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The View From STARFLEET HQ



Fleet Admiral Dan McGinnis, Commander, STARFLEET

Greetings from STARFLEET Headquarters! I hope you are all enjoying a wonderful summer (or winter for those in the southern hemisphere). Obviously, things have been busy around Headquarters as work continues on a host of projects.

I want to acknowledge the Headquarters volunteers who work so diligently to keep everything moving and "shaking". First, my mother, Barbara "Mom" McGinnis, works at Headquarters everyday processing mail, membership packets and answering general requests for Information. She is our Chief Mail Clerk and handles for STARFLEET. Mom does a

Helen Pawlowski volunteers at Headquarters three times a week. Helen is a great help in keeping the filing done, helping with various projects and mass mailings and working on some major upcoming programs. We would be buried in paperwork were it not for Helen's patience in filing it all. Thanks Helen!

Other volunteers include Lynn Davison, Steve Holden, Patricia Burnett, Leslie Adams, and of course, Molly Baxter and her entire crew. STARFLEET is dependent upon volunteers like these to keep all the projects moving forward. We appreciate their work and dedication!

This past year has been one of tremendous work and achievement as we have joined together to confront the challenges of our association and address them in a positive and constructive manner. Many people have participated in this process and, with the passage of the constitutional amendments, for the first time in STARFLEET history, the members have a singular voice in how their association is governed.

Progress continues despite those who would wish it to be halted. The membership is at record heights and continues to grow. Our international expansion continues at unprecedented rates. Keep up the good work. We'll continue to modify our operations to keep pace with the Fleet's expansion. Thank you for all those who are involved in making a difference.

or supervises all outgoing mail great job and I want to thank her for her work!

Amendments to the STARFLEET Constitution

Amendment #1: Create Article IV Section XI to read as follows:

Any vacancy on the Executive Committee shall be filled by appointment of the Commander, STARFLEET, pending approval by a simple majority of the Admiralty Board. The Commander, STARFLEET may appoint any officer to fill a temporary vacancy.

Prior to the appointment of a new Region Coordinator, each Commanding Officer in the affected Region shall be polled by the Commander, STARFLEET for a nomination of a candidate to serve as their next Region Coordinator. If the Commander, STARFLEET does not select the candidate who shall receive the most votes from Commanding Officers in the affected Region, he shall submit, along with a reason why the majority candidate was not appointed, the name of his appointee to the Admiralty Board for confirmation prior to the nominee taking office. If a simple majority of the Admiralty Board shall agree, the nominee shall be appointed and assume office.

Amendment #2: Amend Article III Section II to read as follows:

The governing body of STARFLEET shall be an Admiralty Board. The Admiralty Board shall consist of the members of the Executive Committee and the Region Coordinators. The function of the Admiralty Board shall be to formulate policy and to set directions and goals for the international organization.

The Admiralty Board shall consist of four standing committees: Finance Committee, Corporate Committee, Scholarship Committee, And the Membership Committee. The Admiralty Board shall determine, by appropriate resolution, the duties and responsibilities of each committee.

Each of the Admiralty Board shall serve on one committee. The initial term of office on each committee shall be two years for members of even numbered Regions, and one year for members of odd numbered Regions. thereafter all members shall serve two year terms. The

Executive Committee members shall serve the duration of their term.

The Commander, STARFLEET shall make appointment to each of the standing committees and to such other select committees as may be required from time to time. In the event a committee member is unable to complete their term of office for any reason, their successor shall complete the term.

In the event of a tie, each committee shall determine how such ties will be broken.

Amendment #3: Create Article 111 Section IV to read as follows:

The Member Handbook shall not be modified without the approval of a simple majority of the Admiralty Board. Policies adopted by the Admiralty Board shall be included in the next revision of the Member Handbook.

Amendment #4: Amend Article V Section VII to read as follows:

The Commander, STARFLEET may serve any number of terms of office, and may appoint, replace, or retain any of the appointed positions within the administration. While the Commander, STARFLEET may replace any member of the Admiralty Board for cause, he/she shall not remove any Region Coordinator, who is a member of STARFLEET, in good standing, without the approval of the Executive Committee and a simple majority of the Region Coordinators presently serving on the Admiralty Board.

The Commander, STARFLEET shall order a polling for nominees for the office of Region Coordinator in any Region where a majority of the Commanding Officers of that Region so request and in any Region where the sitting Region Coordinator shall fail a vote of confidence of the Commanding Officers of that Region. The new Region Coordinator shall be selected in a manner defined by this Constitution.

Amendment #5: Amend Article III Section III to read as follows:

The administrative body of STARFLEET shall be the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Commander, STARFLEET, in a manner consistent with this constitution, and shall consist of the following members (in order of succession):

Commander, STARFLEET	-	President
Vice-Commander, STARFLEET	-	Vice President
Chief of Operations, STARFLEET		
Chief of Communications, STARFLEET		
Commandant, STARFLEET Academy		
Chief of Shuttle Operations, STARFLEET		
Chief of Computer Operations STARFLEET		

The function of the Executive Committee shall be to perform and supervise the daily operational activities of this association and to implement the decisions of the Admiralty Board. The Executive Committee shall be the final authority in the interpretation of the Constitution, handbook, and procedures of the association. Admiralty Board shall be the final authority in the interpretation of the policies of the association.

About the Cover: Honey, I'm Home!

During a routine Planetary survey, the away team finds an abandoned egg of extremely unusual proportions. Taking readings, scanning, DNA, following standard procedures, the mission is going without incident. That is, until mother returns to the nest! Now who's the potential meal?

Our thanks to Laumeier Sculpture Park in St. Louis, Missouri.

Scan by Mike Wilkerson

With 10.78% of the ballots returned (830 out of 7700), here are the results

Amendment	One	Two	Three	Four	Five
Yes	432 (52.96%)	493 (59%)	548 (66%)	431 (52%)	509 (61%)
No	397 (48%)	336 (41%)	279 (34%)	396 (48%)	320 (39%)
Abstain	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (0%)	2 (0%)	0 (0%)
Disqualified	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	1 (0%)	1 (0%)	1 (0%)
Total	795	795	795	795	795

STARFLEET OPERATIONS

Commodore James Herring
Chief of Operations, STARFLEET

Hello everyone, Commodore James Herring, new Chief of Operations here. Since this is my first article for the CQ I'm kinda at a loss for words. There is no greater honor as Chief of Operations than the commissioning of chapters, and since I took over from Cindy Krell, I have had the privilege of signing two VRRs to do just that. The Space Station *Shadowstar*, SFR-721 under the command of Captain Hatriono Sastrawardoyo, and the USS *Haise*, NCC-454104 under the command of Captain Bethany Theilman. Congratulations to both chapters!

For those of you who don't know me, I have been in Fleet for nearly 10 years, I was the captain of the USS *Horizon* for over 6 years, and a Vice Coordinator in Region 12 for a year before becoming Chief of Operations for STARFLEET.

Operations, for those who don't know, is the step above the RCs. Ships and Region Coordinators report to me, and I in turn submit a report to the Fleet Admiral. My big thing for

Operations is timely information and communications. I have an e-mail address, a P.O. Box, an answering machine and a fax machine. So if anyone wants to get a hold of me there should be no problem. Just remember that if you have a problem, try and work it out with your ship's captain on RC before coming to me...but if you want to know more about me, or just want to talk you can phone me, fax me, write me on e-mail me. If you want to borrow money, I'm not at home.

I hope to be able to meet and talk with a lot of you.

Deeds, not Words!

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STARFLEET Communications
Vice Admiral Douglas Glenn
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present believed that you needed some special qualifications or an invitation to be featured in the Fleet Focus column.

Nothing could be farther from the truth. Any chapter is welcome to submit an article for consideration. This is true for the "Beam" and "International Fleet" columns as well as "Fleet Focus." If you are interested in contributing an article please feel free to do so. The following general guidelines are excerpted from a recent letter that went out to the Region Coordinators. We look forward to hearing from you.

Fleet Focus: This column spotlights a specific chapter of STARFLEET. It is usually written by the CO or another crewmember of that chapter. Just tell us what you would like people to know about your group. There is no required formula for these articles. If you review those already printed, you will see that they vary a lot in style and content. Suggested length: 500 to 800 words.

I request that the chapter provide a couple of photos to go along with the article. Also requested are copies of the chapter logo (if any), Ship class, and anything else they would like to share with Fleet.

Beam: The purpose of this column is to spotlight individual Fleet members who have made outstanding contributions to their chapter, region, community, or the people around them. This obviously needs to be written by someone other than the person it is about. I usually

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Hallmark Announces '96 Ornaments

Hallmark began their Star Trek series of Keepsake Ornaments some five years ago. In that time we've been treated to a number quality collectibles. This year they will continue their run with several new additions to the series. Hallmark seems to be bypassing DS9 for the moment as this year's ship ornament will be USS *Voyager*.

Following up last year's Captains Kirk and Picard ornaments, this year they are going for the First Officers. Mr. Spock at his science station and Commander Riker brandishing a phaser I will be available.

Additionally, Hallmark is offering a special 30th anniversary ornament set. This has the original *Enterprise* hanging above a small *Galileo* shuttlecraft. They are mounted on a base in the shape of the original insignia and features the voice of James T. Kirk.



With the success of the Star Trek ornaments, Hallmark is testing the waters in Star Wars territory. The first of these is set to be a highly detailed and lighted Millennium Falcon. Plus, there will be a set of three miniature ornaments, (ala the three set of Trek ships last year). The *Vehicles of Star Wars* set will include an X-Wing, Tie Fighter, and AT-AT.

STARFLEET Academy

Fleet Captain Paul Dyl Acting Commander, STARFLEET Academy

Greetings from STARFLEET Academy HQ! My name is Paul Dyl and I am the newly appointed Acting Commandant of STARFLEET Academy. While introductory letters have already been sent out to all the College Directors, I would now like to introduce myself to you the membership.

I am currently serving in the U.S. Army as an Infantry Platoon Sergeant with the 82nd Airborne Division at Ft Bragg, North Carolina. I am 28 years old, married and I have four very energetic daughters. Even though I reside at Ft. Bragg, I call Newport, Rhode Island as home.

As for STARFLEET, I joined in December 1991 on a local STARFLEET named the USS *Starward Fury*. During that tour I served as the Chief of Support Services/Quartermaster, the R/1 Chief of Support Services/Quartermaster. In October 1992 I left the chapter and started my own called Shuttle *Braxton Bragg*. On July 4, 1993 the shuttle was commissioned as the USS *Freedom*. During this tour I not only served as Commanding Officer but I also started the STARFLEET Armed Forces Advocacy Program which later became the STARFLEET Armed Services Program. After leaving for South Korea, I started another STARFLEET Chapter in Korea known as the Shuttle *Lynx* and then in July 1994 it was commissioned as the USS *Lynx*. The chapter became the first STARFLEET Chapter in Korea and because of the nature of the military, the chapter was a correspondence chapter. Upon return to Ft. Bragg, I continued to serve as the USS *Lynx*

Commanding Officer but as well offered my services to my old chapter, the USS *Freedom* as its Operations Officer. During this tour I volunteered at the Fleet level for the Judiciary Task Force and then in the Computer Operations, STARFLEET as the Vice Chief. This now brings you all to the present.

I hope that this has given you some insight as to who I am. I would like to thank Fleet Captain Bjo Trimble for her dedication to not only to STARFLEET but to Star Trek as a whole. This organization probably would not exist if she did not keep Star Trek alive. Bjo I thank you for your service as the Commandant of the Academy. For your support and encouragement during the time that I was creating Tactical Operations School. But this is not the end of Bjo in this Academy. I am proud to make my first appointment as the Acting Commandant to appoint Bjo as the Special Advisor to the Commandant. This is reserved for the previous Commandant as an advisor to the newer Commandant. I am also pleased that Fleet Captain Helen Pawlowski will remain as the Vice Commandant and Fleet Captain Sherry Anne Newell as the Dean of the Academy.

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I look forward to serving you, the membership and the Honor is to Serve.

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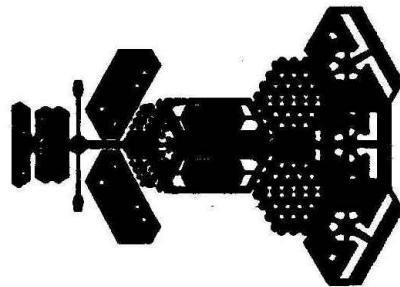
Fleet Captain Wayne Cavalier Chief of Computer Operations

By the time this article is published Computer Operations should be up and running on the new database and possibly being distributed to the Regional Coordinators. I believe this will be a giant leap for STARFLEET. The updated Vessel Registry will have been put into circulation. This will have updated chapter information for each Region as well as various department information previously not published in this way. I would like to thank Barry Basselgia for his extensive work creating the new database and to Paul Dyl for his work on updating the Vessel Registry.

SHIP DESIGN CONTEST

ATTENTION ASPIRING STARFLEET ENGINEERS AND DESIGNERS. STARFLEET with JACKILL's is pleased to sponsor a Starship Design Contest. Ships of any Star Trek race or political body and of any era are acceptable. You may submit any type of Bessel from Battlecruiser to Freighters to Shuttles, etc. Grand Prize will be a selection of Jackill's blueprints including the publication(s) that your design may appear in. After the Grand Prize, additional prizes may be awarded based on number of entries. All entries used will receive credit and a copy of any Jackill's publication your design may appear in. Selection of the winner will be solely by Eric Kristiansen, author and artist of the *Jackill's Ships of the Fleet* books and blueprints. All entries become the property of Jackill's. The winner will be announced in a future issue of *Communiqué*. Send your name, address and phone number (and age for the novice category) to:

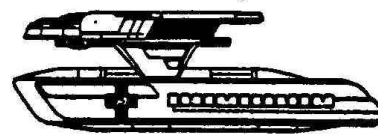
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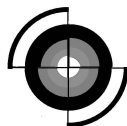


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SHUTTLE OPERATIONS COMMAND

**Commodore Linda Reynolds,
Chief of Shuttle Operations**



Hello! Almost May already. Spring is slowly finding its way into Minnesota. The snow is mostly gone except where it was piled up by the plows in the parking lots. When Metz and I went walking today (April 27th) I noticed buds on most of the trees. But if the lilacs are going to bloom for Mother's Day, they better get a move on it!

Things have been going pretty smooth shuffle wise this year. (On a personal level, this year has been a real pain.) An important note for those planning to launch/commission at IC: Please submit your VRR no later than July 15th. We need to have time to verify information, find and fix any problems, and process the paperwork before IC.

Since the last CQ we've launched the seven shuttles (see the chart). A special note on the Shuttle *Chrysalis*. This shuttle was launched by Vice Admiral April Gorman (former RC/R10) in March of 1995. For reasons we have never been able to determine, their VRR got lost in the mail somewhere and never reached ShOC. With the consent of Fleet Captain Pam Bower (current RC/R10) we have back-dated the launch of the *Chrysalis* to March of 1995. So you should see them next issue commissioning. Congratulations to all the new shuttles!

On a less happy note we have to report 26 decommissioning since taking office. After the chart in the last issue was received by HQ, someone requested a listing of the reasons for decommissioning. So we've included it in this issue. FTR means "Failed to Report." Shuttles with this designation were given notice of missing reports and failed to respond to several letters. For the statistical types, we've done the math: ten shuttles disbanded; eight withdrew; and eight were FTR. The regional totals are:

Region 01: 3
Region 02: 5
Region 03: 2
Region 04: 3
Region 07: 6
Region 10: 1
Region 12: 3
Region 15: 3

Well, that's about it for this time. As always ShOC can be contacted via e-mail at SFSHOC@aol.com, by voicemail at 612-928-4291, or by snail mail at PO Box 23321, Richfield, MN 55423-0321. Remem-



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Marco Polo Class SURVEY SHUTTLE

We've launched seven shuttles since I wrote last. And they are:

Shuttle Name	Commanding Officer	City of Charter	Region
<i>Temperance</i>	Michael Hernandez	Brooklyn, NY	07
<i>Orion</i>	Larry Ferguson	Wichita, KS	12
<i>Solar Flare</i>	Deanna Blanchard	Boise, ID	05
<i>Troubadour</i>	Helen M. Pawlowski	St. Louis, MO	12
<i>Chrysalis</i>	Donna Jean Noddin	Nanaimo, BC	10
<i>Alabama</i>	Bonnie Adams Flanagan	Decatur, AL	02
<i>Quo Vadis</i>	Mickey Vandiver	Belle Vista, AR	12

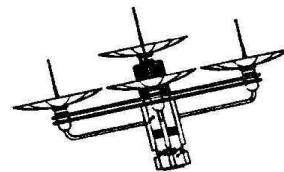
Since January 1, 1995 the following shuttles have been decommissioned. We wish them well in their future endeavors

Shuttle Name	Region	Date	Reason
<i>Atlantian</i>	07	9512.12	disbanded
<i>Berlin</i>	02	9508.21	withdrew
<i>Celestia</i>	10	9804.20	disbanded
<i>Cometwatcher</i>	04	9511.15	FTR
<i>Condor</i>	07	9508.29	disbanded
<i>Dallas</i>	03	9512.12	disbanded
<i>Diablo</i>	04	9802.12	FTR
<i>Durendal</i>	02	9801.09	FTR
<i>Elentari</i>	01	9512.12	withdraw
<i>Fury</i>	07	9504.29	withdraw
<i>Heinlein</i>	01	9512.29	FTR
<i>Keystone</i>	07	9507.24	disbanded
<i>Kolinahr</i>	07	8508.15	disbanded
<i>Legend</i>	12	9802.12	FTR
<i>Lifester</i>	02	9508.21	disbanded
<i>Madison</i>	15	9508.11	disbanded
<i>Maine</i>	15	9511.01	disbanded
<i>Malamute</i>	04	9512.29	FTR
<i>Merrimac</i>	02	9804.20	withdrew
<i>Nyx</i>	12	9507.12	FTR
<i>Paradise Lost</i>	15	9503.01	disbanded
<i>Quetzalcoatl</i>	01	9506.21	withdraw
<i>Revolution</i>	12	9507.12	withdrew
<i>Starplotter</i>	02	9802.08	withdrew
<i>Tai Shan</i>	03	9603.19	withdraw
<i>Trinity</i>	07	9801.05	FTR

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INCOMING HAILS

Heavy Communication Buoy



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Roxanne Updates

Over the past couple of months the CQ has received the following updates on the condition of Roxanne Brandenburg. They are reprinted here for your information. - ed

Some of you may remember an letter submitted by Richard Ward, XO of the *Marko Ramius*, talking about 13 year old Roxanne Brandenburg. Roxanne needed a double lung transplant and was "the biggest Star Trek fan in the world." Our ship decided to help her financially and donated \$1000 to her medical fund.

As time went on, the relationship became much more than financial. We sent her autographed pictures whenever we went to cons and sent cards and gifts whenever we could. Businesses, individuals, and churches pitched in to help us; I think the strangest moment came when "The Party Barge of Region 12" sponsored Singing Benefit.

Milly Brewer was appointed Liaison Officer between the *Ramius* and the Brandenburgs, to prevent confusion and to keep from bothering the family any more than possible. She did a tremendous job keeping in contact, even during the rough times when Roxanne's parents were told she would not survive.

No one told Roxanne she wouldn't make it. She returned home in November. By December she was well enough for our crew to visit her. We traveled to Mulberry bearing two huge Christmas baskets of food and birthday gifts--we had managed to schedule our visit on Roxanne's thirteenth birthday! Roxanne was weak, but it was wonderful to see her.

Our crew was planning to see Roxanne again on St. Patrick's day, but 48 hours prior to this received notification from the Brandenburgs that Mr. Brandenburg had to work that day. They had a suggestion: Roxanne was feeling so well that she wanted to go out and look in some stores for Star Trek collectibles. Our reaction: hop, jump, skip! PANIC!! After some frantic scurrying about and major numbers of phone calls, plans were made: meet at the mall for lunch, a visit to Brinkleys Gun Shop (the best collectible shopping spot in town), then a trip to our club house, Ten Forward and a chance to see "The Shrine", Tom Brinkley's Star Trek Room.

The whole visit was fantastic. It seemed like an extended family had gathered together to celebrate the good times, which is exactly what it was. At lunch, we gave her "The Far Horizons Award" for bravery and tenacity in the face of difficulties. At Brinkley's Gun Shop, Roxanne turned out to be a savvy collector, and picked up some items from Tom at a very fair price. Meanwhile at Ten Forward we took her to the Star Trek room and handed Roxanne a Batleth. Next we gave her Klingon lesson 101: Sneer fiercely in the face of foes. Considering the amount of sneering she's done in the face of CF, she's probably a Klingon.

After a pleasant visit, the Brandenburgs departed for home, promising to come again. Roxanne didn't think she'd be up to our day long meeting schedule of paintball, dinner, and meeting, but she did think she could handle

dinner. I was relieved. Roxanne is so much of a fighter, I don't think I'd want to be around when she's armed with a paintball gun

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Dear CQ,

I would like to drop a note to let everybody know Roxanne Brandenbeg is really doing great now. She's still going through therapy right now but she is getting stronger everyday. I would like to ask everyone to keep Roxanne and her family in their thoughts and prayers. Everyone on the *Ramius* has given Roxanne a nickname; Roxanne is our "Million-Dollar Kid". If anyone would like more information on Roxanne, feel free to e-mail me at Kbuck31816@aol.com or write to me at: Richard Ward, 16056 Peach Circle, Fayetteville AR 72704. Thanks for the time.

Sincerely,
First Officer Richard Ward
USS *Marko Ramius*
NCC - 23103

Communique Comments

Dear CQ,

Despite the lateness of the issues due to who-knows-what, I really do like them and am glad you're doing such a wonderful job. Don't mind the complainers, they just haven't got as much to do as you and thus have nothing better to do than gripe. (here's my critique) if the titles were all uniform through, looks more "professional" then,

otherwise its marvelous

J.W. Denegar, First Officer
USS *Majestic*

J.W.

My staff and I really appreciate the positive feedback. Due to your comments, and the comment of others, I am making the titles a bit more uniform. You may notice a leaning towards that in this issue. - ed

Dear CQ,

So glad that I received this [Communique] on April 24th!! The deadline for the classifieds was December 20, 1995!

So glad that this [Upcoming Events] is included. Get it together guys. It's really disgusting to rush around to send a ballot that must be in - in 6 days from receiving it.

Deadlines are long past and [there's] so much wasted paper with out-of-date stuff. The past 1 1/2 years of *Communique*s have been a true disappointment!

Captain Elaine Carter

Elaine,

I'm sorry you've been so disappointed with my CQs. We do what we can to produce a CQ that we hope the members will find interesting, informative and entertaining. Of course I realize that whatever we do, we won't please everyone.

I'm sure HQ is working on the problem of printing and distribution delays. Hopefully that will be resolved soon. -ed

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DISABLED CONSULTANT PROGRAM

Captain Peggy Driesel, Director

It has been a while since the last report from the DCP. We have been and are continuing to go through many changes. The only visible change that I can foresee is that the existing programs and services will be expanded and/or improved. One improvement to develop a set of guidelines for convention promoters/chairpersons on how to effectively manage a convention while keeping the needs of differently-abled fans in mind. If anyone has any suggestions please snail mail me at the address below or E-mail: crzyhors@magiclink.com.

Most things that need to be done to provide accessibility can be done cheaper and easier at the planning stages. It is easier to find a good accessible hotel then to try to make a bad one accessible. I think by informing the organizers what is available, there is a good chance that more people will attend the cons that offer these services. Starfest and Starcon put on by STARLAND, Denver, Colorado is a great example of this. They have every year since 1991 improved and expanded their services for the differently abled fans. And more and more differently abled fans are attending Denver cons. I see the difference, I have been one of their interpreters since 1991.

Also, along the same lines, if any person is planning to attend FASINATIONCON in LA in August and knows sign language and is willing to sign please inform this office. I also have Star Trek sign language available to anybody who is interested. What is the sign for "shape shifter" anyway?

That's about it for this time. Write to me at: Capt Peggy Driesel, 208 Oschner Avenue, Gooding, Idaho, 83330.

Region Two Sunny Summit '96

By Captain Pete Mohnhey

with contributions from Comm. Barbara Paul, RAdm. Mike Henigan, Cmdr. Sue Ellen Mohnhey and Lt. Danny Potts

The Region 2 Sunny Summit, held March 15 to 17 in Pensacola, Florida, brought together many of the region's chapters. We exchanged ideas, solved problems, bailed out the regional treasury, and got to smack our Regional Staff in their faces with cream pies! Sixty-three STARFLEET officers, representing fifteen chapters, met for three days in the first of what is hoped will be a long line of Region 2 gatherings.

The Summit was held at the Ramada Inn Bayview, and it was amazingly quiet, given that the region's schools were in the middle of Spring Break. Registration began Friday afternoon, and STARFLEET officers from all over Florida, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi trickled in all evening and into Saturday morning. The planned activities for Friday night included a Region Two Staff Meeting, and a gathering of gamers and card-players in the hotel lounge. Since most of those attending had driven at least five hours that day, it seemed best to keep the evening's plans modest.

Most of Regional Coordinator Kelly Hilliard's staff were in attendance at the staff meeting, where they discussed their plans for the region. Comm. Barbara Paul explained the rules and methodology of the Region 2 Awards in great detail. Region 2 Chief of Staff Mike Henigan discussed the regional treasury (or, more accurately, the lack of same) and the plans to do fund raising during and after the summit. Information was given out about how to prepare and bid for the 1997 regional summit. According to bid rules, the summit should be held in some state other than it was this year, so the 1997 Summit should be in either Georgia, Alabama or Mississippi. Shuttle Operations Chief Sharon Stewart explained her plans and duties for her department, and Adm. Lori Brown briefly the Senior Captains Program. Public Relations director Pete Money announced his plans to enhance communications both inter-region and intra-region. Regional Coordinator Kelly Hilliard listened to these plans, and pronounced them good.

Saturday was busy from dawn until way into the wee hours of the morning. RAdm. Hilliard officially opened the Summit at 8 am., and followed the ceremony with an tour open session where all members could address questions and grievances with him. Questions and problems in the region and in STARFLEET were discussed and noted, and several excellent plans for addressing them were put into motion. Several announcements about changes in the Fleet Admiral's staff were made, including the opening of some positions to general applications.

After this panel was over, several simultaneous panels were offered. The commanding officers gathered for an hour to meet with the regional coordinator. He discussed the current makeup of Region 2, the new Regional Staff, what he expects from Region 2 Commanding Officers, and plans for the region. Other topics included finances, tax-exempt status and chapter funding. It was also suggested that each zone in the region have its own summit, where their particular challenges and opportunities could be talked about with those most close to the situation.

At the same time, all the Executive Officers gathered for their own panel. Capt. Jeff Kirkland

and Cmdr. Ro Capetti led a round robin discussion with all chapter XO's on what is expected of them as the Second in Command of a chapter. Topics included reporting procedures, promotions, ship command, and day to day running of the ship. They also discussed CO/XO election methodologies. There was great interest expressed at starting an Officer's Exchange program, where XO's from each ship would visit meetings at other ships in the region.

Finally, all the remaining officers were invited to attend the "Motley Crew" meeting, ived by RAdm. Mike Henigan, Lt Cmdr. Tonya Spanks, and Capt. Jackie Cunningham. This panel focused on the ways to run a meeting and the ways not to run a meeting. The panel discussed the range of types of meeting which dissolve into chaos, all the way to those meetings which are so rigidly structured that no one can get a word in edgewise. They discussed methods for keeping meetings fun and informative, without bringing them to a standstill. They also touched on Community Service projects, such as coupon collecting, visiting children's hospitals, retirement communities and conventions.

After a break for lunch, another round of simultaneous panels was held. Media Relations was discussed by Capt. J. Michael Long, Capt. Pete Mohnhey, and Capt. David Brumbelow. The panel discussed the pros and cons of the various media types (television, radio, and print) and ways to use each to your chapter's advantage. Public Service Announcements, Community Bulletin Boards, various methods of cheap and free advertising were discussed. Most agreed that the newspaper is our best friend, and that radio stations (with the normal radio announcer tendency to entertain while informing) can be very dangerous for Star Trek groups to use, as you may lose control of the message.

Another group was meeting same time discussing Computer Services. A panel led by RAdm. Mike Henigan, Lt Danny Potts, and Lt Cmdr. John Lockhart discussed the Internet, email, the World Wide Web, and how these related to and could be used by Region 2. The Region 2 Web page, the STARFLEET Web page, various chapter web pages and electronic bulletin boards were discussed. Participants suggested techniques for accessing these channels of communication, and how to successfully use them to recruit keep in contact, and put them to work for your club. They also discussed the STARFLEET ListServ and the America Online STARFLEET folders.

A third group was also meeting to discuss Newsletter Production. Capt. John Reddick met with a group of officers who were interested in learning professional tips about content, style, production, publication and much more. Techniques about layout, fonts, use of white space, catching the reader's attention and holding it were discussed. The difference between newsletters and fanzines was discussed.

The day's third round of simultaneous panels began with a discussion of Community Service, led by Capt David Brumbelow, Capt Jackie Cunningham, and Lt. Cmdr. Tonya Spanks. They discussed some of the possible beneficiaries of Community Service performed by STARFLEET, Region 2 and chapters. These included food banks, the Overseas Coupon Project, the March of Dimes, the Project of the

Heart, and many more. Ways that chapters could involve their members and their own communities in these efforts were discussed, as were methods to get your chapter officially involved in these campaigns.

A second group was also meeting to discuss Infra-ship and Inter-ship relations. This panel was led by VAdm. David Kloempken and RAdm. Kelly Hilliard. Subjects discussed included working with other members of your ship on projects or programs, and contacting and working with other STARFLEET and Star Trek clubs in your area. David Kloempken is the Regional Coordinator from Region 6, and both he and Kelly Hilliard have years of experience in these areas. The expertise of these two RCs, with their additional time served as Commanding Officers, allowed the attenders of this panel to pick their brains for useful and interesting information about working with others, both in their ships and with other groups.

Comm. Sharon Stewart, Region 2 Shuttle Operations Coordinator, led a third group in a meeting for all shuttles and groups or individuals interested in forming shuttles in Region 2. Topics inducted the approval process, reporting, Officer's Training School and Officer's Command College exams.

After the panels were complete, a crowd of officers gathered to show their feelings for the Regional Staff. One by one, Captains, Executive Officers, the regional Division Chiefs, the regional Chief of Staff and Regional Coordinator stepped up and (for a small donation to the region) were smacked in the face with big, fluffy white cream pies! The respect, love and admiration that all the crews have for their Commander really were evident as crew members showed they would be happy to pay even more to personally smash the cream pies into their beloved leaders' faces, rather than having to toss the pies from a respectful distance. Recipients of this abuse included the Captain and first officer of the shuttle *Okatoma*, the first officer of the USS *Odyssey*, the Capt. of the USS *Khai Tam*, the Captain of the USS *Hephaestas*, regional chief of staff Mike Henigan, and of course the regional coordinator, Kelly Hilliard. Kelly wanted to wear protective goggles, but for a bit of extra cash from the audience, were taken away from him! The recipients of the pies learned the hard way that whipped cream does not rinse out of your hair with warm water, and must be shampooed out very thoroughly if the sticky goo is to be completely removed. Approximately \$170 was raised for the region, and a good time was had by al (some had a better time than others, though, it must be noted).

After a brief break for a few badly-needed showers, the crews all met for the RC's Cup Annual Putt-Putt Contest. Since there wasn't actually a Putt-Putt in the area, some of the geographically challenged were fortunate enough to be able to explore their way around the streets and byways of Pensacola until they found the appropriate venue. About a dozen teams of four or five putted their way around the strange miniature golf course. There were as players made the occasional hole in one, and there were groans as players knocked their golf balls out of bounds, sometimes into other "fairways," and once or twice completely out of the course! The loop-the-loop shot seemed to be the bane of most of the players, and several of the courses had tunnels that would trap the ball, or holes too shallow to keep the ball from popping out after a good putt. However, eventually everyone managed to finish, and the crews shuttled back to the Ramada.

Saturday evening all the crews gathered, most of them in uniform, for the Region 2 Annual Awards banquet. First, two shuttles were

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I'm A Doctor, Not An Anthropologist

How The Other Academy Views Star Trek Culture

By Robert V. Kozinets

A great scientist once said that the difference between a cult and a culture is about 200 years. Unfortunately, Star Trek fandom, with a measly three decades behind it, is often considered more cult than culture. Yet since Gene Roddenberry first envisioned Star Trek, and turned his vision into a televised reality in 1966, millions of people around the world have adopted Star Trek as an important part of their lives. Only recently, however, has Star Trek been taken seriously as a topic of study. Many Star Trek fans are familiar with the scientific and technological aspects of Star Trek. The scientific side of the show has inspired a new generation of scientists and its scientific appeal is evidenced by the growing universe of books and presentations with titles such as *The Physics of Star Trek*.

Yet it has only been in the last decade that rigorous academic research has been undertaken on the actual show itself and the cultural aspects of fandom that has embraced it. These "soft science" approaches can be contrasted with the "hard science" approaches in that they are drawn much more from the humanities or human sciences than from the natural sciences such as physics or chemistry. Their subject is people - fans, us - rather than things, such as particles or gamma radiation. These softer approaches have evolved from literary and critical studies that were originally grounded in interpreted meanings of Star Trek, and they have broadened to include an understanding of Star Trek that studies its personal impact and its meaning in people's lives.

Studying Star Trek fandom gives fan culture a legitimacy and a recognition that is important, but that has been largely denied the fan community. Two sociologists from the obscure University of Northumbria recently commanded worldwide press with their study that reported that one in 10 Star Trek fans was obsessed with the show to the point that they dreamed about it, spent thousands of dollars on memorabilia and experienced "withdrawal" when deprived of it. Why was this research conducted? Why was it so eagerly published? Why are devoted sports fans considered normal, but devoted Star Trek fans considered strange? Some of the answers to these questions can be obtained through a clear examination of past research on Star Trek.

EARLY CRITICAL APPROACHES: STAR TREK AS NASTY AMERICAN PROPAGANDA

Early research on Star Trek can be characterized as often using a critical theory perspective. Critical theory is a theoretical position that tried to adapt Marxist concepts and make them appropriate to 20th-century capitalism. Critical theory has always had an agenda of "praxis," of theory put into action bringing "emancipation" or social betterment. This utopian stance was based upon improving or overhauling the capitalist system and its perceived injustices. Because Horkheimer and Adorno, two of the chief architects of critical theory, often focused on Hollywood's "cultural industry" in their critique of capitalist society, critical theory has been a popular theoretical lens used to analyze and critique mass media programming.

In this view, Captain Kirk is often cast as a soldier of imperial exploitation, a cosmic cop whose duty is to enforce the rule of a Milky Way military-industrial complex. Charles Elkins followed in this critical theory perspective and found that Star Trek functioned as a popular myth and guided people's views of society. Star Trek, through its portrayal of "heroes, villains and fools," was teaching a subtle lesson about capitalist and industrialist messages to its television viewing audience. Buxton also views Star Trek as a reworking of modern industrial myths such as colonialism, capitalist accumulation and cold war power struggles, set in a space age setting. The cold war struggle is particularly evident in certain episodes' portrayals of the Klingons and Romulans, such as "Balance of Terror" and "Day of the Dove."

Jay Gouldin's book *Empire Aliens and Conquest* was fine first academic book to rigorously and theoretically interpret Star Trek's meaning. Goulding's book took the critical theory analysis to a level of great depth and revealed many industrial domination themes depicted in Star Trek. Remember those pergium miners on Janus VI who were having trouble with the Horta in "Devil in the Dark"? Goulding finds the treatment of the Horta to be just like America's treatment of other countries' populations: first you kill them, then you brainwash them, then you make them your worker slaves. In short, this is a colonialist and capitalist picture of the future, where might makes right and where profit still rules.

Drawing on critical theory, Goulding goes on to argue that Star Trek exemplifies values of male authority and sexism - this was before Captain Janeway, although not before Majel Barrett's Number One, which he dismisses. Also, despite the claim that the Star Trek universe is free of money, there is still lots of talk of trade and of money and thus, of capitalism: "Mr. Chekov, you just earned your pay for the day." And colonialism and expansionism are evident everywhere in the Star Trek universe; how many times do you hear the word "colonists" used in episodes? Goulding says that Star Trek manifests two forms of domination. First there is a "cultural domination" which leads Kirk and company to "teach aliens how to be American" (such as kissing Shahna and teaching her about freedom in "The Gamemasters of Triskelion"). Then there is a political domination, based on the even more convincing use of devastating firepower. After all, as Scotty says in "A Taste of Armageddon," "A fully loaded phaser bank is the best diplomat I know."

In these early views of Star Trek, Star Trek's revolutionary qualities are not recognized. Although it was stiff a product of its time and had to speak to the audience of the 1960s, Star Trek was unique for its open-minded social politics and its utopian vision of humanity in the future. Certainly there is a military aspect to the USS

Enterprise - Gene Roddenberry called it "paramilitary." There are industrial and colonial themes, in keeping with the main themes that would be familiar to Star Trek's audience. And certainly there are some wildly sexist moments as Captain Kirk conquers lovely lassies on a thousand worlds. But beyond the blend of action, adventure and romance, Star Trek took its viewers to a place that stressed racial harmony in a time of racial tension, and stressed the benevolent use of technology in a time of cold



The Horta. A Victim of Imperial Expansion Paramount Pictures Corporation

war, stressed peace rather than war. As the critical theorists did, I believe one can find something bad to say about anything. But overall, this first stage of research was interesting primarily because it opened up Star Trek as an area of serious study.

LATER STUDIES OF STAR TREK: TREK AS CULTURE

Later works on Star Trek focus on one of the most intriguing aspects of Star Trek - its devoted fandom. These later studies used the respected anthropological method of ethnography in order to study Star Trek as a cultural phenomenon. "Ethnos" is a Greek term denoting a people, a race, or a cultural group. When combined with the suffix "graphic" to form the word "ethnographic," the term refers to a discipline known as descriptive anthropology. In general terms, the science devoted to describing humanity's different ways of life. Vidich and Lyman define ethnography as "the social scientific description of a people and the culture basis of their peoplehood." Ethnography is the chief method for studying cultures, and has been so for over a century.

Ethnography differs from most forms of scientific investigation in that it requires the researcher to deeply immerse herself in the culture she is studying. It requires her to become fluent in the language of the culture and live as a culture member, until she can see from that culture's perspective and speak convincingly about the lived experience of culture members. This necessitates a prolonged period of study, and an intense and personal relationship with the people being studied.

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Intergalactic Food Festival Was Out of This World

By Commodore Bob Vosseller
Region 7 Coordinator

Captain's Log, Stardate 49.02.04:
Commodore Bob Vosseller reporting in command of the Galaxy Class Starship, USS Challenger, NCC-1676-D. The mission of our Flagship of Region 7..... boldly eat what no one has eaten before!

That could have been our opening mission log for our recent Intergalactic Food Festival held during our ship's February meeting. This marked the second time we'd brave our stomachs to such unusual dishes as Klingon Ghak, Genagri Javorian Fruit Pie, Bolian Spiced Meat and Ferengi Black Eyed Stink Bugs with a side order of bug hearts and livers. To wash it down we had Baloran Brandy, Klingon Blood Wine and Romulan Ale. We Ignored Captain Kirk's general order barring Romulan Ale at all diplomatic functions as this event also featured a fictional scenario.

We had many colorful and interesting tasting foods. Communications Officer, Damien Heppel really pushed his vanilla and chocolate tasting Ghak. "You have to eat it, my mother doesn't want me to bring it back home." It was chock full of vitamins and gummy worms. Security Officer Tommy Bright donned a Ferengi mask to portray our fictional Ferengi resident Bok while Gus Samonas put on our Klingon mask as Quartermaster Ops Officer, Kagus. Fellow Ops Officer, John Britton put on blue face paint as the Bolian, Mr. Ritt.

We also had a number of guests. The snow prevented the attendance of some fellow ships and shuttles, but representatives of Purple Dragon Gifts, the American Cancer Society and two daily newspapers sent out reporters and photographers. We made the front page of one of the newspapers and had nice write-ups and photos appear in each. Both articles spoke highly of STARFLEET and the USS Challenger's role in ST fandom.

All the food was creative and delicious right down to Communications Chief, Mary Francen's Genagri inspired Javorian Fruit Pie (full of green colored pineapples) and the two pizza-like bugs which Avenger Emily Ford helped me cook up. We even had earth food in the form of Dr. David Singleton's cream cheese brownies.

The representatives from the American Cancer Society were impressed and said they looked forward to our help in their upcoming fundraiser involving other STARFLEET and ST groups

The event helped set the scene for a diplomatic dinner through a dramatic skit. Special thanks to the USS Justice guests CO, Captain Ed Tunnis and XO Commander Mara Yoresh playing Supreme Leader Vesta and her dog-like pet Drawde (that's Edward spelled backwards) of the planet Zeta Minor IV.

Everyone had a great time and we received a lot of phone calls from the public regarding the

event through a press release sent out to local media. The snow probably kept a lot more visitors away from the event. Perhaps next year we'll make the event a ship/charity fundraiser and charge an admission fee. Or, we may make it another special open meeting to let the public know we exist. At least no one had to be rushed to sickbay!



STARFLEET STAMPEDE

The third annual Stampede Round Up contest attire International Conference in Atlanta brought in a record breaking 120 pounds of stamps from 37 participants.

The first place winner for Stampede Round Up 1995 was the USS *Khai Tam* with an entry of over 41 pounds of stamps. The second place winner was the USS *Chung Fu* and the third place winner was the USS *Charleston*. The other participants are as follows: *Shadowstar* Cathedral Flight Team, *Starfleet* Shuttle Operations, Task Force *Shadow Guard*, USS *Alpha Centari*, USS *Antonio Maria Valsalva*, USS *Briza*, USS *Chesapeake*, USS *Cu'Chulainn*, USS *Czar'ak* USS *Defiance*, USS *Discovery*, USS *Guardian*, USS *Heimdal*, USS *IDIC*, USS *Infinity*, USS *Jeannette Maddox*, USS *Joshua*, USS *Jurassic*, USS *Lagrange*, USS *Lexington*, USS *Magellan*, USS *Majestic*, USS *Morning Star*, USS *Republic*, USS *Rubicon*, USS *Starchaser*, USS *Stellar Wind*, USS *Superior*, USS *Tejas*, USS *Thagard*, USS *Triumph*, USS *Valkyrie*, USS *White Eagle*, USS *Wolf* and William Horvath.

Here are the Stampede contributors for June 1995 through April 1996 (not including the Stampede Round Up participants): USS *Albany*, USS *Avenger*, Denise Bauchard, USS *Behrak*, USS *Bonaventure*, Carla Babyak, Elenore Claassen, USS *Challenger* & Region 7, KAG Cold Terror Fleet, USS *Columbia*, USS *Defiance*, USS *Fahrion*, Jennifer French, Grand Alliance, USS *Guardian*, USS *Hawkeye*, USS *Heimdal*, Jack Hopkins, USS *Henri Durant*, USS *Highlander*, USS *Hexum*, Sherry Hopper, USS *Hornet*, Louise Kordus, USS *Joshua*, Shuttle *Legend*, USS *Jeannette Maddox*, USS *Maat*, Vonda McIntyre, USS *Nokib ral*, Barbara Paul, USS *Pendragon*, Katie Pfoutz, Elizabeth Phillips, USS *Pioneer*, USS *Ranger*, Dianna Saucier, USS *Sagittarius*, Shuttle *Silver Bullet*, Eleanor Sanders, USS *Star League*, USS *Stellar Wind*, Sue Uram, Susan VanSchuyler, William Vodrey, Rodney Warndahl, Martaine Myranya Werkman, Sara Warrington, and the USS *Wolverine*.

I would like to give a special thank you to the staff of the Communiqué that has allowed me to recognize and send a final thank you to all the chapters and members that have given of their time to save stamps and contribute to the Stampede charities. I am honored to have been a part of this great program and to call so many of you friends. As the Stampede program is going through a transition right now, please hold on to any stamps you currently have until a new Stampede Coordinator is named. I wish you all the very best. Stay in touch and May God Bless.

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Starfleet Defeats Mirror Universe Opponents

On May 4, 1996, the Shuttle *Temperance*, USS *Lexington*, and members of another ship arrived at the ball field. The time was about noon. The place was Hackensack, New Jersey. We gathered together to wage war against each other in the form of Good versus Evil, the Battle of the Mirror, Mirror Universe, Starfleet versus the Empire. It started out with the ISS team batting up first. There were determined to destroy us in the first inning. They scored about 4 runs. Then it was our turn and we tied up the score. This went on for about 3 more innings and some of the participants decided to leave for refreshments. The USS team thought that it would hurt our side to let these 2 leave but the ISS team agreed that it was O.K. Well we decided to fill in those slots in the batting order with the presence of the X/O and the 2/O. It worked out beautiful. By the next inning, we put about 12 more runs and from then on it was murder. The final outcome was USS defeats the ISS, 26-16.

They said that the ISS was stronger. They said the USS did not have a chance. They said it was luck. They said it was unfair. They said it wasn't over yet. They said they wanted a rematch, and soon.

Well after the game, we all decided to go to a diner and replenish our lost energy. We talked about the upcoming Conventions and Events. We all enjoyed ourselves and gave thanks to Star Trek for bringing us together.

I want to thank the people that attended:

USS Team

Lt Tony Quesada 2/O
Crewman Vicky Burgos
Lt.jg Pablo Mendez
Lt.jg Deserie Ubiles
Cmdr. Carlos Ruiz (USS *Northstar*)
Lt. Karen Casoria
Lt. Cmdr John Oliveras, X/O (myself)

ISS Team

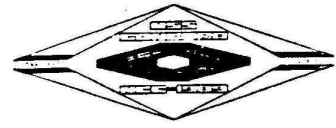
Capt. Mark Hanford
Cmdr. Hazel Gilbert
Capt. Ed Tunis (USS *Justice*)
Tim Healy (announcer) and his wife
D.J. Bob Westvelt
Lt. Vincent Casoria
GUY
Brian Smith
Bob Weissman (official)



In service to the Fleet and my Crew
Lt. Cmdr John Oliveras
Executive Officer
Shuttle *Temperance*
Region 7



STARFLEET FOCUS



Ailen's (pronounced A-lean's) is a convenience store located on Douglas Boulevard, just across from Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City. It was eight years ago in July of 1988, that a chance meeting occurred there.

This meeting was between two very different people. One was a police officer for Oklahoma City and the other was employed at Tinker AFB in a civilian capacity. One was taking a break from work and the other was just getting off of work. One was talking about Star Trek and the other was overhearing. And both were Star Trek fans. A conversation between the two naturally occurred.

From the result of that conversation three things happened. First, a friendship was formed. Second, a Star Trek fan club was joined. And third, the idea of their own chapter was planted.

In October of that same year, the shuttle *Concord* was launched off of the USS *Yorktown*, NCC-1706. It was to be her fourth and final shuttle as several months later, the *Yorktown* was decommissioned. The shuttle *Concord* transferred to the USS *Independence*, NCC-1234.

On July 1, 1989 the USS *Concord*, NCC-1889, was commissioned. We were to be the third shuttle to launch to ship's status from the *Independence*. Since that time we have launched several shuttles of our own. As the years have passed and our shuttles have become starships, many of those chapters have launched shuttles of their own.

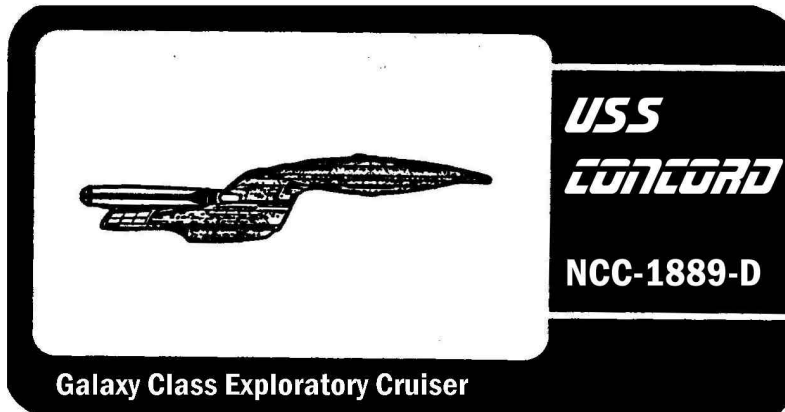
We have grown from a shuttle crew of 10 to a ship's

crew of more than 30. Like all ships and shuttles, our crew members have come and gone, and the numbers have risen and fallen. But over time, we have consistently gotten bigger and better.

We started the traditional Oklahoma Sector Dinner back in 1992, which is an annual spring event. We have participated in many events, fund raisers, conventions, car shows, dinners, and BS contests. We have gone from paper airplane wars



USS *Concord*, NCC-1889 on a rendezvous with USS *Traveler*, NCC-3143 in the Nemecek Sector near the Klingon Border.
Scan by Mike Wilkerson

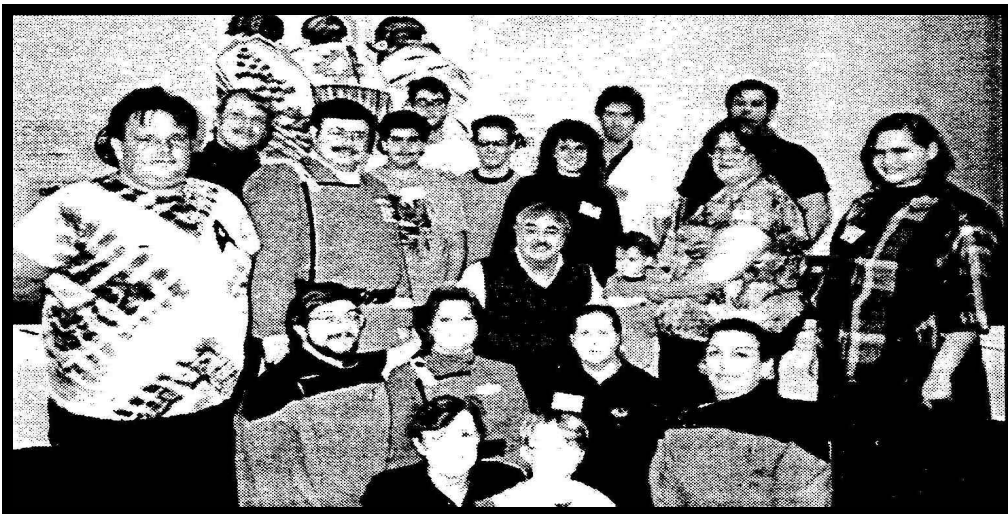


to guarding doors, and from volunteering to woolgathering.

Our commanding Officer, Commodore Mike Ferguson has come a long way since that original meeting at Ailen's. Many of the members we have had over the years have gone their own way. Some have returned. But all have done their part to make the *Concord* what it is today, a gathering

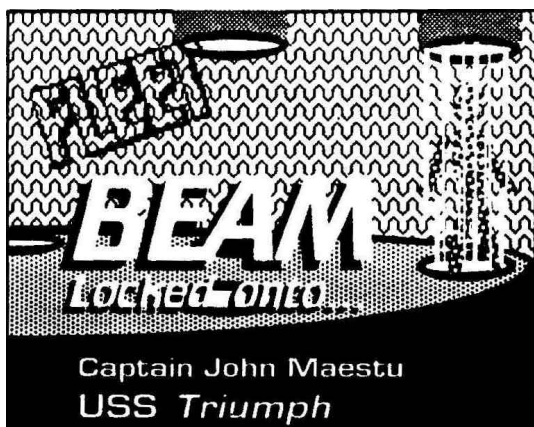
place for those who yearn.

As to the future of the *Concord*? If the past is anything to go by, then the future should be something to behold. But that is something only time can tell. Whatever way it goes, we only have to say; "Beam us up, Scotty. We're ready."



The crew of the USS *Concord* with James Doohan a few years ago. Some of those *Concord* members pictured eventually started their own STARFLEET chapters.
Photographer Unknown





By Admiral Deborah Maestu
Vice-Commander, STARFLEET

Capt. John E. Maestu joined the USS *Triumph* two years ago. At the time he was working in retail sales at Burdines Department Stores in Miami, Florida and his involvement in Star Trek fandom had been limited to attending conventions.

After joining the chapter, John served a temporary stint as Chief of Security and then joined the staff of the Vice Commander, STARFLEET as Chief of Staff. Most recently he has been selected to serve as the Executive Officer of the USS *Triumph*.

John was diagnosed HIV positive in July 1994 and since that time has become more and more active in the HIV/AIDS community. Due to his personal experiences John has learned the importance of educating everyone on the risk factors of this disease.

"There are many segments of our community who do not know the facts, or for whatever reason - cultural taboos, fear, whatever, do not discuss subjects such as HIV and AIDS." John who was born in Chile and was raised in the Hispanic community of Miami, acknowledges that this is a subject not often addressed in Hispanic homes. But aside from ethnic groups, John feels that young people need education the most.



"Most importantly, we need to educate young people on the risk factors. The only 100% safe sex is no sex," John says. "However, if you are going to indulge in risky behavior at least make informed choices." This part of the messages he tries to convey in formal and informal speaking engagements.

John recently married Vice Commander Deborah (Nelson) Maestu and together they have dedicated time and effort to HIV educational efforts. John accepted the position of Assistant Director for Project Challenge of the Heart and co-wrote and is featured in the SF Challenge Video. He sees this fund raising

INTERNATIONAL FLEET

STARFLEET Around The World

Captain Paul Reid, International Director

What I am here for is this: a liaison between Headquarters and the international members (ie: anyone living outside the U.S.). So please pass this on to your members. If they are missing Communiqués and/or membership packages, I can't very well do anything about them if I don't know they are missing. Beyond that...I try to answer their question if I can or refer them to someone who can. Just remember... I'm hereto help.

And while I've got your attention, I'd like to announce the appointment of Commander Wil Denegar (E-mail: uz163@freenet.Victoria.bc.ca), who is now the Assistant Director, and Commander Devin Brown who is Chief of Staff (E-mail: dbrown@mailhost.wic.com) and edits our web page. One last point for all of you RC's and CO's outside of Region 10, I'd real like to hear from you. In fact, I'm looking for contact officers. They should have -mail addresses, and be somewhat assessable to their local RC. (RC can do this if they like but if you as RC don't have e-mail, this is one way to get connected with the rest of the world...well at least get a faster means of getting messages to Starfleet HQ without an International phone call...

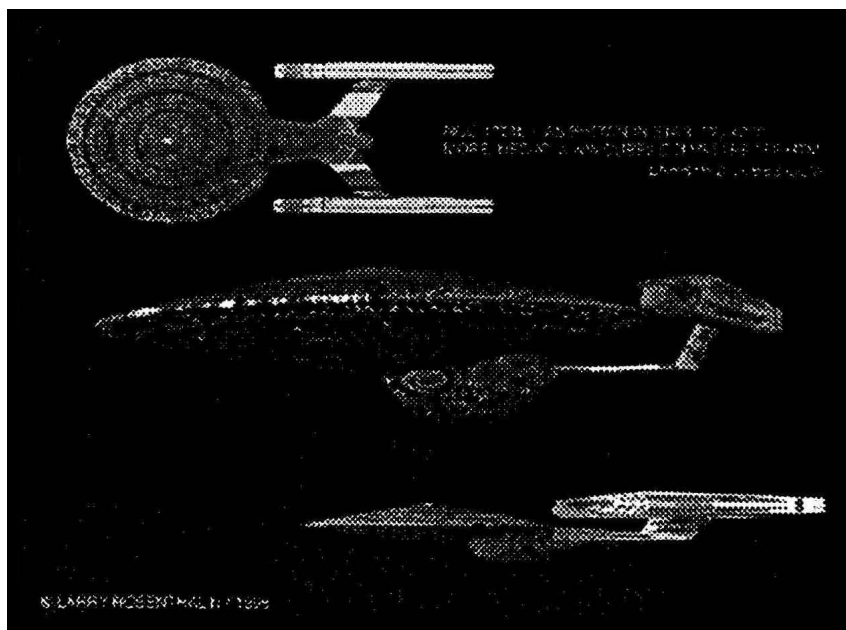
Captain Paul Reid

LAST MINUTE UPDATE:

Captain Paul Reid has recently stepped down from the position of International Director. Thank you, Paul for your cooperation with the Communiqué. Our best wishes in your other endeavors. -ed



USS Enterprise, NCC-1701-E?



Larry Rosenthal's rendition of the *Enterprise* "E" based on plans seen in the background of photo in Starlog Magazine.

effort as a great opportunity for STARFLEET to assist an internationally known organization (one recognized by the US Congress) in educating young people around the world.

Presently, John is working in the accounting department of a floral importer. His future plans include college and lots of travel. He would particularly enjoy visiting SF groups around the world to bring them his educational message.

John enjoys ST:TNG, but he has become a big fan of Voyager and recently DS9 is winning his admiration. You may occasionally see him around conventions in his persona, that of a Trill.



Blinded By Science!

Commander Edward Kiker
Communique Science Editor

Universe's Missing Matter Found

For many years astronomers felt that they were only seeing about ten percent of the matter that should be in the Milky Way galaxy, and the other ninety percent was only inferred by perturbations in the movements of the objects that they could actually see, that is, the shining stars and objects reflecting their light. Prior to these discoveries, the matter needed to keep the Milky Way from spinning out into the universe could not be accounted for. Now, it appears, we

have it. Some astronomers felt that all the mass out there must be normal matter, perhaps burned-out stars, while others speculated that the missing matter might be some more *exotic* form of matter, such as particles called WIMPS (Weakly interacting Massive Particles). (Some people will go a LONG way to create an acronym!)

The controversy has now apparently been largely solved in favor of normal matter in the

form of burned-out stars existing in a great halo around the Milky Way galaxy. Using a technique called "microlensing" with the 1.27 meter telescope at mount Stromlo Observatory in Australia to monitor 10 million or more stars nightly in the Large Magellanic Cloud, part of the Milky Way, the astronomers watch as large, invisible dark bodies pass in front of shining stars and bend the light from those stars by their massive gravity. The large dark bodies are called MACHOS (Massive Compact Halo Objects, another acronym). MACHOS could be a mix of sub-stellar bodies too small to ignite fusion fires, burned-out stars and white dwarfs, black holes, and other stellar remnants. By last April 1995 the new technique could only account for about 20 percent of the missing matter, but it now accounts for at least 50 percent and possibly all of it. It is very likely that most all other galaxies of the universe are surrounded by similar clouds of dark matter. The Hubble Space Telescope recently took a picture of a portion of the sky about 1/30th the area of the full moon, and in that area saw about 1500 new galaxies. When Starfleet finally comes into real being for space exploration, we will never be bored-there is no end of exploration to do!

Some of the organizations participating in this effort are the institute for Advanced Studies at Princeton, the Lawrence Livermore Laboratory, and the Center for Particle Astrophysics at the University of California at Berkeley.

SCIENCE AND TREKNOLOGY

Compiled By Lt. Norm Ennis, R-2 Science Officer
Chief Science Officer, USS Paegan

If you have seen the movie "Alien 2", then you may have seen a prototype of the soldier of the future (maybe even sooner). Aside from the weapons, the soldiers were linked with the command post by electronics which send back video of what they saw, telemetry of their body functions, and their location. Currently, the U.S. military is working on an effort to "Network the Battlefield". "Picture this: an infantry soldier with a helmet fitted with a tiny camera, an eyepiece display and global positioning system antenna and weapons with telescopic infrared targeting." Not only will what the soldier sees be transmitted back but the information gathered by any equipment the soldier has with him will be sent back also, such as the infrared scope.

Since most of the technology is currently available, by the end of the decade the ability will exist to duplicate the "Alien 2" soldier's equipment. The next step will be to feed the information back to the field soldier so they will know where they are, and if those life-forms in the mist in front of them are friendly or not! (Military & Aerospace Electronics, Sept. 94., Norm Ennis, CSO, USS Paegan.)

Have you ever noticed that when some long forgotten race is discovered by the crew of the Enterprise, unless there is some video information found, no one ever knows what the race looked like. Some number of years ago, I remember seeing a lady on TV that had used a new concept that she had developed to help the police solve the mystery of a skeleton that had been found. By using the knowledge of how much soft tissue (muscle, fat, skin, etc.) lies above the bone in different parts of the body and face, she was (after a major effort) able to develop an approximation of what the person whose skeleton they had found would have looked like.

Well, step one is here. The Facial Identification Center at England's Charing Cross Hospital (+44-81-846-7674) has developed laser mapping software to do just this. "An advanced computer software enables forensic experts to reconstruct as human face from a photo of a skull. Laser mapping measures 20,000 anatomical points around the head and the software makes a 3-D image based on age, sex, and race." As more data is gathered and the software gets more sophisticated, the percent of accuracy increases. Wait, you say, Aliens may be entirely different than us! True, but there are many constants at work here. Gravity works on us (and our muscles) all the same way. Also, as man meets other species (from wherever) his medical knowledge base will increase. The current software already accounts for different races, adding that of alien species should not be too difficult! (R&D Magazine, April 1995, Norm Ennis, CSO on USS Paegan.)

As our technology improves, we come closer and closer to being able to build a robot that can move and using something called "Fuzzy Logic" (more about that later) we can even begin to give our robotic creations some measure of self control. There is however an area that has kept us from even considering a Data-like android. This is the area of facial expressions. Even Odo (ST:DS9) has trouble with those.

In Tokyo, at the Tokyo University of Science, professor Fumio Hara has invented a "Face Robot". "A robot with skin made of silicon and muscles of aluminum pistons that can show facial expressions by smiling or frowning..." The robot has 24 hydraulic pistons which can convey (with help from a mainframe computer) or express six emotions-anger, sadness, fear, surprise, happiness and disgust. The robot even

sees with tiny video cameras mounted behind its eyeballs. Professor Hara also hopes that it may one day talk, but has kept from developing a torso and limbs because he fears that a more advanced version maybe used by the military. (I don't know why but the name "Terminator" comes to mind.) (Orlando Sentinel / Reuters, 3/2/96, Norm Ennis, CSO of USS Paegan)

Recently, I have received most welcome input on various items, in case of duplicate information, I usually give credit to the first person sending in the information. Live Long, Prosper, and keep sending in those Trekology bits to Norm Ennis, PO box 951827, Lake Mary, FL, 92795 or e-mail at cordtsrak@aol.com also now on cordtsrak@usa.pipeline.com.



20th Century Fox

ENGINEERING CORNER

The Nova Class Exploratory Cruiser

A New Approach to Starship Design

By Rear Admiral Chris Wallace, Engineering Editor

Now ten years in service, the Galaxy class continues to serve as Starfleet's premier front-line starship. Though out-sized by the Olympus and Courageous classes, the Galaxy can safely be called "Starfleet's Best" by the proud crews who serve aboard them.

Though designed with spaceframe lifetimes of over a century, it is unlikely that no one starship class will remain the forefront of Federation technology for that period of time, regardless of how good the design is. Nonetheless, the Excelsior class, vilified in its early days, recently celebrated her centennial as an active starship class and continues to see widespread active service within the Starfleet. Therefore, it is logical to assume that Galaxy class vessels will be plying the spacelanes well into the late 2400's.

Even so, the quest for "higher, faster, farther" continues unabated. Though designed from the outset as a multimission starship, the Galaxy class spawned a number of now "sub-classes" to fill gaps discovered once the class had become operational-mostly in tactical areas.

While one of Starfleet's duties has always been to protect the Federation from external and internal threats, there are many with both Starfleet and the Federation who feel that too much emphasis is being placed on the "battlewagon" concept, and not enough on Starfleet's other "main mission"-exploration.

The Advanced Starship Design Bureau has been considering concepts for the next generation of Federation starships to be called the Nova class. Of the numerous concepts submitted, four primary designs have come to the forefront, each representing a different view of what starship design would be like in the 25th century.

DEVELOPMENT BACKGROUND

The Galaxy class is one of the fastest in Starfleet service with a sustained cruising speed of Warp 6. The introduction of the LN-1 B series of engines has increased this to Warp 7 on the Galaxy (II) class and the select Galaxy / Nebula class vessels it has been installed on. The Olympus and Peacekeeper designs, with their three and four warp nacelles, respectively, are also capable of attaining this a cruising velocity. All these vessels can easily attain speeds well over Warp 9 for certain periods of time, though damage to drive system components will occur during extended duration at these speeds.

Even with these velocities, the Federation is still a massive area of space. With the destruction of a good number of the best at Wolf 359, Starfleet has had to spread its deployments in a much wider arc than normal. The ability of the Starfleet to respond to time-relevant emergencies is hampered by this fact, requiring starships to "burn out the engines" to reach an area within the allotted time period. While additional starship construction is proceeding as fast as possible, the Galaxy class vessel still

takes five years to construct and rebuilding the Starfleet to its former levels will take some time.

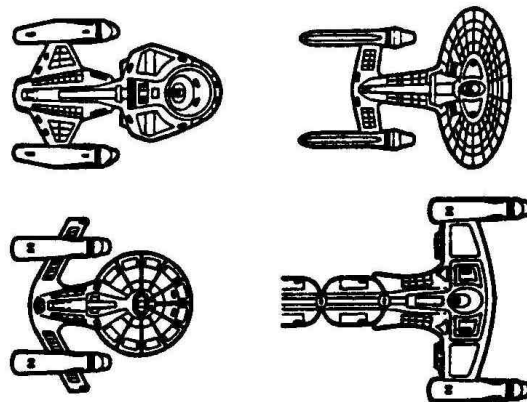
Current tactical systems are shown in the specifications page for this vessel. Additional research continues in these areas, and new developments and designs will be incorporated into the Nova Class Starship Development Project as deemed necessary.

Of the four designs currently under active consideration by the ASDB, we have chosen the one most capable of being produced today. Engineering Corner will highlight other Nova class design concepts in future issues.

GENERAL APPEARANCE

This concept of the Nova class bears a striking resemblance to the Ambassador class heavy cruiser of the early 2300's in relation to her Saucer and Stardrive modules. Like the Galaxy class, these two Modules will be able to operate independently of one another. This concept is designed to serve as an exploratory cruiser, capable of continued high warp operation.

Though the original concept used the current Leeder Energies LN-81 series of warp nacelles (specifically LN-81B) and drive system, the mounting scheme was unlike any before used by the Federation. Two 115m pylons extended out from the secondary hull, and the warp nacelles were mounted on them. The nacelles themselves would then physically move back



Early design concepts for the Nova class Exploratory Cruiser
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and forth along the track. Very quickly, it became apparent that such a design would be a nightmare to implement with massive problems of nacelle stability getting power to them, and control.

Additional research was conducted and the pylons were covered with a subspace field-affecting grid which allows the geometry of the warp field itself to be changed. This allows the optimization of field stresses in Warp 8.0+ flight and allows the Nova class to attain cruising speeds of up to Warp 9.0 until fuel exhaustion without serious structural harm to drive-system components, through standard operating procedures call for a cruising speed of Warp 8. It also increases the peak transitional efficiency

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FLEET-WIDE ENGINEERING PROJECT

By LtCmdr. Brian W Dougherty
Departmental Resource Center -Engineering

The STARFLEET Corps of Engineers is sponsoring a Fleet-Wide Engineering project. The project is open to all STARFLEET members and any idea or suggestion is welcome. The scope and direction of the project will be determined by the ideals that come in.

As time goes on, updates on the project will be submitted to the *Communiqué* for publication along with updates in the EQ. If you have any ideas for engineering project, please pass them along. All ideas will be credited to the originator.

Back in June of last year, Pat Lichty suggested that I bring up to those attending the Starfleet IC in Atlanta, the possibility of doing a fleet-wide project. This project can be anything from, say a tribble cage to replacing the Captain's yacht on a Galaxy Class Starship (which the crew in Huntsville, Alabama have done). At the IC we had a very lively brainstorming session over this with a lot of good ideas.

I suggested doing a overhanging bar glass rack for our favorite "watering hole." You know how us engineers love to drink.

This project is still in the development stages, some thought has been given to a prize and/or award, but still up in the air. Progress Reports will be issued in the *Communiqué* and the *Engineer's Quarterly*, so keep in touch and send in those suggestions. It won't come off with them.

Send your suggestions to DRC-Engineering Report, Brian W Dougherty, LtCmdr, 1445 Fairmeadows, St Louis, MO 63138-2515.

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REGION 17 POLLING

STARFLEET,

Here are the results of the Region 17 Run Off Polling:

John W. Baldwin	01
Ann Hales	01
Keira Russell-Strong	03
Out of STARFLEET	01
Total	06

I have relayed the results to Fleet Admiral McGinnis, who has offered the position to Ms. Russell-Strong and she has accepted. Keira is now your new regional coordinator.

Should you or any member of your chapter have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please not hesitate to contact me. It has been a pleasure to be of service to the fine folks of Region 17. Thank you for allowing me to serve.

REGION 12 VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Dear Coyote,

Here are the results of the Region 12 Vote of Confidence:

Approve	29
Disapprove	04
No Response	14
Total	47

The total number of chapters needed to receive a majority is twenty four. You have passed your Vote of Confidence as Region Coordinator for Region 12.

In a phone conversation last week, you requested a list of all chapters that did not submit a ballot. As I told you, my concern is always with the privacy of each chapter's vote, which is confidential. Now, I know you emphasized that you only way to know who voted and not how they voted, so that you can contact those chapters that did not vote and find out if there was a problem or concern. Based on this and after discussing the matter with Fleet Admiral McGinnis, herein follows a list of those chapters from which I did not receive a ballot.

USS *Alexandretta*
USS *Centurion*
USS *Concord*
USS *Lewis & Clark*
USS *Locksely*

USS *Matrix*
USS *Missouri*
USS *Nightshade*
USS *Star Empire*
USS *Umiak*

Lena Banks: An Enterprising Extra

By Captain Hartriono B. Sastrowardoyo
Shadowstar Cathedral Flight Team

Lena Banks is a Star Trek extra with several years of experience on her resume. In addition to portraying the Federation President's assistant in Star Trek VI, she usually played an engineering Ensign on several episodes of TNG, in addition to playing a Romulan and a burned security officer in other TNG episodes. More recently, Lena was a stand-in on the DS9 pilot, "Emissary." She's selling 8x10 collages of her roles in ST to raise funds for the Space Frontier Society. Alert Five got to ask her two questions by mail.

Q. How did you get the roles that you did?

A: Well, I started out working on Star Trek VI. I had been on a set one day just a month after I moved to Los Angeles and I overheard someone talking about Star Trek. My ears perked up and I nonchalantly asked the person who was casting for it I made a beeline for Central Casting and waited and waited and waited. Everyone wanted to be in that movie. I finally got the call. The wardrobe lady who fit me for my uniform said that I'd be perfect for the uniform on TNG and she told me to give her a call. While working on the movie one day, the director was looking through the crowd of characters and he passed by me- I was sitting patiently. As he passed by me a little voice inside said, "Stand up, this is it!" As stood up, Nick Meyer (the director) came around the crowd and straight for me. That was "it" and he made me the Federation President's assistant.

I remember five years earlier in Florida, sitting in front of my TV watching Star Trek and saying to my daughter, "I'm going to be on that show someday and she turned to me and said, "Yeah, right! Like, no way." Of course, she had to eat her words when one day after I'd worked on the movie she turned to me and said, "You did it. you really did it!" It was the best gift I could have given her, to aspire and achieve.

I finally got my call to go in and get fit for TNG and what an exciting day it was. The other roles came about because I was a regular on the show. You became part of the Star Trek family. When it was certain that I wouldn't be recognized as another character, then I was asked to do other bit parts like the ones you see in my collage. Of course, being a fleet engineer was my most favorite, though.

Q: How was it meeting the cast and crew of different Star Trek series?

A: Well, nothing will compare with the day I waited at Camp Kh1tomer for all my favorites to come on the set Captain Kirk and William

Shatner are one and the same. Seeing Leonard Nimoy as Spock was absolutely mindboggling. I'm not a Trekkie or a Trekker, but there is nothing that could have come closer to the reality of "being there" than those days we shot at Camp Khitomer. Chekov was a delight. He wanted to kiss my blue lips (I played a "Silvertube," an Amazette alien) so he grabbed me and planted a nice one night on my lips. Nichelle seemed as if she didn't want to be there. I loved carousing with the Klingons. It was enchanting.

The first time I was on the Next Generation set I felt like I was breathing in eternity. Patrick Stewart and I spoke many times of Shakespeare. I was appearing in "A Midsummer Night's Dream" which he had done many, many times. Gates was a joy. A kind, thoughtful person and good mommy. Jonathan Frakes, my most favorite, was a fantastic person to get to know. We spent many a day joking and having fun. At Christmas, he was elected to be Santa and he gave me one of the cast chosen Xmas gifts. It's a special Star Trek collector's plate with all of the cast's Signatures on it. There are only 200, and the closer to #1 you have, the more money it is worth. Patrick Stewart has #1, Jonathan has #2, etc. I got #40 and all the others were ticked off and wondered why I got such a low number. I just smiled.

I worked often when LeVar worked. His dark features were complemented by my light ones. Also, LeVar isn't tall, and my height complemented his. Brent Spiner was always captivating because of Data's presence. You really got to experience Data when on the set. 10-Forward was always wonderful. It's easy to imagine it really being like that one day.

I was on the set the day Gene Roddenberry died. Everyone was gathered and told of the news. It seemed as if a "great one" had left us. It's apparent when the baton was passed that some of his "vision" was lost. Not to worry, though. We keep it alive in our enjoyment of the phenomenon we call Star Trek through people such as yourself.

As I mentioned I am an advocate for the Space Frontier Foundation. It is a grassroots organization that wants to see the space frontier opened for all. To move the space program out from under the heavy arm of NASA and allow American free enterprise to get the public into space. I truly believe we learn first through fantasy and imagination and that Star Trek surely has played a very big part in our lives to inspire a real movement into the future, into space.

Best to you and yours. Ad astra.



USS *Maelstrom*
USS *Marko Ramius*

Shuttle *Gorkon*
Shuttle *Silverfox*

I will be sending a copy of this letter to all the chapters that give me an e-mail address, so I would ask that you publish these results in your regional newsletter so that those chapters who do not have an e-mail address will also be notified. Again, congratulations upon passing

your Vote of Confidence, and should you or anyone in Region 12 have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Most cordially yours,
John T. (Jack) Hopkins
Inspector General, STARFLEET

cc: FAdm. Dan McGinnis
VAdm. Doug Glenn



Region 2 Summit

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commissioned and their Commanders were promoted to Captain and Commander. The new chapters are the USS DaVinci, commanded by Capt. Freddy Heller, and the USS Okatoma, commanded by Sanford Arrington. After the commissioning and promotion ceremonies were over, the Regional Awards ceremony began. Categories and winners included:

CHAPTER OF THE YEAR

USS *Republic* (WINNER)
USS *Confederate* (RUNNER-UP)
USS *Triumph* (HONORABLE MENTION)
USS *Khai Tam*
USS *Hephaestus*
USS *Odyssey*

REGIONAL COMMENDATION

(ALL LISTED RECEIVED COMMENDATIONS)

USS *Trident*
USS *McLeod*
Shuttle *Haise*

SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AWARD

Kelly Hilliard - USS *Republic* (WINNER)
J. Michael Long - USS *Confederate* (RUNNER-UP)
Chris Avilia - USS *S.W. Hawking*

ROOKIE CHAPTER OF THE YEAR

USS *Trident* (WINNER)

CO OF THE YEAR

J. Michael Long - USS *Confederate* (WINNER)
Lori Brown - USS *Paegan* (RUNNER-UP)
Pete Mohny - USS *Hephaestus*
Jon Reddick - USS *Khai Tam*
Kelly Hilliard - USS *Republic*
Sanford Arrington - Shuttle *Okatoma*

INTERACTIVE ACHIEVEMENT

AWARD

J. Michael Long - USS *Confederate* (WINNER - INDIVIDUAL)
Jeff Kirkland - USS *Republic*

USS *Trident* (WINNER - CHAPTER)

CREWMEMBER OF THE YEAR

Jim Brunton - Shuttle *Okatoma* (WINNER)
Mark Lindsay - USS *Hephaestus*
Craig Foshee - USS *Odyssey*

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Abe Smith - USS *Odyssey* (WINNER)
Jeff Kirkland - USS *Republic* (RUNNER-UP)
Brenda Bullock - USS *Odyssey*

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

(ALL LISTED RECEIVED AWARDS)
Mark Lindsay - USS *Hephaestus*
Jeff Rosenkranz - Shuttle *Haise*
Joe Mamani - Shuttle *Haise*
Russell Walker - Shuttle *Haise*
Craig Foshee - USS *Odyssey*

CADET OF THE YEAR

Brenda Elizabeth Bullock - USS *Odyssey* (WINNER)

SHUTTLE OF THE YEAR

Shuttle *Okatoma* (WINNER)
Shuttle *Haise*

RECRUITERS AWARD

Jeff Kirkland - USS *Republic* (WINNER)
J. Michael Long - USS *Confederate*

NEWSLETTER COMPETITION

AWARD

USS *Hephaestus* (WINNER)
USS *Savannah*
USS *Confederate*
USS *Trident*
USS *Republic*
Shuttle *Okatoma*

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT

AWARD

Rodney Neil Yawn - USS *Hephaestus* (WINNER-CHAPTER)
Jim Brunton - Shuttle *Okatoma* (WINNER - SHUTTLE)

Next year's awards will include at least one new category, Model Building.

The banquet was very tasty, consisting of the usual hotel banquet fare: chicken, salad, vegetables and tea, although with peach cobbler for dessert. Not surprisingly, the hotel had a difficult time providing enough food for the large, hungry crowd of STARFLEET officers.

After the banquet ended, an auction was held to raise funds for the region. The items being auctioned had been donated by Region 2 members, chapters, shuttles, or by businesses in the region. Most of the items were Star Trek related, although there was a pewter goblet set from the Beauty and the Beast television series, among other items. Nearly all the items were sold for generous donations (some well beyond their retail price), and those left over will be either sold during the next year or held for the 1997 Region Summit. More than \$730 was raised for the region at the auction!

After the auction ended, most of the crews scattered, to sleep or to relax. A few night owls gathered to play a few rounds of a card game called The Great Dalmuti and to help clean up the leftover desserts from the banquet.

Sunday morning there was a hangover breakfast in RAdm. Hilliard's room at 8:00. Rumor has it that attendance was light, but there are few witnesses. The first panel of the day was to discuss Ship Command Structure, and was led by Admiral Lori Brown and Capt. David Brumbelow. Every ship sets up its own structure below the command level, and new ships (and growing ships) often need help deciding what positions are needed, and why. Command decisions must be made about who is responsible for what ship duties and tasks, and what makes up the chain of command.

Several overlapping panels followed. A panel on Ship By-Laws and Policy followed, hosted by FCapt. Jon Reddick, Cmdr. Ro Capetti, and RAdm. Mike Henigan. They talked about requirements needed in ship's bylaws, such as ready made promotion policies, and possibly point structures and a code of conduct. It was also stressed that ships should have a way of dealing with troubled crew members, such as a demotion policy or revocation of membership method. The *Khai Tam* just recently finished a two year long rewrite of their ship bylaws and policies, and they provided copies for those attending, and they were discussed at length.

A third panel, the Region 2 Awards Program, was hosted by Comm. Barbara Paul and Admiral Lori Brown. Region 2 has an active and extensive awards program. The awards and methodology for judging and giving them were explained. New rules and limitations for next year's awards process were discussed.

The final panel of the Summit was the Public Relations panel. Capt. Pete Mohny and Capt. J. Michael Long led a discussion of general public relations, how to get your chapter name to be well known and (even more importantly) well regarded. Many of the subjects discussed overlapped the Media Relations panel from Saturday.

The regional treasury was in pretty good

shape by the end of the weekend. Money was raised with the Pie Toss, the auction, and quite a bit of Region 2 merchandise was sold, raising another \$472 for the regional coffers. Region 2 treasurer Mike Henigan estimated that the region should be in the black by about \$900 to \$1000 when all the bills are paid.

The Region 2 Sunny Summit '96 ended with closing ceremonies, hosted by Regional Coordinator Kelly Hilliard. Kelly spoke about our successes at the Summit, and the hopes for a better region and a better STARFLEET which had arisen because of our activities there. Many new friends were made. Addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses were exchanged, and we all got to know each other as people and not just names on newsletters and email messages. Highlights of the summit were captured on videotape, which should be available at a nominal cost; contact Tonya Spanks from the Republic for information. The 1997 Sunny Summit should take place sometime in March, and with this year's experiences behind us, it should be an even more valuable, enjoyable time for us all!



Communications

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ask the CO or RC to do it, but that is by no means a requirement.

Just tell us in a relatively brief article, (no more than 400 words, please), what makes this person special. Please send a photo to accompany the article.

International Fleet: The articles for this column may consist of either of the above subject areas or it may be about STARFLEET chapter activities so long as it represents something outside the United States. It may also contain general STARFLEET news and information regarding our international members and chapters. Again, pictures are always welcome and encouraged.

This is perhaps the most difficult area to fill because there is a more limited pool of resources to draw from.



Letters

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Dear CQ,

Mabuhay from the Philippines!

I know it's been ages but will you believe I just got your mail today? I was overjoyed of course. Thank you so much for taking the time to send it. I read briefly through the material (I wanted to send a note to thank you first) but it already looked wonderful and exciting! I'll become a member at once of course but I think I'll hold off forming a new chapter til I'm more experienced.

Anyway, I just wanted to express my thanks again for your kindness. I look forward to seeing more of you through STARFLEET. I'm sure it's gonna be soooo much fun!!!

Live Long and Prosper,
Tanya Garcia
Philippines

Tanya,

Welcome to STARFLEET! We all hope you will find your STARFLEET experience as rewarding and fun as we have. I'm sure Shuttle Operations will be very happy to help you out when you are ready to form your own chapter - ed.

Anthropologist

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Given that anthropology and ethnography have been used to study people in locations such as Bora Bora and the Amazon Rain Forests, can we really compare Star Trek culture and these much more exotic cultures? Most scholars believe that we can. Beginning in the 1940s, sociologists began intensely studying many cultures that are closer to home. Such as drug subcultures, ethnic subcultures, prostitute culture, medical student culture and even nude beach culture. A widely-accepted definition of culture is that it is "shared patterns of meaning," such as shared values, shared symbols, shared norms, shared knowledge structures or beliefs.

People who are involved with Star Trek share all of these distinguishing characteristics. They have a special set of symbolic meanings that they interpret in a unique way. They have special hand-signs, special visual symbols; they know names of planets and actors, technological equipment, writers, producers, episode names. The shared knowledge structure of the Star Trek universe, and the continuity of this culture and language over the past three decades, practically necessitate us calling the groups of people who have devoted so much time and attention to Star Trek the members of Star Trek culture.

FEMINIST AND FAN STUDIES

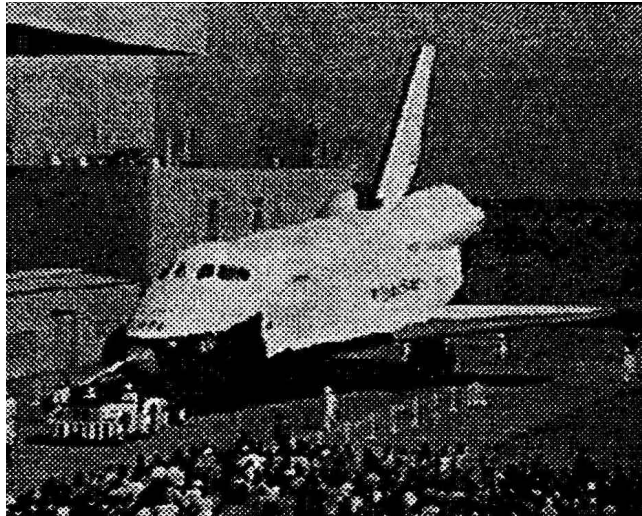
Feminist scholars, such as Constance Penley, were some of the first researchers to investigate the science-fiction media and fan community using an ethnographic method. Focusing her study on women's needs, particularly, their need for expression and sexual fantasy Penley found for that Star Trek fandom was a stop gap outlet. Women around North America had formed communities in which they wrote fiction, read each other's fiction, gained recognition and also shared sexual fantasies through the genre of homoerotic "slash" fiction. Another interesting finding of Penley was that women are particularly attracted to the social utopian themes in Star Trek, while males tended to be more attracted to the show's technological and scientific elements.

Camille Bacon-Smith's *Enterprising Women* also takes a feminist ethnographic look at Star Trek culture. Smith's book is an ethnographic exploration of media fandom culture, and it focuses particularly upon the interpretation of the Star Trek text and its reworking by fans in fan productions such as fliking and fanzines. She explores in detail the media of fan fiction, slash fiction, hurt-comfort and other types of fan fiction. It provides a detailed description of the various stages of introduction to the fan community, from training and initiation, to changes in identity and personal risks.

The Lisa Lyon-edited volume, *The Adoring Audience* takes a more general view and considers the relationship between fans, stars, media texts, the media industry and society at large in a wide range of contexts ranging from Beatlemania to Elvis worship, from female rock star "groupies" to Hollywood's own representations of fans and to the community of

science - fiction fans and "Trekkies." The contributors to this important book argue that, rather than being trivial and dismissed as unimportant as it has been in the past by academic scholars, the field of fandom is a complex, contradictory and fascinating area worthy of serious academic inquiry.

The contributors to *The Adoring Audience* share a perspective that recognizes media fans as energetic respondents to their own often repressive social situations. Fandom brings new life to fans. Again and again, we see how fandom empowers fans as active, creative producers. Far from being mere passive receivers of others people's creative efforts, fans are portrayed as co-creators, extenders of the fan universe. To Star Trek fans, this is a picture which rings true. Star Trek fans are perhaps the



The Debut of the Shuttle Enterprise. An example of Fan involvement in the Creation of STAR TREK Mythology. Paramount Picture Corporation

most vocal, productive and politically active of all fans. From show saving campaigns to space shuttle naming, to active criticisms of recent Star Trek incarnations, fans have played a large part in the creation of the Star Trek mythology.

In *The Adoring Audience*, Jensen rejects the social scientific view of fandom as deviant and pathological by drawing a parallel between the fan's obsession with popular media figures and the scholar's devotion to a specific - usually very limited - research interest.

THE WORK OF HENRY JENKINS

Probably the most important scholar of Star Trek culture is Henry Jenkins. His 1991 book, *Textual Poachers* broke new ground as an ethnographic account of media fans, their institutional and cultural practices, and their relationship to the mass media and to a consumer-oriented society. Jenkins used a cultural studies perspective to study Star Trek. Cultural studies is a complex, interdisciplinary field based upon feminist, critical theory and poststructural theories. (Poststructuralism is a theoretical school which argues that there is no truth, and that reality is textually created and interpretable in an infinite number of ways).

Jenkins employs Michel de Certeau's notion of "textual poaching" by discriminating science fiction fans to demonstrate how the canonical texts of Star Trek are revised and re-envisioned by fans. His emphasis in this book is on the lived experience of Star Trek fans, on the enacted meaning of the show in the daily lives of fans. He also looks at other shows, such as *Blake's 7* and *Beauty and the Beast*, recognizing that fandom neither begins nor ends with Star Trek. Under

Jenkins' lens, we see how fans receive and interpret Star Trek texts (shows, fanzines, books, and so on), and how they are reworked by fans in the context of the community of fandom. Jenkins examines the influence of Star Trek's philosophy to fans' everyday life, gender issues that arise in fandom, the uses of homoerotic slash fiction and fan music videos.

John Tulloch and Henry Jenkins' 1995 book *Science Fiction Audiences* extends *Textual Poachers* by bringing us an even more detailed look at Star Trek fan culture and community. It investigates the different reading positions taken by different types of audience members who watch Star Trek and Doctor Who. In their book, Tulloch and Jenkins seek to position the audience, and they examine three specific reading positions in regards to Star Trek, those of: females, MIT students and homosexuals. They also attempt to historically fit the meaning of Star Trek within a "middle class technological structure."

TO BOLDLY GO: AN ETHNOGRAPHIC EXPLORATION OF STAR TREK CULTURE

The research mentioned above has had a considerable impact on research and theory in the academic fields of cultural studies, mass communication, and literary and science fiction studies. It thus seems clear that the examination of the Star Trek text and their interpretation by the media fan community is capable of yielding similarly rich theoretical insights for other academic fields.

Recently, the field of consumer research has been broadened to include examinations of "subcultures of consumption." Subcultures of consumption have been defined by Schouten and McAlexander as "a distinct subgroup of society that self-selects on the basis of a shared commitment to a particular product class, brand or consumption

Studying of consumption subcultures as they exist in our society draws our attention to some of the most powerful persuasive organizing forces in modern daily life. Recent investigations have looked at the subcultures of consumptions that exist around skydiving, river rafting, emigration from Mexico, Harley Davidson biker rallies and baseball games.

Studying Star Trek culture in this way melds the power of subcultures of our society with the influence of mass media in our society, and therefore to present a compelling portrait that combines two powerful organizing forces. Popular culture is increasingly being recognized as a topic worthy of academic study, especially in postmodern approaches. A study of Star Trek provides an extraordinary rich context in which to combine the ethnographic insights of subculture of consumption studies with a popular culture focus.

Star Trek although it has been around for 30 years, is only just beginning to get the attention and respect that it deserves. Star Trek and Star Trek fandom still suffer from a poor public image (which, as Jenkins explains, is partly due to Shatner's mean-spirited "Get A Life" sketch). Gaining legitimacy in academic studies is one important step to avoiding negative stereotyping of Star Trek fans, or any other fans. Star Trek, as the research has clearly shown, is most often a positive, optimistic and empowering force in people's lives.

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Upcoming Events

Pro and Fan Cons, Regional & Chapter Functions

The validity of the following information on conventions has not been verified by the Communique. Before attending, please contact the convention with the information provided below for the most part current information. STARFLEET and the Communique do not endorse any of the conventions listed below. This list is provided for your convenience and is intended to be used for informational purposes only. To have your event included, send the information to Communique at the address in the front of this publication, at least 60 days in advance.

June 30, 1996, DEADLINE for ads and submissions to **STARFLEET: The Fanzine**. Contact KLHarah@aol.com for details, or send SASE to: 4530 Highway A, Warrenton, MO 63383.

July 5-7, 1996, RebelCon, Holiday Inn, Taunton MA. Guests: Margaret Wander Bonnano, James Sloyan. Write: RebelCon, 10 Rankin Street, Worcester MA 01605. E-mail: rebelcon@aol.com, Call: (800) 99-REBEL.

July 5-7, 1996, 2nd Annual Trek Time Convention, Doubletree Resort, Clearwater Beach, FL. Guests: Terry Farrell, Dwight Schultz. Call (800) 477-TREK

July 12-14, 1996, Shore Leave 18, Hunt Valley Inn, Hunt Valley, MD. Guests: Howard Weinstein, Robert Greenberger, Carmen Carter. Write: Shore Leave, PO Box 6809, Towson, MD 21285-6809. Call (410) 821-5563.

July 27-28, 1996, NovaCon, WestPark Hotel, Tyson's Comer VA. Guest: Alexander Siddig. Write: NovaCon, P.O. Box 3363, Merrifield VA 22116. E-Mail: NOVACon@juno.com

August 2-4, 1996, FantastiCon, Airport Hilton & Towers, Los Angeles CA. Guests: William Campbell (host), Michael Ansara, Rene Auberjonois, Roxann Biggs-Dawson, Bruce Boxleitner, Avery Brooks, John Colicos, Robin Curtis, James Doohan, Michael Dorn, Terry Farrell, Max Grodenchik, DeForest Kelley, Peter Jurasik, Waiter Koenig, John deLancie, Roddy McDowell, Robert Duncan McNeill, Colm Meaney, Nichelle Nichols, Leonard Nimoy, Robert O'Reilly, Ethan Phillips, Robert Picardo, Tim Russ, George Takei, William Shatner, Marina Sirtis, Armin Shimerman, Nana Visitor, Garrett Wang (all are pledged to appear- barring professional conflicts). Write: FantastiCon, PO Box 821673, South Florida FL 33082-1673 (include large SASE).

August 3-4, 1996, Creation Convention** (30th Anniversary Star Trek Convention), Masonic Center, San Francisco CA. Guests: John de Lancie, Michael Dorn, Armin Shimerman.

August 3-4, 1996, Creation Convention**, Convention Center, Minneapolis MN. Guest: William Shatner (tentative as of 12/95).

August 16-18, 1996, UFP One, Maximillian Hall, Hamm/Westfalen, Germany. Guests: Robert O'Reilly, George Takei, Michael Pan, Charles Rettinghaus, Eric Stillwill, more TBA. Write: Markus Lahrmann, Postfach 1902, 59009 Hamm/Westfalen, Germany

August 23-26, 1996, Concorde '96, The 42nd British Star Trek Convention. Radisson Edwardian Hotel, Heathrow, London, England. Guests: William Campbell, John Carigan (TNG Stuntman) Patricia Tallman, Eric Stillwell. Write: 138 Crosslands, Stantonbury, Milton Keynes, MK14 6DF, England. E-mail: 100425.664@compuserve.com, WWW site: <http://www.mindset.co.uk/concorde.html>

August 29-Sept 2, 1996, L.A. con III, Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, CA. Guests: James White, Roger Corman, Elsie Wollheim. Site of the 1996 World Science Fiction Convention! Write: SCIFI, PO Box 8442, Van Nuys, CA 91409. E-mail to: lacon3-info@netcom.com.

August 30 - Sept 1, 1996, Armada '96, Oklahoma City, OK. **STARFLEET International Conference**. Oklahoma City Marriott. Write: W. Michael Henigan, 2221 Peachtree Street NE, Suite D, #531, Atlanta, GA 30309. E-mail: tdbear@eworld.com or MLMW@aol.com

September 6-8, 1996, Hope Con '96, (1st Annual KAG Convention) Canton Hilton, Canton OH Guest: Tony Todd. Write: Tonya Walters, 523 Marietta Avenue SE, Canton OH 44707

October 25-27, 1996, Lagrangecon 96, Holiday Inn Independence, Cleveland OH. Guest: Roxann Biggs-Dawson. Write: Lagrangecon, PO Box 1193, Cuyahoga Falls OH 44223 (include large SASE) E-mail: rdevlin@fla.net Call: (305) 388-2890, Fax: (305) 388-9966

November 1-3, 1996, United Fan Con, Sheraton Monarch Hotel, Springfield MA. Guests: Robert Beltran, Sonia Hillios, Arne Starr. Write: United Fan Con, 500 Monroe Turnpike, Monroe CT 06468 Call: (617) 986-TREK. WWW site <http://www.pcnet.com/~alanr/ufc.html>

November 17-17, 1996, Chimaeracon, French Lick Springs Resort & Spa, French Lick, IN. Guests: (tentative) Grace Lee Whitney, Bjo Trimble, NASA, TSR. Trek/SF/Gaming. Write for info: Chimaera, PO Box 42, West Baden, IN 47469 (please include LSASE)

May 1997, Cruise Trek '97: The Treasures of Tahiti, aboard a Holland America Windstar cruise ship from Papeete, Tahiti, to Moorea, Huahine, Raiatea, Tahaa and Bora Bora. Guests: Eric A. Stillwell, plus more TBA. Write: Cruise Trek, PO Box 2038, Augora Hills CA 91376-2038 (include SASE) E-mail: cruisetrek@aol.com, Call: (818) 597-2940. WWW site: <http://home.aol.com/CruiseTrek>

May 2-5, 1997, Sea-Con 1, aboard the SS ECSTASY (Carnival Cruise Lines) Sailing from Miami to Nassau and back. Guest: Robert O'Reilly. Write: Sea-Con 1997, 633 S. Main Street, Milpitas CA 95035. E-mail: rhammond@libertyusa.com, Call: (800) 980-9192 Pin 1701, WWW <http://members.aol.com/kurkuraiseacon.html>

June 15-22, 1997, Seatrek 97, cruise from Los Angeles to Puerto Vallarta/Mazatlan/Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. Guests: George Takei, Tim Russ, Roxann Biggs-Dawson, Majel Barrett Roddenberry, William Campbell, John de Lancie, Robert Duncan McNeill, Ethan Phillips, Garrett Wang. Write: Seatrek 97, 8306 Mills Drive, Box 198, Miami FL 33183 (include large SASE) Call: (800) 326-8735 or (305) 388-2890

June 13-20, 1998, Cruise Trek '98: The Alaska Adventure II aboard a Princess Cruise Line ship from Vancouver, B.C. to Seward, AK. Guests: Eric A. Stillwell plus more TBA. Write: Cruise Trek, PO Box 2038, Augora Hills CA 91376-2038 (be sure to include SASE) E-mail: cruisetrek@aol.com, Call: (818) 597-2940, World Wide Web Site <http://home.aol.com/CruiseTrek>

For information on any Vulkan or Creation Conventions contact:

*Vulkan, Go Joe Motes, 12237 SW 50 Street, Cooper City FL 33330. (include large SASE)

**Creation, 411 North Central Avenue, Suite 300, Glendale CA 91203. (include SASE) Call: (818) 409-0960 (9-3 Pacific time)

Regional Summaries

Regional Coordinators are encouraged to submit a Regional Summary to the Communiqué to provide the most current Regional information. If a chapter's city of charter was not available, the Commanding Officer's city of residence was used. If you have any additions or corrections please send them to the Communiqué at the address in the front.



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Region One



The 2nd Annual R1 Summit was another great success. Again, the USS LeConte and Capt Ron Fell did an excellent job of hosting our family reunion. An auction was held to raise money for the Regional Relief Fund and the R1 Awards Program. After the auction people started donating money to hear R1 personalities sing, including Steve Thomas who sacrificed his sore throat to sing the famed Banana Boat song. Over \$2,800 was raised in contributions. The USS Alacrity and two of her children, the USS Mark Twain and the USS Sekhmet, helped a local PBS television station raise \$152,371 during a pledge drive. Many other chapters continue to be active in the Stampede & Overseas Coupon projects, as well as collecting food for their local food banks.

Ships of the First Fleet

USS Alacrity, NCC-1581
USS Alaric, NCC-503
USS Appalachian, NCC-3181
USS Aries, NCC-71806
USS Arizona, NCC-71839
USS Best Destiny, NCC-71828
USS Bonaventure, NCC-102A
USS Cape Fear, NCC-61810
USS Celestial Dragon, NCC-71810
USS Charleston, NCC-71813
USS Chesapeake, NCC-1887
USS Chronos, NCC-26298
USS Columbia, NCC-621
USS Columbus, NCC-2006
USS Constellation, NCC-1728
USS Cu'chulainn, NCC-1902A
USS Dark Star, NCC-61801
USS Dilemma, NCC-1541
USS Edgar D. Mitchell, NCC-72016
USS Freedom, NCC-71817
USS Galactica, NCC-31093
USS Hawkeye, NCC-4950
USS Heimdal, NCC-1793
USS Hornet, NCC-1714
USS Imperial Star, NCC-2551
USS Intrepid, NCC-73501
USS Jamestown, NCC-1843D
USS Jurassic, NCC-3500
USS Khitomer, NCC-61812

Memphis, TN
Asheville, NC
Gray, TN
Johnson City, TN
Clinton, OH
Lexington, KY
Greensboro, NC
Winnabow, NC
Boone, NC
Charleston, SC
Richmond, VA
Beckley, WV
Wooster, OH
Columbus, OH
Paducah, KY
Terra Haute, IN
Liberty, NC
Harrisonburg, VA
Thomasville, NC
Lillington, NC
London, KY
Winston-Salem, NC
Madison Heights, VA
Charlotte, NC
Carey, NC
Kingsport, TN
Newport News, VA
Hammersville, OH
Evansville, IN

USS Kitty Hawk, NCC-1659
USS Lagrange, NCC-3916
USS LeConte, NCC-61858
USS Leif Ericson, NCC-71818
USS Lynx, NCC-4495A
USS Maat, NCC-1794A
USS Mark Twain, NCC-23106
USS Nighthawk, NCC-2301
Station Nikola Tesla, NCC-SS005
USS Pathfinder, NCC-22121
USS Powhatan, NCC-1967
USS Questar, NCC-435
USS Renegade, NCC-2547
USS Richmond, NCC-2003
USS Ronald E. McNair, NCC-61806
USS Rutledge, NCC-57295A
USS Sekhmet, NCC-
SS Shiloh, NCC-74683
USS Star League, NCC-2101
USS Starward Fury, NCC-2122
USS Stonewall Jackson, NCC-71814
USS Tristar, NCC-71829
USS Tycho, NCC-59325
USS Wasp, NCC-1721
USS West Virginia, NCC-2008
USS White Eagle, NCC-2302
USS Yeager, NCC-61893
USS Yorktown, NCC-1704

Raleigh, NC
Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Gaitlinburg, TN
Summersville, SC
Fort Bragg, NC
Virginia Beach, VA
University of Memphis, TN
Richmond, VA
Murray, KY
Roanoke, VA
Chesapeake, VA
Louisville, KY
Youngstown, OH
Covington, VA
Columbia, SC
Ladson, SC
Millington, TN
Henderson, TN
North Augusta, SC
Fayetteville, NC
Monroe, NC
Knoxville, TN
Fremont, OH
Bristol, VA
Scott Depot, WV
Midway Park, NC
Bluefield, WV
York, SC

Shuttles of the First Fleet

Shuttle Athena, NCC-71811/2
Shuttle Bounty, NCC-1728/6
Shuttle Lewis B. Puller, NCC-71813/

Reston, VA
Nashville, TN
Summersville, SC

Shuttle Lonestar, NCC-1793/10
Shuttle Nathan James, NCC-71806/
Shuttle Providence, NCC-1881/03

Lexington, KY
Grey, TN
Jackson, TN

Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry and narrow-mindedness. Broad, wholesome, charitable views cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth

- Samuel Langhorne Clemens

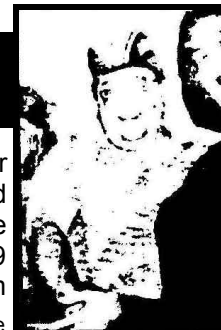
I wonder if he wrote this before or after his trip to the 24th Century



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Region 2 is well on its way to reactivation. On March 15-17 we held our first annual summit in many years. Panels were held and questions answered. The Region 2 Awards Program was reactivated, and many well deserving people and chapters were recognized. In addition, some new traditions were established such as the RC's Putt-Putt Tournament and the High Flying Creme Pie Toss. Chapters left re-energized and ready to get to work. New motto adopted at the Summit: Region 2: Second to None!

Ships of the Second Fleet

USS Confederate, NCC-2042
USS Continuum, NCC-71821
Dark Silence Station, NCC-
USS DaVinci, NCC-74671
USS Dragonfire, NCC-2007
USS Encounter, NCC-2164
USS Excalibur, NCC-1705
USS Guardian, NCC-26244
USS Hawking, NCC-24162
USS Hephaestus, NCC-2004
USS Indestructable, NCC-2017
USS Khai Tam, NCC-81000
USS Macleod, NCC-10524A

Laurel, MS
Pensacola, FL
Florence, AL
Columbus, GA
Fort Meyers, FL
Panama City, FL
Jacksonville, FL
Satellite Beach, FL
Lake Worth, FL
Birmingham, FL
Gordon, GA
Tallahassee, FL
Jonesboro, GA

USS Millenium, NCC-2081
USS Odyssey, NCC-454A
USS Paegan, NCC-1755
USS Phoenix, NCC-65420
USS Republic, NCC-1371
USS Royal Sovereign, NCC-1674
USS Savannah, NCC-1894A
USS Star Union, NCC-2112
USS Starquest, NCC-71804
USS Trident, NCC-74692
USS Triumph, NCC-26228
USS Wernher von Braun, NCC-72069
USS Yamato, NCC-71807

Tampa, FL
Hattiesburg, MS
Winter Park, FL
Kissimmee, FL
Snellville, GA
Orange Park, FL
Guyton, GA
Montgomery, AL
Naples, FL
Stuart, FL
Miami, FL
Huntsville, AL
Pinson, AL

Shuttles of the Second Fleet

Shuttle Alabama, NCC-
Shuttle Fallen, NCC-2101/04

Decatur, GA
Harlem, GA

Shuttle Haise, NCC-454/04
Shuttle Okatoma, NCC-454/05

Ridgeland, MS
Collins, MS

Region Three



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Region 3 launched the first Existing Fan Club chapter the Nomi Sunrider (Irving, TX) for the region. Region Three's Fast Annual Summit was held on the 17th-19th of May at Fan-Tastic Voyage in Waco, TX. Bjo Trimble was honored at our Summit, for all she has done for Trek Fandom. 1996 Region Three Olympics are set for Lubbock, Texas in October.

Ships of the Third Fleet

USS Asian, NCC-8491
USS Aurora Vulcanus, NCC-1888
USS Bexar, NCC-71718
USS Brissany, NCC-1904A
USS Comanche, NCC-71809
Station Freedom III, NCC-SS001
USS Gagarin, NCC-630
USS Infinity, NCC-661
USS Intangible, NCC-65421
USS Joan of Arc, NCC-10522

Watauga, TX
Houston, TX
San Antonio, TX
Shreveport, LA
Fort Worth, TX
Benbrook, TX
Plano, TX
Waco, TX
College Station, TX
Mathis, TX

USS Kepler, NCC-59324
USS Lancelot, NCC-13982
USS Qunah Parker, NCC-73628
USS Rhyanna, NCC-1892
USS Sagittarius, NCC-9755
USS Storm Bird, NCC-KL8501
USS Tejas, NCC-9756
USS Trouncer, NCC-2553
USS Vindicator, NCC-23911
USS Wolverine, NCC-23914

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Dallas, TX
Vernon, TX
Texarkana, TX
Denton, TX
Gainesville, TX

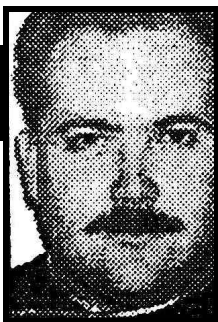
Shuttles of the Third Fleet

Shuttle Camelot, NCC-71718/01
Shuttle Enigma, NCC-59324/01
Shuttle Fearless, NCC-23911/02

Austin, TX
Shreveport, LA
Odessa, TX

Shuttle Palo Duro, NCC-9756/01
Shuttle Samurai, NCC-13982/03
Shuttle Victory, NCC-1892102

Amarillo, TX
Longview, TX
San Antonio, TX



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Ships of the Fourth Fleet

USS Alliance, NCC-2113
Cascade Station, NCC-SS003
USS Constar, NCC-71827
USS Constitution, NCC-1700
USS Harry Benjamin, NCC-30285
USS Highroller, NCC-23103
K'Ehleyr Station, NCC-SS009
USS Miramar, NCC-2210
Mystere Station, NCC-SS008

Los Angeles, CA
Shasta Lake, CA
Visalia, CA
Visalia, CA
San Francisco, CA
Sun Valley, NV
Las Vegas, NV
San Diego, CA
Las Vegas, NV

USS Northern Lights, NCC-27001
USS Oberon, NCC-71820
USS Onizuka, NCC-71815
Pacifica Station, NCC-SS004
USS PeaceKeeper, NCC-73200
USS Simonov, NCC-2002
USS Tikopai, NCC-1800
USS Trieste, NCC-1994

San Jose, CA
Citrus Heights, CA
Chico, CA
San Francisco, CA
Visalia, CA
Fairfield, CA
San Jose, CA
Pleasant Hill, CA

Shuttles of the Fourth Fleet

Shuttle Eagle, NCC

Fremont, CA

Shuttle Shogun, NCC-2002/08

Vacaville, CA



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Region Five



Ships of the Fifth Fleet

USS Apollo, NCC-2546
USS Bismarck, NCC-3141
USS Buckaroo Banzai, NCC-71869
USS Crazy Horse, NCC-3144
USS Daniel Soule, NCC-1810
USS Destiny, NCC-97301
USS Liberator, NCC-2561

Portland, OR
Spokane, WA
Kent, WA
Gooding, ID
Kent, WA
Salem, OR
Idaho Falls, ID

USS Pendragon, NCC-2005
USS Rebellious, NCC-23107
USS Rubicon, NCC-71816
USS Sky Dancer, NCC-5910
USS Starchaser, NCC-71801
USS Stellar Wind, NCC-1501
USS Yakama, NCC-61813

Bellevue, WA
Portland, OR
Richland, WA
Old Town, ID
Seattle, WA
Kirkland, WA
Yakima, WA

Shuttles of the Fifth Fleet

Shuttle Agamemnon, NCC-1861104
Shuttle Crusader, NCC-5910/
Shuttle John F. Kennedy, NCC-3141/01

Coeur d'Alene, ID
Otis Orchards, WA
Boise, ID

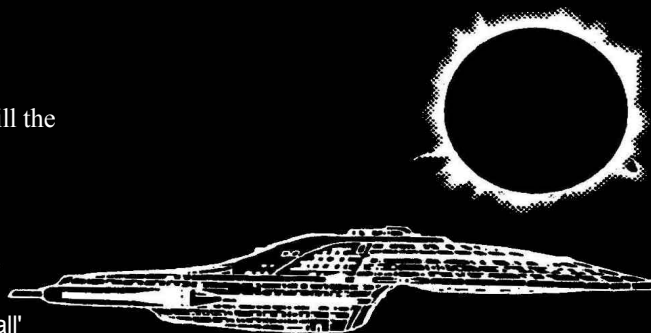
Shuttle Shadow Hawk, NCC-
Shuttle Solar Flare, NCC-

Richland, WA
Boise, ID

For I dipt into the future, far as human eye could see,
Saw the vision of the World, and all the wonder that would be;
Saw the heavens fill with commerce, argosies of magic sails,
Pilots of the purple twilight, dropping down with costly bales;
Heard the heavens fill with shouting, and there rain'd a ghastly dew
From the nations' airy navies grappling in the central blue;
Far along the world-wide whisper of the south-wind rushing warm,
With the standards of the peoples plunging thro' the thunder-storm; Till the
war-drum throbb'd no longer, and the battle flags were furl'd
In the Parliament of Man, the Federation of the World.
There the common sense of most shall hold a fretful realm in awe,
And the kindly earth shall slumber, lapt in universal law.

~Tennyson

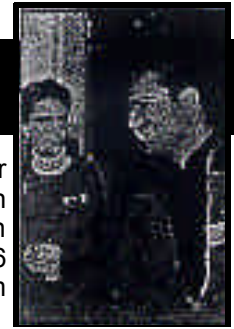
A plaque on Voyager's bridge carries the first two lines of "Locksley Hall"



Region Six



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Ships of the Sixth Fleet have been busy celebrating their various anniversaries (most of which are in March and April for some reason). The flagship, USS Czar'ak, is a grand dame at 12. Her child, the Behr'ak, hits six this year, and grandchild Farragut, celebrates the first anniversary of their commissioning. Congrats to all! April also saw the marriage of Cmdr Charles Beardshear and Ann Sineceros. Following the traditional church ceremony, they tied the knot fan-wise at MiniCon. As a surprise, Charles received a well-earned promotion to Captain. The other surprise promotion went to the RC, newly-promoted Admiral David Kloempken.

Ships of the Sixth Fleet

USS Alam'ak, NCC-1796
USS Beheak, NCC-1797
USS Czar'ak, NCC-1798A
USS Farragut, NCC-1702

Cottonwood, MN
St. Paul, MN
Minneapolis, MN
Sartell, MN

USS Imperium, NCC-2125
USS Itasca, NCC-2123
USS Thunderchild, NCC-3122

Fargo, ND
Fargo, ND
Rapid City, SD

Shuttles of the Sixth Fleet

Shuttle Betelgeuse, NCC-1778/02
Shuttle Gordon, NCC-1501115

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Shuttle Krela Orla NCC-14514/04

Marion, IA

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Ships of the Seventh Fleet

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USS Albany, NCC-587
USS Alpha Centauri, NCC-71812
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USS Ascension, NCC-2520
USS Avenger, NCC-1860
USS Blackheart, NCC-2327
USS Briza, NCC-26518
USS Challenger, NCC-1676
USS Hazard, NCC-91813
USS IDIC NCC-71811
USS Justice, NCC-556
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USS Sovereign, NCC-2505
Susquehanna Station, NCC-SS013
USS Thagard, NCC-652
USS Thor, NCC-2549
USS Transcendence, NCC-
USS Triton, NCC-71819
USS Valiant, NCC-1709
USS Wolf, NCC-3921

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Shuttle Shadowstar, NCC-2505103

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Westminster, MD
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Seaside Heights, NJ

Shuttle Sidra, NCC-1703B/05
Shuttle Temperance, NCC-1703B/05
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Shuttle Tolkien, NCC-2549/01

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FÜKK, the Förderverein Krebskranker Kinder, the social project we have supported since the beginning is about to dissolve so we are currently checking into new projects. Five of the USS Europe's crew members will have their bone marrow checked to clarify the availability for transplantation; the 100 DM (\$75) fee will be paid by the ship. Thanks! We finally got Communiqué 72. We're still missing issues 70 and 71 however. Crew members VAdm Gellings, Cmdr Schiele, P02 Hasler, Lt Kirchenmaier, Lt(jg) Krautheim, Ens Mann, Lt(jg) Reimnitz and Lt Reuschling will be attending a German Star Trek Convention the second weekend in May.

Ships of the Ninth Fleet

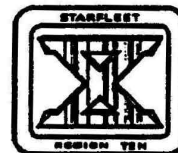
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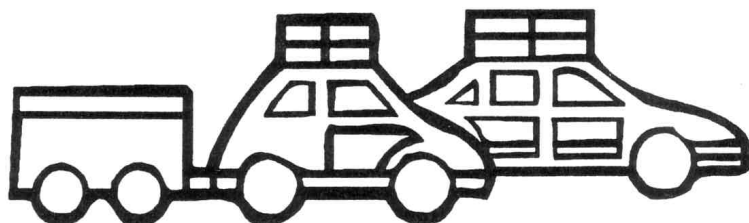
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 USS Concord, NCC-19890
 USS Discovery, NCC-1306
 USS Empress, NCC-15025/0
 USS Gemini Dream, NCC-64739
 USS Gryphon, NCC-74661
 USS Hexum, NCC-2199
 USS Horizon, NCC-10008
 USS Jeannette Maddox, NCC-14514
 USS Krazny Oklyabr, NCC-23102
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 USS Missouri, NCC-71825
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 USS Nomad, NCC-1805
 USS Oklahoma, NCC-23137
 USS Ranger, NCC-2206
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 USS Stargazer, NCC-2893
 USS Sunflower, NCC-
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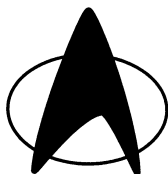
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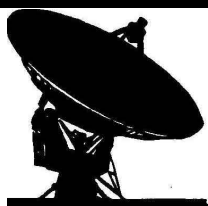


In March, the Toronto held the Con Runners' Game, a Worldcon con-coms simulation game where teams (aka con-coms) make decisions based on (often hilarious but always true) situations faced by real con-coms and score points based on the outcome of their decisions. The Toronto sorted food at a food bank on Easter weekend and got great press coverage-photos of crewmembers turned up in three local newspapers. Also in April, the pre-Shuttle Banting decorated and hosted a Trek-themed room at the Guelph Cutten Club Spring Gala and were the talk of the party! On May 4 (as in "May the Fourth Be With You") the Toronto held a Star Wars Festival. Members put together a slide show speculating about the prequels and displayed Star Wars models, props and toys. The Banting is organizing a contest to design a logo for Region 13.

Ships of the Thirteenth Fleet

USS Toronto, NCC-2771

Willowdale, ON, Canada



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- 51 **Pegasi**, located 42 light years away in the constellation Pegasus.
- 47 **Ursae Majoris**, located 34 light years away in the Big Dipper.
- 70 **Virginis**, located 34 light years away in the constellation Virgo.



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USS Konkordium, NCC-2106
USS Longfellow, NCC-2358
USS O'Bannon, NCC-53721
USS Sparrow Hawk, NCC-581
USS Starseeker, NCC-10527

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Portland, ME
Sanford, ME
Montpelier, VT
Raynham, MA

Shuttles of the Fifteenth Fleet

Shuttle Alan B. Shepard, NCC-1707/02

Manchester, NH

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Region Sixteen

Ships of the Sixteenth Fleet

USS Henri Dunant, NCC-23912

Japan

Anthropology

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consumption issues and media-inspired culture. As part of my doctoral dissertation requirements, I'm researching Star Trek culture, focusing on the Star Trek culture of consumption in many of its varying aspects, such as conventions, fan dub meetings and cyberspace. I'm Interested In exploring people's experiences with Star Trek and how that experience affects their lives. And, of course, I'm also watching and enjoying the shows, commenting on them and reading pro and amateur fan material.

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The USS Pioneer has produced a video of their launching, which was quite the party! They are playing host to several members of other ships which will be in Denver for the Con with Kate Mulgrew. The USS Alioth will be registering walkers for the March of Dimes Walk America in Provo, Utah. This is an annual event for the Alioth. The USS Fahrion had a special awards presentation. In May they will be attending a special Media Play Mini-Con in Sandy, Utah and are also planning to attend the CONduit in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Ships of the Seventeenth Fleet

USS Alioth, NCC-1828
USS Fahrion, NCC-2510

Orem, UT
Sandy, UT

USS Pioneer, NCC
USS Romulus, NCC-2031

Denver, CO
Layton, UT

Shuttles of the Seventeenth Fleet

Shuttle Nexus, NCC-21186/1

Las Cruces, NM



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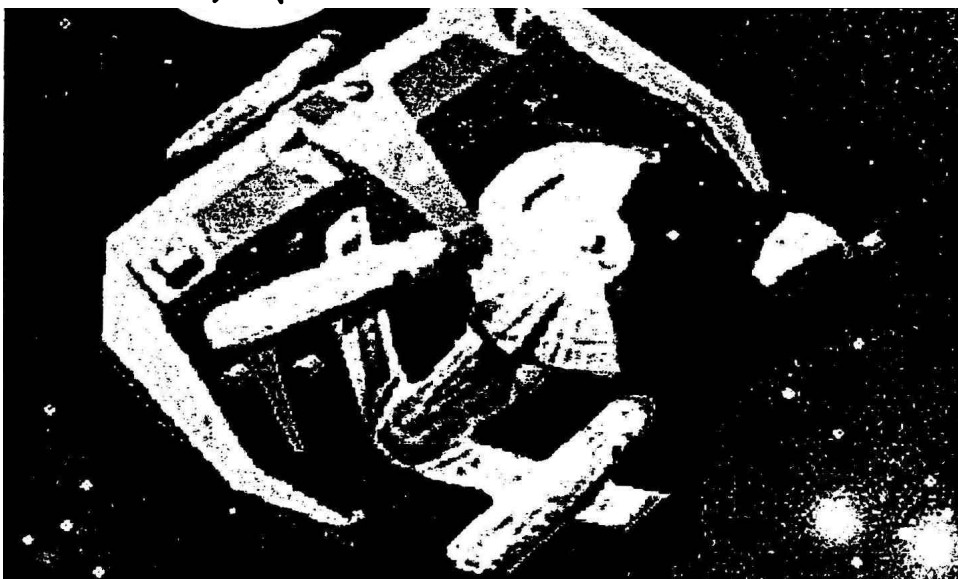
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without requiring a specially-designed Saucer Module. Top speed remains the Warp 9.9 limit of current Federation drive technology and this can be sustained for up to twelve hours. This new system has been designated the LN-83 at this time. Obviously, as nacelle technology improves, those changes will be incorporated into whatever becomes the operational specification for this class.

The Nova class will be 40% smaller than the Galaxy class, though even more flexible in terms of mission-adaptability. The primary hull is composed of a central core connected to the secondary hull by a dorsal. This central core is split into ten wedged-shaped sections. Officer's quarters and the collimator phaser rings are located here, along with the central computer core, and the bridge. Sickbay, crews quarters, and engineering spaces are located in the secondary hull. The primary hull is composed of wedge-shaped modules that connect with the core sections. The advantage of this is that these removable sections can be mixed-and-matched as necessary to fulfill certain mission parameters with the minimum amount of re-fit and layover time. It also allows a heretofore unknown amount of mission flexibility for Starfleet operational planners. In times of war, the entire Nova class registry could be converted to troop carriers. Scientific missions could be customized specifically to meet the mission objectives. The possibilities are endless. An added advantage is that by the standardization of these modules, vessel construction time is reduced a full 30% with a similar reduction in cost.

OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE SYSTEMS

At this time, the Nova class is equipped with the latest in Federation tactical systems. Eight Class X phaser rings are standard along with two Mk 90 photon torpedo launcher systems. The FSS shield system was proposed, but it is unknown how the variable-geometry warp system will affect them, so the standard FSQ-4



This recently obtained scan from an anonymous source shows what we believe may be a Nova class prototype under construction at a portable construction drydock. Its location was not divulged. It is likely to be used as a testbed for the new technology described in this article.
Scan enhancement by Mike Wilkerson

shield system is used. Improving total shield power by 60%. As stated above, these are for comparison purposes only. The actual vessel will no doubt use the latest systems when actually designed and constructed.

HANGAR FACILITIES

The Nova class uses side-mounted hangar bays, allowing the entire hangar deck to run through the center of the ship. Embarked craft will be roughly two-thirds that of the Galaxy class, though actual hangar facilities are about the same in terms of space.

PERSONNEL FACILITIES

The Nova class is designed to be highly automated, even more so than the Galaxy class. As such, her standard crew of 450 is half that of

the Galaxy class. With the proper saucer section modules, it is possible for the ship to carry up to an additional 2000 passengers or crew. Cabin sizes are similar to the Galaxy class as are on-board recreational facilities.

CONCLUSION

At this time, the Nova class is little more than a design concept on ASDB's computers. The vessel is not expected to enter service until the mid-25th century at the earliest, and the mission and design parameters will undoubtedly change during that time. This article is merely to show the public what one possible concept of the Nova class would be like. Once final ship and mission parameters are laid down, a Nova Class Starship Development Project will be created to begin design work.



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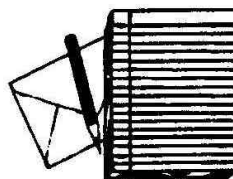
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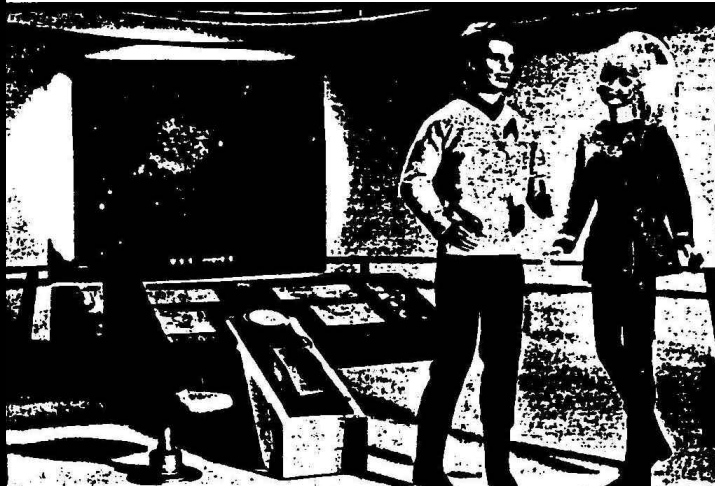
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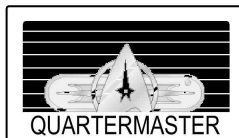
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