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HEADQUARTERS NEWS

Fleet Adm. Jeannette Maddox Commander, Starfleet

Here we are in October. It's hard to believe that the summer has already gone. I want to apologize to all those Fleet members who have written to me and not gotten a very quick response. This summer has been exceptionally busy at my clinic and with all the fantastic things going on in the Fleet, there just has not been enough hours in the day to get everything done. I really appreciate everyone being so patient.

And speaking of the Fleet, we've got some great news...The \$7000.00 debt that the Fleet inherited from the last administration has finally been paid. The Fleet is in the black and our honor is preserved!!! This news is only possible because of the tremendous response from all the enthusiastic members who care so much for this club and for each other. You have recruited hundreds of new members and dug deep into your pockets for donations above and beyond the call of duty. Please accept the heartfelt gratitude of over 4000 Starfleet members. You have guaranteed that the adventure will continue.

Now that the Fleet debt is paid off, we're going to tackle another problem. You may have noticed that this issue of the Communique has come to you via First Class mail? We had to send the previous issues bulk mail because of the lack of funds. But we found that in spite of the words "address correction requested" and "return postage guaranteed" on the envelope, many of the Communiques we mailed out never reached their destination and were never returned to us for remailing. Also, it was taking 30 days or more after mailing for the Communique to reach many members. We felt this wasn't good enough for members of the Fleet, so we're switching to First Class mail as long as we can afford it. If you think getting your Communique First Class has improved your service and is worth the

extra \$700.00 per issue it takes to send it First Class, please drop us a postcard and let us know.

That's it for new from the Fleet Admiral's desk. Enjoy this issue of your Communique and see you in December. Take care...

Admiral Susan Hampton Vice Commander, Starfleet

Now I know what Captain Kirk felt like when he was up to his ** ** in tribbles. That is how it is with memberships and letters. It is very positive and encouraging to see all the new memberships come in and especially nice to see so many renewals each month. That tells the officers that you are satisfied with what we are doing for you.

Ship's Captains, Shuttle Commanders and Regional Coordinators: Please check to be sure you are using the correct membership application. The current one has the Burnsville address, and in the application section, there is a place in the upper right corner to fill in your ship name and NCC number. Old applications are still circulating and people are still sending memberships AND renewals to Steve Smith in Iowa. During the second week of September I was getting applications, mailed to Iowa, that were originally mailed in early July. No wonder some people are complaining about delays! Many of you are putting your ship's logo on the application which is fine, providing the new members don't cut off the bottom section and just mail that in. It is nice to be able to assign these new members to ships from the beginning but if the information isn't on there, I haven't developed my mental talents to the point of reading 50 or more distant minds a month. Owww, my brain hurts!

Membership packages at conventions: This program has worked well in Region 7. If your ship wants to have membership packages available at a convention, write to me, include an SASE,

and I will send the requirements. I need at least 6 weeks notice as it requires the written permission of the Regional Coordinator and a few other items.

Membership Numbers and OTS:

Some new members have been sending in OTS requests with their membership applications. This actually slows things down since the OTS director has to wait for verification of membership and the SCC #. The new member package contains an application for Starfleet Academy. If you will wait until you receive your membership package with your SCC#, and then mail in your OTS, it will be a smoother operation. .

**Admiral Rob Lerman
Director Starfleet Academy**

**Post Graduate School - West
Captain Dail Koehler
10 4 Santa Cruz Ave.
Menlo Park, CA 94025**

Capt. Koehler helped me in running an Academy panel discussion at the *Starfleet National Conference*. A goodly number of ideas were discussed and will be re-searched for possible implementation.

**Post Graduate School - East
Captain Eric Johnson
102 Nevada St.
Hicksville, NY 11801**

Everything is on schedule at PGS-East. To date 42 memebtrs have graduated from the school, taking anywhere from one to eight courses.

**College of Medicine
Captain Carollynn Montgomery
37 4 Hillsboro Circle
West Jordan, UT 84084**

Marine Captain Scott Akers and PO/2nd Elizabeth Rogers graduated this month, both with 90%+ scores. Congratulations on a job well done.

**Vulcan Academy of Science
Captain Marlene Miller
461 Harmony Ln.
Campbell, OH 44405**

14 graduates made it through VAS this month, all with scores 90% or higher. Barbro Barkiund, Lorenzo Scott, Diane Griebar, Richard Hewitt, Galen Johnson and Diana Dodson all graduated with perfect scores.

**School of Computer Science
Captain Sharon Ann Campbell
728218th Ave. Northeast
Redmond, WA 98053**

10 new students have enrolled bringing the school's total to 102 since opening. Four Bachelor degrees were awarded as well as one Masters Degree which was awarded to Scott Akers.

**Starfleet Security School
Captain Beth Lipes
33 Laidley Hall, M.U.
Huntington, WV 25701**

School will be closed until the beginning of October.

**Academy Alumni Association
Captain Marlene Miller
461) Harmony Ln.
Campbell, OH 44405**

Issue #7 *Pips & Squeaks* was mailed out this month. Three new members have joined since August.

**Senior Captain Network
Commodore Janis Moore
P.O. Box 188993
Sacramento, CA 95818**

All regions participating in the SCN seem to be going quite well with few problems. I would like to commend the following individuals for their contributions to SCN:

RAdm. Linda Neighbors Region 1
RAdm. Janis Moore Director Region 4
Comm. Ruben Hilton Deputy Director Region 5
RAdm. Karen Emerson Region 17

They have done a wonderful job in helping new ships along the rocky path of their first year



Vice Admiral David Allen Chief of Communications

Okay, the first thing up for bid on *The Price is Right*, is the Annual Newsletter Contest. First off, the deadline for contest submissions has been moved to November 1st, 1989. The reason being that I want to announce the winners in Dec/Jan 1990 *Communique*. The rules are as follows:

- 1) The publication date for submissions is from October 31st, 1988 to November 1st, 1989.
- 2) One and only one issue per title may be submitted for consideration, so pick your best effort.
- 3) Categories are Best Cover, Most Humorous Piece, Best Layout, Best Artist and Best of Fleet. Submissions will be judged against all categories that apply.
- 4) Submissions must be postmarked by November 1st, 1989.
- 5) Submissions will not be returned unless a SASE of with appropriate postage is enclosed. Unclaimed submissions will be given to the Starfleet Archives.
- 6) Editors, writers and artists must be Starfleet members to qualify for any category, i.e. a non-Starfleet writer cannot compete for Best Artist or Best Cover. Non-Starfleet editors could not submit any newsletter at all.
- 7) Entries should be addressed to:

1989 NEWSLETTER CONTEST
P.O. Box 13248
Greensboro, NC 27415

Winners will be announced in the December / January *Communique*.

Now, onto other things. I would like to encourage members of the Fleet to submit any news items of interest about *Star Trek*, *Starfleet* or other members. Newspaper clippings concerning members in their mundane lives being recognized with promotions, graduation with honors, acts

of heroism or community service would be welcome. Starfleet wishes to recognize any member who excels in their community.

As you have read in the Fleet Commanders report, we will be going to First Class Mail as of this issue. We have been repeatedly asked why we did not do this earlier when the Smith Administration specifically raised the rates to pay for that service. The reason is simple: We couldn't afford it. The cost of producing color **Communiques** along with a very dispersed distribution system (The *Communique* master was produced in California, printed in Iowa and mailed to the Fleet from Ohio) ate up the increase. We have since reverted to black and white, consolidated the distribution and reduced extraneous material. Which brings me to another point; several people complained about the lack of feature articles in the last issue (they will also be missing from this issue). Again, the reason is money. More pages cost more money to print and add to the weight when mailed thus costing more money. This is not to say that this policy will continue, it won't because we are going to get the newsletter to pay it's own way if we can. How do we do that, you ask? Good old American advertising. This newsletter currently reaches 4000+, hard core, Star Trek fans six times a year. To the folks who run conventions, sell movie tickets, print books and sell merchandise, it is a gold mine for showcasing their product or service. Thus we will allow non-Fleet members to advertise appropriate products in the *Communique* (Though they will not in any way have access to our mailing list which is confidential and shall remain so). Classifieds will still be free to Fleet members but we will charge non-members according to the new rate schedule listed on the Classifieds page. Members or non-members wishing display pages should write to me for a rate card which will give all terms, conditions and deadlines for submission.

By allowing advertising, we will keep our costs down while increasing the quality of the newsletter. You may one day see the return of color in the *Communique*.

Happy Halloween! See you next issue with the Newsletter Contest winners.

REGION ONE



USS Adventurer NCC-1600

Captain Joy Gilbert
Oakridge, TN

The *Adventurer* held a joint *Adventurer/Pathfinder* outing to the Dollywood Theme Park. Everyone reported having a marvelous time (though there were no sightings of Dolly or Elvis). A contingent also attended the *Pathfinder* anniversary party.

USS Alaric NCC-503

Fleet Admiral Jeanette Maddox
Burnsville, NC

The *Alaric's* annual Festival camp-out was held July 28-30. No reports of either paint-eating horses or undue amounts of rain. The *Alaric* has a new Shuttle *Joshua*, based in Ft. Worth, TX (commanded by Cmdr. Robert Corbett). Currently updating Rogue's Gallery, ship's handbook, and Ship's Stores booklet. Plans are on to clean up the ship's section of highway in Adopt-A-Highway project. Fundraisers and auctions under discussion. The crew is working on a zine which should be out by Christmas.

USS Bonaventure NCC-102

Admiral Sue Hampton
Greensboro, NC

The *Bonaventure* is currently planning the launch of 3 shuttles, having finally reached critical mass. The August meeting was a cookout at a member's house, with four guests attending. Three members attended the *USS Pathfinder* anniversary party and one member (a brave, albeit slightly green, Admiral Hampton) attended the *National Starfleet Conference* in San Jose, CA. The crew also cleaned up their highway and agreed to handle the manufacturing of Region One patches. Plans are underway to support the CROP Walk for Hunger in Oct. The Engineering Dept. is working on folk songs for *RovaCon*, and a skit is also in the works.

USS Constellation II NCC-1728

Captain Rick Alvey
Paducah, KY

Post-*CONtinuum* plans are to visit the Dayton Air Force Museum with members of the *La-grange*, *Polaris*, and shuttle. The *Constellation* crew also discussed *ST V: The Drab Frontier!* "Honey, I Shrunk the Kids" got support, however. Two crewmembers were distinguished this summer. Ed Clark was selected Region One Security RDC and was promoted to Commander, and Robert Felker is the new Region One RDC of Communications.

USS Endeavor NCC-1716

Captain Fran Costello
Garner, NC

The *Endeavor* is meeting twice a month now, and members are planning a convoy to *RovaCon*. The ship's newsletter *Engage!*, is getting more submissions. Crewmembers are planning the annual Halloween Costume Bash. A search is underway for a seamstress who will make Starfleet uniforms.

USS Gordon Cooper NCC-635

Acting Captain Crystal Jeffries
Clarksville, TN

The Cordon Cooper reports a lull aboard the ship. Three designs were submitted for the ship's patch; newsletter in need of submissions.

USS Heimdal NCC-1793

Rear Admiral Linda Neighbors
Madison Heights, VA

The annual Crew Auction was held with 40 people attending, including members from the *Pathfinder*, *Yeager*, and *Adventurer*. RAdm. Neighbors reports this to be one of the most successful methods for raising money for their Christmas charities, and she highly recommends auctions. The ship also will raffle off a hand embroidered table cloth for the Christmas charities fund. The ship adopted a new rank and promotion system. The shuttle *Midgard* is planning to apply for ship status by *RovaCon*. The *Midgard* has been busy with a local antidrug program, and has done a radio spot advertising for the chapter.

USS Hornet NCC-1714

Captain Ron Byram
Charlotte, NC

At their last meeting, the crew of the *Hornet* went bowling. The response was so good that the crew wants to start a league. A possibility of a challenge to other ships is in the air. The *Hornet* is also planning a Tunnel Trek to the Lost Sea Caverns in Sept. The paper drive and adopted child program had to be discontinued; the former due to a glut in the recycle program, the latter due to a lack of funds in the crew. Still doing aluminum collection, highway clean-up, and plan to clean church property. Capt. Byram sent out an state-of-the-ship survey and is looking forward to the results. The crew is all set for *RovaCon*.

USS Lagrange NCC-3916
Commodore Steve Stein
Medina, OH

About a dozen Lagrange members descended on Dearborn, Michigan and *CreationCon* with William Shatner. A good time was had by all. Recruiting drives at *ST-V* and *BatCon* upped the ship's membership to roughly 88. A "sort-of-annual" *Lagrange* picnic was held and the shuttle *Siren* picnic was held with a volleyball showdown between the *Siren* and its mothership. Crewmembers planned to attend the *Challenger II* commissioning picnic. The shuttle will become the *USS Columbus*. Shuttle *Stargazer* Exec. Anita Davis represented the *Lagrange* at Shore-Leave. The *Lagrange* was commended by Regional Coordinator Neighbors for the newsletter, *Shuttle Commander*, which spotlights their 3 shuttles.

USS Maat NCC-1794
Captain Blair Wilcox
Virginia Beach, VA

The *Maat* discovered one of Murphy's Laws: the day you hold a car wash, it will invariably rain. Turnout was poor as a result, but the crew is valiantly planning another car wash. The *Maat* had displays at both *Summerfest '89* and a comic book show at a local mall. Future plans for the ship include the launching of a shuttle from Bristol, VA and setting up a second anniversary Halloween party.

USS McKay NCC-653
Captain Tom Monaghan
Blacksburg VA

The *McKay* is working towards launching a shuttle in Florida. The big news is that the *McKay* is now on the Fleet Echo/Fleet Net. Due to incompatibility with the ship's official BBS, it is now on the ship's other BBS, the TARDIS BBS. The TARDIS BBS is now the home of the Region One Echo on Fleet Net. Crewmembers already have begun to get flyers out for *Technicon 7* (April 6-8, 1990).

USS Pathfinder NCC-2121
Captain Chris Atkins
Roanoke, VA

For the *Pathfinder's* 3rd anniversary, a special banquet was held in honor of the occasion with visitors from the *Heimdal*, *Sarpeidon*, *Bonaventure*, and *Adventurer* attending. Pathfinder crewmembers attended the *Heimdal* auction and an outing with the *Adventurer* at Dollywood. The ship's handbook and promotion system under revision. An AIDS informational display with flyers will be donated to the Fleet table at *RovaCon*. Capt. Atkins and Security Chief Muse attended a shuttle pre-planning meeting in Collinsville, VA. Shuttle *Paladin*, commanded by Cmdr. Jerry Toppins, actively organizing. Plans for more shuttles continue.

USS Polaris NCC-1839
Captain Tom Milinski
Fairfield, OH

XO Joan Riley stepped down as Chief of Operations. Lt. Cmdr. Carolyn Cook was chosen b Comm. Tribby to be Region I's Chief of Engineering. Crewmembers attended the *USS Columbus* commissioning picnic. Due to a very successful yard sale, the *Polaris* was able to donate to the following charities: Long Term Research Institute, the Animal Adoption Center, Feed the People (Hamilton, OH), and Haven House temporary shelter for the homeless in Hamilton. *Persona Files* finished. Potential shuttle gearing up; passed OTS Basic. Planning trip to Wright Patterson AFB and Starbase Indy in November.

USS Sarpeidon NCC-1874
Captain Darren Queen
Huntington, WV

August was a busy month for the *Sarpeidon* crew. The general meeting was a big success with members adjourning to play

miniature golf. Capt. Queen and others attended the *Pathfinder* anniversary party. Shuttle *Proteus* currently forming. Looking forward to *RovaCon*!

USS Xanthii NCC-1743
Captain Donna Harvey
Terra Haute, IN

The *Xanthii* is looking into launching two shuttles. The ship is also holding an alternate marathon to the MDA Telethon. Fanzine sales breaking even. Promotions, dues, and active duty memberships were discussed.

USS Yeager NCC-1893
Captain Jerry Conners
Bluefield, WV

No meetings were held during the month of August due to obligations during this period. The *Yeager* is adopting a new promotion points scale an working on the newsletter *Stretching the Envelope*. Plans continue for *RovaCon*. Capt. Conner who has already done the typesetting for the flyers and program book, will also be coordinating the Model Building workshop, supplying questions for the Jeopardy Tournament, and coordinating the Japanese animation. Other *Yeager* crewmembers will be helping. A DSA was given to Steve Thomas for his help in finding an affordable publisher for the ship's newsletter:

REGION TWO



USS Federation NCC-2100
Commander Lorri King-Aldridge
St. Petersburg, FL

There is a new face in the center seat aboard the *USS Federation*. Welcome to Cmdr. King-Aldridge who just had two big changes in her life; getting married and commanding a starship!

USS Guardian NCC-26244
Captain Dawn Smith-Webber
Cocoa, FL

The *Guardian* had a table set up at the Voyager Watch, which featured a live downlink from Voyager II and special showings of other highlights of the Voyager missions. A post-*SpaceCon* party was held. The final draft of the ship's charter was distributed, in which new bylaws were approved, and new forms for promotion points were handed out. Capt. Smith-Webber attended the Starfleet National Conference; several crewmembers plan to attend and work at *Vulkon* in November. The shuttle *Yamato* has put out it's own newsletter; *Alert Status*, and they are also planing to work at the MDA telethon this Labor Day weekend. The shuttle *Antares* is now the starship, *USS Scorpion*, based in Fort Walton Beach, Florida, under the command of Captain Chris Cancilla.

USS Paegan NCC-1755
F let Captain Peggy Vanguard
Mount Dora, FL

The ship's fanzine, *Starduster*, has been published after much anticipation. The *Paegan* is planning to hold a scavenger hunt and a raffle at *Vulkon*. Crewmembers are also planning to hold a room party at *Vulkon*. New promotion rules were discussed as well as problems with membership materials and *Communique*s. The shuttle *Magellan* is undergoing a slow period due to the impending birth of Cmdr. Stapleton's baby and other involvements.

USS Sacajewea NCC-598
Captain Elizabeth Osborne
Inverness, FL

August was a busy month for the *USS Sacajewea*. Along with their regular meetings, the ship held a lunar eclipse pool party, a uniform jacket sewing weekend, a garage sale, and a rocket launching picnic. For good measure, some crewmembers attended *Vulkon* in Tampa. The ship's CMO (a registered nurse) is currently taking blood pressure readings for the crew and is assembling a first aid kit. On the literary end, the *Sacajewea* published a new fanzine, is preparing a first anniversary yearbook, and is publishing a ship's directory and *Damage Report II*. Finally a request was made by crewmembers for more meetings!

REGION THREE

USS Lonestar NCC-1501
Captain Robert Rios
Dallas, TX

Lonestar crewmembers can now get discounts on animated *Trek* episodes and *The Cage* by displaying their membership card. More *Lonestar/Solstice* outings may be in the future. A special Away Team Mission was held August 8th, followed the end of August by an End of Summer Party. Crewmembers also plan to support *Trek-a-Thon* (in recognition of International *Star Trek* Day).

REGION FOUR

USS Alliance NCC-2113
Captain Jennifer Cole
Los Angeles, CA

Cmdr. Cole was officially promoted to Captain at the ship's official commissioning ceremony at the National Conference. Crewmembers enjoyed themselves at TimeCon and send thanks to Fleet Admiral Maddox and Admiral Hampton for attending. Along with the Alliance's First Annual Button Contest, crewmembers also went to Starbase Disneyland, with a member from Indiana in tow. First Officer Cheryl Whitmore married Phil Conrad on September 2nd. The ship now has a set of by-laws; promotion system being discussed.

USS Stellar Wind NCC-1501
Captain E.C. Kinzly
Heedom, (LA)

Half of the crew of the *Stellar Wind* attended TirneCon and the National Starfleet Conference there. Five new members signed onto the ship. Also, a new shuttle may be forming in Nipomo, CA. The *Stellar Wind* now has a Starfleet banner (which Capt. Kinzly spent many sleepless nights making!). Crewmembers attended Drnofest '89 at the Academy of Science in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco. Chief Engineer Rob Watson reported feeling déjà vu when he and another member tried to get change for the bus in uniform. The excursion to Castle Rock State Park

(Santa Cruz), while not well-attended, was interesting. The ship has a new newsletter editor.

USS Tikopai NCC-1800
Captain Buce Sommer
San Jose, CA

The *USS Tikopai* was commissioned during the opening conference of the National Starfleet Conference. Since then, the *Tikopai* has been actively recruiting and holding regular meetings. Crewmembers went bowling, began plans for flyers advertising the ship, and approved the selling of gift checkbooks in Sept. Future possible plans include a *ST: The Roleplaying Game* event and a *ST:TNG* third season premiere party.

REGION FIVE



USS Pendragon NCC-2005
Captain Chris Wallace
Bellevue, WA

The *Pendragon* reports a steady membership. The crew has been asked to attend a *Dr. Who* convention in Everett, WA and do advertising and recruiting for Starfleet. Shuttle *Apollo* looking good and heading towards starship status.

REGION SIX

USS Behr'ak NCC-1797
Captain James Meyer
St. Paul, MN

The *Behr'ak* crew attended *PolarisCon*, a non-profit event held to benefit the Food Shelf. Two new members signed on. Events which have kept the *Behr'ak* busy were a club picnic, a *Voyager* party, and a camp-out. The landing party to the Minnesota Ren Fest was a success with great hopes of it becoming an annual event. Among the crew attending this party were members of the *USS Czar'ak* and the *USS Regulus*, most in uniform. The crew is looking forward to the *Who* trek on Sept. 16 and

the *Star Trek* Festival later that month. Ship's constitutions under revision *Czar'con* off the ground!

USS Courageous NCC-1861
Vice Admiral Michael Weisart
Iowa City, IA

The latest issue of the ship's newsletter is out, with an emphasis on *ST-V*. Crew encouraged to participate in International *Star Trek* Day and to write to Paramount for another ST movie.

USS Czar'ak NCC-1798-A
Captain Eric Anderson
Richfield, MN

The *USS Czar'ak* had a reunion at the August meeting when all past ship captains were together for the first time in two years. The ship held a yard sale at Capt. Anderson's home in September. Lt. Cmdr. Mark Bailey, host of the 1st *Czar'ak* Jeopardy game, is now Chief of Medical. In honor of one of the *Czar'ak*'s honorary members, many crewmembers went to the premiere of UHF (Weird Al Yankovic being the honorary member in question). Some crewmembers also attended the *Behr'ak*'s picnic. The ship T-shirts are on sale now. The Sixth Fleet Corp. of engineers will also have copies of the *Starfleet Guide to Sidearms* available September.

REGION SEVEN



USS Arcturus NCC-1807
Captain Eric Johnson
Hicksville, NY

The *Arcturus* did some recruiting through warm temperatures and high humidity at Coast Guard Day on Governor's Island. A Klingon contingent was present also and seemed to enjoy it. Yet another recruiting drive was held at the August *CreationCon* in NYC, bringing in 40 new members. Capt. Johnson reports that their next con recruitment will be Sept. 30-Oct. 1st, and that the Creation Thanksgiving Con is

shaping up to be really special as Brent Spiner will be the guest in his first convention appearance. A contingent of the *Arcturus* went to the East Coast Conference and brought along a sign for the *Starfleet* table. Capt. Johnson commended Capt. Haynes & Cmdr. Riffle of the *Odin* for a job well done.

USS Argon II NCC-1636
Captain Edward Johnson
Edgewood, MD

The crew got to ether at Capt. Johnson's house for a cookout and 6th Anniversary party, with a great turnout reported. About 10 members of the *Argon* also attended *Shoreleave*. A ship's meeting was held at the conference. RAdm. Esswein is the new executive officer and the search is on for a CMO.

USS Avenger NCC-1860
Rear Admiral Alex Rosenzweig
New Brunswick, NJ

Work continues toward launching the *Sovereign* as a shuttle soon; awaiting OTS verification. A group in Albany is also working towards shuttle status. On board the *Avenger* the sciences division released the first issue of their newsletter *The Tetrahedron*, a fine piece of work. Twenty-five crewmembers attended the East Coast Conference, and "had an absolute blast!". *AvengerCon II*, while smaller than *ShoreLeave*, was equally successful. All had a good time and enough money was raised or the *Avenger* to donate to the Challenger Center for Space Education and the HANK (Help A Needy Kid) Organization. The convention even offered voter registration forms!

USS Challenger NCC-1676
Captain Robert Vosseller
Toms River, NJ

Sadly *Stellarfest* was cancelled by its sponsor, the Susquehanna Astronomical Society. The area's IBM branch was able to donate money for the previously planned charity, the Planetarium project, so some good was done. Crewmembers attended *ShoreLeave*, the *August Creation Con*, and *PhiliCon*. The Challenger Semi Formal was successful despite a last minute relocation necessitated by a power outage at the town it was originally to be held

in. It also received some press coverage. Future plans are to attend 2 conventions and the annual Lakewood Medieval Fair and to hold a Halloween party.

USS Christa McAuliffe NCC-860
Admiral David Ryan
Providence, RI

Good news aboard the *McAuliffe*, Admiral Ryan and Commander Leslie Legard celebrated their engagement. Crewmembers enjoyed the *Konkordium* semi-formal and the annual 4th of July party. Members also attended Space Week functions at the Boston Museum of Science. The *McAuliffe* has a suite set-up planned for World Con. Plans are also underway to a trip to Maine to visit the *Kasimar's* bridge display, as well as a joint meeting with the Boston *Star Trek Assoc.* at the home of Shirley Maiewski.

USS Intrepid II NCC-1730
Captain Jeffery Hunt
Garnerville, NY

The *Intrepid II* is planning to produce a one-hour video adventure, using 3 cameras for the shooting. Both the next issue of *Heavy Crusin'* and the First Anniversary issue due out in August. A "bunk-mate" system has been begun aboard the ship to promote greater communication among members. Attendance increasing steadily.

USS Konkordium NCC-2106
Captain Carol Peterson
Fairfield, CT

The *Konkordium* semi-formal went well, proceeds will be donated to the local Ronald McDonald House. Early plans even now in the works for the 3rd Anniversary Party (a New Year's Eve semi-formal). The Hartford con was fairly successful, with an added treat of the crew taking George Takei to dinner. About twenty crewmembers attended *Shore Leave*, and two officers went to *AvengerCon*. Many received promotions. Cmdr. John Flinders was appointed to head the ship strike team force. The XO for shuttle *Middle Earth* awaiting OTS results.

USS Odin NCC-1875
Captain Mark Haynes
Thurmont, MD

The Odin reports work is progressing on the next issue of *Collision Course*. Crewmembers planned a trip to Washington, D.C. for late August, with stops naturally at the Air and Space Museum, the Natural History Museum, and the old Smithsonian.

USS Saladin NCC-500
Captain Doug Van Newenhoven
Agawan, MA

Due partially to the summer Creation Cons, interest and inquiries in the *Saladin* have increased. Work is proceeding on the newsletter. One crewmember is writing a ST short story which will eventually be filmed.

USS Tai Shan NCC-2524
Captain Matt Ross
Riverdale, NY

Capt. Ross has become the new CO aboard the *Tai Shan* with the stepping down of Capt. Blackman. Plans are to gear up the ship's official newsletter, *Operations Enquirer* for production. Recent activities aboard the *Tai Shan* include wargaming with the *Konkordium* and attendance at several *Challenger* functions.

REGION TEN

USS Equulus NCC-1603
Captain April Gorman
Calgary, Canada

The recruitment drive at *ConVersion VI* was a rousing success with five new members joining the ranks. All enjoyed meeting old friends at the convention. July 30th, the sixth annual BBQ was held with 22 crewmembers attending. Some members attended a ST film festival August 30th. VAdm. Davis approved the *Equulus* upgrade to a heavy cruiser. Looking forward to Banff International Convention in October.

USS Malaspina NCC-3271
Captain James Ludvigson
Nanaimo, Canada

Very active time aboard the *Malaspina*, with lots of new personnel. Thirty-two members and guests enjoyed the 1st annual Fun Day picnic. A contingent almost as

large held a campover, BBQ, and movie night weekend. Club stationary has been distributed and crested T-shirts have been purchased. A monthly writers' clinic is in the planning stage, to start in September. Crew members have begun collecting food for hamper distribution in January, when the need is just as great as at Christmas. Operations and sciences have put out top-notch newsletters. Marines and engineering are up to something!

USS Resolution NCC-1877
Commodore Terry Wyatt
Victoria, Canada

The *Resolution* is going full ahead in their recruiting drive. A great pamphlet and poster have been made and are going up all over town. Mall displays are planned for four local malls. The ship also taking part in "club days" at the University of Victoria. The Resolution's fifth annual General Meeting/Party will take place Sept. 24th at the Centennial Park, with the hope of seeing a large number of out-of-town members there. The crew, through the Island Science Fiction Convention Society, also is planning a three-day convention (set for August 2-4th, 1990). It should prove to be a lot of fun.

USS Sol NCC-1733
Captain Sharon Baxter
Fairbanks, AK

August marked the sixth anniversary of the Sol and a new captain, Sharon Baxter. The ship fanzine, *Highly Illogical* has been discontinued, but the quarterly publication, *A Fistful of Credits*, will still be produced.



REGION TWELVE:

USS Excelsior NCC-2000
Commander James Eastham
Tulsa, OK

Cmdr. Eastham took over the Excelsior when Captain Thomas resigned. The ship's new address is: 7820 E. 21 Pl., Tulsa, OK 74129.

USS Horizon NCC-1000
Captain James Herring
Columbia, MO

Planet landing scheduled for October 20th-22nd at Capt. Herring's house. Anyone interested may send an SASE for maps. Scholarships for Academies started by Chief Navigator. Academy applications increase markedly. Capt. Herring visited the *USS Bonaventure* in Greensboro, NC, while ship's XO took charge of September's meeting. Blood drive scheduled for 1st weekend in October had to be cancelled. Ship commissioning for shuttles *Pegasus* and *Invicta*. Capt. Herring reports that "all in all, good work and fun has been had by all." Positions are being filled and morale is high.

USS Independence NCC-1655
Commodore Eric Gay
Oklahoma City, OK

Many projects are currently underway aboard the *Independence*. Crewmembers will be attending two conventions, assisting Tinker Air Force Base with a haunted house for their children, and helping the Oklahoma City Zoo with Haunt the Zoo in October. Several other projects were discussed and are being organized. The August meeting was a First Contact Role Playing at a local park, followed by a cookout. A good time for all!

USS Jupiter NCC-1734
Captain Rickie Haynes
Springfield, MO

A meeting was held to discuss the upcoming recruitment drive and the ship's handbook. Capt. Haynes has donated 388 pints of blood plasma. The crew of the *Jupiter* collected newspapers, cans, plastic and glass bottles for the ship's fund. Hoping to print recruitment fliers and handbooks soon.

USS Sally Ride NCC-643 i
Captain Robin Lynch
Cape Girardeau, MO

Having survived *CONTinuum*, the *Sally Ride* had the satisfaction of donating \$1400 to St. Jude's Hospital (via the Charity Auction). The Sally Ride also became mothership to two more shuttles: the *Aquarius*, commanded by Carolyn Polk and

based in Piedmont, MO, and the *Scribe*, commanded by Mary Pinto and based out of Murphysboro, IL., Astronaut Linda Godwin (tentatively scheduled for Discovery in April 1990) will be a speaker at a Femme Fair conference in the city. Plans for Crazy Bowl in October are underway, trying to decide on a charity to sponsor.

USS Stargazer NCC-2893

Captain Coyote
Kansas City, MO

On October 4th, the *Stargazer* became official. The shuttle *Pegasus* remains the Cadet Training Shuttle. Capt. Coyote reports: "Currently we have 78 very active members. Sixty of our crew went to ST-V's premiere where we set up a booth and did recruitment. in September we held a picnic and took shore leave to the Renaissance Festival. We also held a garage sale to raise money for the ship commissioning party. Several of the crew attended CONTinum, ShoreLeave XI, and RovaCon. We were also host to VAdm. David Allen when he visited Kansas City in August. We will be hosting *Delecon 1* in September of 1990."

Editor's Note: While in Missouri attending CONTinum at the Cape Girardeau Holiday Inn, Region Twelve raised \$281 for the Space Explorers Memorial Scholarship Fund. \$250 of the money came from Capt. Herring and the the Horizon. I wish to thank them for their generosity and pass on their challenge to Region One at RoVaCon to try and top that figure.

I would also like to pass on Region Twelve's thanks to Barbro Barklund of the Stargazer for designing the new Region logo.

REGION FOURTEEN

USS Kasimar NCC-1784

Admiral John Supranovich
Bangor, ME

Despite a) being placed in an auditorium without air conditioning and b) being placed next to the Golden Dragon Acrobats of Taipei, the *Kasimar* crew valiantly manned their Bridge Display at the Bangor State Fair. Over 16,000 people came

aboard to look at the starship bridge and visit the crew. The display generated good exposure, money for the ship's treasury, and friendship with the Chinese acrobats. A contest is being held for the design of a new ship's logo and patch.

REGION SEVENTEEN

USS Alioth NCC-1828

Captain Lynnette Knox
Provo, UT

The *Alioth* continues to collect food each month for the food bank, and is currently involved in writing letters of protest to the People's (?) Republic of China. The annual family picnic was held in August. Members from as far away as California and Alberta, Canada came. The shuttle *Tiberius* continues to participate wholeheartedly, getting a big write-up in the Ogden paper. *Tiberius* member Bryce Laris designed the official logo of Region 17. The *Alioth* had several new members join as a result of recruiting at ST-V.

USS Aurora Vulcanus NCC-1888

Captain Charlotte Howey
Center, CO

A lot has happened aboard the *Aurora Vulcanus*. The big news is that the ship has a new XO, Michelle Fanelli. She plans to take OTS ASAP. Also, departments have been very busy with various fictional activities. Rules have been established regarding personas. Capt. Howey has asked crewmembers to save pop-tops to go towards a kidney dialysis machine for a friend of one of the crewmembers.

USS Carson NCC-592

Rear Admiral Karen Emerson
Sparks, NV

The *Carson* remains primarily a correspondence ship, but with excellent participation from the crew. The ship continues with its scenario mission, and RADM Emerson reports that the crew is having lots of fun with this particular mission. She also advises that promotions are coming up and will be announced in the next ship's newsletter. Crewmember Kristi Schultz is expecting her second baby in November.

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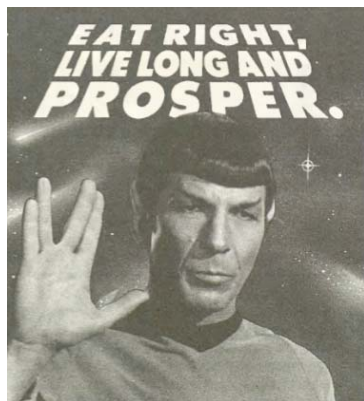
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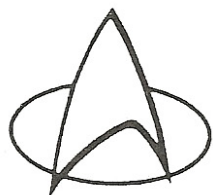
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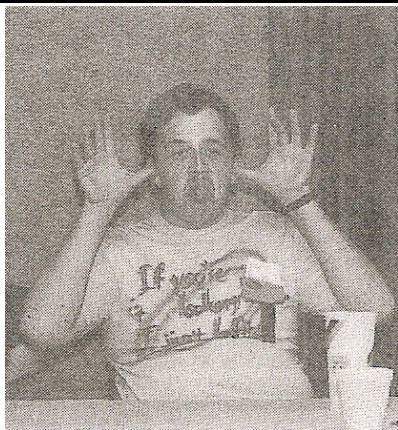
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