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# IC 2003: CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF FLIGHT

Finishing touches are being put on STARFLEET IC 2003 slated for July 31 – August 3 in Greensboro, North Carolina. The State of North Carolina is holding dozens of events this year commemorating the Wright brothers' historic flight at Kitty Hawk on December 17, 1903. While the IC is not "officially" recognized as one of these events, we're going to get in on the celebration anyway.

The IC hotel, the Holiday Inn – Airport in Greensboro, reflects the area's rich aviation heritage. The meeting rooms are named for pioneers of flight: Lindbergh, Earhart and, of course, Wright. The aviation theme is carried out throughout the facility. The North Carolina Centennial of Flight Commission has generously provided STARFLEET with lots of materials on the history of flight that will be made available to IC attendees.

NASA is also celebrating the aviation events that made the space agency and the space program possible. NASA-Langley has provided beautiful posters and informative booklets and flyers on both the history of aviation and the space program and on the future of space-bound flight. These materials, too, will be available to those attending IC 2003.

The IC will feature all the traditional elements of International Conferences past. In addition to the required meetings for the EC/AB, there'll be a great ceremonial opening session followed by a daylong schedule of meetings and panels covering a variety of topics and interests.

There'll be a formal banquet, silent and live

## By Rear Admiral Ron Fell

auctions and a fabulous dance party. A non-denominational service will precede closing ceremonies on Sunday. In addition, a variety of welcoming mixers and informal get togethers are

Quartermaster.

Lots of extra conveniences will be available to make IC attendees experience a little easier and more pleasant. A luggage check area will be set up on Sunday morning to facilitate checkout. Scheduled lunch breaks, time allowances for changing clothes and uniforms between Saturday evening events and a Sunday morning check-out break will all help keep things flowing smoothly.

FCAPT Deidre Rickard is serving as travel coordinator and will be working with volunteers from Greensboro's USS Bonaventure and other area chapters to help with air and ground transportation questions and needs.

Under the administrative auspices of VADM John T. "Jack" Hopkins and the programming talents of RADM Ron Fell, IC 2003 will be an event to remember. Many of the volunteers assisting Jack and Ron are veterans of the ultra-successful IC 1999 as well as numerous other Fleet and regional events.

It's not too late for you to make arrangements to attend!

Check out the International Conference website, <http://ic2003.sfi.org>, for pricing plans as well as hotel and registration information.

Come to the place where man learned to fly and help STARFLEET celebrate aviation history where it all began. Aviation and STARFLEET ... the Adventures Continue!



scheduled. The IC 2004 Committee will be bringing a Region Two tradition to Greensboro – their fantastic Hospitality Suite!

There will be exhibits and displays as well as a small but well-stocked vendor area that will include merchandise from the STARFLEET

### WHO CAN GO?

Anyone who wants to!

### WHAT IS THIS?

The 2003 SFI International Conference

### WHEN IS IT?

July 31 through August 3, 2003



<http://ic2003.sfi.org/>

### WHERE IS IT?

Greensboro, NC

### HOW DO I REGISTER?

Register online or with the registration form on the page 27.

### WHY SHOULD I GO?

Because it will be a blast!

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An Open Letter to the members of STARFLEET:

On January 11<sup>th</sup> 2005, we were contacted by Chris Halliday of Argent Games, regarding possible plagiarism in articles published in the STARFLEET Communiqué during 2002 and 2003.

Immediately, we began an internal investigation researching the claims and studying the original material by Mr. Halliday and the Communiqué articles in question. Regretfully, it became painfully clear that Mr. Halliday's claims were true and that materials were taken from an in-development RPG game called Time War, which is being published this year.

Substantial portions of a series of columns on Time Travel & Temporal Investigations in Communiqué issues 111, 112, 113, 114, 117, and 118 were originally written by Chris Halliday, and not by the author on the byline, Robert (Robb) Jackson.

The articles in question were accepted and published in the Communiqué in good faith since the editors of the Communiqué at the time believed it to be original material. However, as the Communiqué is the official publication of STARFLEET, we are responsible for it's content.

As a reminder to all of STARFLEET, only original materials are acceptable for publication in the Communiqué. If you use another's work in your article, you must cite references and give proper credit to the original author. STARFLEET will not tolerate plagiarism.

On behalf of STARFLEET, the International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc., I want to apologize to Mr. Halliday and Argent Games for this incident.

I also want to thank him for his cooperation in this matter. He has been very cooperative with our requests and has been wonderful in his dealings with us. I have read his materials, and they are well documented, interesting, and thought provoking. If you are a fan of RPG's and Time Travel, you may want to check out Time War - Adventures in Eternity when it is published. You can find out more information at the Argent Games website - <http://www.argentgames.com/>.

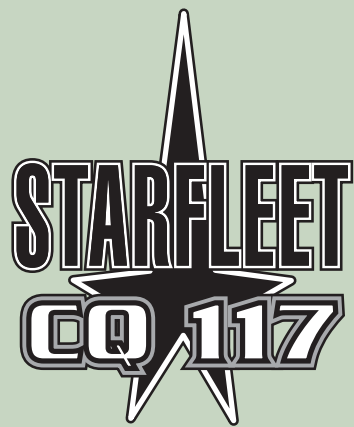
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***In This Issue: The article entitled "Effects of Temporal Disruption" by Robb Jackson on page 18 was actually written by Chris Halliday of Argent Games, who is the author of the Time War RPG.***





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# FROM THE CENTER SEAT

## FLEET ADMIRAL MIKE MALOTTE COMMANDER, STARFLEET

It's been a whirlwind of activity for me these last couple of months. We're in the middle of what I consider to be the best time in SFI – Summit season! This is the time when we all get to revisit old friends we only see a time or two a year. It's also a great opportunity to make new friends and to get out and meet the most important asset this organization has – its members. Since my last article, I've had the pleasure of cruising down to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee for the Region 1 Summit and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for the Region 12 Summit.

The Region 1 Summit was a blast. I made the road trip there with Greg and PJ Trotter. On the way, we swung through Louisville, Kentucky and picked up Joan Pierce. Thanks to Greg and PJ for the ride down and to Joan for the accommodations Thursday and Monday night. In typical fashion, Ben Redding, Linda Olson and the rest of the Summit staff did a bang-up job.

The pirate theme was a lot of fun and the atmosphere was, as usual, laid back and enjoyable. I called this year's Summit "IC Lite" – as we had six out of the eight current EC members attend. It was a great opportunity for us to get together in a relaxed setting and get some work done.

Once again, a number of your HQ staff members "served the membership" by manning the grills for the Saturday afternoon cookout. This has become one of my favorite parts of this Summit and I hope it becomes a long-standing tradition. Kudos to all involved this year's Summit and I can't wait to get back to Pigeon Forge next year!

Following the Region 1 Summit was the 15th Annual Region 12 Summit. Carl Johnson and I made the trip down and took advantage of the time to get caught up. Other than the tornado warnings and monsoon-like rain, it was a pretty uneventful trip. Friday night, I was treated to one of the best steak dinners I've ever had. Greg and PJ Trotter took me to the Cattleman's steakhouse in OKC. We were joined by Troy, Eli and Russell Cash, Dave and Linda Kloempken, Britt Sloan and her fiancé Eddie. If you ever get down to OKC, you've got to check this place out – it was awesome!

This was the first full R12 Summit I've attended since 1998. I made a brief appearance at the '99 and 2001 Summits but was not able to stay. This year's theme was "A Piece of the Action" and they went all out.

The stage consisted of an office right out of the '20s – complete with high back reclining chair, an old wooden desk, plus a phone and desk lamp perfect for the occasion. I think there were more photos taken of folks at the desk than anywhere else that weekend. Booker Tompkins, Brad Wynn and the rest of the Summit staff did an outstanding job of pulling this together in the short time they had to do it. I think one of the highlights for me was holding the lion cub brought in by the G.W. Exotic Animal Memorial Park, one of the charities of this year's Summit. Thanks to everyone who made me feel welcome for this weekend. It was nice to "come home."

The Region 12 Summit was my third

Summit this year and I'm beginning to see a trend that I really hope continues. At the R2 Summit, we not only had the new RC, Danny Potts there, but we also had the two previous RCs, Pete Mohny and Kelly Hilliard – in attendance, as well. The R1 Summit not only saw Robin Pillow, the current, RC in attendance but also Linda Smith, past RC as well as Les Rickard and Mike Smith, the two most recent CS. At the Region 12 Summit, not only was the new RC, Carl Johnson, there but the three previous RCs - myself, Wade Hoover and Robert Westfall also.

This is something you didn't normally see, especially at the Commander, STARFLEET level. It used to be that, once a leader was "used up" or finished with their position, they went away quietly into the night, never to be seen and rarely heard from again. But, more and more, we are seeing them sticking around and even being an active part of the organization. Perhaps this is a sign that these last six and a half years were not in vain. Maybe we are finally getting to the point where a leader can feel comfortable staying around after they have moved on from that leadership role. I certainly hope so. There's a wealth of information to be gleaned from those who have served before. I know I have taken advantage of it and I hope a lot of the rest of you have, too.

Coming up in my travel future is a trip to the Region 6 Summit, a trip to the International Conference in Greensboro, North Carolina and my first visit ever to Canada as I journey to Brampton, Ontario for the Region 13 Summit. I hope to meet a

lot of you during these trips!

Other than traveling, things continue to keep busy in the office of the Commander, SFI. Work continues on all points of our platform. CFO Tammy Willcox continues to increase both staffing and efficiency in the financial end of things. Increased member recognition is moving ahead full steam as our Awards Director, Liz Woolf, and I work on the new awards program to be unveiled at International Conference this year.

We continue to see more of our International members become active in their areas and get more involved in our organization. In fact, R9 and R20 are both showing increased activity and chapter development. Wendy Fillmore has been appointed as our new Scholarship Director and we'll see a revamp of the program soon. Finally, the retooling of the Executive Committee's staffs and their processes continue to evolve. Currently in the works is a more efficient promotions process tied directly in with the database. All in all, things are progressing great and the members are the winners here.

In closing, I'd like to take a moment and thank a few folks who have made a lot of what I've been able to do possible. Folks like Mark Anbinder, Greg and PJ Trotter, Carl Johnson, Joan Pierce (just to name a few) and the individual Region and Summit staffs have all contributed to my ability to be as active abroad as I have been.

It's no secret that things have been pretty rough for Deb and me as of late. As of this writing, she's still not back to health due to more medical issues. The outpouring of concern has been both needed and appreciated. I can't reiterate enough how much this confirms for me that this organization is the best one in the world and I am proud to be a part of it.

Well, that does it for me this issue... I'll catch ya in 60!

*Michael W. Malotte*

Some exciting things are going on in Region 15!

In May, we held our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Summit celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a region. Eleven of 12 chapters were represented there, as well as some out-of-region Fleet personnel.

This Summit exceeded all of my expectations, and plans are already underway to make next year's even better. There are some fantastic charitable efforts taking place in Region 15.

The newly commissioned U.S.S. Nelson has delivered its first box of non-perishable food items to a shelter for battered women with children.

The U.S.S. Avalon has been operating a local weekly food pantry since February

## REGION 15 NEWS — WORDS AND PHOTO BY TREY ISQUITH



Seth Isquith of the U.S.S. Avalon, Rich DeMidio and Jeremy Gilbert of the U.S.S. Atlantis, Robert Langer and Paul Fest of the U.S.S. Ares & Joost Ueffing, Chief Of Operations SFI

of this year. The U.S.S. O'Bannon has participated in the Multiple Sclerosis Walk as well as other charitable endeavors.

Region 15 itself has a newly appointed Charities Officer, who has already raised \$1000.00 benefiting "Hearts For Haley", with the help of all of the Summit attendees.

There's a lot of FUN going on in Region 15 also. STARFLEET members from all over New England and Canada gathered to march, in costume, at the May 2003 Maine State Parade.

In June, the region gathers for our Astronomy & Model Rocket Weekend in Connecticut. In general more clubs in the region are having more fun. There's a lot more to come, so keep your eyes on Region 15!



# OFF-CENTER VIEWPOINT

VICE ADMIRAL MARK H. ANBINDER  
VICE-COMMANDER, STARFLEET

Happy tenth anniversary to Region 15! As I write this, I'm in Kittery, Maine at the New England Region's second annual Regional Summit, being held at the Kittery Days Inn. It's only my second visit to the state of Maine, and I'm glad for the opportunity to visit this fine group of enthusiastic STARFLEET members, gathering with the motto, "To get things done, do it with fun!"

RC Gary Halverson punctuated his address to R15 with a clever skit, acted out by several members, illustrating the different ways a chapter and its representatives might be perceived by prospective members. The moral of the story was that chapters will do best if they focus on having fun and treat everyone with respect and dignity. The funny skit, including the stack of "study materials" handed out by USS Arrogant, such as a thick notebook of "species wiped out by Captain Janeway" and a tiny slip of paper representing "Travis Mayweather's lines," was a fantastic way of driving home Gary's message.

R15 includes a number of folks I've seen at United Fan Con and other events. In fact, I've attended a couple of their past regional meetings at UFC. So, I'm pleased to have the opportunity to visit with these folks (familiar faces are always nice to see) as well as meet a number of other members.

One face sorely missed was that of Alan Ravitch, the longtime Fleet member (and founding RC of R15) who passed away this spring. This weekend included a memorial display, and a remembrance on Sunday.

## Travelogue 2003

Region 15's backdrop, a stunning starship bridge set that many of you no doubt recall from the 2000 International Conference in Burlington, Vermont, certainly contrasts with the pirate theme at the Region 1 Summit just a few weeks ago. A few of the faces this weekend are the same — EC members Sandy Berenberg, Joost Ueffing, and I are privileged to have attended both events, and a couple of our EC colleagues are spending this weekend at the Region 12 Summit in Oklahoma City.

The R1 Summit, too, was a great opportunity to see old friends as well as meet new people. I was especially pleased at the chance to meet Denise Wolff, one of several dedicated staff members I inherited from my predecessor, Mike Malotte, at the beginning of the year. Denise is the coordinator of the SFI Stampede Program.

While I didn't get to visit Cades Cove this April, I spent some time with friends outside the hotel visiting other destinations. In fact, when I look in the mirror I can still see the remnants of the sunburn from a delightful and sunny Monday spent bopping around the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in a convertible!

## Still to Come...

As I write this, my next couple of Fleet events are still weeks away, but they'll have snuck up and perhaps even gotten behind us by the time you read my words.

My plans for the second half of June feature first-time visits for me to two Regional events. I'll be at the Region 13 Summit in Ontario, followed by the Region 6 Summit in Minnesota one week later.

While I've been in Ontario and Minnesota before, these will be my first Fleet events in these areas. I'm really looking forward to meeting with the chapters and members in R13 and R6! While I've grown accustomed to seeing members from around the Fleet at the various ICs, regional events provide an opportunity to see many more people.

Speaking of opportunities, my recent trip to Scotland, via Reykjavik (I was traveling on IcelandAir), gave me the chance to visit with Ivar Gunnarsson and Asta Jonsdottir, two Region 9 members. Ivar and Asta made my friend Denise and I feel very welcome during our travels, which was no surprise at all! (I've found that SFI hospitality knows no borders or language differences. It's everywhere!) Ivar is beginning plans for an event at the Borg Hotel (I am not making this up) in downtown Reykjavik, and I hope many of you will join me in heading to Iceland for it!

Thanks to CompOps Chief Sandy Berenberg, I signed up for IcelandAir's weekly "Lucky Fares" e-mails, offering fantastic round-trip fares from the U.S. to Iceland, the United Kingdom, and Europe. You should go sign up for the e-mails on their web site at [www.icelandair.com](http://www.icelandair.com) so you'll be ready to go when the time comes. (If you don't already have one, now's a

good time to get a passport, too, so it's on hand when you're ready to take a trip.)

## Further along

Now that I've got you thinking about spending hundreds of dollars on visiting strange new worlds (whoops, wrong phrase), I'll add that I look forward to seeing many of you at Shore Leave 25, at Maryland's Hunt Valley Marriott, and at the International Conference in Greensboro, North Carolina. Visit [www.shore-leave.com](http://www.shore-leave.com) and [ic2003.sfi.org](http://ic2003.sfi.org), respectively, for info.

Looking past the summer (in this hemisphere, anyway), I'd like to invite everyone to the 2003 Region 7 Conference in Philadelphia, and the 14th annual Watkins Glen Weekend in Central NY!

The R7 Conference is September 19th-21st, and Watkins Glen Weekend is October 3rd-5th. For more info, visit [www.region7.com](http://www.region7.com) and [www.ussaccord.org](http://www.ussaccord.org), respectively. If you're not familiar with WGW, it's USS Accord's annual fall event, in and around Ithaca, New York, combining a relaxing hike through the gorge trails of Watkins Glen State Park with a couple of pleasant meals and other chances to hang out with friends both old and new.

## What else?

Don't forget to make sure your event has a chance to wind up on my itinerary, or even in a future column, by getting the word out with plenty of advance notice! Your chapter and regional events should of course be promoted on STARFLEET-L, but feel free to also send info to me via USPS, or via e-mail to [vcs@sfi.org](mailto:vcs@sfi.org). I can't promise to attend every event, but when my schedule, finances, and geography allow, I'll do my best!



On April 19<sup>th</sup>, the USS Heimdal, NCC-1793 based in Madison Heights, Virginia celebrated her 19<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a SFI chapter. Led in celebration by the chapter's only commanding officer, Linda Neighbors Smith, the festivities were held in the private dining room at Ryan's Restaurant. The capacity crowd included Heimdal members, former Heimdal members, representatives from sister chapter USS Appomattox, guests and former meeting guest speakers spanning the chapter's 19 year history.

Decorations for the festivities included the Heimdal flag at the front of the room flanked by mannequins dressed in "monster maroon" and TNG uniforms. An 11-pound anniversary cake sporting the chapter logo stood on a table at the entrance to the dining room with the Heimdal's picture board as a backdrop.

Throughout the evening a PowerPoint slide show ran on two computer monitors

## USS HEIMDAL CELEBRATES 19 YEARS IN SFI

By Admiral Linda Smith • USS Heimdal

with photos chronicling the activities of the Heimdal from shuttle beginning days in 1984 until the present. A total of 268 captioned photos were included, with many thanks to the expertise of the chapter's Second Officer, Willy Smith.

The highlight of the evening was live entertainment following dinner. Folk music was provided by the local folk band Folk Salad. Their presentation included contemporary selections, several gospel renditions, and some really amusing numbers about little old ladies, computer nerds and the Heimdal's activities. At one point the band passed out musical instruments (sticks, triangles, kazoos, tambourines) to the crowd and everyone got to "help" the band with several numbers. It was a wonderful gathering of friends

sharing fun, entertainment and 19 years of memories.

Beginning as a shuttle of the USS Jamestown in 1984, the shuttle Asgard went to starship status on April 15, 1985 as the USS Heimdal, NCC-1793. During her 19 years with STARFLEET, the Heimdal, her CO, and chapter members have won many SFI and R1 awards and recognitions. The Heimdal has been mothership to 13 shuttles. The chapter and her shuttles have produced three Region 1 Regional Coordinators, 1 Acting R/1 Regional Coordinator, 1 R/1 Vice RC, numerous R/1 RDC directors, and one ShOC Director. Heimdal's CO, Linda Smith, for 10.5 years served as R/1's RC and longest sitting regional coordinator. Willy Smith currently holds the title of R/1 Vice RC.

During her "life" as a SFI chapter, the USS Heimdal has worked locally with a facility for battered and abused children, has sponsored whales and local wildlife preserves, and has worked with the American Red Cross. Annually the chapter supports, through donations, two local Humane Society shelters, a "No Kill" cat shelter, the local area Food Bank, a senior citizen, a welfare child, a Christmas Angel Tree child, the Pediatric Cystic Fibrosis Fund and a local library.

Funds to support these charity endeavors are raised through bake sales, car washes, raffles and the hard work and loving dedication of the crew of the USS Heimdal, most of whom have been with the chapter for 10 or more years.

As the USS Heimdal embarks on her 20<sup>th</sup> year of service to STARFLEET, Region 1 and her community, her members look forward to a future where The Adventure Continues...





### Greetings Fleet!

The days seem to go so fast. It's been five months since I took office and I've been having a ball. I will be honest: I was expecting this to be a bit harder when I first took this position.

I am happy to report that, thanks to my staff, Chrissy Killian and Michelle Fanelli, and all of the COs of SFI, my job has been pleasure. I want to thank these people and everyone I've been working with over the last five months. I credit you for making my job a great experience.

Two more summits are memory, and pleasant memories to say the least.

The R1 Summit was a blast as always, and the pirates were indeed sailing the seas that weekend. I'd like to thank the Summit staff for putting on a great party and for talking to The Big Guy for getting me a sunny weekend! One of the reasons I look forward to coming down south is the weather, and it shined in all its brilliance for R1.

Also, I want to thank Scott Akers and John Adcock for the use of the Jaguar suite for my lodging, and especially Sandy Berenberg for my transportation from Baltimore to Pigeon Forge and back.

The R15 Summit was a first for me in traveling: driving 11 hours without relief, but it was worth it. I thoroughly enjoyed my weekend and meeting everyone at R15. I was honestly impressed that 11 out of 12 COs attended the Captain's meeting on Saturday. It really shows the dedication these men and women have to their region.

The whole summit felt like one big family reunion. I even seemed to impress a few people with my rendition of "If I Had \$1,000,000.00". It was a blast. I'm definitely going back. Thanks to JC Cohen and our VCS, Mark Anbinder, for putting my crewmate Kevin Faux and myself up for the weekend.

I must admit that the amount of traveling I've been doing has been somewhat overwhelming. Getting to meet the 'Fleet one region at a time as been great. I'm really learning what a fantastic family we all are. To be able to go anyway and still feel home is an experience I hope everyone can share in this organization.

And as a reminder, I will be at the IC this year in Greensboro, NC. Any captain or member that is planning to attend is

welcome to come up and say hello. As always, I want to try and meet many new people so I can put a face to this name. So don't hesitate to grab me by the collar and shake my hand.

### Chapter Care Program

The Chapter Care Program is now in it's planning stages. A potential director is being interviewed by my vice chief, and if all goes well, we will be piecing together the program's structure. Look to this summer for a potential program launch.

Four FTRs (failure to report) or eight late reports in one year will result in a contact from me.

Another Failure to Report or two more late reports will be cause to put the chapter on 60-day standby.

### Vessel Registry

You've probably noticed the Vessel Registry wasn't published last month. That's my gaffe. The April and May issue will be published by the time you read this.

Therefore I am more often than not going to reject that Change of Command and ask you to resubmit if your password fails on any part of it.

Now, if there is a problem (and there has been in the past) we will deal with on a case-by-case basis. But be forewarned about this issue in future.

### Correy Operations

Michelle Fanelli and Joe Hoolihan are doing a fantastic job with Correy Ops. Remember that they are great resources for correy chapters or those chapters looking to become correy chapters, so use them if you have any questions, comments, concerns, etc. Michelle can be reached at [mrbasil@flash.net](mailto:mrbasil@flash.net) and Joe at [joehooli@erols.com](mailto:joehooli@erols.com).

Ops is also in the process of reviewing the Correy guidelines. Anyone who has ideas on what could be improved can contact me.

### Acting Commanding Officers

Over the last while I've had a few chapters inform me that they have appointed an acting Commanding Officers for whatever reason. A few have asked for correspondence to be forwarded to them, along with any privileges that are given to a Commanding Officers : database access, etc.

I want to make something clear here: SFI Operations does not recognize acting Commanding Officers. They are just that: acting, or temporary. If your Commanding Officers is going to be incognito for more than one reporting period I would suggest you submit a Change of Command to make the acting Commanding Officers the permanent Commanding Officers until the original Commanding Officers can come back to duty.

If this is not going to be acceptable, the Commanding Officers can give certain powers to the acting Commanding Officers in the database, like MSR reporting for instance. If a Commanding Officer is going to be on a prolonged leave of absence, I'd prefer a change in command, but this would be acceptable.

Remember, however, if Ops needs to contact a chapter they will do so through the Commanding Officers listed in our records.

Well, that is about it for this time. Anyone who has any questions is welcome to contact me at [ops@sfi.org](mailto:ops@sfi.org)

Till next time...

## MSR REPORTING

Last issue I said I would give some reporting stats. Here are the stats for the Month of April, 2003:

Region	Reported	Total Chapters	Report Rate
1	51	52	98%
2	24	27	88%
3	17	18	94%
4	15	17	88%
5	11	11	100%
6	5	5	100%
7	25	30	83%
10	5	5	100%
11	1	1	100%
12	24	30	80%
13	5	5	100%
14	1	1	100%
15	11	11	100%
17	9	9	100%
Total	204	212	96%

Ninety-Six percent... that's not bad at all! I am very impressed. I hope it goes higher next month!

### Monthly Status Reports

I'm pleased to see so many COs are using the online Monthly Status Report (MSR) now. Believe me when I say it makes my life and the life of your RC much easier. However, do remember I'm still accepting e-mail and mailed MSRs and will indefinitely. Just remember when you do to send a copy to your RC as well as myself.

Just to review STARFLEET Operations policy on reporting: reports are due by the 5th of the next month for the month you're reporting for (April Monthly Status Reports are due May 5th for instance) and late MSRs are considered between the 6th and 10th of that month (April MSRs are late between May 6th and May 10th for instance).


### Understrength Program

Those chapters that are below strength should have been contacted by e-mail by the Understrength Chapters Program run by CompOps.

This program is for you: they're there to help you in any way to get your chapter back up to strength. If they have contacted you, this means your chapter strength has fallen to below strength. Don't let the opportunity for help pass you by.

### Change of Command

A note on the online Change of Command: passwords are very important. The password substitutes for the signature on an online Change of Command.



# COMPUTER OPERATIONS

MAJOR GENERAL SANFORD BERENBERG  
CHIEF OF COMPUTER OPERATIONS, STARFLEET

Greetings from Computer Operations.

We continue to build the Computer Operations department and strengthen all of our existing services to you. Recently some additions have been added to our team. I would like to welcome Dustin Williams to the Recruitment Department. Dustin is heading up the Recruitment Network and reports to Mandi Livingston. Dustin will be guiding the Recruitment Network to help them better serve Fleet by offering advice, guidance, and soon, recruiters to help with events.

Another new addition is Steven Bowers. Steven is the Director of Understrength Chapter Support. Steven also reports to Mandi Livingston. Steven will be contacting all understrength chapters each month and work with them to help find ways to get their membership numbers up.

Steven works with the Recruitment Network and Unassigned Membership Department to help each chapter get to ten members or more for ships and five members or more for shuttles. Please note that if you have the minimum ten or five members, we will still contact you.

Even though you may meet the minimum requirements, we know that slipping down below the minimum is all too easy.

Membership Processing, under Gerri Wampler, continues to run smoothly with a nearly 2 week or less turnaround for most memberships. Membership issues reported are being handled within 1 week of receipt by Computer Operations Staff. Remember, send all of your membership issues to [helpdesk@sfi.org](mailto:helpdesk@sfi.org) or [compops@sfi.org](mailto:compops@sfi.org).

Mandi Livingston, Vice Chief, Administration has been working with me to tie in the Recruitment Network, Understrength Chapter Program and the Unassigned Member Program and all of their staffs.

These three services support each other, giving Fleet more ability to support the membership and chapters.

Announcing the release of a new product from Computer Operations, Recruitment Department: the Recruitment Pack! The Recruitment Pack contains the following materials: A 11x17 (re-usable) Foam-backed

Banner with fold out back, STARFLEET fliers, STARFLEET brochures, recruitment buttons, STARFLEET Applications and STARFLEET freebies to give out at Conventions or other public events.

Each of these items is professionally designed and produced. They were designed with the intention of creating a uniform set of Recruitment tools for all of STARFLEET. Of course, you can supplement the contents of each kit with your own Chapter and/or Regional information. Each Kit costs \$15 (USD).

You can send a request to [recruitmentpack@sfi.org](mailto:recruitmentpack@sfi.org) (PayPal is being set up for this; until it is finalized, you can use [Sanford@berenberg.net](mailto:Sanford@berenberg.net)) or mail in a request with your check or money order to:

**Recruitment Pack**  
**C/O SFI Membership Processing**  
**PO Box 460**  
**Gaithersburg, MD 20884-0460**  
**USA**

Please include the address you wish the pack to be sent to. Make checks and money orders out to STARFLEET International.

## SFI Membership Database

On the Database front, we continue to hammer out fixes to found bugs and deliver new tools for all areas of the database. Some new areas being worked on are Polling and Election tools to allow for such activities to occur securely online through the database. Recently we finished bringing the SFMC TRACOM department online and linked to the SFI Membership Database. Now, completed TRACOM Courses will appear in Chapter MSRs and Member Eligibility Screens.

In addition to this release is the linking of the new STARFLEET Academy Site with the Membership Database. This linking of information allows for both the SFA and the Database to exchange data and greatly expand the abilities of SFA Site's Staff Section.

Database Tutorials are being developed. You can find our online Tutorials through the Computer Operations Website at <http://compops.sfi.org>, or by going to the [www.sfi.org](http://www.sfi.org) site and following the link from the Departments Page.

We have many new exciting plans and projects rolling out in future months, please stay tuned to see what they are.

Regards,




# FINANCIAL FINAGLING

COMMODORE TAMMY WILLCOX  
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, STARFLEET

Hello! Well, as we all know, my life continues to be chaotic. I am currently recuperating from emergency gall bladder surgery, and while out on medical leave I obtained a new job. I'll soon be back working as a database administrator versus doing tech support work as I've done for the last seven months. I'm looking forward to getting back into the work I've done for the last several years, though I must say I really did enjoy working at Canon.

As of right now, I plan on being at the IC in Greensboro in July. I'm really looking forward to getting together with everyone and attending my first EC/AB meeting. I hope I'll get to meet many of you there! Please come on up and introduce yourself to me. I love meeting Fleeters!

We've had a major change in the finance department on how credit cards are handled. Our processing contract was sold

from Novus to NPC (National Processing Center). Because of the changes, I had to download a new program into our credit card machine, and now credit card processing has become more cumbersome, as well as asking for more information. One of the things that is frequently requested from the new processing company and the banks is for the CVV number. The CVV number is the three-digit number that follows your credit card account number on the back of the credit card. I may be contacting several of you to ask for your CVV number to complete the processing of your charge for your membership.

Sandy and I have spoken and we're looking at making the changes to the database that will ask for the CVV number. We are also looking at software that will allow me to process the cards electronically versus through the terminal. Rest assured that we will ensure everyone's privacy is

maintained and will not use any system without insuring the security of the system. If I contact you concerning your CVV number, please reply promptly so we can get your payment processed correctly. I appreciate everyone's assistance while we transition into the new processing centers procedures and requirements.

### Returned/bounced Checks:

We are having several checks returned either for insufficient funds or due to the check or money order unable to be deposited through the Federal Reserve. Every time a check or money order is returned, SFI is charged \$5.00. If you have a returned or bounced check, your STARFLEET membership will be placed on hold until you have repaid the original check/money order amount and the \$5.00 fee. You will no longer receive the CQ, be eligible to attend SFA, or be promoted until

the issue has been resolved. In addition, if you are an RC, chapter CO or XO, this places your region or chapter in jeopardy, as it is a requirement that these officers have active memberships. Please make sure that when you send in money that you make sure that you have that money in your account until it clears.

### Vouchers:

Please note that voucher purchases now take place through the Treasurer's office. Vouchers are available in one-credit certificates and five-credits certificates. We are in the process of getting a secure online site for vouchers to be purchased with credit cards. Please remember that we will only accept credit cards for voucher purchases over 5 credits. Vouchers can still be purchased via mail by sending me a check or money order made payable to STARFLEET to the address listed in the back. Voucher cost is equivalent to the number of credits you want to purchase.

As usual, I am always available for questions, so please feel free to contact me at any time.

Until next CQ!



# STARFLEET TREASURER REPORT — APRIL/MAY 2003

## SFI GENERAL ACCOUNT - APRIL

04/01/2003 through 04/30/2003  
Opening Balance: \$16,996.18

DATE	PAYEE	CATEGORY	AMOUNT
4/1/2003	Novus/NPC	Discount Fee	(44.95)
4/2/2003	Novus/NPC	Discount Fee	(8.25)
4/2/2003	Novus/NPC	Discount Fee	(12.97)
4/3/2003	Paypal.com	Membership Processing	365.25
4/3/2003	First Virginia Bank	Online Banking Service Fee	(24.95)
4/4/2003	Credit Card Processing	Membership Processing	1,229.00
4/4/2003	Novus/NPC	Discount Fee	(43.45)
4/7/2003	Credit Card Processing	Membership Processing	15.00
4/7/2003	Credit Card Processing	Membership Processing	364.00
4/8/2003	Stamps.com	Stamps.com Fee	(18.99)
4/11/2003	Membership Processing	Membership Processing	158.00
4/11/2003	Membership Processing	Membership Processing	677.00
4/14/2003	Paypal.com	Membership Processing	231.30
4/14/2003	Membership Processing	Expenses	(95.00)
4/24/2003	Credit Card Processing	Membership Processing	984.00
4/24/2003	Credit Card Processing	Membership Processing	67.00

Ending Balance: \$20,854.67

All transactions in parentheses, such as this (5.00) are deductions/expenses. All other transactions are additions/deposits.

## SFI GENERAL ACCOUNT - MAY

05/01/2003 through 05/31/2003  
Opening Balance: \$20,854.67

DATE	PAYEE	CATEGORY	AMOUNT
5/1/2003	NPC	Discount Fee	(12.83)
5/2/2003	NPC	Discount Fee	(11.22)
5/2/2003	NPC	Discount Fee	(17.80)
5/2/2003	NPC	Discount Fee	(64.44)
5/5/2003	First Virginia Bank	Online Banking Service Fee	(24.95)
5/7/2003	Stamps.com	Stamps.com Fee	(18.99)
5/9/2003	Membership Processing	Membership Processing	776.00
5/9/2003	Stamps.com	Treasury Expenses : Postage	(475.00)
5/12/2003	Membership Processing	Membership Processing	80.00
5/14/2003	First Virginia Bank	Returned Check	(22.00)
5/14/2003	First Virginia Bank	Returned Check	(67.00)
5/14/2003	First Virginia Bank	Returned Check Fee	(5.00)
5/14/2003	First Virginia Bank	Returned Check Fee	(5.00)
5/19/2003	Paypal.com	Membership Processing	338.89
5/20/2003	Credit Card Processing	Membership Processing	41.00
5/20/2003	Credit Card Processing	Membership Processing	1,154.85
5/20/2003	NPC	Discount Fee	(147.77)
5/22/2003	NPC	Refund of overcharge	14.26

Ending Balance: \$22,371.17

## STARFLEET SAVINGS

04/01/2003 through 05/31/2003  
Opening Balance: \$3,693.61

### Deposits:

5/23/2003: Money from  
Paypal.com for IC 2003 - \$683.95

Ending Balance: \$4,377.56

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND

04/01/2003 through 05/31/2003  
Opening Balance: \$4,636.74

No Transactions.

Ending Balance: \$4,636.74

## SCHOLARSHIP SAVINGS

04/01/2003 through 05/31/2003  
Opening Balance: \$4,001.90

No Transactions.

Ending Balance: \$4,001.90

## SFI ACADEMY CHECKING

04/01/2003 through 05/31/2003  
Opening Balance: \$2,839.07

### Deposits:

4/25/2003: Tuition - \$68.00  
5/13/2003: Tuition - \$37.00

### Debits:

4/8/2003: Check Printing - (16.00)

Ending Balance: \$2928.07

It is one of the most common problems that a leader of any kind of group has to confront, namely what to do with someone who seems to do nothing but cause trouble, or tries to cause trouble from the outside.

When dealing with troubles, the best way I've found over the years is to get folks to sit down and talk things over, either separately or together, depending on the situation.

If you talk to them separately, you talk to both sides, see where they agree and then go from there. When together, you should get them talking to each other.

## FROM THE STAINED GLASS OFFICE

By Rev. Dennis Rayburn • Chief of Chaplains/Counselors, STARFLEET

I've found over the years that the root cause of most problems, conflicts and situations in groups, such as SFI chapters, can be traced back to a failure to communicate between the parties in question.

However, dealing with those who seem to do nothing but cause problems doesn't necessarily work, and despite your very best efforts, the problems continue and strife and division grows and grows.

You then have to face the situation much like a shepherd watching out for his flock. When a wolf comes around after the sheep, does a shepherd go to the wolf and say, "Mr. Wolf, you are causing trouble with your actions. Could you please stop and cooperate with me?"

Of course not!

He takes his staff and starts to whoop on the wolf's head and shoulders, giving the

wolf three choices, (1) forget the leg of lamb and get out of there, (2) whip up on the shepherd till he gives up, or (3) meet a very bloody and bruised end.

A leader should do all in his or her power to deal with problems without such drastic means, but there are those times when they must be like the shepherd of old and deal with the problem with certainty and decisiveness. It's a bad situation, and there are never real winners when things reach that point, but there are simply those times where you have no choice.

Think about it.





Hey, STARFLEET, what's shakin'?

First off, I want to apologize for the lateness of the previous Communiqué. We had a series of events that conspired to delay it, and I am confident that we won't have a "Perfect Storm" like that again!

I would like to thank Bob and his team for all the great work they do on this publication. It's important to remember that we depend on you, the members, to let us know what you think of the CQ. We always want to hear suggestions on how we can make the CQ better for you! Just drop a note to [cq@sfi.org](mailto:cq@sfi.org) with any ideas (or submissions!) that you have.

Also, there are some addresses that are chronically "undeliverable." What this means is that the addresses are rejected by the software at the mailing house. When this happens, I look at the addresses and do research on each one to try to determine what the correct address is. Sometimes it will be "road" instead of "street" or a bad zip code, and so on. The software catches and corrects most of these; the others, I get.

There is a (small) list of addresses I am unable to determine a correct address for. I will be notifying the COs of each of these members of the problem, and work with them to correct it so that everyone gets their CQ!

As always, if you have a question about CQs, or memberships, or just about anything Fleet, you can contact the SFI HelpDesk at [helpdesk@sfi.org](mailto:helpdesk@sfi.org). Our dedicated staff of trained monkeys will research your question and, after eating a few bananas, reply back to you with an answer.

As always, feel free to contact me at [comm@sfi.org](mailto:comm@sfi.org) or the postal address listed in the staff section if you have any questions or suggestions!

"Regions" website while the other categories have to be linked to either [sfi.org](http://sfi.org), or another Fleet-related website and must be Fleet-related in nature to be eligible. URL's e-mailed to me will be sent directly to the trashcan, as I don't have the time or resources to keep up with the hundreds of e-mails that would result.

I've gone over this year after year after year and nobody has yet provided me with a suitable reason to deviate from this policy.

These awards will be given at the 2003 STARFLEET International Conference in Greensboro. Hope to see you there, and good luck to all!

The SFI NetServices is proud to announce the 2003 STARFLEET Web Awards! Categories are as follows:

**Chapter Homepage of the Year:** Individual ship's page.

**Information Resource:** These are sites designed as a reference tool.

**Regional Website of the Year:** Well-balanced use of graphics and color; overall design and appearance.

**"Fun" Site of the Year:** 'nuff said!

**Awards of Excellence:** Will be awarded at discretion of the judges.

## 2003 WEB AWARDS

By Ed Nowlin • Vice Chief, Communications

**Winners Choice:** Last year's winners choose a website!

**Vanguard Award:** This Award was established for those Web Masters who are on the cutting edge of technology and are pushing the envelope of web design.

Please don't submit URLs to us directly. Chapter web pages must be linked either to their Regional Home Page or to the Operations List of Chapters. Regional Webpages must be linked to the [sfi.org](http://sfi.org)'s



Summer is here and things are really heating up at Shuttle Operations Command. Many groups prefer to take advantage of the regional conferences/International Conference, which take place during the summer, to launch or commission their ships. This is very understandable and ShOC tries to comply with these requests whenever possible. To avoid delays, please make sure you have the necessary paperwork and contact ShOC if you plan to launch/commission on a different date than the default schedule.

With that in mind, I am glad to announce the following launches and commissionings:

**Shuttle Claymore (R12)**  
**Shuttle Firestorm (R12)**  
**USS Nelson (R15)**  
**USS Ronin (R12)**

Later this summer, we plan to have the following ships commissioned: USS Laredo (R3) in June and USS Europe (R9) in July. The latter is particularly significant because it represents our success in re-establishing R9. I look forward to meeting the R9 delegation at IC this year.

Launching is only the beginning of the shuttle adventure. One of the greatest challenges while running a shuttle is recruitment. There are many useful tips

outlined in the S.T.A.R.T. manual (available for download from ShOC home page at no cost) to help new shuttle crews. In addition, I strongly recommend shuttle crews check out the excellent services offered by CompOps. Vice Chief Mandi Livingston is in charge of the recruitment services. She can be reached at [compops-vcadmin@sfi.org](mailto:compops-vcadmin@sfi.org).

We try to provide as complete a service to shuttles as possible at ShOC, hopefully helping all shuttles to commission successfully. Sometimes, we end up having sort of a "cradle to grave" experience. To avoid the "grave" (decommission) it is vital to report regularly to the departments outlined in the shuttle manuals. Even better, try the

## THE 2003 STARFLEET NEWSLETTER AWARDS

By Dixie Halber • Vice-Chief, Communications

The Communications department is pleased to announce the 2003 STARFLEET Newsletter Awards. These annual awards will be handed out at the IC in Greensboro. The competition is open to every ship, shuttle, space station, region, and department in Fleet. Anyone who produces a newsletter is eligible to enter. So gather up the best of your best and send it in. Now, for the fine print:

- All entries must be received by July 15, 2003.
- Newsletters must have been published during the 2002 calendar year.
- Electronic only and/or web-based newsletters are acceptable. Forward the URL to the e-mail listed below.
- While electronic files are acceptable, please do not send large files via e-mail without prior arrangements. It may be possible to arrange an ftp transfer rather than e-mail.
- Where to send submissions:

Hardcopy or CD ROM:

**Dixie Halber**  
**8606 King George Rd.**  
**Evansville, IN 47725**

E-mail:

[dhalber@sigecom.net](mailto:dhalber@sigecom.net)

Remember, submissions are due by 7/15/03. Good luck!

easy-to-use online reporting form. Other factors that contribute to decommission – such as below strength – are also easily remedied by utilizing Fleet resources. Be sure to consult your mothership or ShOC if you need any help.

On a lighter note, we have several interesting projects in the ASDB division. The director, FCAPT David Lockwood, is working hard to revamp the ASDB website. In the meantime, you can check thing out by visiting [www.srdproject.org](http://www.srdproject.org). Other projects at ASDB include the "Ships of Alien Culture" and step-by-step "How To Design a Starship System" guides. These should be very useful to both shuttles and starships. Along with DTS, I believe we can come up with the right ship design to suit all your needs.

That's all for this time. If you have any questions about ShOC, just send me a note at [shoc@sfi.org](mailto:shoc@sfi.org). Have a great summer.



School is out for summer. School is out forever. By the time you get this, it will be the height of summer, and probably days before the International Conference. We will be eating hot dogs, swimming in the Calico Creek, and passing out Red Squad Awards at the IC in Greensboro. Though school may be out for our kids/younger members, there is always an opportunity to enjoy the classes and resources at the Academy. Take advantage of the multiplicity of viewpoints, interests and trivia and take a course today. I promise no back-to-school sales, no backpacks, and no mystery meat lunches. Learning is for life, and the fun you get from playing at the academy will make that learning enjoyable and memorable.

#### Spotlight on the Academy Staff

I would like to move our Academy spotlight onto one of our new staffers: Commander Lauren Milan, that's right Commander. Lauren has in the last couple of years become one of the most prolific

web designers in STARFLEET, helping out on the Chapter (<http://www.ussosiris.org/>), Regional (<http://www.region7.com/>), Corp (<http://www.sfi-sfmc.org/>) and Fleet Levels (<http://www.sfi.org/historian/>). And now our new STARFLEET Academy Web Page (<http://academy.sfi.org/>) is just one more of those wonderful sites she has spent countless hours designing, creating and maintaining. Since its inception, the web page has been a hugely successful portal that has allowed over **fifteen hundred** course applications to be processed, thus allowing more and more of Fleet membership to access the wonderful resources of the Academy. But Lauren did not just design a site and walk away, she is constantly updating the Academy site for content, workability, and appearance.

In addition with a staff as large as the Academy has, the Staff Roster is constantly changing and Lauren has been on top of that as well. We all owe Lauren our thanks and appreciation. Outstanding Work Web

Diva, Outstanding, you may now leave the Web Dungeon for a Coffee and Chocolate Break.

#### Please Remember

While we are quickly getting spoiled with one-hour turnaround times and near instantaneous transactions because of the great advances our Fleet and Academy web staffs have done, there is still a requirement for patience. Not every member in fleet has the same access to the Internet, and that includes some of our Academy Directors. In addition some of them can only play STARFLEET once a week, so you may not hear back from them for an entire week.

Please give them the time to help you enjoy your experience more fully.

If however you have not heard anything back after four weeks, feel free to contact me directly at [chunone@nwlinc.com](mailto:chunone@nwlinc.com). I will look into the matter directly. Sometimes I

may be facing the same frustration as you, and this way we know it's not just us, but a systemwide problem.

#### International Directors Still Needed

As always, the Academy and particularly the International Campuses are looking for individuals who would like to serve as an Academy Director. Contact the Academy Commandant if you are interested.

#### Translators Needed

Since STARFLEET is growing by leaps and bounds the Academy is reaching individuals in many countries. We are continuously looking for people to translate documents into languages other than English. Contact the Commandant if you can lend your services.

#### Academy Packets Processed

It gives me great pleasure to note that STARFLEET Academy Directors have processed 263 Graduates in the past 15 weeks, with over 1500 online courses requested in the first five months of this year, Excellent Work!

Until next issue!

As the new Director of the STARFLEET Scholarships (based out of STARFLEET Academy), I wanted to introduce myself and get out some exciting news out to everyone. I'd like to thank Scott Akers, STARFLEET Academy Commandant for allowing me the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

On to the exciting news. Several changes have been made to the scholarship program. We are hoping that this will make it easier for more folks to apply and qualify for a scholarship. The first big change is that the application is now available on-line. That's right! Just go to <http://academy.sfi.org/student/scholarship.shtml> and click on either the MS Word or PDF format of the application. Print out all of the pages, follow the directions carefully, and mail them to me postmarked by July 1st.

That gives you all seven weeks, so get to it! If you can't print out that application yourself send me an e-mail or USPS your name and address and I'll get one out to you (a SASE for snail mail replies would be appreciated). Or if you prefer, your submission may be sent as an e-mail attachment to [kitten63@lvcn.com](mailto:kitten63@lvcn.com) or can be faxed (contact me at my e-mail address for fax instructions).

There are changes to the application itself as well. For example, a past transcript is only requested if you have one five years old or less. We know that if it's been longer than that, a past transcript would be very difficult to obtain.

## STARFLEET SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

By RAdm. Wendy Fillmore • STARFLEET Academy Scholarship Director

The request for a transcript is geared towards those who recently graduated from high school or are currently in college, and is used only to help us choose whom to give a scholarship to. In other words, the transcript may help, but is not necessary to obtaining a scholarship. Another change is in the references section. You are no longer required to have one teacher, one community reference, and one STARFLEET reference; these are suggestions only.

You could have three teachers (high school, college, night school, etc); or three community references (choir leader, drama instructor, charity coordinator, etc), or three STARFLEET references (RC, CO, XO, etc), or any combination thereof. Of course I would prefer that at least one reference be a STARFLEET member since this is a Fleet scholarship for Fleet members, but I know that may be difficult for unassigned members who don't know anyone else in Fleet yet. Use your common sense and choose references who can best tell us about you with regards to your schooling or job (yes, you could ask your boss at work for a reference), anything you might be active with in the community, and your STARFLEET involvement.

Although not listed on the current application, something official from your college showing that you are accepted to attend is also requested. You don't

necessarily have to get an official letter from the registrar's office, but a copy of your fall class schedule (or anything that has your name on it and shows that you are definitely going to attend that school) would work.

The money gets sent directly to the school so we have to a) know where to send it, and b) make sure it's going to get credited to you and not just sit around in their general fund. You don't necessarily have to be starting this fall; you could have started this past winter, or during summer term, and we can then send the money to the school to apply toward any student loans/financial aid/outstanding balance you already have. The name and address of the financial officer would be helpful in any case.

Now once you've looked over the list of scholarships, don't be afraid to apply because "oh, none of them pertain to my field of study..." Let us be the judge of that. If you don't know which one to apply for, ask us for guidance and we'll be happy to find a scholarship that fits your needs.

I've also heard that some folks feel there are too many hoops to jump through for a mere \$500. I'd like to address this issue, since I went through the process myself last year and can understand where you're coming from. First, please understand

that the decision on whom to give the scholarships to can be very difficult. The letters of recommendation, short essays, and past transcript help us to choose the very best candidate between two or more excellent applicants. Second, I'd like to remind everyone to go back over the changes we made. The hoops are lower and less numerous because we know how busy you all are going to school, working, keeping busy in Fleet, and generally living your lives. Third, and last, we know that it's a \$500 scholarship against several thousand dollars a semester. We're a fan-based organization and unfortunately we just can't afford to give out more right now, but please consider that it's still \$500 – that certainly should be helpful to some extent. I'll be looking at possibilities for next year to make this program even better, so feel free to send in your comments/suggestions/complaints so we can make this program the best it can be. Thank you!

If you've already applied for one of this year's scholarships, please feel free to resubmit your application directly to me (simply in the interest of saving time). My USPS address is:

**SFA Scholarship,  
c/o Wendy Fillmore  
6770 E. Judson Avenue,  
Las Vegas, NV 89156.**

Questions can also be sent to me at [kitten63@lvcn.com](mailto:kitten63@lvcn.com). Once again, my thanks to Scott for allowing me to serve, and I hope to hear from you all soon!



# SFI ACADEMY GRADUATES – MARCH/APRIL 2003

By Carol Thompson • Vice-Commandant, STARFLEET Academy

## INSTITUTE OF LEADERSHIP

### Officers Training School

Sandy Dolan  
Jennifer Watkins  
Vance Watkins  
Robert Haeffner  
Florence Hurst  
Maxxwell X.R. Santiago  
Ricky Dean  
Benj Hollis  
Raymond Newman  
Leo A. Rogers  
Dorothy H. Silman  
Michelle Stephenson  
Julie Franklin  
Edward Lovelace  
Barbara Flink  
Bill Frazer  
Manuel Jose Gonzalez  
Timothy Barrington  
Sharon Lovelace  
Thomas Pawelczak

Gillian Swaim  
Graviela C. Gonzalez  
Judu Dague  
James Royer  
Kelley Diebold  
Ruth Diebold  
Lea Drawdy  
Travis Good  
Joey Ercanbrack  
Katherine Ercanbrack  
Teresa Frey  
Michael J. Harris  
Richard Wasnik  
Gloria Greening  
Beth Schoen  
Antonia Lopes, III  
John Patrick, III  
Cary Scherer  
Seth Williams  
Eugene Roy Sherrill

Wesley Brandt  
John Mclvor  
Michael Pope  
Leonard Alan Provo  
John Brown  
Michael Edelson  
Tracey Gonneau  
Ann Redding  
John Adams  
Rabel Hall  
Tim Ward  
Chris Fisher  
Adrian Jones  
Tonya S. Martin  
Paul Scalabroni  
Stephen Whyat  
Marie Wilson  
Fred Crews, Jr  
Joanie Daniel  
Abraham Diaz, Jr

Paul D. Gallego  
Manuel Gonzalez  
Maria Luisa Martinez  
Rebecca Ann Taylor  
Raul Vasquez  
Jennifer Vaughn  
Michael Wyant  
Fred Martin  
Melody Stearns  
Michael Watson  
David H. Beasley, Jr.  
Jason Goodrich  
Gavin Jeffery  
Nathan Marcy  
Dean Morris  
David A. Cantero  
Steven Kell  
Betsy Lawhorn  
Richard Logue  
Donald Morin

Amy Beasley  
Goldie Golden  
Harvey Mattern, II  
Desmond O'Neill  
Sarah Addams  
Bill Eyke, III  
Melissa Horton  
Robert Reseigne  
Robert Roush  
Diana Goetsch  
Ronni Katz  
Karen Kessen  
Arlene Sickels  
Kyle Schugart  
Angelo Kyrelis  
Kathy McCartney  
Herb Prewitt, Jr.  
Kelly Williams  
Peter B. Yohe  
Craig Cheairs

Ryan Kelly  
Ray Kinserlow  
Ed Blankenship  
John Winans, Sr  
Xia Harris  
Sandra Northrup  
Derek Sauls  
Dean Morris  
Michael Vermoesen  
Stefan Laser

### Flag Officers School

Mike Malotte  
Joseph White  
Russ Garrison  
Shawn Williams  
Doug Angeli  
James Wilcox  
Chris Esquibel  
Jeffrey Davis

### Officers Com. College

Benjamin Feld  
Debbie Winters  
Florence Hurst  
James Kubajak  
Teresa (Teri) Fray  
Shawn McVay  
Arlene Sickels  
Bill Eyke  
Ann Redding  
Michael Edelson  
Nathan Marcy  
Marie Wilson  
Leo Rogers  
Brian McCauley  
Angelo Kryelis  
Michael Pope

## INSTITUTE OF ARTS

### School of Trekology

Dean Rogers  
Jill Tipton  
Glenn D. Martin  
Truman Temple  
Jim Bellon  
Stephen Farris  
Michael Timko  
Kaith Rush  
Raymond Newman III  
Darlene Topp  
Jerry E. Beaulieu  
Cathy Lynn Edgington  
Kandyleigh Provencher  
Glenn D. Martin  
Robin Smith  
Nancy J. O'Shields  
Janice R. Graham

### College of Fed. Studies

Dean Andre Rogers  
Karen Kessen  
Wayne Snyder  
Keira Russell-Strong  
Adrian Jones  
Jill Tipton  
Marie Wilson  
Chris Esquibel  
Nick Stewart  
Truman Temple  
Dean Rogers  
Michael Timko  
Adrina Jones  
Marie Wilson

### College of Comm.

Donald Morin

### College of Myth. Studies

Kaith Rush  
Dean Andre Rogers  
Sarah Addams  
Steven P. Bowers  
Scott A. Akers  
Shirley Rodriguez  
Russell D. Ruhland  
Melody Stearns  
Shawn McVay  
Glenn D. Martin  
Larry Henderson  
Truman Temple  
Beth Schoen  
Robin R. Smith

### Culinary School

Nila Ruth Diebold

### School of Europeya

Adrian Jones  
Antonio J. Lopes  
Leo A. Rogers  
Marie Wilson  
Ewan Chalmers  
Robin R. Smith

### School of Australiana

Carolyn Donner  
Nancy O'Shields  
Elizabeth Worth  
Mavis Yates  
Brian Sussman

### Alien History & Culture

Donald Morin

David Peifer  
Wayne Killough Jr  
Elizabeth Martin  
Wayne Snyder  
Monika Reinholz  
Ann Arnold  
Donald Moran

### Delta Quadrant College

Matt Baillie  
Corey Grant  
Dave Blaser  
David Klingman  
Nancy J. O'Shields  
Jerry E. Beaulieu  
Leo A. Rogers  
Antonio J. Lopes  
Dean Andre Rogers

Antonio J. Lopes  
Wayne Killough Jr.

### School of Law

Matt Baillie  
Sam Black  
Dean Andre Rogers  
Elizabeth Goulet  
Max Khaytsus  
Robin Smith  
Max Khaytsus  
Lee Vitasek  
Sam Black  
Jill Tipton  
Max Khaytsus

### School of Liberal Arts

Kandyleigh Provencher

Wayne Killough Jr

### School of Literature

Monika Reinholz  
Scott A. Akers

### School of Science Fiction

Raymond Newman III  
Tracey Gonneau  
Frank Rakestraw

## INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

### School of Borg Tech.

Mike Bertolli  
Adrian Jones  
Marie Wilson  
Raymond Newman III  
John Sprouse  
Melody Stearns  
James Muench, Jr.  
Jerry Beaulieu

Tim Ward  
Truman Temple  
Tracey Gonneau  
Roger Stearns  
David Beasley  
John Sprouse  
Norbert Kessen III  
Mike Dethlefs  
Christina Pavka

### Vulcan Acad. of Science

Judy Waidlich  
Cathy Edgington  
Jill Tipton  
Lori Blackwell  
Jim Bellon  
Sam Black  
Rebecca Ostman  
Todd Brugmans

Alice Carey  
Janice Graham  
Tracy Starker  
John McCarter  
Nancy Rabel Hall  
Shirley Rodriguez

### College of Medicine

Rodney Davis

Alice Carey  
Karen Kessen  
Jennifer J. Scott  
Amy L. L'Abbey  
Kathy McCartney  
Allyson M.W. Dyar  
Darlene Topp  
Jill Tipton  
Carolyn M.A. Zimdahl

Paula J. Kesler  
Karen Bellon  
John Michael McCarter  
Joseph White

### Officers Radio School

Dean Rogers  
Sam Black  
Scott Akers

Larry French Sr  
Michael Edelson  
Nancy Hall

## INSTITUTE OF MILITARY STUDIES

### Security School

Robert Haeffner  
Robert Roush  
Kyle Schugart  
Melody Stearns  
Jonathan Hogan  
Angelo Kyrelis  
Marie Wilson  
Leo Rogers  
Christina Pavka  
Timothy Barrington  
Jared Fielder  
Gerald Diehl  
Sasha McKnight  
Laura Sprouse  
Jason Goodrich

Scott Smith  
Desmond O'Neill  
Harvey Mattern II  
Adrian Jones  
Tina DiBartolo

### The Gorn Academy

Leo Rogers  
Antonio Lopes III  
Steven Bowers  
Sam Black  
Truman Temple

### Klingon Warrior Acad.

Tracey Gonneau  
Michael Balewitz

### College of Starship Ops.

Brian Sussman  
Christina Pavka  
Richard Sussman  
Angelo Kyrels  
Linda M. Ricketts  
Angelo Kyrels  
Joseph White  
Barbara M. Buffington  
Chris Esquibel  
Glendon L. Diebold  
Sean Meyer  
Paul Anthony  
Corey Grant  
Gary T. Stewart  
John Sprouse

Joesph Gallagher  
Guy Blandford

### Strategy & Tactics

G.T. Stewart  
Roger Stearns  
Jason Goodrich  
Kaith Rush  
Michael Bertolli  
Alice Carey  
Troy Pharris  
Kandyleigh Provencher  
Paul Williams  
Jonathan Hogan  
Shawn McVay  
Erik Coward

### Survival Studies

Glendon Diebold  
David Kennedy

### Vessel Readiness

Shuttle Vanguard has  
earned certs in 2 depts.  
USS Lone Star has  
earned certs in 10 depts.

### Marine Unit Readiness

Shuttle Vanguard  
earned certs in PD, NCO,  
LD 4/4/03

### Basic Cadet Security & Safety School

Dean Morris  
John Adams  
Nicholas Stewart

### Cadet Security Convention School

John Adams

### Cadet Vulcan Academy of Science

Raven Avery



## Fleet Business

Relative calm continues to be the news of the day in the Realm, but the work of the OIG never stops.

## Region Business

### Region 17

Pursuant to FLEET regulations, Admiral Jonathan Simmons has requested an unscheduled Vote of Confidence. Said Vote of Confidence for Regional Coordinator began 09 May 2003 and is scheduled to conclude on 09 June 2003.

### Other Issues

Work continues on the joint venture between the OIG and SFI Webmaster to create informational pages through the SFI website. This site will provide detailed information about the workings of the Office of Inspector General.

### Duties Of The OIG

Last issue I discussed the duties of the OIG in relation to Regional Coordinator Elections. Since that time, there were some revisions to the content of the OIG Operations Manual (as approved by the Executive Committee). The changes are in bold.

### Section 04:04 - Nomination Process

Nominations shall be accepted for a period of thirty days from the first announcement by the IG that nominations are being sought. Once the nomination window opens, those seeking to become RC shall provide to the IG letters from **no less than two (2) Commanding Officers** of the chapters in good standing of the Region who shall affirm their nomination of the candidate. **In a Region that only has two chapters, typically, the COs of the two chapters shall be the candidates for Regional Coordinator. However, the nomination of candidates shall be a choice made from each chapter within said Region. A chapter may choose to abstain from nominating a candidate.**

Each nomination letter shall include:

- The name of the nominating CO's **(or member's) chapter**
- The nominating CO's **(or member's)** name and SCC number
- The contact address of the nominating CO **(or member)**
- The name of the candidate for RC they are nominating
- The nominating CO's **(or member's)** signature and date

As noted above, each candidate for RC must have nominations from **no less than two (2) Commanding Officers** of the Region in order to be placed on the ballot.

### Section 04:05 - Election

- If only one candidate is nominated, that candidate shall be automatically declared the Regional Coordinator-elect.
- If any candidate receives nominations from 50%+1 or more of the Region's total chapters, that candidate shall be automatically declared the Regional Coordinator-elect.
- If more than one candidate is nominated, and no candidate receives nominations from 50%+1 or more of the Region's total chapters,

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By Maj. Gen. Robb Jackson • Inspector General, STARFLEET

then an election shall be held.

### Section 04:06 - Election Process

The Inspector General shall within seven days of the end of the nomination process, announce the candidates for Regional Coordinator and distributes ballots with said names to all of the Commanding Officers within the Region.

**04:06:A: In a Region with only two chapters, a vote for the office of Regional Coordinator shall involve all members within said Region (who are paid members of STARFLEET at the time the vote shall commence), be they attached to the two chapters in said Region, associate members, or members assigned to chapters outside said Region. Only members within said Region will be allowed to participate in the election.**

Each ballot shall include the names of the candidates, with a checkbox for the CO (or member -see 04:06:A above) to select the candidate they wish to vote for. Each ballot shall also have space for the CO **(or member)** to sign and print their name, as well as date the ballot. It shall also include a return address for the ballot.

In this issue, I'll discuss the Votes of Confidence for Regional Coordinators.

### Section 05:01 - Votes Of Confidence

### Section 05:02 - Regional Coordinators

### SFI Constitution – Article 4, Section 3:

All Regional Coordinators must be residents of the geographic area they represent and at least 21 years of age. The COs of the Chapters and Shuttles of the Region elect via popular election or confirm via votes of confidence their Regional Coordinators to a two-year term, in accordance with the current guidelines as set forth in the Membership Handbook. The primary duty of the Regional Coordinator is to represent the membership of his/her Region to STARFLEET in general and the Admiralty Board specifically. The Regional Coordinator is charged with administering and implementing the organizational policies as set forth by the Admiralty Board. Regional Coordinators hold regional funds in trust for the benefit of their regions, and are charged with the responsibility of handling, or appointing someone to handle, the administration and disbursement of his/her region's funds, the maintenance of adequate regional financial records, and the full, regular, and periodic public disclosure thereof.

Additionally, the collective assembly of all Regional Coordinators shall constitute the Admiralty Board. As such, the Regional Coordinators are required to vote on the various issues submitted for their consideration. These votes should reflect the will of the Region and not solely that of the Regional Coordinator whenever possible.

Regional Coordinators report monthly on the status of their regions to the Chief of Operations, STARFLEET with a copy going to the Commander, STARFLEET and to exercise

all other duties as outlined in the current Membership Handbook.

The Regional Coordinator is required to appoint at least one Vice Regional Coordinator of his/her own choosing to serve in his/her absence as needed. Any and all additional staff is at the sole discretion of the Regional Coordinator.

### SFI Constitution – Article 6, Section 1:

If any Region's Commanding Officers (COs) become dissatisfied with the performance of their RC, after first exhausting all avenues to reconcile their differences with said RC, the COs shall petition the Inspector General, STARFLEET, to initiate a process to remove said RC from office. Upon receiving the petition signed by at least 25% of the Region's COs, the Inspector General, STARFLEET will orally interview and/or request written statements from any and all parties involved.

The Inspector General, STARFLEET may recuse himself and his staff from the matter only if he believes that his/her office's participation in the matter would create a conflict of interest or the appearance of impropriety. In this case, if there is no one on the Inspector General's staff who may assume jurisdiction over the matter, the petition shall be sent to the Commander, STARFLEET for further action.

After giving all positions due consideration, the Inspector General, STARFLEET (or the investigator who assumed authority over the case), in consultation with the Commander, STARFLEET, must decide whether to submit the petition to the Admiralty Board (AB) for further consideration or call for an immediate Vote of Confidence by the Commanding Officers of the Region the RC represents.

If the petition is submitted to the Admiralty Board, the AB shall first deliberate on the matter and then by a majority vote of all Regional Coordinators holding office, excluding the RC who is the subject of the removal petition, vote on whether to request a Regional Vote of Confidence in the affected Region. No voting proxies shall be accepted in this balloting process.

If the petition to remove the RC is accompanied by the signatures of more than 50% of the Region's COs, the Vote of Confidence process shall be initiated automatically by the Inspector General, STARFLEET.

If the Regional Vote of Confidence is in favor of removal, the CS shall promote the senior-most sitting Vice-Regional Coordinator to serve as Interim Regional Coordinator to serve until a called RC election can be held.

### Section 05:03 - Scheduled Votes Of Confidence

As dictated by the STARFLEET Constitution and the Membership Handbook, an election for Regional Coordinator must be held every two years. If the sitting Regional Coordinator is the only candidate for Office, they shall

undergo a Vote of Confidence instead.

Each VoC is scheduled to last thirty days. The IG shall send a packet to each Chapter /Shuttle Commanding Officer within the Region. Said packet will include a letter from the IG detailing the VoC process, including when a ballot must be returned, and the ballot itself. The ballot shall include the name of the RC, check boxes in favor of or against keeping the current RC, and places for the CO to sign and print their name and list their telephone and email contact information.

If the Commanding Officer is not completing and returning the ballot, a letter signed by the CO stating their proxy must accompany, or precede, the ballot.

### Section 05:04 - Non-scheduled Votes Of Confidence

A Vote of Confidence may be called on a Regional Coordinator at any time, provided that one of the following occurs:

- At least 25% of a Region's Commanding Officers petition the IG to hold a VoC on the RC. The IG (or the investigator who assumed authority over the case) shall investigate the reasons given by the CO's requesting said VoC and shall present the matter to the Admiralty Board for deliberation, or call for an immediate Vote of Confidence by the Commanding Officers of the Region the RC represents.
- At least 50% of the Region's Commanding Officers petition the IG to hold a VoC. In such cases, the IG shall immediately prepare a Vote of Confidence on the RC.
- A sitting RC may call a Vote of Confidence upon themselves at any time by contacting the IG to request one.

As with Scheduled Votes of Confidence, unscheduled VoCs last thirty days. The IG shall send a packet to each Chapter /Shuttle Commanding Officer within the Region. Said packet will include a letter from the IG detailing the VoC process, including when a ballot must be returned, and the ballot itself. The ballot shall include the name of the RC, check boxes in favor of or against keeping the current RC, and places for the CO to sign and print their name and list their telephone and email contact information. If the Commanding Officer is not completing and returning the ballot, a letter signed by the CO stating their proxy must accompany, or precede, the ballot.

### Section 05:05 - Release Of Results

When completed, the result of any Vote of Confidence shall be sent via email to the Regional Coordinator and the Commander, STARFLEET. The message will indicate the number of votes cast and the total for and against. The actual vote of each chapter or shuttle shall remain private to the IG. The IG may release, from time to time during the voting period, the name of the chapter or shuttle that has returned a ballot. A complete list of all chapters and shuttles that participated in the balloting, but not how they voted, shall be made available to the CS and RC.

In Service to the Fleet,





# STARFLEET FLAG PROMOTIONS

By Colonel Deborah Malotte • STARFLEET Director of Promotions

Hello from the Office of Promotions! Here are those who have been promoted since the last CQ:

## Fleet Captain/ Brigadier

Laura Dugas  
Corey Grant  
Keith Pagel

Meg Roach  
Barbara Buffington  
Kristen Keller-Williams

## Commodore/ Brigadier General

John R. Winsley  
Margaret Grunwell  
Bruce Sommer

## Rear Admiral/ Major General

Eric Wade Larkin  
Richard Hewitt  
Garrikk Halverson

## Vice Admiral/ Lieutenant General

Alexandra "Sashi" Wehle

## Admiral/ General

Joseph Ruttar

In my duties as Promotions Director, I get a lot of questions about how the process works. Below is a pretty detailed look at what happens from the time I receive a request to when it is presented.

### How to Submit a Proper Promotion Request

As the coordinator for promotion requests for STARFLEET and the STARFLEET Marine Corps, I see all of the requests for promotions. They come to me through the online form, in e-mail and the US Postal Service. I take all requests for Fleet Captain/Brigadier and above and forward them to the Promotions List, where the Executive Committee votes on them. Contrary to rumors hear every now and then, I have absolutely no voice or vote on this decision. My function is to coordinate the process, not to do any actual voting.

Promotions are denied for two primary reasons: insufficient Time in Grade (TIG) or insufficient information. At the 2002 IC, the Admiralty Board approved a revised processes and guidelines for promotions. This revision changed the minimum TIG for the ranks. Under the old guidelines,

eligibility was based on a combination of Time in STARFLEET (TIS) and a minimum 12 months Time in Grade (TIG). This has been changed to reflect a straight minimum TIG scale based upon current rank. Here is the new minimum TIG scale:

### Captain/Colonel: 24 months Time in Fleet

### Fleet Captain/Brigadier: 18 months Time in Previous Rank

### Commodore/Brigadier General: 21 months Time in Previous Rank

### Rear Admiral/Major General: 24 months Time in Previous Rank

### Vice Admiral/Lieutenant General: 30 months Time in Previous Rank

### Admiral/General: 36 months Time in Previous Rank

You'll note that, other than Captain/Colonel, all increases are based on minimum TIG. In recognition of Extraordinary Service to SFI or Outstanding Performance of Duty, six months can be dropped from the minimum TIG requirements. This change went into effect on 1 January 2003.

The most common reason for being turned down is insufficient information in the promotion request. I've seen quite a few requests that list everything a person has done since joining Fleet - I mean EVERYTHING! While this is great for a Fleet resume, it's not what the Executive Committee is looking for.

When you submit someone for promotion, concentrate on what the individual has done SINCE his or her last promotion. List, in detail, the accomplishments of the individual. What have they done since then? What positions have they held? How have they gone above and beyond the norm in their position? What is it that makes them stand out above all others in their duties? What have they done since their last promotion to make them eligible for the next promotion? These are the things the Executive Committee is looking for, along with the minimum Time in Grade, when they consider someone for promotion.

Once those are voted on, I print certificates for those who have passed, sign them, and then give them to FAdm. Mike Malotte for his signature. He signs them, gives them back to me and I send them to the appropriate individual. If they are being presented at a function that Mike is going

to, he brings them with him to the event in which they are being presented.

Those that come in for Captain/Colonel are forwarded to the respective Regional Coordinator for consideration. Occasionally, I get requests for promotions to Commander and below. These are redirected to the appropriate Chapter Commanding Officer. Since Chapter COs are the ones who approve requests for Commander and below, it's not possible for me to track those. For Captain/Colonel, I can track them if the RC informs me of the promotion. If you have any questions on those requests, please contact the appropriate Regional Coordinator/Commanding Officer.

One last thing to remember - if someone you have nominated is turned down for a promotion, that person will not become eligible for promotion for 6 months. If you need to know when someone can be resubmitted for consideration, drop me a note at [promotions@sfi.org](mailto:promotions@sfi.org) and I'll be happy to let you know when they are eligible again.

I hope this helps clear up the process and, once again, congrats to all those promoted since the first of the year!

## ADMIRALTY BOARD UPDATE

By JC Cohen • VCS Chief of Staff

A discussion was held about whether or not to merge the European regions, and a poll conducted of the members we have in Europe. However, because of changing situations in Europe, this discussion was tabled until the IC.

Some of the newer RCs sought advice from the long term members on topics as how to manage regional finances.

Most AB business will be on hold until the IC, since that is the face-to-face meeting of the AB and it is not that far off.

My apologies for the short column, but the business in front of the AB is quite variable.

As always, if you have any thoughts about AB action, you should contact your RC. The addresses of each RC can be found in the back of this CQ.

## STARFLEET HELPDESK: HERE TO HELP YOU!

By Joan E. Pierce • Helpdesk Maven

If you have any questions, concerns, problems or issues with how things are functioning in STARFLEET today, please feel free to contact the STARFLEET Helpdesk at [helpdesk@sfi.org](mailto:helpdesk@sfi.org) and we'll get right on it!

For those who do not have access to e-mail, we have a voice-mail/fax.

If you do have e-mail access, we strongly recommend that you use [helpdesk@sfi.org](mailto:helpdesk@sfi.org). But for those that don't, they can call or fax (507) 299-2015.

This is a number in the United States, and yes, it's a toll call. Make sure to leave us enough information so we know how to contact you!

Any questions? Answer are just an e-mail away from [helpdesk@sfi.org](mailto:helpdesk@sfi.org)!

## NEW SCHOOLS AT SFI ACADEMY!

By Scott A. Akers • Commandant, SFA

STARFLEET Academy has recently added the following new schools:

**STARFLEET in Cyberspace:** Familiarize yourself with the various websites that STARFLEET has to offer to its membership.

**School of Delta Quadrant Studies:** Gain knowledge based on the discoveries of the USS Voyager and her Maquis crewmates. Currently offering Ocampa, Talaxian & Borg courses, with more to follow.

**School of Europeya :** Learn about the SFI officers that were born in Europe.

All 3 schools are available via print application or through the Web site, so fill out the SFA application in this issue of the CQ, or go to the SFA web site at <http://academy.sfi.org> to apply online.

## NEWS FROM THE SFA WEBSITE!

By Lauren Milan • SFA Webmaster

We've made an important addition to the SFA Web site: As many of you may already know, the Scholarship Program has moved from the office of the CS back to SFA. We now have a section of the site listing all the information on the SFA Scholarship program. Visit the SFA Web site's Student Services section, or go to: <http://academy.sfi.org/student/scholarship.shtml> for scholarship descriptions, requirements and details, as well as applications (remember, deadline for applications is July 1!)

Also we're working to bring our e-mail course request form to the next level! Look for our new course request system, available in the coming months, which will auto-check student ID numbers, prerequisites and voucher codes before submitting the request. Also available will be the student record look-up feature. Verify your course completions online!

# STARFLEET: FAN CLUB OR FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION?

By Commodore David Klingman • USS Jaguar, NCC-74750

I've been giving a lot of thought lately as to why I am in STARFLEET and, more importantly, why I am still in STARFLEET. So I'd like to pose a few questions and make some personal observations about STARFLEET and fandom and why I think some of us are here.

Why are we in STARFLEET? Why is there such longevity of membership, and why in fact do people return after sabbaticals/time away/walkabouts?

Well, first, there's the fan club aspect of it. We get, in my opinion, a high quality newsletter on a national/international level, and often we get regional and chapter newsletters as well. We get, in many cases, the latest news regarding conventions, guest appearances, film, theater, and television projects. We get, in some cases, access to official Paramount projects such as Dave Pipgras' and Alex Rosenzweig's works that have been published professionally.

And then there's the fraternal aspect of it. The Miriam-Webster Dictionary defines "fraternity" as "a social, honorary, or professional group..." or as "persons of the same class, profession, or tastes" or as "brotherliness, brotherhood." Of course, we all have images and ideas about what constitutes a fraternity, from the sometimes austere and dignified fraternal organizations at Ivy League institutions to the raw "frat houses" on many college campuses and in various comedic film and television presentations.

So does STARFLEET qualify as a fraternal organization? Well, let's see.

We certainly do qualify as a social group. Many of us have made close friends because of our time in SFI. Many of us connect with each other on a day to day basis through emails, chat rooms, AOL IM, through the SFI web site, and through our chapter and regional web pages and message boards and electronic lists.

There is perhaps something honorary about us, although we pay dues to be recognized as "official" members of the organization, we nevertheless recognize some sense of honor about being part of the group. We recognize each other's accomplishments through awards, promotion system, and through the election of individuals to represent us.

Are we a professional group? Probably not, we range far too widely in the types of careers we have, in our professional status, and in some cases even in our ability and choice of employ or not.

Do we share the same class, profession, or tastes? It would be a stretch and perhaps inappropriate to discuss "class" issues since in my opinion we are all

equals on this celestial body known as Earth. Professional issues, as noted, can't be accurately pinned down. But "certainly" we all do, or did at one time, share a similar taste in Star Trek or some other form of science fiction or fantasy. That interest is what got us into STARFLEET in the first place. If you're interested, the first people I talked to in STARFLEET when I moved to Charlotte NC in 1997 were Marlon Ragsdale and Mary Kane.

So, we are all collectively fans in one way shape or form of some sort of science fiction or fantasy, we share some level of common interest, and socially we all identify in some way with the group at large.

What about brotherhood? Well, in my opinion, this is the biggest reason we do get involved in STARFLEET, and why I think so many of us stick around.

I'd like to share with you my thoughts on this, so please indulge me my opinions.

There are countless places we can get our daily dose of science fiction and fantasy - television series, movies, books, magazines, official fan clubs, official and unofficial web sites, newsletters, conventions, and so forth and so on. We can easily obtain information, albeit in some peoples' opinions jaded about Star Trek through the official Paramount fan club newsletter "Star Trek Communicator" and until recently, "Star Trek The Magazine."

So what does STARFLEET offer that all those resources don't? Well, Mark H. Anbinder, our current Vice Commander STARFLEET once said that STARFLEET is a family. I am inclined to agree with that. So let's ask that question, are we in fact a familial organization or fraternal organization?

You have to look no further than the day to day activities of a group of individuals who volunteer a great deal of time locally, nationally, and internationally to not only organize a "fan club" but who really do, through their efforts, get to know each other inside and out as people. We really do learn what makes each other tick. We know which buttons to push to get people mad, we know the soft places in each others' hearts that make each other feel welcome, feel loved, and feel important.

Do we make errors? Certainly, we do. Anyone who reads the STARFLEET list and many of the other electronic lists associated with STARFLEET and its ancillary organizations can see us at our worst. We often say things without thinking, sometimes intentionally and sometimes accidentally, and we upset one another. We criticize in public and often withhold praise from one another when it should be the exact opposite. We're human. Stuff happens.

And yet, we stick around. Does that say something about us? I think so. I marvel, in fact, at our ability, through the best intentions to the worst behavior, to know one another more and more intimately with each passing day. It's often no secret who our "adversaries" are in this organization, but it should be comforting to know that we do know this. The current political and social arena is filled with uncertainty but just take a moment to realize that no matter what we say around here, we almost always know where we stand with one another. I think that's important, and even with some of the absolutely idiotic things we say and do, it's still a good thing, yes I said a good thing - we always seem to be able to rely on one another. It should be this way. All over the world. Period.

Now, I've been in this organization since September 1997. I started with the USS Hornet in Charlotte, NC. I didn't necessarily see eye to eye with everyone in that group, but I have to credit all of its members' with giving me my jump-off point into the larger group. Likewise, I have seen the folding of a chapter with which I was associated but the result was a lifelong friendship with one of its members. I spend my time with the USS Jaguar (Thank you Scott, John, Allyson, Kurt, and everyone else not mentioned by name). I've received a mix of criticism for my choice of friends and from others I have received support and interest in what I do.

In the end, I think I have been given the opportunity to make the most of my time in this organization. I've been able to express my opinions largely unchallenged, and in many cases in a supportive environment. I've learned about fictional and real science. I've gotten the chance to play the fictional role and be recognized through awards, promotions, and, of course, most importantly the thank-yous of people who told me they really needed my input.

So I think, more than a fan club, this is a fraternity. Are we like "Animal House" with our boorish, sometimes one-dimensional, characters who are often rude and crass? Yes. Are we like the finely tuned fraternal organizations like Phi Beta Kappa and the Ivy League? Ask anyone who has ever needed or wanted our help and gotten it, no questions asked. Ask the countless people that have been touched by our charitable and humanitarian work, the countless hours of coupon clipping for our armed forces overseas, and the countless people with Diabetes, MS, MD, and other ailments who have seen our hard earned dollars and time go to their cause, and I'll say "yes" to this as well.

Let's face it. You don't need to spend \$15 US to do this. But yet, we do.

So take the time to thank each other and realize we're in this together. SFI. The biggest fraternity I know of.

## BOOK REVIEW:

### THE LOST YEARS

By James J. Cecil • Shuttle Commonwealth

Ever wonder it was like for the crew of the Enterprise after their final voyage? In J.M. Dillard's novel, "The Lost Years," we find the crew of the most famous starship in STARFLEET's history coming home for its refit. We find that everyone is going off in his or her own directions except Captain James T. Kirk, whose orders have been held up by Admiral Nogura.

Admiral Nogura meets with Captain Kirk at his apartment to discuss him becoming an admiral. Nogura promises not to chain Kirk to a desk and to make him a special envoy under Admiral Ciana in her department as a troubleshooter. Kirk then agrees to hear the Admiral out. The following day Kirk meets with Admiral Ciana where they strike a deal between each other that, if he (Kirk) teaches Admiral Ciana all that he knows about diplomacy to help her acquire the position of Federation Ambassador status, she would do all she could to get Kirk a command of a starship.

Captain Kirk accepts and is promoted to the rank of Admiral and begins a new adventure of his STARFLEET career with the lovely Admiral Ciana. Meanwhile, on the planet Vulcan, Mister Spock gets engaged and a Vulcan named Sekar steals the katra of a Zakal a long ago Vulcan Kolinahru Master and the shuttlecraft where Doctor Leonard McCoy was sleeping. Soon it becomes a race to save McCoy from Sekar who possesses the katra of Zakal within himself and stop him from reaching the Romulus.

Admiral Kirk and Admiral Ciana are working together on getting Ambassador Sarek and Uhura back from their kidnappers the Inari, during which McCoy makes a desperate call for help to Kirk. Admiral Kirk finds out later from Commander Kevin O'Riley that a Vulcan is holding Doctor McCoy captive. Kirk rescues Sarek and Uhura and quickly heads off to rescue Doctor McCoy.

In the end Sekar/Zakal is prevented from reaching the Romulan home world and peace is restored to the galaxy. "The Lost Years" is an enjoyable book to read and well written. I give it two thumbs up.

*Looking for our secret stash?*

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# DATELINE: IRAQ

By Nathan Shumway • USS Alioth

27 April 2003

Greetings STARFLEET! Hello again from the military field. Some of you may remember my last article from last summer (regarding the winter Olympics).

Well, we guardsmen and women have been activated again for military service, though not for the Olympics. This time for "Iraqi Freedom."

We have spent the past two months in the state of Washington training on just about everything a common soldier needs to know, such as: reacting to ambush, security patrols, how to build a fence, and how to dig a hole (not kidding).

At the time of this writing, we have less than 24 hours left here at the fort. Some are saying final good-byes to

family, others are finishing packing. But there is no sense of fear or trepidation.

Many are relieved that we are leaving after being cooped up so long. There is almost an air of excitement, punctuated by a child's cry at her father leaving.

We have feelings, we miss our families and our sweethearts, we also know that our task is not a happy one. Yet this is a task we do willingly, to spare those we know, and those we don't know, of the pain and cruelty of war.

Take care STARFLEET! I know that many of you send your best wishes and your prayers with our troops overseas. Thank you for that, and your support.

SPC Nathan Shumway  
HHC 1457th ECB  
USS Alioth detached to  
Region 8 (Iraq)



*Before he shipped to Iraq, Nathan made sure he had all his coupons clipped for OCP.*

Photo courtesy of Keira Russell-Strong

# DTS WANTS YOU!

By Admiral Alex Rosenzweig • Director, STARFLEET DTS

The Department of Technical Services (DTS) is seeking qualified and talented applicants for one or more available position(s) to execute engineering drawings of starships and space stations.

The selected candidates will create engineering schematics from rendered or photographed images, work with groups creating new vessel designs to visualize those concepts, and extrapolate from existing schematic images to create other views that may not as yet exist.

This position is both technical and creative, and requires both an understanding of Star Trek's technology and an ability to accurately draw Star Trek space vehicles, either by hand or by computer.

To apply for this position, please contact Department of Technical Services within a month following the release of the Communiqué and include the following:

1. A short resume, including a description of abilities and experience relevant to creating schematics. This can include either "real life" or STARFLEET experience.
2. An estimate of how quickly one can produce detailed and accurate drawings. (Please be honest. Lowballing your estimate will not necessarily get you the position.)
3. Top plan and side elevation drawings of the following four starships:

- Constitution-class heavy cruiser (Original Series Enterprise)

- Enterprise-class heavy cruiser (Enterprise from the "Classic Trek" feature films: refit-1701/1701-A)

- Galaxy-class large exploratory cruiser (Enterprise-D)

- Sovereign-class heavy cruiser (Enterprise-E)

Please submit only these four ships! Your creativity and ability to draw other vessels is appreciated and important, but by having everyone submit drawings of the same ships, it is possible to demonstrate ability to portray Star Trek's technologies over a span of time in the Star Trek Universe, and it becomes easier to objectively assess everyone's relative capabilities.

Drawings may be submitted in either electronic or hardcopy format, but if submitting electronic files, please be sure they can be printed out in black-and-white. In general, .bmp, .gif, .tif, and .jpg formats are preferred. Please check with me if you wish to use another format.

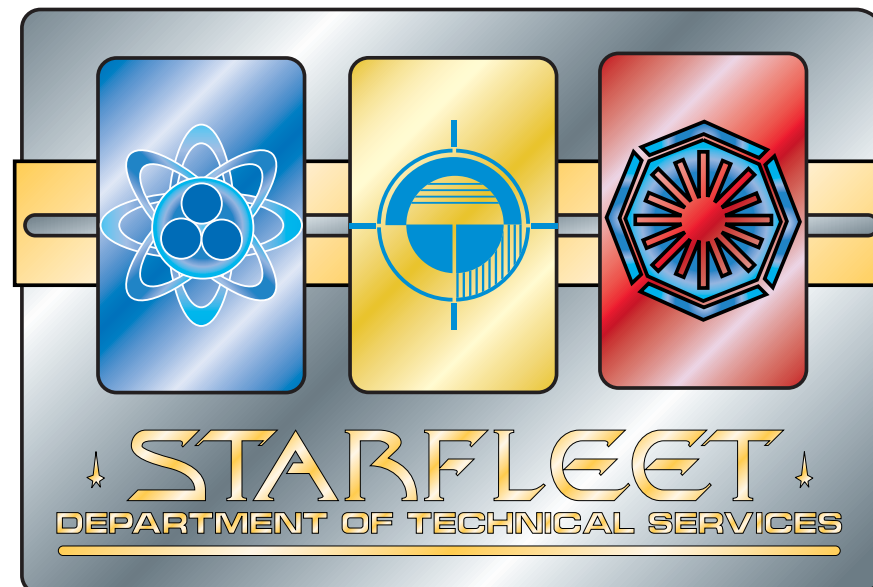
Send resumes, cover letters, and art submissions to:

**Alex Rosenzweig, Director**  
**SFI Dept. of Technical Services**  
**980 Linwood Place**  
**North Brunswick, NJ 08902-2267**

E-Mail: [DTS@sfi.org](mailto:DTS@sfi.org)

Again, the submission deadline is: within a month following the release of the Communiqué.

I look forward to hearing from you and seeing what you can do.





The five-year-old boy wandered through the hallways, marveling at the colorful exhibits and dancing lights. He was drawn to the red globe seemingly hanging in space, with blue light snaking outward towards its glass enclosure. He squealed in joy as he touched the glass display case, commanding the blue lightning to follow his meandering fingers. The little boy's mother smiled at her son's excitement as she read the panel describing the scientific principles governing the electrostatic ball. She shared the appreciation of all of the adults in the hall, amazed that the complexity of electricity could be explained in terms that both entertained children as well as educated adults.

This family is but two of the more than 850,000 visitors to The Franklin Institute Museum of Science each year. The Franklin Institute celebrates Benjamin Franklin's far-reaching, scientific legacy in the permanent exhibit, "Franklin...He's Electric!", located in Franklin Gallery. Although today The Franklin Institute is a world-renowned leader in hands-on science education, it was founded in 1824 to teach the mechanical arts. Over the years, it has also served as a clearinghouse for inventors and as a repository of patent models, drawings, and objects and today is the home to four floors of great science exhibits, ranging from aviation to bioscience, astronomy to mechanics, weather and geology to math!

The Franklin Institute is but one of many science museums across the world, which not only celebrate the curiosity of scientists like Ben Franklin, but also educate the masses about the importance of science. This is so very crucial if we want to ignite the spark of wonder and learning in the future leaders of science. Whenever I travel, I try to visit the local science museum because, for me, they help to capture the enthusiasm and excitement I felt during the heady Apollo days and today as we look forward to the deeper exploration of space.

# THE WONDERLAND OF SCIENCE

Words and Pictures By Richard Heim • Fleet Division Chief of Science

STARFLEET Sciences is playing a role – a small role in the grand scheme of things, but a role nonetheless – in bringing the fun and excitement of science education to STARFLEET members. We do this through the STARFLEET Communiqué, via the Internet, and by encouraging science activities across FLEET. Did you enjoy reading the History of Science and Vulcan Academy of Sciences profiles in the pages of this newsletter? I enjoyed writing them!

Our Science-Lab email list posts science news and commentary and, a couple times each month, a science trivia question. We have regular reports in a web-based newsletter. Our web page, <http://alaricrh.home.sprynet.com/science/STARFLEET-sciences.html>. It includes links to science pages, science lists, science fairs and other educational resources, and science museums like The Franklin Institute Museum of Science.

One of our most important functions is to serve as a conduit for science information to and from STARFLEET's regions and ships. We love to hear about ship away teams to interesting science places, and have reported on the USS Charleston's visit to the South Carolina Aquarium and the USS Alaric's visits to the Kennedy Space Center, Asheville Botanical Gardens, Judaculla Rock, and Discovery Place in Charlotte, NC, among others. Alan Anderton, a CSO "Downunda" in Region 11, is active aboard his ship, the USS Magellan, and has posted intriguing reports on nanotechnology and space exploration, among other topics, to several science lists. His experiences with teaching science principles to his kids have been a joy to read!

There is a lot going on in the science realm across STARFLEET's regions.

For a list of regional science Internet contacts, check out our web page, <http://alaricrh.home.sprynet.com/science/regional-contacts.html>

Land mail contact information for the regions, and their latest news, can be found in the rest of this report.

Region One Sciences is run by me, (Comm. Richard Heim, P.O. Box 2072, Asheville, NC 28802). At the April Region One Summit, we announced the winners of the 2002 Albert Einstein Award for Regular Article Submission: Lt-jg Joe Lamantia, who was CSO of the USS Jurassic during 2002, and Cmdr. James "Jamie" Delantonas, CSO of the USS Hornet. Honorable mentions included the following CSO's: LTC Gary "Tiny" Hollifield (USS Carolina), FCapt. David Klingman (who was CSO of the USS Hawkeye at the time), VAdm. Willy Smith (USS Heimdal), CPO Adam Gorrel (USS Tycho), Cathy Edgington (USS West Virginia), Lt-jg Tina Walker (USS McNair), Cmdr. Dee Oklotowicz (Shuttle Francis Marion), Capt. Edith Padgett (CO, USS Charleston) and FCapt. Greg Franklin (science reporter, USS Reprisal).

Neil Yawn (P.O. Box 733, Graysville, AL 35073) is the Science RDC in Region 2. Col. Yawn publishes Exploration, the Region 2 Sciences newsletter, and would be happy to send you a copy as well as receive submissions. The March 2003 issue announced the creation of a new Science Officer's Handbook which will be available to all Region 2 CSO's.

The Region 3 Science RDC is Bill Downs (2025 Peachtree Rd. NE #244, Atlanta, GA 30309-1421). Capt. Downs issues the Mundane Science report.

Region Four Sciences is run by FCapt. Charles Flowers (90 Silver Reef Drive, Reno, NV 89506-1822).

The Science Liaison for Region 5 is FCapt. Thomas Rutledge (16821 Smokey Pt Blvd #812, Arlington, WA 98223).

Brig. Gen. Larry S. Neigut (Box 105, 304 Parkville-Station Road, Mantua, NJ 08051-1674) is the Science Contact for Region 7.

Region 9 Science Director Stefan Wouters runs an Internet science list for his region. (Stefan's mailing address was unavailable, but he can be contacted via email at [j.wouters3@chello.nl](mailto:j.wouters3@chello.nl) or [stefanw86@hotmail.com](mailto:stefanw86@hotmail.com)).

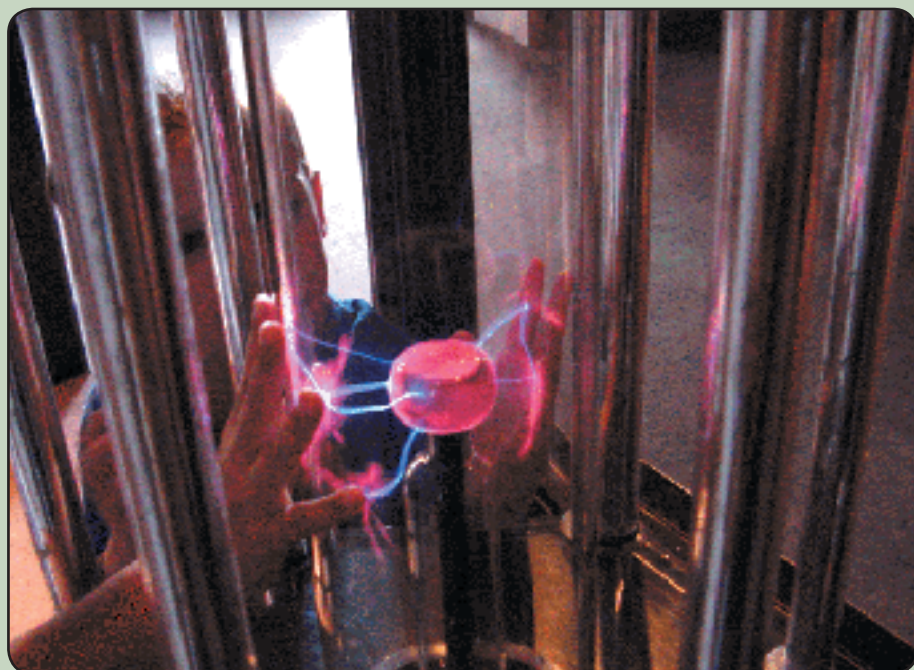
In Region 10, Cmdr. Nan Dooley (HC1, Box 500, Gakona, AK 99586) is the RDC Science.

Region 11 Science RDC, Comm. Alan Yates, can be contacted via email at [scarab@ay.com.au](mailto:scarab@ay.com.au).

In Region 15, LtCmdr. John Prushko (103 Main Street Upstairs, Vergennes, VT 05491) is the RDC Science.

These science contacts are here for you, and they would be happy to hear from the Chief Science Officers and members.

As Fleet Division Chief for Science, I'm also looking forward to hearing from you, especially if you have ideas for scientific reports and activities you would like to see, but also if you just want to drop me a line. I can be reached via email at [AlaricRH@sprynet.com](mailto:AlaricRH@sprynet.com) or via land mail at: STARFLEET Sciences, P.O. Box 2072, Asheville, NC, USA 28802.



FDP Science announces a new project: Donut Levitation!



The CQ in the 1880s - before the Internet and InDesign!



It is my greatest pleasure to announce the following event, hosted by the starships U.S.S. Arc Royal and U.S.S. Stormbringer.

The First Annual Zephram Cochran Impulse Engine Test! (A.K.A. Build your model rocket and fly it!)

This is a rewarding hobby that many in Fleet already enjoy. Imagine yourselves as members of one of the early Rocket Societies that sprang up in America and Europe in the 30's.... 1930's, that is. Imagine the wonder as you see your carefully constructed rocket on the launch pad...3.....2.....1.....Ignition! We have liftoff!

You could be the Werner Von Braun of the 21st century!

We will have 3 categories and 3 judging criteria. Flight Cadets (ages 1-10, Skill level 1 kits with parent's help) Flight Sergeants (ages 11-18, Skill level 1-3 kits, parent's assistance as needed) and Squadron Commanders (18+, All Skill Level Kits, find you own help!) Rockets will be judged on appearance, flight characteristics, and heights. All rockets in a given category will use the same engine, so plan as NASA does...lighter..lighter..lighter.)

Individual entries are welcome. However, we do wish that all fleet vessels would enter at least one rocket for each category.

Also, those of you coming from out-of-state please know that with the newest legislation, specifically the Patriot Act, some forms of model rocket engines are not transportable between states. So, if you are coming from out-of-state, please let us know. We will purchase the required number of rocket engines of each level here

# FIRST R17 ROCKET DERBY

Words and Pictures by Cmdr. Damon Schoonover • USS Stormbringer, Region 17

in Colorado, and make them available for purchase at the contest. This event will be held at Skyview Middle School in Colorado Springs. The site address is:

6350 Windom Peak Boulevard  
Colorado Springs, CO 80922.

Our Impulse Engine Test will be held on Saturday, August 30th. We will have refreshments available (sodas, water, etc.) And if you, the members decide, we can do a barbeque or potluck dinner also.

Please plan on attending this event, as



*Impulse Engine Test in beta...Do try this at home, folks!  
(With proper safeguards and supervision, fo course.)*

I believe all will have a very fun time. To attend, please contact Damon Schoonover at [damonsch@hotmail.com](mailto:damonsch@hotmail.com)

Here is a selection of sites for model rocket manufacturers and enthusiasts:

## Manufacturers:

<http://www.apogeerockets.com/>  
<http://www.estesrockets.com>  
<http://www.questrockets.com/>  
<http://www.aerotech-rocketry.com/>

## Organizations

The National Association of Rocketry:  
<http://www.nar.org/>

## Information Sites

NASA Rocketry site includes a beginners guide to model rocketry (Science at Work!):  
<http://www.grc.nasa.gov/WWW/K-12/airplane/bgmr.html>

Great site for news and useful articles:  
<http://www.maxthrust.net/index.php>

Another great site, which includes diagrams of actual rockets: <http://www.rockets-2-go.com/rockets/information/how-rockets-work2.htm>

The web site of the Future Astronauts of America Foundation has good safety articles:  
<http://www.geocities.com/CapeCanaveral/Hangar/5421/rocketpg.html>

A general purpose news and information page about this hobby: <http://www.rocketryonline.com/>

We hope to see you there!

The SETI at home team has begun distributing new data from the recent Stellar Countdown that targeted possible signals from extraterrestrial civilizations. The Stellar Countdown run at the Arecibo radio telescope in Puerto Rico re-observed 216 promising radio sources identified by SETI at home as potential candidates for hypothetical extraterrestrial intelligent signals.

The Planetary Society is the founding and principal sponsor of SETI at home, which is based at the University of California, Berkeley. SETI at home harnesses the computing power of four million volunteers to analyze data from the Arecibo radio telescope. Designed as an innovative screensaver program, SETI at home sends packets of raw data to be processed in the personal computers of volunteers around the world.

While the team discovered no evidence of a signal from an extraterrestrial civilization during a quick, real-time analysis at Arecibo, they are now ready to divide the data into work units that will be analyzed in more detail by computers around the world in the homes and offices of SETI at home participants.

# SETI AT HOME UPDATE

By The Planetary Society • <http://planetary.org/>



*The dish array that SETI uses to track down extraterrestrial life.  
Photo courtesy of the NAIC - Arecibo Observatory, a facility of the NSF*

"Our SETI at home team collected the data, and now the public will help analyze it," said Louis Friedman, Executive Director of The Planetary Society. "That hands-on public participation in an exciting scientific project is what makes this program unique." The candidates selected for re-observation were deemed the most interesting radio sources found out of the billions detected since the distributed computing project began in May 1999. Dan Werthimer, Chief Scientist of SETI at home, led the team at Arecibo, which observed candidate radio sources from SETI at home as well as at extrasolar planetary systems, nearby sun-like stars, and nearby galaxies.

"This is the start of a new phase of SETI at home," says SETI at home Project Director David Anderson. "The data gives us our best chance so far of finding ET."

The Arecibo Observatory is a National Science Foundation facility that is part of the National Astronomy and Ionosphere Center, which is operated by Cornell University under a cooperative agreement with the NSF.



# "REGENERATION" CONTINUITY THOUGHTS

By Admiral Alex Rosenzweig • Regional Coordinator, Region 7

In response to the firestorm of debate brought on by this episode of *Enterprise*, I gave some thought to the issue of whether the episode did in fact, as had been alleged, violate the continuity of the *Star Trek* universe. While I think doing a Borg story was a mistake, for a number of reasons, in the end, the answer is no. Continuity is preserved, ironically enough, and the writers of the episode, Mike Sussman and Phyllis Strong, deserve significant kudos for keeping it so.

To start off, the Borg's presence at all is consistent with "First Contact", so if one wants to blame somebody, blame the writers of the movie. The Borg sphere was destroyed in Earth orbit. Could debris have crashed near the Arctic Circle? Absolutely. Might the cold have forced the drones into a hibernation-state? Sure. Nothing technically inconsistent about that.

Flashing-forward 90 years, we have an encounter. The crux of the question becomes: Does this encounter invalidate the stories we have seen previously, particularly "Q Who?", which originally was written to establish the First Contact with the Borg? Frankly, I say no. It stretches the envelope, but I do not think it breaks it. Keep in mind, also, that not only do we have the events of "Regeneration" suggesting there's more going on, but there's also the prologue to "Generations" and "Dark Frontier" (VOY). Clearly, there was more going on than just what "Q Who?" showed us, and that complexity had been building for a number of years.

So, here we have this set of events in 2153. Obviously, there are some ramifications. But what does it mean for the other stories, and how does it square with "established future history"?

Some have suggested that perhaps there weren't records kept of the incident. That strikes me as silly. In fact, "Regeneration" itself makes it quite clear there were. What the characters don't have that we in the audience do is the context for that information. We know what the Borg are, and what they'll do in a couple of centuries. Archer, Starfleet Command, the Vulcans, etc. do not. It's a much more limited threat in their eyes, and anything bigger is still a complete abstraction.

Note also that much of the technology is unavailable to them. The Borg removed the sphere wreckage, presumably using it to convert the transport. What little is left would be complete black-box stuff to the researchers. Imagine someone in the 1790s trying to make heads or tails

of a cell-phone. Even their analysis of the materials involved raised more questions than answers, because the equipment doesn't have the sophistication to go into that kind of detail. The records remain more mysterious than helpful until there's some sort of context for them.

Starfleet wouldn't get this context until "Q Who?". And while the events of the episode itself happen too quickly for a lot of extra database-searching to be happening on-screen, I bet that a good deal happened both at Starfleet Command and on the *E-D* when it was all over and Picard and/or Riker had enough time to suddenly recall a bit of relatively obscure history and do a literature-search. It probably played a lot into the buildup following "Q Who?", and I bet Shelby and team had studied the events of the 2153 encounter quite a bit, although I still suspect they wouldn't have gotten much out of it, and likely would find the limited data from the old equipment quite frustrating, and almost certainly focused more on Picard's logs and sensor data.

Claim: Starfleet knew of this danger for 200 years and did nothing to prepare. Yet they prepared in a couple of years after "Q Who?"

When I first heard about this episode, this concerned me a great deal, too. It still does, to a point, but a bit of rational thought (and additional ENT info) provides wonders of perspective, especially when one is not lost in the mindset of assuming that ENT must be destroying continuity by its very existence. Freed of that limitation, the resolution becomes relatively easy.

First, the episode itself doesn't say that no preparations were made. It merely suggests that the characters believe that the threat is far-off, both physically and temporally. And, well... They're right, but they probably won't live to know that. (Well, T'Pol has an outside shot, and maybe Phlox, depending on how long-lived Denobulans actually are.) It wouldn't at all surprise me if Admiral Forrest has a research team start work on dealing with the Borg. The problem is, of course, that they're simply not equipped to understand the tech, so they're going to be limited in what they can learn until their own technology advances. But...

Something happens. This was the part I didn't know about originally, when word of "Regeneration" first came out, but it turns out that "Enterprise" is, surprisingly enough, cleaning up after its own messes.

Okay, now, you're undoubtedly asking, "Okay, what happens?" Answer: Earth gets attacked in a few weeks. It not only gets attacked, it gets a big chunk of land area wasted, and some millions of people are killed. Suddenly, Starfleet has a much more

immediate problem than a few organo-cybernetic life-forms that *Enterprise* destroyed and a signal sent off into deep space. (And, remember, when you come down to it, that's all they have. They know nothing about the Borg Collective or its path of assimilation across the Delta Quadrant.) They have a race that's attacked Earth, directly, in the here-and-now. And you better believe that Starfleet's resources are going to be focused on dealing with that problem. The "Borg research program" is gonna be back-burnered real quick, because now there's a bona fide planetary crisis to deal with.

And then there'll be the Romulans, and then who knows what all else. And, assuming this is all we see of them until TNG, the Borg recede and recede on the priority list, because they simply wouldn't be perceived as a major threat, until 2364, when something starts happening to outposts along the Fed-Rihannsu Neutral Zone.

And in 2365, Q sends the *Enterprise-D* into System J-25 and all hell breaks loose, probably including the "Holy s--t! We encountered a few of those things 212 years ago!" reaction. And suddenly, the whole thing becomes clear, and Starfleet's probably thanking their lucky stars for whatever prevented that subspace signal from getting to the Delta Quadrant any faster.

Just as a postscript, by the time of "First Contact", Picard's undoubtedly fully aware of what happened in 2153, but he doesn't know how the Borg got there...until the events of that movie. I invite you all to consider the scene as Picard watches the sphere debris spiral out of orbit and fall into the Arctic and suddenly realizes exactly what happened...and later gives specific orders that, to preserve the timeline, that debris be left alone. And that now brings us full circle, as this sort of time travel story often does, and we begin the march of time again in 2063, which will lead us to "Regeneration", which leads us back to where I started on all this.

Ergo, as counterintuitive as it might seem, it really does hold together, and not with a lot of work, either. Kudos, therefore, to Mike Sussman and Phyllis Strong for doing their homework, and salutes to a bit of good luck with the producers planning some big nastiness that's gonna take the focus off the Borg research and explain why it doesn't progress that far.

And that should put an end to all this "it breaks continuity!" stuff...okay, it won't, but it should.

## NEVER GIVE UP!

By Allyson M. W. Dyar • USS Jaguar

The title of this essay best sums up the long journey of my first professional fiction sale. (By professional, I mean an editor actually paid me genuine real money for my efforts.) EOTU Ezine of Fiction, Art, & Poetry (<http://www.clamcity.com/eotu.html>) published my story, "The Secret Life of Machiavelli Argent," in the June 2003 edition.

The Mac story, as I like to call it, began life in the late 1990s as a tale set in the Space Station Nexus universe, which at the time, was still firmly wedded to the *Star Trek* universe. In December 1997, STARFLEET's fanzine, *Stellar Visions 2* featured my story, "The Secret Files of Machiavelli Argent."

By 2001, I'd decided to write professionally and decommissioned Space Station Nexus as a member of SFI in order to reclaim all rights to the Nexus universe. I began rewriting the stories set in the *Star Trek* Nexus universe, putting them into my newly created Galactic Confederation universe. If you'd like to know more about Space Station Nexus and the Galactic Federation, check out: <http://www.ssnexus.org>. Here you'll find all kinds of goodies: a chronology of stories, timeline, glossary, cast of characters, etc.

Side Note: If you are interested in taking your *Star Trek*-based chapter fiction into the professional realm, you'll likely need to rewrite your stories into your own universe. Most, if not all, professional publications won't accept any fiction based on pre-established TV/Movie/Books, etc, series. The exception, of course, would be any *Star Trek* anthologies such as *Strange New Worlds*, but even then, you should check the submission guidelines for their acceptance policy.

But I digress... It took me several months to rewrite "The Secret Files of Machiavelli Argent" into the "The Secret Life of Machiavelli Argent." In order not to confuse myself, I keep the *Star Trek* and professional versions separate by using different titles for each.

Once I was satisfied with the results, it was time to find a market. After consulting several Speculative Fiction market websites (I highly recommend <http://www.ralan.com>), I began sending out the manuscript to various publishers. After several rejections, in September 2002, I received word from *Andromeda Spaceways Inflight Magazine* that Mac had passed first reading. Unfortunately, it didn't make it past the second reading; however, along with the rejection came several excellent comments.

Using the feedback, I re-wrote the story yet again and sent it to another market, EOTU Ezine, which accepted the story for their June 2003 edition. Booyah!

So what advice would I give an aspiring writer? Check out the title of this article. If those words are good enough for the crew of the NSEA Protector and me, they can work for you as well: "Never Give Up! Never Surrender!"



# EFFECTS OF TEMPORAL DISRUPTION

By Maj. Gen. Robb Jackson • Department of Temporal Investigations

Last issue we looked at Temporal Phenomena. This issue we'll look at the Effects of Temporal Disruption.

When someone drops a rock in the river of history, bad things happen. Now that you understand the basic rules of time, we'll take a look at what happens when they get broken.

## The Temporal Tremor

Simple, relatively insignificant temporal disruptions affect all points on the timeline uptime of the point of intervention instantaneously. This effect is known as the Temporal Tremor, and may be an indication of an approaching time wave or timequake. Temporal tremors are often pretty difficult to spot, mainly because the changes they make are so minor that even with paramemory, it's hard to pin down what's different.

## The Time Wave

When a major temporal discontinuity occurs, it will generally manifest as a Time Wave (also known as a Changefront). A time wave is a series of changes to the causal flow that gradually move uptime at a measurable absolute time velocity directly related to its duration in history. Though the futureward motion of a time wave may be slowed and eventually stopped by the effects of the destiny effect, its duration (and therefore its velocity) is effectively determined by the magnitude of the original disruption.

When a time wave has been created, its uptime motion will often generate other, smaller discontinuities that manifest as temporal tremors, providing some warning of the approaching change.

## The Timequake

When a series of major temporal disruptions occur in close chrontal proximity, they may result in a Timequake. A timequake is a time wave of a magnitude great enough to trigger a series of lesser temporal discontinuities, which in turn trigger other disruptions. The displaced energy of temporal inertia adds to the force of the original wave, geometrically increasing its magnitude until it reaches Terminal Point. At this stage, the timequake can no longer be slowed or stopped by the destiny effect, and instantly affects all points uptime of the point of disruption. The new reality thus created initially has a high degree of temporal inertia, ensuring that any attempt to restore the original history has a high probability of generating massive Transparallel Resonance Effects.

When a timequake has been created, its progress uptime may generate temporal tremors in the same way as a time wave. However, it should be noted that the chronospatial disturbance caused by a

timequake will always trigger transparallel resonance effects on between one and ten other parallels, as well as any bonded parallels whose contact points are affected by the wave.

## The Counter-Wave Effect

Successive temporal disruptions generated at a given event's location must overcome increasing levels of temporal inertia, and thus have successively higher velocities in absolute time.

Since the absolute time velocity of a changefront or timewave is dependent on the magnitude of the original disruption, it is logical that timewaves or quakes generated by disruptions of greater magnitude will travel faster. As local temporal inertia always increases whenever a disruption takes place (see The Limitation Effect), further disruptions of a given event will necessarily be of a greater magnitude. The result of this curious fact is that all waves of change emanating from a specific location in space-time will eventually converge at the same instance in absolute time, if they are generated before the primary wave reaches terminal point. Normally the last disruption to be generated (in absolute time) is the one that establishes the new reality. Thus it is possible to cancel out the effects of an earlier temporal disruption by creating a carefully constructed "reverse disruption" or Counter-Wave, setting events back on their correct course.

## The Baseline Principle

Each parallel has a historical baseline, to which temporal inertia will tend to return events after a historical disruption. Once a disruption has taken place, attempts to restore the original history must be made within a period of absolute time inversely proportional to the magnitude of the disruption. If the disruption is left unresolved, the altered events become part of a new historical baseline; at which point attempts to restore the previous history will fail.

The reason for this limitation lies in the behavior of parallels when subjected to change. When disrupted, the affected portion of the parallel begins to shift position in phase space, moving to occupy a place alongside parallels that share a similar history. When the transition is complete, temporal inertia will reinforce the new dominant history, and the previous history will be lost. Further attempts to restore the original history will produce a new reality, based on the altered event and governed by the destiny effect and the principle of temporal uncertainty.

## The Trans-parallel Resonance Effect

This allows the causal flow on one parallel to be affected by the chronospatial disturbance of another parallel. This effect

is most pronounced between bonded parallels and those with great similarities, but may also occur randomly, resonating temporal disruption to unpredictable event locations on unrelated parallels. Resonance waves may start in a number of ways. Any disruption of the causal flow on a parallel may result in the creation of a resonance wave. The resonance wave radiates across phase space, impacting with a force equal to the magnitude of the disruption that triggered it. With this in mind it may be seen that resonance waves can trigger temporal tremors, time waves, or even timequakes on impacting a parallel. Resonance waves tend to impact parallels at or near the same event location as the disruption that spawned them, often creating a similar effect.

## Timeslip

The event known as timeslip occurs when the chronospatial geometries of two or more separate event locations become temporarily linked, allowing passage from one to another without crossing the intervening space-time.

Timeslip may be caused by excessive degrees of any form of temporal stress, but arises only very rarely. However, when it does occur it can be hazardous in the extreme, as chronospatially displaced event entities may find themselves in hostile environs, or may themselves become the cause of temporal disruption.

Timeslip is an event of almost no duration, though it has been proven that the effects may be increased almost indefinitely by high levels of temporal uncertainty, forming a timewarp or temporal corridor. In unusual circumstances, timeslip may cause transparallel displacement as well as chronospatial translocation.

## The Chronoclysm

When the causal flow of an event location in hard timelock is subjected to a disruption of a magnitude great enough to overcome that timelock, the fabric of 'normal' space-time becomes distorted beyond the point of recovery. The displaced energy of timelock tears a hole in the parallel's chronoplasmic shell and ejects the affected event location and its section of the timeline into the parachrontal void of phase space. The resultant gap in the causal flow is then overwritten by events dictated by the destiny effect, while the hole is sealed by the pressure of temporal inertia and transparallel resonance.

## The Time Storm Conjecture

This phenomenon is thought to be a series of completely random, unpredictable disruptions that affect any number of parallels, transplanting event entities and locations between worlds. A time storm has no set duration and could theoretically

continue into eternity.

A time storm could arise naturally from a combination of wave and resonance effects, when a large number of resonance waves impact a parallel at a temporal stress point (i.e. an event location in hard timelock, or a time wave point of disruption). The combined effect could cause a Terminal Disruption, destroying the parallel's chronoplasmic shell and spewing event entities and locations randomly throughout phase space. The backlash created by the parallel's terminal disruption could impact on other parallels with enough force to rupture their integrity at several points, with the same effect, creating an ever-widening chain reaction. Theoretically, it is possible that the spreading disruption could reach the critical disruption threshold, bursting the boundaries of the Multiversal continuum and triggering ultimate entropy - the end of time.

## The Primal Disruption Theory

This theory, largely ignored by current thinking, posited that in its original state the Multiverse was a complex and static series of events, unchanging until a meta-event of unknown origin created the first temporal tremors. These first tremors created others, which created a temporal chain reaction. Eventually the tremors evolved history to the point that it became possible for those with sensitivity to time to see it in an entirely new way, paving the way for the discovery of time travel.

Once considered quite popular, this theory is now disregarded, mainly for its failure to provide an adequate explanation for the source of the Primal Disruption, as well as its implication that without it, temporal technology would never have been discovered. However, the theory has recently enjoyed a renaissance among more philosophically inclined temporal theorists, who have begun to equate the Primal Disruption with the gift of free will. Paul Christopher, a prominent temporal philosopher, has even gone on record as saying "the Primal Disruption was the push that set an infant creation on its first steps to maturity". Others have likened it to the quickening of a child in the womb.

Whatever the true nature of the Primal Disruption, it is an insoluble riddle. The event itself, if it ever occurred, has long since been overwritten by other changes in the timeline. Even if it could be traced, it would be impossible to correct, as that correction itself might generate the very temporal tremors that led to the discovery of time travel.

I hope you've enjoyed our continued discussion on Time Travel and Temporal Theory. Next issue we'll discuss the Temporal Effects on Physiology.



# ATTENTION ON DECK

## SFMC

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Well, I'd like to say that I enjoyed myself at the Region One summit and I thank everyone there for their hospitality. I really enjoyed seeing my old friends and bumming around the National Park again (like I don't do it about every other weekend).

I especially enjoyed showing some of the people around on Sunday afternoon. I hope to make that a yearly dessert for the R1 Summit, so next year make sure you make time after the Summit is over for a tour of some of the trails.

I have been somewhat disappointed in the response for the Toys for Tots campaign. We heard so much from people who were doing things but hardly anyone included their information on their monthly reports, even after several reminders. I'm not sure what it's going to take but it won't be awarded unless your name and participation specifics are included in your units report.

In May we started our monthly chats on the #Corps channel. Several people participated and we posted the log for people to review. These meetings will be held the

There are several things that are in the works through my office. First of all are the revisions to the Marine Force Manual. There are a few things that are being edited, others just being cleaned up. With this in mind, I have the following change to announce.

In the next revision of the Marine Force Manual, due out later in the year, the following section will be added concerning the Selection Process for General Staff Members.

"Upon a General Staff position becoming vacant the Deputy Commanding Officer (if any) will automatically take over until a permanent appointment can be made.

"An announcement will be made to the Corps' official list asking for applications. The Commanding Officer, Forces Command will pass this information down to the Brigade Officers in Charge who will in turn see that all Marines in their Brigades are made aware of the vacancy.

"This announcement will state the position that is open, the requirements for holding the office and the deadline for submissions.

"Resumes will be sent to the Deputy Commandant. The names of the applicants will be announced on the list and sent down the chain of command as they are received. Any member who wishes to submit comments about any of the applicants will send them up the chain of

second Tuesday of every month. So make sure to drop in to IRC and ask whatever questions you wish concerning the Corps.

The General Staff kicked around ideas about the NCOs Role in the Corps and the job description for the Sargent Major but we couldn't come up with anything that satisfied us. So I decided to go ahead and start taking resumes for the SGM/SFMC position. As of this writing we have not had much response.

The Wall of Honor has gotten active again. We have moved it under the Chief of Staff's office and she is posting on a regular basis that submissions are taken anytime. If you have any names to add to the wall please submit them to the Chief of Staff at anytime ST\_DragonLady@msn.com.

The General Staff is still

discussing the wording on several issues concerning the Marine Force Manual. The discussion has covered the appointment of General Staff members, the appointment of Brigade Officers in Command, the Sergeant Major's job description, authorization and placement of Naval Awards on the STARFLEET Marine Corps uniform, changing the wording on the Honor Awards to exclude the Steering Committee and removal of General Staff members.

A very extensive proofread was sent in by Jill Rayburn which we are reviewing and discussing. If anyone knows of something that should be changed please let us know as quickly as possible as we are working to have the revision of the MFM released prior to the International Conference.

We started the month of April with \$1246.52. There were two deposits

made during the month. The first one was on 4/21/03 for merchandise in the amount of \$6.00. The second was on 4/23/03 for merchandise in the amount of \$56.20. There was on check cashed on the account on 4/30/03 for a ribbon order in the amount of \$389.00. The Service Charge on the account for the month totaled \$.85. This leaves a total in the checking account at month's end of \$918.87.

A check is on its way for the Deputy Commandant's signature for the reimbursement of \$345.87 to the Commandant. The Corps has funds earmarked for Donation to the Astronauts Fund totaling \$52.25.

We started the month with \$23.02 in petty cash. We had two expenditures for postage totaling \$9.15. The first on 4/10/03 for \$7.46 and the second on 4/22/03 for \$1.69. This leaves a total in petty cash of \$13.87.

This makes the total amount of Corps funds \$932.74.

That's it for this issue! See you in Sixty!

coupon drives, online gaming, etc.), recruiting ideas, etc.

As you can see, this individual will touch on several areas useful to a unit and may need to coordinate with other departments in the FLEET and Corps. The Chaplain of the Corps will also report to this office (and may possibly be the S-4 Officer).

The requirements for these positions are:

- 1) Be a NCO or Officer (active or reserve) in good standings
- 2) Have one year time in STARFLEET.
- 3) Have a good working knowledge of all the particulars of the STARFLEET Marine Corps.
- 4) Preferably have completed PD-10, PD-15, PD-20, and Officer Training School (OTS).
- 5) Must apply via snail mail or e-mail (application to include SFI and Real-life resume)
- 6) For S-3, Desktop Publishing and Editing skills are desired. For S-4, Public Relations, Motivational skills, and good organizational skills are desired.

The deadline for both of these positions is 31 Jul 03.

Until next issue, this is the Deputy 'Dant signing off.

## FROM THE DEPUTY 'DANT

By Brigadier Aaron Murphy • Deputy Commandant, SFMC

command to the COFORCECOM for consideration by the General Staff members. Comments concerning applicants who are in the chain of command may be sent to the next higher link in the chain.

"Resumes will be accepted for a period no less than thirty days from the official announcement. The review and discussion period of applicants by the General Staff will be a period no less than seven days, during which the General Staff members will consider all applicants and comments, then vote on the new General Staff member.

"The General Staff may authorize an extension for either stage when deemed necessary. The results of this vote will be announced on the Corps' official list and reported to the next AOD following the appointment."

One of the things that need to be cleaned up is the graphics in the Marine Force Manual. I have several of the graphics in question. However, I need the updated logos for the Brigades. These graphics can be sent to me at depdant@sfi-sfmc.org.

If possible, please send these graphics in vector format (.ai, .cdr,

etc.). I currently have present logos for the 3rd and 4th BDE.

We will be updating the Marine Force Manual. After that, there are two other manuals tentatively on the drawing board: a Uniform Manual (which may include the awards guide) and an STARFLEET Marine Corps Drill and Ceremonies Manual. The Marine Force Manual is currently slated to be done late this year.

I would like to announce two openings under the Deputy Commandant's Office. The first of these is S-3 (Operations). This position is will be an editor/desktop publishing position to work with the General Staff on the upcoming manuals.

The other position is S-4 (Logistics). This position will be responsible for MWS; Morale, Welfare, and Support (name borrowed from the MWR office on many military bases). S-4 is still being fleshed out, but it is currently envisioned to be responsible for various areas of support, from the MSG level to the General Staff level.

It will assist in Public Relations ideas, morale boosting programs (like inter-unit competitions, such as





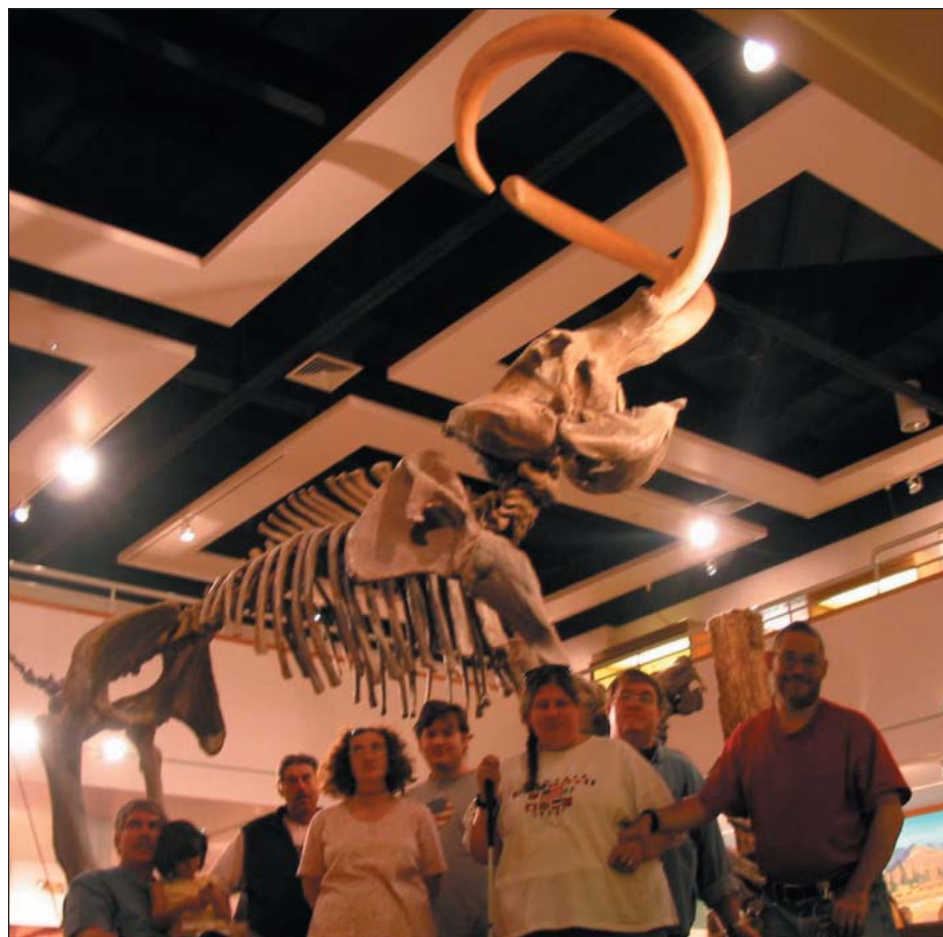
# DINOSAURS "R" US!



The USS Alioth, a Nova Class Science ship, sent two shuttles to Price, UT to the Price Natural History and Dinosaur Museum on May 24, 2003. In all 11 people made the hour and a half trek into the mountains of Utah.

After digging for dinosaur bones, comparing heights of the crew with the Utah Raptor, checking out the

giant ground sloth that was as big as the woolly mammoth, and of course posing for photos, the crew departed to a nearby park for a picnic.



*Members of the USS Alioth, based out of Utah, sent a shuttle to the Price Natural History and Dinosaur Museum on May 4, 2003.*

**Words & Pictures: Keira Russel-Strong • USS Alioth, Region 17**

The weather was wonderful for a picnic, sunny and not as hot as in the valley. Suddenly there was a clap of thunder, a bolt of lightning, and a huge

blast of wind. The crew was ordered back to the shuttlecrafts for the trek home.

In attendance were CO RADM Keira Russell-Strong, XO Capt. D. Justin Taylor, CMO Dayne Clark, CSO Janet Shepherd, Katherine and Joey Ercanbrack, Robbie Lawrence, Lynnette Knox, Tiffany Knox, Robert M. Strong, and Alyssa Clawson.





# ***THE USS HEIMDAL CELEBRATES!***



*Members of the USS Heimdal recently celebrated their 19th Anniversary as a Chapter of STARFLEET (see Article on Page 4) and sent along these images:*



*The group Folk Salad entertains the Heimdal*



*Chief Engineer Lem Campbell ushers in the crowd*



*Chief Security Officer Carl Davis chowing down. Webmistress Kelly Copes watches.*



*Dan Blanks looks on while Glenda Blanks plays the tamborine.*



*Commanding Officer Linda Smith and Second Officer Willy Smith cut the anniversary cake*

*All Photos on this page courtesy of Willy Smith.*





Hello and greetings from the SFMC's Training and Doctrine Command. It is once again time to update everyone on where TRACOM is and what we have planned for the future.

**New Staff Members:**

In addition to our new ME Branch Director, detailed below, I would like to welcome Ben Kokochak to the TRACOM Team. Ben has been named the Deputy Chief of our Datawarfare and will be helping COL Esquibel keep up with awards and other information processed through that office.

**SFI Database Integration:**

The dedicated and hard working staff at TRACOM has finished entering all past course completions (in excess of 3000 courses) into the SFI online database (database.sfi.org) and they are now available for viewing by using the "Member Eligibility" tool under the "Member" tab after you log into the database.

All future course completions will be entered as they are scored and will show up in all MSR's prepared by your chapter CO as completed courses.

**Corrections/Additions to Database Information:**

I understand there may be errors

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By Brigadier John Roberts • CO, TRACOM

with dates or other problems in the past course completions, after all, no matter how superhuman we may appear, we are only human and there will almost certainly be mistakes made in data entry.

If you believe there is an error in your transcript, please contact myself at jcroberts2@hotmail.com or Chris Esquibel (TRACOM Chief of Datawarfare) at datawarfare@sfi-sfmc.org and we will do our best to help you get the problem corrected. If you have a course completion from the past that is not entered and is not in our previous database, we will need you to provide proof of having completed the course in order to be able to enter the information in the database.

**Old E-certs:**

Due to a lessening of the duties on the Datawarfare Office, as well as the naming of Ben Kokochak as Deputy Chief of Datawarfare, we are now able to offer a "reprinting" of lost Ecerts. The procedure for this is as follows:

Students who lose their Ecerts, for

whatever reason, may request one (1) replacement of that ecert provided the following criteria have been met:

- (1) the student's completion of the course in question is logged in the SFI on line database (database.sfi.org);
- (2) the course was completed no later than January 1 of the previous year; and,
- (3) the Ecert in question is still on file with an officer of the TRACOM staff.

A request for replacement should be sent to the TRACOM Datawarfare Officer and should include student's name and SCC#, course name and date completed.

**New MeCHA Branch Director:**

After much contemplation I have selected COL Fred C. Parsons III as the new MeCHA Branch Director. He has some great ideas and wants to work to make MeCHA even better than it is currently. If you have any ME Tests that need to be scored, they should be sent to Fred at sfmcmecha@yahoo.com.

Additionally, please feel free to contact Fred if you have any ideas or suggestions on how the ME Branch can be improved to better meet the needs of the SFMC membership.

**New Course Ideas:**

Currently, the staff at TRACOM is busy developing the PD-5 course, designed for youth members aged 6-10. This course should be ready for rollout in the next few weeks.

We are also working to finish out the "Command" courses for the SU Branch, it is hoped that these courses can be completed and released for the general membership's use in the next couple of months.

If you have an idea for new courses, or course improvements that you would like to see developed for the STARFLEET Marine Corps Academy, please contact either myself or the appropriate Branch Director with your thoughts and we'll be happy to discuss them with and see what we can do about getting them into the pipeline if they seem feasible.

As always, I am available via email if you have any questions or concerns about TRACOM that you would like to have answered or discussed.

In service to the Corps!

## COURSE LISTING FOR SFMC ACADEMY (04/22/03)

To get more information on these courses or to request a course that interests you, please visit the SFMC website (www.sfi-sfmc.org) and go to the SFMCA section.

**College of Professional Development**

PD-7 Cadet Advanced Marine Basic Training  
PD-10 Marine Basic Training  
PD-12 Marine Essential Tasks List  
PD-15 Marine Strike Group OIC Course  
PD-20 Primary Leadership Dev. Course  
PD-25 Parachute Familiarization Course  
PD-30 Prof. Dev. Independent Study Course

**Non-Commissioned Officer's Academy**

NCO-10 NCO Basic Development Course  
NCO-20 NCO Adv. Development Course  
NCO-30 NCO Development Degree Course

**Leadership School**

LD-10 Basic Leadership Course  
LD-20 Advanced Leadership Course  
LD27 Combat Leadership  
LD-30 Leadership Degree Course

**School of Xeno-Studies**

XB-10 Borg Technology  
XB-20 Borg History  
XB-30 Independent Study in Borg Culture  
XK-10 Basic Klingon Studies I  
XK-15 Basic Klingon Studies II  
XK-18 Basic Klingon Studies III  
XK-20 Advanced Klingon Studies I

XK-25 Advanced Klingon Studies II  
XK-28 Advanced Klingon Studies III  
XK-30 Independent Study in Klingon Culture  
XR-10 Basic Romulan Studies  
XR-20 Advanced Romulan Studies  
XR-30 Independent Study in Romulan Culture

**Aerospace School**

AE-10 Aerospace Basic Course  
AE-20 Aerospace Advanced Course  
AE-25 Aerospace Atmospheric Pilot Training  
AE-27 Flight Engineering School  
AE-30 Aerospace Independent Study Course

**School Armor**

AR-10 Armor Basic Course  
AR-15 Armor Operations  
AR-17 Armor Tactics  
AR-20 Armor Advanced Course  
AR-30 Armor Independent Study Course

**School of Combat Engineering**

CE-10 Combat Engineer Basic Course  
CE-20 Combat Engineer Advanced Course  
CE-30 Combat Engineer Ind. Study Course

**School of Infantry**

IN-10 Infantry Basic Course

IN-15 Infantry Qualification Course  
IN-20 Infantry Advanced Course  
IN-30 Infantry Independent Study Course

**School of Maritime Operations**

MO-10 Maritime Operations Basic Course  
MO-20 Maritime Operations Advanced Course  
MO-25 Maritime Engineering and Tech. Course  
MO-27 Maritime Ship Design Course  
MO-30 Maritime Operations Ind. Study Course

**School of MeCHA**

ME-10 Mecha Basic Course  
ME-19 Mecha Re-Qualification Course  
ME-20 Mecha Advanced Course  
ME-25 Mecha Engineer's Course  
ME-28 Master Mecha Engineer's Course  
ME-30 Mecha Independent Study Course

**Medical School**

MD-10 Medical Basic Course  
MD-20 Medical Advanced Course  
MD-23 Medic Certification  
MD-25 Aerospace Medicine "Top Knife"  
MD-30 Medical Independent Study Course

**Special Operations School**

SO-10 Special Operations Basic Course

SO-20 Special Operations Advanced Course  
SO-30 Special Operations Ind. Study Course

**School of Support**

SU-10 Support Basic Course  
SU-13 Chaplain's Assistant Course  
SU-20 Support Advanced Course  
SU-21 Supply Command OIC Course  
SU-23 Signal Corps Command OIC Course  
SU-24 Military Intelligence OIC Course  
SU-30 Support Independent Study Course

**Combined Arms Combined College**

CA-40 Basic Combined Arms Command  
CA-50 Advanced Combined Arms Command  
CA-60 Combined Arms Command Ind. Study

**School of Military History**

MH-40 Basic Military History  
MH-50 Advanced Military History  
MH-60 Strategy and Tactics Ind. Study

**School of Strategy and Tactics**

ST-40 Introduction to Strategy and Tactics  
ST-50 Applications in Strategy and Tactics  
ST-60 Strategy and Tactics Ind. Study

# INFOCOM INFO

By Lt. General Wade Hoover • CO, INFOCOM

Greetings again from the heart of the SFMC office of Information Command. It's been an interesting couple of months. First off, I would like to thank Kyle Wolf for his work as part of the SFMC Web Team. Unfortunately, real life poked has its head into his life, and he was forced to resign his post. I would like to wish Kyle well in his future.

While Kyle's departure, the web team is once again hiring. We are still looking for two to four people to help out with the maintenance of the SFMC website.

At this point, we are simply looking for someone to help with maintenance. A basic knowledge of HTML is all that is required, or the ability to use an HTML Editor.

#### Qualifications:

- 1) Must have a working knowledge of HTML.
- 2) Must be able to work under time constraints.
- 3) Must be able to work in a team environment.
- 4) Knowledge of Javascript and/or cgi/php is a bonus.
- 5) Must be a member in Good Standing of STARFLEET.

Send your resume, including examples of your work, to: [webmaster@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:webmaster@sfi-sfmc.org) and [infocom@cableone.net](mailto:infocom@cableone.net).

This is still an ongoing request, but I'd like to get someone in the very near future.

On the flip side, I have changed ISPs. I have recently upgraded my Internet connection to broadband, so that will mean that I'll be more visible on line. However, my e-mail address will be changing. The

following e-mail addresses can now be used to reach me:

[infocom@cableone.net](mailto:infocom@cableone.net)  
[infocom@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:infocom@sfi-sfmc.org),  
[lgnoover@cableone.net](mailto:lgnoover@cableone.net), or  
[wade@ussnomad.org](mailto:wade@ussnomad.org).

I would also like to invite everyone to join us the second Tuesday of each month for the Ask the GS IRC meeting. This is being held in #corps on the Fleetchat IRC servers. (Visit <http://www.fleetchat.org> to get the server information.)

The meeting will start at 7PM Central, and probably last about two hours. If you can not attend, please feel free to send me your questions, and I will ask them for you in the meeting.

A log of the meeting will also be kept, and will be posted to the SFMC website after the meeting for those that couldn't attend. This is another avenue for you to ask the members of the GS your questions about the Corps.

The web team has also developed a FAQ about how to report a problem with the SFMC site. This FAQ will be available by the time you read this, but as a brief overview, here is how you should do it. Send an e-mail to [webmaster@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:webmaster@sfi-sfmc.org), stating the problem, and the page where you found the problem (this would be the page URL).

Without both the problem, and exactly where it is, we can't fix the problem. If you have an idea of something that you would like to see on the site, or a new page that needs to be created, again, e-mail [webmaster@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:webmaster@sfi-sfmc.org) with the details. We can't guarantee that the problem will be fixed right away, but it will be solved within 48 hours to 7 days.

Until next time!

# SARS IN THE HOT ZONE

By 1st Lt. Paul Williams • Shuttle Commonwealth

As some of you know March was not a good month for me health-wise.

On Tuesday the 25th of March, 2003, I cut one of my fingers very badly. This required a visit to North York General Hospital in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. This was just the beginning of the SARS outbreak here in Ontario, with the Salvation Army's Scarbrough Grace Hospital being the epicenter for the outbreak here in Ontario. This facility was the first hospital to be quarantined.

It was quickly extended to other hospitals in Richmond Hill and Markham-Stouville, just north of Toronto.

According to media reports, this precaution was used because health care staff routinely work out of all three facilities.

The hospital where I was treated was North York General Hospital, this was at a time when anti-infection measures weren't yet in place and medical personnel were performing their duties unprotected.

On Sunday March the 30th while attending to the administration of my STARFLEET and Marine duties online, I suddenly became dizzy and hot. I continued with my duties for a few more minutes and then became nauseous. The spell lasted some 45 minutes in the washroom, after which I couldn't stand, was sweating profusely and had cold clammy skin.

The paramedics were called. I was somewhat distressed when they responded, done up in full protective gear.

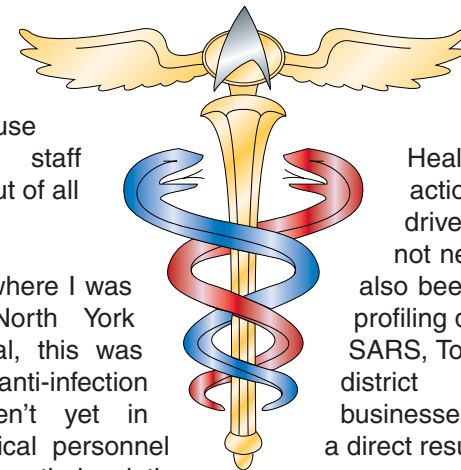
Their questions were direct, did I feel any chest pain or have difficulty breathing, had I been in contact with someone who was ill. Satisfied with my answers they started an IV and took me to Scarbrough Centennery Hospital, the only hospital in Toronto

not under quarantine.

All staff, patients and visitors were wearing protective masks, while hospital staff all wearing surgical coveralls. I spent six hours in that environment before I was discharged and I left with a feeling of relief that cold Monday morning.

People's reaction to this new disease has ranged from paranoia to precautionary, to downright ridiculous.

Recently, a Toronto Transit bus driver was ordered off her bus for wearing a surgical mask on her route.



The Toronto Transit Commission and the Toronto Board of Health stated that such actions by the bus driver in question are not needed. There have also been reports of racial profiling due to the origin of SARS, Toronto's Chinatown district reporting that businesses are suffering as a direct result of the disease.

While I can understand why this is occurring I don't condone those actions. Health organizations around the world are working on this problem around the clock and hopefully a solution will be found soon. In the meantime take reasonable precautions and don't do anything that'll cause a panic.

Further Information on Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) can be found on the following websites:

<http://www.who.int/>

and

<http://www.cdc.gov/>

Or Call the CDC at:

1(888) 246-2675

But above all else, stay healthy!

Visit the SFMC Home on the Web:

<http://www.sfi-sfmc.org/>



# STARSHIP PROFILE: OSIRIS CLASS COMMAND CRUISER

By Admiral Alex Rosenzweig • Adapted from Original Text by Edgar Torres and Revisions by Masao Okazaki

*Columnist's Note:* With luck, this will be a recurring column to highlight starship classes developed through DTS and ASDB, and added to the lists of established vessel designs for STARFLEET chapters to use. We begin with the Osiris-class, as exemplified by the USS Osiris, based in Region 7.

Responding to a perceived need at STARFLEET Command for a command cruiser that could be used as a testbed for new technologies, the Advanced Starship Design Bureau began design work on the Osiris-class command cruiser.

The lead vessel was named for the Quetzalcoatl-class semi-dreadnought USS Osiris, which had been destroyed while successfully defending several Federation colony ships from a Crisj raider squadron near the Vodrey Nebula in 2231.

The keel of NX-3092 USS Osiris was laid down in 2295. Serendipitously, Anck-Su-Namun Defense Systems, located in the city of Giza on Earth, had developed the "Eye of Horus" tactical sensor suite, which provided superior

threat analysis and assessment. Basically, a monitor "womb" into which the Fleet Commanding Officer insinuated himself, the "Eye of Horus" is a transparent aluminum egg 3 x 4 m in diameter, situated in the center of the Combat Information Center (CIC).

The FCO would enter the "Eye" and instantly, the walls of the "Eye" would be covered in threat assessment reports and combat readiness reports on all allied vessels.

The walls of the "Eye" allowed the FCO to be surrounded with holographic iconic representations of Fleet/Threat forces so that the FCO could focus attention on the more critical components of the fleet action. Sensors located in the walls, ceiling, and floor of the "Eye" scanned the FCO's eye, hand, and body movements so that areas of the "Eye" that the FCO thought more important could be instantly expanded and highlighted.

Along with the "Eye of Horus" sensor suite, Osiris also carried an advanced CIC and a Target Acquisition Center Accelerated Response System

(TACARS). USS Osiris was ready for service in early 2296.

Since Command Ships are considered prime targets in any fleet engagement, Osiris was outfitted with the most advanced starship technology available at the time.

She was equipped with LN-74 Warp nacelles, which allowed for quick entry and exit of threat areas, 12 banks of twin RIM-15A phaser turrets, 4 banks of RSM-20B single-mount phaser turrets, and 2 forward and 2 aft Mark 70 photon torpedo tubes. The Pendragon Deflector Shield and supplemental Close-In Deflector Shield System provided a stout defense.

Following a number of successful missions performed by the Osiris herself, seven more Osiris-class ships were rapidly constructed and commissioned.

The Osiris-class began to be withdrawn from front-line service in the mid-2350s and was phased out over the next 20 years. USS Osiris was decommissioned in 2360 and began a

new career as a training vessel. When the threat of the Dominion surfaced in 2373, STARFLEET sought ways to maximize fleet strength to counter the superior Jem'Hadar warships.

USS Osiris was recommissioned in 2374, but immediately entered drydock for upgrade and refit. She was fitted with LF-48 nacelles, the new M-16 bioneural computer as well as the new Enhanced Data Gathering and Retrieval System (or EDGARS) with Holographic Interface, type XII collimated phaser arrays, Mk 95 photon torpedoes, as well as the Mk VI "Eye of Horus" tactical suite, TACAR Mk VIII, a new CIC and the Flag Plot holoprojection system, first introduced on USS Bright Star.

All of these upgrades and refits amounted to a near-total transformation of Osiris' internal configuration and as such, the refit and resulting trials were not completed until April 2376, by which time the War had ended. With the end of hostilities, STARFLEET made USS Osiris the flagship of a small expeditionary force to explore and guard the Goldin Discontinuity.

## VESSEL SYSTEMS DESCRIPTION FORM: OSIRIS-CLASS COMMAND CRUISER (ORIGINAL CONFIGURATION)

### PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS:

Length Overall: 397.0 meters  
Beam Overall: 166.4 meters  
Draft Overall: 55.1 meters

Primary Hull Length: 181.0 meters  
Nacelle Length: 195.0 meters

### DISPLACEMENT:

Standard: 345,000 metric tons  
Light: 340,000 metric tons  
Full Load: 335,000 metric tons

### PROPULSION:

Warp Engines:  
Number: 2  
Type: LN-74 Mod 1 Linear  
Warp Drive Unit

Impulse Engines:  
Number: 2  
Type: Santh-H Subatomic Unified  
Energy Impulse Units

Maneuvering Thrusters Type:

QASR Particle Beam  
Maneuvering Thrusters

Reaction Control System Type:  
"Trentis" Pulsed Laser Reaction Control  
System

### VELOCITY:

Cruising (Warp Factor): Warp 11.5  
Maximum (Warp Factor): Warp 15

### ACCELERATION

Rest - Onset Critical Momentum:  
8.35 sec

Onset Critical Momentum - Warp  
Engage: 1.05 sec

Warp 1 - Warp 4: .50 sec  
Warp 4 - Warp 8: .39 sec  
Warp 8 - Warp 10: 1.32 sec  
Warp 10 - Warp 15: 3.80

### CREW COMPLEMENT:

Officers: 55

Crew: 495  
Total: 550

### NAVIGATION:

System Type: RAV/ISHAK Mod 1 Warp  
Celestial Guidance

### COMPUTERS:

System Type: "Daystrom" Duotronic IV  
with M-10 Supplement

### ARMAMENT:

Phaser Banks/Arrays:  
Type: RIM-15A Independent Twin  
Mount  
Number: 12 Banks  
Emplacements/Bank: 2

Type: RSM-20B Single Mount  
Number: 4 Banks

Emplacements/Bank: 1  
Photon Torpedoes:  
Number of Tubes: 4  
Torpedo Type(s): MK 70 Mod 2 Direct

### DEFENSES:

Deflector Systems  
Type: "Pendragon" Primary Force

Field and Deflector Control System  
CIDSS Deflector

Supplement  
Cloaking Device: N  
Defense Scanning/Computer

Tracking Systems:  
Type: "Cetis" Weapon System;  
TACAR Fire-Control Add-On  
  
"Eye of Horus" Tactical Sensor Suite  
Add-On

### LIFE SUPPORT:

Gravity/Atmosphere Systems:  
Type: MC-3E Artificial Gravity  
Generator

Radiation Shielding:  
Type: "Cerix" Radiation Protection  
Package

# STARSHIP PROFILE: OSIRIS CLASS COMMAND CRUISER

## ORIGINAL CONFIGURATION DIAGRAMS

### Osiris-Class Command Cruiser

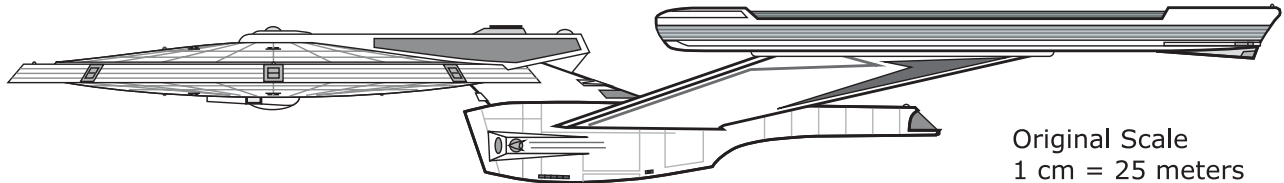
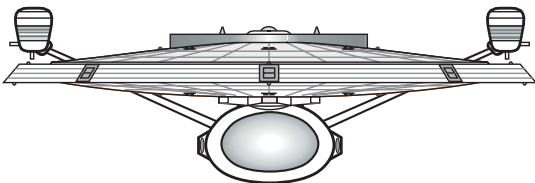
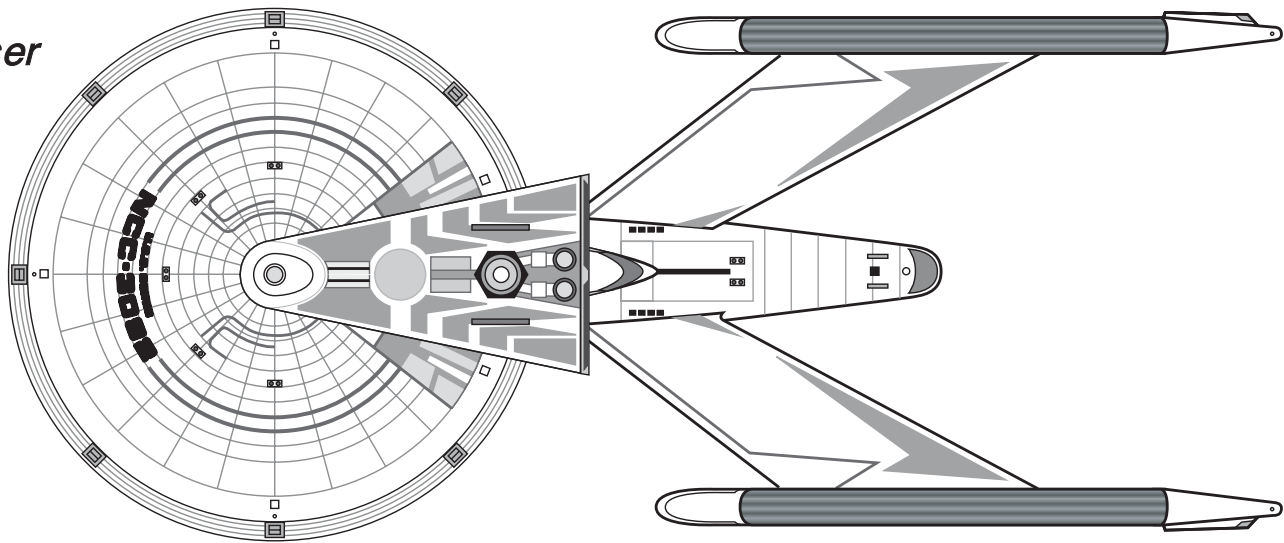
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Overall length 397 M  
Overall width 166.4 M  
Overall height 55.1 M

Primary hull 181 M  
Nacelle length 195 M

as interpreted by  
John T Burt Dec 2001



Original Scale  
1 cm = 25 meters



### Osiris-Class Command Cruiser

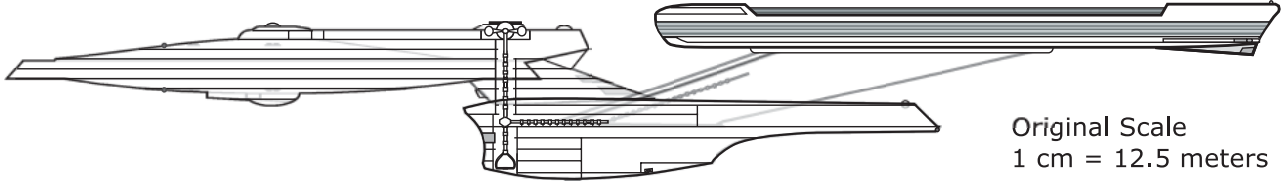
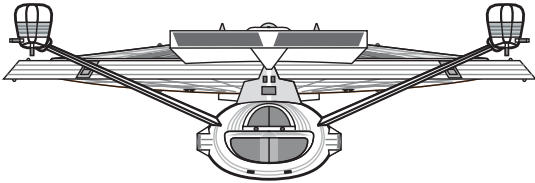
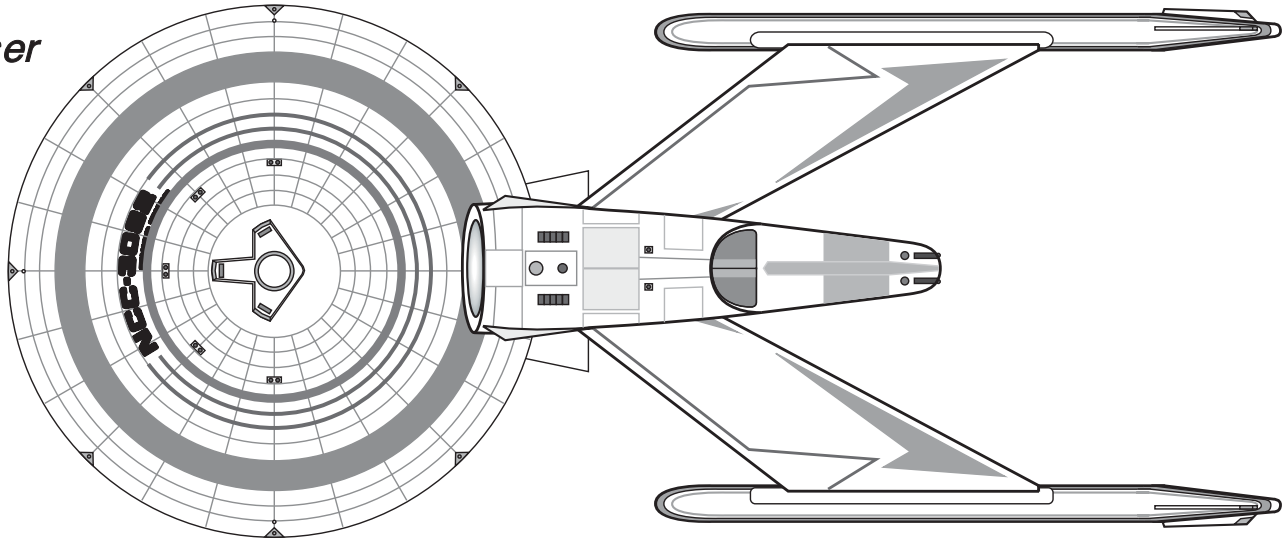
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Overall width 166.4 M  
Overall height 55.1 M

Primary hull 181 M  
Nacelle length 195 M

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Original Scale  
1 cm = 12.5 meters





# IN THE BEGINNING

By Lt. (JG) Gerry & Terri Sylvester • USS Highlander, Region 7

At the Silver Anniversary of Shore Leave, we thought you would all like to hear how this insanity began.

October '78. At a private residence in Baltimore, Maryland, there was a voice...

"Hey Mom, I'm starting a Star Trek club!"

*Oh great, another one!*

A few months later, the same voice was heard again: "Hey Mom! We're starting a Star Trek convention."

*Oh well! At least it will keep them off the streets and out of trouble!*

And so – Began a day that will live in infamy! Towson State University was chosen as the site for Shore Leave 1 since a member of the fledgling club known as STAT was a student there. Having procured the meeting space and the promise of help from the Sci-Fi club, we were off to the races.

*Well, they were off for sure!*

With the loan of \$100 for flyers and expenses we began our plans.

*Remember kids; you still owe me the hundred!*

Being disgusted with the state of cons up in New York, the fans had long urged us to start a convention in Maryland and promised solemnly to come down and support us if we did. While planning the con activities, Mom and Margaret Delorenzo of the Highlander met with a singing group they had heard about. After hearing them sing their original trek parodies, Mom asked them to sing at the one day Con. After much debate they felt they were not ready to sing in public, but agreed to help out as gophers (re- volunteers in those days).

*Little did we know they would evolve into the Devenian Slime Devils of Filk singing fame.*

Shore Leave 1 was a huge success!

*Huge is in the mind of the speaker only – it went well – and at least it was over and done with.*

One rainy day in November a voice called up from the family room "Mom we've decided to put on a three day con at Hunt Valley Inn."

*Thus began the three-word litany I was to use for the next eight months – "Oh My God!"*

We began our planning in earnest. Rock and ROLLLL!

*I just wish Ernest could have done the work! (Small joke- very small)*

Again the "little" voice spoke – "Mom, the hotel says we need a non-profit number."

*"Oh My God" – well off to the races. Man O'War had nothing on me.*

After saying we would not mention the three-day con, we drove to the IRS office. After endless questions, the gentleman behind the desk told us he did not see any reason why we would be denied a non-profit status. He asked to see our constitution.

*"Oh My God" All I could think of was "Please God, do not let my face change" as I said, "we did not realize we needed to bring it with us."*

With an appointment to see him the next day, we left. Grabbing a carry-out dinner we raced home to begin writing a constitution.

*I remember starting it with "Four score and seven months ago, we the idiots of Star Trek, etc.", but we finally settled down and wrote a reasonably put together document.*

Next day we were back at the IRS where we were given a non-profit status. We let Mom have a Merry Christmas and one week after New Years, I dropped the bomb. "Mom, we have to go to the Hotel and you have to sign the contract!"

*"Oh My – well you get the idea! All I said was "hope you guys have some money".*

Money? What's that? We met with the General Manager of Hunt Valley Inn and toured the facilities and discussed their fees and presented our convention needs. Mom finally signed a contract and Shore Leave 2 was a viable proposition! (Mind you that I was not old enough to sign a legal contract.)

*"OH MY GOD"!! I left Hunt Valley in big shock – finally realizing I had signed a contract agreeing to pay for all the meeting space and guarantying 200 room nights over the weekend.*

And so began six months of fun for me, heartburn for Mom. (Well it was fun then!) The end of this saga – Shore Leave 2 was a big success. The New York fans were true to their word – they did come down to support us – we made enough to pay Mom back the \$1200 she lent us – and left money enough to start up Shore Leave 3. I love it when a plan comes together!!



Margaret Delorenzo sets up a promotional table for the very first Shore Leave



Gerry Sylvester stands in the same spot 25 years later.

Photos courtesy of Gerry Sylvester.



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## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

If registering multiple members, please attach list of names and ranks for each member.

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MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE/PROVINCE:

POSTAL CODE:

COUNTRY:

TELEPHONE:

EMAIL:

RANK:

SCC #:

CHAPTER AFFILIATION:

REGION:

### Adult Registration

- ☐ Advance \$10.00 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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# CONVENTION LISTINGS

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**Convention attendees:** When calling conventions for information, don't call collect and don't call too late in the evening (many organizers list their home phone numbers). When writing for information, it's frequently a good idea to include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

**Convention Organizers:** Please send the convention's name, dates, location, and contact information to:

**Blair Learn**  
11604 King's Arrow CT  
Germantown, MD 20876

**Fanboy@dactylmanor.org**

Please allow a minimum of three months time between your submission and the convention's date.

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## Arizona

**Jul 25-27** Hexacon 13, Phoenix, Arizona; Info: PO Box 62613, Phoenix AZ 85082 Ph: 602-973-2341 <http://www.casfs.org/hexacon/hex12chair@casfs.org>

**Sep 5-7** CopperCon 23, Phoenix, Arizona; Info: PO Box 62613, Phoenix, AZ 85082 Ph: 480-423-0649 <http://www.casfs.org/cucon/cucon@casfs.org> Guests: Connie Willis, David Mattingly, Larry Warner

## California

**Jul 17-20** Comic-Con International, San Diego, California; Info: P.O. Box 128458, San Diego, CA 92112-8458 Ph: 1-800-266-4299 <http://www.comic-con.org/ccweb@nucgen.com> Guests: Frank Bolle, Sal Buscema, Philippe Dupuy, Charles Berberian, Will Eisner, Neil Gaiman, Stan Goldberg, David Goyer, Nalo Hopkinson, Steve Jackson, Sid Jacobson, Larry Lieber, Dave McKean, Carla Speed McNeil, Monte Moore, Terry Moore, Grant Morrison, Wendy Pini, Richard Pini, Alex Ross, Julius Schwartz, J. Michael Straczynski, George Woodbridge

**Aug 1-3** Costume College, Van Nuys, California; Info: PO Box 3052, Santa Fe Springs, California 90670-3052 <http://www.costumecollege.org/>

**Aug 1-3** ConChord 17, Woodland Hills, California; Info: PO Box 61172,

Pasadena, CA 91116 <http://www.nyx.net/~bgold/conchord/>

**Aug 8-10** Fresno Anime Con, Fresno, California; Info: 530 N. Weber Ave. #20, Fresno, CA 93726 <http://www.geocities.com/fresnoanimecon2003/RRtrrs@aol.com>

**Aug 24-25** Hollywood Collectors Show, Hollywood, California; Info: PO Box 5040, Spring Hill, Florida 34611 Ph: 352-683-5110 <http://www.hollywoodcollectorshow.com/hcs@atlantic.net> Guests: Frank Aletter, Mary Badham, Shelley Berman, James Best, Lloyd Bochner, Antoinette Bower, Morgan Brittany, Jean Carson, Paul Comi, Ben Cooper, Dana Dillaway, Bill Erwin, Michael Forest, Anne Francis, Camille Franklin, Beverly Garland, Susan Gordon, Jan Handzlik, Marsha Hunt, Russell Johnson, Wright King, Ruta Lee, Joanne Linville, Suzanne Lloyd, Tom Lowell, Arlene Martel, Nan Martin, Asa Maynor, Kevin McCarthy, Martin Milner, Read Morgan, Howard Morris, Barry Morse, Julie Newmar, Gloria Pall, House Peters, Jr., Phillip Pine, Peter Mark Richman, Cliff Robertson, Mickey Rooney, Joseph Ruskin, William Schallert, Jacqueline Scott, Robert Sorrells, Warren Stevens, Amzie Strickland, Barbara Stuart, Alan Sues, Michael Vandever, Garry Walberg, William Windom, Jason Wingreen, H.M. Wynant, Earl Hamner, Jr., George Clayton Johnson, Marc Scott Zicree

## Colorado

**Jul 18-20** XIII-Khan, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Info: 2926 Valarie Circle, Colorado Springs, CO, 80917 Ph: 719-597-5259 <http://www.angelfire.com/scifi/xkhan/Penny.Tegen@atsc-dsc.com> Guests: John Stith

**Aug 28-31** Tacticon, Denver, Colorado; Info: PO Box 472664, Aurora, CO 80047-2664 <http://www.denvergammers.com/tacticon/dgagames@aol.com>

**Sep 19-21** Nan Desu Kan, Denver, Colorado; Info: 1552 Monroe St, Denver CO, 80206-1850 <http://www.ndk.cc/genkidenki@hotmail.com> Guests: Tiffany Grant, Matt Greenfield, Michael Sinterniklaas, Kyle Hebert, Bob Bergen, Christopher Patton, Brett Weaver, Cynthia Hands, Jan Scott-Frazier, Newton Ewell

## Florida

**Jul 18-20** Vulkan, Tampa, Florida; Info: PO Box 297122, Pembroke Pines FL 33029-7122 Ph: 954-441-TREK <http://www.vulkan.com/clevelandapril/joemotes@aol.com> Guests: James Marsters, James C. Leary, Robin Atkin Downes

**Aug 18-22** Bill Blair Birthday Cruise, Miami, Florida; Info: PO Box 10981, Burbank California 91510-0918 Ph: 877-752-1858 <http://www.billblairfanclub.com/cruise.html>

Guests: Bill Blair, Peter Mayhew

## Georgia

**Aug 29-Sep 1** Dragon\*Con, Atlanta, Georgia; Info: PO Box 16459, Atlanta, GA 30321-9998 Ph: 770-909-0115 <http://www.dragoncon.org/dragoncon@dragoncon.org>

**Sep 26-28** Anime Weekend Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia; Info: PO Box 13544, Atlanta, GA 30324-0544 <http://www.awa-con.com/awaweb@awa-con.com>

## Illinois

**Jul 18-20** G-Fest X, Chicago, Illinois; Info: Box 3468, Steinbach, MB, Canada, R0A 2A0 <http://www.g-fan.com/>

**Jul 26-27** BotCon, Chicago, Illinois; Info: PO Box 905, Kendallville IN 46755-0905 <http://www.botcon.com/info@botcon.com>

**Aug 1-3** SC2003 (AKA ScaperCon), Chicago, Illinois; Info: c/o Blue Lady Productions, Inc, 832 Muddy Branch Road, Gaithersburg Md, 20878 <http://www.bluelady.org/sc2003@bluelady.org> Guests: Lani Tupu, Johnathan Hardy, Wayne Pygram, David Franklin

**Aug 8-10** Wizard World Chicago, Chicago, Illinois; Info: 151 Wells Avenue, Congers, NY 10920 <http://www.wizarduniverse.com/conventions/chicago.cfm> Guests: Jim Lee, Lou Ferrigno, Mark Bagley, Scott Beatty, Tony Bedard, Jim Cheung, Scott Ciencin, Amanda Connor, Tony Daniel, Nelson Decastro, Paul Dini, Andrea Di Vito, Chuck Dixon, Dale Eaglesham, Steve Epting, Butch Guice, Gene Ha, John Holdredge, Jeff Johnson, Barbara Kesel, Adam Kubert, Greg Land, Salvatore LaRocca, Erik Larsen, Aaron Lopresti, Jim Mahfood, Ron Marz, Steve McNiven, Angel Medina, Karl Moline, Paul Pelletier, Jimmy Palmiotti, George Perez, Brandon Peterson, Brian Pulido, Humberto Ramos, Joe Quesada, Robert Rodi, Alex Ross, R.A. Salvatore, Bart Sears, Munier Sharrief, Marc Silvestri, Andy Smith, Mathew Smith, Michael Turner, Mark Waid, Skottie Young

## Indiana

**Jul 24-27** Gen Con Indy '03, Indianapolis, Indiana; Info: 120 Lakeside Ave, #100, Seattle, WA 98122 Ph: 206-957-3976 <http://www.gencongamefair.com/events@gencon.com>

## Iowa

**Aug 22-24** Animelowa, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Info: PO Box 5303, Coralville IA 52241 <http://www.animeiowa.com/info@animeiowa.com>

## Kansas

**Aug 15-17** Ra-Con, Wichita, Kansas; Info: PO Box 673, Wichita, Ks. 67201-0673 Ph: 316-262-3502 <http://www.Ra-Con.com/clinton@ra-con.com> Guests: Eugene

Roddenberry, Jason Carter, Sue Dawe, Michael Underwood, Carl Taliaferro, Jon Netherland, John Avett

## Kentucky

**Aug 8-10** ConGlomeration, Louisville, Kentucky; Info: PO Box 32095, Louisville, KY. 40232-2095 <http://members.iglou.com/shadowr/>

## Louisiana

**Aug 1-3** Crescent City Con, Metairie, Louisiana; Info: PO Box 52622, New Orleans LA 70150-2622 Ph: 504-488-0489 <http://crescentcitycon.com/ccn/ccno@aol.com> Guests: Debbora Wiles, Sharon Green, Tony Ruggiero

## Maryland

**Aug 1-3** Fanex 17, Timonium, Maryland; Info: 9721 Britinay Lane, Baltimore, MD 21234 Ph: 410-665-1198 <http://www.midmar.com/filmfest.html> MMarquee@aol.com

**Aug 8-10** Otakon, Baltimore, Maryland; Info: 491 Baltimore Pike #689, Springfield, PA 19064-3810 Ph: 610-291-5308 <http://www.otakon.com/info@otakon.com> Guests: Frederick Schodt, Julie Davis, Dr. Susan Napier

**Aug 15-17** Horrorfind Weekend, Baltimore, Maryland; Info: 9722 Groffs Mill Drive PMB 109, Owings Mills Maryland 21117 <http://www.horrorfindweekend.com/convention@horrorfind.com>

**Sep 19-21** Capclave 2003, Silver Spring, Maryland; Info: 3003 Van Ness St. NW Apt. W527 Washington DC 20008 <http://www.capclave.org/info@capclave.org> Guests: William Tenn

## Massachusetts

**Jul 18-20** ConCertino, Worcester, Massachusetts; Info: 18 Cottage Avenue, Arlington, MA 02474 Ph: 781-646-3118 <http://www.concertino.net/info@massfilc.org> Guests: Jeff Bohnhoff, Maya Bohnhoff, Erica Neely, Ed Stauff, Priscilla Olson, Ellen Kushner

**Sep 28-Oct 3** Viable Paradise, Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts; Info: PO Box 36, Medford, MA 02155 <http://www.sff.net/paradise/mvsfa@mail.com> Guests: Debra Doyle, Patrick Nielsen Hayden, Teresa Nielsen Hayden, Steven Gould, James D. Macdonald, Laura Mixon

## Michigan

**Jul 26-27** Creation, Dearborn, Michigan; Info: 1010 N. Central Ave, 4th Floor, Glendale, CA 91202 Ph: 818-409-0960 <http://www.creationent.com/tickets@creationent.com> Guests: James Doohan, Alexander Siddig, David Prowse, Silas Carson, Ken Colley, Juliet Landau, Andy Hallett, Mark Lutz,

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**Aug 8-10** Diversicon 11, Bloomington, Minnesota; Info: PO Box 8036, Lake Street Station Minneapolis, MN 55408 Ph: 612-721-5959 <http://www.sfinnesota.com/diversicon/> [diversicon@SFMinnesota.com](mailto:diversicon@SFMinnesota.com) Guests: Melissa Scott, Martha A. Hood

**Sep 26-28** Arcana 33, Twin Cities, Minnesota; Info: PO Box 8036, Lake Street Station, Minneapolis, MN 55408-8036 Ph: 612-721-5959 <http://pages.prodigy.net/rekal/eheideman@qwest.net> Guests: Gahan Wilson

## Nevada

**Aug 1-3** Creation, Las Vegas, Nevada; Info: 1010 N. Central Ave, 4th Floor, Glendale, CA 91202 Ph: 818-409-0960 <http://www.creationent.com/tickets@creationent.com> Guests: William Shatner, Leonard Nimoy, Michael Dorn, John Billingsley, Robert Picardo, Tim Russ, Robbie Duncan McNeill, Xenia Seeberg, Robert Beltran, Kate Mulgrew, Ethan Phillips, Alexander Siddig, Nana Visitor, James Doohan, Rene Auberjonois, Armin Shimerman, Roxann Dawson, Marina Sirtis, Paul Goddard, Carolyn Seymour, Celeste Yarnall, France Nuyen, Barbara Luna, Paul Carr, Patrick Kilpatrick, Glenn Shadix, Kurt Wetherhill, Cody Wetherhill, Erin Gray, Tony Todd, Nicole de Boer, Nichelle Nichols, Vaughn Armstrong, Richard Arnold, Walter Koenig, George Takei

## New Jersey

**Aug 28-30** ShoreCon, Cherry Hill, New Jersey; Info: PO Box 262, Seaside Hts, NJ 08751 Ph: 609-426-9339 <http://www.completestrategygaming.com/shorecon/> [shorecon2002@gamersrealm.com](mailto:shorecon2002@gamersrealm.com) Guests: Elaine Cunningham, Jeff Menges, Melissa Benson

## New Mexico

**Aug 22-24** Bubonicon 35, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Info: PO Box 37257, Albuquerque, NM 87176 Ph: 505-266-8905 <http://bubonicon.home.att.net/cwraig@nmia.com> Guests: Charles de Lint, Melinda Snodgrass, Charles Vess

## New York

**Aug 23-24** Creation, Brooklyn, New York; Info: 1010 N. Central Ave, 4th Floor, Glendale, CA 91202 Ph: 818-409-0960 <http://www.creationent.com/tickets@creationent.com> Guests: Hudson Leick, Alexandra Tydings, Claire Stansfield, Adrienne Wilkinson

**Aug 29-Sep 1** Dark Shadows Festival, Brooklyn, New York; Info: PO Box 92, Maplewood, NJ 07040-0092 <http://www.darkshadowsfestival.com/> [PansyFaye@DarkShadowsFestival.com](mailto:PansyFaye@DarkShadowsFestival.com) Guests: Lara Parker, David Selby, Nancy Barrett,

John Karlen, Kathryn Leigh Scott, Marie Wallace, Diana Millay, Donna Wandrey, Christopher Pennock, Roger Davis, James Storm, Lisa Richards

**Aug 30** Creation, Binghampton, New York; Info: 1010 N. Central Ave, 4th Floor, Glendale, CA 91202 Ph: 818-409-0960 <http://www.creationent.com/tickets@creationent.com> Guests: William Shatner, Richard Arnold

## North Carolina

**Jul 31-Aug 3** STARFLEET International Conference 2003, Greensboro, North Carolina; Info: c/o John T. Hopkins, 1635 Bright Leaf Rd. Pfafftown, NC 27047 <http://ic2003.sfi.org/> [RArmFell@aol.com](mailto:RArmFell@aol.com)

**Aug 1-3** Trinoc-con, Durham, North Carolina; Info: PO Box 10633, Raleigh, NC 27605-0633 <http://www.trinoc-con.org/info@trinoc-con.org> Guests: Ursula Vernon, Jamie Bishop, Dru Blair, Michael E. Moon, Jamie Robertson, Nick Rose, Robert Snare, Loston Wallace, Moss Bliss, Dan Hart, Lee Martindale, Scott Vaughan, Bruce Baugh, Christopher L. McGlothlin, Lawrence Watt-Evans, Mike Allen, Dale Bailey, Dan Barlow, Jennifer Barlow, Michael Bishop, Cullen Bunn, Tonya Cook, Jodie Forrest, Jim Grimsley, Gene Kannenberg, John Kessel, Kate Laity, Susan Linville, Lee Martindale, Jack McDevitt, Phil Nutman, Steve Raimey, Warren Rochelle, Laura J. Underwood, Graham Watkins, Bud Webster, Drew Williams, Allen Wold

## Ohio

**Sep 5-7** Vulkan, Independence, Ohio; Info: PO Box 297122, Pembroke Pines FL 33029-7122 Ph: 954-441-TREK <http://www.vulkan.com/orlandonov/joemotes@aol.com> Guests: Michael Dorn, Dominic Keating, Mira Furlan

**Sep 5-6** Third Rock Squared, Cincinnati, Ohio; Info: 5325 Sidney Road, Cincinnati, OH 45238 Ph: 513-922-0498 <http://www.thirdrockconvention.org/> <mailto:secchdhd@fuse.net> Guests: Kevin Dilmore, Dayton Ward

## Oklahoma

**Jul 18-20** Conestoga, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Info: 440 S. Gary Ave, Box 45, Tulsa, OK 74104 Ph: 918-836-5463 <http://www.sff.net/people/sfreader/conestoga.htm> Guests: David Brin, Esther Friesner, David Lee Anderson, Keith Birdsong Benefits: Domestic Violence Intervention Service

## Oregon

**Jul 19-20** Spacecon XV, Portland, Oregon; Info: PO Box 2213, Plant City, FL 33565 Ph: 503-408-7997 <http://www.stonehill.org/1999/starparty1@yahoo.com> Guests: Barry Morse, Zienia Merton Benefits: Parkinson's Center of Oregon

## Pennsylvania

**Jul 18-20** Anthrocon, Philadelphia,

Pennsylvania; Info: PO Box 270, Devault, PA 19432-0270 <http://www.anthrocon.org/> [anthrocon@anthrocon.org](mailto:anthrocon@anthrocon.org)

**Jul 25-27** Confluence, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Info: PO Box 3681, Pittsburgh, PA 15230-3681 Ph: 412-344-0456 <http://trfn.clpgh.org/parsec/conflu/parsec-home@netcom.com>

**Aug 31** SPPLAT Attack II, New Milford, Pennsylvania; Info: 1603 South 27th Place, Rogers, AR 72758 <http://www.spplat.com/> Guests: William Shatner, Eric "Mancow" Muller, Tom Kaye

**Sep 19-21** STARFLEET Region 7 Conference, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Info: 27 E. Central Ave., N-2, Paoli, PA 19301 <http://www.isslexington.org/r72003/MufasaTL@aol.com>

## South Carolina

**Sep 26-28** STARFLEET Region 1 Conference, Charleston, South Carolina; Info: PO Box 40142, Charleston, SC 29423-0142 <http://www.ussdominator.org/2003-fall-conference/co@ussdominator.org> Benefits: American Diabetes Association

## Tennessee

**Jul 25-27** LibertyCon 16 / Deep South Con 41, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Info: PO Box 695, Hixson, TN 37343-0695 <http://www.libertycon.org/uncletimmy@libertycon.org> Guests: S. M. Stirling, Larry Elmore, Steve Hickman, John Ringo, Darryl Elliot

**Jul 25-28** Mythcon XXXIV, Nashville, Tennessee; Info: 1603 Rosewood Drive, Brentwood, TN 37027 <http://www.mythsoc.org/mythcon33.html> [Mythcon33@rialto.org](mailto:Mythcon33@rialto.org) Guests: Dr. Dabney A. Hart, Sherwood Smith

**Aug 29-Sep 1** Mephit Furmeet, Memphis, Tennessee; Info: PO Box 6001, Saint Louis, MO 63139-0001 <http://www.mephitfurmeet.org/> [registration@mephitfurmeet.org](mailto:registration@mephitfurmeet.org)

## Texas

**Jul 25-27** Lone Star Collectables Show, Houston, Texas; Info: 412 E. Main, Nacogdoches, TX 75961 Ph: 936-560-0372 <http://www.lonestarshows.com/info@lonestarshows.com>

**Aug 8-10** Armadillocon 25, Austin, Texas; Info: Box 27277, Austin, TX 78755 Ph: 512-477-2294 <http://www.fact.org/dillo/ArmadilloConTX@hotmail.com> Guests: Kage Baker, Willie Siros, Aaron Allston, Vernor Vinge

**Aug 10** JMV Entertainment Collectibles Show, Killeen, Texas; Info: PO BOX 151, Temple, TX 76503 Ph: 254-771-4238 [jmveentertainment16@yahoo.com](mailto:jmveentertainment16@yahoo.com)

**Sep 5-7** Lone Star Collectables Show, Houston, Texas; Info: 412 E. Main,

Nacogdoches, TX 75961 Ph: 936-560-0372 <http://www.lonestarshows.com/info@lonestarshows.com>

## Virginia

**Sep 19-21** Gamefest -- Richmond, Richmond, Virginia; Info: PO Box 718, Antwerp, OH 45813 Ph: 877-977-4263 <http://www.patriotgames.org/gamefest@advantageconvention.com>

## Washington

**Aug 15-17** Dragonflight, Seattle, Washington; Info: PO Box 776, Seattle, WA 98111-0776 <http://www.dragonflight.org/convention@dragonflight.org> Guests: James Ernest

**Sep 19-21** Foolsap V, Bellevue, Washington; Info: PO Box 2461, Seattle, WA 98111-2461 <http://www.foolscap.org/> [chair@foolscap.org](mailto:chair@foolscap.org)

**Sep 26-28** ConiFur Northwest, Fife, Washington; Info: 2406 SW 308TH PL, Federal Way, WA 98023 <http://www.conifur.org/> [cfnw-info@conifur.org](mailto:cfnw-info@conifur.org) Guests: Chuck Melville

## Australia

**Sep 20-21** Best Of Both Worlds 19, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory; Info: PO Box 960, Belconnen Mall, Belconnen ACT, 2616, AUSTRALIA Ph: +61 2 9453 0290 <http://www.bobw.com.au/> [alc@bobw.com.au](mailto:alc@bobw.com.au) Guests: Bruce Hopkins Benefits: Guide Dog Association of New South Wales and A.C.T.

## Canada

### Alberta

**Aug 15-17** Con-Version XX, Calgary, Alberta; Info: PO Box 20098 Calgary Place RPO, Calgary, Alberta, T2P 4J2, CANADA <http://www.con-version.org/> [president@con-version.org](mailto:president@con-version.org) Guests: Esther Friesner, Charles de Lint, Robert J. Sawyer

### British Columbia

**Sep 11-14** Gatecon, Vancouver, British Columbia; Info: PO Box 76108, Colorado Springs, CO 80970-6108 Ph: 719-574-6427 <http://www.gatecon.com/kathryn.rogers@gatecon.com> Benefits: Make A Wish

### Ontario

**Aug 22-24** SFX, Toronto, Ontario; Info: 4 Varsity Rd, Toronto, ON, M6S 4N4, Canada Ph: 416-761-1760 <http://www.hobbystar.com/TO-SFX/info@hobbystar.com>

**Aug 23-24** Sunnydale Central II, Toronto, Ontario; Info: PO Box 21146, RPO Meadowvale, Mississauga, ON, L5N 6A2 Ph: 905-820-3844 <http://www.primedia.ca/> [info@primedia.ca](mailto:info@primedia.ca) Guests: J August Richards, Danny



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**Aug 28-Sep 1** Torcon 3 (61st World SF convention), Toronto, Ontario; Info: PO Box 3 Station A, Toronto, Ontario, M5W 1A2 Canada <http://www.torcon3.on.ca/> info@torcon3.on.ca Guests: , Robert Bloch

**Sep 18-21** AmberCon North, Toronto, Ontario; Info: 434 North State Street, Concord, NH 03301, USA <http://acn.ambercons.com/> shadowplay@matantisi.com

## Ireland

**Sep 27-28** Phoenix Convention, Dublin, ; Info: c/o Yellow Brick Road,

8 Bachelors Walk, Dublin 1, Ireland <http://www.slovobooks.com/phoenix/> phoenixconvention@yahoo.co.uk Guests: Ken MacLeod, Eugene Byrne, Diane Duane, Roger Gregg, James P Hogan, Katherine Kurtz, Juliet E McKenna, Peter Morwood, Kim Newman, John W Sexton, Charlie Stross, Ian Watson

**Sep 28** Sector 14: Crimelords of Sunnydale, Belfast, ; Info: 37 Wandsworth Parade, Belfast, BT43FW <http://www.sector14.co.uk/> enquiries@sector14.co.uk

## England

**Jul 19** 10th Planet - An Evening with Paul Darrow, Essex, England; Info: Unit 36 Vicarage Field Shopping Centre, Ripple

Road, Barking, Essex, IG11 8DQ, United Kingdom Ph: +44 (0)20 8591 5357 <http://www.tenthplanet.co.uk/index4.htm> sales@tenthplanet.co.uk Guests: Paul Darrow

**Aug 22-25** Phoenixfiles, Middlesex, England; Info: PO Box 1701, London, SE19 3XU Ph: +44 (0)7817092728 <http://www.phoenixfiles.com/> info@phoenixfiles.com Guests: Nichelle Nichols, Susan Sackett, Paul Darrow, Eugene Roddenberry Jr, Mary Kay Adams Benefits: Abracadabra Appeal & PDSA

**Aug 29-31** Festival of Fantastic Films, Manchester, England; Info: 95 Meadowgate Road, Salford, Manchester M6 8EN,

England Ph: +44 (0)161 707-3747 <http://www.fantastic-films.com/festival/> Gil@manchesterfantasticfilms.co.uk

**Aug 29-31** Creation, London, England; Info: 1010 N. Central Ave, 4th Floor, Glendale, CA 91202 Ph: 818-409-0960 <http://www.creationent.com/tickets@creationent.com> Guests: Renee O'Connor, Danielle Cormack, Claire Stansfield

**Sep 13-14** Dimensions on Tyne 3, Stockton, England; Info: 1 Shop Cottages, Kirkharle, Northumberland NE19 2PE Ph: +44 (0)1830 540477 <http://www.dimensionsontyne.com/> info@dimensionsontyne.com

# STARFLEET ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## MAY 2003

**2003.05.31:** RADM Wendy Fillmore, STARFLEET Academy - Scholarship Director, (kitten63@lvcn.com), reminds us that the deadline for submitting scholarship applications is fast approaching. All applications must be postmarked by July 1, 2003.

**2003.05.31:** COMM Jerry Tien, Shuttle Operations Command Director, (shoc@sfi.org), announced the launching of the Shuttle Claymore.

**2003.05.30:** COMM Dave Blaser, CDR Matt Baillie & CDR Debbie Blaser, Region 13 Summit Coordinators, (Summit@Region13.org), announced that the Region 13 Summit has been postponed until October 17-19, 2003.

**2003.05.28:** Brig. Gen. Joost "Excalibur" Ueffing, Chief of Operations, (ops@sfi.org), announced that the May, 2003 edition of the Vessel Registry is now available for download.

**2003.05.25:** Nancy Lynch, KWA Alumni, (nlynch@zianet.com), announced that Klingon Warrior Academy directors, Deb Kern and James Monroe, were presented the 'Shooting Star' award of appreciation in recognition of their many years of dedicated service.

**2003.05.25:** Gen. Scott A. Akers, STARFLEET Academy Commandant, (chunone@nwlink.com), announced that the SFA is now seeking applicants for Director of the College of Engineering.

**2003.05.23:** RADM Ron Fell, IC2003 Programming Coordinator, (RADmFell@aol.com), requests that all IC2003 panel requests be sent to FCAPT Kristi Fell ASAP.

**2003.05.22:** FCAPT Liz Woolf, STARFLEET International Awards Director, (awards@sfi.org) reminds us of the July 1st, 2003 deadline for Region submissions for the STARFLEET Annual Awards.

**2003.05.22:** COMM Jerry Tien, Chief of Shuttle Operations Command, (shoc@sfi.org) announced the commissioning of the USS Nelson, NCC-74804.

**2003.05.22:** COMM Jerry Tien, Shuttle Operations Command Director, (shoc@sfi.org), announced the launching of the Shuttle Firestorm.

**2003.05.15:** Brig. Aaron Murphy, Deputy Commandant STARFLEET Marine Corps, (depdant@sfi-sfmc.org), announced that all Honor Award nominees are due by NLT 2359 hrs CST on Tues, 15 Jul 03.

**2003.05.11:** RADM Wendy Fillmore, STARFLEET Academy Scholarship Director, (kitten63@lvcn.com), introduced herself as the new STARFLEET Scholarship Director and provides us with some exciting changes on the scholarship front.

**2003.05.08:** COMM Richard Heim, Region One RDC Sciences, (AlaricRH@sprynet.com), announced the recipients of the 2002 Region 1 Sciences Albert Einstein Award for Regular Article Submission.

**2003.05.08:** Brig. Gen. Joost "Excalibur" Ueffing, Chief of Operations, (ops@sfi.org), informs us that MSRs manually entered into the DB by the OPS staff will produce emails showing the submitter as someone other than the CO or their representative.

**2003.05.06:** Gen. Scott A. Akers, STARFLEET Academy Commandant, (chunone@nwlink.com), announced that Wendy Fillmore has been appointed

Scholarship Program Director.

**2003.05.03:** Lt. Col. Arthur van Rhee, AOIC 9BDE, (arthur.van.rhee@skynet.be), announced the opening of a new website for the 9th Brigade. Check out <http://users.skynet.be/fa005983/9bde> or read the entire message for more information.

**2003.05.01:** Gen. Scott A. Akers, STARFLEET Academy Commandant, (chunone@nwlink.com), announced important new updates to the STARFLEET Scholarship process.

## APRIL 2003

**2003.04.29:** ADM Johnathan Simmons, Region 17 Coordinator, (R17RC@hotmail.com), announced the Region 17 Award Recipients.

**2003.04.27 :** Lauren Milan, SFA Electronic Services Director, (laurenmilan@yahoo.com), announced the opening of another new school, STARFLEET in Cyberspace.

**2003.04.22:** Lauren Milan, SFA Electronic Services Director, (laurenmilan@yahoo.com), announced the opening of two new schools, Delta Quadrant Studies and the School of Europeya.

**2003.04.21:** Tom Restivo, (TomR@Fred.Net), finally announced the results of the Sixth Annual Little Guy STARFLEET - Year In Review. Please read the entire message for all the details.

**2003.04.16:** Joe Brouhard, SFIgaming.net Director, (director@sfigaming.net), announced that SFIgaming.net has been completely revamped. Please reference the entire message.

**2003.04.14:** Ben Kokochak, SFI-Disabilities Owner/Moderator, (kokochak\_

sfmc@juno.com), announced that he is seeking a co-moderator for the SFI-Disabilities list.

**2003.04.13:** CDR Robin Smith, SFSO Director of Technology, (robin@us sdragonsclub.org), announced that STARFLEET Special Operations (SFSO) now have a new home on the internet at <http://www.sfi-specops.net/>.

**2003.04.05:** Tammy Willcox, Chief Financial Officer, (cfo@sfi.org), announced that Denby Potts has joined the finance department as Senior Vice Chief Financial Officer.

**2003.04.04:** COMM Jerry Tien, Shuttle Operations Command Director, (shoc@sfi.org), announced the launching of the Shuttle Banshee.

**2003.04.02:** MGen Sanford Berenberg, Chief of Computer Operations, (comops@sfi.org), announced that the Membership Database FAQ has been completed and is now available at <http://compops.sfi.org/>.

**2003.04.02:** COMM Jerry Tien, Shuttle Operations Command Director, (shoc@sfi.org), announced the launching of the Shuttle Indianapolis.

**2003.04.02:** COMM Jerry Tien, Shuttle Operations Command Director, (shoc@sfi.org), announced the launching of the Shuttle Commonwealth.

**2003.04.02:** COMM Jerry Tien, Shuttle Operations Command Director, (shoc@sfi.org), announced the launching of the Shuttle Altrusia.

**2003.04.01:** Michael W. Malotte, Commander STARFLEET, (cs@sfi.org), announced that Liz Woolf has been appointed as Awards Director.

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# MONTHLY STATUS REPORT SUMMARIES

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Spring is summit season in STARFLEET. Most regions have either had one in the past two months or are getting ready to have one soon. All those summits must be really interesting, and we'd love to have articles about them in the CQ. If you have a story to tell, let us know. If you need some help writing it, let us know as well, I'll have one of our writers contact you for the scoop.

## Region 1

### USS Aeon, NCC - 75022 Memphis, TN

The ship sponsored a trivia contest at a local science fiction convention. Plans underway for a spring picnic.

### USS Alaric, NCC - 503 Asheville, NC

Recycling efforts continue. Crewmembers enjoyed games nights. Crewmembers helped out at the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Appomattox, NCC - 75001 Appomattox, VA

Crewmembers presented a science program at a local children's museum that was well received. Crewmembers enjoyed a speaker from NASA at the regular meeting. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Aries, NCC - 71806 Johnson City, TN

An away team attended the Region 1 Summit and had a wonderful time.

### USS Arizona, NCC - 71839 Alliance, OH

Crew celebrated the ship's anniversary with dinner. Recruitment plans underway.

### USS Asgard, NCC - 72402 Lancaster, OH

An away team toured the Air Force Museum. Ship made a large donation to an area food bank. An away team participated in the MS Walk. An away team traveled to a nearby convention.

### USS Athena, NCC - 51896 Reston, VA

Crewmembers enjoyed a craft and movie day. An away team toured a space music display. Plans underway for Shore Leave.

### Bennu Station, SFR - 119 Gatlinburg, TN

Crewmembers enjoyed a movie night. The ship contributed to a local food bank. The ship hosted the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Bonaventure, NCC - 102-A Greensboro, NC

An away team attended a local Star Wars convention and toy show..

### USS Carolina, NCC - 74222 Greenville, SC

Crewmembers enjoyed a movie night. An away team attended a camp out.

### USS Charleston, NCC - 71813 Charleston, SC

The ship sponsored a booth at a local flea market. Crewmembers enjoyed a

movie night.

### USS Chesapeake, NCC - 1887 Richmond, VA

Crewmembers participated in the Walk America.

### USS Columbus, NCC - 72401 Columbus, OH

An away team toured the Air Force museum with another area chapter. Crewmembers sold items at a rummage sale to raise money for a fellow crewmember in the hospital.

### Shuttle Commonwealth, NCC - 74670 Richmond, KY

Recruitment efforts underway. The shuttle published its first newsletter.

### USS Dark Wolf, NCC - 75002 Blountville, TN

An away team toured the carl Sanburg home. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit. Crewmembers donated teddy bears to a local charity.

### USS Dominator, NCC - 18076 N. Charleston, SC

Collection efforts for OCP and Stampede continue. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit. Recruitment the old fashioned way continued as the crew celebrated the birth of a new crewmember.

### USS Gallifry, NCC - 81631 Elryia, OH

Crewmembers enjoyed sci-fi movie nights and gaming nights. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Heimdal, NCC - 1793 Madison Heights, VA

Crewmembers enjoyed a forensic nurse as the guest speaker at their meeting. Crewmembers celebrated the ship's 19th anniversary with a banquet. People from all over the region attended.

### USS Hornet, NCC - 1714-D Charlotte, NC

Crewmembers enjoyed Hornet Night out. Collection efforts for OCP continue. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Intrepid, NCC - 74655 Mansfield, OH

Crewmembers making plans for fundraising and activities for the coming months. Recruitment efforts continue.

### USS Jaguar, NCC - 74750 Kingsport, TN

The ship elected a new CO and moved across the country to Region 1. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Jamestown, NCC - 1843-D Hampton, VA

Crewmembers enjoyed an Enterprise party. An away team attended a picnic hosted by another area chapter. Crewmembers enjoyed game nights. Collection efforts for OCP continue. An away team attended a casino night hosted by another area chapter. .

### USS Jurassic, NCC - 3500 Hamersville, OH

Efforts for the ship's afghan project continue. Ship held its third annual amateur radio testing event. Collection efforts for OCP continue.

### Shuttle Kingfisher, NCC - 18076/1 Hickory, NC

Crewmembers participated in training exercises to ready them for a competition against a local Klingon group.

### USS Kitty Hawk, NCC - 1659 Raleigh, NC

An away team answered telephones for a PBS Telethon.

### USS Lagrange, NCC - 3916-B Cuyahoga Falls, OH

The ship sponsored a float in a local Memorial Day parade.

### USS Liberator, NCC - 75008 Akron, OH

Crewmembers cleaned cages at a local pet store. OCP efforts continue. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit. Recruitment efforts continue.

### USS Maat, NCC - 1794-A Virginia Beach, VA

An away team answered phone for PBS Telethon.

Another away team enjoyed a bowling night. Plans underway for a casino night.

### USS Maelstrom, NCC - 74218 Hertford, NC

Plans underway for a spring camping trip.

### USS Nebula, NX - 61800 North Royalton, OH

Recruitment efforts continue. Plans underway to host a fan gathering to include area ships and other fan organizations.

### Space Station Nikola Tesla, NCC - SS0005 Puryear, TN

Crewmembers enjoyed a Wrestlemania party. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Normandy, NCC - 36000 Correspondence

An away team attended the Region 1 Summit and had a wonderful time

### USS Ohio, NCC - 75007 Barberton, OH

An away team gave tests for amateur radio licenses. An way team attended the Region 1 Summit. Another away team attended a weather watching class to certify them to do weather watching for National Weather Service.

### USS Powhatan, NCC - 1967-A Chesapeake, VA

Crewmembers enjoyed a movie night. An away team cleaned the ship's adopted highway spot.

### USS Providence, NCC - 71796 Jackson, TN

Crewmembers celebrating the ship's perfect reporting award.

### USS Questar, NCC - 75435 Louisville, KY

Collection efforts for OCP continue. An away team enjoyed breakfast and dinner events. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Renegade, NCC - 2547 Youngstown, OH

The ship celebrated its anniversary with dinner. An away team attended the

Region 1 Summit. Collection efforts for OCP continue.

### USS Reprisal, NCC - 1896 Kingsport, TN

Crewmembers enjoyed the ship's annual fun day. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit. Crewmembers enjoyed a movie night and recruitment event..

### USS Richmond, NCC - 2003 Covington, VA

Recycling efforts continue. Crewmembers enjoyed a bingo night.

### USS Ronald E McNair, NCC - 61809 Columbia, SC

Pop top and coupon collection efforts continue. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Rutledge, NX - 72415 Ladsen, SC

Crewmembers enjoyed a baseball outing. Work continues for Operation Eagle.

### USS Star League, NCC - 2101 N. Augusta, SC

Crewmembers enjoyed lunch at a local restaurant

### USS Starward Fury, NCC - 2122 Fayetteville, NC

Crewmembers enjoyed a theatre outing. An away team enjoyed a bowling event. An away team attended the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Tempest, NCC - 21556 Lima, OH

Processing packets for SET@home continues.

### USS Tycho, NCC - 59325 Toledo, OH

Crewmembers volunteered at a PBS station. Anniversary plans are underway.

### USS Tristar, NCC - 71829 Knoxville, TN

An away team participated in the Region 1 Summit.

### USS Wasp, NCC - 1721 Bristol, VA

Work on the crew handbook is progressing.

### USS West Virginia, NCC - 2008 Charlestown, WV

Crewmembers celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a party.

### USS White Eagle, NCC-2302 Jacksonville, NC

Crewmembers collecting soup can labels for charity. Crew continues to clean its adopted highway spot.

### USS Yorktown, NCC - 1704-A York, SC

An away team enjoyed a gaming and dinner night. Crewmembers enjoyed a movie outing.

## Region 2

### USS Continuum, NCC - 71821 Pensacola, FL

An away team attended the Region 2 Summit. Crewmembers enjoyed the annual camping trip.

### Shuttle Dark Phoenix, NCC - 57299/1

### Pascagoula, MS

Crewmembers enjoyed a Mardi Gras parade. Shuttle members celebrated the launch of the shuttle. An away team visited a local children's hospital and had a wonderful time playing with and entertaining the children. Crewmembers enjoyed a gaming day.

### Dark Silence Station, SS - 007 Florence, AL

Collection efforts for OCP began. Plans for future outing underway.

### USS DaVinci, NCC - 74671 Columbus, GA

Crewmembers celebrated the ship's 7th anniversary with an outing to the Space Science Center followed by a party at the CO's house. Ships from around the region attended. An way team participated in the annual March of Dimes Walkathon.

### USS Draco, NCC - 78501 Cullman, AL

Crewmembers helped out at the Region 2 Summit. The Crew enjoyed a cookout and Easter egg hunt.

### USS Dräkenfire, NCC - 71822 Odenville, AL

An away team attended the Region 2 Summit. Crewmembers enjoyed visites to books stores and flower shops. An away team toured flea markets.

### USS Gasparilla, NCC - 74400 Tampa, FL

Krewemembers attended the R2 Summit. An away team enjoyed a game night.

### USS Guardian, NCC - 26244 Cape Canaveral, FL

Crewmembers enjoyed a video night. Plans for future activities underway.

### USS Haise, NCC - 74664 Jackson, MS

Crewmembers volunteered in the hospitality suite at the Region 2 Summit. Crewmembers enjoyed a movie night.

### USS Hephaestus, NCC - 2004 Birmingham, AL

Recruitment efforts continue. Crewmembers enjoyed the Region 2 Summit.

### USS Jubilee, NCC - 57299 Mobile, AL

Crewmembers visited a local children's hospital being gifts and entertaining the children. Crewmembers enjoyed a lunch and game day with other area ships.

### USS Khai Tam, NCC - 81000 Tallahassee, FL

Crewmembers enjoyed the captain's poker night. An away team cleaned the ship's adopted highway spot.

### USS Liberty, NCC - 75012 Panama City, FL

Crewmembers hosted a convention. An away team participated in a local azalea festival.

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**Shuttle Myrddin, NCC - 74400/01 Clearwater, FL**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a camping event.

**USS Odyssey, NCC - 454-A Hattiesburg, FL**  
Crewmembers donated pet food to a local animal shelter.

**USS Okatoma, NCC - 74695 Collins, MS**  
Crewmembers participated in a local parade.

**USS Paegan, NCC - 1755 Orlando, FL**  
Crewmembers attended Bike Week in Daytona and enjoyed the event, even in the rain.

**USS Parallax, NCC - 74657 Middleburg, FL**  
An away team attended the Region 2 Summit. Crewmembers are enjoying an e-mail based role laying game.

**Shuttle Pleiades, NCC - 430 Elwood, GA**  
An away team attended the Region2 Summit. Crewmembers enjoying online meetings and chats.

**USS Relentless, NCC - 81001 Madison, FL**  
Crewmembers worked with Habitat for Humanity, and cleaned local parks. Away teams enjoyed movie nights and bowling events.

**USS Republic, NCC - 1371 Atlanta, GA**  
An away team attended the Region 2 Summit. An away team participated in a charity golf event hosted by a local Klingon group. The ship officially changed its name from the Chattahoochee Station to the USS Republic.

**USS Rogue Phoenix, NCC - 75005 Savannah, GA**  
Crewmembers volunteered at Oatland Island. An away team enjoyed a dinner night. Another away team attended the Region 2 Summit.

**USS Shadow Hawk, NCC - 74660 Opelika, AL**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a Mother's Day cookout.

**USS Spiritwalker, NCC - 31097 Decatur, AL**  
Donation efforts to the local animal shelter continue. An away team attended the Region 2 Summit. Another away team traveled to a nearby convention.

**USS Trident, NCC - 74692 Stuart, FL**  
The ship sponsored a yard sale. Crewmembers threw a surprise birthday party for the chief science officer.

**USS Triumph, NCC - 26228 Ft. Lauderdale, FL**  
Collection efforts for OCP continue as do recycling efforts.

**USS Werner Von Braun Huntsville, AL**  
An away team attended the Region 2

Summit. Crewmembers enjoyed a Star Wars video party.

**USS Yamato, NCC - 71087 Pinson, AL**  
An away team attended the Region 2 Summit.

## Region 3

**USS Ark Angel, NCC - 74622 Georgetown, TX**  
Crewmembers participated in a community work day. An away team attended a picnic hosted by another area chapter.

**USS Aurora Vulcanus, NCC - 1888 Houston, TX**  
An away team traveled to Region 2 to attend their summit. Crewmembers attended a local air show. An away team traveled to Denver to attend a convention.

**USS Bethel, NCC - 74663 Grapevine, TX**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a lunch event. Ship is getting ready to give birth to a new shuttle.

**USS Bexar, NCC - 71718 San Antonio, TX**  
Crewmembers participated in the Race for the Cure. Plans for future fundraising are underway. Anniversary plans underway.

**USS Comanche, NCC - 71809 Fort Worth, TX**  
Plans for a Casino night are in the works.

**USS Firebird, NCC - 74662/1 Houston, TX**  
Last few months have been quiet but plans for upcoming activities are underway.

**SS Freedom Station III, NCC - SS001 Euless, TX**  
An away team attended a regional event at the Dallas Zoo.

**USS Intangible, NCC - 65421 Bryan, TX**  
Crewmembers resting after Aggiecon.

**USS Joan of Arc, NCC - 73289 Corpus Christi, TX**  
Crewmembers entered models in a local model show. Crewmembers enjoyed a poker night.

**Shuttle Laredo, NCC - 71718/03 Laredo, TX**  
Crewmembers participated in several crew meetings.

**USS Lone Star, NCC - 73628 Lubbock, TX**  
Crewmembers volunteered for the Children's Miracle Network's radiothon. Crewmembers celebrated the ship's 7th anniversary with dinner. Away teams enjoyed movie nights and bowling activities.

**USS Palo Duro, NCC - 61914 Amarillo, TX**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a movie night and dinner nights.

**USS Panther City, NCC - 74917 Fort Worth, TX**

Crewmembers celebrated Mardi Gras with dinner at a crewmember's home. The ship celebrated its 5th anniversary with dinner at a local restaurant. An away team attended a local Renaissance faire.

**USS Rhyanna, NCC - 1892 Austin, TX**  
Crewmembers donated produce to a local food pantry.

**USS Spirit Wolf, NCC - 74300 Houston, TX**  
Crewmembers enjoyed the ship's annual pool party. Plans underway for the Region 3 Summit.

**USS Tejas, NCC - 9756 Vernon, TX**  
Collection efforts for OCP and a local humane society continue.

**USS Texas, NCC - 74207 Killeen, TX**  
Recruitment efforts continue.

**Shuttle Trouncer, NCC - 74917/01 Queen City, TX**  
Plans for the upcoming region summit are underway. Crewmembers enjoyed gaming days.

**USS Victory, NCC - 74208 San Antonio, TX**  
The ship sponsored a movie night.

## Region 4

**USS Angeles, NCC - 71840 Los Angeles, CA**  
Crewmembers celebrated the ship's 8th anniversary with a trip to Las Vegas. An away team attended Mouse Trek at Disneyland, a gathering of trek fans from around the area.

**USS Angelfire, NCC- 75025 Phoenix, AZ**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a dinner outing. The ship sponsored an Easter feast at the CO's home.

**USS Augusta Ada, NCC - 55011 San Francisco, CA**  
Crewmembers enjoyed the ship's regular meeting.

**Cascade Station, NCC - SS0003 Redding, CA**  
Plans underway for the station's 10th anniversary.

**USS Centurion, NCC - 74801 Moreno Valley, CA**  
Crewmembers participated in a Day of Honor with a local Klingon group. Website refit underway.

**USS Dragon's Club, NCC - 81003 Shafter, CA**  
Donation efforts to local charities continue.

**USS Eagle, NCC - 1719 Fremont, CA**  
Crewmembers enjoyed movie and gaming nights. Collection efforts for OCP continue.

**Shuttle Gallant, NCC - 1950 Fresno, CA**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a movie night. Much work underway for commissioning.

**USS Highroller, NCC - 23104**

**Reno, NV**  
An away team enjoyed a mixer at a new crewmember's home. Fundraising and community service plans underway.

**USS K'Ehkeyr Station, NCC - SS0009 Las Vegas, NV**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a movie day.

**USS Northern Lights, NCC - 27001 San Jose, CA**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a game night and social event.

**USS Oberon, NCC - 71820 Citrus Heights, CA**  
Plans for future activities are underway.

**USS Onizuka, NCC - 71815 Chico, CA**  
An away team attended a local concert. The ship celebrated its 10th anniversary.

**USS Palavara, NCC - 2021 Chula Vista, CA**  
An away team enjoyed a trip to Disneyland.

**USS Peacekeeper, NCC - 72300 Visalia, CA**  
An away team toured a local museum. Anniversary plans are underway.

**USS Pegasus, NX - 9755 Las Vegas, NV**  
Pop top collection efforts continue.

**S L Heya, NX - 1601 Fresno, CA**  
Crewmembers celebrated the birthday of the CMO with a party.

**USS Tikopai, NCC - 1800 San Jose, CA**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a bowling night..

**Camp Wendell Fertig, NCC-72300/05 Fresno, CA**  
Recruitment efforts continue. The ship continues to work on chapter collaborative fiction.

## Region 5

**USS Bright Star, NCC - 71875 Redmond, WA**  
An away team traveled to Region 1 to attend their Summit.

**USS CM Russell, NCC - 75285 Great Falls, MT**  
The ship sponsored a float in a local parade. An away team participated in a clean up group that cleaned the yards of senior citizens.

**USS Crusader, NCC - 74711 Spokane, WA**  
An away team enjoyed a pool outing.

**USS Destiny, NCC - 97301 Salem, OR**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a movie night. An away team traveled to a nearby convention.

**Greywolf Station, SFR-501 Boise, ID**  
Crewmembers volunteered at the pledge drive for a local PBS station and helped them have the most successful drive ever. An away team enjoyed a movie matinee.

**USS Kensington, NCC - 75016**

**Meridian, ID**  
Crewmembers enjoyed beating the local Klingons in a game of Lasertag. An away team enjoyed a movie outing.

**USS Pendragon, NCC - 2005 Kirkland, WA**  
The crew celebrated the ship's 15th anniversary with a potluck dinner. Members from all over the region attended.

**USS Rubicon, NCC - 71816 Richland, WA**  
Crewmembers enjoyed an irish Pot Luck. The ship donated a tree to a public library for Arbor day. Crewmembers enjoyed an Earth day party. Collection efforts for OCP continue.

**USS Starchaser, NCC - 71801 Renton, WA**  
An away team volunteered at a nearby convention.

## Region 6

**Shuttle Cimarron, NCC - 81002/01 Waukesha, WI**  
Crewmembers enjoyed several conventions.

**USS Czar'ak, NCC - 1798-A Minneapolis, MN**  
Crewmembers answered telephones at a PBS pledge drive. An away team attended a nearby convention.

**USS Fox River, NCC - 81002 Appleton, WI**  
An away team traveled to a nearby convention.

**USS Imperium, NCC - 2125 Fargo, ND**  
Crewmembers volunteered at a PBS pledge drive. Crew looking forward to the Region 6 Summit.

**USS Saint George, NCC-63541 Monticello, MN.**  
Collection efforts for Overseas Coupon Project continue.

**USS Thunderchild, NCC - 3122 Rapid City, SD**  
Crewmembers helping to build sets for a fan produced Star Wars movie.

## Region 7

**USS Accord, NCC - 1842 Ithaca, NY**  
Crewmembers enjoyed their meal and a mission night with a trip to a local school for a theatrical production. An away team attended the commissioning of its shuttle. Crewmembers enjoyed a trip to a science museum.

**USS Adamant, NCC - 3029 Valley Forge, PA**  
Crewmembers enjoyed a cantina night. An away team attended a hobby convention. Crewmembers enjoyed a dinner and movie night.

**USS Albany, NCC - 587 Scotia, NY**  
Crewmembers enjoyed many bowling events. Collection efforts for OCP continue.

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## **USS Ari, NCC - 1723 Buffalo, NY**

Plans for summer activities underway. Crewmembers enjoyed many interesting discussions at the monthly meeting.

## **USS Ascension, NCC - 2520 Lehigh Valley, PA**

Work continues on a recruitment video/DVD. An away team attended Hobby convention. Recruitment efforts continue.

## **USS Asimov, NCC - 1647 Yardley, PA**

Crewmembers took it easy and planned for future activities.

## **USS Avenger, NCC - 1860 North Brunswick, NJ**

An away team traveled to a nearby convention. Plans underway for summer activities and the ship's 18th anniversary.

## **Shuttle Britannia, NCC - 10530/3 Stevanage, UK**

Shuttle has gotten the website online. Work on shuttle activities underway.

## **USS Challenger, NCC - 1767-D Dover Township, NJ**

An away team attended a Hafra and enjoyed dinner afterwards. The ship participated in a St. Patrick's Day Parade. Recruitment efforts continue.

## **Shuttle DeBraak, NCC - 77930/1 Frederica, DE**

An away team volunteered at a Public Broadcasting System Pledge drive.

## **USS Edinburgh, NCC - 77930 Gaithersburg, MD**

An away team traveled to Region 2 for their summit and the Away Team also traveled to the Sun Tzu's anniversary party.

## **Shuttle Europe, NCC - 77930/2 Lisboa, Portugal**

Recruitment efforts continue. Crew hard at work on organizing the shuttle.

## **USS Flying Fox, NCC - 3116 Philadelphia, PA**

An away team attended a local convention. Crewmembers enjoyed a bike and hike at a nearby state park.

## **USS Highlander, NCC - 10530 Frederick, MD**

Ship organized a multi-ship Public Broadcasting System pledge drive event. Crewmembers are helping out with STARFLEET Membership processing.

## **EFC Inferno, NCC Pending Pittsburgh, PA**

An away team attended a Poker Tournament.

## **USS Justice, NCC - 556 Florham Park, NJ**

Work on the ship's video project continues.

## **USS Lexington, NCC - 1703 - C West Point, NY**

Crewmembers enjoyed a costume

party. Planning for summer events is underway.

## **USS Lone Wolf, NCC - 72214 Ocean City, MD**

Crewmembers are gearing up for future activities and are busy reorganizing the ship.

## **USS Malverne, NCC - 2205 Upper Darby, PA**

An away team attended the Region 1 Summit. Crewmembers contributing to several troop-support activities.

## **USS Matrix, NCC - 72296 Correspondence**

Crewmembers enjoying a new role playing game. An away team volunteered at a Public Broadcasting System pledge drive.

## **USS Niagra, NCC - 75634 Buffalo, NY**

Crewmembers celebrated the ship's commissioning with a dinner. People from all over the region attended. Recruitment efforts continue.

## **USS Northstar, NCC - 10462 New York, NY**

Crewmembers participated in the 8th annual AIDS walk. Crewmembers enjoyed Enterprise nights and trivia gaming.

## **USS Osiris, NCC - 3092 Bronx, NY**

Crewmembers participated in BattleTech practice. The chapters' Away team also enjoyed several movie night. Recruitment efforts continue.

## **USS Prevailing Wind, NCC - 74667 Harrisburg, PA**

Plans underway for future events.

## **USS Richthofen, NCC - 73286 Correspondence**

Plans underway for the chocolate party at Shore Leave. Crewmembers enjoying e-mail role playing.

## **USS Sovereign, NCC - 75000 Philadelphia, PA**

The Ship held its annual garage sale and plans underway for numerous summer activities.

## **USS Starlord, NCC - 74225 Ramsey, NJ**

Crewmembers enjoyed role playing and gaming events.

## **USS Sun Tzu, NCC - 5373 Chester, NY**

Ship celebrated its 5th anniversary with a party. Crewmembers enjoyed movie nights, computer fairs and Enterprise nights.

## **USS Thagard, NCC - 652 Philadelphia, PA**

Crewmembers enjoyed poker nights and gaming days.

## **USS Thor, NCC - 2549-A Parkton, MD**

Crewmembers gearing up for summer activities.

## **Shuttle TikkunV Or, NCC - 75027 Ithaca, NY**

Crewmembers taking academy courses and preparing for commissioning.

## **USS Titanium, NCC - 72385 Horsham, PA**

Crewmembers helped the Sun Tzu celebrate its 5th anniversary.

## **USS Triton, NCC - 71819 Glen Burnie, MD**

Crewmembers enjoyed the regular ship's meeting.

### **Region 10**

## **USS Astra, NCC 04 Calgary, AB**

Crewmembers getting ready for the upcoming convention season.

## **USS Majestic, NCC - 78601 Victoria, BC**

An away team attended a car show.

## **USS Roberta Bondar, NCC 74669 Nanaimo, BC**

Ship hosted its annual meeting and handed out donations to the SPCA and a feral cat society.

## **USS Sol, NCC - 1733 Fairbanks, AK**

Plans for summer activities are underway.

### **Region 11**

## **USS Southern Cross, NCC - 1886 Sydney, NSW Australia**

Promotion efforts for the Academy's Australian campus continue.

### **Region 12**

## **USS Adjudicator, NCC - 73707 Kansas City, MO**

Plans for a barbecue and the annual Quest for the Grail are underway.

## **USS Antonio M. Valsalva, NCC - 4101 Wildwood, MO**

Collection efforts for Overseas Coupon Project, Stampede and the Ronald McDonald House continue. An away team attended a local dirt festival. Crewmembers enjoyed a St. Patrick's Day parade and cook out.

## **USS Arlington, NCC - 2375 Glasgow, MO**

Crew is looking forward to the Region 12 Summit.

## **USS Atlas, NCC - 75013 Bridgeton, MO**

Crewmembers enjoyed restaurant nights and gaming nights. An away team enjoyed a moving outing.

## **USS Black Hawk, NCC - 75004 Rockford, IL**

Recruitment plans underway.

## **USS BortaS, NCC - 74211 Urbana, IL**

Fundraising plans underway.

## **USS Celt, NCC - 75018 Fayetteville, AR**

Crewmembers helped out at a local convention. The ship and its crew celebrated its fifth anniversary with a dinner and party.

## **USS Delta Clipper, NCC - 72302 Atchison, KS**

Ship sponsored a "Foreign Dinner" and welcomed visitors from all over the area.

## **USS Discovery, NCC - 1308 St. Louis, MO**

Crewmembers enjoyed a barbecue and Wrestlemania party.

## **USS Flying Fortress, NCC - 31904 Tulsa, OK**

Crewmembers enjoyed a video day. The ship sent a box of personal supplies to an overseas serviceman. Recycling efforts continue.

## **USS Hellfire & Brimstone, NCC - 3143 Emporia, KS**

Crewmembers gearing up for the Region 12 Summit.

## **USS Hexum, NCC - 2199 Belleville, IL**

An away team enjoyed a theatre outing.

## **USS Horizon, NCC - 1000-B Columbia, MO**

Crewmembers enjoyed a dinner and movie night.

## **USS Jeannette Maddox, NCC - 14514 Wichita, KS**

Recruitment efforts on behalf of the chapter continue. An away team attended a local Renaissance Faire. Collection efforts for a local humane society continue.

## **USS Marko Ramius, NCC - 23103 Fayetteville, AR**

Plans underway for the chapters yearly fundraiser.

## **USS Morning Star, NCC - 4126 Lawton, OK**

Collection efforts for Ronald McDonald House continue. Recycling efforts continue. Collection efforts for Overseas Coupon Project continue. The ship celebrated its ninth anniversary with dinner.

## **USS Mystique, NCC - 58929 Russellville, AR**

Recycling efforts continue.

## **USS Nimitz, NCC - 74680 Oklahoma City, OK**

The ship threw a going away party for the ships Executive Officer, who enlisted in United States Army and is going to Basic Training

## **USS Nomad, NCC - 78500 Leavenworth, KS**

Plans underway for a fundraiser. Crewmembers looking forward to the Region 12 Summit.

## **USS Phoenix, NCC - 2155 Columbia, MO**

The ship sponsored an Earth Booth that sold baked goods and collectibles. Crewmembers enjoyed an Star Trek viewing day.

## **Shuttle Proxima, NCC - 73707/1 St. Joseph, KS**

Crewmembers enjoyed online gaming.

## **Shuttle Ronin, NCC - 63542 Oklahoma City, OK**

Shuttlemembers enjoyed a paintball outing.

## **USS Royal Sovereign, NCC - 72201 Shawnee, KS**

Crewmembers enjoyed a dinner and movie night. An away team made a trip

to see the National Archives Historical Tour.

## **USS Shawnee, NCC - 7802 Paola, KS**

Plans underway for a car wash and bake sale fundraiser.

## **USS Sunflower, NCC - 74679 Augusta, KS**

Collection efforts for Overseas Coupon Project continue.

## **USS Thunderbird, NCC - 71845 Oklahoma City, OK**

Crewmembers celebrated cadet birthdays. An away team attended the Region 12 Summit.

## **Shuttle Titan, NCC - 72303 Kansas City, KS**

Crewmembers enjoyed a zoo trip. The ship donated clothes and shoes to a local thrift store.

## **USS Umiak, NCC - 3142 St. Louis, MO**

Several crewmembers enjoyed a dinner and movie night. Plans underway for an upcoming Renaissance Faire.

## **USS William Wallace, NCC - 2555 Joplin, MO**

Ship activities picking up slowly as the crew recovers from various medical problems.

## **USS Witchfire, NCC - 75006 Harrison, AR**

Crewmembers looking forward to the Region 12 Summit.

### **Region 13**

## **USS Banting, NCC 17220 Guelph, ON**

Crewmembers enjoyed a bowling event. An away team volunteered at a local women's shelter auction.

## **USS Empress, NCC-15025-A Sterling Heights, MI**

Ship sponsored its annual bowl-a-thon and raised over \$1000.00. Plans underway for the ship's 10th anniversary.

## **USS Hadfield, NCC - 75020 Georgetown, ON Canada**

An away team enjoyed a mini-golf outing. Several crewmembers enjoyed a trip to Niagara Falls. An away team attended a science-fiction literary convention.

## **USS Valkyrie, NCC-74658 Dearborn, MI**

An away team attended a nearby convention. Crewmembers participated in a fundraising event with a local Klingon group to raise money for a children's camp.

## **USS Whitestar, NCC - 71012 Port Huron, MI**

Crewmembers enjoyed bowling days and gaming events.

### **Region 14**

## **USS Magellan, NCC - 72014 Rouyn-Noranda, Quebec**

An away team traveled to Region 2 to attend their summit.



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## 01 • RECRUITING

I would like to announce that the correy vessel, Shuttle Commonwealth, here in Region 1 still has shipboard positions open on board. You can view our website is at <http://www.jcgifts-more.com/cnmwealth> The positions that are currently open are: Science Chief, Chief Security Officer, Quarter Master, and Ship's Counselor. Each of these department head positions require that you have taken OTS. If you're currently enrolled in OTS and will be graduating soon then there's no problem in you being placed in charge of one the aforementioned department positions. Even if you're planning on taking OTS you can be the head of a department on the Commonwealth.

Also our Marines Liaison Officer, 1st Lieutenant Paul Williams is still looking for new and unassigned members. Reservist Marines are encouraged to reply. The 111th MSG STARFLEET HEAVY GUARDS, is the Marine Component of the Commonwealth. The unit will concentrate on Mecha gaming e.g. Battletech and Mechwarrior, in addition to the activities of this shuttle. Additionally as both of the



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From Admiral Gumby's talk show, Radio Free STARFLEET, Dustin "DJDread" Williams variety shows to Neal Fischer's RadioSTARFLEET Presents, there is a wide variety of music, talk and news from all around the Fleet! And don't miss us at IC2003 when we will be doing a special broadcast of "The Larry & Gumby Show" from sunny, scenic Greensboro, NC.

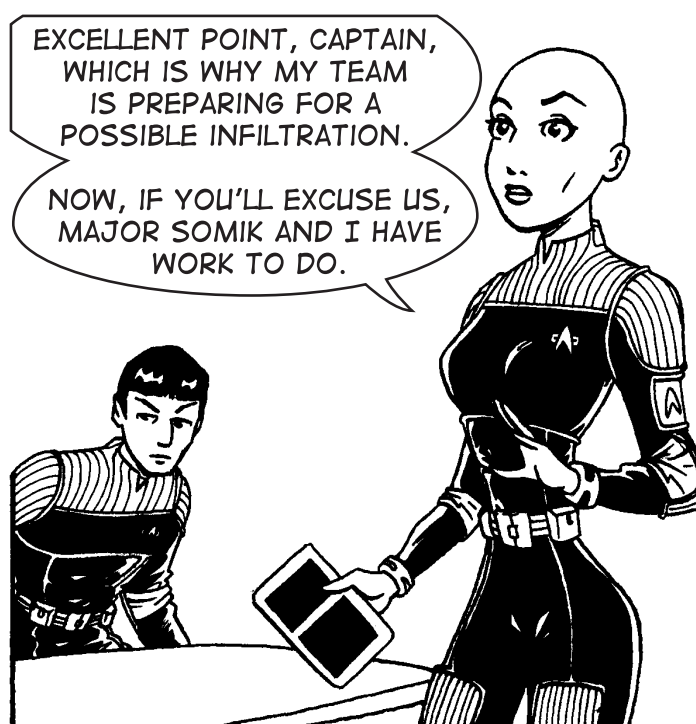
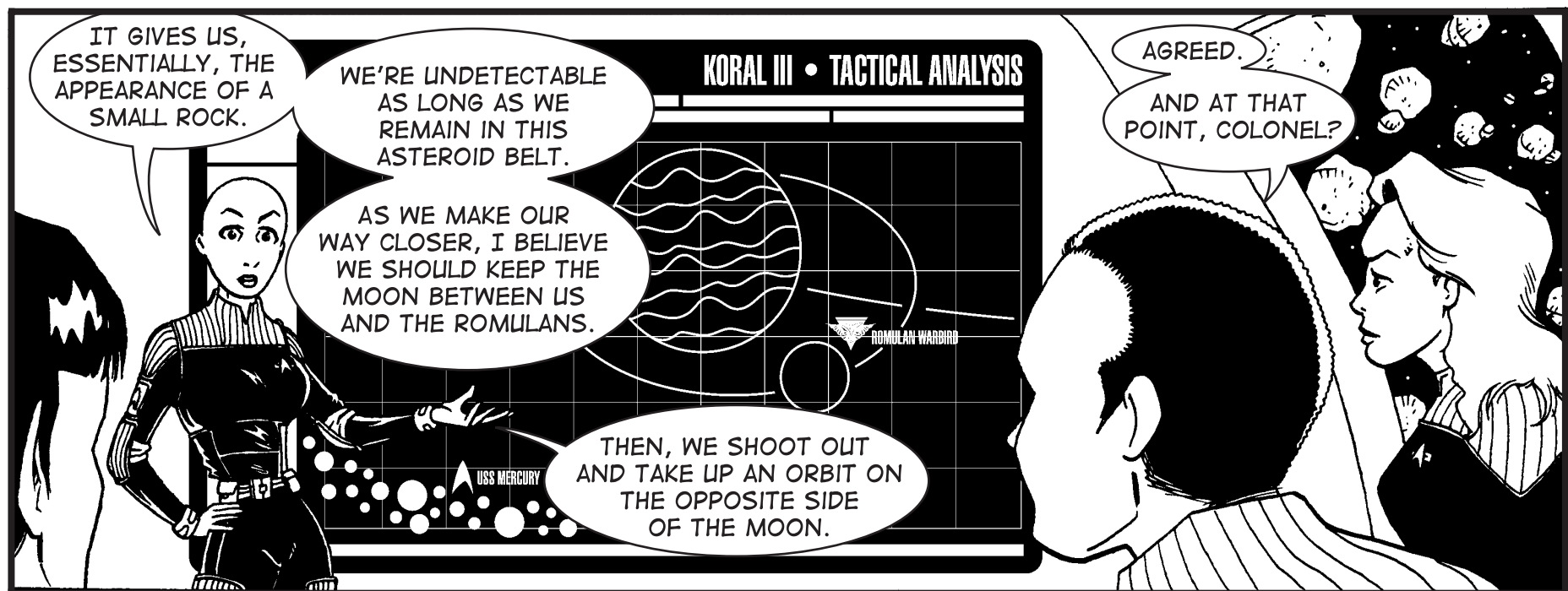
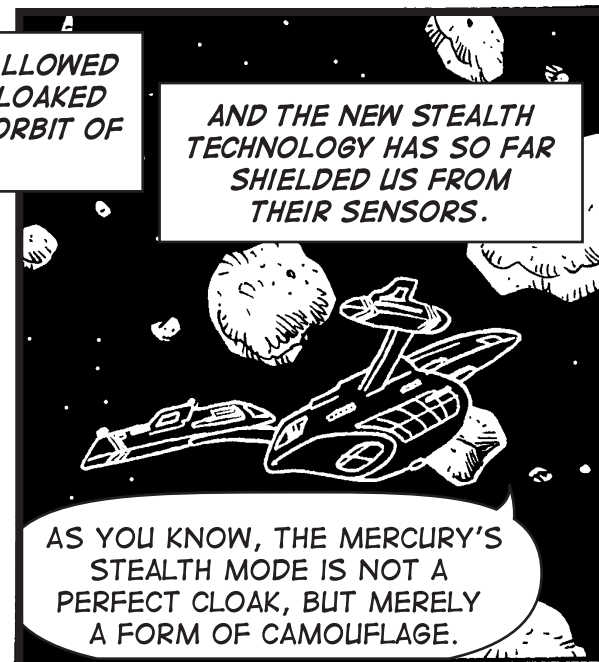
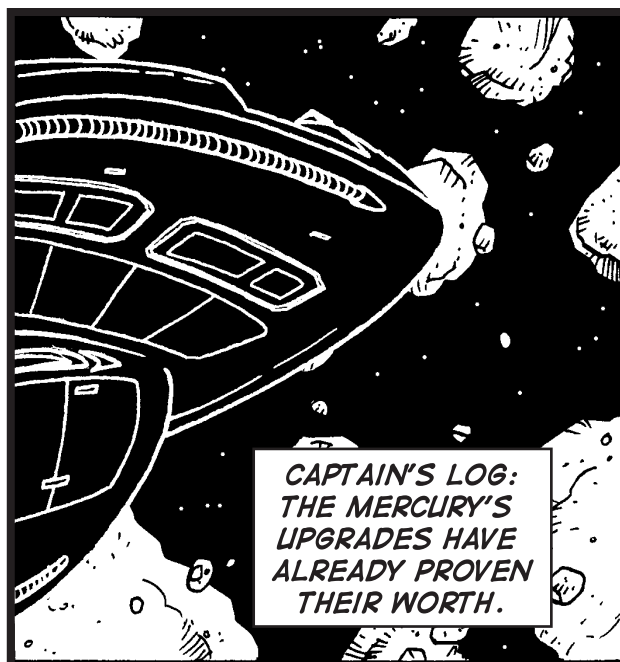
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## EPISODE EIGHT





# MYSTIC REALMS!

By Dixie Halber • Woman Of Many Last Names

Members of the USS Challenger gathered at the Mystic Realms Fantasy Festival recently. There were three stages, which featured comedy, singing, juggling, story telling archery, knife darts, axe throwing and a wide variety of merchants and artisans.

There was a belly-dancing demonstration by the Alia Saleem Dance Company, which includes STARFLEET member Emily Vosseller in its ranks. Crewmembers also enjoyed a visit from USS Arc Royal member Bill Sowers and his wife Denise and enjoyed meeting their brand new puppy. Much fun was had by all participants and everyone is looking forward to the next event.



*Mary Francen and Bob Vosseller*



*Mary Francen and Emily Vosseller*



*Ken Dohn and Mary Francen*



*Pat Commune practices his sword play.*



*Pat Commune and Bob Vosseller.*



*Bill Sowers shows off the newest member of the family.*