



#### LATE BREAKING NEWSFLASH ....

**STAR TREK: DEEP SPACE NINE**, latest in the ongoing Star Trek on television saga, will premier in January, 1993.

Set in the same universe and timeframe as **Star Trek: The Next Generation**, this new series will run concurrently with its FOX cousin. Featuring an entirely new cast and crew, this show will utilize the same technology as Next Gen. There are also plans to interchange some of the minor characters and perhaps connect a plotline or two.

It will center around **Deep Space Station Nine**, a facility sitting next to a wormhole. Filled with all of the action and adventure that sitting at the edges of known space can generate, this sounds like a real winner and an exciting addition to the Star Trek universe.

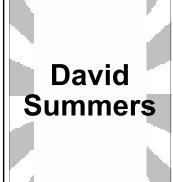
**ST:DS9** will premier with a two-hour pilot and feature 19 one-hour episodes. The fall 1993 season will see 26 hour long episodes.

- WRITERS' AND ARTISTS' RESULTS Yes, we have the results. You will find them on page 19.
- STAR TREK: Trashed by the Bible! Want more information? Look on page 16.
- GATES MCFADDEN will appear on L. A. Law in February, 1992, playing a wealthy, European financier for a few episodes.
- WARNER BROTHERS is releasing its own science fiction space station adventure called Babylon. Set between five hostile confederations, Babylon has been described as the Casa Blanca in space, hosting a conglomeration of businessmen, diplomats, smugglers, et. al, Written by J. Michael Straczynski, this show has already been picked up by 20 stations and is set for release in September, 1992,

#### COMMUNIQUÉ DEADLINES

- Display & Classified Ads: March 2, 1992
- Submissions (Hardcopy); March 2, 1992
- Submissions (Disk 8; Hardcopy); March 2, 1992
- Submissions (via modem): March 5, 1992. You can also EMAIL on Compuserve: 70244,2637.

About The Artist



#### **About the Artist**

I contacted David Summers of the **USS Star Empire** last year asking him about his beautiful artwork, and if he would be willing to submit a cover to the Communiqué. He kindly agreed (fourfold) and this issues cover is the result.

THE COMMUNIQUÉ POSSE: Deciphering, Keying & General Lunacy provided by Deb Galeone. Jacqueline Gilkey, Tara James, and Ray Greenberg. Supervision & occasional whip cracking provided by Fritz, the Pit Tribble. (grrrr) Patience and good humor in spite of long hours at the job provided by Vashti Brandy, A warm welcome to Kathy Clements who joined us in this madness.

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## AN INTERNAL COMMUNICATION FROM STARFLEET HEADQUARTERS

Jeannette Maddox Commander, STARFLEET





I want to give Judith Brandy, Deb Galeone and the members of the Communique staff my warmest thanks for the beautiful Gene Roddenberry Memorial issue of the Communique. The staff was under tremendous pressure to collect as much input as possible, as quickly as possible and they literally worked day and night to accomplish that. I commend the staff for their sensitivity, dedica-

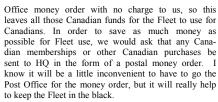
tion and for sleeplessness above and beyond the call of duty.

I hope everyone has had time to recover from the Holidays and see Star Trek VI a few dozen times. We finally get a glimpse of Star Trek's Fleet Admiral. My goodness, what a lot of brass on the left sleeve of his Monster Maroon. It's a wonder be doesn't list to port when he walks. But I thought it was a really good movie and I hope everyone enjoyed it

I want to apologize to those who may have been trying to phone HQ for the last couple of months and couldn't get an Answer. Both my personal responsibilities and veterinary business obligations have kept me from being in the STARFLEET office very much lately. And the answering machine doesn't work because the resident deer chewed up all the wiring, and I haven't been able to afford a new one yet.

There is a slight problem I need to address to our Canadian Fleet members. The previous STARFLEEF bank was purchased by another bank and this new bank charges the Fleet \$8.00 in cash a non-USA check. As you can imagine, this uses up a lot of the funds we need to provide materials and services to those members

The United States Post Office will cash a Canadian Post



On behalf of my mom. otherwise known as Granny Elf, I would like to remind the membership to use the official STARFLEET membership applications to send in their memberships. Please do not change the size or contents of the application form. It is often very difficult to interpret the information on a non-regulation form, especially if that form has been shrunk to 1 1/2" by 5"

Also, we would ask that an application form be filled out for EACH MEMBER included in a family membership, not just one application form and then a list of the other names. Every member of STARFLEET, whether an individual or with a family, has a little blue file at HQ and an application form to go in that file. If you do not fill out the applications yourself, then Granny Elf and I have to fill them out and with over 6000 members in the club now, that can take hours. This is time that is much better spent doing other things for the Fleet.

A reminder to members who send items for the Communique... please do not send diese items to Headquarters. Send them directly to the Communique address given in the front of the magazine. If you send them to me here at HQ, then I just have to turn Continued on next page - Column 1



My thanks to all the Starships, Shuttles and individual members that sent Christmas cards. The family hangs all the cards on a wall in the kitchen to enjoy. If it weren't for all my friends in STARFLEET the wall would have been rather bare, Many of the cards were addressed to me and my family wishing us Seasons Greetings and often thanking the family

for allowing me the time to take part in running the Fleet. This confounds my mundane husband, and I LOVE IT!

Typical of our efficient Communique staff, I received a nice card with warm wishes etc. and a note in large, red block letters, "CO DEADLINE: JAN 4!! FILE YOUR REPORT!" During that mind-numbing period between Christmas and News Year, I am now trying to get this done. I miss the cold, White Christmas of my youth (what a cliche) in Ohio. The past 22 years here in North Carolina have had few snow falls and fewer White Christmas'. We've had chilly rain for five days.

Jeannette and I were able to get together for several hours of Christmas shopping at the Asheville Mall. Burnsville doesn't have a mall. I was visiting my parents on that end of the state so we were able to visit. Thank goodness none of you were around with cameras to catch your fearless leaders, wandering along with stuffed animals in our arms, eating ice cream cones, and "ooohing" and "aaahhhing" at all the many things. No pushy Ferengi to darken our evening.

My family graciously added to my Star Trek collection or gave funds towards the 1992 Star Trek Convention Circuit Account. That will be broken into very soon as I head to Atlanta. GA this month. I am really looking forward to seeing many members of our Region 2 which is really growing. Reading of their activities each month leaves me a bit breathless. Of course, I don't mind the chance to see Patrick Stewart, too!! Sigh... I wish my next car could be a Pontiac!! After that, it will be off to Greenville, SC for the Region One Conference at MOC7, another big event. I would encourage all our southeast members to attend one or both. Every member and friend in the Fleet is welcome to come, if you can hitch a ride this way.

Elsewhere in this newsletter are updates on the scholarship program, information on our club's membership, and the Chapter of the Year program. The Starship Report from Chief of Operations just came in the mail. At that time, November, 1991, we had 128 ships and 53 shuttles. As you read this the numbers have increased I am sure. Not only that, but it is wonderful to see our membership grow outside the homebase of USA and Canada. Membership on our three Australian ships continues to increase. We recently added individual members in Belgium, Singapore, a couple more in England and Germany

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#### **JEANNETTE MADDOX (Conclusion)**

around and send them to the Communique myself. And with all the paperwork that comes to HQ sometimes, I don't get the Communique items sent to Judith Brandy in a timely manner. Or they disappear in the black hole that surrounds my desk. So please remember to send your articles, classified ads, picture captions and other submissions straight to the Communique address, not to Headquarters.

STARFLEET has a couple of new Regional Coordinators. In Region Six, Eric Anderson has stepped down as RC to work with the newly formed Academy Corps of Engineers. The new Region Six Regional Coordinator is David Kloempken, who was the CO of the Region Six ship, Czar'ak. David's address is: 5636 Sheridan Ave S., Minneapolis, MN 55410.

We also have a Regional Coordinator for Region Nine now. Her name is Beate Gellings and her address is Hackersteigle 8, 7400 Tuebingen, West Germany.

Both of these new Regional Coordinators are very enthusiastic about their new responsibilities, and I know they are going to do a tremendous job for their regions.

For those of you who might not be aware of it, Dave Forvendel, Chief of Computer Operations, has moved. His new address is: 1542 Dirkson Court, Cary, NC 27511.

#### SUE HAMPTON (Conclusion)

and even a member from Zimbabwe. Along with our many military members stationed around the world we are truly an international group.

Everyone seems to be pleased with the resounding manner that Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country was received. Personally I would be very pleased to see Star Trek movies continue because Captain Sulu (George Takei) and his crew certainly have potential to explore new worlds and bend a few rules ala Kirk. I think Saavik (Robin Curtis, please) is probably out there moving up in rank ready for some adventures. Why not continue to tie in the two? Right now my mind, memory, and math aren't on line but in a few more years wouldn't Captain Garrett of the Enterprise 1701-C be a child somewhere in some world to be saved or mesmerized by a dashing starship Captain (NOT ala Kirk, please).

So let us continue to keep Gene Roddenberry's dream alive on the screen, in the media, and in our hearts with our friends. Best wishes to you as we move through this new year, closer to a new century and all the wonders of beyond.

Tom Davis, STARFLEET's Chief of Operations, has also moved and his new address is: 6729 Mars Avenue South, Seattle, WA 98108.

#### QUARTERMASTER'S SPECIAL

Save Big Bucks! For a limited time only get 10 U.F.P. Stickers for only \$5.00. That's a 50% savings! But hurry, this is only for a limited time. Include 50 cents, or a SASE, to cover postage and handling. Mail your order to:

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## STARFLEET MEMBERSHIPS

Here's The Scoop (Or The Poop)

Admiral Sue Hampton

You are probably saying, here we go again with the same old stuff. I would still appreciate it if every member would read this section carefully. It is important and may be beneficial to your.

Current Starship and Shuttle Commanding Officers received a copy of the current STARFLEET application before the end of 1991. It was printed on cardboard for durability. Some comments on the application: The blank box is for chapter use to make information on local chapter address/officers/meeting place and time available. Use it! Some chapters choose to copy more information about local chapter and a chapter application on the back of the STARFLEET application. There is nothing wrong with that. Remember to position the chapter application on the opposite end of the STARFLEET application so you can get your section and Headquarters can get their section without extra copying and severe confusion.

The STARFLEET application as it was sent to chapter is the **only** acceptable form. There is no reason (that we have been able to figure out) for changing this form. Computer Operations processes an average of 400 memberships **a month**. Since the opening of ST:VI TUC this has approached 500 per month. Each new member's information including each member of the family, is typed into the computer for our database. Chief of Computer Operations is now trained to read and translate the information from the current application. When Dave gets to an application that has been altered and has to slow up production to find

all the needed information, it causes discontent at the Forvendel quarters. This matter was brought to my attention by Dave and Kathy's two cats who detest loud, screeching, human noises coming from users in the office area. So DON'T CHANGE THE APPLICATION! Chapters that continue to do so will find that their applications are being returned thus causing a delay in their new members' processing.

Note that there is no longer a time frame for processing listed on the applications. We process them as quickly as we can. realizing that it is still a three-step operation across the state of North Carolina, C.O.'s and other officers should advise new and prospective members that it usually takes 5-6 weeks to get their package. If it comes sooner, folks are happy. If it is later than that it is appropriate to write and start checking. Here is the process; Write to Sue Hampton, give die complete name and address of the person you are checking for. I also need the approximate date it was sent to HO, was a check, money order or cash sent, has check or money order cleared the banks (or did the check bounce to Luna?). Since I mail out the packages, it is easier for me to check up on when it left Greensboro for if it is on my desk/living room floor at that time). The Post Office is a fine business but they still lose things which we will quickly replace if necessary. Sometimes people move or change their names and the packages come back to sit on my desk and wait for someone to write and claim them. Keep in touch with your new members to see that they get off to a good start.

This final section applies mostly to C.O.'s but everyone please read one...The current membership filing system is done

two ways. There is a hard paper copy (the bottom part of the official STARFLEET application) and the computer data system. Each member, including the family members, has a file folder the size of the application. A new folder is started for each member, As you renew, change addresses, change names, get lost, copies of your checks, etc, that information is added to your individual file. For chat reason it is necessary to have an application filled out for each STARFLEET member, including each member of a family (I feel like a broken record on that phrase). If a family fills out one application and puts all the members of the family on the single name line, Granny Elf has to stop and write up an individual application for each one. When a C.O. sends a list of 6-10 names and addresses and says, 'These are renewals", again, Granny Elf has to write up an application for each one to be filed properly. information is not entered into the computer system at that time; it goes into computer operations in Cary, NC on the eastern end of the state, The renewal application is on the inside cover of every Communique. Have your members fill it out for you or keep several copies on hand for you (or your veoman if you are lucky) to write up the information. List of members such as I described above will be returned to the C.O.'s for correct processing. Now that you have waded through all that information, the first two C.O.'s and the first two individual members that write to me that they have read this article will receive something, My address is 3401 Argyle lane, Greensboro, NC 27406.



## Department of Communications

Whew! It's been a very busy month. What with all of the judges submitting their final decisions on the Writers and Artists contest, which then had to be tabulated, to compiling both the fanzine and the

## · Chief of Communications ·

#### VAdm. Judith Brandy

Communique simultaneously to be ship south for printing. We spread things out over more than one weekend, but it's still been very hectic.

I wanted to personally thank the judges who did an outstanding job in formulating both opinions as well as percentages on each piece submitted. Their opinions were widely varied, and many of the entries missed first, second or third place only by a few points. All entries were top-notch, and I'd like to thank everyone who entered. Synergy wou1dn't have been possible without the cooperation of STARFLEET members.

Where does the title Synergy come from, you may wonder? Well, after much discussion and the tossing

about of many names from the STARFLEET Follies (too silly) to Perchance to Dream (too pretentious and a book already has that title), we arrived at a word that essentially meant "cooperation." If that doesn't sum up what this fanzine is about, I don't know what does. From entries through production, this fanzine signifies the cooperation of Star Trek fans as a whole

It is hoped that you enjoy our efforts. All monies raised from this project will go to the STARFLEET Scholarship Fund, and with scholarships popping up like bunnies, this will probably be a great help. Quantity discounts will be available through the STARFLEET Quartermaster.

The newsletter contest is next We are also compiling a database of STARFLEET newsletters and will keep you apprised as to the progress of that project.

Well, my column is somewhat abbreviated because the Press Corps director went a bit crazy (smile). Until next time, weather the winter. Where I am, it has dropped to 10 degrees and looks like it will stay there for a while.

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS** •

#### Capt. Michael Sawczyn • Director

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who have written and are interested in the PR booklet; hopefully this will be something everyone can use. But the ones I really need to thank are those who are sending in ideas that a chapter can use for publicity...these are the folks who are making the booklet possible. Unfortunately, there are all too few of them. Without your input, getting this thing together becomes the work of a small committee, rather than the collective input of the 'Fleet membership.

We still are shooting for a first quarter 1992 release. The chances get better for an earlier release it more ideas come in, so get those pens to paper! The address to write is Michael Sawczyn, 8474 Dover Crest Ct., Galloway, OH 43119.

Some of the things we'll be talking about already

Image: what does the typical citizen picture when he or she think of a Trek fan? That picture differs significantly from the average 'Fleet member,

and that's something we have to make known.

Familiarity: how many Trek fans do you think there are in your area that haven't the foggiest idea that your chapter exists? There are ways of getting the word out, and doing that cheaply and effectively

Target: knowing who you're speaking to is much more important than what you have to say, because the audience determines the message, Advertising your chapter and 'Fleet in general is different at a con and in the public.

Projects: public service projects and other community work is a great image booster, but you have to let everyone know that you're doing it.

And much more, So here's your opportunity to get your thoughts in - regardless of where your chapter is based, there are good ideas that everyone can use. Be you in the middle of a big city, in the middle of nowhere, or in the middle of the Outback, you've surely done something that everyone can benefit from.

#### NEWSLETTER CONTEST

The STARFLEET Newsletter Contest is officially closed. We wish to thank all of the ships for their submissions. Judging

has commenced and winners will be

announced in an upcoming Communiqué. Please address all inquiries concerning newsletters to:

> PO Box 457 Rancocas, NJ 08073

## THE PRESS CORPS

#### Judith Brandy, the editor of this fine publication (if I do say so myself) insists I write something about/for the Press Corps. More specifically, she DEMANDED that whatever I wrote had to be, and I quote, "...eight paragraphs in length," What an assignment! Oh well,

The Press Corp, to date, has approximately 25 members. There are some members who have written for the Communique on a fairly regular basis and some who have never written a word. I would like to take a moment to personally thank those of you who have written and continue to write articles for the Communique. To those of you who have yet to send articles for publication, I hereby insist you write something immediately, at least eight paragraphs in length, and send it to me at the address listed below. (Demands for the written word made by my department head helped get my tail in gear, perhaps it will work for you - and you know who I mean!) In any case, any and all members of STARFLEET are encouraged to write articles for the Communique; however, might I add that it makes me EXTREMELY proud when a line article comes directly from one of my very own Press Corps members. HINT, HINT.

For the remainder of this diatribe I will discuss a rather troublesome mark of punctuation, the apostro-

#### Cmdr. Jacqueline Gilkey • Director

phe (something we all have trouble with).

An apostrophe indicates the place or space where letters have been omitted in a contraction. A contraction is a word made up of two word combined into one by omitting one or more letters.

Try to remember these simple rules when using apos trophes

-No apostrophe is required when using the possessive form of it's. -An apostrophe is required when using the contraction

-Use an apostrophe with "s" to indicate the possessive

case of a singular noun or a plural noun not ending in "s. -For plural nouns that end in add only an apostro-

phe after the "s. -Use the apostrophe to indicate omission of a letter or

-Use the apostrophe to show the omission of the

century in a date. -Use the apostrophe to indicate the plural of a figure,

letter or symbol. -To form the possessive case of a plural noun not ending

"s" add an apostrophe and an "s. -Avoid using an apostrophe to form a plural of a noun.

- Indefinite pronouns (one, everyone, everybody) form

their own possessive case in the same way as a noun.

-in hyphenated, compound words, names of business firms, and words showing joint possession, only the last word is possessive in form

-The apostrophe may be used to make inflected verbs from numerals or letters

So there you have it. With this quick lesson on the apostrophe, there should be no reason for any Press Corps member not to sit down and compose an article for the Fleet newsletter. Get to it!

Remember, STARFLEET members/clubs are involved in any number of interesting activities. Conventions, charity events, personal Trek recollections, science news - all newsworthy items that are open for publication in the Communique. So use the nose God gave you to sniff out news that is unique. Then, write

Submissions should be sent to: Jacqueline Gilkey, c/o STARFLEET Press Corps, 142 Stony Creek Avenue, Lansdale, PA 19446

For more information about the STARFLEET Press Corps please send a # 10 SASE to the address above. Membership to the Press Corps is two dollars made payable to STARFLEET.

Paragraph Number Eight. Live Long and Prosper.





# STARFLEET ACADEMY

#### Admiral Rob Lerman • Director

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received any material and want a refund for the voucher or money submitted to the SFAAA, please write to STARFLEET HQ and please provide a copy of your check or money order.

I would like all of you to know that I am available from 6pm to 9pm (Pacific Time) Monday - Friday for any questions regarding STARFLEET Academy. I am doing Academy work long before and after those times (including weekends), but I limit the phone calls. If you need to get a hold of me, please call me at (916) 852-0120. I don't have the money to be returning each call I get, so if you want me to call back collect, please do let me know in the message.

#### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Departments within STARFLEET Academy include Officer's Training School, Officers Command College, College of Communications, College of Computer Sciences, Academy of STARFLEET Engineering, STARFLEET Corps of Engineers, Marine College, College of Medicine, Post Graduate School, Security School, and Vulcan Academy of Science.

#### OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL

Captain Peg Pellerin, Director RFD #3, Box 5460, Winslow, ME 04901

Officer's Training School (OTS) is one of the most important schools in STARFLEET Academy. It offers the basic, vet very important, education concerning STARFLEET, how it's organized, its different divisions and so on. This course must be taken prior to holding a commissioned position aboard a Starship or command of a Shuttlecraft. This course is a prerequisite for Officer's Command College which must be taken by the proposed Commanding and Executive Officers of a

#### OFFICER'S COMMAND COLLEGE

Captain Kim Lzrman. Director

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Officer's Command College (OCC) is designed for the STARFLEET officer who has passed OTS and has read and understood the STARFLEET Members Handbook. It is further understood that the officer candidate is familiar with Star Trek fandom and subscribes to the perception of a bright and hopeful future as represented by the universe created by Gene Roddenberry. The course presents new concepts which may seem foreign to some applicants. These concepts are based on many years of experience by STARFLEET's finest officers and are designed to provide insight and effective leadership to those successfully completing the Officer's Command College. This course is required for all Commanding Officers and Executive Officers and recommended for any officer who is interested in holding a leadership position.

#### COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Admiral Jack Fields, Director

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College of Communications (COC) is a program that is designed to introduce STARFLEET members interested in newsletter and 'fanzine' publishing to the concepts of page design and layout. Although the text

CoC is not a 'How-to' course. It covers popular design theories such as 'white-space,' and describes mainstream design and layout ideas.

#### COLLEGE OF COMPUTER SCIENCES

Commodore Sharon Ann Campbell, Director 720 218th Ave. NE. Redmond, WA 98053

College of Computer Sciences (COCS) provides the stu-dent with the opportunity to examine the world of computers from their beginnings through the future. Three progressive degrees are offered; Bachelor (History of Computers); Masters (Modem Computers); and Doctoral (Artificial Vs. Organic Intelligence - A Study in

#### ACADEMY OF STARFLEET ENGINEERING

Commander John Sellers, Director

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Academy of STARFLEET Engineering (ASE). The school consists of courses covering all aspects of engineering. Included are the basics of engineering; electricity & electronics; ship classes & design; and fundamentals of aviation & space flight. Students can also participate in independent study & research Projects

#### STARFLEET CORPS OF ENGINEERS

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STARFLEET Corps of Engineers (COE), as planned, will need input from the members of STARFLEET, to share with others interested in what makes things go in the Star Trek Universe. To help make the information available to members, we are now offering 'EQ-Engineers Quarterly' for those interested. We offer the chance for members to submit articles to this newsletter to share what they have found out, or how they think things are done in the 23rd and 24th centuries. I wish to make it known that members of STARFLEET can submit as much as they want, because this is your newsletter. We just put it together. But we do ask that it be kept to technical information on, or around the Star Trek Universe, and no short stories. As we go along, we will be offering more technical books to those interested as well as blueprints and charts

#### MARINE COLLEGE

Lt Colonel Ioe Maurantonio Director

P.O. Box 146, Yonkers, NY 10710-0146

Marine College (MC) familiarizes the student with the workings of the STARFLEET Marines from Basic Training through Officer Candidates School. Also included are specialty courses in weapons and flight school training.

#### COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

Captain Cheryl Willcox, Director

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STARFLEET Academy College of Medicine (SACOM), is the school for the medically oriented member. This does not mean that one must have medical training in order to take the exams. On the contrary, anyone with access to the World Book Encyclopedia can do exceptionally well. At present, we have eight challenging courses to choose from. The Basic Doctorate Degree, which MUST be taken first, allows the student to graduate as a

The Alumni Assn. is now closed, if you have not I briefly touches actual newsletter construction, the SFA- | Medical Doctor (in the Star Trek Universe). Then our Doctors may go on to specialize in any of seven fields. At this moment, the Special Degrees include: Alien Medicine, Cardiology, Dentistry, Ophthalmology, Psychology/Psychiatry, Radiology, and Surgery.

#### POST GRADUATE SCHOOL

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Post Graduate School (PGS). The mission of PGS is to provide a forum for interested personnel to develop and use their knowledge of the Star Trek universe for entertainment and education. PGS offers four areas of studies: Engineering; Medical; Starship Operations: & Command Studies

#### SECURITY SCHOOL

Captain Beth Lines Director

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Security School (SS) is two courses designed to be both fun and informative, while still challenging the student to think. The Basic Course is mainly Trek trivia of a Security-related nature and some mundane "situations" that require a little thought. The Advanced Course is mainly situations in a fictional setting with a "mystery" tacked on.

#### VULCAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

Commodore Marlene Miller, Director

461 Harmony Lane, Campbell, OH 44405

Vulcan Academy of Science (VAS) is designed to answer those questions you may have about a particular science that has peaked your interest enough to learn more about it. We offer degrees in several major sciences and electives from many sub-sciences that exist in our world today. However, to add that bit of thrilling science fiction, we've thrown in Star Trek trivia that applies to the sciences we offer. Also, a course in logic has been added to give the VAS that Vulcan touch.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

All colleges (except OTS, OCC & COC) require a secondary application to enroll in a specific course. This application will be sent to you by the School Director when you apply to the College.

All courses require a tuition fee of one SFA voucher. Vouchers can be purchased from STARFLEET Headquarters for \$3.00 each or 5 for \$12.00. STARFLEET Academy does not sell vouchers or accept payment in any other form. In addition, please include (2) first class stamps with your application. All foreign members must include an International Reply Coupon for return first class or airmail.

All Academy departments award the graduate with a diploma while some also provide award pins to those who demonstrate exceptional achievement.

STARFLEET Academy can be attended without ever leaving the comfort of your home. All department examinations are provided via subspace mail.

A STARFLEET Academy application is available to STARFLEET members who request a copy and enclose a legal size self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) to Admiral Rob Lerman, Director at the address listed above.

## SHUTTLE

#### **OPERATIONS COMMAND**

VAdm Kenny Proehl • Director

P.O. Box 11982 • Lynchburg, WA 24501-1982

Well here we are with yet another Communique. I trust that everyone made it past the Holidays without to much damage to the ol' wallet. I guess now things can get back to its normal semi-hectic pace here at Shuttle Operations.

I am still it the process of selecting an assistant. I haven't had any real time to sit down and carefully consider the applicants.

This report is shot and to the point, mainly because I almost forgot about the deadline for submissions. I have at this time, twenty proposals for shuttles sitting on my desk. This means that the Fleet will be growing yet even more in the very near future.

Now since my last report in the Communique, there have been 11 new shuttles launched. These shuttles are as follows.

<ul> <li>shuttle Vesuvius</li> </ul>	NCC-2115/03	Cmdr. Dayne Lake
• shuttle Imperial Star	NCC-1793/06	Cmdr. Kate Shirley
<ul> <li>shuttle Bismarck</li> </ul>	NCC-FB05/12	Captain Alfred Sandham
<ul> <li>shuttle Maddox</li> </ul>	NCC-1989/01	Cmdr. Robert Livingston
<ul> <li>shuttle Harrier</li> </ul>	NCC-1719/02	Cmdr. Jack YEager
<ul> <li>shuttle Olympus</li> </ul>	NCC-FB01/17	Cmdr. Brad Pense
<ul> <li>shuttle Valsalva</li> </ul>	NCC-1308/07	Cmdr. David Miller
<ul> <li>shuttle Mississippi</li> </ul>	NCC-FB02/23	Cmdr. Diane Johnson
<ul> <li>shuttle Rendezvous</li> </ul>	NCC-2115/03	Cmdr. Stewart Hunsaker
<ul> <li>shuttle Yamato</li> </ul>	NCC-1705/01	Cmdr. A. Isaac Turner
<ul> <li>shuttle Explorer</li> </ul>	NCC-1705/02	Cmdr. Rose Thomas

I would like to congratulate the crews of the following shuttles. They have completed the shuttle program.

- shuttle Are NCC-2106/03 is now the USS Ari
- shuttle Intangible NCC-3700/03 is now the USS Intangible
- shuttle Gallifrey NCC-100A/01 is now the USS Gallifrey

Good luck to the crews of these groups. That wraps this report up, until next time....

## Pen Pal Service



#### Cmdr. Ray Greenberg • Director

Hello there, you poor devils. This is your not-so-new Director wondering what he's gotten himself into.

We finally got all of Cathy Addlesse's records sent to us, and they are somewhat in disarray. There was a lot of correspondence, and for those of you that send in applications but are not yet on the directory (WHAT directory, you ask? I'll get to that...), I have today added you to the directory.

For those of you who have gotten applications and have sent them to STARFLEET in North Carolina, will receive vouchers. These vouchers and your applications are then sent to me at PO. Box 457, Rancocas, NJ 08073. The voucher is like money, and you are officially a member when I receive your voucher.

Now, about the directories. Yes, there are directories, they are in the process of being printed. They will be sent to members as soon as possible.

In case I didn't tell you last issue, we are foregoing the bi-monthly Newsletter in favor of these monthly reports. This will save money, both ours and yours,

Before I let you go, one last request. May I have a blindfold? Just kidding. Seriously, I need you to send me your expiration dates (when YOU think they are) so that this information can also go in the directory, and I can get a better handle on whether some of you are coming due for renewal. Please try to do this as soon as you can.

Well, that's it for now. See you next issue.

# Disabled Consultant Program

# Cmdr. Greg Phillips, MSW, Director

Over the past couple of months the DCP has been pretty active working with cons. I want to thank Peggy Driesel for her help with Starcon '91 in Denver. From what I understand, it went wonderfully well. In fact, it went so well that the Starcon people have committed to having their cons next year offer sign language interpreters, as well as having other accessibility features. As well as offering to do interpreting, Peggy has developed (or is in the process of developing, actually) a series of Trek signs, to try to develop some kind of standardization. If you are planning to offer signing at a con, or are just curious as to what Klingon, Tribble, and Beam Down would be in sign language, just let me know!

More locally, (from my perspective), VULKON has been working with the DCP to offer access in their November con in St. Petersburg. This will entail having sign language interpreters, brailled programs, a closed caption decoder video room, reserved handicap seating, as well as other options. For con planners, you might be interested in knowing the total expenditures for this stuff (so far — all costs subject to change of course!). The total cost equals \$0.00. Think your con budgets can handle that?

I want to thank the several people who have written me offering to help with the DCP. Because of them, the DCP will be able to offer "branches" in Vermont, Canada, South Dakota, Washington and a couple of other places. So, if you have questions or want some help in planning meetings, let me know and I can get you in touch with the nearest person.

Also, please keep in mind that the DCP Library has just about all the Communique's on audio tape from the beginning of 1990 on, available at no charge to Fleet members with either visual or physical impairments. Just send me your name, SCC number, and membership expiration date. While any contributions of blank 90 minute cassettes are always welcome, they aren't necessary.

By the time this appears in print, I expect to have a video tape of the VULKON accessibility features available for loan. As part of my "real" job, I produce a show for the City of St. Petersburg on "disabled issues" for our government access cable channel — gives me great opportunities to do stuff like attend and film a con...and, GET PAID FOR IT!! Can't beat that!

I also have a video tape of an interview with the head of the group I have mentioned in this column before, Electrical Eggs. They have an access system for cons that I think really works and is simple to use. Contact me if you have any questions about it. I can be reached at 4566 22 Avenue N., St. Petersburg, Fl., 33713.

# **STARFLEET** SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Now that the holiday rush is over I hope that all the death. STARFLEET students out there will take a moment to consider l happe their future. As you read this there will be only tour months left to apply the so

and complete the paperwork to apply tor one of the many STARFLEET scholarships, To date I have I received requests for 26 applications. Remember that these scholarships are only for members of STARFLEET so you aren't competing with every high school senior in the country or every currently enrolled college student. The application does not require a financial statement or disclosure. Rather it is based on needs and merit as expressed in the required letters of recommendation and the members two personal essays.

Here is a reminder of the scholarships available.

**Space Explorers Memorial** (4 year); For any student in a four year college program or graduate program, in any course of study.

**Space Explorers Memorial** (Technical): This is for someone studying in a technical program, 2 year Associate program, Community College, studying any subject.

There are four scholarships honoring Star Trek actors and their Star Trek characters special fields. Applicants for these scholarships may be in a 2 year, 4 year or graduate program, but must be studying that major or related subject.

James Doohan/Montgomery Scott Scholarship is for Aeronautical Engineering.

The DeForest Kelley/Leonard McCoy Scholarship is for Medical occupations.

The Patrick Stewart Scholarship is for the Performing Arts.

The scholarship honoring George Takei (now our beloved Captain Sulu) is for those pursuing International Studies.

The newest scholarship program honoring **Gene Roddenberry** is not completely funded at this time. Bjo Trimble (Star Trek Fan Extraordinaire and STARFLEET member) is working with us on the guidelines for this Writers' Scholarship. This may be set up as several small scholarships for special workshops and training programs for writers. More on this as it evolves.

Members are asked to identify which scholarship they wish to apply for when requesting an application. They will not be limited to that scholarship program if another is available or more appropriate. Applications can be obtained by sending a business sized SASE (and a note that you want scholarship information) to Sue Hampton, 3401 Argyle Lane, Greensboro, NC 27406. All paperwork for scholarship application must be postmarked by June 1, 1992 in order to be included for consideration.

The members of STARFLEET are very proud of the scholarships they have founded and support them enthusiastically. This was demonstrated once again when the Gene Roddenberry Memorial Scholarship

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The CO of the USS Star League, Cindy Krell, happened to be at HQ when news of Mr. Roddenberry's death was received and the approval and organization of the scholarship was begun. She and her crew initiated the fund by donating \$50.00 to the new scholarship

Two or three days later, HQ received a letter from Region Two Coordinator, Deborah Nelson. She wrote: "During the weekend of November 22nd, Region Two held a raffle in conjunction with a Vulkon featuring DeForest Kelley. The prize was a Star Sack (an environmentally safe canvas tote) stuffed with STARFLEET chapter merchandise, including T-shirts, videos, zines, buttons, trivia games and Star Trek collectibles, all donated by the chapters in the region. We had about 98% participation in the creation of this raffle prize. We sold raffle tickets over the weekend and raised \$200.00. The raffle winner was Gary Bradway of Leesburg, Florida. During Captain's Call, with 18 of the 25 ships and shuttles in the region represented, unanimous vote was taken to donate the funds to the new Gene Roddenberry Scholarship. I'm very proud and pleased to send this donation to STARFLEET in the name of Region Two."

In Greensboro, NC on December 7th, the USS Bonaventure in Region One, raffled a Star Trek VI movie poster during a Trek-O-Rama and collected \$82.00 which they donated to the Gene Roddenberry Scholarship Fund. Kevin Miles, on behalf of the USS Ascension in Region Seven, sent a check for \$55.00 for the scholarship and Robyn Russell in Alaska sent a \$20.00 check. We have also already collected \$21.00 in donations that have been sent along with individual membership applications.

As you can see, in two short months we are already well on our way to completing the funding for our first Gene Roddenberry Memorial Scholarship for Writers. Many thanks to all those Fleet members who are helping us remember and honor Gene by our actions and not just our words

#### JAMES DOOHAN AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

Jimmy Doohan has been doing a lot of globe trotting lately, without the aid of the transporter.

On November 18th, HQ received a letter from USS Altair CO, Rav Raspa in Western Australia. He wrote: "At the end of September, Mr. James Doohan visited Australia. The USS Altair, in conjunction with Westrek, the other Star Trek club here in Perth, were privileged to meet him when he came to Perth for a very short visit."

"There were two objectives met by Mr. Doohan's visit. The launching of the USS Altair and raising money toward worthy causes. As you can see from the enclosed cheque we raised \$A400.00 (which has worked out to \$U311.96) towards the James Doohan Aeronautical Engineering Scholarship."

Congratulations to the USS Altair and the apprecia-

tion of all the Fleet goes to them for their addition to the Jimmy Doohan Scholarship. If anyone would like to write to the Altair and send their personal thanks the address is: Ray Raspa, 40 Gladstone Road, Rivervale, Perth, Western Australia, 6103, Australia.

On December 21st, the USS Kasimar in Maine sent a \$100.00 check for the Jimmy Doohan Scholarship. They had sold raffle tickets during the summer, at the Bangor State Fair and at Bangor's first Star Trek convention for a drawing that was held at the Creation Con Star Trek Convention. Nichelle Nichols drew out the winning raffle ticket.

On November 29th, as part of their participation in the Region One "Mile of Dollars". The Engineering Department of the USS Polaris sent a check for \$31.50 to be deposited to the Jimmy Doohan Scholarship Fund. In September, the USS Ranger held a chili "cook-off" and sent a \$20.00 check for the fund. In July, Mr. Doohan was in Augusta, GA and the USS Star League raffled a STARFLEET Tshirt that Jimmy autographed and raised \$301.01 (.01???) for the Aeronautical Engineering Scholarship. At Shore Leave in Huntsville, MD, CO of the USS Star League, Cindy Krell, presented the check to Region One Coordinator, Linda Neighbors, to kick off the Region One "Mile of Dollars" campaign. Earlier in the year, the shuttle Starchaser, now the USS Starchaser (the Boeing Employees STARFLEET Society) sent a check for \$100.00 for the Aeronautical Engineering Scholarship (That would, of course, be the logical scholarship for the Boeing Employees to support). They raised the money by hosting a Trek-A-Thon.

#### OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

The funding for the other 6 scholarships is doing very well also, thanks to the efforts of a lot of folks. In June, the USS Federation sent a \$50.00 check for the Patrick Stewart Scholarship for the Performing Arts. They had raffled a poster of Patrick Stewart at a Vulkon in Florida. A STARFLEET T-shirt autographed by Mr. Steward was auctioned at MarCon in Columbus, OH and brought in \$150.00 for his scholarship.

At RoVaCon in Virginia in October, Spice Williams was kind enough to autograph and donate some stunning pictures of herself and a T-shirt with her picture on it to be raffled or auctioned for the Space Explorers Scholarships. Most of the Region One "Mile of Dollars" donations have been used for the Space Explorers Scholarship.

The DeForest Kelley and George Takei Scholarships have also accumulated enough funds to award those scholarships this spring. Both DeForest Kelley and George Takei have been gracious enough to autograph STARFLEET T-shirts that will be raffled or auctioned later in the year.

The response to the addition of a list of the scholarships to the membership application forms has been very gratifying. Many, many Fleet members have demonstrated their generosity by donating to one or two or even all of the scholarships when they send in their applications for STARFLEET membership.

If you are studying or plan to be studying in one of the fields for which STARFLEET has a scholarship, please don't hesitate to apply. In the last two years, there have not been very many applicants for the scholarships. The Patrick Stewart Scholarship was not even awarded last year because there were no applicants for it. STARFLEET wants to give that money away to someone, and it might be you.

## STARFLEET STAMPEDE

Clayton Melanson • Coordinator

Howdy from the Stampede Corral. Another great two-month period has come and gone. We had about 21 participants donating about 44 pounds of stamps. Another great effort from our membership! Everyone involved, stand up and take a bow for your excellent work. (Insert thunderous applause!) Not only has the volume of stamps improved, but so has the trimming. When this project first started about a year ago, a tremendous amount of labor was are: spent in trimming the stamps. The pile of trimmings more often than not was greater than the pile of stamps. However, with the great effort that most of you have made, there is very little trimming left to do.

It is so neat to open a large box of stamps and find them all well trimmed. Kudos to Cindy Glenn and the USS Starward Fury for their effort.

I did a little bit of timing to see about how much time it took to sort well-trimmed stamps. An envelope of 11 ounces of stamps took about 50 minutes. The stamps that are torn or trimmed very close may take up to four times as long. The best stamps are those that are trimmed (cut) between 1/ 4 and 1/2 inches on all sides. Those that are trimmed very close are hard to examine to see if they are damaged. If any of the perforations are cut, they are considered damaged. Besides that, they are being sold by weight. They weigh a bit more if they have the hill border on them and therefore, are worth a bit more. Every little bit helps.

waiting for. It looks like we have col-I say should because the 41 pounds of

stamps received between Christmas and New Year's Day have not been completely sorted yet. As soon as this is done and the rest of the stamps sold, the money will be forwarded to STARFLEET Headquarters for disbursement. Disbursement will be to two charities as follows: \$225 to drum roll!) UNICEF; \$186 to ASAP, the American Syringomyelia Alliance Project Inc. Thanks again for your great support.

The rest of the participants this time

Carla Babyak James A. Casselbury Elenore Classen Janet Doctors Alan Farthing Phil and Yvonne Head USS Heimdal **USS** Intrepid Mary A. Libcke

Linda Neighbors/Willy Smith Melissa Kay Nelson USS Paegan USS Pendragon **USS Polaris** USS Republic Region 2 Marines Roy Simon STARFLEET Quartermaster Shuttle Tristar

And the winners are: (Insert long

Individual: Linda Neighbors/ Wiley Smith

Group: USS Intrepid Special: Cindy Glenn

Chat with you later. See you next time.

> STARFLEET Stampede Captain Clayton Melanson Stampede Coordinator 2205 Sharpshire Lane Arlington, TX 76014 87:6003/8000

## COMMUNITY SERVICE CORNER

Robert Fryman • Coordinator

Actress Laura Banks, Kahn's navi- this medical service. Laura also helps to gator (STAR TREK II), has joined STAR-FLEET Region 2 Medical Department as the Humane Society. Head Nurse, Special Services assigned to The Manhattan Center for the Termi- humanitarian efforts, Region 2 medical nally Ill.

help raise money for this hospice, which treats anyone admitted to the center, free of charge. Recently, she helped with an auction at Southby's in New York City Now, here is what we have all been that raised \$250,000 for the hospice. Whatever she can do for the Manhattan lected about 182 pounds of stamps. This Center she does. Soon she will be calling should be about \$411 worth of stamps. on the members of Region 7 to help with

feed the homeless and is a supporter of

To recognize Laura's outstanding department has established two new Laura has contributed her services to Laura Banks Medical Service Awards.

The first category is for outstanding Medical Service by fund raising and/or time contributed by an individual who has been a member of STARFLEET for a year or more. The second category is for outstanding medical service by fund raising and/or time contributed by a ship or shuttle, that has been in existence for a year or more. These awards will be based on a year's efforts not just one or two events and/or donations. The first set of Laura Bank's awards will be given at next year's Region 2 Conference.

The deadline for the Laura Banks Medical Service Awards is February 28, 1992. Please turn in your entries to E. Laurel Smith, Apt. C-16, 3040 Aloma Ave. Winter Park, Fl. 32792

#### WE WOULD RATHER BUY FROM FRIENDS, THAN FROM STRANGERS

If there is a product that we carry in the STARFLEET Store that you produce, or you know someone who produces it, or you just know where there is a good price on that product, let us know. We would love to hear from you.

#### STARFLEET OUARTERMASTER

Post Office Box 398 Rural Hall, NC. 27045





**Colonel Jim Harris** Marine Commandant P.O. Box 3282, Petersburg, VA 23805-3282

Colonel Jim Harris replaces BGEN Robb Jackson as the Commandant of the STARFLEET Marine Corps. Previously, Jim served as the Deputy Commandant/Chief of Staff, and as the RDC-STARFLEET Marines for Region One. The vacated position of Deputy Commandant is filled by Colonel Scott Akers of League City, Texas.

Colonel Harris has been a member of STARFLEET for over three years, beginning his tenure aboard the USS Chesapeake, NCC-1887. By profession, he is a 40 year old insurance loss control engineer with the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company of Baltimore, Maryland and a 1937 graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia with a Bachelors degree in Safety and Risk Administration. Colonel Harris presently serves as the second officer of the USS Nighthawk, NCC~2301, in addition to his regular Marine duties.

Colonel Harris is married to Commander Deborah Harris, and has a three a year old daughter, Senior Sergeant Rayna Grace Harris. Jim is a graduate of over 26 STARFLEET Academy courses, including the Marine College, Vulcan Academy of Science, Officer's Training School, Officer's Command College, Security School and the Post Graduate School of Command Studies.

Some of you may have heard some conflicting reports about a new department that is being proposed for STARFLEET called Special Operations Command or SOCOM. The proposed purpose of this department is to provide a point of communication for all of the large and small "military" or "fighting" forces that have formed within the Fleet. Because of a few major concerns about the structure and administration of this department, it has yet been approved. At this time, SOCOM and any of its proposed staff have not been commissioned by the Executive Committee and have no authority within STARFLEET.

The hang-ups over SOCOM in no way affect the organizational or operational status of the STARFLEET Marines or any other already established group within the Fleet. They will continue to function as they always have.

We will continue to work on the problems involving SOCOM and will let the Fleet know as soon as they are resolved.

Admiral Jeannette Maddox

## **CARE AND FEEDING OF A TREKKER**

by Don Jones, SFMC • USS Powhatan NCC-1967

Trekkers are very, very easy to take care of. There are, however, so many species to choose from, we simply cannot cover them all. We will, therefore, stick with the most common species of Trekker, the 'Treksapien conventionus,' the common convention Trek-

Con Trekkers require remarkably little sleep for periods up to tour days long. They can stay up from eight o'clock in the morning until well past midnight, and repeat this performance for two days straight. They can then drive up to two hundred miles straight (if provided with plenty of "protoculture" and leftover pizza) before requiring a rest period of almost eight hours. They can then resume a "normnal" schedule with little ill effects.

Con Trekkers have few natural enemies, but the ones that do exist are vicious and quite common. 'Media freakseek' or the common "Stupid newshound," is among the most hated, Others include the 'Conventionus creatous (Creation Con dealer), 'Mundanius stupremus' (Smartass mundane), and the 'Notaquote quoter' ("Beam me up Scotty" idiots).

Con Trekkers are indigenous to Earth. All over Earth.

## Award Ribbons and Your Uniforms

by David Forvendel

Country, we saw many officers with military campaign ribbons on their chest. I am sure that many STARFLEET mem- Armed Services. I do not think that current the members of STARFLEET are OK, bers will also want to decorate their uniforms with similar items. True, your uniform is a costume, but II want everyone to be aware of one thing - the ribbons used in the movie are not real military ribbons. They are slightly larger and wider than their contemporary counterparts. The awards were created and manufactured for the movie. Paramount did not run down to their local military surplus store and buy a bunch of ribbons to stick on the uniforms. I encourage you

In Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered not to do so either. I feel that morally and the simple protocol that the real military ethically we should refrain from using items follows...if you did not earn it...you do that have real meaning to members of our not wear it. Awards that are made by United States, Canadian or any other but we should refrain from using real country's military service awards have a place military awards on any STARFLEET on our uniforms. Those awards should be uniform. reserved for the people who have actually earned them.

> There are alternatives. A group may make their own award ribbons. I know of a chapter that takes obscure service ribbons and alters the colors so that they are no longer recognizable as a "real" ribbon. You can take fabric and make your own awards. The possibilities are endless. Just remember

If you or your group has a set of awards that you have made, put an ad in the Communique Classifieds. I am sure that many other members of our organization would be interested in them.



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**VULKON Atlanta** presents Patrick Stewart, February 22-23, 1992 at the Castlegate Hotel & Conference Center, Atlanta, GA. Two day tickets, by mail or at the door are \$30, Saturday \$20, Sunday \$15. Reserved seating for two day attendees only for an additional \$5. To order any ol the above, send check payable to Devlin Associates along with SASE to Vulcon, c/o Joe Motes, 12237 SW 50 St., Cooper City, FL 33330-5406.

**ONEONTACON 1992**, March 6-8 at Oneonta State Campus, Oneonta, NY. Scheduled gaming events are movies, Shadowrun, Battletech, dealer's booths, SCA exhibits, seminars on role playing games, and speakers. Atlantic Coast Battletech Championships. More to come in the future. Write OneontaCon info.; SUCO; Ford Hall Box 110; Oneonta, NY 13820.

**VUlkON Altamonte Springs** presents Brent Spiner, April 4-5, 1992 at the Orlando Hilton. Only 700 advance purchase memberships available; the rest of the tickets will be at the door until we sell out. Ticket prices are \$36/2 days, \$20/Saturday, \$16/Sunday. Reserved seating is available for two day tickets only for an additional \$10. Send check or money order payable to Devlin Associates to: Vulcon, c/o Joe Motes, 12237 SW 50 St., Cooper City, FL 33330-5406. Please enclose a SASE.

**BALLAD TREK '92**, May 1-3 at the Hilton Resort, Asheville, NC. Guests include Jerry Poumelle, Louise Kleba, L.A. Kenyan, Richard Bropy, Richard Heim and M. Jerry Vehaun. Admission \$25 thru March '92, \$35 at the door. For more information or memberships write: Ballad Trek '92, 39 Hanover St., Asheville, NC 28806-4158 or phone (704) 253-9981.

**FAN-FAIR '92**, an all-day Multi-Fandom Party, Saturday, June 27 at the Monticello Motor Lodge in Bellmawr, NJ. Admission is free! We are requesting a \$5 donation from attendees, to help defray the cost of renting the function space. After all, if we go broke running this one, we won't be able to put on a Fan-Fair '93! Make all checks payable to: The Cygnus Alphans, 2062 Route 9, Ocean View, NJ 08230. Please include a SASE.

**TREKCON '92**, August 14-16 at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza in Rockville, MD. Guests include James Doohan, Lysette Anthony, William Campbell, John de Lancie, Robin Curtis, Michael Piller, Marc Okrand, Ken Isbell, Ed Miarecki and personnel from NASA. Weekend passes are \$32, daily passes \$15. For more information or for memberships write: TrekCon '92, PO. Box 211, Burtonsville, MD 20866 or call our 24 hr hotline (202) 452-7425 and leave name, address and telephone number.

SHUTTLECON '92, dedicated to the memory of Gene Roddenberry, held August 29-30 at the Holiday Inn Centre Plaza, Fresno, CA the Site of STARFLEET"s Western Regional Conference'. Huge guest list with more to be announced later, \$20/Weekend, \$12/Saturday only, \$12/Sunday only. Dinner with Guests \$32, Breakfast with Guests \$22. Package deal - Weekend membership plus BOTH meals \$68. Please make all checks and money orders payable to the USS Gallant and mail to: USS Gallant NCC-1869D, ShuttleCon '92, P.O. Box 7621, Fresno, CA 93747-9998.

**VULKON Cleveland** presents Jonathan Frakes at the Holiday Inn Independence, October 24-25. For more information send a SASE to: Vulcon, c/o Joe Moles, 12237 SW 50 St., Cooper City, Fl. 33330-5406.

#### "THE SAREK MEMORIAL CONVENTION"

#### Roseann "Shelby" Caputo

The Sarek Memorial Convention was the nickname given to Wishcon I, held November 8-10, 1991, in Springfield, MA. The featured guests for the convention were Mark Lenard, John de Lancie and Ronald D Moore. The convention donated all of its' proceeds to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, totaling \$6,700.00. The highlight of the weekend was the Charity Auction. The Auction was a huge success due to the tremendous response from Star Trek stars, writers, artists and dealers. However, due to time constraints, it was impossible to auction off every item received. More items are set to be auctioned in the near future. The weekend turned into a "memorial" when we found out that "Unification, Part

The weekend turned into a "memorial" when we found out that "Unification, Part I" was set to air for the first time on Saturday, November 9, 1991. Mark Lenard had been signed to appear at the convention months before anyone even knew there was going to be a "Unification". The news reached us that Sarek "dies" during the episode and that this would be Mark's last "Next Generation" appearance. We couldn't let such a milestone pass unnoticed. Mark's fan club made special "memorial" buttons. The Con Committee made arrangements to show the "Unification, Part I" in the ballroom on a large movie screen. However, thanks to Santa Claus arriving early, we were able to show both "Unification, Part I and Part II". Mark Lenard watched both episodes in the ballroom with the con goers and received two standing ovations for his performance. He was very touched. I think we all knew we were art of something special

we were part of something special Wishcon had one of the largest gatherings of Star Trek writers and artists. They all took part in panel discussions, gave workshops and signed autographs all weekend, We even "coerced" a few of them up on stage Saturday night to help with the Auction. Ronald D. Moore, Co-Producer of "The Next Generation" gave an excellent slide presentation that weekend. However, honorable mention should go to John de Lancie, who after working all day Friday, caught the red-eye which landed Saturday morning. Alter 3 hours of sleep, John gave a two hour acting workshop, and then went right on stage for an hour of Q&A. Immediately after Q&A, he signed autographs for an hour, and then attended the sit down dinner with the con goers. After dinner, John signed autographs for anyone who wanted one. It was only after the women behind the counter at the Newsstand commented that "you look as tired as death" did John finally get some sleep. Thanks John for being such a trooper.

The Convention Committee would like to thank all those who participated in making Wishcon such a success. You can all feel proud in knowing that you helped children with few tomorrows realize their special wish. Many of us may not be to the tot the conductive the success.

The Convention Committee would like to thank all those who participated in making Wishcon such a success. You can all feel proud in knowing that you helped children with few tomorrows realize their special wish. Many of us may not have thought of it this way while we were enjoying ourselves at the con, but Fan Guest of Honor, Larry Stewart and I went to the local Make-A-Wish office and saw the "Wishboard", a list of the names of our "Wish Kids", their ages, illness and their special wish. The board was not only full of names, but the average age of the children on the list was six years old. It is tough on a six-year old to face the fact that he or she may not see seven. So know that, in some small way, by being part of Wishcon, you helped lighten the load for a small child.





## THE VOICE YOU'D LIKE TO WAKE UP TO...

The Chicago Tribune printed the following (Nov. 1991):

Capt. Jean-Luc Picard of the starship *Enterprise* beamed aboard the space shuttle Atlantis for a brief visit Monday, urging the crew to 'boldly go where 255 men and women have gone before.' Actor Patrick Stewart, who plays Captain Picard in the new 'Star Trek: The Next Generation' television series, was beamed up in a recorded wakeup message to the shuttle crew. "This is Patrick Stewart, choosing not to outrank you as Captain Jean-Luc Picard, saying that we are confident of a productive and a successful mission. Make it so."

A Note from Hartriono Sastrowardoyo: The US Postal service has compiled "Letters From The Sand", a collection of letters from soldiers in conflicts ranging from the Civil War to Desert Storm. It will be sold at post offices for \$24 95.

#### STAR TREK MARATHON

Lt. Cmdr. Elizabeth A. Sanders

The crew of the Shuttle intangible in College Station, TX held a Star Trek Marathon on September 68 and raised about \$300 to help support their community service activities. Each crew member collected pledges based on the number of consecutive hours of Star Trek they could watch during the weekend. These pledges were from 25 cents to one dollar per hour that the member watched in a row. Everybody gathered around the TV set at the Executive Officer's house on Friday night and, 48 hours later, ended the event with a 25th Anniversary celebration that included a cake and the signing of a card for Gene Roddenberry. The shuttle was able to get media coverage of this event by the local newspaper, radio, and television stations. We feel that this is an excellent fundraiser for both ships and shuttles and, due to its success, will probably become an annual event for the soon to be commissioned USS Intangible.

#### KASIMAR 'ENGINEERS' BIG \$\$ FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

STARFLEET Thanks to the crew of the USS KASIMAR who raised \$100.00 for the Jimmy Doohan/Montgomery Scott Aeronautical Engineering Scholarship Fund. The winning ticket was drawn by Nichelle Nichols at Creation Conventions Star Trek Anniversary Tour in Bangor Maine

Conventions Star Trek Anniversary Tour in Bangor, Maine.

The prizes included a No. 1 Sheet from the Kasimar General Plans Book autographed by James Doohan. The book includes 36 pages of specifications and details with 11 fold out sheets that show every exterior and internal profile of the Kasimar. Also rattled off was an 8 x 10" photograph matted and framed, of Jimmy Doohan holding the autographed sheet No. 1 as proof of authenticity.

Mary S. Hughs of Bangor was the winner of the  $8" \times 10"$  photo and the USS Kasimar manual.

## STAR TREK COMES TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

The National Air & Space Museum will offer a "major retrospective exhibit on Star Trek" beginning Feb 28, and running thru Labor Day. Props, scripts, and costumes will be included. There will be 8 weeks of pre-exhibit events beginning Jan 10 in the museum's Langley Theatre. The Feb 21st event is the curator's review of the exhibits development. "Coinciding with the exhibits opening, the Smithsonian Resident Associates and the Air & Space Museum are sponsoring 'Star Trek: A Universe of Fact and Fancy,' a day long symposium on Feb 29." The symposium features lectures and video clips and tickets are available. Mary Henderson is the exhibits curator. For more information call 202-357-3030.

#### **BEACH CLEANUP**

From the USS. Guardian in Cocoa, Florida comes news of a recent cleanup effort on Jetty Beach. Thirteen stalwart ship members braved the cold, windy November weather as hey "froze their exalted Fleet butts off" and gave a very positive example of environmental responsibility and commitment. Well done!

#### NEW ART DEADLINE FOR STAR TREK CONCORDANCE

From Bio Trimble comes word that she is updating and self-publishing her bestselling Star Trek Concordance, the original "Encyclopedia" on the first series. Due to her moving to Reno, Nevada in Jan/Feb 1992, the new target for sending art for the Concordance is February 20, 1992. Target date for publication is Summer 1992.

#### JOURNEY TO THE BATFISH AN AWAY TEAM REPORT

by Tim Frayser, USS Excelsior

For many Star Trek fans, wide corridors of the Enterprise form their image of a ship's interior. Fans in northeast Oklahoma are fortunate to have a vision of the real thing in the USS Batfish, an authentic World War II submarine in permanent dry dock at War Memorial Park in Muskogee.

The crew of the Excelsior ventured on their first out-of-town away team to the Batfish on August 10th, and the trip was a huge success. The submarine became famous during wartime for sinking three Japanese submarines within one 3-day period.

For science fiction fans, a submarine is the closest thing on earth to simulating the closed environment of a starship. Compared to the relatively roomy subs of "The Hunt for Red October" (a favorite of the Excelsior crew), the interior of the Batfish was small and claustrophobic, The passageways were barely wide enough for one person at a time, and the compartment hatches were hardly bigger than a kitchen cabinet door.

It's amazing that about 80 men could live in such a cramped space for months on end - all the time fighting for their lives.

About 40 men slept in hammocks in a room the size of a small office, while many others bunked over and around the torpedoes. Only the captain had a private cabin, which had less free space than the bed of a pickup.

Among the Excelsior crew on hand were members familiar with engineering, submarines, ballistics and World War II history. The pooling of everyone's knowledge made for an informative and educational experience.

Surrounding the submarine is a park displaying genuine shore batteries, cannons, and anti-aircraft guns, as well as deck guns and torpedoes. The site also holds memorials to all American submarines lost at sea during World War II, The park, located near the Port of Muskogee, also has a small museum of artifacts, historical documents and souvenirs of World War II and submarine history,

In all, the Excelsior's visit was a real blast.

#### **MEMORIES OF MARINA**

by Hartriono Sastrowardoyo

It was Creation's annual New York Thanksgiving Con, and Manna Sims, dubbed "Official Ship's Goddess" by Captain Bob Vosseller of the USS Challenger, was a guest. It was the Challenger crew's fifth time seeing Marina, yet we still hadn't grown tired of seeing her. She always came across as a warm and funny speaker.

For us, the epitome of Marina's acting ability was the scene with Jonathan Frakes in the episode, "The Game". Marina is sitting in Ten-Forward with a dish of chocolate ice cream with chocolate fudge and chocolate chips.

'I never met a chocolate I didn't like,' Troi states. 'It's not just a matter of taste; it's the whole experience'. She then explains how to eat it. 'First of all, you have to spoon the fudge around the rim, leaving only the ice cream in the middle. Then, you gently spoon the ice cream around the sides like you're sculpting it. Relish every bite. Make every



The crew of the USS Kasimar with Nichelle Nichols aboard an original Enterprise replica, the pride and joy of the crew.

one an event. And then, with the last spoonful, close your eyes' Troi concludes, 'Chocolate is a serious thing'.

Bob and I were talking about the convention, and I mentioned I should bring Marina some ice cream. Bob laughed and agreed that that would be a good idea. Marina's talk came at the end of the day I stayed for her opening remarks, and she was as we funny and witty as ever She wanted to get the picture taking part out of the way, and obligingly posed for the audience.

After taking a few photos, I slipped away to complete my mission. I walked out of the hotel to A&S Plaza, where I got a pint of swiss chocolate ice cream with chocolate chips. I then went over to a store where I got a plastic bag. On the way back to Marina's talk I first detoured to an ice machine, where I filled the bag with ice.

At the room where Marina was having her talk, I found that Challenger was already waiting on the autograph line. I greeted them with a smile on my face. 'Marina says she is as much a chocoholic as Troi,' they say. 'Did you get it?' they asked. I hold up the bag containing the ice cream. 'But it's going to melt,' they stated. My smile got bigger as I pulled out an ice cube. They started laughing, and I exclaimed, "I'm a tactical advisor. I'm supposed to come up with what I need for a mission."

The line moved quickly and I found myself in front of Marina. I handed her a picture and began, "Thanks. We liked your role in 'The Game'." Marina thanks me, and I continue, "In appreciation of your acting talents, the USS Challenger would like to present you with this." Thunk! I placed the pint of swiss chocolate ice cream with chocolate chips in front of her

Several thoughts crossed Marinas face in that one instant. Who is this guy? I can't believe this just happened. That ice cream looks really good.

Flustered, Marina thanked me and stated, "I'm going to have to ask my people to eat this." However, she changed her mind and asked me for a spoon. I gallantly handed her a spoon. Opening the container, she took a spoonful, signed a photo, took another spoonful, signed another photo...and that's when Challenger left Marina.

Due to various circumstances, Challenger wasn't able to attend the convention the next day and see if Marina mentioned us in her talk. However, we were glad to have made her day, a tale that will live on as legendary in the annals of Challenger history.

## RECRUIT, RECRUIT, RECRUIT!

by Don Jones. SFMC • USS Powhatan, NCC-1967

"Recruit, Recruit, Recruit!" is the battle cry of RAdm Steve Thomas of the USS Jamestown. I can't tell you how many times I heard that before the Powhatan crew shuttled from the "Jimmy1". But, he's got a point. Our crew has recently been experimenting with ways to attract more people to our chapter, and I thought I'd share some of our results with the rest of the Fleet

Fliers: Since we can all create a custom back for the standard STARFLEET flier, do it. Use plenty of clip art (logos, etc.) and keep the text at 10 points or larger. Talk about what your ship does that's fun and exciting, community service, etc. If possible, provide a phone number people can call, and always give your meeting schedule and location, if you can.

Permanent displays: Make several 11"  $\times$  7" displays to put up at local comic shops, movie theaters, video arcades, etc. Don't put lots of textual stuff, or even diagrams and logos. Put color photos of your crew having fun, and information on who to contact. Getting business cards made up and attaching a holder to this display is the best, because people can take something along with them.

Ship displays: If you use a display to set up in malls and the like, use lots of photos. People like to see what you actually do, more so than what your ship looks like or how fast it is. Collectibles, rare stuff, props, and that kind of thing attract people to a display and make them ask more questions. Don't be afraid to walk up to people and ask it they like Trek, or if they've heard of STARFLEET. More often than not, it you start a conversation, they'll take part.

In a previous article, "High Profile," I mentioned using Public Service Announcements (PSA's) on radio and TV and in the newspapers. Do it. Announce chapter meetings, big events, etc through PSA's so people hear about you. Setup in community booths at local shopping malls (it's free), in movie theaters. in Waldenbooks (part of 25th Trek Anniversary), or anywhere you might catch people. Be flamboyant, and act like you're having more fun than anyone else possibly could. (If you have to act, that is. Seems to come natural for Fleet!)

Good luck, and as RAdm. Thomas (always) said, "Recruit, Recruit, Recruit!"

#### COMMUNICATIONS LOG OF THE USS ALTAIR

by Ray Raspa

On September 22, 1991, Mr. James Doohan arrived in Perth, Western Australia after an enjoyable trip on the Indian Pacific Train across the Australian continent. He was met at the train station by Captain Ray Raspa and brought to STAR FLEET HOWA for breakfast.

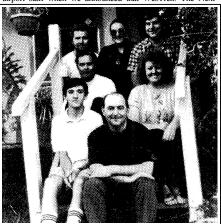
During the day, Greg and Arthur, two burly club members, and Ray escorted Jimmy all over Perth to see the sights. Greg was driving the Community Policing vehicle which led to the odd problem for Cmdr Evans ~ as in keeping up at times.

First thing in the morning, after meeting Captain Ray Raspa at the station, Mr. Doohan came to STARFLFET HQWA for breakfast. Warned beforehand what the gentleman would like for breakfast, there were plenty of muffins for him. The Entourage than took Jimmy up to the Rock Hunter's Hall where Westrek, our fellow Star Trek club meets each month, and he was suitably impressed with the specimen cases of stones and lapidary from all over Western Australia. Then onto Cohunu Wild Life Park where he got to meet some koala's and kangaroos after a barbecue. Jimmy was promised a shrimp on the barbie and that's what he got. He had a bit of a rest in the late afternoon and was back in the Wardroom for the evening Festivities.

The official launching of the USS Altair was on the Sunday evening, to which everyone on the Altair and all the extra Security people were invited Jimmy took one look at the groaning tables and reckoned that we in Perth certainly know how to party! The cake was magnificent! He took several photos of it, as well as of everybody present! The Executive Officer has everything on tape, and we are really looking forward to seeing it when he gets back from his trip to Melbourne, Los Angeles and San Francisco,

On the Monday morning Ray had been offered the opportunity of having Jimmy go up with a local radio stations traffic flow plane. The pilot let Jimmy fly the plane, something he had not done in about ten years! That certainly started the day off with a bang as the various television stations then began to call. Only one television station managed to catch up with Jimmy at a local engineering works where a locomotive is being restored. After a quiet dinner, Jimmy was then driven to the Westrail Function Centre for our very special evening with him. Lots of people got books and other paraphernalia signed as well as photos of Jimmy. And from some of the comments we had over the following week, there were a lot of people who enjoyed themselves.

On Tuesday morning, we farewelled Jimmy on his way to Brisbane in Queensland for ConQuest 91. It rather boggled the airport staff when we announced that WesTrek: The Next



The crew of the USS Altair taken outside of STARFLEET HQ in Western Australia

Generation, as well as all those grown-up fans that could make it, had all come to see him off, but they showed us through the security arch with good humour. Especially as the Altair's Security Chief set off the alarm (fortunately it was only his belt buckle)

If nothing else we had a fantastic weekend and met one of our childhood heroes. And the USS Altair is also pleased to report that we raised \$400 AUS towards the Jimmy Doohan Engineering Scholarship. Now that's one way to launch a ship!!

The Communications Officer has also been practicing the arcane arts of preserving and has raised \$50 AUS towards the Royal Flying Doctor Service. This will be an ongoing effort during the year and proceeds will be donated to local charities.

#### **KENNETH DEWEESE** 1944 - 1991

Ken DeWeese of the USS Pathfinder died this past October of a brain aneurysm. He had requested that he be buried in his STARFLEET uniform, and that STARFLEET provide his memorial service. In all, over half the people attending Ken's funeral were wearing STARFLEET uniforms of one type or another.

If you ever attended RoVaCon or Technicon, you quickly became familiar with Ken. He was the big fellow in the Klingon/Amerind fusion makeup. He was the smiling Klingon with a handshake that would have rattled an assault 'mech. Once a year or so, at a STARFLEET event, Pathfinders would dutifully tramp out to the parking lot to see Ken's newest car - the latest incarnation of "The Andorian Marshmallow" as Ken called them. He had a thing for blue cars. Ken would always drag his computer to STARFLEET events, and the pounds of reports he presented. A truly creative mind had to be behind them.

At conventions, buried under pounds of Klingon makeup, wearing his Next Generation uniform with the Klingon warriors sash emblazoned with a red arrow. Ken must have been miserable under there, but he soldiered on.

Ken was a walking billboard for STARFLEET. He drew his share of snickers and chuckles, but he used them to engage people in conversation, and once he had you, he would not let you go until you signed up.

To Ken, STARFLEET was more than a club. It was a family in everything but blood. Like any loving family member, he hated to see problems between his fleet brothers and sisters. He spent many hours trying to mend rifts he perceived in our organization. If Ken had a failing, it was that his heart was too big. If that is indeed a failing, it is one we should all pray for.,

That is Ken DeWeese's legacy.

Farewell, Kenneth DeWeese, Captain of Sciences, USS Pathfinder. Your life of honor has left us a debt of honor to fulfill. K'Phlagh!

30 October 1991 Captain Jerry Conner Commanding, USS Yeager, NCC-1893 ave included this expanded tribute to Ken

(Editors Note. I have included this expanded tribute to Ken because I felt that Ken contributed much to STARFLEEF. In the last issue, we couldn't print the full version).

To Star Trek fans Gene Roddenberry was known as the Great Bird of the Galaxy, the beloved creator of the greatest show ever to be on TV. We saw a future filled with hope, courage, brotherhood, loyalty and the belief that all life, whether human or otherwise, is sacred. To us fans, he was like family. The cast and crew of both series are also like family. He certainly will be missed, and he will never be forgotten.

8 December 1991

Mary Lou Schmidt

y Lou Schmidt Topeka, KS

#### GALLANT TRIBUTES

While the Communiqué produced an international tribute to Gene Roddenberry, smaller, local chapters also did individual memorials and tributes of their own. One of those chapters, the USS Gallant, typified what many local chapters were doing around the world. They did a newsletter tribute, held a memorial service and established a memorial fund. These are but a few of the many things that fans have done While the Gallant's newsletter didn't arrive in time to make our tribute, they represented to the Communiqué staff a microcosm of the response of fandom as a whole.

## THANK YOU, GENE

by Sarah Lipsky

For the loss of Gene do not mourn for another dreamer has been born. Inside us all is the dream alive, for in us all is the will and drive.

Peace is the way we shall go, and no one shall be our foe. For he gave us the future to dream of On Earth as well as above.

Never did he imagine so long ago, that so many had the dream to go. But so many have turned their eyes to the heavens and to the skies.

He thought his dream a "flash in the pan", yet he touched something that told us "we can". In our hearts we will achieve a higher place and our minds will help keep the pace.

We must keep the dream in our hearts if we are to survive, for to forget the purpose means we will not stay alive. Our bodies and our souls mean everything to us, but without a purpose we will just turn to dust.

Gene gave us a reason and a purpose to live, to look at one another, love and to give. To think of him I think of my brother, and I will remember him like no other.

Thank you Gene for the dreams that resound. Thank you Gene for the memories that abound. Thank you Gene for the friendships you brought. Thank you Gene for the things that you thought.

Yesterday I was fortunate to receive a copy of your December/January issue of the STAR-FLEET Communique from a friend back east. Though I am not a member of STARFLEET, my friend knew of my interest in Star Trek and the feeling of loss I share with so many others at the passing of Gene Roddenberry. I sat down in my big, comfortable chair in front of the fireplace last night and read the issue from front to back. My family knew better than to interrupt and did not question me when tears often ran unchecked down my cheeks. My family would listen and nod silently, when occasionally I would share a sentence or two from someone's tribute to Mr. Roddenberry. To put this in perspective, you need to know that these are the same people, my family, who constantly tease me about my interest in Star Trek, often calling me a "space cadet". Even they respected the sense of loss I was

feeling, and the need to know how others expressed their feelings.

The tributes that expressed how Star Trek/Gene Roddenberry influenced a person's life were very touching, but Gary Scott Decker's story especially hit home. His report of the memorial service was very much appreciated, and when he told of the Scottish Pipers playing "Amazing Grace" - well, I cried unashamedly. I make no excuses for the feelings this scene invoked.

When finished with Issue 48, I began reflecting on the common threads weaving throughout these tributes, tying an increasing number of human beings together in a bond that NO television network, NO motion picture production company, NO government can break. Prevalent were the phrases "hope for the future", "positive influence on my life", "IDIC", and references to holding onto one's ideals even when one is considered

"different". Peace and freedom from all kinds of prejudices can be the future of this planet IF we choose to "make it so".

Herein is the one "bone" I have to pick. There were a few writers who told of how they were putting their beliefs into action, but in most cases, I believe people [and I include myself in this group, I am ashamed to say] tend to a positive attitude and good intentions, but rarely put into action the things we often talk about. Trekkers of the past did things no other "fans" had done, such as bringing back a canceled series, changing the name of a space shuttle, and then bringing a television series out of mothballs and into syndication for nearly 25 years. That's POWER, folks! And to me, it proves that if people who REALLY BELIEVE in Gene Roddenberry's dream want to make a difference in this galaxy, we must again act on that belief...If we want a future like Star Trek makes possible, we must STRIVE for it by putting people in office who want the same kind of future - not greedy people who can only see their own futures and care nothing about those who will follow us.

Gene Roddenberry gathered about him a family of believers to keep alive his dream. We will do him the greatest honor by acting on our belief in his dream. I liked the remark that "he's not dead as long as we remember him", but take it one step further and say "his dream will not die as long as we live it." There's no question that he will be missed, and when I think of him. I think of the final scene I wrote for a story about Kirk's death: Kirk: "When I die, I want a capsule that's long and sleek, with a light that'll shine for all eternity, and I'll sail among the stars forever. So, Spock, if you miss me; just look to the stars, and I'll be there, watching over you." As Kirk's voice is heard, Spock slowly looks upward and a streak of light is seen across the sky, and Spock is comforted.

This is how I prefer to remember Genes...to step outside at the end of a long, stressful day and "look to the stars", safe in the knowledge that the "creator" of my dream is sailing among them

3 December 1991 Shirley L. Salinas-Edwards Phoenix. AZ

Gene showed us the way...the rest is up to us...and we've got lots of work to do. We need to spend our energy on things positive and less on the negatives if we're going to really see the universe that he saw for us.

My friend, [author] Diane Duane, perhaps wrapped it up best in the one phase she reacted with; "He had one of the few ideas worth having."

Alan L. Ravitch Sr. Chief of Communications USS McAuliffe, STARFLEET

-From an article by Michael Ryan of the Topeka Capital Journal:

His fictional characters were told to boldly go where no man has gone before. Gene Roddenberry did just that, by creating a television and movie phenomenon called "Star Trek." The series stretched over 25 years, millions of fans and several uncharted galaxies of the mind. It wasn't so much Star Trek's science-fiction gad—

getry that charmed the nation, but Roddenberry's view of the human condition and his hopeful prognosis for it in the centuries to come. Sure, the setting was a bit farfetched, the circumstances unreal. But the stories were morality plays, each saying a little something about the good and bad which nests in all of us.

Space was purportedly the "final frontier" for Roddenberry's crew. But more often, the final frontier turned out to be the unknown vastness of the human soul. Roddenberry was a man ahead of his time, and not just in a technological sense. His 1960s series featured strong minority and women characters. And in recent years, the show's opening was changed to a gender neutral "where no one has gone before."

He will be missed, not only by his 1960s fans, but by the next generations as well.

28 October 1991

When I was twelve, idolized Gene Roddenberry. "Star Trek" changed my life forever. More recently, Gene has been a mentor. During the past four and a half years, I have had the greatest honor of all — the opportunity to work with Gene on Star Trek: The Next Generation"

Many people say they will never forget what they were doing on that fateful day when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated. I can't remember, because I was too young. But I will never forget the moment I heard that Gene Roddenberry had died. On October 24, 1991, I had spent the day en route to Chicago for a "Star Trek" convention. I had just arrived in my hotel room when the phone rang. It was the production manager for "Star Trek: The Next Generation." She had called to tell me the news so I wouldn't hear about it first on television. The news hit me hard. To me, it seemed as if the world had stopped still in its tracks, even if for that one stormy weekend in Chicago.

6 December 1991 Eric A. Stillwell Script Coordinator Star Trek: The Next Generation

## Space, The Final Frontier

In the past 25 years, you have given us hope and inspiration. As it was summarized more eloquently than I could ever compose it in the movie preview to Star Trek: VI: The Undiscovered Country;

For one quarter of a century, They have thrilled us With their adventures, Amazed us with their discoveries,

And inspired us with their courage,.
Their ship has journeyed beyond imagination,
Their name has become a legend,
Their crew, the finest ever assembled...

We have travelled beside them, From one corner of the galaxy to the other, They have been our guides, our protectors, and our friends ....

These now familar words were part of the teaser to Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country. Little did fans and friends know, that it would become part of the passing of a legend.

Many fans contributed to the Gene Roddenberry Tribute issue of the STARFLEET Communiqué, and a few wrote after the issue had closed. We didn't want to leave out those who wrote after the fact, nor those who wrote after reading the issue.

## Around the Fleet (Continued on page 13)

#### STAR TREK SLAVE AUCTION

The Regional Division Chiefs and Regional Staff of Region 02 will be sponsoring a talent/slave auction during Vulkon/Atlanta February 22nd and 23rd. On the auction block will be talents and services offered by the senior staff members of the region. Members are welcome to participate or bid, For more information, write the Region 02 Auction Committee as soon as possible; c/o Debbie Joseph, PO Box 5943, Sarasota, FL 34277. We're also going to hold a recruiting seminar and a fundraising and shuttle workshop. Members interested in attending the workshops can contact: Deborah J Nelson, 7010 West 2nd Way, Hialeah, H., 330t4. Everyone is invited to attend the complimentary STARFLEET Hang-Over breakfast on Sunday morning. Door prizes will be awarded.

#### CAN DO!

The USS Challenger is currently collecting aluminum cans, proceeds of which will aid the local Fire Department in a community project to purchase Scott Air Pacs. The cost

of each Scott Air Pac is \$1,600. The goal is to purchase 12 pacs.

#### THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT!

USS Heimdal members have continued to donate their time and effort to entertain the young residents of Genesis House, a facility for battered and abused children. The video library they started continues to grow and crewmembers have been cheerfully agreeable to wearing costumes to read to the children each month For Earth Day, the Heimdal pledged to donate and plant two shrubs for the new Genesis House kids. They have also offered their services when the move is made to the new Genesis House.

#### **SYBOK DARROW?**

Lawrence Luckinbill, better known as Spock's late half-brother Sybok, performed in "Clarence Darrow," a one man show at the University of Maryland at the Baltimore Medical School. The show was based on the life of defense lawyer Clarence Darrow. Mr. Luckinbill is now clean shaven and his hair is cropped quite short - nay we mistake him for the laughing Vulcan.

## A PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS

To date, the USS Odin has collected \$741,15 for Miles of Pennies, thus putting them 87.73% closer to their goal.

#### **DOWN-UNDER**

The USS Southern Cross is proud to announce that, after only seven years of existence and with a small membership, they have raised in excess of \$7000 (approximately \$50/ member) for their favorite charities including The Children's Medical Research Foundation, The Royal institute for Blind and Deaf Children, and The Far West Children's Home.

#### **COMMUNITY TREK**

Members of the USS Alioth, recognized for their community service, convinced the mayor and city council of Provo, Utah to proclaim a Star Trek Week. The crew setup month long Star Trek displays at the local library.

#### **COMMITTED... TO ELVIS?**

If you haven't seen the movie 'The Commitments' you are not only missing a good movie, but a very interesting performance by Colm Meany. He does a mean Elvis impression, and sings relatively well.

#### WILLIAM SHATNER VIDEOLOG

The William Shatner Videolog, distributed and produced by World Sci Fi in Denver, Colorado is selling tor \$79.95. The Videolog is made up of four 2-hour tapes, contain a sampling of Mr. Shatner's sixties and seventies performances before and after Star Trek as well as wide selection of interview segments and live appearances.

#### OCCASIONALLY SPEAKING

The Engineering Department of the USS Polaris sold all occasion Star Trek greeting cards. The set of twelve cards included greetings for holidays from Valentine's Day to Christmas as well as Thank You and get Well cards. Profits from these cards will be divided between the Polaris General Fund and the James Doohan Scholarship Fund.

#### STAR TREK: FEDERATION SCIENCE

A traveling science exhibit that will visit at least ten U.S. sites and be keyed to the Star Trek's 25th Anniversary. It explores the scientific challenges of living and working in space today and in the future. Developed by the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. FFI: Divonna Ogier, 503-222-2828.

## 1992: INTERNATIONAL SPACE YEAR

In 1992 we can expect to see a flurry of space related activity. There will be hundreds of public events and special seminars held worldwide. International Space Year was



Angelique Pettyjohn is the beautiful actress who portrayed Captain Kirk's thrall, Shana, in the Star Trek Classic episode "Gamesters of Triskelion". Angelique has appeared at a few conventions over the years, but especially at RoVaCon in Salem, Virginia (often the sight of the STARFLEET Region One Conference). She was always very gracious about helping RoVaCon raise money for the scholarships it supports.

Several years ago Angelique was diagnosed with uterine cancer and had received rounds of treatment for it, Now her cancer has come out of remission and become active again. The doctors have predicted that she has only about a year to live. Her funds have run out and she is having a very difficult time making ends meet.

Angelique has always been very courageous and upbeat about her life, but now I'm sure she could use our support and help. If you would like to send Angelique a card of support or perhaps a donation to help her out, her address is: 2500 Karren Drive, Apt, #252, Las Vegas, NV 89121.

first proposed in 1985 by the late Senator Spark Matsunga. The Senator recognized that the year 1992, the 500th anniversary of Columbus's discovery of the New World, carries a special significance in the age of space travel.

#### TREKKERS RALLY TO SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED

Lisa Fairgneve needs a bone marrow transplant due to a life threatening blood disease. Please send your donations to Lisa Fairgrieve - Medical Account, 6525 Watch Spring Court. Richmond. VA 23234.

#### NIGHTHAWK TO THE RESCUE

The USS Nighthawk wants to help a 9 year old boy, Hubert Beasley, Jr., get a new liver so he can grow up like you and me. Please send donations to the University of Virginia Medical Center, Acct # 1000152212 PO Box 85031, Richmond. VA, 23261.



## Star Trek: Trashed by the Bible!

Well, sort of..... A Something, Something, and So Forth Review by Tara James

Exerpt from The Boomer Bible, written by by R.F. Laird. Under the pseudonymn of the Punks of Punk City, (i.e. South Street, in Philadelphia,) from the book of the VIP, "Ed", Chapter 60, verses 1-24.

- .... All of this infallible assistance will be very very reassuring to the population of the Most Chosen Nation on Earth,
- 2 Until they start asking some really hard questions about the future,
  3 Such as "What if I happened to get sick on a starship
- 3 Such as "What if I happened to get sick on a starship under hostile enemy fire?
  - 4 "What would I do then?"
- 5 Well, fortunetly the TV audience will even find an answer for this dilemma on their screens one day,
- 6 Because in the far distant future there will be a great comedy show called 'I Love Boldly Going on Star Dates,'
- 7 Which will be all about an infallible Starship Captain called James T Quark,
  - 8 Played by William Shouter,
- $9\ \mbox{Who}$  commands an indestructible starship called the Underprise,
  - 10 Played by a plastic model,
- 11 Not to mention the completely infallible crew of the Underprise
- 12 Including Mr. Sprocket, the infallible science officer with the pointy ears and no emotions,
- 13 And Dr. McCry, the infallible ship's doctor with the pointy head and more emotions than you can shake a pointy stick at,
- 14 And a whole bunch of infallible junior officers from all over planet Earth,
- 15 Which turns out to be the Most Chosen Planet in the
  - 16 Because it's a type "M" planet,
- 17 Which you will find an explanation of under "M" in the yellow pages,

- 18 If you have any doubts about it,
- 19 Which you shouldn't,
- 20 because Captain Quark and the crew of the Underprise will keep boldly going on dates with the most beautiful women in the universe until they're all as happy and free and democratic and goual as we are on the Most Chosen Planet
- 21 Which you will be glad to hear escaped form the nuclear age without ceasing to be Chosen,
  - 22 Or even ceasing to be a planet.
  - 23 Which will be the funniest part of the whole show,
  - 24 Unless you really do believe in Miracles.,

What does the author mean by this? There is a lot to think about in this demented Mega Bible for Baby Boomers. It covers the history of Mankind, at times purposely inaccurate, (but then when is history ever accurate, so why try, as long as its interesting .... I guess) from the Big Bang theory, to the Holy Roman Wars, to the Renaissance, to the Civil War, to WWII, to the invention of television and Star Trek. and beyond. It covers economics, religion, philosophy, psychology, ad nauseam. And it all works into a message for the future, which I leave to each person to interpret for themself. Its hard to tell what the Punks of South Street (i.e. R.F. Laird) really thinks about anything.

I read into this particular passage, a rather sarcastic condemnation of Star Trek. With the crew acting as a sort of space police .... which is not completely off base, nor is it a new idea. But it is understandable, after all, since its creation took place in the United States. Our nation has a tendency to run around making sure the world is just as happy and democratic as we are (to use Laird's words). And so it would make sense that that is what the Enterprise (which sometimes seems like a metaphor for the ideal America) would be. Sometimes, on a bad week, there might be an odd Star Trek episode that went too far. A

very good example would be the episode, The Omega Glory (Yangs and Koms? Oh, puleeease!)

The other thing the the "Punks", or this particular "punk", called Ed, (i.e. R.F. laird) has a problem with is the legitimacy of the planet existing after the nuclear age.

The book was published in September, the year of our lord Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-One. The war had ended; the wall separating Germany had come down. The beginnings of peace had started, and we were destined to journey even further from the events in Russia, and Bush tossing his cookies all over Japan ..... well, maybe not that, but you get the idea.

I think, Gene Roddenberys dream, doesn't look so impossible now. It doesn't seem surviving the nuclear age will be such a miracle. If that is what "Ed" (ie R.F. Laird) is implying. Although, I could be wrong.

Which brings me back to my original question. What does the Author mean by this? I've read 362 pages so far and have had occasion to ask that on every page. What does this mean? The author doesn't really mean that .... does he? She? They? Am I reading this right? .... Am I reading too much into it? .... Maybe I'm thinking to much which is bad .... because you really shouldn't think about anything at all, according to the Boomer Bible .... unless it means the opposite of what it's saying... and I should really be thinking all the time ..... which makes sense ... it you think about it.

In any case, The Boomer Bible is definitely worth reading, although it may take some time Maybe you'll get some idea about the overall message. Maybe, I will once I finish it. I only have about 400 pages to go

If you have thoughts on the Star Trek passage, or the or the book in general, write to the Communiqué.

The book was meant to be thought about and discussed.... unless it wasn't...in which case just chuckle and forget it, unless you choose not to...and so forth and so on.

## THE GENESIS PROJECT

## Sarah Lipsky • Director

A couple of months ago I was talking with Granny Elf at STARFLEET Headquarters. She informed me that they had received some inquiries about the Genesis Project and would be sending them to me shortly. I watched my PO Box closely for a few weeks and decided to ask my postman about it (I knew Granny had mailed what she said she was going to) and found out some interesting information. There was a new person helping out at the 'one man' post office and he assumed that anything remotely resembling "Genesis" belonged to the area churches. Unfortunately, Venus is a small town here in Texas, and STARFLEET is quite foreign to them. I had the gentleman pull my registration for the PO Box and sure enough 'Genesis Project' was on there. He quickly helped me contact those churches and I was able, through a lot of explaining, to get back most (if not all) of my mail. With profuse apologies from the mailman, he said that it would be CLEARLY noted and would not happen again. Fortunately, all checks that were in there were just copies - Granny Elf had already deposited them into the STARFLEET account. I have been playing 'catch-up' these past couple months, but I do apologize to those members who have been waiting very patiently (some since July) and I am taking all memberships from when I receive them, not from the post mark on the envelopes. Thank you!

Whew!! What a busy couple of months I, and my staff, have had. Once we got the glitch worked out at the post office in Venus, Texas, it has been an unending wave of mail! I am really glad that so many of you are interested in this department. Thank you! I would like to welcome those new members to the Genesis Project:

#### Ships/Shuttles:

USS Polaris, NCC-1839 Shuttle Ari, NCC-2106/3

#### Individuals:

Gene Bowski (Shuttle Nautilus)
Gary Castor (Shuttle Nautilus)
Jeff Howard (USS Joshua)
Lance Oliver (USS Joshua)
Mary Oliver (USS Joshua)
Debra Poole (USS Joshua)
Frances Stewart

Rhonda Vandergriff (USS Sally Ride)

If you sent your money for membership to this department and have not received any information to date (and you are not listed above) please contact me as soon as possible. I will straighten out the matter quickly.

I have been in contact with a lot more environmental groups lately, and they are all excited about hearing how a "fan" club is so involved in the planet's welfare. I, myself, am very impressed with you all. I have reviewed my past Communique's 'ship reports' and have found that there are a lot more of you involved than I had first suspected! It ranges from adopt-a-highway,

recycling aluminum, working at animal shelters, to saving birds that are hung in fishing line, cleaning long stretches of beach front and handing out environmental information! What an impressive group of people we are! Many of the chapters that have gone above and beyond will hear from me the first of '92, so watch those PO Boxes!

Plans tor Earth Day are under way. The tentative date that as set is April 25th (Saturday). One major activity that is already planned is that the Genesis Project will be planting a huge tree to commemorate Gene Roddenberry. Donations for this tree will be accepted from anyone (details will be mailed out to every captain). Another note to all captains: I need all the names of your members who served in Desert Storm. Many of the trees that were planted last Earth Day (over 200) were planted with these people in mind. For those of you who did not know, 10 of those 200 trees were

Weeping Willows plantes in a special grove to commemorate those astronauts who have lost their lives in the space program. I will be having a plaque made soon with all their names to be listed on it and have it hang at STARFLEET Headquarters. Please contact me as soon as possible!!

The address to contact me is:

Sarah Lipsky, Director Genesis Project PO Box 108 Venus, TX 76084

And, too, if you or your chapter have any plans for Earth Day please let me know. This time EVERYTHING will appear in the Communique. Last time I had no assistants and was overwhelmed by the response! I also have a new section in the Genesis Project newsletter, Earth Trek News; it is called "Around the Fleet". This section will highlight those chapters (a new one each issue) that are involved in environmenttal projects of one sort or another, so please send in your chapter's information! Thank you all for your patience during this year, everything is now under way with a lot of the problems worked out. May the wind always be at your back and may the stars never be so bright that you lose your way!



## SAVE THE ENTERPRISE

by Brad Ferguson

#### THIS IS A RED ALERT.

A story in the Norfolk (VA) Daily Press on December 18 says that the Navy may prematurely decommission the USS Enterprise, the nation's first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, in an effort to save money.

The Enterprise is currently in the middle of a four-year, \$1.3 billion overhaul and refueling routine at Newport News Shipbuilding in Virginia. Reportedly, Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and Congressional budget-cutters see the immediate retirement of the Enterprise as a way to save about half that outlay. (The rest of the money has already been spent.)

The Pentagon budget is going to suffer deep and drastic cuts this year. (Some estimates say the Navy may have to cut as much as a third of its \$89 billion budget.) Just where those cuts will fall, however, is still to be decided and that's where public opinion comes in.

STAR TREK fans are now coming together in a mail and phone campaign to save the Enterprise, in the strong belief that the U.S. Navy should always have a ship on active service bearing that proud name. The Enterprise has proven herself again and again in her three decades at sea and, renewed and refreshed after her renovation, she will play a vital role in her country's defense well into the 21st century.

The decommissioning is in the discussion stage right now; the politicians and bean-counters are waiting to see what public reaction might be to the prospective loss of the Enterprise. If we act now, strongly and with resolve, we can stop this decommissioning effort before it has any real chance to get started.

We can save the ship. If we don't act, the Enterprise is dead. Do we want that to happen? NO!

WRITE: The Secretary of the Navy Department of the Navy, Washington, DC 20350. You can also call 703/545-6780 and ask for the office of the Secretary of the Navy. Tell the office that you support the continued service of the Enterprise and that you strongly object to any budget-cutting plan that calls for the decommissioning of the ship.

Time is short. Please act now - and please pass this message along via computer bulletin boards, club newsletters, word-of-mouth, or whatever method is open to you. We have to get the word out fast, and we need people to start writing and phoning.

Save the Enterprise!

#### STAR TREK: THE NEXT GENERATION

Broadcast Schedule through March 15, 1992 (OR March 22, 1992)

Dates indicate the week of the satellite uplink: adjust schedule by showing in your area.

02/02/92 Violations 03/01/92 Ethics

 02/09/92
 The Masterpiece Society
 03/08/92
 A Matter of Time (Repeat)

 02/16/92
 Conundrum
 03/15/92
 The Outcast

 02/23/92
 Power Play
 03/22/92
 Cause and Effect

Special thanks to Jim Shaun Lyon of Enterprise America for this schedule.

#### The Klingon Konference by Bob Vosseller

Several months ago, I promised Press Corps director, Jacqueline Gilkey, that I'd write an article about Klingon fandom and the Klingon forum which took place on stardate: 9101.25. It seemed a perfect opportunity.

The event was coordinated by Cmdr. Bill Stemmle and Lt. Cmdr. Bob Comellas of the USS Challenger at the Toms River branch of the Ocean County Library, Ocean County, New Jersey.

It featured the talents of Lt. Cmdr. Mark Hanford and Bill Lacey of the Klingon Assault Group, Paul Downes and Neil White of the Mortas Te-Kaase.

Modeled after the successful 'Vulcan Forum' which the ship held last spring, the Klingon Konference aimed at providing some escapist fun by examining in close detail various aspects of the Klingon Empire past, present and future. The guest speakers wore full Klingon costuming and featured 2 human fusions, an Imperial Klingon, and a Romulan fusion.

Areas of discussion included society and culture, politics and diplomacy, geography, planetology, sciences, medicine, military and history. The latter two subjects linking up quite closely.

Most of the audience was comprised of my crew in Star Trek uniforms of one period or another. A special program book featuring the Klingon alphabet, maps of Kazh and important notes on its topography were distributed and refreshments included Tsorin Delk (crushed pineapple), Pellosian Bird Hearts (cherries), Tehrinin Lizard Tongue, candied Rodent Brain (candy) and some colored soda beverages.

Offers by the Klingons to get my crew to defect to the Empire were quickly refused.

Audience members addressed their questions to Klingons and our Vulcan moderator staying within the fictional atmosphere that was created through music, wall posters and several display areas.

Lively discussions and even a few debates between Klingons and "Feds" took place during the afternoon which added to the fun. Three area newspapers sent out photographers to see if any bloodshed could be witnessed during the day.

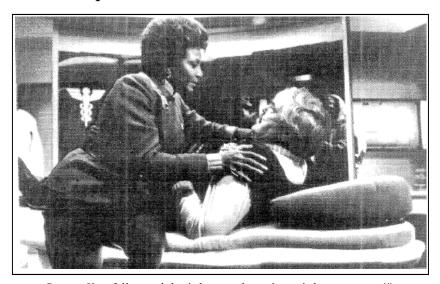
For those wondering, the Challengers 99th Strike Group, STARFLEET Marines Unit, and members of our ship's Ranger Battalion provided a color guard/security detail. There was no trouble.

In a real-life sense there was never any doubt of that. The project helped to bring fans from the Klingon clubs and STARFLEET together for a mutual project which generated a lot of fun. Past efforts of Federation/Klingon club interaction seemed to have extended to Lazer Tag matches, This program was a vehicle for some creative exhibition and we hope to repeat it again with a Romulan Assembly in the near future.

A videotaped copy of the Klingon Konference will be available through the STARFLEET Video Operations Department. If you are interested, feel free to write to me at 202 8th Ave,. Toms River, NJ, 08753-6708

### VALLEY OF THE CAPTIONS CONTEST

The captions are back! And the winner is .....

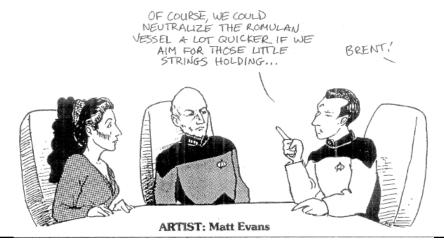


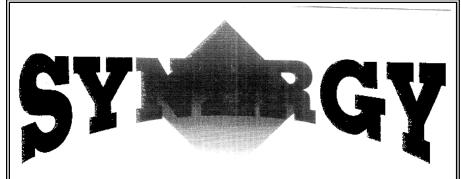
Scotty: I've fallen and don't know why ye' won't let me get up!"

The winner for this issue is Lori-Ann Brown, Fleet Captain of the USS Paegan.

Congratuations. You have won a \$5.00 gift certificate good towards STARFLEET merchandise,







#### We Have The Winners!

The final judging on the STARFLEET Writers and Artists contest is completed. The competition was fierce, and all of the entries were very good. The winners in this contest are as follows:

#### FINALISTS IN FICTION

1st Place Nothing Ventured, Nothing Gained

Patricia Burke

2nd Place William Riker Reflects On A Matter Of Honor

Sue Frank

3rd Place (Tie) Homecoming

Grace Schosser

3rd Place (Tie) **Dragonchild** 

Karen Emerson

#### HONORABLE MENTION (FICTION)

An Educational Experience
Blood In Your Eye
The Lady
Natasha
Shadows
The Tour
Sarjenka's Awakening
Lynnette Knox
Beth Lipes
Toni Staab
William M. Mason
Anne Miller
Karen Emerson
Betty Dain

#### FINALISTS IN POETRY

1st Place Six Poems
Eleanor Marlin

2nd Place Caress Of Darkness

Roseann Caputo Soul Flight

Freddie A. Harris, Jr.

#### FINALISTS IN ART

3rd Place

2nd Place

1st Place Picard As Borg

Chris Avilla
Geordi/Watson
James Montgomery

3rd Place Sarek/Perrin

Karen Sullivan

#### HONORABLE MENTION (ART)

Scratchboard
Elves
Chris Avilla
L. Troi
Eleanor Martin
Riker
Sue Frank
Computer Art
Charlotte Howey
Dragon
Richard Sussman

SYNERGY #1 will be available in March, 1992, All proceeds from sale of this product will go to the STARFLEET Scholarship Fund. Wholesale rates and quantity discounts will be available through the STARFLEET Quartermaster.

#### POCKET REVIEWS G PREVIEWS



**SPARTACUS** is the newest Star Trek: The Next Generation clue from Pocket Books in February, 1992.

Written by T. L. Mancour, first time novelist. this book covers many issues from The Prime Directive to slavery and the question of sentience.

Answering a distress call, the U.S.S. Enterprise finds a damaged alien vessel, crewed by a race know as the Vemlans.

In the course of giving assistance, the Enterprise becomes embroiled in a fight for the rights an oppressed race of "slaves" and risk violating the Prime Directive to reach resolution.

It explored more fully the character of Data, as well as how far can one adhere to the Prime Directive when dealing in such gray areas of morality and conscience.

PERCHANCE TO DREAM by Howard Weinstein is another winner that I'd recommend. It's an interesting concept with enough action-adventure to keep the book rolling. At the same time, it has enough "really nice" scenes between the major characters as well as some of the alien characters so that it doesn't lack in depth and substance. One of the things that I liked about Peter David's, The Rift, was the strong characterizations in the first part of the book. Since we know little about Captain Pike. it was an interesting look into the past. In Perchance, there's a similar kind of characterization between Picard, Crusher and the alien captain, Arit. There's also some very nice teenage characters introduced in the book which makes Wesley more realistic. All in all, it was a fast enjoyable "read" that I would recommend if you have a few spare hours to kill.

FACES OF FIRE is another novel by Jan Michael Friedman. Due in March. 1992, this novel continues the adventures of the Classic Trek crew as Spock is seized by Klingons while assisting in the terraforming of a colony. The Enterprise isn't available to help Mr. Spock. leaving him alone to cope with freeing the colony. If he fails, he faces certain death.

**CHAINS OF COMMAND** by Bill McCay and Eloise Hood is a Star Trek: The Next Generation novel due in April, 1992. Caught in the middle of a slave-revolt on a remote glacial planet, Picard and Troi, find themselves entangled in a deadly plan of vengeance.



#### **REGION ONE**

Reg. Coordinator RAdm. Linda Neighbors

#### **USS ALARIC • NCC-503**

Captain Richard Helm Asheville, NC

Crew manned booth at opening of ST VI:TUC at two theaters. Decided to have chapter obtain STARFLEET Academy Vouchers so members can get them from chapter. Saw ST VI:TUC again as a

#### **USS APPALACHIAN • NCC-3181**

Captain Steve Hall Gray, TN

Crew recruited at ST VI:TUC and handed out 200 Fleet applications. Captain Hall interviewed by press. Article in newspaper. Recycling

#### **USS BONAVENTURE • NCC-102A**

Captain Scott Gibson High Point, NC

Crew recruited at ST VI:TUC. Took trip to Discovery Museum. Newsletter back on line. Donated to Toys for Tots.

#### **USS CAMELOT • NCC•2307**

Captain Jeffrey Collinsworth Dayton, OH

Recruited at STVI:TUC. Donated 25 lbs. of food to charity. Members attended LagrangeCon and Starbase Indy. Crew continues to work with Toys for Tots and Project Smiles. Everything going smoothly.

#### USS CHESAPEAKE • NCC-1887 Captain Kris Paavola Richmond, VA

Members visited children at Children's Hospital and entertained with games and crafts. This is becoming a regular chapter activity. Recruited at ST VI:TUC. Held memorial at meeting for Gene Roddenberry and dedicated newsletter to him. Sent a copy to Majel Barrett Roddenberry. Chapter purchased VCR for Ronald McDonald

#### USS CHRONOS • NCC-26298

Captain Kimberly Abbott Beckley, WV

Had Trek display and did recruiting at ST VI:TUC. Crew working hard on R/1 Engineering project ERROR/1.

#### USS COLUMBUS • NCC-2006

Captain Michael Sawczyn Columbus, OH

New CO. Keeping active in food drive for local homeless shelter and in our USS Columbus model project while getting prepped to launch our first shuttle sometime this year. Member Harry Grimm created Trek tree for Children's Hospital's Festival of Trees auction. Special election held during Christmas party for new CO, which also gathered a holodeck-load of toys for needy children. Membership keeps growing and the party keeps rolling.

#### **USS CONSTELLATION II • NCC-1728**

Captain Debra Spinks Paducah, KY

Attended pot luck dinner/Christmas party. Sponsored family for food for the holidays with large turnout.

USS HAWKEYE • NCC-4950 Captain Jane Terry Winston-Salem, NC

Great fun recruiting at ST VI:TUC. Attended Trek-A-Rama where the crew met Denise Crosby and Robin Curtis. Recruited 3 new members there, including an 80 year old Grandma. Engineering dept. planning Technical Manual to be ready by spring. Working on cadet program and handbook. Planning to take several trips with cadets, including Discover Place in Charlotte, NC and the Air and Space Museum in

#### USS HEIMDAL • NCC-1793

RAdm. Linda Neighbors Amherst, VA

Meeting was also Christmas party with Tempest and Pathfinder. Covered dish dinner with dancing following. Raffled Concordance and raised \$21 for Scholarship Fund. Raised \$200+ for Heimdal with Christmas raffle. Nearly 300 lbs. canned food donated to Food Bank. Donated pet foods to 2 Humane Society shelters. Sponsored welfare child. Donate electric train, remote control car and video tape to Genesis House for battered children and made monthly visit to facility. Stuffed and donated stockings to the kids. Chief Engineer, Chief Science officer and CO guests (in uniform) on "Good Morning Virginia" TV program talking about chapter and STARFLEET.

#### **USS HORNET • NCC-1714D**

Captain Ron Byram Charlotte, NC

Recruited at ST VI:TUC. Looking into recruiting at WaldenBooks with Yorktown. CO and member interviewed for newspaper with photos. Chapter member held Trek-O-Rama. Held food collection. Planning trip to Planetarium/IMAX with Yorktown. Members looking into volunteering as security at Science Museum. Revising/expanding handbook. Looking into CPR classes. Still collecting eyeglasses for Lion's Club. Continuing to collect for Loaves & Fishes.

#### USS IMLADRIS • NCC-3791

Captain Martha Blair Lexington, KY

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Crew attended wedding of Captain Martha Blair (nee Ward). Successful recruiting at ST VI:TUC premiere with over 200 people signing up for newsletter and showing interest in group. Crew making follow up phone calls. Making new member flyers/packets.

#### USS JAMESTOWN • NCC-1843

RADM Steve Thomas Newport News, VA

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Soon to be beginning 10th year as a STARFLEET ship. Recruited at ST VI:TUC with local Klingons and raised funds for ship and Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters by charging theater-goers \$3.00 for their picture with a STARFLEET officer or Klingon. Collected canned food and Toys for Tots for Christmas. Annual Christmas party and auction held at soon-to-be-opened Virginia Air and Space Center. Planning to update the Jamestown to a 24th Century vessel

#### USS JOHN B MCKAY • NCC-653

Captain Cathy Williams Christiansburg, VA

#### USS KITTY HAWK • NCC-1659

Captain J.R. Fisher Raleigh, NC

700 Fleet applications handed out in a month. Recruited at ST VI:TUC. Denise Crosby attended reception/brunch hosted by chapter at con, posed with members for photos, autographed items. Auctioned donated items for Duke Univ. Children's hospital, G. Takei Scholarship and Gene Roddenberry Scholarship. Food donated to Food Bank. Crew did highway clean up.

#### **USS LAGRANGE • NCC-3916**

RADM Tim Gillespie Medina, OH

LagrangeCon results in for 1991 and was a complete sell out with positive feed back. Planning 2nd annual February party with the theme to be the 1950's. Will be starting 10th shuttle in Canada.

USS MAAT • NCC-1794
Captain Blair Willcox, Virginia Beach, VA
Display/recruiting at ST VI:TUC and passed out over 200 flyers and got a list of interested people. Member went to NYC to see Patrick Stewart in "A Christmas Carol". Donated canned goods to SEAVAMP. Made two trips to Green Pastures Farms to take donations and visit the children. Held holiday party

#### USS NIGHTHAWK • NCC-2301

Captain Felicia Berger Richmond, VA

Supported Toys for Tots. Collected canned goods for Disabled Viet Nam vets to redistribute to homeless. Continued working with Hubert Beasley Fund to raise money to help child receive liver transplant. Marched in Christmas parade. Promoted ST VI:TUC at theater. Delivered cases of food stuffs to CARES as well as \$125 gift certificate to help purchase microwave or appliances for house.

#### **USS PATHFINDER • NCC-2121**

Captain Janice Rhodes Roanoke, V

Collected Toys for Tots. Several members volunteering with Red Cross. Recruited at ST VI:TUC. Held Christmas party with Heimdal and Tempest.

#### **USS PATRIOT • NCC-1900**

Captain Randy Glover Collinsville, VA

Have script for Trek Video and hope to start filming in January. Went as a group to ST VI:TUC. Fundraising ideas include scholarship yard sale with all proceeds going to Fleet Scholarship fund. Collected 115 lbs of paper for recycling. Adopted Christmas Angel child and bought toys/clothing

#### **USS POLARIS • NCC-1839**

Captain Joan Riley Hamilton, OH

Recruiting drive at ST VI:TUC very successful. Held gift wrapping at Christmas party for family chapter sponsored for Christmas. Donated \$1 per person for local agency that buys food for needy.

#### USS POWHATAN • NCC-1967

Captain Clifford Cherry Chesapeake, VA

Successful display at ST VI:TUC. Second display at local Holiday Inn Successful uspias at S1 V110C. Second uspias at local Holiday limit for their Star Trek night. Attended Jamestown and Chesapeake Christmas parties. Medical dept. held holiday party. Collected food for Salvation Army. Committee working on setting up a computer BBS. Role playing group still meeting regularly. Working on ship's blueprints.

#### **USS QUESTAR • NCC-435**

Captain Karen Goldbach Louisville, KY

Collecting for Stampede. Collecting coupons for Humane Society. Christmas donations made with cards signed by members.

#### USS REBEL • NCC-1600

Captain Bonita H. Voigt Lincolnton, NC

Crew will be running a water station at Charlotte Observer Marathon in January. Plan highway cleanup. Active in neighborhood recycling. Co and member on planning board for MS Super Cities Walk Collecting stamps for Stampede. Active in Global Relief Will visit adopted grandparents at local nursing home.

#### **USS RENEGADE • NCC-2547**

Captain Anita Davis Youngstown, OH

Member L. Barr received chapter Medal of Honor for many hours staffing recruiting table during ST VI:TUC. Signed up several new members and had TV and press coverage. Comm. Miller still doing Operation Santa with great results. Has answered over 200 children's letters. Filled 32 bags with food for area needy families during holidays. Auctioned off newspaper article on recruiting and raised \$21 which went to the Food Bank.

#### **USS RICHMOND • NCC-2003**

Captain Paul Kevin Hanna Covington, VA

Donated money to local Food Bank for Christmas. Gaming continues. Work continues on ship's design. Recruiting during ST VI:TUC.

#### **USS STAR LEAGUE • NCC-2101**

Commodore Lucinda Krell N.Augusta, SC

Attended ST VI:TUC as a group and CO interviewed on TV. Dreadnought model designed by member and built by crew used in Christmas parade float. Chapter is liaison for R/1 conference 92. Collected canned goods for needy family. Total donations for Mile of

#### **USS STARWARD FURY • NCC-2122**

Captain Chris Salzer Fayetteville, NC

Had recruiting table/display at ST VI:TUC. Raffled off Hallmark christmas ornament to support Angel Tree and raised \$400+. 30 people interested in STARFLEET due to recruiting Supported 10 kids through Angel Tree. Caroled at local hospital and gave out stuffed bears to all the kids. Wore costumes for event. Gave plaque to theater for allowing crew to participate in ST VI:TUC. Updated Handbook

#### **USS TEMPEST • NCC-1566**

Captain Jennifer Epstein Charlottesville, VA

The crew turned out in force for the opening of ST VI:TUC. Chief Security Officer Josh Pritchett was the very first in line and purchased tickets for all crew members present. The ship sponsored a needy child through the Salvation Army's Angel Tree Program and pur-chased approximately \$100 worth of clothing and shoes. The ship also donated a model of the Enterprise to the local Toys for Tots campaign. In addition, crew made a monetary contribution to the Santa Fund and contributed canned food to the Salvation Army's

Sharing Tree. Several crew members attended the Region One Holiday Party hosted by the USS Heimdal. Eight members donated blood at the Dec. bloodmobile, bring the total for 1991 to 40 units.

#### USS WASP • NCC-1721

Captain Thurman R. Wilson Bristol, VA

Member Ruth Wilson gave over 60 toys to Toys for Tots. Chapter profiled with Star Trek in newspaper. Next newsletter will be in the Spring. Ordering Academy vouchers for crew. Next meeting a pot

#### USS WEST VIRGINIA • NCC-2008

Captain Kevin Miller Charleston, WV

Members Christmas caroled at local rehab center. CO played for CAMC party. Planning working with Ronald McDonald House in January. Making tribbles for children's unit at local hospital. Membership planned for 2/1.

#### **USS YEAGER • NCC-1893**

Captain Jerry Conner Bluefield, WV

Raised \$75 for Angelique Pettyjohn. \$25 for Bluefield Community Christmas Tree. 100 lbs. canned food donated to Salvation Army. Yeager calendars available for \$5 with FASA artists. Quilt raffled for charity.

#### USS YORKTOWN • NCC-1704

Capt. Marlon Ragsdale Rock Hill, SC

Plan clean up session to help church where meetings held and planed to help church with Angel Tree project or to raise money for police to help needy families at Christmas, or to raise money for families of prisoners. Completed toy drive, Donated stamps to Stamped and recycling for chapter funds. Planned highway cleanup. Had recruitment table at mall.

#### **REGION TWO**

Reg. Coor. Commodore Deborah Nelson

#### **USS DEFIANT • NCC-1660**

Captain Donna Horn Lipscomb, AL

Crew attended the premiere of ST VI:TUC. Attended St. Petersburg, FL Vulcon with DeForest Kelley. A 25th Anniversary shirt was donated by the Defiant for the drawing. Attended Indy Con in Indianapolis. Guests were Nichelle Nichols and John de Lancie. Ronald Minch made club banner in Defiant colors of red and black.

#### **USS DRAGONFIRE • NCC-2007**

Captain James Maloney Ft. Myers, FL

Had tribble give-away at the Spina Bifida Christmas party. Planning a recruiting party at the Cape Coral Yacht Club.

#### **USS EXCALIBUR • NCC-1705**

Captain Ed Danley Jacksonville, FL

Had ST VI:TUC premiere exhibit at local theater. Also helped shuttle Explorer and outpost in St. Augustine with STVI recruiting. Helped a needy family for Thanksgiving by donating \$25.00 supermarket gift certificate. Helped with Christmas Toys for Tots. Planned bowling and blood drive in January and a trip to Marineland sometime in February

#### **USS FEDERATION • NCC-2100**

Captain Lori Aldridge St. Petersburg, FL

Upgraded to the first Olympus Class Dreadnaught in the Fleet, with the suffix "B"/ Crew answered phones for the MDA Telethon and had a great time. Host chapter for the St. Petersburg Vulkon with guest DeForest Kelley. Helped local PBS station during their December pledge drive.

#### USS GUARDIAN • NCC-26244

Captain Dawn Smith-Webber Cocoa, FL

Cleaned their stretch of beach on December 14th and planned another clean-up January 11th. Had Christmas luncheon following the December beach clean-up. Had a table at two theaters for the premiere of ST VI:TUC. Members received a Silver Star Award at the Keep Brevard Beautiful awards breakfast in December.

#### USS MAGELLAN • NCC-2594

Captain Joseph Yost Sarasota, FL

A few members are planning to travel to Atlanta for the Patrick Stewart Vulkon in February. Members renewing their STARFLEET memberships. Meetings now twice as month. Had 4th annual Winterfest. Created membership handbook.

#### USS ODYSSEY • NCC-454

Captain Cathy Stone Hattiesburg, MS

Have a new CO. Crew presented flowers and cake to retiring CO, Ester McCord who will stay active as the ship's Counselor and Morale Officer. Planning to attend the Patrick Stewart Vulkon in Atlanta in February. Donated food and toys for Salvation Army and Humane Society.

#### **USS PAEGAN • NCC-1755**

FltCaptain Lori Anne Brown Mt. Dora, FL

Worked the premier of ST VI:TUC at two different theaters and had to turn down requests from 5 other theaters. Had Christmas party December 14th. Tachy4con is coming together and have mailed progress reports to 300 people. Continuing many other projects.

#### **USS PARAMOUNT • NCC-2004**

Captain Jeffrey M. Jones Birmingham, AL

Members hiked to a river and hiked up a mountain and had a poetry reading. Assembling a "Who's who" on the Paramount for member profiles and also collecting filk songs for a book

#### USS REPUBLIC • NCC-1371

Cmdr. David W. Vosper Atlanta, GA

#### **USS ROYAL SOVEREIGN • NCC-1674**

Captain Kaye Downing Orange Park, FL

Ship was mentioned in the "First Coast Entertainer" and the "Florida Times Union" in conjunction with the premiere of ST VI:TUC. Bowling team active. Santa's Landing Party visited in costume the Wolfon Children's Hospital and distributed toys. Also helped Toys for Tots and Humane Society. Revised bylaws adopted by crew. Ship history being researched and written. Planetarium visit and Adapt-A-Highway cleanup planned for January.

#### USS SACAJAWEA • NCC-598

Captain Elizabeth Osborne Inverness, FL

Recruited a new member at Vulkon. Had demo at local movie theater for ST VI:TUC, Shuttle Thunderchild is doing very well. Had New Year's Eve party at CMO's house.

#### **USS STARQUEST • NCC-71804**

Captain Jeffery C. Handshaw Naples, FL

Attended a Treklest in Miami. Continuing trivia games on a weekly

#### USS STAR UNION • NCC-2112

Captain Diane Griffin Montgomery, AL

Adopted an elderly couple for Christmas. Manned the PBS telephones in December for telethon.

#### **USS TRIUMPH • NCC-26228**

Captain Betsy Matteis Miami, FL

New CO. At ST VI:TUC premiere had Gene Roddenberry Memorial Food Drive and collected over \$500. Also collected food stuffs. KFC donated food toward the Camillus House, a local shelter for the

#### **REGION THREE**

#### USS ANDROMEDA • NCC-1657

Captain Elizabeth Patton Houston, TX

#### USS JOSHUA • NCC-3700

Captain John Bunton Carrolton, TX

Crew attended ST VI:TUC and did security for theater. At ship's meeting, members talked about what Star Trek meant to them. There were many teary eyes with the general consensus being that Gene's dream of a future where man can surpass his limitations ca be made to come true and will be. A more elaborate tribute is planned for the next meeting. The club's first official video protect, Quantum Trek, nears completion.

#### USS LANCELOT • NCC-13982

Cmdr. John Lunt Dallas, TX

Elected new CO, John Lunt, who will assumed the center seat in December. Worked ST VI:TUC premiere at the Plano theater. Visited the Soviet Space Exhibit in Ft. Worth for the second time. Current projects are with the STARFLEET Stampede, Morale Boosters of Texas and the Child Protective Service

#### USS RHYANNA • NCC-1892

Capt. William Colston II Spring Branch, TX

Commissioned September 24th. Had Library Exhibit that created a lot of interest for the ship. Worked at the Austin Children's Museum Halloween Museum. Planned commissioned patty.

#### REGION FOUR

Reg. Coordinator: RAdm Janis Moore

USS ALLIANCE • NCC-2113
Captain Jennifer L. Cole W. Los Angeles, CA

Held elections, with Captain Cole being unanimously reelected. Members had their first dealers table at Unicon. Crew interviewed by the Orange County Register (newspaper) and the Orange County

#### USS BATELEUR • NCC-71802

Captain Fleona Dysastar Alameda, CA

Working on bylaws and club rules.

#### **USS CONSTITUTION • NCC-1700**

Captain Truman Temple Van Nuys, CA

Newsletter delayed. Saddened by death of Gene Roddenberry on October 24th. CO Temple's grandmother died the same day in Switzerland. Still receiving questions and responses to the ad placed in Starlog #171 and the STARFLEET Communique. CO Temple will celebrate on year of command on November 12th.

#### **USS DEFIANCE • NCC-1717**

RAdm Janis Moore Sacramento, CA

Ship had its annual elections. Captain Debra Roberts will be taking the center seat. Gary Decker donated a framed reproduction of an ANALOG cover to be raffled. He also shared with the ship his report on the Gene Roddenberry Memorial Services.

#### USS EAGLE • NCC-1719

FltCaptain Dail Koehler Menlo Park, CA

#### USS GALLANT • NCC-1869

Captain Dana Reynolds Lemoore, CA

Began the Gene Roddenberry Memorial Charity Fund. Hope to make it a STARFLEET function. Held Stampede collection, canned food drive and Toys for Tots drive. Holding a bake sale on 9112.07 with half the profits going to the George Takei Scholarship. Hoping George will autograph ST VI:TUC teaser posters to auction for his Scholarship. New handbook and press release kit in the works.

Preparing to build TNG solutile pod. XO Michael Knight picked to be Southern Region 4 VRC.

#### USS SIMONOV • NCC-2002

Captain Kim Lerman Fairfield, CA

Cleaned up portion of 1-80 freeway as part of Adopt-A-Highway protect. Ran trivia games and recruited at premiere of Star Trek VI at two local movie theatres. Donated canned food and old clothing to Fairfield Salvation Army. Entertained sick children at Travis AFB hospital, Purchased Christmas presents for two children through Children's Network Continuing to collect stamps for the Stampede. Said farewell to members Ron Dugdale and Kevin Felici who are moving to other areas

#### USS STELLAR WIND • NCC-1501

Captain John Burt Turlock, CA At Warp 10 it would take about 32 years to get from UFP HQ to the center of the Galaxy as they did in ST V:TFF. CO and XO attended Trek movie marathon. September 15th newsletter started the first formal fictional mission. Members have responded well. The number of members contributing increased. Members handbook mailed to all members October 15th, contains basic chapter information. Operations manual will contain administration details. EC Kinzly, Kim Riley and Matt Tintle set up recruiting tables during the STVI:TUC premiere in two theaters. Displays includes a STARFLEET banner, a Trek bulletin board and their uniforms.

#### **REGION FIVE**

Reg. Coordinator: RAdm Robert Hilton

#### USS APOLLO • NCC-2546

Captain David Bell Vancouver, WA

Had a party in November for the ship's second anniversary. Had January meeting at Airport Holiday Inn right after the Creation Con closed. Planning a landing party exercise in March or April to see the Star Trek exhibit at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry with which they are helping.

Main focus at this time is setting up a recruiting table for Rustycon in January and Norwescon in March.

#### USS BROADSWORD • NCC-1846

Cmdr. Thomas Rutledge Kirkland, WA

Main focus at this time is setting up a recruiting table for Rustycon in January and Norwescon in March.

#### **USS PENDRAGON • NCC-2005**

Cmdr. Terri Halsey Kirkland, WA

Have elected a new CO, Terri Halsey, who will assume office in January

#### USS STARCHASER • NCC-71801

Captain James Walker Seattle, WA

Have elected a new CO, William Smith, who will assume office in

USS TRAUMER • NCC-10522 Captain Wesley Butcher Tacoma, WA

Ship enthused about its efforts in Community Service drives like their Food Trek campaign and working with the Salvation Army, CO, Wesley Butcher, attended the regions Captains Night Out in December and discussed the Command Seminar scheduled for

#### **REGION SIX**

Reg. Coor: Commodore David Kloempken

#### USS CZAR'AK • NCC-1798A

Commodore David Kloempken Richfield, MN

Attended PolarisCon II and Valley Con XVI. Gathered \$360 at Non-A-Thon 91, to benefit American Kidney Fund. Revamping point System Crew helping out at Burnhaven 8 Theater for the premiere of ST VI:TUC

#### **REGION SEVEN**

Reg. Coordinator: RAdm. Alex Rosenzweig

#### **USS ALBANY • NCC-587**

Captain Don Burke Guiderland, NY

Members attended the Schenectady Christmas Parade Preparation is progressing smoothly for 1st Night in Albany.

#### USS ARGON II • NCC-1636

Captain Edward C. Johnson Edgewood, MD

#### USS ARI • NCC-1723

Captain Dov Paff Springville, NY

The crew will hold a formal commissioning dinner. Recruited at ST VI:TUC premiere. Crew sent a sympathy card to Mrs. Roddenberry

#### **USS ASCENSION • NCC-2520**

Captain Kevin J. Miles Bath, PA

Working on next issue of newsletter. Members attended Oktober Trek and will attend Dreamwerks Cons in both Wilkes-Bane and Camp Hill, PA and "A Christmas Carol" in New York. Continuing arrangements for Nichelle Nichols convention on Nov. 16, 1991. Three newspaper articles written about ship and members will be doing a local radio show.

#### USS ATLANTIS • NCC-71803

Captain Richard F. Nacaula, Jr. Assonet, MA

Newly commissioned starship. Welcome aboard.

#### USS AVENGER • NCC-1860

Radm. Alex Rosenzweig N Brunswick, NJ

Recruiting boosted in 9112, with the release of ST VI:TUC bringing in many new members. All four shifts met, while the Blackheart focused on a potential change of commander. Sciences and Medical both appointed new subsection chiefs. Operations released a new "Operational Status" issue. Both the United Nations Trip and the Holiday Party were very successful, with good attendance and an enjoyable time had by all. Avenger raised funds for two more trees for the STARFLEET Forest for Project Genesis. Avenger News #26 was released at the end of 9112, and work continues on "Tricorder Readings"#29

#### **USS CHALLENGER • NCC-1676**

Captain Bob Vosseller Ortley Beach, NJ

Members attended the Seaside Heights Mardi Gras Festival, the Lavallette Heritage Day celebrations and the 10th Annual Medieval Fair. The ship will host a Klingon Konference similar to their Vulcan Forum held earlier this year.

#### USS CHRISTA McAULIFFE • NCC-860 Captain Howard Cronson Canton, MA

Members attended the 49th World Science Fiction Convention in Chicago, visited the National Air & Space Museum in Washington, DC, went on a whale watch cruise and visited the Eastern States Exposition in MA. Attended Star Trek Movie Marathon were recruiting flyers were distributed.

#### **USS HATHAWAY • NCC-2539**

Captain Michael Hess McConnellsburg, PA

Crew attended a showing of Star Trek VI. We are planning our commissioning party for the middle of January, Also planning a fund raiser for the Make A Wish Foundation. Ship's manual is in the final

#### USS HOOD • NCC-1707

Adm. David Ryan Franklin, NH

The science division contributed 3500 stamps to the Stampede. Members held a toy drive. Members helped clean up leaves at Franklin Falls Farm and set up a house for Christmas. Communications division is working on a program co-sponsored by McDonalds to spread the word about the Young Astronauts Program in area schools.

#### **USS INTREPID • NCC-1730**

Captain Jeffrey Hunt Garfield, NJ

Working on section manuals as well as recruiting drives. To hold Halloween Party

#### **USS KONDORDIUM • NCC-2106**

Northford, CT

#### USS ODIN • NCC-1875

Captain Cindi Geppi Arbutus, MD

Ship's crew manual is progressing toward at 9112 release.

#### **USS POTEMKIN • NCC-1711**

Captain Willard Speck Pittsburgh, PA

Had a recruiting table at the ST VI:TUC premiere. Had a Christmas party. Taped an original Christmas play. Member Pat Burke placed first in the STARFLEET Writer's and Artist's Contest for fiction. Ship's newsletter, "The Briefing Room" has gone to a bi-monthly publication. Writer's workshop meeting every other month.

#### **USS SOVEREIGN • NCC-2505**

Captain Richard Magee Philadelphia. PA

Reworking constitution and bylaws. Recruited new members at Philcon '91. Discussed raffle/fundraising efforts. Establishing the ideas of shifts to better serve the members. Beginning 'gamer' group for members enjoyment

#### USS TAI SHAN • NCC-2524

Captain Matt Ross Riverdale, NY

Had holiday party in December. Tai Shan Time #2 out. Next newsletter will be out in mid-February. Will be attending Starcon in NJ, our own Onceontacon and others. Will be playing the Challenger in indoor paintball. Have ordered ship hats. Plan to participate in the March of Dimes and MS Walkathon.

#### **USS THAGARD • NCC-652**

Cmdr. Saul Abraham Lansdale, PA

Held 25th Anniversary Party. A reporter attended, and an article on the group appeared in local newspaper.

#### USS TUTAKAI • NCC-1799

Captain Barbara Oberlander Erie, PA

Crew adopted a family of eight members and supplied a complete Eastwa autopieca a naturity of eight members and supplied a complete Thanksgiving dinner. Ship is selling candy bars to raise money for the Project. Ships Officer's manuals were distributed. Crew gathered coloring books, crayons and small stuffed animals and delivered to the children at St. Vincent's Hospital for Christmas. Crew attended ST VI:TUC.

#### **REGION NINE**

Reg. Coordinator: Commodore Beate Gellings

#### REGION TEN

Reg. Coordinator: Commodore April Gorman

#### USS BONAVENTURE (Canada) • NCC-1645

Captain Howard Gibbons Edmonton, Alb., Canada

Crew held 1st annual camping trip. Attended 25th Anniversary Con in Edmonton and Star Trek Movie Marathon.

#### USS EQUULUS • NCC-1603

Commodore April Gorman NW Calgary, Alb., Canada

Members attended 25th Anniversary Con in Edmonton and Star Trek Movie Marathon during hail storm. Dined out in costume. Participated in radio station 66 CFR 25th Anniversary contest and party Pizza party held to view 25 Years of Star Trek video. Viewed nebulae, double stars and Saturn during trip to observatory

#### USS MALASPINA • NCC-3271

Cmdr. Barry Yoner Nanaimo, BC, Canada

The Malaspina had a filth season opener party. An open house at Rutherford Mall secured five new members and good P.R. as the group was asked to return. The ship also held a movie marathon with a trip to Paramount Studios as a prize

#### USS SOL • NCC-1733

Captain Donna Namet North Pole, AK

The Sol has held mall displays securing a few new members.

#### **REGION ELEVEN**

#### USS ALTAIR • NCC-1803

Captain Raymond Raspa Perth, WA Australia

Raised \$400 for the James Doohan Scholarship. Members Greg and Arthur escorted Mr. Doohan after he was met at the train station by CO Ray Raspa. Mr. Doohan said the crew in Penh certainly know how to party. Our communication officer has been practicing the arcane arts of preserving and has raised \$50 toward the Royal Flying Doctor Service

#### USS N'DELLE • NCC-1758

Radm. Leanne Jackson Rostrevor, SA Australia

Collected items for Christmas Hampers for needy families and the elderly. Christmas celebration at Pasta Express. In January the crew will attend the long awaited ST VI:TUC followed by supper. In February plan a Japanese Animation Evening organized by Martin

#### **USS SOUTHERN CROSS • NCC-1886**

Comm. Jennifer Yates Harbord, NWS, Australia

Crew celebrated 25 years of Star Trek and is proud to announce that after only seven years in existence and with a small membership, they raised in excess of \$7000.00 or approximately \$50.00 per member per year. The funds were distributed amongst their three favorite charities Children's Medical Research Foundation, The Royal Institute for Blind and Deal Children and The Far West Children's Home. Several of the crew had a great time exploring Fraser Island, the largest sand island in the world and in doing so raised over \$400 for charity. Crew also explored New South Wales latest tourist attraction - a real live imitation volcano. Next meeting will feature a multicultural progressive dinner party beside the swimming pool and

#### REGION TWELVE

Reg. Coordinator RAdm Dan McGinnis

#### **USS AMERICA • NCC-1847**

Captain Clarence Kamper Columbia, MO

Recruiting continues with 1 new member. Crew compliment at 24. Aquatic Planet survey was popular and was held again. Crew practicing navigation and helm with custom made Computer Flight Simulator. All members survived the club holiday party and a good rime was had by all Scheduled 1991 meetings and activities.

#### USS BACCHUS • NCC-26288

Captain Ellen Sease Holton, MI

Newly commissioned on 12/20/91 May the wind be at their backs.

#### USS CONCORD • NCC-1989-D

Captain Mike Ferguson Oklahoma City, OK

Members took trip to Omniplex at Oklahoma City Zoo and had a great time Discussions concerning the ship assisting in the development of a Neighborhood Watch at local apartment complex.

#### USS DISCOVERY • NCC-1308

Captain Margie Amberboy St. Louis, MO

Crew members answered phones for the Jerry Lewis Telethon. Attended Star Trek Movie Marathon and worked at recruiting table. Crew signed and sent sympathy card to Majel Barrett Roddenberry.

#### USS EXCELSIOR • NCC-2000

Captain Tim Frayser Broken Arrow, OK

Michael and Ruby Keller hosted New Year's Eve/housewarming Party. Members viewed slide show of LagrangeCon and wrote Christmas cards for American servicemen overseas. Large turnout at Murder Mystery Night. A sequel planned for next year. Attended premiere of ST VI:TUC at all 3 Tulsa theaters showing it. Planning ST board games at January meeting, attending PsurrealCon in OKC, going to Claremore to visit J. M. Davis Gun Museum and Will Rogers. Memorial and annual bowling/anniversary party in February

#### USS GALAXY • NCC-70637

Captain Jeff Haffner Mission, KS

Aluminum recycling continues. Attended movie marathon and worked recruiting table with shuttle Shaun Christopher. Attended Horizon's 25th Anniversary picnic. Crew designed beautiful full color ship buttons Attended Renaissance Festival. Work continuing on crew handbook. Held movie night and watched ST II: TWOK and several episodes.

#### USS HEXUM • NCC-2199

Captain Adam Nettles Belleville. IL

Ship held its 4th anniversary party and had as a guest Ike Eisenmann, who portrayed Peter Preston. Ike autographed some photographs to be raffled for scholarship funds. Annual vote of confidence held and CO Adam Nettles retained for another year.

#### USS HORIZON • NCC-1000A

Captain James Herring Columbia, MO

Adopted two kangaroos at St. Louis zoo named Hook and Ladder. CO Jim Herring participated in March of Dimes "Jail"n Bail" and raised over \$200. Crew featured in UMC campus newspaper. Had Christmas party Dec. 14th with guest RAdm Dan McGinnis. The great mystery remains...who sent the belly dancer with the video

#### USS INVICTA • NCC-26246

VAdm Denise Peterson Manchester, MO

Crew was on shore leave for a month. Celebrated ship's 2nd anniversary in October. Held Christmas party. Attended Dreamwerks Con in St. Louis and Patrick Stewart Con in Chicago

#### USS PEGASUS II • NCC-1612

Cmdr. Michael S. Hoyt Laddonia, MO

Ship had booth at local Sovbean Festival, Held Halloween Party.

#### **USS RANGER • NCC-2206**

Captain Peggy Ingram Midwest City, OK

Several members helped USS Concord and shuttle Genesis II at recruiting table at local mall. Holding regularly scheduled meetings. Members traveled to Dallas to celebrate 25th anniversary of Star Trek. Members attended con in Denver, CO with DeForest Kelley.

#### USS RISING STAR • NCC-1734-D Captain Charles Parks Springfield, MO

Adopt-a-Street project underway. Have opened relations with local Klingon group. Ship donated \$22.79 worth of toys for the Toys for Tots campaign through local ABC TV station, KSPR 33. Attended the ST VLTUC premiere and distributed over 500 information packages. Crew took a break for holidays from Dec 15th to Dec 30th. Several activities planned for the new year.

#### **USS SALLY RIDE • NCC-643**

Captain Janie McGaugh Cape Girardeau, MO

Handbook/bylaws committee met 5 times and revised handbook approved by embers. Members attended Visions convention in Chicago. Manned recruiting table at ST VI:TUC premiere and attended movie en masse. Toys/clothing/food/money collected at business meeting for adopted family and goods delivered to them by Rhonda Vandergriff. Had Christmas party with 2 members of the shuttle Umiak attending. Cookbook fund raiser underway

#### USS SCRIBE • NCC-3941

Captain Mary D. Pinto Murphysboro, IL

Current CO stepping down and elections will be held in November. Pot luck dinner planned for November meeting. Will attend St. Louis con

#### USS SHAUN CHRISTOPHER • NCC-26246

Captain Dale Manchion Overland Park, KS

Newly commissioned starship. Preparing for commissioning party. Collecting aluminum for recycling Continuing to work on ship hand-book. Working on new recruitment display for ship CO attended 1st

#### **USS STAR EMPIRE • NCC-2116**

RAdm Eric Gay Shawnee, Ok

Crew meeting regularly. Planning upcoming activities and ST VI:TUC recruiting campaign. Haunt the Zoo annual event planning underway. Crew excited about the Zoo's interest.

#### USS STARGAZER • NCC-2893

Captain Covote Kansas City, MO

CO attended Captains Council. Had a great Christmas party. Are preparing a Christmas Elk Song book. Attended the shuttle Galliffey's con and commissioning. Shuttle Vixen sponsored a great con, too. Gathered toys for Toys for Tots and donated food to a church food pantry. Donated literature books in a case to a boys home. Had a great end to the year.

#### **USS SUPERIOR • NCC-2020**

Captain Kenneth Darden Marquette, MI

New CO, Ken Darden, elected. Crew held bake sale to raise funds for Harbor House, a local center for abused spouses and children. Collected canned goods for local TV station Can-A-Thon. Crew again helped ready Xmas lights for downtown building displays. Gave donations for local Toys for Tots program.

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#### **REGION FOURTEEN**

Reg. Coordinator: Adm. John Supranovich

#### USS CASCO BAY • NCC-1889

Captain Scott A. Thurlow South Portland, ME

Last delivery of books was made at the Region XIV Commanders Conference to USS EQUINOX (who ended up giving more than 500 books to the Veterans Hospital in Togus, ME for their library). Members provided manpower to the MOD for their annual Jail & Bail fundraiser. Visits to area rehab land possibly nursing homes) are still planned for later this year. Members have begun saving pull tabs from soda cans to donate to the Kidney Foundation to provide free dialysis time at local facilities. Bowling resumed with a challenge match between crew and Klingon vessel, IKV HUNGARY SHADOW. Held Annual nerd Training Exercise. Hosted the annual Region XIV Commanders Conference with much valuable information changing hands. Recruitment is going very well.

USS EQUINOX • NCC-584 Captain Peg Pellerin Winslow, ME

The crew will be attempting a "recreational night" each month to get away from the business end of their monthly meetings. Recruiting new members. Collecting "Apple" symbols from Scott products to assist a school. Delivered 97 books to library. Any books can be sent to RFD #3, Box 5460, Winslow, ME, 04901. Held all day/night recruiting drive at local theater at ST VI:TUC premiere.

#### USS KASIMAR • NCC-1784

Captain Mark Libby Bangor, ME

The Kasimar has a new division line. STARFLEET Marine Corps has assigned the 48th Marines Strike Group. 2nd Lt. Larry French is the OIC. He is beginning to recruit new members and develop the group. Activities included visiting the Salvation Army in Bangor. The crew listened to a taped interview with Nichelle Nichols on Maine Public Radio, station WEAU, Blue Hill.

#### USS OMEGA • NCC-1687

Captain Joseph W. Hatfield St. John, NB, Canada

Staffed phones during MDA Telethon. Members also marched in the Terry Fox Run for Cancer research Sent two officers to the 1991 Region XIV Commanders Conference. Editing staff released a special newsletter, "Big Blips". Hope to make a homemade movie. Ship represented in a "Take Back The Night" rally and march supporting woman's rights to go out at night safely. CO Hatfield gave a presentation on Science Fiction writers at a local school.

#### REGION SEVENTEEN

Reg. Coordinator: Commodore Lynnette Knox

#### USS ALIOTH • NCC-1828

Captain Lyn Worthen Provo, UT

Large turn-out in costume for ST VI:TUC premiere. Sub for Santa funds from Sept yard sale bought clothes and toys for 3 brothers plus Christmas dinner for their family and some exam cash in their Christmas card. Just retired CO Lynnette Knox and new CO Lyn Worthen interviewed on local TV news program. Helen Moore will remain as the XO.

#### USS AURORA VULCANUS • NCC-1888

Captain Charlotte Howey Center, CO

Reorganizing departmental structure, New fanzine editors. Trying to make club functions more of a team effort. Starting role playing correspondence mission. CO in touch with a pen pal in Russia who is very interested in learning about Star Trek and STARFLEET.

#### USS CARSON • NCC-592

RAdm Karen Emerson Sun Valley, NV

Two members of one of the Klingon groups are participating in an exchange program with the Carson. Crew having weekly meetings and attending local cons.

#### **USS DOMINION • NCC-2115**

Captain Allen Mills Ogden, UT

Had bowling tournament. Cleaned highway section Big party for Star Trek 25th Anniversary. Away team to Denver con.

#### **USS FAHRION • NCC-2510**

Captain Douglas Porray Orem, UT

Had annual family picnic. CMO Barden gave a lecture on a medical device his company is marketing. Had promotional activities for ST VI:TUC.



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