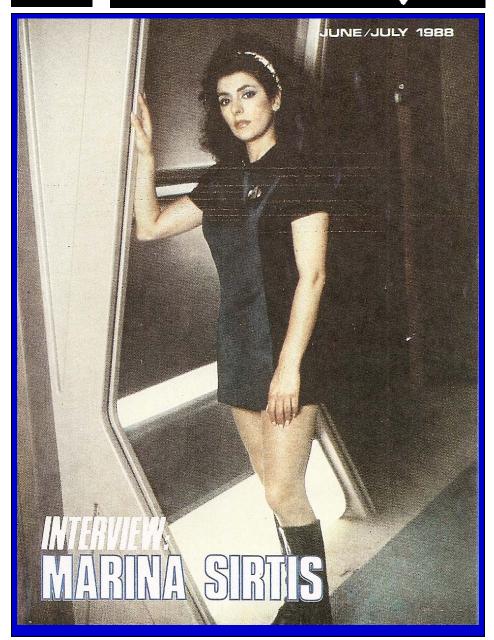


# STARFLEET COMMUNIQUÉ

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une is upon us once again and that could only mean one thing;
National Conference Time. By the time you have all received this issue, the Conference in Cleveland will have already been held. I hope all those who attended had a great time! It'; really a treat to finally place that familiar name to a face rather than a blank Communique envelope. Those of you who missed out on our annual shin-dig can check out our next issue for the full coverage of the event.

For those of you keeping score at home, you may have noticed that the printing quality used with the Communique in February wasn't just a one shot deal. It's here to stay, although we can only afford a single full-color reproduction per issue. The paper we're printing on is of a professional magazine quality stock—but like all glossy stock, it has the unfortunate tendency to stick to your fingers. (It's just so good, you can't put it down). We hope to continue increasing the quality of the Communique throughout the coming year so stay tuned and keep those submissions coming in.

Special thanks to those who make this issue possible: LCDR Brenda Bell for the Marina Sirtis interview and photographs, FCAPT Terry Wyatt and the crew of the Canadian chapter USS RESOLUTION for their Starship File report, and all of our wonderful contributors who pitched in for this issue. we couldn't have done it without you.

As I close this month's log I would like to announce that my duty as Chief of STARFLEET Communications will officially terminate in December of this year with the end of FADH Smith's first term as Commanding Admiral of STARFLEET. In the meantime, we are in the process of searching for a new Chief of Communications and are accepting resumes for the position. Samples of past work and Fleet experience in addition to the resume can be sent to me for review. Pending FADM Smith re-election for his second term, a new Chief will be chosen by the end of November and start Communique production with the February 1989 issue.

We've got a lotta stuff in this issue so let's get to it!

Admiral William ''Buck'' Kraus Chief of Communications Editor, Communique

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### FLEET ADMIRAL STEVEN L. SMITH



The STARFLEET Scholarship Fund it off to a great start this year. As of this writing we have \$450.00 in the account. The large amounts are due in part to some very hard working STARFLEET personnel. RADM Rob Lerman and the crew of the USS Defiance started the ball rolling with a \$40.00 donation and a challenge to other chapters to beat and/or exceed that amount, a kind of competition if you wish. Hell that challenge was beat. So the stakes in this competition are now higher. CAPT David Smith and the crew of the USS Encounter just sent in a check for \$300.00! To all the **STARFLEET** personnel listed above: Bravo! You have exceeded yourself above and beyond the call of duty! This is what Team <u>Work</u> is all about. So to all out other chapters out there, how about it? Can you take the challenge? Can you raise the stakes? We at Fleet Headquarters are dying to know! I think it would be a first for a fan club to award a high school senior a scholarship for pursuing interest in arts, sciences, and other areas of interest. Plus, not to mention other charities that STARFLEET, donates monies to: MDA, World wildlife fund, L-5 Space Society, Planetary Society, and Long Term Research. Let's make a name for ourselves, and make our mark known.

Many of you are probably wondering about the new, memo pads you are finding in your membership kits; The new design was drawn by Mark Schmadeke of Region six. The SFC088 in the upper left corner block stands for, **STARELEET** Communications 1988. (The SF088 in the left corner of the handbook covers stands for **STARFLEET** operations). Getting back, to the pads, some people may have noticed odd amounts, or two or three thin pads placed together; this was due to a mix-up at the printer, - new owners. Now that  ${\rm I}$  have them straightened out on the number of sheets per pad (50), future orders will be in better shape, I promise. Thanks for bearing with us.

One final note concerns STARFLEET's membership. The following crew members of the shuttle Nautilus NCC-2001/6 sold 42 STARFLEET membership kits during their involvement at Ma-Con III. We are STARFLEET HQ would like to commend these, members for their outstanding effort: CMDR Christopher Ernst, LCDR Patrick Roberts, LCDR Jonathan Crymes, LCDR Barton Alcorn, LT James Lock, LT Brian Flatley, Crewman Karen Jordan, Crewman Richard Hogan, and Crewman Lorain Bell. Again, thanks for your help.

Until next time...

Life-Saving Award Recipient 
Captain Peter J. Lutz, Surgeon General of Region 02, announced that Lieutenant Commander Thom Groomes, Communications Advisor aboard USS MENAHGA, had become the recipient of the Region O2 Surgeon General's Life-Saving Award. On March 3rd of this year, Thom had performed C.P.R. on a heart attack victim. His quick thinking and knowledge of C.P.R. helped to save the women's life. Thom was at work at the time but is not a medical professional, which goes to show that you don't have to be a doctor to perform C.P R. successfully. STARFLEET Headquarters applaud LCDR Groomes for his timely actions!

Slow Siel





Before you continue reading this "little" report, you should raise your shields, signal red alert, ready phasers, and jump to warp factor 8. What you are about to read may alarm some of you and concern the rest of you. I am Vice Admiral Timothy Dover, the new Chief of Computer Operations for STARFLEET. I took this position in March of this year and was charged with the responsibility of retyping, correcting and verifying the membership roster for the entire organization of STARFLEET, which just happens to be 3000+ members at this point. I have been in STARFLEET for a little over 6 years now and during that time I personally have had several problems with my membership materials including missed Communiques and lost membership packets.

For those of you who have been with STARFLEET long enough to remember Eric Stillwell's promise to give free memberships to those who had not received their quota of STARFLEET Newsletters, you will also remember that he dropped out of STARFLEET shortly after that leaving Fran Booth at the helm after the smoke had cleared. I cannot speak for the rest of the membership of STARFLEET, but I never did get my six issues that I was promised, or was it four? Obviously this promise is not valid now and will not be offered in the future so long as the current administration is in authority. What this all comes down to is this. The renewal dates were altered by STARFLEET's former Computer Operations Chiefs to reflect the free memberships when necessary. This practice apparently continued through several Computer Chiefs. This practice has stopped here and the contamination process will be reversed. This is why I have written this report. Thanks to our records kept by our Fleet Admiral Steve Smith, I have been able to begin correcting the mistakes and alterations made over the past several years. The transfer of records from the former Chief of Computer Operations to myself was time consuming, not to mention a bit confusing. Due to a computer malfunction, or other such problem, the records that were being kept became damaged and faulty which is why I need your help.

Now that the records have been completely reentered into the new fleet

computer, I will begin correcting the renewal dates for every member of **STARFLEET**. This simply means that there will be no renewal dates on your Communique labels for the next couple of issues. It also means that most everyone in the fleet will be loosing at least one month from the last reported date on your Communique. Some of you will loose up to 6 months. Others may gain a month or two depending on when you sent in renewal money. After going back into the week by week records that were kept by Steve, I found many inconsistencies between the computer records and the written ones. I also calculated the amounts being paid by STARFLEET to fund those people who were getting free Communiques. The amount was staggering. It was between \$250.00 and \$300.00 PER MONTH! The colorful metaphors that Steve exclaimed when I told him this are almost too colorful for this family oriented newsletter. Some examples, however, include "Darn!" and "Well...shoot.". It was at that point that I was given that additional task of updating all of the membership addresses also. This is what I need from all of you STARFLEET members to complete this task. Look at the address label on this issue of the Communique very carefully. If there are  $\underline{\text{ANY}}$  items on there that need to be corrected, send a photocopy of the label with the areas circled that need corrections, then write the corrections in, but not over the old information. Send the copy to this office and all corrections will be entered within 10 days of receipt. This also hold true for Chapter mailing addresses as that list is also handled through this office. If all of the corrections you specify are not in some way reflected in your mailing label by two issues after you mailed in the corrections, you must contact this office ASAP.

In conclusion, just let me say that I feel terrible about having to change your scheduled renewal dates but in the end, this revolution in the Computer Operations Department will return a consistency to STARFLEET that has not been present in many years Expect to see the renewal dates back on the mailing labels by October, if not sooner. If you know a STARFLEET member who is having problems getting anything from STARFLEET, please let me know. I have made it a point to get this list as accurate as humanly possible, and keep it that way. I thank you in advance for all of your cooperation. The revolution has begun my friends, may the wind be at our backs!



### PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION 1988

If you are one of the command level folks who receive the Command Division news bulletin "General Orders", you know about the up coming STARFLEET annual election for president! We are now taking nominations for candidates for STARFLEET president. As a reminder, ANY STARFLEET member age 21 or over and with five or more nominations is eligible to run for president. Nominations may ONLY come from any of the following personnel: A Chapter Chairperson, a Regional Coordinator, a Sector Chief, or a member of the Executive Committee. Each of these people may cast only one nomination. Nominations will be accepted until August 15th, They should be sent to: STARFLEET Elections, 2387 Richmond Rd., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221–3755. Due to ADM Bill Krause's schedule at school, ADM Chris Smith will be handling the nominations. An independent accounting firm will be tabulating the actual election. For further information, consult your chapter or region CO.

## Department of Graphic Design Opens

STARFLEET Headquarters would like to announce the re—opening of yet another service department: The STARFLEET DEPARTMENT OF GRAPHIC DESIGN, Under the directorship of Captain Richard Alvey of the USS CONSTELLATION II, the department offers quality and affordable graphics for STARFLEET personnel and chapters. Services include the design of ship insignia, stationery, membership materials such as certificates and membership cards, newsletter printing and typesetting. write for a complete list of services and current prices c/o STARFLEET DEPARTMENT OF GRAPHIC DESIGN, 3131 Delaware Street, Paducah, KY 42001-58BO. Be sure to include a SASE.



## **RADM Alex Rosenzweig**

OFFICE OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION

The STARFLEET OFFICE OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION now has on file a wide selection of starship line drawings available to all STARFLEET personnel, These technical drawings, done as pages from the Federation Reference Series, include the top and sides views of these following classes: SALADIN, PTOLEMY, LAGRANGE, LARSON, LOKNAR, BAKER, DURRETT, ANTON, CHANDLEV, TICONDEROGA, NELSON, THARAN, GAGARIN, RENNER, PLEIAOES, BALCLUTHA, HORIZON, CONSTITUTION, BONHOMME RICHARD, ENDEAVOR, CONSITITUION (up rated), TIKOPAT, SURYA, SHERMAN, IANAR, K'T'ORR, Gorn 3–ZB Battle cruiser. and the Romulan Bird of Prey. Side views only are available for: APACHE, CAHUVA, PALOMAR, CORONARDO, POMPEY, COVENTRY, DESTROYAT, an unapproved heavy cruiser redesign proposal, and the K—type Deep Space Station. Cost remains 15 cents per view, and the quality is even better than ever. Check them out! Please make check or money orders out to: Alex Rosenzweig and include a SASE to; OFFICE OF TECHNICAL INFORMATION, 980 Linwood Place, North Brunswick, NJ 08902-2267.



## FLEET REPORT

### STARFLEET OPERATIONS

ADM BRYAN ACKERMAN - CHIEF OF OPERATIONS

REGION 01 — COMM LINDA NEIGHBORS, ACTING FLEET COMMANDER (reports taken from COMM Neighbor's "Regional Memo" dated 8803.06 and individual chapter reports where available)

FLAGSHIP USS ALARIC, NCC-503 (DII) (Burnsville, NC)

Working on displays for STELLARCON. Plan to participate in March of Dimes Walk—a-thon. Asheville members to participate in PBS Festival for fund raising. Shuttle North Star progressing towards starship status as USS Bonaventure.

USS CONSTELLATION II, NCC-1728 (HCII) (Paducah, KY)

Setting up a display at local mall in April for recruiting. Shuttles in full swing with new shuttles preparing for launch. Chapter planning celebration for 2nd anniversary March 21. Planning to attend several conventions with some crew members hoping to attend SUPERMAN EXPO in Cleveland.

USS ENDEAVOR, NCC-1716 (HCII) (Garner, NC)

Crew published excellent issue of newsletter, ENGAGE. Had several visitors at Feb. meeting who expressed interest in joining chapter as well as several new members in attendance. Held Executive Board meeting and board members were announced. Membership drive in full swing. First fund raiser will be kicked off soon. Work on chapter membership handbook and packet underway. Ten new members.

USS HEIMDAL, MCC-1793 (HCII) (Madison Heights, VA)

Had guest speaker at Feb. meeting, Pam Early, former NASA employee director of area Young Astronaut Program, and one of 12 NASA civilian public relations representatives nationwide. She spoke of the future of our space program and the proposed 17-20 year hence manned Mars landing mission. Ms. Early presented a 30 min. NASA released film that entertained all.

USS HORNET, NCC-1714 (HCII) (Charlotte, NC)

Planning anniversary party in May. Will participate in PBS Festival in Chapel Hill, NC March 5. Continue doing readings for the blind on audio tape and Will read "The Naked Now" at next meeting. Member Galen Johnson has new book out, "History of Star Trek Comics." Have sent in application for Rookie Chapter of the Year.

USS JAMESTOHN, NCC-1843 (HCII) (Newport News, VA)

The local meeting of the Jamestown took place March 20. After a short business meeting we opened the floor to our special guest, writer and author Marsha Bartusiak. Ms. Bartusiak is one of the regional finalists in the "Journalist In Space" program! She has a book coming out in paperback titled "Thursday's Universe". After her talk, crewmember and NASA Visitor Center exhibits director Ray. Goodman narrated a videotape

about the CHALLENGER crew and the other "Teachers in Space" going through various testing phases. A recruiting display was set up at the Richmond Creation Con, and at least three Jamestown crew members (including RADM Thomas) will be at the SUPERMAN EXPO. The "Trek-a-thon" is still shooting for August.

USS JOHN B. MCXAY, NCC-653 (SSII) {Blacksburg, VA)

Crew most actively working on putting together TECHNICON V, which they are sponsoring. Holding regular meetings. Attempting fund raiser to help sponsor FLEET SUITE at TECHNICON working on next issue of newsletter. Scouting local charities for adoption. Exec staff attempting correspondence will all Region 1 chapters. Establishing campus-wide petition for Challenger/Star Trek postage stamps. Ship patches, ID badges etc. in works. Chapter sponsoring campus—wide SF/fantasy zine POLYTECH. Putting together ship scrapbook.

USS LAGRANGE, NCC-3916 (TII) (Cuyahoga Falls, OH)

(material taken from February report as report for March/April was received late by COMM Neighbors)

Many ship's officers still working feverishly on the SUPERMAN EXPO and the Starfleet National Conference. Quartermaster Department has materials and seamstress for most any Trek costume. Local newspaper columnist to run a bit of Lagrange humor and will give the chapter a plug. Held Active Officers meeting. This was for planning, distribution of duties, Promotion Review, etc, and was very successful.

USS MAAT, NCC-1794 (HCII) (Virginia Beach, VA)

Held first Promotion Review Board meeting. Awarded promotion certificates and rank pins at Feb. meeting. Will set up table at local flea market as fund raiser. Crew manual and T-shirt now available. Will be working with ATLANTICON in September and plan to attend Creation Con in Richmond. VA in March.

USS PATHFINDER, NCC-2121 (DNII) (Roanoke, VA)

Chapter handbook completed. Are working on TECHNICON with USS McKay and Batron 11. Will participate in March of Dimes Walk-a-thon. Planning on entering local raft race. Will be speaking to local Boy & Girl Scout troops. Captain Atkins has been appointed SUPERMAN EXPO/National Conference Fleet Liaison. Pathfinder Shuttlecraft Lonestar recently commissioned as USS Lonestar, NCC-1601, in Region 03. Congratulations.

USS POLARIS, NCC-1839 (HCII) (Hamilton, OH)

Switch chapter checking account to a new bank. Up-dated issue of chapter handbook available. Crew members to attend STARBASE INDY in March. A new Chief Science Officer was appointed. Reports no difficulties.

USS PULSAR, NCC-3941 (TII) (Cleveland Heights, OH)

Holding regular meetings. Planning to participate in EARTHCON. Attempting Photo Contest entry with major company donating prize money. Attended meeting with USS Essex, a gaming Trek organization. Hoping to have CPR classes.

USS VINDICATOR, NCC-1984 (HCIT) (Fort Wayne, IN)

Due to a death in Captain Gill's family, the planned VINDICON was cancelled. Regular meetings are in progress as they attempt to get things going again after Captain Gill's loss.

USS XANTHII, NCC-1743 (HCI!) (Terre Haute, IN)

Working on recruiting drive. Raffling off wicker hamper set as fund raiser. Planning to attend STARBASE INDY. working on TerraCon. Updating technical manual. Helping Star Trek Stamp Committee. Review

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Board procedures discussed.

USS YEAGER, NCC-1893 (HFII) (Bluefield, WV)

Having regular meetings. Crew continues to work with Batron 11 on TECHNICON and their main energies are channeled in that direction. Second issue of the newsletter is out and is excellent. Yeager and Pathfinder will be working with Beckley, WV radio station on radio parody of the Star Trek movies. Crew handbook is almost ready for distribution.

REGION 02 - COMHODORE SHERRY BOWEN, FLEET COMMANDER

(Starfleet Operations extends a warm welcome to Commodore Bowen as she assumes the Region 2 "center seat", and thanks to outgoing coordinator Linda Taylor. Congratulations and good luck, Sherry! Reports taken from COMM Bowen's monthly report dated 8804.03)

USS COLUMBIA, NCC-621 (SII) (Cocoa, FL)

Commanding Officer and crew attended Magnum Opus Con III in March

USS ENCOUNTER. NCC-2164 (DNII) (Fort Lauderdale, FL)

Membership now up to almost 75 members, Many members working on VULCAN. A ship's T—shirt is now available (They are gorgeous). Final draft of the regional Marine Detachment regulations will be presented at VULCAN for the CO's approval. Final draft of the dreadnought designs, worked out in conjunction with Star Trek designer Andy Probert, just finished. Shuttle Dionysus almost ready to petition for starship status. New newsletter just released.

USS FEDERATION, NCC-2100 (DNII) (Clearwater, FL)

Will be actively manning the Starfleet recruiting table at VULCAN. They have drafted a cadet training program, for younger members, to be presented at the regional meeting. Many fund raising projects have been approved. However, the most important activity this month was their 1st birthday celebration! Congratulations! Shuttle Nighthawk busy making banner for color parade at VULCAN. Shuttle Galactica is in final process of petitioning for starship status in Region 01. They will be a definite asset to that region and we are sad to see them go

USS INGRAM, NCC-2001 (SCS) (Columbus, GA)

A very busy month as host chapter for Magnum Opus Con III. Several members provided accommodations for visiting Starfleet members. Planning a joint Nautilus/Valiant organizational meeting. will attend VULCAN. Shuttle Hypatia had a car wash and was able to raise \$60 so members could attend MOC III. They threw a party, along with Nautilus, for Starfleet members. Shuttle Nautilus participated actively at MOC III. Devised new promotion system for members. Will attend VULCAN. This exceptional group submitted the article recently published in the Communique for the national computer-based Echomail system. Shuttle Nightwing also busy getting ready for VULCAN. CO recently interviewed for publicity for VULCAN.

USS MENAGHA, NCC-3100 (DII) (W. Springs, FL)

Starfleet Operations extends a warm welcome to Captain Richard Jolitz and the recently commissioned Menagha, formerly the shuttle Eagle attached to USS Phoenix. Congratulations, and smooth sailing!

USS PAEGAN, NCC~I755 (HCII) (Winter Garden, FL)

Recently celebrated its 5th anniversary! Busy working on community service project collecting food for local animal shelter. They also recently adopted a Florida manatee. Planning war games between Starfleet

and Klingon Command for April. will submit final draft of region awards at  ${\tt VULCAN}$ .

USS PHOENIX, NCC-625 (SII) Orlando, FL)

Started regional Starfleet Blood Bank account. COMM Bowen is very grateful for their support and blood donations during her father's surgery. This active group holds bi-monthly meetings. Several projects including working with the Turtle Hatch Association and visiting the Orlando Science Center are in the offing

USS VALIANT II, NCC-1731 (HCII) (Bonaire, GA)

(Captain Robin Campbell in temporary command). Reorganization underway. will participate in Joint Valiant/Alliance command meeting in April.

REGION 03- CAPTAIN BEVERLY MARTIN, ACTING FLEET COMMANDER (Starfleet Operations wishes to thank Captain Martin for stepping in as Acting Region Coordinator, and extends best wishes to outgoing coordinator Chris Meinsen. Reports taken from individual chapter and shuttle reports.)

USS CONFEDERATION, NCC-2114 (DNII) (Corpus Christi, TX)

Shuttle Judith Resnik is hoping to petition for starship status by the end of March, where they will be commissioned the USS Andromeda. The crew is eagerly awaiting the Corpus Christi convention in May. Shuttle Lafayette held its first monthly meeting February 12. They discussed the direction their future will take, OTS, recruiting and ship manning. They concluded with a trivia game and watched several of the animated episodes.

USS LONESTAR, NCC-I601 (HCII) (Garland, TX)

Starfleet Operations extends a warm welcome to Captain Annette Myjak and the USS Lonestar, formerly the Shuttle Lonestar attached to Region O1's USS Pathfinder. Welcome!

REGION 04 - REAR ADMIRAL PAMELA DUPUY, FLEET COMMANDER (Reports taken from RADM Dupuy's "Starbase Static" dated 8804.01)

FLAGSHIP USS ACHERNAR, NCC-1732 (HCII) (Van Nuys, CA)

Internal problems between old department heads and policies regarding new ones to replace them was hashed out to everyone's satisfaction after the monthly meeting. Usual crew business and information was handled with characteristic efficiency during the meeting. A trip to Starbase Disneyland was conducted the next day with several members in attendance.

USS DEFIANCE, NCC-1717 (HCII) (Sacramento, CA)

Had several guests at this meeting, RADM Jack Fields came down and we had members from the USS Saratoga, USS Gallant and several Visitors from Southern California, the San Fernando Valley who I referred to RADM T'Pam, since they might be interested informing a shuttle. The White Tribble Sale is on May 21 and the annual picnic/shore leave will be held at same time. The Starfleet Western Conference will be at TimeCon 88. Last, but no least, our crew will be participating in PBS Channel 6 Pledge Drive doing all sorts of jobs. We'll be doing phones and orientation.

USS ENDURANCE, NCC-I862 (HFII) (Richmond, CA) Several new crewmembers have signed aboard, and improvements to the

ship's organizational structure are being given priority. At a recent convention, a framed certificate was presented to guest Marina Sirtis, making her our first honorary crewmember. The crew is anxiously waiting the release of the ST;TNG toy line and model kits. Many new projects are currently being considered and discussed by the crew and myself, and a general plan to become more active, both in our own activities and in Starfleet matters.

USS GALLANT, NCC-1869 (HFII) (Kingsburg, CA)

A sudden large influx of new members has breathed new life into the Gallant membership. Business discussed : a nature hike/landing party excursion to be held in April, TimeCon 88 in July, and a local sci-fi con to be held in our area in August. For this month's activity, we played 2 sci-fi board games — Cosmic Encounter and Gamarauders.

USS VIGILANT, NCC-1865 (HFII) (San Francisco, CA)

The March senior Officer's Business Meeting was held at the "Front Room Restaurant" in San Francisco. The March social was at the California Academy of Sciences. We saw the Charles Bonesell space exhibit and went to a planetarium show. April's social will be to the Monterey Bay Aquarium to see the special whale exhibit.

REGION 05 — COMHODORE THOMAS C. DAVIS, FLEET COMMANDER (Reports taken from individual chapter reports provided by COMM Davis)

USS CALYPSO, NCC-1891 (HFII) (Spokane, VA) Starfleet Operations extends a warm welcome and best wishes to Captain Daniel Fears and the crew of the newly commissioned USS Calypso. Congratulations!

USS MERRIMAC, NCC-1715-A (HCII) (Mountlake Terrace, HA)

February was the anniversary of our second year as a chapter and we had a birthday party for everyone attending. The meeting was taped for nostalgia and then we retired to Pizza and Pipes for our monthly feed. We brought in 20 new members this month and our bank account has grown because of this. We are now a non-profit organization with the State of Washington. We are gearing up for Norwescon

USS PENDRAGON, NCC-2005 (SCS) (Seattle, WA)

(Starfleet Operations welcomes Captain Kate Gale and the crew of the Pendragon! Safe travels!)

Activities scheduled for the months of February: Game Night and many a discussion centered around Starfleet, the Academy. Ship/Shuttle status and the development of persona:

-just a note from  ${\tt Ops}$  : this chapter had forty-three members when commissioned as a starship. Great going!

USS SARATOGA, NCC>1724 (HCII) (Black Diamond, WA)

Now that Rustycon 5 is over we are at Red Alert again before we even get home. Norwescon 10 is here and we are going to give it our fighting pest We will have the new boarding pass by the con. I will also have the layout for the new patch to be displayed. Also we will have the new Membership Handbook on hand for examination. The Saratoga is putting on a Laser Tag game in competition with the other regional ships after the con. I will soon be asking all to join us at the Southcenter Blood Bank in Seattle for a donation drive. We will start thinking about a camping trip for the summer, and a baseball team.

REGION 06 - COMMODORE MARK SCHMADEKE, FLEET COMMANDER (Reports taken from individual chapter reports)

USS CZAR'AK, NCC-1798-A (MCII) (Minneapolis, MN)

Monthly Board meeting was held on February 26th and the general ship meeting on March 5. The highlight was a surprise wedding shower for crewmember Wendy Culler and a birthday party for Captain Anderson. Our Brainerd shuttle group has invited us to a part of a video with them, and we have enthusiastically accepted

USS STAR LEGION, NCC-1889 (HFII) (Ottumwa, IA) Starfleet Operations extends a warm welcome to Captain Terry Burtlow and the crew of the USS Star Legion, formerly the shuttle Star Legion attached to the USS Exeter.

REGION 07 - REAR ADMIRAL ALEX ROSENZUEIG, FLEET COMMANDER (Reports taken from RADN Rosenzweig's monthly report dated 8803.11)

FLAGSHIP USS AVENGER, NCC-1860 (HFII) (N. Brunswick, NJ)
Crew complement is 142. Expected drop-offs began this month, with the commissioning of Tai Shan. Shuttles Talisman, Norzan and Artemis are doing well. In operations and engineering, new issues of section newsletters were released as part of efforts to rebuild the sections.

USS ARCTURUS, NCC-1803 (HCII) (Hicksville, NY) Captain Johnson sent in copies of two issues of their newsletter. It is a well done piece of work. The Arcturus has also sent in its materials for the Chapter of the Year competition

USS ARGON II, NCC-1636 (HCII) (Edgewood, MD) Argon II has released another issue of "Queen to King's Level One". Communications have been established with the starships USS Alaric and USS N'Dele. The crew is planning to attend Clipper Con on 8803.18-.20 The shuttle Valiant reports a quiet month

USS CHRISTA MCAULIFFE, NCC-860 (SSII) (Pawtucket, RI) Crew complement is at 60. The main activity was the monthly meeting on 8802.20 The new episode of ST TNG was watched and upcoming activities including a whale watch, conventions and plans to meet on the battleship Massachusetts were discussed. 11 persons confirmed for the National Conference. The Challenger Stamp Project is proceeding well, and several more petitions were received. McAuliffe Shuttle Alan Shepard preparing to apply for starship status

USS KONKORDIUM, NCC-2106 (DNII) (Fairfield, CT) Crew complement at 50. Security and operations both had meetings. A command staff meeting was held on 8802.21 and all personnel were reviewed for promotion. Promotions were issued to 8 members. Plans were also discussed for the New Haven convention. A new issue of "Noted and Logged" is in production and is expected out by the end of 8803.

USS POTEMKIN, NCC-1711 (HCII) (Arnold, PA) (Starfleet Operations extends congratulations to Willard Speck, who was promoted to Captain and appointed as Commanding Officer of the Potemkin. Congratulations!)
The Potemkin is continuing to reorganize, as well as running as re-

cruiting drive. The ship is finalizing its new membership handbook. A

monthly meeting was held on 8802.20, and a number of topics were discussed, including: the projects top recycle aluminum cans and glass, fund-raising, the decision to Join the Planetary Society as a group, and the Potemkin Awards Banquet.

USS SALADIN, NCC-500 (DII) (Agawam, MA)

After a few months of radio silence, the Saladin is back! Regular meetings are being held, and two conventions, one in New York and one in Boston, were attended. Projects include chapter pens, patches and ID's

USS TAI SHAN, NCC-2524 (DNII) (New York, NY)

Starfleet Operations extends a warm welcome to Captain Ronald Blackman and the crew of the USS Tai Shan, formerly the shuttle Tai Shan attached to the USS Avenger. Good Luck!

REGION 10 - COMMODORE TRINA ANDERSON, FLEET COMMANDER (Reports taken from individual ship reports)

FLAGSHIP USS SOL, NCC-1733 (HCII) (Fairbanks, AK)

The Sol had a short meeting in March, as not much business was necessary. The new membership handbook for the ship's members will be ready and mailed out by the end of the month. The Sol will be celebrating the completion of its first five year mission this August. Special events are being planned. The two shuttles are busy and active planning events of their own.

USS RESOLUTION, NCC- 1877 (HFII) (Victoria, BC)

Did very well at the Open House in Nanaimo. Over 160 people attended and so far 10 new members have been recruited. The mall management has already approached us to do another one. We've decided on a date in November. The Resolution is doing all the security at Paccon III, Victoria's big gaming con. Ne will also be having a table at the con, hoping to attract some more local members. Crew complement: 188!

REGION XI - COMMODORE JENNIFER YATES, FLEET COMMANDER (Reports taken from COMM Yates status report dated 8803.15

FLAGSHIP USS SOUTHERN CROSS, NCC-1886 (HFII) (Queenscliff)

The past month's activities centered on publications such as the First Contact Handbook, Scuttlebutt and the XI newsletter. Southern Cross also made the final touches to their presentation of Starfleet Chapter of the Year 1987 during February. Future activities will include a general crew meeting, BAA lecture on Space Effects in the Film Industry and Ship's Birthday party. They also report a new training program in Astronomy and reprints of the Field Equipment Handbooks and know Your Space Handbooks.

USS N'DELE, NCC-1758 (HCII) (Rostrevor)

N'Dele reports a very busy February with a display and recruiting drive at Starbase BB at the Sastrek convention. A viewing of ST:TNG was undertaken as well as a briefing on the current mission of the ship. Future activities include: Theater attendance, a possible tour of the Physics Laboratory at Adelaide University, a Botanical gardens picnic and attendance at Star Base BB - Part Two, which will be a live-in con in June. Plans are also underway for a wide-ranging set of activities ranging from camp—outs at an observatory through to visits to plays and films of interest.

REGION XII - REAR ADMIRAL ERIC GAY, FLEET COMMANDER (Reports taken from individual ship reports)

FLAGSHIP USS INDEPENDENCE, NCC-1655 (HCII) (Oklahoma City, OK)

12 Independence continues to assist RADM Gay in the revitalization of the

12th Fleet.

USS DISCOVERY,NCC-1308 (HCII) (Maryland Heights, MD) (Starfleet Operations congratulates Jay Schimel on passing the OTS program, and his subsequent promotion to Captain and assignment as Commanding Officer, USS Discovery. Congratulations!) Ship's library now getting book donations, crew database almost ready. Communications reports May newsletter under production. Membership packets will be ready for the April meeting and patch design contest underway. Will have landing party with USS Horizon on 8805.14 -scouting area, and will have weekend camping in Columbia in August or September. About 75 flyers were distributed at Creation Con. Things have never looked better for Discovery.

USS HORIZON, NCC-1000-A (HCII) (Columbia, MO) All departments are doing fine. Hundreds of flyers were passed out at the St Louis Creation Con March I9 and 20 with the USS Discovery. The 8805.14 Joint venture with Discovery will include at least Laser Tag trivia competition and Survey Patrols.

USS JUPITER, NCC-1734-A (HCII) (Springfield, MO) Starfleet Operations welcomes newly appointed Captain Rick Haynes as he assumes the center seat of Jupiter, and thanks outgoing CO and LONGTIME Starfleet member/administrator RADM Lee Schmidt for years of diligent service. Smooth Sailing, Lee!

USS SALLY RIDE, NCC-643 (SSII) (Cape Girardeau, MO) Starfleet Operations extends a warm welcome to Captain Robin lynch and the crew of the newly commissioned USS Sally Ride! Best of luck, and safe travels!

USS YORKTOWN, NCC-1704 (HCII) (Oklahoma City, OK) Starfleet Operations welcomes newly appointed Captain Ann Miller as she assumes the center seat of Yorktown. She's a fine ship, Captain Miller, steer her well!

REGION XIV - ADMIRAL JOHN SUPRANOVICH, FLEET COMMANDER (Report taken from kasimar's "Main Phaser" Vol 5 Iss. I)

FLAGSHIP USS KASIMAR, NCC-1784 (HCII) (Bangor, ME)
Some members of the Kasimar helped the Cerebral Palsy Center and Telethon

Some members of the Kasimar helped the Cerebral Palsy Center and Telethon this year. Five members were on the VIP panel on January 24th. \$697.00 was raised by Kasimar crewmembers for Northeast COMBAT, a consumer organization.

REGION XVII - REAR ADMIRAL KAREN EMERSON, FLEET COMMANDER (Report taken from Southwest Sector Chief's report of 8803.21)

FLAGSHIP USS CARSON, NCC-592 (SII) (Reno, NV)

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The Carson is still carrying on its joint participation with the USS Aurora Vulcanus in the "Corbin Mission" which we anticipate wrapping up within the next couple of months, A very good participation record exists for the ship overall.

USS ALIOTH, NCC-1828 (HCII) (OREM, UT)

The Alioth continues its heavy involvement in community service projects by helping the local PBS station with its fund raising project originally to assist on a liver transplant for an infant, but now the funds will be set aside for another worthy project since the transplant has been taken care of. They have also submitted a letter and copies of their newsletter to be considered for "Rookie Chapter of the Year".

USS AURORA VULCANUS, NCC-1888 (HFII) (Center, CO)

The Carson and Aurora Vulcanus will be winding up their current "Corbin Mission" within the next couple of months. The ship's newszine KOLINAHR, is being published quarterly, and the newsletter HAILING FREOUENCIES is being changed from bi-monthly to monthly schedule.

USS KITTY HAWK, NCC-1754 (HCII) (Northglenn, CO) Ship's newsletter is being produced, as responsibility for portions of the newsletter has been returned to the three principal divisions Engineering, Science and Medical.

Well, that's it (finally!) I am VERY pleased with the tremendous level of activity evident in the fleet. There are some extraordinary people doing some extraordinary things in this organization. A few notes:

- a) Ships of the Trek III Excelsior class are now being accepted for shuttles wishing to have starships of that class. The ship classification is "SCS" and the names and blueprints are being taken from Starstation Aurora's Ingram Class Space Control Ship Blueprints. Two Starfleet chapters currently have this classification: Region 02's USS Ingram (NCC-2001) and Region 05's USS Pendragon (NCC-2005).
- b) In response to some of the complaints received by this office regarding the exactly 4017 words (approx. 11 typed pages) which is about all the room I have. As a general rule, those chapters that send a copy of their reports directly to me have the most written about them, since their reports are the detailed. Therefore, if you are unhappy with the amount of coverage your chapter is getting, have your commanding officer send a copy of their report to the office of the Chief of Operations. Also, according to Commander Michael Deignan, the soon—to-be reborn Combined Fleet Status Report will devote approximately one half a typewritten page to each chapter. So. watch for it.



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## **Program News**

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The Computer Education Program has unveiled plans For it's "bit"-monthly newsletter, "The Parallel Interface". For more information, see the advertisement in this issue of the Communique.

The Post Graduate School wishes to apologize for it's recent delays. Eric Johnson, the new director, asks for continued patience as he reorganizes the program. He promises to have the PGS running smoothly, and with the help of Jack Fields, the West Coast director, the PGS should be running smoothly again in no time at all.

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# STARSHIP FILE

# **USS RESOLUTION**

CHAPTER PROFILE SERIES No. 14

NCC-1877

REGION: 10





HEAVY FRIGATE

A hearty hello to all <u>STARFLEET</u> members from the crew of the USS Resolution NCC-1877. Well to start, the Resolution had its beginnings way back at Norwescon 8 (March 85), when the founding member, Terry Wyatt, Joined the USS Kestral; then under the command of ADM Elizabeth Rose, ,..oh and by the way, I am LCDR Paul Reid, the Resolution's Executive Officer.

Latter that year came the Resolution;s first big event, Alternate Realities Day I, a mini-con involving several other local S.F. oriented clubs. After a lot of work, in September 1985, the Shuttle Resolution became the Starship USS Resolution. In December, the USS Resolution raised \$150 for Santa's Anonymous (A local charity for underprivileged families). At the same time the first issue of the Resolution's zine, <u>Atavachron</u> was published.

1986 was a normal year, what with going to conventions, participating in the Terry Fox Run (canadian Cancer Society) raising \$580, and raising over \$350 for Santa's Anonymous.



1987 marked several milestones for the USS Resolution. In February 1987, the USS Resolution gained its 50th member. After several very successful conventions (Including V-Con for which the Resolution organized the ST Media programing), the USS Resolution gained its 100th member (July 1987). On the Fund raising front, the Resolution raised \$200 for Rick Hansen's Man in Motion Tour for special cord research. In September, the Resolution raised \$1200 in

the Terry Fox Run (Cancer Society, again) this total was slightly more than 10% of the total raised in the entire city. Again, at Christmas time, the Resolution raised money for Santa's Anonymous.

In February 1988, the Resolution (at the suggestion of LCDR Lazarus (the ship's resident Born), the Captain decided that giving blood once every 3 months would not be such a bad idea. In issue 25 of Starfleet's <u>Communique</u> the USS Resolution places third in the bi-monthly category of the 1987 newsletter contest.

Well, what more can I say? The USS Resolution is approaching its 3rd anniversary of its commissioning, and we are still growing. (over 180 members and 14 shuttles operating or in the planning stages as of April 1988). Our meetings are held ONCE a week, alternating between regular and gaming meetings. The ship continues its extensive community involvement, demonstrating here in our home city the principles exemplified by <a href="Star Trek">Star Trek</a> and, Internally, we actively promote creative expression within the club membership in our zine and elsewhere.

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MD: Who wouldn't recognize me if they'd come across me on the street? (many hands raised). Oh — as many as that, huh? So, who likes me better like this (mundane)? (Wild cheers). Who thinks you would like to talk to the producers (of ST:TNG)? That's an hour I don't have to get my hair done, which would be greatly appreciated. Especially by my hairdresser, who gets in even before me, you know, to set up the bun. Actually, it's real funny, Denise Crosby calls me "Bun-Head". (Laughter). I won't tell you what I call her... (Laughter), all I can say is - "Do you get fries with that shake?" (Laughter). (The other thing I have to say is, when I popped into the LA convention - just after the show went on the air — and somebody came up to me and said, "You know, we really didn't want to like your show, but we love it." And I think that is the reaction a lot of STAR TREK fans had — that they were very happy with the original show, and who the hell did we think we were, trying to take its place? (Laughter)... Well, we don't want to take anybody's place, you know, and nobody's supposed to be anybody else from the original show. As far as we're concerned, as far as Gene (Roddenberry) is concerned, we're just continuing the legend And that legend can go on for ever and ever. I mean, maybe in twenty years time, there will be a "Next Next" Generation, so be loyal to us, please, as you have been to the original show, and we really, really appreciate you guys watching.

I'm amazed that the show is on eight o'clock Sunday nights in New York. I saw the competition that its up against. Do we do well here? (Resounding "YES!!!") Because in Los Angeles, there's nothing else on at the same time but our show. We're on five o'clock in the afternoon on a Sunday. Eight o'clock on a Sunday night is Prime-Time viewing, and that just goes to show what a great show we've got)> Okay, so now - Questions and Answers.

### Q: You've got an accent on the show. Where does that accent come from?

MS: I'm not going to tell you. (Groans.) Okay, I'll tell you. What happened was, they said "we don't want you to have your British accent, because Pat is British," and they didn't want two Brits on the bridge. SO they said, "Go away and work on an accent." And I said, "Where's it got to come from" "Betazed" (Laughter) what I did is worked on an accent that is a mixture of three accents - and I'm not going to tell you what they are.

### Q: Do you prefer to wear the long thing, or the short dress?

MS: Do I prefer to wear my spacesuit or the mini dress. I tell you what happened after the mini dress; it's actually called a "scant", and you'll notice boys wear them, too. Anyway, when we were shooting the pilot, somebody described the way I looked as "a cosmic cheerleader" so they tried to design me a different outfit, and so they came up with the ugly grey jumpsuit. It's really uncomfortable. It's really, really tight, and I wear a corset underneath so it doesn't wrinkle so, I spend a lot of time in agony. Next season, I want them to make it out of something I can move in.

### Q: And sit in.

MS: And sit in. You noticed. which is why I'm not one of the "action" people, because I can't run in it. Also, there are four-and—a—half heels, and I still the shortest one on the set. Next question.

Q: Before STAR TREK: THE NEXT GENERATION came out, it got a lot of criticism. People thought it wasn't going to be popular. I remember reading in some magazines that the thing that made the original series so popular was the cast interaction?

MS: I think we got one of the best acting casts on television today. And I think that Patrick Stewart is probably <u>the</u> best actor on American television. (Applause). And you know, at the end of the day, acting is what it's all about, and everybody did five, six auditions, and we were auditioning against every out-of-work actor in Hollywood. So they ended up with I think the best team of actors they could possibly gave got.

0: What about the script — and where do you go every other episode? (Laughter).

MS; You noticed, huh? (Laughter.) You miss me?

### Q: Yes.

MS: Tell me. Do me a favor, New York. when you don't see me in an episode on Sunday night, on Monday morning, phone. Phone. Say, "where's Troi?" it is tough, because sometimes I have to take a week off, and I don't like that, and I want to be in every show. So next season, let's see if we can't do something about that. Now, the other question was about the script - and basically, yes, I'm happy with them - and getting happier, because, I've finally started to do my job , which is not just empathy, you know. They've finally, I think they're coming around to, you know, being able to write me. They wanted time, you know, they made up a character and didn't know what to do with it. The writers are actually getting more inventive.

### Q: What about getting rid of Wesley saving the ship every week?

MS: Come on guys. Wesley does not save the ship every week any more (Applause). (Wesley) does have lots of fans - and he gets a lot of fan mail probably the second-most fan mail.

### Q: Who get the most?

MS: Guess who gets the most fan mail?

### AUDIENCE; DATA !!!

Q: How much do you get?

 $\mathsf{MS}\colon \mathsf{Not}$  enough (Laughter). I don't get enough fan mail. I want here fan mail.

Q: Do you read all of it?

MS: Yes.

Q: At the end of production for the first season, when you go on hiatus, how long will it be before you start filming again?

MS: we have two months off. we have April and May off; we start back in June

Q: with "The Next Generation" - "The Naked Now" is what "The Naked Time" would have been if there were no NBC censors? (Laughter).

MS: I don't know. It was twenty years ago. we are far more - liberal, let's say - in our attitudes. And the next question, it's about Data's "fully functionality". (Laughter). I'm not the person to ask

Q: As an actress in your particular role, where do you see your character going? How would you like it to develop?

MS: I'd like - like I said, it's going that way now, where I'm doing more my job as psychologist. There are rumors that I'm going to get my own office at some point. Right next door to Bev's office, I think.

Q: This is probably for the writers - but after "Haven", are you ever going to have a love life, or do you just sit around and giggle while women find Riker attractive?

MS: I'm glad she brought the up. (Laughter). I'm getting really chessed up about this. (more laughter). Every time we land an a planet, or come across an alien spaceship, and there's a girl, there he is, I asked four of our higher—ups about the relationship I have with Riker. And I got four different answers, going from "Forget about it - it never happened," to "Yes I did - and you still have very strong feelings". I don't know - he's after every bit of skirt he sees (Laughter). I have to be really understanding. Marina would smack him. Troi has to understand him. It's hard.

Q: How did it feel playing with Majel Roddenberry, who plays your mother?

MS: Majel is great. Actually, it's really funny, because my relationship with Majel in the show is like the relationship I have with my own mother — and it was really weird. And another thing that happened on that show was — I don't know if you know, but my parents are Greek. And in some parts of Greece arranged marriages still happen, when I was nineteen, they tried to arrange a marriage for me - so, I was playing this script, and it was like - deja vu - it was like, "I've been here before - it happened to me" - so I could really draw on what I felt. Mind you - like I said, Troi is much more understanding — she went along with it. I told my mother where to go. (Laughter). But it was very weird.

Q: They say that Brent Spiner is the greatest prankster on the set. Have you yourself ever fallen for any of his pranks?

MS: Brent Spiner The Prankster. (Laughter) Brent Spiner is not so much a prankster as, like, really funny. He's witty, He's just so clever. we were doing this press interview once, and we were sitting at one end of the tablesme, Jonathan, and Patrick - and Brent was sitting at the other end of the table. We had a bet that within the first minute of his interview, Brent would make three jokes. We lost - he made four. (Laughter). I mean, he is just so funny - and all that stuff - you know, the Sherlock Holmes stuff with that

magnifier - that's all  $\underline{\text{him}}$  - I mean, that was  $\underline{\text{not}}$  the director telling him what to do". That was him. The guy is a genius actor. (Applause).

### Q: Do you have any favorite stories?

 $\mathsf{MS}\colon \mathsf{Any}$  favorite stories — episodes. "Haven" - because I was in it the most. (Laughter).

### Q: Are there going to be any new people added to the cast?

MS: There are rumors that Levar Burton may get married - not LeVar - you know, Geordi. There are rumors that Wesley may get a girlfriend, (Laughter)

### Q: would you like to do more location filming?

MS: NO, no. Location filming is horrible. You only get a half-hour lunch, and Los Angeles is <u>hot</u>. And it's really uncomfortable. Those spacesuits are really, really hot. And we like filming in the studio.

Q: I know you wear contact lenses when you play the part of Troi. Are you responsible for putting them in and out or does the makeup person do that, and are they hard lenses or soft lenses?

MS: They're soft lenses; they're painted black, and I put them in - at five o'clock in the morning sometimes they don't want to go in (Laughter). They're okay - I wear lenses, anyway, so I'm comfortable with it. But Brent - Brent had a lot of trouble with his lenses. There was one show when he only had one in. (Laughter.) So when they do reruns and you know that, you have to spot the show where you never see him full face. I can't remember which one it was, but he was like (shows profile). But he's had a lot of trouble with 'em because he doesn't wear them.

# "I'm not one of the 'action' people."



### Q: How can LeVar see with that (thing) over his eyes?

MS: You noticed, too. (Laughter). It's amazing what they can do with banana clips in the twenty-fourth century, isn't it? (Laughter). Yes, can see. Not very well he doesn't fall over the furniture or anything - but as soon as the scene's finished, he takes It off. There are also rumors he might have his eyes back next season. This is all sneaky stuff. I can get into deep trouble by telling you this. Don't tell.

### Q: Who's your favorite character in the show, and who's your favorite person?

MS: My favorite character in the show (other then me). I think it's got to be Data. (Applause). And - I don't really have a favorite person on the show. we're all such good chums, but - I like my <a href="image: image: majered as metally">image: image: majered as metally. He's nice. And the Klingon, he's real sweet, too. I ca him "Wart" (Laughter), And he calls me "BETAZOID!!" But we like each other a lot.



Dear fellow member, It has been a growing concern for those of us at STARFLEET Headquarters that the current distribution method for the organization's newsletter, the STARFLEET Communique, is not sufficient to do the job as it needs to be done, STARFLEET currently uses the United States Post Office 3rd Class Bulk Mail system to get you each and every issue of the Communique, A permit for the use of the "Bulk Hail Number" costs STARFLEET \$100.00 each year. The Communications Division must VERY carefully prepare the 3000+ pieces of mail by sorting the entire batch from zip code 00000 to 99999. Then these zips are broken down into any number of a dozen sub-categories. All of takes takes more than a week to accomplish. Also, there is a BIG problem with the Bulk Mail delivery itself. 3rd Class bulk is treated to be the lowest priority mail in the old mail room, thus it takes considerably longer than 1st Class (ex: the February 1985 issue took up to four to five weeks to reach many members after it had been mailed), Some members are not getting their issues at all!!! Here are some other facts about 3rd Class Bulk I bet you didn't know: Any 3rd Class mail will not be forwarded if you move. Even if you file a forwarding address with the US Post Office! Also, all 3rd Class mail that can not be delivered to an address <u>IS NOT</u> returned to sender. It is <u>TOSSED</u>. The sender will never know you didn't receive it! All of these problems have the fine folks who lovingly put together and distribute each issue of the Communique pretty aggrivated! Several of us on the Executive Committee have discussed this problem over the past few months. we feel that we have come up with a possible solution. The best thing to do is to can the use of the 3rd Class Bulk system entirely and go directly to 1st Class postage. when the Steve Smith Administration took office in 1986, we began distributing membership packets via 1st Class. This solved almost all of the problems that the 3rd Class distribution of the membership materials had caused in the past. Unfortunately, due to the use of 1st Class (and in lieu of the postal increases which have also effected 3rd Class dramatically), the STARFLEET membership fee would have to be increased. Oh I hear screams of protest already!! But before you warm up the word processor for some "admiral-bashing", take a look at these figures. It currently costs you \$8.00 a year to be a member of **STARFLEET**. To allow for the postage increase and to have your newsletter delivered 1st Class (on time, every time), the membership fee would only be raised to \$10.00 a year. That's only a difference of \$2.00! Ah, and what of our most important non-U.S. members. Well, we do have something to admit that we have never stated to the members before. Since the membership rates were dropped in late 1985, STARFLEET has taken a great loss on the cost of distributing membership packets and Communinues (all mailings to Canada, Europe, and Australia MUST be sent 1st Class) to our "Overseas" members. The slack has been taken up by surplus funds from the U.S. memberships, We still want to keep your cost down, but because of the postal increase here in the U,S., we would soon be having to raise the "Overseas" rate to \$15.00 a year, what does all this come to? We want YOUR opinion! Should STARFLEET become more efficient at a slightly higher cost to us all, or would you rather keep things as they are?. Hey! I got to know! In the month of August I will be submitting this proposal to the entire Admiralty Board. Let yourself be heard now! It is important! Send me a post card by the end of June saying "Yea, alright already" or "Hey, raise this!". All cards should be sent to: 2387 Richmond Rd., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221-3756. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Many of us are getting tired of getting the same three of four Star Trek stickers out of the Cheerios boxes. I have heard there are twelve different stickers being circulated in different parts of the country, I propose we start a sticker trading post. I will be willing to coordinate it using my computer for record keeping. It you want to participate, send: Your duplicate stickers; a self addressed, stamped envelope and a list of the stickers you ALREADY HAVE to me (C.J. Harbaugh P.O. Box 172 Illinois City, 111 61259). I will do my best to send you some different stickers.

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