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## Beaming Kids up to Space Camp

The USS Heimdal's project to send a local student to Space Camp this year. Adm. Linda Smith, CO of the Heimdal, was interviewed about the project by columnist Darrell Laurant who wrote the article.

The Heimdal has been raising funds to support this project for two years. Due to excellent results from the chapter's Charity Auctions in 2006 & 2007, plus receiving WalMart's \$500 grant to local charitable organizations 4 years in a row, the Space Camp project is becoming a reality this year.

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Ladies and Gentlemen, dear fellow Fleeters!

Welcome to STARFLEET's new Communiqué ONLINE - or let's dub it "CQO"! The CQO is the beefed up version of the printed Communiqué and offers more interactive features than simply a more colorful presentation. So, not only is your newsletter revamped and totally redesigned from scratch, but we will have a new supporting CQ staff as well, whose positions will be filled hopefully in the next few months.

Chief of Communications COMM Peter Christian, who also heads our chapter - the USS Thermopylae NCC-74703 (R5) - as our XO, invited me to join his staff as his Editor-in-Chief. It took me a while of careful consideration before I accepted his proposition because not only would I need to step down as the Editor-in-Chief of our newsletter - the Comm Link, which I also redesigned from scratch - in order to be able to cope with the workload, but it meant to carry on a daunting legacy of my predecessors who did a fantastic job with the past CQs!

My job would be to create newsletters at least as versatile and appealing as the past issues. But this cannot be done without the help of those, to which this newsletter is addressed, namely you - the STARFLEET members.

So before I start blabbering about our philosophies and goals for your newsletter, let me give you a short intro about myself. I was born in Phnom Penh (Cambodia) and moved to Strasbourg (France) at a tender age of only 7 months. After spending about two and a half years there, we moved to Germany where my father began his residency and further career as an anesthesiologist. It may be interesting to note that after living in Germany for more than 20 years, I feel and think much more like a German than an Asian - something that seem to confuse people at times...

I attended dental school at the Free University of Berlin and eventually moved to Ulm to complete my curriculum at the University of Ulm where I received my DDS degree. After practicing for two years in Germany, I went back to school at the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine, graduated with a DMD degree, moved to evergreen Washington State, practiced dentistry here ever since, and married my wonderful wife Ji (pronounced like the letter "G") who endured my passion for Star Trek for more than 6 years. And no, she is NOT a Trekkie at all, but supports my activities in her own way as much as she can. Together, we have a daughter who just turned two years old. Her name is Charlene Kira, and as you may have guessed, her middle name sounds suspiciously similar to Major Kira Nerys. My wife didn't catch that it was the name of one of Star Trek's characters until it was too late, but she has no regrets.

My hobbies include weight lifting, swimming, computers, and pretty much anything that involves a ball, such as soccer, tennis, basketball, volleyball, and others except for football. Coming from the land of the 3-time Soccer World Champion, I never really got in touch with football. But my latest hobby - should my little girl release me from my parental duties for a few hours - is airsofting,

which again involves tiny little "balls!" It all started with Lazer Tag and later turned into airsofting when I was looking for a more realistic gameplay.

Now that you know quite a bit about me, I would like to ask you for some feedback as well. Like I mentioned above, the quality of your newsletter depends on the submission of your articles, and there is only so much that we as layouters can do to present them in an enticing and eye-pleasing way. Eventually, you will get down to the "meat" only to find out that some articles are great while others may not suit your "gusto." Therefore, it is up to you to share articles that you think your fellow fleeters would enjoy reading. I especially encourage "newbies" to give it a try and submit articles.

Since I want to put you, the members, in the spotlight, I will try my best to present you on a silver tablet when you submit your articles. Not only will your name and rank be published, but also your picture, the name of your respectable ship, and your accomplishments, which include your achievements and awards. This is the least thing you deserve for committing your time to the well-being and continuation of STARFLEET's CQ. That is why I have established a guideline and checklist for all future authors in accordance with Chief of Communications COMM Peter Christian.

We all know that STARFLEET is mainly about fun, and it is my goal to reflect this atmosphere in the CQ with your input. But please bear in mind that STARFLEET does do serious business as well and as such, there are business matters and unfortunately also politics that need to be taken care of. I would really like to ask you to get involved in this organization - your organization - and at least thoroughly read through the sections where EC (Executive committee) and AB (Admiralty Board) members publish their statements. After all, you are paying good money for an organization that should work for you. STARFLEET members often forget that they have the power to kick some serious <censored>! If you encounter issues that are to your dislike, please do not just walk away!

In my 2 years as a STARFLEET member, I admit that I used to skip the sections of the newsletter that contained "boring" political talk and internal discussions that I didn't understand. This changed when I took OTS (Officer's Training School), which opened the door to a completely new horizon. I started to admire and appreciate the minds of all the preceding Fleeters that set the foundation of STARFLEET. That 40-something page SFI Membership Manual truly has some "serious hardcore content" that could give you a pointer or two in real life! Those who took OTS and OCC can certainly agree with me. If you haven't taken OTS, yet - hey, give it a try! Make your money work for you, and it's actually fun.

You will find in this issue that the articles are not sorted in any particular order, and you may even gain the impression that this "noob" Editor-in-Chief must have smoked some weird stuff considering the layout chaos that he produced! Well, aside that I don't smoke, this "chaos" was the result of an epiphany that I had when

I walked through the Costco aisles!

In case you are not familiar with "Costco:" It's a wholesale place similar to Sam's Club (whose parent company by the way is Wal-Mart) that offers products in bulk. So it's not an 8-ounce jar of peanut butter that you will get, but rather a 5 gallon barrel enough to feed two basketball teams - well, sort of, but you get my drift. When I go shopping, I usually know what I want, and I have my shopping route mentally laid out already.

Annoyingly, when I was looking for some items as simple as drinking water, they weren't there where they used to be! Instead, we were greeted with either new products or other products that were re-arranged. The bottom line is that we ended up buying things and spending more than we planned on!

Transferring this idea to the newsletter it means that I don't want you to be able to anticipate what the next page would bring you. Of course, the cover page will always be on the first page and the table of content on the second. But that's pretty much it. I would like you to catch articles that you may have skipped because you know that they are not your cup of tea. Hey, perhaps one or the other article could inspire you to be pro-active whether it is to support STARFLEET, your chapter, your local community, or anything or anyone else.

COMM Peter Christian and I have envisioned future plans for the CQO that include links to videos and photos that would exceed the space limit of the printed Communiqué. Consider the CQO an enhanced version of the CQ like VHS to DVD where the main content of both media stays the same, but you would get more bang for the buck with the capabilities of modern media.

Let's start with the cover page. If you look at it closely and hover your mouse over the main topics, you will notice that the mouse cursor will change and allow you warp right to the respective article with a mouse click! The same applies to the Table of Content: If you see an article that is of interest to you, click on it and you will be transported to it! At the right bottom of each page (except for pages 1 and 2), you will find three little arrows: Click on them and they will bring you back to the Table of Content!

Well, we are pioneering a new newsletter concept that is reminiscent of a PADD, and we hope you like it. Remember, you have it your hands to shape the content of your newsletter, and the CQ department will do its best to listen to your constructive criticism. So send me a subspace message under "[cq@sfi.org](mailto:cq@sfi.org)" and please report any errors!

At your service,

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## Member Services Department

I wanted to take a moment to introduce the team that is working hard as the Member Services Department within the Office of Vice Commander STARFLEET. Just to cover it the Member Services Department is in charge of assisting the membership with any issues they might be having. This is primarily through the Member Services Helpdesk, however that will not be the only method used. We currently have a staff of five individuals working on for the membership: Tom Guertin (R15), Christina Sievers (R17), and Jonathan Conner-Foertsch (R4) serve as the Member Services Representatives. These are the folks that first get your tickets and work to solve your issue. Jennifer Sontag (R17) serves as the department's Quality Analyst; it is her job to contact each of you after your ticket has been closed to check on how we did and if you were satisfied with the result. I serve as the Member Services Administrator, it is my job to not only assist the Representatives with your tickets, but also review all of the tickets and report about any apparent trouble spots, or items of concern. Each week the Representatives report to me, and every other week the Quality Analyst does. Once a month I report to the Vice Commander STARFLEET, and then the Executive Committee, and the Admiralty Board.

By the time you read this article the Member Services Helpdesk, in conjunction with Computer Operations will have launched our new Helpdesk software package. This new

software will allow the staff to more effectively and accurately assist the membership with whatever issue they maybe having. This new package also gives us the ability to create a knowledge base and article system as reference for the membership to empower them to solve their more common issues. Also, another feature is the step by step troubleshooter, this will be used to empower the membership with some of the more complex issues they may be facing. Another way that this new software will allow us to more effectively assist the membership is the integrated Live Chat feature. This will allow real time communication with the staff, when they are available. One new thing with this software is that you will have to register as a user. This is a quick and easy process, which will help eliminate excessive spamming of the Helpdesk.

Some things to remember when using the Member Services Helpdesk:

- Please include your SCC Number. This is the way in which your information is stored within the database. By providing your SCC number you will allow the staff to efficiently assist you.
- Please also include your last name. I know this sounds silly, but we have received a few tickets that did not include the individual's last name.

There are some new things in addition to the software package that are coming down the pike for the Member Services Department. In the near future you will be able to contact the

Member Services Helpdesk using your telephone. That's right! You will be able, at specific times, to speak with a member of the Member Services Helpdesk directly. We are going to be added as an extension to the STARFLEET Toll Free number. In addition at any summit or conference that a member of the staff attends we will be more than happy to talk with you and assist you as we can.

Just so you know what we are all up to, in January the Helpdesk received thirty six total tickets. Ninety four percent of those were solved by the end of January, two remained open (those were solved early February) pending further investigation. Thirty six percent of these tickets were password issues. Over fifty percent were solved within seventy two hours.

It is the goal of the Member Services Department to provide the Membership of STARFLEET with quality, prompt, and accurate assistance. If you have suggestions on other ways we might be able to do this, please feel free to contact me at [hd-admin@sfi.org](mailto:hd-admin@sfi.org).

BDR Bran Stimpson  
Member Services Administrator

## STARFLEET COMMUNIQUE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

### STARFLEET Communiqué (CQ) Submission Guidelines

These guidelines have been established to protect the interest of all members and the integrity of the CQ. You will automatically agree and adhere to the following terms when you submit your article.

#### 1. Content

1.1 The CQ is read by a wide audience all over the world. Hence, keep your language professional. As STARFLEET officers, you are expected to meet high standards!

1.2 No pictures that contain offensive material! Although cultural standards differ vastly, we need to find common grounds where everyone is happy.

1.3 No political talk about matters that are not STARFLEET-related! There are other more appropriate forums to share your opinions about the Gulf War, the President, Senator XYZ etc.

1.4 No religious talk! STARFLEET follows Gene Roddenberry's vision of IDIC (infinite diversity in infinite combinations). Believe in what you think is right and do not offend people with your opinion.

1.5 No personal attacks! There is a fine line between constructive criticism and personal attacks! Use sound judgment to

walk the line!

1.6 No advertisement of commercial products! If the overall tone of your article supports the impression that you are doing advertisement for a product, it will not be published.

1.7 Copyrighted materials: By submitting your article, you automatically confirm that you are the copyright holder and have not infringed on anyone else's copyright. Furthermore, you automatically give us permission to publish your text and will hold us harmless by doing so.

1.8 The decision about the appropriateness of any article is final. The CQ staff reserves the right to refuse and return any article for modification.

1.9 Due to limited amount of space, not all articles can be published. In the same context, not all photos can be used either.

1.10 Articles will be published according to relevance and current events. New authors will receive special attention.

#### 2. Checklist

2.1 Do NOT embed your pictures in your articles, rather send them separately as attachments.

2.2 Use high quality pictures. Resolutions around 800x800 and above are preferred. Quality is much better when downscaling pictures than vice versa. Please mention the name of the photographer.

2.3 No need to format your text. The formatting (such as any fancy fonts) will be lost in the layout process.

2.4 If you are sending several emails pertaining to your same article, please use the SAME topic name for your emails as well. This facilitates filtering and assigning documents from various authors.

2.5 Last but not least, always include:

- your last and first name
- your rank
- your position in STARFLEET or your chapter
- other positions you may hold
- name of your ship and its vessel registration number
- region number, state, and country
- your achievements or awards in order of importance, ie. list your most significant achievement first. If your list is too long, it will be capped pending available space.





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Hello Marines and Fleeters!

There are many things going on in the department of communications for FLEET. I myself am finally getting the hang of all the many minor nuances that are involved with my charge. One thing in particular that I had little guidance on is the plethora of CQ 143 issues that Les' crew sent out that went to addresses that were no longer correct or were undeliverable. The US Army Fort Lewis Post Master has been most helpful in guiding me in what I need to do to rectify this as has PJ Trotter, my new SFI Department of Communications Distributions Officer.

One thing I want to implore on all the members is to double-check the shipping address you have on file to be sure it is up to date ESPECIALLY if you have not been receiving print copies of the CQ for any length of time. If you have not received any issues, please email me at [comms@sfi.org](mailto:comms@sfi.org) so we can get those issues to you. If you have moved recently and have not received the CQ since, please email PJ Trotter at [commsdistribution@sfi.org](mailto:commsdistribution@sfi.org). Be sure to

include your new mailing address so she can update it for the CQ shipping records.

COC signing off.

Last, but certainly not least, I'd like everyone to welcome the new Chief Editor of the Communiqué, LTCDR Prasith Kim-Aun, CMO, USS Thermopylae, Region 5. Prasith is VERY talented and has an eye for detail like NO ONE I HAVE EVER MET in my ten years in the print field. And he is a dentist by trade. Editing and layout is a hobby for him and for those of you who know Prasith, you also know of his many hobbies and how he DELVES into every possible aspect of it to make sure things are being done right. If you'd like to see a sample of work Prasith and I have worked on together, you can view an issue of the USS Thermopylae's newsletter, the "Comm Link" at this URL:

[www.ussthermopylae.org/Comm\\_Link\\_2007\\_06\\_final2.pdf](http://www.ussthermopylae.org/Comm_Link_2007_06_final2.pdf)

Until next time,



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## "Back to the Basics"

Have you ever wondered how the origins of our organization actually began? STARFLEET was founded in October 1974 as the "USS Enterprise Fan Club" out of Lufkin, Texas by a group of fans lead by John Bradbury. Perhaps its origin was in someone's living room, where people, had an opportunity to express themselves and to offer ideas for their mutual benefit. People got together, talked all things Trek and then started doing activities together as a group. They used Trek as a basis for developing friendships and having fun. From those humble beginnings came the organization that we have today. Though it has grown considerably, should we expect that the basic reason for our existence has changed?

In our opinion, No. Our organization should still have the basic purpose of developing friendships and

having fun. What we are striving to do is to create a STARFLEET where each and every member in our organization will have an opportunity to be heard. Where each and every member has an opportunity to be a part of the decision making process. To be part of an organization where each and every member really does matter. It's from this very important basic philosophy that all our plans and programs for the future stem from.

We firmly believe that the majority of our membership want to return our organization back to the basics of doing what we do best, which is to have fun. It is our job, as your corporate Leadership, to provide all the Chapters in STARFLEET, the tools necessary to accomplish that purpose. The membership is not here for STARFLEET, it's the other way around, STARFLEET is here for the membership. Our organization is a business, the product it

produces is entertainment and its customer is YOU the member. Our focus should be not to tell you what to do, on the contrary, we should be listening to what your wants and needs are and addressing those needs in the very best way we can. This type of philosophy, in my opinion, is vital for our organizations future. With leadership and membership working hand in hand, I am confident that STARFLEET can reach the heights of greatness I know we all can attain.

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## The Threats to STARFLEET

It seems that I'm STARFLEET Enemy Number 1, now that I'm the president. At least that's the impression I get when I read certain members' blogs. I am deceptive and maniacal - actually, the whole EC (save one), is maniacal according to one member - and another member has told me that he has already collected the required two hundred signatures to have the AB consider my removal from office. And all of this before I've been in office for three full months!

### Why?

It seems that many of those ready to "burn my effigy" still perpetuate the myth that I want to throw people out of STARFLEET. As I have said, time and time again, I don't want to kick anyone out of STARFLEET but STARFLEET needs to be ready to revoke memberships, if necessary, for the good of the organization. And I do believe in due process but it appears that our process is flawed, and perhaps, (as I'll explain later in this article) may need to be changed to better reflect both legal requirements and best practices. Before I get into my threat to STARFLEET, I'd like to talk about a couple of others:

#### Threat 1: How we conduct the business of STARFLEET

The choices we make sometimes leads us to a place we shouldn't be. In the past, we've made bad business decisions and they've almost been our undoing, on several occasions. Let me give a few examples:

Over a decade ago, when a former Commander STARFLEET misspent the STARFLEET funds, the EC/AB had a responsibility to stop him but most of them didn't understand their general fiduciary responsibility to protect the assets of STARFLEET. After all, our constitution pretty much (as I recall) said that he was responsible for the money and could spend it anyway he liked. But our constitution was contrary to corporate law and, should it come to it, each member of the EC/AB could have been found liable for replacing those funds. Of course, our current constitution was written to protect the organization from that sort of financial mismanagement.

Despite some concern from a few members, STARFLEET never filed corporate tax returns until the IRS found out and threatened us with heavy penalties and interest.

When someone told us that we needed to be concerned with sales tax in certain states, we (STARFLEET) ignored the problem until Texas told us that we owed back taxes and threatened to take action.

Unfortunately, it's our own constitution that doesn't adequately protect STARFLEET from other liabilities. Under general fiduciary law, STARFLEET's leaders have a responsibility to act quickly and decisively to eliminate them when brought to our attention.

Threat 2: How we treat the members of STARFLEET (or allow others to treat them)

I've been a member of STARFLEET since the Maddox administration (since February, 1992). I have seen members mistreat, demean, and even threaten other members, but not like I have in the recent past. There was a time when we all didn't know each other. When you had an opportunity to talk to members from other parts of the country (or other parts of the world!), there was a certain excitement and awe associated with that ability. It was so costly to travel to the International Conferences (and sometimes, even the regional summits) that many of us only interacted with those close by. We didn't always get along, but, generally, we worked it out.

There's an old adage that states that "familiarity breeds contempt" and I feel like the Internet has impacted STARFLEET in just such a way. It is very easy to "get hurt" by someone when you don't know why or how something is said. Those using the Internet need to realize that and give those members who occasionally "cross the line" the benefit of the doubt. Sometimes, we all need our "thicker skin" when dealing with some of the more impassioned members of STARFLEET. When we are upset and offended, we need to talk to those who offend without being confrontational; otherwise, the problem can escalate. We know it doesn't work for everybody but we all need to make an effort.

But there're also those who "choose to abuse." As I've stated previously, I began to hear complaints from members when I was the Vice-Commander. Since I've become the Commander - and especially since I ran on a platform that promised to do something about member abuse - I have been receiving more email and more phone calls than I ever expected. It's no wonder that some are leaving STARFLEET - I know that it's no longer the organization I joined.

I've been told that when these complaints were presented in the past, one of three things happened:

Some state that they were told that their allegations were baseless and dismissed by headquarters.

Some state that an IG investigation was conducted but there was no action taken, or the "powers that be" didn't take action out of friendship with the "perpetrator" or a fear of acting because the constitution didn't adequately address the action, if at all.

As the leaders of STARFLEET, we must work to protect the members. But first, we need to make sure we understand our own (both STARFLEET's and the EC/AB members') role for providing remedy in any case of abuse of our membership. We must address these member perceptions and we must demonstrate our resolve to protect our members.

Threat 3: Not providing service to the membership, as promised (and expected)

When the members don't receive the services STARFLEET promises, they get upset and sometimes leave the organization. STARFLEET cannot continue to provide substandard services and expect members to remain. Late Communiqués and missing

membership packets frustrate and anger members. Ignoring help desk requests and member inquiries, also, costs STARFLEET credibility with our members. We also fail our members when we don't pay our bills in a timely manner or properly process promotions and awards requests.

Members expect timely and reasonable reaction to their requests and needs - anything less is an administrative failure and hurts our organization. Someone once told me that volunteers can't be held to the same standards of performance as paid employees. I don't believe that. If someone volunteers to provide a service, it's not unreasonable to expect them to meet their obligation. If the job requires 8 hours of work per week and they accept the job, they need to be willing to work those eight hours or step down for someone who can. Volunteers or not, if someone accepts the job, they need to give the members their best efforts at accomplishing that job. Otherwise, we need to be honest with the membership and tell them to lower their expectations because we can't do the job they require.

Threat 4: Not understanding the fiduciary responsibilities to STARFLEET

Every officer and director of a corporation has a general fiduciary responsibility to ensure the proper operations of a corporation. In STARFLEET, our officers are the Executive Committee and the directors are the Admiralty Board. We have a responsibility to protect the assets of the corporation, and that includes a responsibility to reduce or end any known liabilities.

At some point, we have to realize that this fan club is also a corporation and that we do exist in a very real world with all of the real threats of an increasingly litigious society.

Threat 5: Outdated and incorrect governing documents

Ask most members and they'll tell you that our governing documents are our constitution and membership handbook. That's not quite correct, legally speaking. We are primarily governed by the North Carolina Non-Profit Corporation Act, our Articles of Incorporation, and our corporate by-laws - the STARFLEET Constitution. The handbook is given some force by our constitution but also, in many instances, conflicts with the constitution. Generally speaking, the purpose of an organizational handbook is to expand on the contents of the corporate bylaws. The Officer's Code of Conduct exists in the handbook and has no consequences defined. As a matter of fact, it is very broad in its scope and has no "teeth". With the exception of voting rights, those oft-proclaimed STARFLEET Member Rights exist only in the handbook and not our bylaws (The Constitution).

We really need to correct those mistakes as soon as possible, too.

Threat 6: Failure of STARFLEET to take action

Almost anytime someone mentions the need for real rules of conduct, someone mentions "morality police" and everyone quiets down. Well, I would like to address those concerns:



The two questions that almost always come up: Who drafts the definitions of 'bad people'? Who watches the watchers?

The answers are not really that hard: STARFLEET has every right to set standards of behavior within the organization - actually, we have the responsibility to ensure that members aren't being harmed by being members. Right now, and by law, that responsibility resides with the EC/AB. According to our by-laws, it actually falls to the AB as the "final authority" in all matters concerning the bylaws of our corporation. It is up to the AB to decide the criteria for choosing "the watchers" and the powers given to "the watchers". It is up to the AB to define those bad behaviors, and the consequences associated with them, too.

The members watch "the watchers" just like in any other community. The AB is supposed to represent the membership and if the membership isn't happy about how the organization is being run, they need to address it with their AB member - their RC.

Another member wrote, "If we can't apply your corrective actions to the alleged bullies in the unofficial, non-sanctioned, not-under-STARFLEET-control cyber playgrounds, then where? Unless the Behavioral Police are going to start monitoring Region and chapter level activities, the only official HQ-level STARFLEET sanctioned event is the International Conference."

#### Threat 7: Fear of reprisal

When I once asked why the EC and AB didn't take action against the Commander who squandered our corporation's funds, I was told that those who opposed him were afraid to speak up for fear of losing their fleet-level positions. It wasn't uncommon at the time for the president of our organization to replace those members who disagreed with him and some corporate officers and directors chose to remain silent to keep their jobs.

Now, it seems that the pendulum has swung the other direction and some members seek to control STARFLEET's administrative direction by threats of public embarrassment, potential legal actions and threats of "impeachment". When I came into the presidency position, members forewarned me of the consequences of not being a part of STARFLEET's "political machine." I was alerted to the watchful eye of "STARFLEET's Illuminati" and reminded of the power that still resides with the "elite" of our organization.

#### Threat 8: Emboldened predators

Make no mistake, everyone has the capacity to offend someone, but some appear to prey on other members. These are the members that really hurt our organization. Over the years, STARFLEET has failed to act against members who have repeatedly abused others. They become more emboldened as STARFLEET enables their continued - and sometimes escalating - actions against other members.

Because STARFLEET hasn't disciplined them in the past, they believe that STARFLEET can't discipline them. And, we (STARFLEET) haven't given them a reason to believe otherwise. I recently had a member ask me, "What are you going to do, call the police in Ohio and have them come to [the member's state] and arrest me?" That's an attitude that emboldens those who prey on our members. And when taking police action is unavailable and the organization won't discipline them, there is no incentive for them to change. Some seem to be drawing the lines and daring us to cross them.

#### Threat 9: The myth that "I'm indestructible"

This is that myth that "it won't happen to me" that so many of us live by. Most people live their lives as if they will "beat the odds" in most situations. Members who abuse others believe that they are invulnerable to discipline, and our organization acts

(according to our history) as if our corporation is too insignificant ("just a fan club") to attract too much scrutiny or have any culpability. We act as if we have no vulnerability from problems that occur within our chapters or the group activities of our membership.

Our history has proven us wrong on a couple of occasions. Let's accept the possibility that what can happen, probably will happen at some point if we don't take precautions.

#### Threat 10: Membership apathy and attrition

I do get emails and phone calls from members who tell me that they are tired of the "crap" in STARFLEET. Some have said that they are tired of being called names and being threatened by other members, of seeing their friends and other members being abused, and of the inaction of the administration to correct the problems of STARFLEET. Many don't want to see the "fighting," and have unsubscribed from the Starfleet-I discussion list and stay out of the Internet relay chat (IRC) channels. Many have decided to stay away from STARFLEET involvement because of the politics.

Unfortunately for STARFLEET, some have decided that they don't want to support the STARFLEET that they see today and are allowing their memberships to lapse. Most say that they'll remain as members of their local chapter but want no further interaction with STARFLEET. A few have stated that they might rejoin "if things change."

Other members have told me that they don't really pay attention, anymore. Mostly, they have little faith in the organization's desire or ability to change and only remain members to keep their chapter active in STARFLEET.

#### Threat 11: Not being honest with the membership

For too long the leaders of STARFLEET have covered up their failures and not communicated with the membership about what is going on in the governance of our organization. Some members of the administration don't tell the membership what they are doing and work together to beguile the membership if it is politically convenient. Some cover for others because they believe that to do otherwise will make them appear as "tattle-tales" or playing some sort of blame game.

Leaders should be accountable to explain their actions or inactions in matters concerning STARFLEET. Members have the right to know. Does that mean that the leaders need to be replaced when we make mistakes? Of course it doesn't. It means that we need to make every effort to do the right thing, learn when we make mistakes and correct our behavior and/or processes.

Recently, I was presented with a situation where a few members expressed that they were threatened and were fearful of another member. I went to the Admiralty Board - as our documents define them as the final authority on our governing documents. I asked for options and a member of the board made a motion that is not allowed by our rules. As for my limited knowledge of Roberts Rules of Order, I allowed that motion to continue and be voted upon by the AB. That motion was to temporarily suspend someone's membership. While a vote took place (and failed), I should have stopped it and I didn't. According to most on the starfleet-I, I was wrong. I made a procedural mistake, apparently. I've learned from that mistake and won't make such a suggestion in the future. Membership rights are in the handbook, but alongside those rights are a series of responsibilities that go hand-in-hand. Our handbook gives both the rights and responsibilities equal weight. When members act in deference to their responsibilities, they devalue their member rights. A member's responsibilities are just as important as their

rights. You don't get one without the other. The rights protect the member and the responsibilities protect the organization. When the members act in deference to their responsibilities, they hurt the organization and the organization has every right to react. How the organization reacts should be relative to the severity of the irresponsible act. In the past, the organization treated membership rights as being greater than membership responsibilities and this has created an unchecked fertile breeding ground for some of the problems we have today. And that responsibility to correct those problems is shared with the leadership of the past.

#### Threat 12: The threat of Sal Lizard and this Executive Committee

My only real threat to this organization is my threat against the "status quo". I have promised to work to bring about change in this organization and I plan to keep that promise. The EC and I want to work together with the Admiralty Board to bring about those changes necessary to protect STARFLEET and ensure its continued operations. Is that really a threat to STARFLEET?

I know that some members on the Starfleet-I discussion list are comparing me to Dan McGinnis because I made asked a question about how we could protect a member and made a procedural error. Some say that by starting an official discussion list, I am trying to control the communications of STARFLEET. I am being referred to as a dictator and it's been said that we're rewriting the governing documents to provide us "god-like" powers. Some of the previous leaders of the organizations -- who served at the highest levels and had opportunities to correct the situations during their term - are leading the charge!

Actually, we want to alter our documents to protect the members from abuse and to ensure that the loopholes and contradictions are removed. And we plan to show our proposed Articles and Constitution to the membership for input before we even present it for your vote. I would appreciate the opportunity to prove ourselves before we are vilified.

So, what's the solution?

STARFLEET is a non-profit corporation, registered in North Carolina. Despite the fact that many members want to only think of it as "just a fan club," we are, in fact, doing business. We buy, sell, and exchange money. So, we need to also be and act as the corporation that we legally are.

So far, since taking office in January, we have resolved and paid our taxes to Texas, are settling our tax liability in Alabama, obtaining permits in the states that require them, paying all outstanding bills, and getting other obligations resolved. We are taking the steps necessary to recover the property and records of STARFLEET from those who're no longer in charge but have still failed to finish their constitutionally mandated duties when leaving office. We are serious about doing our job correctly -- besides the legal requirement to do so; STARFLEET members deserve our best efforts.

The Executive Committee and the Admiralty Board need to cooperate and work as a team to bring our governing documents and business practices into compliance with the laws that govern us. And, to do this correctly and as completely as possible, we need to seek out assistance from those who actually know those laws well enough assure our efforts.

Last year, the Executive Committee liquidated a Certificate of Deposit to provide funds to hire professional services to help us satisfy our sales tax and legal issues. In February, STARFLEET retained the services of Hurwit and Associates -- a law firm that specializes in philanthropic and non-profit corporations -- to



advise us in these matters. I believe it to be a wise investment to ensure our operations and governing documents are in keeping with current laws.

Our documents are being reviewed for compliance, and a proposed constitution and handbook is being drafted to eliminate and reduce as much of our real and potential liabilities as possible. STARFLEET leaders must be ready and willing to take whatever steps – even the unpleasant ones – to ensure that members, who volunteer for positions within our organization, meet their responsibilities and perform their required duties in a timely manner.

We need to consider what consequences are appropriate for our leaders who chose to ignore their duties while in office, too. When we excuse bad behavior, especially at the leadership level, it greatly impacts the perception of STARFLEET and opens us up to unnecessary scrutiny and liability.

In the end, it's up to the membership to decide what is to become of STARFLEET. The officers at the corporate level of STARFLEET must strive to perform the business of STARFLEET and the Board of Directors must ensure the proper legislation is enacted. And you – the member – must drive the effort.

As members, you need to provide us with your thoughts and input in the direction of this organization.

- Take part in the discussions of the EC. We will be conducting some of the conversations on policy changes in the EC-Conference discussion list (accessed at <http://lists.sfi.org/pipermail/ecconference-l-sfi.org/>).
- Take part in the online polls – we will be presenting questions there for your input (<http://survey.sfi.org>).
- We have also started an official discussion list for the members of STARFLEET to discuss STARFLEET matters (<http://lists.sfi.org/listinfo.cgi/sfi-l-sfi.org>).
- Read the proposed rewrite of the Articles of Incorporation, the proposed STARFLEET Constitution, and the proposed STARFLEET Handbook when they are presented for your consideration and input. Ask questions and provide us with your thoughts.

- And decide if I am the right person that you want leading this organization. If those members who are leading the charge to have me removed get those 200 required signatures (and one has claimed to already have), it will again be up to you to answer that question.

I also ask that you write to your chapter president and/or your Regional Coordinator to tell them to support doing what is necessary to make STARFLEET legal and protect the assets – ALL ASSETS – of STARFLEET. And I ask that you also send me a copy of the email or postal letter that you send.

My email address and postal address follows:

Email: [cs@sfi.org](mailto:cs@sfi.org)

Postal:  
Sal Lizard  
PO Box 774  
Circleville, OH 43113

In closing, most people change to suit their ever-changing environment – that ability to adapt is how we survive. Likewise, STARFLEET must evolve, too. STARFLEET cannot be run as it was when we began, or even as we did when we were incorporated in 1991. When people find out that they are doing something wrong, they change what they are doing. Our organization is no different -- STARFLEET must change to survive. According to many, what's going on at Headquarters is causing a distraction from the fun that everyone's supposed to be having. Once we get all the legal business out of the way, you, the general member, can get back to the fun, while, we, the leadership, will then be able to get back to the business of making this the best fan club out there.

Sincerely,



Sal Lizard,  
Commander (President)  
STARFLEET, The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc.

On the legal front: I am pleased to say that I have selected and retained a law firm for STARFLEET's legal needs, Hurwit & Associates, based in Newton, Mass. While many concerns have been raised about needing a law firm specializing in tax issues, we chose a firm specializing in nonprofit corporations who not only can help in the tax realm, but also with contract law and membership issues. We look forward to a strong relationship with this firm to help STARFLEET come into full legal compliance in all aspects of our business practices.

On the international front: We are working with members on the ground to help get Region 20 restarted. There's some members that want to reorganize the region and we are helping them to the best of our abilities. Additionally, after it was brought to our attention that US laws had been circumvented to allow for Cuban citizens to join STARFLEET, we spoke with the federal agency involved in overseeing the embargo against any trade with Cuba. We are investigating creating a class of membership that is in full compliance with US law and does not force STARFLEET to violate their rights of participation as restricted by those same

US laws.

Did someone say awards? The annual awards nominations from the regions are coming due quickly. There's a lot of good going on around STARFLEET all deserving of recognition. Knock on your RC's door and make sure your region got its nominations submitted in time.

IC, You See, We all Want to Host the IC: The deadline for bids to host the 2010 International Conference is fast approaching – March 31st. Mark Anbinder is handling the collection of the bids. It's definitely time to hear from areas who haven't hosted an IC in the past. This gives you the chance to showcase your area (region, chapter, etc.) and talents by playing host to our annual gathering. If you have any questions on the process, send them to Mark at [ic@sfi.org](mailto:ic@sfi.org).

Got Rank? Kris Klufas has been working hard to get things caught up from some promotions that fell through the cracks from last year in addition to getting up to speed here for us. Those

from last year have been back-dated to the original approval dates so that the affected members aren't penalized time-in-grade. Those members deserve that consideration and we have been working to follow through with it.

Straw Polls: By the time this hits your mailboxes, we will have our first polls in the field. JC Cohen is going to be placing poll questions up for a period of time to get input from you, the membership, on actions and policies we are considering. It's very important that you take the time to let your voice and feelings truly be heard.

And, on one final note, the Quartermaster has reopened for business. So for now, I guess I'll say, "Buy! Buy!"





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NAME: PRIGAL  
RANK: PRIVATE  
POSITION:  
OTHER POSITIONS:  
SHIP: USS THERMOPYLAE NCC-74703; REGION: 5, WASHINGTON (USA)  
ACHIEVEMENTS:



Ask Prigal: A Monthly Questions and Answer Session from the Enlisted Point of View

Dear Prigal,

I hear that you have been up and down the promotion ladder more times than a sign painter. How do you manage to keep track of what your current rank is?

Sign Me

Unknown Ranker

Dear Unknown,

Well, most folks can just look at their collars and tell, but I have to admit, mine changes enough that I've developed a foolproof way of telling what my current rank is. What I do is find some little way to annoy Gunny, and he never fails to let me know in some subtle fashion. For example, the last time I got busted down from Lance to Private First Class, I learned about it when Gunny bellowed "PFC Prigal, get your tail into my office NOW!"

It works both ways. The last time I got bumped back up to SGT from corporal, Gunny walked up to me and growled "Sergeant Prigal, why are you out of uniform?"

I figure Gunny will keep track, and since through a mysterious recurring computer error I keep getting paid at the highest rank I've held, it doesn't really matter to me.

Prigal

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Dear Prigal,

I understand that you spend a lot of time training with the local indigenous forces. Have you ever considered resigning from the SFMC and taking an officer's post with the local yokels?

Signed,

Why Not Stay

Dear Why Not,

In fact, the local forces have offered to bring me onboard at my current brevet rank of 1LT, and even bump me a grade to captain. I declined, telling Gunny that in spite of the mostly legal opportunities it would

offer, I'd rather be a Private in the Corps than an officer in any local service. For a second, it looked like he was going to cry.

Prigal

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Dear Prigal,

There has been a lot of talk about some of the remedial punishments that Gunny assigns to you. Do you consider these inhumane?

From,  
GreenPeace

Dear Green,

Well, it's not like he's sending me to Rura Penthe or anything like that. In fact, I think it would violate some treaty or another if he did. I figure it's the price I pay for violating Prigal's Law Rule Number 1: Don't get caught.

Now, if he ever carries through on sending me to OCS and making me a butterbar, that would be inhumane.

Besides, who says Gunny is human? Or me, for that matter.

Prigal

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Dear Prigal:

After all your screw-ups, how do you remain in the Marines?

sign me

Confused on C deck

Dear Confused,

Gunny says that the reason that the Marines will not release me from service is that I would be a bigger threat to the Alpha quadrant than the Borg. I suspect that the main reason that I get to remain in the Corp is the info that I have on a certain General regarding a certain visit to Risa not to mention my total technical competence when it comes to the waging of war. (Real or imagined)

Prigal

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Dear Prigal,

I had a bit of disagreement with my Section Chief, and may end up being court-martialed, Do you have any suggestions?

Sincerely,

Up the Creek without a Nacelle

Dear Up the Creek,

Buy a Nacelle. Seriously, a disagreement will not get you court-martialed unless you emphasized your point by smacking your Section Chief. In which case you violated Prigal's Law Rule Number 16 -- Never leave witnesses.

Prigal

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Dear Prigal,

Gunny keeps asking "Why me?" in regard to you. So, indeed, why him?

NCO with a Need to Know

Dear NCO,

Well, since almost any other NCO would have had me shot, or at least sentenced to a Klingon Dylithium mine, I figure that he deserves me!

Prigal

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Got a question only Prigal can answer? Send it to pvtprigalsfmc@hotmail.com.

Note that neither this newsletter nor his superiors will be held responsible for any consequences from following PVT Prigal's advice. It's all on your head. (Gunny made me put that last bit in)



0510-03-747



**NAME: STODDARD, JEROME**  
**RANK: SERGEANT MAJOR**  
**POSITION: SERGEANT MAJOR, STARFLEET MARINE CORPS**  
**OTHER POSITIONS: NON COMMISSIONED OFFICER IN CHARGE**  
**SHIP: USS THERMOPYLAE NCC-74703; REGION: 5, WASHINGTON (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**



## A Brief Biography of PVT Prigal

Much of the information about Prigal is in records sealed by the JAG's office. He is, in the field, an outstanding Marine, and has been described as 'that mad genius' in regards to his datawar skills. However, one of his former commanders once stated "I wish we could just keep him in the transporter buffers until we need him" due to his legendary propensity for getting into trouble off-duty. His abilities in combat combined with his exploits in garrison have resulted in multiple trips up and down the enlisted ladder, including setting a record for being promoted to Corporal and busted back to Lance Corporal in under three hours. He has reached the rank of SSGT once, SGT 9 times, CPL 10 times, LCPL 27 times, and PFC 32 times in

his storied career.

Other comments from his COs in his personnel file include:

"This Marine is doomed to go through life pulling on doors marked Push."

"In the field, 10 Prigals is not enough. In garrison, one Prigal is too many."

"If Prigal saw a news headline reading 'Man wanted for Fraud, Arson, and Manslaughter,' he'd apply for the job."

Due to circumstances best described as

"mysterious," he is currently attached to SMAJ J A "Hawk" Stoddard of the 503rd MSG for detached duty at remote Edgar Station. This has prompted Gunny Hawk to declare "In a previous life, I must have been a poisonous mushroom that took the life of a very holy man, and this is my karmic punishment."

**SMAJ J A "Hawk" Stoddard**  
**NCOIC 503rd MSG "The Spartans"**  
**"Retreat is NOT an option"**  
**BN SGM 4th BN 5th BDE SFMC**



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**NAME: PRICE, WARREN**  
**RANK: REAR ADMIRAL**  
**POSITION: CHIEF OF SHAKEDOWN OPERATIONS COMMAND, STARFLEET**  
**OTHER POSITIONS: COMMANDING OFFICER**  
**SHIP: USS PROVIDENCE NCC-71796; REGION: 1, TENNESSEE (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

**CHIEF OF SHAKEDOWN OPERATIONS COMMAND, STARFLEET**

Greetings Starfleet,

I am happy to announce the following launched Chapters in training.

Welcome the USS Virginia (R1) to Starfleet. This is a meeting chapter and is currently based in Waynesboro, Virginia. For info on joining this ship, please contact CMDR Erinn Boyd at (ekfurgot@yahoo.com).

Welcome the USS Devron (R17) to Starfleet. This is a meeting chapter and is currently based in Taylorsville, Utah. For info on joining this ship, please contact CMDR Jeff Beckstrom at (jbeckstrom\_1@yahoo.com).

Welcome the USS Serenity (R3) to Starfleet. This correspondence chapter is currently based in Marble Falls, Texas. For info on joining this ship, please contact RAdm Stephanie Izard at (captnnr@nctv.com)

If you are wanting to start a new chapter in Starfleet or if you are a current Chapter in the Shakedown Cruise you need to download the newest edition of the Start Manual (START 2007 Manual). You can

download it from the SFI documents page or from the ShOC page or contact me and I will send you a copy.

Now that SFI has launched their new and updated website I wanted to let you know that we, at this time, have two ShOC sites. The site that is linked from the ShOC page of the SFI site has not been updated and the members will be notified when it is. Now with that said, our other site at <http://home.pcisys.net/~biff/> has been updated and is still in construction mode. I would recommend all Chapters in Training to visit this site.

I want to remind everyone that we are still looking for additional schematic artists in the Office of Schematics Artists. If you have some experience in this area, please contact me (shoc@sfi.org) or DTS (dts@sfi.org) at your earliest convenience.

Now a little about me. Let's see, what do I like: Sports which include NFL and College Football, College Basketball, Minor League baseball and NASCAR racing. Teams I follow: San Diego Chargers, Tennessee Volunteer Football and Basketball, West Tenn Dia-

mond Jaxx Baseball and Jeff Gordon. I am a co-host of a racing radio show on Tuesday nights and I am President of the local community center. I shall expound on some of these in the next issues.

Feel free to contact me, my door... err, email is always open.

**Rear Admiral Warren Price**  
**Chief of Shakedown Operations, STARFLEET**  
**E-Mail: [shoc@sfi.org](mailto:shoc@sfi.org)**  
**CO USS Providence NCC-71796**





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**NAME:** HALVERSON, GARRICK  
**RANK:** VICE ADMIRAL  
**POSITION:** VICE COMMANDER, STARFLEET  
**OTHER POSITIONS:** COMMANDING OFFICER  
**SHIP:** SFR 1501 SS IAN FLEMING; **REGION:** 15, MASSACHUSETTS (USA)  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

**VICE COMMANDER, STARFLEET**

## Peeking through the Keyhole of the ECAB

*"Individual commitment to a group effort, that is what makes a team work, a company work, a society work, a civilization work."- Vince Lombardi*

What in the world does the ECAB do anyways? Have you ever asked yourself that question? The following report should give you an idea of the time and commitment that your leadership has displayed just in the month of January/February 2008. The reason why this report is a bit dated is because the deadline for this submission was for March 5th but this is certainly representative of the hard work being done on behalf of the membership behind the scenes month after month. The Executive Committee working in cooperation with the Admiralty Board understands STARFLEET is a business and take their respective roles very seriously. So the next time a response is a little slow or things seem to not be moving along quite as fast as you think they should, please keep in mind all this work is being done by volunteers who use their spare time in service of STARFLEET. So without much further ado...

A law firm, which specializes in working with nonprofits, has been retained by STARFLEET. This will be key in addressing many of the issues that will confront our organization in the future

The international front experienced a setback when we were made aware that US federal law was circumvented to allow four Cuban citizens to join STARFLEET. The members in question were understanding and voluntarily relinquished their memberships. After consultation with the US Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control, we have determined that we can exchange "informational" materials with individuals inside Cuba, and as a result, we have lined up individuals to donate their Communiqué's to send to the now-former members to keep them apprised on the happenings in and around STARFLEET. We are working on a proposal to create a class of membership that is in compliance with US federal regulations to allow

Cuban citizens to be members of STARFLEET.

The Quartermaster has reopened for business and is updating the order forms and website to reflect that we are collecting the necessary taxes.

The Annual Campaign has been doing an outstanding job contacting our overseas membership. They are also insuring that those members without electronic communication are kept in touch with via written correspondence.

Starfleet Academy continues to grow and grow. We are improving on colleges already in the academy, adding to them and right now we have people interested in putting together a course/school/college maybe even an institute that will involve all countries sharing their culture, geography, history, etc. We've had an institute that was so big that we split it in two. It was originally an Institute of Sci-Fiction Studies, now we have an Institute of Sci-Fiction Studies and an institute of Star Trek Studies.



CompOps has some very exciting news to report in regards to the website. We know folks have commented about the lack of news updates on the site. We quickly fixed a few things with the website, and updated the staff listings within the first week of January. The reason other updates seem to be stalled is because we are developing a whole new website.

Unfortunately, we were hoping to not have to roll out such a huge undertaking so quickly, but we learned very quickly that the current platform was not the best suited for our future plans. So, rather than waste a lot of time and energy, we decided to bite the bullet and develop the new site immediately so that we can get things going in the right direction, instead of duplicating work and dragging this out any longer than necessary. By the time of this reading the new site will be up and running

With the release of the new site we are also launching an entirely new helpdesk system. We need to poise ourselves for the future, and we need to focus better on customer service. There are a lot of

new features and services we want to offer our members, and a strong platform for us to deal with customer (member) service issues is fundamental in bringing everything together. The Helpdesk Department has been working very hard in this area and shortly will be submitting a monthly analysis report to the ECAB to help see areas in which we've been strong in and areas that we can improve.

Federal 990-EZ, 990-T and all related attachments were mailed 02/14/08 with delivery confirmation requested.

Answers about Sales Tax:

STARFLEET is up-to-date with the State of Texas as of 02/13/2008

Alabama has cleared us to open for business straightaway.

From Florida, we have received our resale tax permit and the registration paperwork is on its way to their Secretary of State.

We have contacted New York State about this year's IC. It seems that pretty much everything is taxable in NY, from the registration fees and the meals, to IC merchandise and auction items. We are in the process of applying for the permit. For IC09, we have filed for a resale tax permit and verified what is taxable for the IC: registrations are not taxable, meals are taxable, IC merchandise and auction items will be taxable

On the Admiralty Board front, your representatives have been working very hard in insuring that all that is going on behind the scenes is being done so with the memberships interests in mind. As guardians of your rights they have not only been cooperative in our efforts but also courageous in their role as advocates to you the members.

So, as you can see allot has been done and we still have allot more in the future to do but we are confident that working side by side with your Regional coordinators that make up the Admiralty Board we can begin to restore STARFLEET to the type of organization our membership expects.

**VADM Garrick Halverson**  
**Vice Commander, STARFLEET**





0111-08-750



**NAME: MOYER, MATT**  
**RANK: COMMODORE**  
**POSITION: CHIEF OF COMPUTER OPERATIONS, STARFLEET**  
**OTHER POSITIONS: CHIEF ENGINEER**  
**SHIP: USS LIBERATOR NCC-75008; REGION: 1, OHIO (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

CHIEF OF COMPUTER OPERATIONS

## CompOps Current Job Openings

### \*\*\*\*GENERAL NOTICE TO ALL POTENTIAL APPLICANTS\*\*\*\*

It is to be understood that all work done by personnel working in Computer Operations is the property of STARFLEET, The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc. As such 'SFI' retains all intellectual property rights to any work created while on staff with CompOps. Personnel will be required to regularly backup their work to a secured location, which will include but not limited to all original files used to create any final products. For example simply uploading a PDF file or a graphic is insufficient, the original file used to create such pieces must be uploaded. Personnel may also be required to sign an intellectual property and/or confidentiality/non-disclosure agreement due to the sensitivity of certain projects and resources. Also due to the nature of the positions within CompOps all applicants are required to have reliable internet access and e-mail service. Any potential applicant that can not fully agree to comply with this notice should not apply.

#### Web Team Member - General

Potential applications should have some experience with CMS portals, knowledge of the e107 platform a bonus, and a minimum of a basic understanding of html and php. Each team member is not expected to excel in all areas but a strong skill set in a particular area would be beneficial, to develop a well rounded team. Web Team members will be responsible for assisting in the maintenance of SFI's main web sites, as well as help any department that requests assistance in site development and/or maintenance. Team members will report to the Web Team Lead. Applicants should provide a fleet and RL resume, and provide information on any relevant skill sets that may be of help. If the applicant has a portfolio of work, it would be a plus but not a requirement.

#### Web Team Member – PHP Specialist

Potential applicants should have a strong background and skill set in the PHP code language. Applicants should also have a workable understanding MySQL statements and queries, as this applicant will be developing code to interface with various MySQL databases. PHP Specialist will work closely with the Database Team on various projects. Team members will report to the Web Team Lead, and at times also to the Database Team Lead. Applicants should provide a fleet and RL resume, and provide information on any relevant skill sets that may be of help. If the applicant has a portfolio of work, it would be a plus but not a requirement.

#### Web Team Member – Graphic Artist

Potential applicants should have experience in digital art with an emphasis in use for web sites. Applicants should have a good understanding of a professional graphics suite such as Photoshop, Gimp, or equivalent. Artist will design graphics for use on various SFI websites and web resources, and may be called upon by other SFI departments to provide assistance. Team members will report to the Web Team Lead. Applicants should provide a fleet and RL resume, and provide information on any relevant skill sets that may be of help. If the applicant has a portfolio of work, it would be a plus but not a requirement.

#### Database Team Member

Potential applicants should have a strong skill set and knowledge of SQL databases, with preferred emphasis on the MySQL version 5.x platform. Basic knowledge of the PHP language is a bonus, but not a requirement. Applicant should understand database table construction, relational linking, SQL queries and statements. Team members will be partially split between two sub-teams, existing resources, and new resource development. There will however be some natural crossover between the two sub-teams. Team Members will be required to provide some basic documentation on their work and projects. Team

members will report to the Database Team Lead. Applicants should provide a fleet and RL resume, and provide information on any relevant skill sets that may be of help. If the applicant has a portfolio of work, it would be a plus but not a requirement.

#### Infrastructure Team Member

Potential applicants should have at a minimum basic general knowledge of internet resources covering the spectrum of the 'web', ftp, sftp, ssh, pop, smtp, listservs, etc. Team member will conduct periodical security audits, and resource evaluation of our various systems. Also responsible for service and security patches to ensure our resources are up to date, and as secure as possible. Members of this team will be responsible for looking at the bigger picture and keeping our various broad resources in perspective. This will be a smaller specialized team, that will work closely with the other teams. The full scope of this team will develop over time. The emphasis in this team is not development but maintenance and security. As such this team is more of an administrative function. Team members will report to the Infrastructure Team Lead. Applicants should provide a fleet and RL resume, and provide information on any relevant skill sets that may be of help.

#### Infrastructure Team Member – Mail Systems

Potential applicants should have a decent understanding of electronic mail systems, and listservs. Applicant will be responsible for setting up e-mail accounts, forwarders, vanity names, and assist with list membership administration. Team Member may also assist members in accessing web-mail tools, or helping to walk a member through configuration of a local mail client. Applicant will be responsible for keeping spreadsheet records up to date, and accurate, and readily available access to Microsoft Excel or OpenOffice is a requirement. Applicants should provide a fleet and RL resume, and provide information on any relevant skill sets that may be of help.





0713-76-16

NAME: VOSSELLER, BOB  
RANK: ADMIRAL  
POSITION: FORMER R7 REGIONAL COORDINATOR  
OTHER POSITIONS: COMMANDING OFFICER  
SHIP: USS CHALLENGER NC-1676-D; REGION: 7, NEW JERSEY (USA)  
ACHIEVEMENTS: 2007 R7 CO OF THE YEAR, 2004/2007 R7 STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR

## USS Challenger's Intergalactic Food Festival



ADM Bob Vosseller and his XO CAPT. Jeff Victor ready to serve you a first class



A Klingon Delicacy



Cheron Cookies separated of course



Tarq droppings



Sovereign member Jay Ansky gets a laugh from Avenger XO Todd Brugmans at right.



Betazoid Balls of Glory made by CAPT Emily Vosseller.



Cut it but it might explode!



Challenger's table of freebie stuff



0614-60-16



**NAME:** SCHULTE, JOHN  
**RANK:** CAPTAIN  
**POSITION:** R6 VICE REGIONAL COORDINATOR  
**OTHER POSITIONS:** CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
**SHIP:** USS RIVERSIDE NCC-1660; REGION: 6, IOWA (USA)  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:** COMMUNITY SERVICE CITATION, SHIELD OF VALOR, 2004 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD, 2005/2006 R6 OFFICER OF THE YEAR, 2007 R6 COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE YEAR

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Ships of the region are: U.S.S. Czar'ak NCC-1798-A, U.S.S. Fox River NCC-81002, U.S.S. Imperium NCC-2125, U.S.S. Riverside NCC-1660, U.S.S. Saint George NCC-63541 Region 6's Flag Ship, U.S.S. Thunderchild NCC-3122, and U.S.S. Vre'kasht NCC-33187.

**Captain John Schulte**  
**Vice Regional Coordinator Sixth Fleet/Chief Financial Officer**  
**CO, USS Riverside NCC 1660**  
**Home ported at the future birthplace of Captain James T. Kirk, Riverside Iowa.**  
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**LiveJournal: [http://sixth\\_fleet\\_vrc.livejournal.com/](http://sixth_fleet_vrc.livejournal.com/)**



Region 6 is pleased to announce the successful nomination of our new Regional Coordinator Fleet Captain Jess Single. Fleet Captain Jess assumed her new role as Regional Coordinator in January 2008 and appointed Captain John Schulte as Vice Regional Coordinator, Commander Emily Hanson as Chief of

Operations, Captain Shawn McMichael in Support, Commander Susan Beck as Awards Director, and Brigadier

General Tom Webster continues as Sixth Brigade Marines OIC. Region Six also introduced its new web

## AMBASSADOR CORPS, STARFLEET

**NAME:** GRAHAM, JANICE R.  
**RANK:** COMMODORE  
**POSITION:** RCD AAC  
**OTHER POSITIONS:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CHIEF SCIENCE OFFICER  
**SHIP:** USS RENEGADE NCC-2547; REGION: 1, OHIO (USA)  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**



0114-47-25



### Greetings from the STARFLEET Ambassador Corps!

First, please ignore the article that was in CQ#145. I tried to pull it but it was too late. We're a brand-new program and I was trying to figure out how to make it work. I should know better than to go with my first idea. Usually, the second one is much better, and simpler. The longer I thought about it, the more complicated idea #1 got and the more unsatisfied I got with it.

I needed to rethink it and simplify it. This is idea #2, and this is who we are:

The Ambassador Corps Staff consists of volunteers Sherry Anne Newell, Helen Pawlowski,

Danni Bryant, and me. Our function is to foster good will by contacting others with a friendly letter and letting them know we appreciate them and thank them for being members. We will also point out programs such as Stampede and the Overseas Coupon Project to members looking for ways to help.

We are not here to solve anyone's problems; that's for their RCs and the Command Staff of STARFLEET. But we can help to show 'Fleet in a better light, make it a better experience.

We are connected with the Annual Campaign program and are going to do what we can to make membership in STARFLEET a more positive experience. We want to contact all chapters to let them know they are appreciated—that they

matter and that they are not just a number. Our final goal is to spread good will around. Who knows? It may just be catching!

**Commodore Janice R. Graham**  
**XO, CSO, Renegade**  
**RDC AAC ([aacrdcr1@yahoo.com](mailto:aacrdcr1@yahoo.com))**  
**Director STARFLEET Ambassador Corps**  
**[fuzzyelf@verizon.net](mailto:fuzzyelf@verizon.net)**





**NAME: SMITH, LINDA**  
**RANK: ADMIRAL**  
**POSITION: COMMANDING OFFICER**  
**OTHER POSITIONS:**  
**SHIP: USS HEIMDAL NCC-1793; REGION: 1, VIRGINIA (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

0115-96-17

*Please find as an attached file a newspaper article that appeared in the Lynchburg News & Advance on February 21st. about the USS Heimdal's project to send a local student to Space Camp this year. Adm. Linda Smith, CO of the Heimdal, was interviewed about the project by columnist Darrell Laurant who wrote the article.*

*The Heimdal has been raising funds to support this project for two years. Due to excellent results from the chapter's Charity Auctions in 2006 & 2007, plus receiving WalMart's \$500 grant to local charitable organizations 4 years in a row, the Space Camp project is becoming a reality this year.*

## Beaming Kids up to Space Camp

By Darrell Laurant  
 dlaurant@newsadvance.com  
 February 20, 2008

She may be a Star Fleet Admiral, but Linda Smith wants to make one thing clear - she and the crew of the USS Heimdal are not just a bunch of space cadets.

"I want us to be known as people who care about the community," Smith said.

Next year, it will be a quarter century since the Heimdal first beamed itself up into the midst of the Star Trek fan club phenomenon.

Initially, it was all about dressing in character regalia and standing in movie theater lobbies whenever a new Star Trek film opened. Gradually, however, the Heimdal (named after a Norse God) began to morph into a charitable organization as well as a fantasy starship.

Maybe it was Smith's nurturing "day job" as a hospital nurse. Or maybe it was Mr. Spock's admonition about "the good of the many versus the good of the few." Whatever the reason, the group now provides for 10 charities each Christmas and holds a charity auction every August.

But that's not enough. Even as city native Leland Melvin returns from becoming the first Lynchburger in space, Smith and her Heimdal cohorts would like to do their part to groom one of his successors.

"We sent two Linkhorne Middle School students to Space Camp in Huntsville, Ala., in 1999," Smith said, "and we'd love to do that again."

The auctions have gone so well that Heimdal is now able to fulfill its Christmas commitment and also pay the way for one middle schooler to Huntsville. The cost of the camp, unfortunately, has gone into orbit - \$1,300 for a week, nearly double what it was when Adam Nakama and Eliza Evans were chosen.

"We're going through the guidance counselors in Lynchburg middle schools, public and private," Smith said. "Each is going to pick two candidates, and we'll narrow it down to one in March. We want to make the announcement in May, in case that person might want to go during the summer."

"Next year, we'll expand it to county schools and homeschooled kids."

The middle school portion of Space Camp is called Space Academy - according to its Web site: "An increased intensity program of astronaut and mission training and academics. Simulated missions to a space station and crew rotation highlight the week."

"Trainees who want to be astronauts must learn to think like astronauts and our Space Academy Programs are designed to do just that! Participants will have three fields of specialized study (or track options) to choose from: Aviation, Space and Robotics tracks. Team-Building skills, Space Simulators Training and Space Shuttle Mission Training are just a few of the activities we have waiting for you."

The cost includes meals, lodging, materials and activities. Trainees will sample space food, build and launch rockets, and participate in shuttle missions, the Web site states. The cost does not, ironically, include airfare to the Space Academy. Smith is hoping to find a donor, or donors, who could cover that part of the package.

In 1998, she recalled, "Both Linkhorne kids who were selected by the Guidance Counselors were in the gifted math class and were friends, and both wanted very badly to go to Space Camp together. Unfortunately, we only had one scholarship for \$700."

But both sets of parents agreed to pay half, so the friends could go together. And the Heimdal kicked in an additional \$75, Smith said, "so they could both have flight suits."

Neither of those Linkhorne space campers has yet become an astronaut, but Eliza Evans developed into an excellent golfer who participates in state amateur tournaments. Adam Nakama, meanwhile, is a senior at Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Massachusetts, where he majors in math, writes speculative science fiction, creates LARP (Live Action Role Playing) video games, and competes in ballroom dancing contests (his specialty is the tango).

"Adam and Eliza had a wonderful time," Smith said, "and even got to meet some of the astronauts who were in Huntsville at the time and sit in on a few meetings."

This time, maybe Leland Melvin will show up to say, "Come fly with me."

*Submitted by Adm. Linda Smith, Commanding Officer*

**USS Heimdal, NCC-1793**  
**Region 1, Virginia (USA), based in Madison Heights**



0516-55-16



**NAME: MARSHALL, DANA**  
**RANK: FLEET CAPTAIN**  
**POSITION: DISABLED ACCESSIBILITY OFFICER, STARFLEET**  
**OTHER POSITIONS: COMMANDING OFFICER**  
**SHIP: USS DANIEL SOULE NCC-1655; REGION: 5, WASHINGTON (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**



## Star Trek on Audio

A funny thing happened around Star Trek's 35th Anniversary. I was attending a convention when Rear Admiral J. Scott Spadaro, ex-CO of the USS Saratoga, NCC-1724, found me wandering the halls or sitting behind a club table (I don't remember), and invited me to dinner. With a shrug, I said, sure, and showed up at the restaurant. Scott and a young man (I can say that at my age), were there, and when we were seated, Scott introduced his companion as Eugene Roddenberry, Jr., yes, THAT Eugene Roddenberry, Jr., son of the late Gene Roddenberry. Rod was starting up a new project where he wanted to put all the episodes of all the Star Trek series and movies in audio format for the blind, as well as other disabled persons not able to enjoy Star Trek by watching it on TV will be available for download at Roddenberry.com and he wanted me to head the project! He said it was on the back burner at the moment, however.

Rod and I exchanged information via our PDAs, and I forgot about it for a few months, until I tried to contact Rod at Roddenberry.com, to see what the status of the project was, and found that Roddenberry.com's phone had been disconnected. The next move, I was reluctant to take, and that was to call Rod at home. I eventually did that, and his phone there was disconnected, too! Oh, well, a good idea that would have been fun to work on, but with no way to contact Rod...

Then came the Star Trek 40th Anniversary here in Seattle. I happened to be manning the 2 person original series transporter that Keith had inherited from the Puget Sound Star Trekkers, during the convention. During an infrequent break, I was rolling down the hall, when I spied Rod walking toward me. Rod's first words to me, "Dana! I've been looking for you!" O...kay. Why would the head of Roddenberry.com be looking for me? We ended up in the Green Room, with strange looks coming from the other actors as to who I was, while Rod explained

about his lack of contact (he lost my phone number, moved 3 times, and had to shut down Roddenberry.com) but now that things had settled down he wanted Star Trek on Audio to start production. He promised to send me the first 20 pages of "The Cage" so he could hear how it'd sound. I would be Producer, Director, and the Narrator for the entire production, while Rod would be the Executive Producer.

Keith and I got the USS Daniel Soule's crew together, which included crew from a shuttle (whose name I don't recall), now the USS Thermopylae. Keith was the sound engineer, and after a lot of fancy equipment was procured, we got down to recording those 20 pages. We all had a blast and Keith edited the 20 pages, including a blooper reel. You haven't lived until you've heard Captain Kirk utter the words "Engage," just like Picard does. The entire room broke up in laughter when Keith (playing Kirk), uttered that line. It was too funny to relegate to the cutting room floor (so to speak), so we kept it in.

After the 20 pages had been sent to Rod, he gave his go ahead. Now the real work began, finding people to voice the crew of the USS Enterprise, and we have our crew, with the exception of Uhura.

Anyone wants to play Uhura, contact me. There are just a few rules, however, as Uhura is a major character. You must commit to the entire run of the original series, and the movies. (Hey, at least you get to do an audio kiss with my husband!) We'll be trying for one day a month (Saturday or Sunday) and do 4-5 episodes during that time. It's not as bad as it sounds, the readings are like the Monday morning table readings where the crew read the script out loud to see how things sound, and to work out any problems. No acting required. However, you can act (within reason), and make this fun. That is the most important thing, that this be fun! You must live in Puget Sound area of Region 5 (Keith wants as many crew as possible at the readings, as it's going to be nearly impossible to make the sound quality match, if he has

to record in different locations). UNLESS, you're going to only be heard over an intercom or the viewscreen, then you can use a high quality digital voice recorder to record your lines and send them to us, or we can download them. We'll primarily be recording at the Soule's meeting place, the Bonney Lake Library.

If you're interested, or just have questions, you can contact me at [hearingtrek@roddenberry.com](mailto:hearingtrek@roddenberry.com). I'll also be looking for guest stars, as our next script, I believe, is "The Cage," then "The Man Trap," "Charlie X," "Where No Man Has Gone Before," and finally "The Naked Time." Scripts will be delivered in batches of 5 scripts. All major parts are filled as far as I know, but check the USS Daniel Soule's website (<http://danielsoule.danawheels.net>), for the latest news, also to be posted to the Starfleet email list. Cast members must provide their own scripts, unless they can't get to a copy place, then you can make arrangements for me to copy your scripts and reimburse me. Actually, I much prefer to copy the scripts myself, so no one forgets their script, but the downside to that is that you don't get to read it a head of time.

I hope to hear from a lot of you in Region 5, or even other Regions, even if you're only going to be around for one day, we can use you in various capacities. And like I said before, if you're only going to be on the viewscreen or intercom, we definitely can use anyone.

**Fleet Captain Dana Marshall**  
**Commanding Officer**  
**USS Daniel Soule NCC-1655**  
**Region 5, Washington (USA)**  
**Producer, Director, Narrator**  
**Star Trek on Audio**  
**[hearingtrek@roddenberry.com](mailto:hearingtrek@roddenberry.com)**



1517-01-15



NAME: HALVERSON, GARRICK  
 RANK: VICE ADMIRAL  
 POSITION: VICE COMMANDER, STARFLEET  
 OTHER POSITIONS: COMMANDING OFFICER  
 SHIP: SFR 1501 SS IAN FLEMING; REGION: 15, MASSACHUSETTS (USA)  
 ACHIEVEMENTS:



It was a place where we as Star Trek Fans and STARFLEET members “ventured as we had done many times before”. As we walked towards the 33rd Boston Science Fiction Film Festival we were once again heavily burdened with supplies for this years annual marathon. Under one arm was the obligatory pillow and blanket. In the other arm we were carrying the community cooler for drinks and food. This was by no means unusual as a matter of fact this was about the norm. Many people in line were armed with the necessary supplies, ranging from pillows to laser blasters. Then came the wait. This too was the norm, after all to get a good seat you needed to arrive early... three hours early to be exact. This Year, the Sci Fi Gods were kind to us as it was a balmy 20 degrees, not bad for this time of year in Boston. We always have the memories of past marathons waiting in “Damnation Alley” in minus 20 weather. Brrrrrrr

In case you are wondering, the Boston Sci-Fi Festival is an annual marathon of science fiction films that kicked off every year during Presidents Day weekend. It begins Sunday at noon and ends a day later at noon on Monday. It is an interesting mix of science fiction films and spectacle relying on audience participation that blends nicely into a very engaged atmosphere. Some highlights were the alien mating cry contest and a tin foil hat contest, but more on that later. The festival, in its 33rd year, attracts a large number of returning fans as well as a significant amount of new participants as well.

Now, back to our adventure...

11am arrives and its time to enter the theatre. Yes, it's the mad dash to get the seats you want, not since the last Godzilla movie had I seen so many people running in the same direction all at the same time. Once settled in, the crowd as usual was lively and friendly; most of the members in the audience were seen joking around, and we took the opportunity to

say to some old friends we haven't seen from last years marathon and were catching up on years past. The veterans were there, this was evident in the abundance of pins and shirts from past festivals. One man was even passing around a bag of homemade popcorn to nearby participants, a gesture that embodied the attitude of camaraderie present in the



crowd, or “community,” as many of the show's veterans put it.

When the host for the festival, “Major Tom” Chenelle, came onstage, the audience greeted him with a salvo of fire from their light-up toy blaster guns. Funny rituals like this are common and an integral part of the festival. Most of the people knew the routine and actively participated during the movies. These small interruptions at first may seem strange in a setting featuring so many dedicated film buffs, but the majority of the time it makes the experience fun and unique.

Aside from the uniquely intimate community experience, the Sci-Fi Film Festival also presented an eclectic mix of excellent movies. The first traditional film, well cartoon actually played at all marathons is “Duck Dodgers in the 24 1/2 century” there after its non-stop classic, camps and fairly new releases, all based on the theme “The Future is Passe”. Overall, the selection did a good job showcasing the a rather bleak outlook for mankind's future, past and present, as well as highlighting the sometimes bizarre and campy nature of the genre. Movies such as the classic ‘2001 Space Odyssey’, the dark comedy ‘Black Sheep’ and the recently released “Cloverfield” were but a few of the excellent films presented.

In between the films, 15 minutes was allotted to schedule special events and activities and it was here that my Trek addiction was finally taken care of. During the tin foil hat competition, somebody came out with a model of the Enterprise D made out of tin foil on their head. It was truly gratifying to see that my particular passion was represented too.

When the festival ended after an interesting showing of the movie “A Boy and his Dog” featuring a 16 year old Don Johnson (of Miami Vice fame), many in the audience were reluctant to leave, despite the all-night ordeal that they had just endured. Goodbyes were exchanged and promises to meet at the next festival were made. For my part, it was a time well spent. A time to relax and to enjoy science fiction fun in its purest form. So with trusty pillow in hand I walked out vowing to return again next year. Hmmmm... maybe I'll wear my STARFLEET uniform as Jammies!?

VADM Gary Halverson  
 CO Space Station Ian Fleming  
 STARFLEET Region 15





0318-89-732

NAME: DOBIE, KRIS  
RANK: FLEET CAPTAIN  
POSITION: REGIONAL VESSEL ADJUTANT  
OTHER POSITIONS:  
SHIP: USS JOAN OF ARC NCC-73289; REGION: 3, TEXAS (USA)  
ACHIEVEMENTS:



## Trekkin with the Rays

The Corpus Christi Ice Rays Hockey Team invited the USS Joan of Arc to visit on of their home games on February. The Public Relations Director asked for all those club members that have personas to please wear them. He was a little surprised when he saw all the variety of different beings that showed up! Included among the humans were an Andorian, a Klingon, a Ferengi, a Zombie plus a humanoid from a totally different universe. Captain Robin Van Cleave was dressed as the ISS Empress from the Mirror Mirror Universe. She commanded the table & crew as the Empress with her usual efficiency.

The Public Relations director gave the club permission to arrive early so that we could set up a table to promote the club as well as the up coming zombie events. As game time drew nearer,

the Ice Rays Mascot Stinger, showed at the table for some promotion of his own. Outside a crowd was gathering watching the strange & unusual beings walking around inside. When the doors finally opened, some of the braver fans ventured over to see out table & display before finding their seat for the game. Klingon Robert, who was in armor, actually had some photo competition from Stinger prior to game time. This was a first for Robert as he is generally the most requested member to be photographed. We passed out almost ½ of the available flyers on the club itself & the up coming Zombie events.

Between the play period, members of the Joan of Arc featured on the ice to try to win prizes by shooting a puck into the net with a hockey stick. Rhonda as Dead Fred the Zombie Red Shirt made 3 goals & John Gamez the rabid hockey fan, made 4. Other members of the club rode around the rink in a small cart waving to

the crowds. When this finished, it was time for the play to resume. Happily the Rays won this game 5to 3 for their opponents. Fire works appeared in the sky to celebrate the event.YEA RAYS!!! The scoring pucks were presented to the club as mementos.

When the display and table items were packed away, most of the participating club members all met at IHOP for a late night snack & period of socializing.

Submitted by FCapt. Kris Dobie  
Regional Vessel Adjutant, USS Joan of Arc



Photo 1: Crew and John



Photo 2: Crew and mascot



Photo 3: On the ice



Photo 4: John's shot



Photo 5: Victory fireworks



Photo 6: Zombie versus Klingon





0119-07-750

NAME: WAGONER, JANET  
RANK: COMMANDER  
POSITION: EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
OTHER POSITIONS: CHIEF SCIENCE OFFICER  
SHIP: USS OHIO NCC-75007; REGION: 1, OHIO (USA)  
ACHIEVEMENTS:



## USS Ohio 10th Anniversary

The USS OHIO celebrated their 10 years in fleet on February 9th. We met at 2 p.m. at Parason's in Barberton, Ohio. Members from the USS Excalibur, USS Intrepid and Admiral Roger Scritchfield with his lady Vicki also joined us for dinner. We had a small ceremony where our CO Barbara Buffington gave out promotions and the Crewman of the Year award. The Science Department gave our CO a bouquet of flowers for all of the work she does.

Senior Commander Janet Wagoner  
XO and CSO  
USS Ohio NCC-75007



Photo 1: Crew getting ready to order



Photo 2: USS Intrepid and our CO



Photo 3: Crewmen of the Year: Janet Wagoner; photo by our waitress



Photo 4: USS Ohio cadets - the best!



Photo 5: USS Ohio crew; photo taken by our waitress



Photo 6: CO of the USS Excalibur checking out the menu



Photo 7: Everyone smile!  
Photo taken by our waitress.





0420-13-742

NAME: PITTS, DAVID B.  
 RANK: REAR ADMIRAL  
 POSITION:  
 OTHER POSITIONS:  
 SHIP: USS STORMBRINGER NCC-74213; REGION: 4, CALIFORNIA (USA)  
 ACHIEVEMENTS:



## A Noted Klingon Constellation

Here we have the Constellation Orion. It should be noted to Star Trek Fans in general, and Klingon fans in particular, that Orion's Belt when combined with neighboring stars forms the outline of a Klingon D7 Battlecruiser quite distinctly. I noticed this in 1996 after watching several Star Trek shows back to back and then later doing some star gazing out in the countryside. It was a really clear night and the image was quite vivid.

Orion's Belt forms the right nacelle and the stars are named from the front to back as follows; Alnitak, Alnilam, and Mintaka. The star Rigel illuminates the front of the left nacelle while the star Saiph serves as the bridge. There are several other stars such as Theta-1 and the Orion Nebula which make up the front where the command boom attaches to the main superstructure. In reality, it is Orion's Belt and sword.

This is Kahless's Battle Cruiser in the sky. On patrol for all eternity!

QAPLA and HAPPY 40th Anniversary Star Trek!

Hech baH aka RAdm Dave Pitts  
 USS Stormbringer NCC-74213  
 Region 4 ShOC



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1120-50-635

NAME: AMOR, GARY  
 RANK: FLEET CAPTAIN  
 POSITION: R11 REGIONAL COORDINATOR  
 OTHER POSITIONS: OFFICER IN CHARGE  
 SHIP: USS SOUTHERN CROSS NCC-63550; REGION: 11, NEW ZEALAND  
 ACHIEVEMENTS:



## ...A NEW FRONTIER...

### Region 11 Summit 2008

R11 in conjunction with the USS Southern Cross would like to invite the members of STARFLEET to attend our first ever regional summit.

25th July to 27th July

To be held in Beautiful Adelaide South Australia.

For details: [www.regioneleven.com](http://www.regioneleven.com)

### April 25th Anzac Day

Australia and New Zealand, remember all our men and women that have fought and died in all wars.



0521-03-747



Name: Fuller, Joseph

RANK: LIEUTENANT COMMANDER

POSITION: 503RD MSG OIC

OTHER POSITIONS: R5 RECRUITING OFFICER

SHIP: USS THERMOPYLAE NCC-74703; REGION: 5, WASHINGTON (USA)

ACHIEVEMENTS: BOOTHBY BRONZE &amp; SILVER, RED SQUADRON, SWORD OF VALOR, LEGION OF VALOR, RECRUITING BADGE, AEROSPACE WINGS, PARACHUTE JUMP WINGS (GOLD STAR), ETC.



## Region 5 Summit

The shrill sound of a Bosun's Pipe cut through the still air, the side party snaps to attention. "Fifth Fleet Arriving" is announced as VADM Nat Saenz enters the room. Regional Coordinator Nat Saentz and COMM David Kania, VRC kicked off the annual summit for Region 5, Starfleet International held in conjunction with RadCon 5 located in Pasco, WA.

Anticipation and excitement was in the air (and no small measure of relief, eh Nat?) as VADM Saentz turned over the reins of Region 5 to FCPT Cathey R Fuller, the newly elected Regional Coordinator. VADM Saenz had served the region for Regional Coordinator for over four years. He and his hard working VRC, COMM Kania were given a standing ovation for their years of hard work and service to the region and the Fleet. A short welcoming address by FCPT Fuller was given and exuberantly received by the assembly of members of Region 5. FCPT Fuller then installed CAPT Kenneth G Hill as her VRC and announced her staff.

The following annual awards for Region 5 were announced:

### Enlisted Member of the Year:

Cadet Sarah Martin (USS Destiny)

### Officer of the Year:

LT (MCPT) Jari James (USS Thermopylae)

### Flag Officer of the Year:

VADM Nat Saenz (USS Wildhorse)

### Ship Captain of the Year:

CAPT Diana Malloy (USS Rubicon)

### Chapter of the Year:

USS Thermopylae

### Chapter in Training of the Year:

USS Antares

### Newsletter of the Year:

Black and White: *Behind the Lines* (USS Antares)

Color: *The Comm Link* (USS Thermopylae)

The summit was also attended by BGEN Norman DeRoux, OIC 5th Brigade, SFMC. Norm presented the USS Thermopylae with a Naval Unit Citation for their exceptional work with the 503rd Marine Strike Group. The Brigade felt that the USS Thermopylae was a fine example of how Marines and Fleet can work together to make the whole stronger than the separate parts. BGEN DeRoux also presented FCPT Fuller with the Naval Achievement Citation for her role as Captain of the USS Thermopylae in bringing the two organizations even closer.

The 5th Brigade, SFMC held the 5th Brigade Muster the prior evening. BGEN DeRoux announced the "Valor" awards for 2007:

### Legion of Valor 2007:

503rd MSG, USS Thermopylae

### Star of Valor 2007:

SGT David Hughes, 555th MSG (USS Antares)

### Shield of Valor 2007:

MCPT Jari James, 503rd MSG (USS Thermopylae)

### Sword of Valor 2007:

COL Kenneth G. Hill, 503rd MSG (USS Thermopylae)

### Cross of Valor 2007:

BDR Norman E. DeRoux, 521st MSG (USS Destiny [we got him!])

### Naval Achievement Citation:

FCPT Cathey Fuller (CO of USS Thermopylae)

### Naval Unit Citation:

USS Thermopylae, Region 5

After the Regional Summit was completed, FCPT

Fuller and CAPT Hill held the annual CO / XO conference. The conference enabled the new Region 5 staff to meet individually and collectively with the leadership of the vessels that comprise the region. There was a great deal of enthusiasm for the growth that the region experienced in the previous year as well as for the plans and goals outlined by FCPT Fuller and her staff.

In the early evening the USS Antares sponsored the first ever SFI Open House at RadCon. Space was provided for every vessel and for the region to set up displays, recruiting brochures and other SFI / Trek related information. The USS Antares also provided beverages and goodies for those that attended. At least two new members were gained from this event and there were several that expressed interest and signed up with the Regional Recruiting Officer for more information. A special thank you to the Officers and Crew of the USS Antares for this excellent idea!

Finally, the day wrapped up with the opening of the USS Wildhorse NCO club. Only enlisted members of the fleet (over 21) were allowed entrance. All officers were required to escorted by an NCO! The various "Chief's of the Boat" were seen to be having a wonderful time with this true display of "Who REALLY runs the ship" virtuosity. The club was a huge success and the USS Wildhorse is to be congratulated for an excellent time!

Sunday found friends and shipmates together one last time for the annual Region 5 breakfast. One final farewell before departing to their various duty stations with fond memories and great expectations for next year.

Respectfully submitted,

LTC Joe Fuller

Region 5 Recruiting Officer (et al)



0722-27-23

Name: Bowers, Steven P.

RANK: COMMODORE

POSITION: IMPERIAL OFFICER

OTHER POSITIONS:

SHIP: USS BLACKHEART NX-2327; REGION: 7, PENNSYLVANIA (USA)

ACHIEVEMENTS: 2003 R7 OFFICER OF THE YEAR



## Back in Time (Part 1)

The fleet was gone. The attack at Wolf 359 had decimated the finest ships in Starfleet. The United Federation of Planets was wide open for more attacks or even a takeover from unknown hostile forces. The Romulans, Klingons and Cardassians had even joined in the fight. While the Borg has been stopped, it was at a terrible cost. What would the future hold for the Federation? What would the future hold for Starfleet?

He was able to escape. Lt. John Jacobs had been stationed on board the USS Lexington. He was the Vice-Chief of Engineering. When the Borg attacked, Radm. Mark Hanford guided the Lexington valiantly. However, the sheer numbers of the Borg were too much. The Captain and the crew were lost when the Lexington exploded. Lt. Jacobs, along with a handful of survivors, escaped in the only warp powered shuttle the Lexington had, the Sun-Tzu. He had been able to save 4 crewmen from the Lexington. Ens. D.B. Thomas, Junior Security Officer; Crewman Tom Edwards; assigned to Engineering; LTJG Robin Carter, Nurse and Cadet Lisa Adams. Cadet Adams had been assigned to the Lexington as part of her field training during her fourth year.

Ship's LOG – Star Date 44014.5

This is Lt. John Jacobs. I had been assigned to the USS Lexington as Vice-Chief of Engineering. I was able to escape the destruction of the Lexington during the battle at Wolf 359. I was able to rescue four crewmen from the Lexington – Ens. Thomas, Crewman Edwards, LTJG Carter and Cadet Adams. Cadet Adams was badly burned in an explosion in engineering. Nurse Carter has told me that we need to find better medical facilities for Cadet Adams. We have been unable to contact Starfleet or any other federation ship. I have landed the Sun-Tzu on Ardalla 4 to conserve resources.

As Lt. Jacobs looked over the survivors, he knew he had to portray a stoic figure. Calm, collected. But inside Lt. Jacobs was scared out of his mind. The Lexington had been his first deep space assignment. He was the bonus baby from the Academy Class of 2485. Top of his class. Highest grade average of any cadet ever. Leader of Red Squad. Senior Class Commander. How could HE be scared?

But he was. He had no idea what to do. But he knew that he could not let the crew know that.

'Nurse Carter, how is Cadet Adams?' he said. You could hear the concern in his voice.

'We need to find her better medical facilities Sir. The med. kits that are here in the shuttle will ease her pain, but will not repair the damage.' Nurse Carter had been the Head Nurse aboard the Lexington. Jacobs knew that having her onboard was almost like having a doctor. She was that good. 'We have enough medical supplies to help with minor injuries Sir, and I was able to download the medical database. If we had holo-projectors we could use the EMH.' She was good thought Jacobs.

'Very good Nurse Carter. Make Cadet Adams as comfortable as you can.'

Ens. D.B. Thomas had just arrived on the Lex only a few months ago. While he was just one of a number of security officers onboard the Lex, DB, as he liked to be called, was an expert in security codes and covert operations. He was also an expert marksman.

'Ens. Thomas, how are we fixed for weapons?' Jacobs knew the answer already, since most shuttles have the same compliment of phasers. 'Sir, we have 11 Type 2 phasers, 3 Type 1 phasers, and 2 phaser rifles. I have set each weapon on a rotating frequency. If we run into the Borg, it will give us some extra time.' DB was very sure of himself. 'Thank you Ens.'

As he walked forward towards the Conn., he could hear Crewman Edwards humming. Tom Edwards was a different sort of person. His father, Fleet Admiral Robert James Patrick Edwards had been the first Starfleet officer to attain the rank of Admiral, without going to the Academy. Admiral Edwards was given a field commission during the Klingon Wars and had progressed up the ranks. His son, however, did not have the same passion for Starfleet as his father. Tom Edwards had been an artist, an author and an accomplished poet. He was a whiz with computers and was also one hell of a pilot. Jacobs was glad to have him aboard. 'So Tom, how is the ship?'

'Well Cap, warp drive is online and available. We have a full load of phaser banks. Shield strength is at 75%. There are a few cuts and scrapes, but she'll hold together.' Is was amazing to everyone who met Tom Edwards that this poet, this author, knew more about warp engines and computers that the best minds in the Fleet. 'How long will it take you to get the shields back to full strength?'

'Well about 24 hours at a repair facility, but out here? Maybe 48. Some of the power relays are fused

and need to be replaced. We have a few onboard and I might be able to jury rig what we are missing.'

'Ok Tom. The shields are your top priority. Thanks'

Now that he had received his reports, he would tell them what they would be doing next. As if he had any clue at all. He was flying on his gut feelings. 'Ok people. I know we're hurting. The ship's intact and from what we can tell there is no Borg activity on the area. Now, I feel we should make our way back to Earth. Hopefully the closer we get; we will be able to pick up more information. Edwards, set a course for Earth. Warp 2.'

'Yes Sir. Course plotted and laid in. Warp 2.'

'Engage.'

**Commodore Steven P. Bowers**  
**Imperial Officer, USS Blackheart NX-2327**  
**Region 7, STARFLEET International**





0123-15-742

Name: Herrmann, Bill

**RANK: REAR ADMIRAL****POSITION: R1 REGIONAL COORDINATOR****OTHER POSITIONS: COMMANDING OFFICER****SHIP: USS RUTLEDGE NCC-74215; REGION: 1, SOUTH CAROLINA (USA)****ACHIEVEMENTS:**

## STARFLEET'S Kobyashi Maru

In the Star Trek Universe, the Kobyashi Maru Scenario is a training exercise at STARFLEET ACADEMY, in which command track cadets are presented with a "no-win" scenario as a test of character. As a rite of passage for all cadets seeking command, the test was notorious for having multiple options but absolutely no winning resolutions. In STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc., I have regrettably been forced to conclude for years now that the issue of online

harassment, abusive ad hominem personally directed attacks, and other such conduct via internet or email communication from one STARFLEET member perpetrated upon another STARFLEET member for all intents and purposes has become STARFLEET's Kobyashi Maru Scenario.

Unfortunately because of the indisputable fact that STARFLEET's corporate leadership either EC or AB has not sufficiently addressed or dealt with the issue before now for whatever reasons, the immediate and obvious consequence has been that silence on the issue has only enabled, empowered, and otherwise established an atmosphere of toleration for such incidents within our association. An atmosphere online wherein such unfortunate displays of online harassment have only escalated and proliferated in intensity. This is most unfortunate and tragic and is detrimental in my opinion to the

well-being of our association and is equally detrimental to any serious endeavors and efforts regarding membership retention and recruitment, and participation by members at the Fleet level.

As Regional Coordinator of one of STARFLEET's largest regions, I have personally talked with members and entire chapters who simply gave up and subsequently left STARFLEET because of their experience regarding online harassment and the atmosphere of STARFLEET cyberspace. These are not

isolated occurrences. Some of our regions' most devoted members and chapters with years of STARFLEET membership simply stepped away and left because they did not sign up to be harassed online for expressing their opinion, or they resigned their volunteer positions because they did not volunteer to have to deal with personal attacks. Parents have expressed frustration at their children being exposed online to the cyberbullies and all the rest. They point to inaction or non-action by STARFLEET leadership to put a stop to the practice as an indicator that STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc. is no longer "family-friendly" and that STARFLEET

cyberspace is no longer somewhere to visit and talk Star Trek and STARFLEET, but instead has become a free-fire zone where anything goes and is allowed and the members simply do not matter anymore to the leadership.

"There's no civility in STARFLEET cyberspace" is a popular assessment I have heard. It is my opinion that the incivility of STARFLEET cyberspace if not sufficiently addressed will determine STARFLEET's future.

Then there is the question of: If the issue is predominant, then why don't more people in STARFLEET, more Members in

STARFLEET speak out?

The answer is simple. People joined STARFLEET to have fun and make friends and enjoy mutual love of Star Trek and Science Fiction. They did not join to be compelled to engage in email communications that are the cyberspace equivalent of a boxing match and subsequently forced to defend themselves or have to sit back and use the delete key more than the keyboard itself.

This is most unfortunate for STARFLEET. Our Members become intimidated and tired of it all sooner rather than later. Consequently, they simply are reduced to the lurking in the background for fear of becoming the newest or next target if they dare speak out. How can anyone who forks out STARFLEET membership dues be expected to remain indefinitely in such a restrictive and limited participatory "STARFLEET Experience?" Inevitably, sooner rather than later they will walk away from STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc. and they will \*not\* recommend our association to anyone - ever. That is the price of tolerating and allowing online harassment within STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc.

Recent events online in STARFLEET cyberspace only illustrate that online communication over the internet via email that includes hostility in the form of online harassment, abusive ad hominem attacks on STARFLEET members by STARFLEET members cannot be allowed to continue without addressing the issue.

But how to address the issue? What is the answer? This is not a STARFLEET ACADEMY training exercise. This is the real thing, folks.

It is my considered opinion as a member of the STARFLEET Admiralty Board of Regional Coordinators Corporate Board of Directors that no member of STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc. in any status membership-wise deserves or should be exposed to becoming or being under any circumstances or situation the target of online harassment, threats, personal attack, or email messages or communications that enter the arena of cyberstalking by any other STARFLEET member. Such disruptive and divisive behavior and unacceptable conduct is detrimental to the best interests of all STARFLEET members.

STARFLEET leadership must protect the membership from being exposed to any further online harassment. Likewise, the STARFLEET membership should consider rallying to the side of our STARFLEET Executive Committee and Admiralty Board of Regional Coordinators and support any efforts to address this issue. If this issue is our association's Kobyashi Maru Scenario - and it is

a "no-win" Scenario, what can "We" do? By "We" I mean both leadership and membership.

I believe that one option, if not the only real option is to reprogram this Kobyashi Maru Scenario. To do what James T.

Kirk did: Change the Scenario to allow us - our association - all of STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc. to win. If this is indeed a Kobyashi Maru Scenario and it is a test of our character as an association then isn't it about time that STARFLEET'S leadership and membership came together as one and showed some character and backbone to protect and support one another?

What am I advocating? Changing the Scenario before us. Addressing the issue in a practical methodology.

1. Establish a civility-enforced Code of Online Communication Conduct that recognizes the membership rights and privileges of all STARFLEET members to be free from online harassment via internet and email communications at all times in conjunction and tandem with Section 02:08 of the STARFLEET Membership Handbook.

2. Establish STARFLEET HO's sanctioned and recommended email list serves where such abusive behavior is prohibited by the Code. Invite STARFLEET members to sign up and provide the forum for them to communicate without threat of becoming a target of online harassment. I sincerely believe that

like the Movie "Field of Dreams" said: "If You build it they will come."

3. Demote any STARFLEET member who willfully, intentionally, and deliberately engages in online harassment activity against any other STARFLEET member.

4. Come up with STARFLEET constitutional reform that specifically prohibits online harassment of STARFLEET members by STARFLEET members.

5. Identify the "Free Fire Zones" online where there is no civility and where STARFLEET members have been known to have been subjected to online harassment and recommend that STARFLEET members "subscribe to and enter at their own risk." I equate those areas as the "cyberspace badlands."

Understand these are just \*my\* suggestions and recommendations. \*You\* may have more valid and more preventative and beneficial suggestions and recommendations to address this issue. As a member of the Admiralty Board of Regional Coordinators Corporate Board of Directors, I am steadfastly opposed to online harassment, cyberbullying and cyberstalking of STARFLEET

members by STARFLEET members. I have spoken out against such actions and I have sought to protect my fellow STARFLEET members from online harassment.

We - leadership and membership - must lay emphasis on our inter-associational, cultural sensitivity and respect for one another and our membership rights and responsibilities of \*all\* STARFLEET members no matter where on the globe they are located. We must lay emphasis on promotion and advocacy of a good atmosphere within STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc.



Our reputation and good name as an association is at stake. This will be a challenge for both leadership and membership to be certain.

I recognize that in establishing a civility-enforced Code of Online Communication Conduct that we must make accommodation to civil and reasonably dissenting opinions being expressed at any level in STARFLEET.

But there is a reasonable distinction between what can be interpreted as reasonable dissenting opinions and what is obviously a personal online attack and online harassment. Necessity is the mother of invention, and the continuing examples of online harassment have clearly demonstrated a necessity for leadership and membership to come together in support of one another and to address this issue in a reasonable and diligent endeavor for the good of STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc.

Our Association, both leadership and membership must return to the fundamental and foundational cornerstones and principles upon which STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc. was established.

If we are ever to do so, we should make every attempt and effort available to rid the cyberbullies and online harassment

proponents of willing victims and targets. Isolate them. Deny them the opportunity to practice their craft. Do not respond to their emails. Ignore them. Bullies of any kind prosper only in an atmosphere that they create and maintain. Left alone, they simply go off in search of those who will enable, empower, and otherwise tolerate their activity. They are the real "no-winners" of the "no-win" Scenario.

We are the James T. Kirk's who decide to do whatever it takes to win? We are like Jean-Luc Picard who in "First Contact" said "This far, no further! It stops here!" We are those who insist that the most meaningful way to prove that STARFLEET members matter is to protect them from online harassment.

Contact me at OperationEagle@Comcast.Net  
I would be delighted to hear your ideas and opinions of this article.

Supporting & Serving STARFLEET R1

RAdm Bill Herrmann, RC  
CO, USS Rutledge NCC-74215  
STARFLEET Region One Flagship  
Member, Admiralty Board of Regional Coordinators  
Corporate Board of Directors,  
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NAME: STEIN, MICHAEL  
RANK: COMMODORE  
POSITION: CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, STARFLEET  
OTHER POSITIONS: EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
SHIP: USS JUSTICE NCC-556; REGION: 7, NEW JERSEY (USA)  
ACHIEVEMENTS:

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, STARFLEET

## Chief Financial Officer's Report

First, I'd like to start off this report by mentioning that STARFLEET's Form 990 was completed and reviewed by an outside CPA prior to its on time delivery, February 14, 2008. Although, a copy of the extension form for the Form 990 was not given to us by the prior administration, we were able to secure sufficient documentation from Vice Chief Pat Spiller's associate who works with taxes at no cost to STARFLEET.

Attached to this report is a Statement of Activities along with a Statement of Financial Position for the period ending February 29, 2008. For the Statement of Activities, we thought it best for everyone to see just how we're doing financially first for the period July to December 2007 and for each respective month of January and February 2008. As you can see, we've incurred a loss for each period except for January 2008. The main reason a loss was not incurred in January was that a large number of membership processing dues were not entered from the PayPal System from the previous quarter, October to December 2007. Also, a large amount of supplies

were purchased in the beginning of the year that should last us for the remainder of this year.

It should be noted, we do have about \$37K in our bank accounts which is about \$2k more than what we had in December 2007. As mentioned in my previous article, I knew STARFLEET needed additional funding even without seeing these financials. Joe Horton, my Fundraising Officer from Region 7 has already signed up with Global Re-source on behalf of STARFLEET. This organization provides a great recycling program that will pay STARFLEET for used ink jet cartridges, laser toner cartridges, cell phones and ipods. This company also provides the postage to cover the cost of shipping all items to them. In addition to this program, Joe has recently raised some other funds at a number of other events. I have faith that Joe will do an outstanding job in helping to raise more funds for STARFLEET.

In the area of Sales Tax Compliance, I'm happy to report that our sales tax obligations with the the State of Texas have been paid as of February 13, 2008. We're continuing to monitor all sales taxes issues and as previously mentioned we're still looking for someone to fill the position of Tax Compliance Officer.

If you would like to work on an EC level and have some Accounting or Finance background with some sales tax experience preferably, then please apply for this position. Please send your real life resume and STARFLEET resume along with a cover letter explaining why you would like this position, to my attention at CFO@sfi.org.

It's come to our attention from Membership Processing that some people have not completed the on-line payment process when using PayPal or credit cards. Please ensure you click on the "Submit Payment" or "Make Payment Now" entry. No one wants their membership materials delayed do to simply not completing the on-line payment process.

Should anyone have any questions, concerns or comments please feel free to send them to my attention at cfo@sfi.org, either I or one of my staff will gladly try to get back to you as soon as possible.

**COMM Michael Stein**  
**CFO, STARFLEET - The International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc.**  
**CFO@sfi.org**

STARFLEET International Statement of Activities July 2007 - February 2008				
Operating Revenues:	July-Dec 07	Jan-08	Feb-08	Year To Date
Membership Dues	\$10,873	\$12,079	\$2,424	\$25,376
Scholarship Funds	190	142	58	389
Quartermaster Sales	856	-	76	932
Other Income	75	-	-	75
Total operating revenues	11,994	12,221	2,558	26,773
Operating expenses:				
Communique Expenses	3,664	1,928	3,032	8,625
Membership Package	3,036	2,718	1,176	6,930
Quartermaster Supplies	87	575	1,007	1,669
STARFLEET IC Expenses	599	-	526	1,125
Scholarship Awards	3,000	-	-	3,000
Bank Charges & Fees	818	571	145	1,534
Election Expense	2,185	1,323	-	3,508
Equipment & Software	89	500	425	1,014
Insurance Bond	610	-	-	610
Supplies	245	-	371	615
Transition Expenses	102	30	-	132
General Office Expenses	4,048	2,424	941	7,412
Total operating expenses	14,434	7,644	6,683	28,761
(Loss) / Income	\$(2,440)	\$4,577	\$(4,125)	\$(1,988)

STARFLEET International Statement of Financial Position February 29, 2008	
ASSETS	Total
CURRENT ASSETS	
Bank Accounts	
CD SF Scholarship Fund B	\$1,041
International Conference	500
Main Bank Account	4,216
SF Savings & Scholarship Fund	30,488
SFMC Marines	938
Total Bank Accounts	37,182
Prepaid Other	2,000
Total Current Assets	39,182
Total Assets	\$39,182
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	\$2,000
Accrued expenses	75
Total current liabilities	2,075
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	1,000
Unrestrict (retained earnings)	38,096
Net Income	(1,988)
Total Equity	37,107
Total Liabilities And Equity	\$39,182





1726-01-620



**NAME: ROBERTS, JOHN**  
**RANK: MAJOR GENERAL**  
**POSITION: COMMANDANT, STARFLEET MARINE CORPS**  
**OTHER POSITIONS: COMMANDING OFFICER**  
**SHIP: USS ANASAZI NCC-62001; REGION: 17, NEW MEXICO (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

## State of the SFMC

### Greetings Marines!

#### Bank Account Information

We started the month of January with a balance of \$1,378.02. We had no deposits and withdrawals in the amount of \$464.34 (to cover the cost of the glassware at IC last year) during January so the current account balance remains at \$913.68.

We started the month of February with a balance of \$913.68. We had deposits in the amount of \$24.21 and no withdrawals during February so the current account balance remains at \$937.89.

#### HONOR Award Nominations

Honor Award Nominations are due to the Deputy Commandant, Aaron Murphy, no later than May 10, 2008. Any awards other than Honor Awards that you would like to have issued at IC are due to me no later than May 10, 2008. Our email addresses appear at the end of this post.

#### New COTRACOM

As many of you know, Joost Ueffing decide dot step down as COTRACOM so he could dedicate more time and effort to his new house and deal with issues in his personal life. We wish Joost all the best and I have issued him the SFMC Service Award for his service as COTRACOM and AE Branch Director.

After consultations with the General Staff, we appointed Joost's successor: Col Bruce O'Brien, Joost's former deputy. Bruce took office on February 1 and has hit the ground running. Look for future news and announcements from Bruce on the goals we set for TRACOM and his plans for additional goals and projects within TRACOM. Welcome to the team, Bruce!

#### SGM/SFMC

I have been informed that SGM Marie Wilson needs to step down from the SGM/SFMC post due to personal issues. Her email to me is quoted in part as:

"I thought it only fair to tell you that I've recently taken on a full-time contract with the Army, and as a result, my free time is greatly limited. Although still under a Reserve contract, I work full-time hours. I'm also a volunteer with St John Ambulance. So, with my job, my volunteer work, running a home, and trying to spend time with the family, I don't believe I have the time I need to commit to the SFMC.

It's something I have been battling with for a while,

I love the SFMC, and the opportunity to serve on the GS was fantastic. But I need to face facts, I just don't have the time that the role needs, and the membership deserves.

I'm also going into hospital next month for surgery, which is also going to take me away for a while."

I have reluctantly accepted Marie's resignation and am now looking for ideas for our next SGM/SFMC. If you have an idea as to who might be a good candidate or are interested yourself, please contact myself and Deputy Commandant Aaron Murphy with your interest and tell us why you think you (or the person being suggested) would make a good Sergeant Major of the SFMC. We will make the appointment once we find a suitable replacement.

#### ATTENTION TO ORDERS

*SGM Marie Wilson, for your service to the STARFLEET Marine Corps as the SGM/SFMC, you are hereby awarded the SFMC Service Commendation. Thank you for your service and dedication to our members.*

*Given under my hand this 4th Day of March, 2008. Congratulations (and the certificate can be sent to Marie at co@nx20.org.uk).*

*John Roberts  
Commandant, SFMC*

#### IC/IM 2008

Only a couple of months to go until the Annual International Conference and International Muster, this year held in Ithaca, NY. I am working with the IC Chairs and staff and we now have a menu ironed out for the 2nd SFMC Mess Night and hope to have pricing and registration information in the very near future. Until then, go ahead and register for the IC at [www.ic2008.org](http://www.ic2008.org) and you can always add the Mess Night to your order later.

#### SFMC Quartermaster

"Is back in business. I received permission from the CFO's office to begin selling and shipping Corps merchandise again. If anyone is in need of ribbons, ribbon bars, patches, polos, or T shirts, I have them ready to go. Just email me at [Dragonladye@wildblue.net](mailto:Dragonladye@wildblue.net) with your list

and I will get back to you with a total for merchandise, shipping and tax if applicable. Once the payment has arrived the merchandise will be on it's way.

I realize that this comes at a very good time for many of you to get ready for your Muster and the IC

this summer. I would like to thank Pat Spillers for her efforts to get us back in business. Let the orders commence.

**Linda Olson**  
**SFMC Quartermaster**  
**[Dragonladye@wildblue.net](mailto:Dragonladye@wildblue.net)**

#### What do YOU want from the SFMC?

We have announced several changes and plans for the SFMC over the last several months. Generally, these have been well received. However, the members of the General Staff have received very little feedback about what you, the members, would like to see from the SFMC General Staff.

If you have ideas you think we should take a look at, please let us know. You can reach the members of the General Staff as follows:

SFMC Commandant: [dant@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:dant@sfi-sfmc.org)  
 SFMC Deputy Commandant: [depdant@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:depdant@sfi-sfmc.org)  
 Sergeant Major, SFMC: [sgm-sfmc@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:sgm-sfmc@sfi-sfmc.org)  
 Commanding Officer, Forces Command: [forcecom@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:forcecom@sfi-sfmc.org)  
 Commanding Officer Training and Doctrine Command: [tracom@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:tracom@sfi-sfmc.org)  
 Commanding Officer, Information Command: [infocom@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:infocom@sfi-sfmc.org)

Remember, we are here to serve you and your needs. We can't do that without your input. Help us make the SFMC even better.

Until my next report, I remain in Service to the Corps,

**MGN John Roberts**  
**Commandant, SFMC**





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**NAME: OLSON, LINDA**  
**RANK: MAJOR GENERAL**  
**POSITION: COMMANDING OFFICER FORCECOM**  
**OTHER POSITIONS: DOIC OF 674TH MSG**  
**SHIP: USS RELENTLESS NCC-81001; REGION: 2, FLORIDA (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

## STARFLEET Marine Corps

March 1, 2008

Brigades reporting: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, 20

Brigades not reporting: 14

### Units not reporting:

Brigade 2: 643rd, MSG, Dragon Wings

States that she has been reporting through the online form. No being received by the BDE OIC.

Brigade 4: 006 MSG

Brigade 5: 501st MSG,

Brigade 6: 801st MSG, 809th MSG

Brigade 7: 781st MSG, 711th, MSG, 724th, 786th MSG 787th MSG, 725th MSG 750, 755,

Brigade 12: 201st MSG, 203rd MEU, 216th MSG, 222nd MSG, 226th MSG, 242nd, 276th MSG

Brigade 15: 915th MSG, 977th MSG

Brigade 17: 875th MSG, 888th

1st - 39 Active/ 27 Reserve

2nd - 31 Active/ 37 Reserve

3rd - 47 Active/ 22 Reserve

4th - 39 Active/ 9 Reserve

5th - 24 Active/ 37 Reserve

6th - 4 Active/ 12 Reserve

7th - 47 Active/ 43 Reserve

8th - 2 Active/ 2 Reserve

9th - 6 Active/ 7 Reserve

10th - 5 Active / 5 Reserve

11th - 10 active/25 Reserve

12th - 38 Active/ 47 Reserve

13th - 3 Reserve

14th - no report filed

15th - 19 Active/ 17 Reserve

17th - 14 Active / 24 Reserve

20th - 2 Active

### Changes in Leadership

1st -154th MSG OIC From: LTC Christine Anderson, 62621 To: LTC Christopher Bayonet, 62006

3rd - 325: Elizabeth Weber is Temp. OIC until such time that 1LT Chanda Norman Renews her SFI membership

342: WO1 Cory Matt is the new Platoon Commander (OIC), GSG Tony Walker is the new Platoon Sergeant (NCOIC)

347: DOIC – Reinstated, NCOIC - Discharged

4th - Brigade has opted to stop using BN format since we are so small

7th - 740th MSG; new OIC: Baral (James McClure) K'oveD vestai-lw LTC 62040 Active 01/18/2009

15th - 907th: New OIC - COL Tom Guertin

3rd BN: OIC resigned. New OIC not yet appointed.

901st: SGM Scott Grant has returned and returned to unit command. BGN Bob Chin is DOIC.

### Units Activated

7th BDE - 764th MEU Special Ops Shadow Hawks

Motto: Victory And Nothing Else... Hoo-Rah!!!

Unit OIC: Brian Ashley, Rank unknown Unit OIC; e-mail: udtbud06@aol.com; OIC Phone: 610-534-1842; Private Phone: Yes

### Units Deactivated

4th BDE -6th MSG might need to be deactivated for the time being, they have missed 3 reporting periods. DOIC contacted their ship CO and was told they are still around and would report this period, they didn't.

7th BDE - 711th, MSG, USS Richthofen, "The Flying Circus", It's just like shooting squirrels, only these squirrels have guns" The OIC and the Chapter CO have requested the MSG be deactivated, since they only have one Marine.

704th MSG, USS Challenger The Chapter CO have requested the MSG be deactivated, since they only have one Marine.

12th - 241 taken off due to parent chapter disappearing.

15th - 915th: has not reported since activated. No contact with OIC. Through research have discovered that unit's only member is a member of a unit in another BDE. As such, I consider the 915th deactivated.

900th: Chapter disbanded. Members relocated to other units.

### Discharges

Howard Knapp - Discharged, membership expired

Kenneth Gifford III - Discharged, membership expired

Bartlett, Bryan - Discharged

Eagle, Madonna - Discharged

Kyle Hunter, 2LT, 60661 08/09 – Member of USS Blackheart

Michelle Lockie ENS 63441 R 09/01/2008 Andrew Currie 2LT 63440 A

09/01/2008 Lexia E. Currie 1LT 63439 A 09/01/2008 Chris Nix 56600.

GSGT. Blackhawk Fornelli, 62728, 12/13/2007, Active (Membership Expired)

SGT. Kathy Fornelli, 62729, 12/13/2007, Reserve (Membership Expired)

### Recruits

1st Brigade - Isa Gunther

3rd Brigade

Rudy Ault 2LT 64453 NOV 08 Reserve

PFC Trenton Baum, Rifleman, 64576

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LTC Angelita Schnoor, 62456, 03/08/2008, Active 5th Brigade

John Caverly – PVT, 64152, 12/08 A

Keith Beardsley, MAJ, 64386 9/08 R

Jerad Larson – 1sgt, 64589 1/09 A

Robin Larson – 64590, 1/09 R

Christopher Good - PFC, 64355, A 17/09/2008

7th Brigade

Mike Sladky,MR,64490, 12/10/2008, Active Barbara Boyd,MR, 64491,

12/10/2008, Active

n Ashley, Rank: Unknown, 63863, Active, 03 MAR 09

15th Brigade

Scott E Grant SMAJ 44111 A 02/02/09

Daniel J Grant CDT 50927 A 02/02/09

Joshua Grant CDT 50928 A 02//02/09

Donald Henderson 54082 A 12/01/08

Mark Henderson 54081 A 12/01/08

Larry Henderson, OIC COL 22174 A 12/01/08

### Promotions

Angelina Christian, MAJ

Peter Christian, BGN

Mitch Dunn, 1LT

Jean Eklund, SGT

Lee Eklund, SSGT

Robert H. Rand, Jr., 1LT

David Kania BGN

### Awards Issued

Streamer: REPORTING-2006 - 5th Brigade, 521st MSG, USS Destiny

Streamer: Participation – ACTIVITY-2006 -5th Brigade,

521st MSG, USS Destiny

565th MSG, USS Rubicon

Streamer: Community Service Award 2006

898th Streamer Award –

Streamer BRIGADE OIC 2006

521st MSG, USS Destiny

Streamer: BRIGADE DOIC-2006 555th MSG, USS Antares

565th MSG, USS Rubicon

Unit Streamer: REPORTING-2006 (September 2007) 503rd MSG, USS Thermopylae

Unit Streamer: RECRUITING-2006 (September 2007) 503rd MSG, USS Thermopylae

Legion of Valor-2006 (February 16-18, 2007) 503rd MSG, USS Thermopylae



#### Embassy Duty

1LT Angelina Christian  
COL Peter Christian  
LTC Joseph Fuller  
MCPT Vicky-Jeanne Sheppard  
BDR Norman E. DeRoux  
PVT Courtney Martin  
BDR Craig Martin  
MSHP Heather Martin  
2LT Michael Martin  
PVT Sarah Martin  
PVT Shelby Martin  
CPT Nadine Romero

#### Joint Service

1LT Angelina Christian  
COL Peter Christian  
PVT Matthew Christian  
LTC Joseph Fuller  
MCPT Jari James  
BDR Norman E. DeRoux  
PVT Courtney Martin  
BDR Craig Martin  
MSHP Heather Martin  
2LT Michael Martin  
PVT Sarah Martin  
PVT Shelby Martin  
CPT Nadine Romero

#### Great Barrier Expedition

1LT Angelina Christian  
COL Peter Christian  
LTC Joseph Fuller

COL Kenneth Hill  
LTC Rose Mattison  
MCPT Vicky-Jeanne Sheppard  
BDR Norman E. DeRoux  
PVT Courtney Martin  
BDR Craig Martin  
MSHP Heather Martin  
2LT Michael Martin  
PVT Sarah Martin  
PVT Shelby Martin  
CPT Nadine Romero

#### Marine Honor Guard

1LT Angelina Christian  
COL Peter Christian  
LTC Joseph Fuller

#### Community Service Citation

LTC Joseph Fuller  
MCPT Vicky-Jeanne Sheppard  
BDR Norman E. DeRoux  
PVT Courtney Martin  
BDR Craig Martin  
MSHP Heather Martin  
PVT Sarah Martin  
PVT Shelby Martin  
CPT Nadine Romero

#### Brigade Achievement Award

LTC Joseph Fuller  
COL Kenneth Hill  
BDR Russell Garrison  
BGN Patrick McAndrew

#### Cross of Valor-2006

LTC Joseph Fuller

#### Star of Valor-2006

GSgt Jerome Stoddard

#### Sword of Valor-2006

BDR Craig Martin

#### Shield of Valor-2006

MGN Lea Morgan

#### Good Conduct Medal

BDR Norman E. DeRoux  
BGN Stephen C. Idell  
CPT Nadine Romero

#### Prentares Award

BDR David Lee Kania

#### Leader's Commendation

Scott Anderson,  
LTC John Johnston  
1LT tavana tal-tSepeS

#### Medical Proficiency Award

Anne Zecca

#### Comet

Christine Anderson

#### Linda Olson, Reporting

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TRACOM, STARFLEET MARINE CORPS

NAME: O'BRIEN, BRUCE

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OTHER POSITIONS: R5 RECRUITING OFFICER

SHIP: USS SOUTHERN CROSS NCC-63550; REGION: 11, NEW ZEALAND

ACHIEVEMENTS:

As the new Commanding Officer of TRACOM, I send greetings to all fellow Marines from the "Land Down Under." With any changeover in command, there will always be new ideals; goals, objectives and enthusiasm – and TRACOM will certainly be injected with plenty of this in coming months.

By the time this has been published, there will be a new DCOTRACOM appointed and together, the Command Team - working in conjunction with all fellow staff members of TRACOM and the SFMCA - will be hard at work to add, embellish and extend the services offered. This will include the investigation, research and establishment of additional courses through various SFMCA branches; the continued investigation into online testing; (where necessary) the re-modelling and re-drafting of some of our manuals; research and analysis of our database

facilities that provide information/results to students; the ongoing building of relationships between SFMCA and the SFA; and anything else that will prove of value to TRACOM, the SFMCA and ultimately to the Corps.

But do not be too alarmed. There are no plans for any 'sweeping change' and the basic structure of TRACOM and the SFMCA will remain intact and as stable an organisation as this important facet of the SFMC has always been. Planning for any adjustments or additions will only be geared towards improvement of service and interest – aimed at offering even greater levels of pleasure and enjoyment for all who wish to delve into our schools. Such planning is likely to include new courses in branches such as – Combat Engineering; Infantry; Professional Development and Leadership and

possibly other branches such as Special Operations and Support. There may even be development of a whole new range of coursework that will even further extend our offerings to the military-minded amongst us.

I would like at this time, to thank MGEN Joost Ueffing for his assistance in my takeover of the role that he has expertly handled for the last few years and to acknowledge the superb assistance of BGN Sean Niemeyer, COINFOCOM in helping me get my "feet under the desk". So TRACOM moves on and I would hope that everyone will be satisfied with the results. Keep your good eye on us! Kia kaha!

Colonel Bruce O'Brien

COTRACOM

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**NAME: NIEMEYER, SEAN**  
**RANK: BRIGADIER GENERAL**  
**POSITION: COMMANDING OFFICER INFOCOM**  
**OTHER POSITIONS: COMMAND STAFF ADVISOR**  
**SHIP: USS ASIMOV NCC-1647-A; REGION: 7, PENNSYLVANIA (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

### ***Begin transmission...***

Greetings marines,

Once again coming from deep within the bowels of the SFMC Data Warfare Center it's time for the bimonthly INFOCOM report. Things have been quiet lately down here, which is a welcome change of pace. I mean I've had to deal with gremlins, angry Vulcans, as well as a multitude of issues that seem to pop up here and there.

Before I move onto my full report I would like to wish "Fair winds and following seas" to MGen. Joost Uefing as he steps down as COTRACOM. I would also like to congratulate and welcome Colonel Bruce O'Brien as he assumes command of TRACOM as the new COTRACOM. I am really looking forward to working with him in the months to come.

### **SFMC Manuals**

While not an exactly an INFOCOM issue, I want to briefly touch on the SFMC manuals. Several of SFMC manuals will be updated and released at this IC. The MFM is one of those manuals. Right now there are no major changes planned, in fact most of the changes that are going to be made to the manual are already up on the website. So the changes to the MFM are mainly to bring the two documents in line with each other.

In addition to the slight changes to several of the manuals, there are several planned releases of two new manuals, one of which is available now. That is the Professional Development and Leadership Manual. This manual covers Professional Development and Leadership in the SFMC. This manual is divided into two sections, Professional Development and Leadership. Professional Development explores aspects of presenting a professional image. The other section Leadership, explores various leadership principles and styles. The other manual, The Manual of Marine Essential Tasks is currently under development and it is hoped that it will be published in time for this year's IC. If it is not released then it should be shortly after.

### **The SFMC Websites**

The websites for the most part are stable and have been working as planned and I've pretty much switched to maintenance mode. Basically this means that I'm fixing any issues that arise or are found as needed.

By the time that this article is published there should be an order form for the SFMC Quartermaster in place so orders for items can be placed through the

website.

### **The Future**

Previously I had mention that I was going to be working on templates for SFILabs.org, well I'm going to put that on hold for a little while. The main reason for me doing this is that there is some doubt whether or not SFILabs.org will be around for the foreseeable future. So it's probably best to take a wait and see approach on this one. I have also temporarily stopped working on the TRACOM on-line testing project. I'll resume it once the new COTRACOM settles in.

The next big project that is now on my radar is something dealing with the SFMC Quartermaster. I don't want to go too much into it right now, I want to leave it as a surprise and I'm hoping that it will be done either by IC or shortly afterward. So look for an announcement in the "Attention on Deck" and on the SFMC mail list.

I have been in contact with the Chief of CompOps regarding adding SFMC reporting functionality to the database. It is once again on the CompOps to do list. I will keep the Corps apprised of the progress of this project.

### **The Staffing**

As of writing this article I have yet to receive any applications for the position of DCOINFOCOM. Therefore I'm keeping the application period open until I receive a sufficient number of applicants from which to make a decision. So any interested individuals should meet the following requirements;

1. Be a member of STARFLEET in good standing
2. Have taken and passed; OTS (Officers Training School through SFA), PD-10 (SFMCA), and PD-20 (SFMCA).
3. Have dependable Internet access and email.
4. Have at least an intermediate knowledge of HTML.

Javascript, PHP, and SQL database management are a plus but not required.

The duties of DCOINFOCOM include but are not limited to the following;

1. Use Joomla to administer and update the SFMC and SFMCA websites.
2. Use Mailman to administer the various discussion lists that the SFMC runs.
3. Moderate the SFMC list.
4. Assist COINFOCOM or other General Staff members as needed.

Any interested individual who meets the

requirements can send their STARFLEET/SFMC and real world resumes along with samples of work (or links to) to [infocom@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:infocom@sfi-sfmc.org). I have changed the application period to an open ended one and once enough applications are received I will make a decision.

### **Need help with your group's website?**

If there is any Unit, Battalion, or Brigade that needs help in setting up a website or fixing one please feel free to contact me and I'll be more than happy to see what I can do to help.

### **Suggested Reading**

Last Christmas I received a book that was on my Amazon.com wish list, "Semper Mars" by Ian Douglas. I put it on the list because the premise seemed promising, US Marines on Mars. Well 384 pages and one day later I was hooked. The book was the first in a trilogy called The Heritage Trilogy, which has been followed by The Legacy Trilogy and The Inheritance Trilogy. In all between the three trilogies there are 7 books, 2 have yet to be written. I am happy to say that I have read them all and am anxiously waiting the other two books.

The books follow the US Marine Corps from the near to distant future as it transforms from a terrestrial fighting force to a space based, alien butt kicking one. I find that the books are well written, very enjoyable, and like all good science fiction, have a basis in fact. I recommend them to anyone who is looking for a good series of books to read.

### ***End Transmission...***

**BGen. Sean Niemeyer**  
**COINFOCOM**  
**[infocom@sfi-sfmc.org](mailto:infocom@sfi-sfmc.org)**





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DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL, STARFLEET

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**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

"Lights..."

The Admiral crosses the office, and settles into the chair behind the desk...

"Computer, activate – begin recording..."

Greetings. Let me introduce myself, for those who may not know me. I am Dennis Gray, your new Director of Personnel for Starfleet. Some of you may remember me from the past (1997-2000) when I was the Chief of Shuttle Operations. I now find myself with the privilege of again serving the membership. I look forward to being active again. The new administration is just about finished moving in and getting down to business (<pauses> glances at the ceiling, and listens to the sounds of furniture being moved around...), well, maybe not \*quite\* finished settling in.

On to business. The Personnel office in SF has been vacant for some time, and was under-utilized, if used at all, in the years prior to now. I hope to change that. I've been doing a lot of thought, talking to people, and coming up with a few ideas I'd like to get implemented that will be well received, and useful to everyone. Let me list a couple for you:

1) Create a pool of members interested in volunteering their time and service for the betterment of Starfleet. From this pool, job positions at the fleet level could/would be filled. Staff positions in the various EC departments, volunteers to serve as members-at-large on the periodic ECAB Committees, etc. Eventually, I'd like to see this pool integrated into the SF database, so that it is available at a moments notice to the various EC members, or to

those deciding on who gets the position.

2) Web pages on the SFI website, where I'd like to see space dedicated to listing most, if not all, the positions that the would be filled from the interested applicants, as well as a brief description of each job, and the duties thereof.

3) Eventually, I'd like to see the capability to submit your interest/application right online, without having to go through me or some other staffer. But that's down the road a bit.

There are a few more ideas that I'm kicking around. More on those as they progress. Also, I'd like to take this opportunity to say that if anyone has any interesting ideas, I'd love to hear them. Always open to new ideas, dontchaknow!

So. Time to start a 'resume pool', of those fleet members who are interested in, and would like to volunteer for positions as they open. What do you need to do? Send me an email to: [personnel@sfi.org](mailto:personnel@sfi.org) with the following –

- \* A Starfleet resume We want to know who you are, positions you've held, what you've done, etc.
- \* Name & rank
- \* Region & chapter
- \* Time in Fleet
- \* Contact information (email, US mail, phone)
- \* SCC #
- \* List any departments or particular positions you might be interested in, or if you want to be considered for any and all positions, and if you'd be willing to serve as a member-at-large on

the rare ECAB committees that are sometimes formed.

I am not looking for or asking for a 'real world' resume. I really don't think that's needed. However, list any special skills, training, or education that you think might be beneficial.

Email is the preferred method to submit your information. Either in the body of the email, or as an attached file (text (.txt) is preferred) However, one of the main reasons to form this pool, is to allow those not online a chance to participate. So hardcopy submissions are also welcome. You can mail them to me at the following address: Dennis Gray, c/o 699 Black Jack Rd., Radcliff, KY 40160-8812. Please, do NOT send them to 'Starfleet', or 'Director of Personnel', or any other such name or title. Use my REAL name only please, with NO rank.

Ok, this should be enough to get us started. As time goes by, we'll refine, and streamline the process, and hopefully make it a lot easier when we can do it all online.

Until next time...

"Computer – end recording. Save file, and transmit copy to HQ Communications."

Dennis Gray  
Director of Personnel, Starfleet  
[personnel@sfi.org](mailto:personnel@sfi.org)

USS RIVERSIDE NCC-1660



0630-60-16

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**ACHIEVEMENTS: COMMUNITY SERVICE CITATION, SHIELD OF VALOR, 2004 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD, 2005/2006 R6 OFFICER OF THE YEAR, 2007 R6 COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE YEAR**



## Trek Fest

As most of you know, Trek Fest is the town of Riverside Iowa's annual celebration and main fundraiser for the local organization who sponsors scholarships, school activities ect. This year, they have made preliminary plans for a yet to be announced Original Series star to be their Grand Marshal, Costume contest judge ect. Plans are to have the guest sign autographs, make appearances, and participate in as much of the Trek activities as they would like. Limousine service is being confirmed

by Scotty Riggan, who incidentally chauffeured William Shatner and his crew during Invasion Iowa.

Don't miss out on this once in a life time chance to meet an Original series Trek star in person, all in a kicked back atmosphere in Riverside Iowa. Dates are June 27th and 28th, 2008, more information can be had at [www.trekfest.com](http://www.trekfest.com) or by registering on the USS Riverside's forum at [www.ussriverside.us](http://www.ussriverside.us).

Captain John Schulte  
Vice Regional Coordinator Sixth Fleet/Chief Financial Officer  
CO, USS Riverside NCC 1660

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0631-25-21



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**OTHER POSITIONS: FLAG COMMANDER**  
**SHIP: USS IMPERIUM NCC-2125; REGION: 6, NORTH DAKOTA (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

## CHIEF OF OPERATIONS, STARFLEET

Is it time for another report? Wow, how time flies! Seems like only two months ago I was... oh yeah. Never mind.

We've had a busy couple of months here at Operations. We are continuing to gear up some of our departments, but they are quickly coming online. In addition, we have already commissioned one chapter, or should I say, re-commission. The USS Antares, out of Region 5, was commissioned a little earlier than they wanted to be and so asked to be put back into Shakedown status until Feb. 15th. They then were re-commissioned at the 2008 Region 5 Summit. Congratulations Antares!

One thing that I would like to mention is that if you are making any changes to your chapter (change of command, change of address, etc.) please let us know here at Operations, either by sending the appropriate form to us by snail mail, at the address listed in the last CQ and in the Vessel Registry, or by emailing me at ops@sfi.org. As diligently as we monitor the database for changes, we can sometimes miss one if you don't let us know about it.

Finally, a reminder about reporting deadlines and when they are due. All chapter MSR's are due by the 5th of the month. Any MSR after that date will be listed as late. Please try to get them in

as it gives us a concrete idea of how a chapter is doing if they are reporting on time.

That's all for us for this month!

Admiral Michael Urvand  
 Chief of Operations, Starfleet  
 Flag Commander, USS Imperium NCC-2125



1231-43-31



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**POSITION: DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF THE STARFLEET HISTORIAN**  
**OTHER POSITIONS:**  
**SHIP: USS HELLFIRE & BRIMSTONE NCC-3143; REGION: 12, KANSAS (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

## STARFLEET HISTORIAN

## From the Past to the Future

Greetings from the bowels of STARFLEET HQ,

Welcome to 2008, a new leadership for STARFLEET, and a new STARFLEET historian. First, I would like to thank General Scott Akers for his service and dedication to this office since its inception under the FADM Mike Smith Administration. Due to his work, the history of the organization from its birth until the end of Mike Smith's second term is completed, as well as region genealogies through 1999. He has given us a wealth of information about the history of a fan club, and for that, he should be commended. Along with GEN Akers, thanks should also go to Admiral Chris Wallace, as well as Rear Admiral Jeff Higdon. These two individuals (along with many others) assisted in building the history.

So, who am I, and why was I named the new historian? Well, I am LGEN Wade Hoover, Commanding Officer of the USS Hellfire & Brimstone, assigned to Region 12. I have been a member of STARFLEET since 1993, and have held many positions in my chapters, Region, Brigade, and Internationally as a member of the SFMC General Staff. Over the years, I have compiled an archive of STARFLEET history, and frankly, have always been fascinated over how STARFLEET came from a small fan club to the international organization that we are today. I've seen the good, and the bad, that this club has gone through, and am dedicated to expanding the work of GEN Akers to provide a fair, accurate history. It has been stated by an unknown author "A person without knowledge of his history is like a tree without roots". George Santavana also mused "Those who cannot

remember history are condemned to repeat it." Both of these quotes are very applicable to STARFLEET. Over the years, there has been political fighting, financial problems, mismanagement, and near civil war in this organization. Some were due to the youth and inexperience of the leadership, and some were due to the membership not watching the leaders, and some were due to fanatical devotion to a person with no thought to the good of the origination. Without knowing where we came from, we can't learn and make changes to try to keep these things from happening again.

So, what positions are available within my office? Currently, there are only two positions, director and deputy director. Based on his service to the office, I have named RADM Jeff Higdon to the post of deputy director. Jeff's duties include reviewing the various Wiki's to make sure that STARFLEET information is correct, as well as acting as owner and admin for the current Office of the Historian Wiki (located at <http://sfihistory.wetpaint.com>). Jeff will also assist myself with research. Other positions will be created as needed.

What resources do I have available? In my personal files, I have documents dating back to 1993, from my time as RC for Region 12, and from documents that I have downloaded and archived over the years. I also have the archive of CQs that the historian's office owns. I currently have CQs dating back to issue 40, with some holes. I am looking for CQs prior to issue 40, as well as issue 49, 50, and 55. Since all issues between issue 60 and current are available in PDF, I don't feel that it is necessarily important to get a complete archive of hard copy CQs in that range, but if you have any CQs between 60 and 120 that you are

interested in donating, please contact me ([historian@sfi.org](mailto:historian@sfi.org)) with what you have, and I'll let you know if I need it or not. I am also looking for any issues of Command Status Update, Fleet Status Update, Adventures at STARFLEET HQ, or any other documents produced by STARFLEET HQ of this sort. I would also be interested in getting election publications for any CS election. Really, I'm interested in any documents about the history of the organization. I would be happy to pay for photocopying and postage, and I would also take scans. I am also looking for photos from the past (leaders, members, etc.; please identify as many people in photos as possible).

Finally, what can I do for you? I know there are questions about the past, and I'm certainly willing to do my best to answer them. I am currently researching Region 16, and the USS Henri Durant to answer questions that I have received. However, please bear in mind that my only source currently is my CQ archive, and this may not be detailed enough to answer your questions in detail. I will apologize in advance for any lack of detail.

The new motto for the Office of the Historian is "From the Past, to the Future." After all, without knowing our past, how can we survive our future?

In service to STARFLEET, I remain

LGN Wade Hoover  
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**POSITION: COMMANDING OFFICER**  
**OTHER POSITIONS:**  
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**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

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The 20th year celebration as ship was held by the USS Alioth/NCC-72383. Although it missed some of its members at the celebration, they were there in spirit. The dinner was to be held at a Brazilian buffet, but when we arrived we found that there was an



hour and a half wait. Capt. Justin Taylor looked at the CO, VADM Keira Strong, and stated, "This is the Rodao Drive of Utah County and you didn't make a reservation"? Sadly, no. It was a buffet. The CO couldn't imagine making a reservation for a buffet. A short 40

foot trot later, the CO found a wonderful Chinese restaurant. Could they accommodate us? They sure could. Trotting 40 feet back to find the remainder of the crew had arrived the CO explained being a blond, and the new location for the dinner. The waitress worked her tail off serving the crew. The food was great! Did we miss the buffet? Well, we'll try to go there some other time. For now, the USS Alioth is happy to be around for 20 years, happy that they have served the community for 20 years, and hope that some of the younger crew will take the helm at some point so that the Alioth will be around for 20 more years.

No violations of the Prime Directive occurred at the Fremont Indian park and museum near Richfield, UT as the USS Alioth's away mission investigated Petroglyphs and climbed rocks. In attendance were Julia Clawson, who took this photo, and from left to right: Nathan Shumway, Janet Shepherd, Lynnette Knox, Richard Knox, and Keira Russell-Strong. This area was discovered in the 1980's when I-70 was being built. The highway department gave the archeologist six months to get what they could and then the highway was built right through the village. Those of you who have met Julia know that she is Chilean Indian, and a diminutive 4' 10" tall. We looked at her, and looked at the reconstruction made from a Fremont female skeleton, and did a



double take. Also, note that we are loving our STARFLEET T-Shirts. Lynnette was stopped and ask if we were with a tour group. She explained who we are and that as this is the only planet we can explore, we were exploring.



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**NAME: HALVERSON, GARRICK**  
**RANK: VICE ADMIRAL**  
**POSITION: VICE COMMANDER, STARFLEET**  
**OTHER POSITIONS: COMMANDING OFFICER**  
**SHIP: SFR 1501 SS IAN FLEMING; REGION: 15, MASSACHUSETTS (USA)**  
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

VICE COMMANDER, STARFLEET

## The Dream in Action!

STARFLEET's Corporate Vision:

"To be the World's leader in the principles and ideals of the Roddenberry Dream while living up to our promise to that dream"

Our organization's existence is based on the Roddenberry Dream and as supporters of that dream we want to show that we are supporters not only by words but by actions as well. It will be by our actions, whether it is how we speak to each other or treat each other that will determine our success for the future. With this in mind we have created a vision statement, a list of values and a promise that will be used as a springboard for further growth for our organization. With all of us taking to heart and working towards the same goal of making STARFLEET a better place to have fun, we can achieve the greatness I know we can all attain. With this goal in the forefront, each month an article will be posted which will discuss each facet of our "Dream in Action!"

What is a corporate vision? A corporate vision is a short, succinct, and inspiring statement of what the organization intends

to become and to achieve at some point in the future, often stated in competitive terms. Vision refers to the category of intentions that are broad, all-inclusive and forward thinking. It is the image that a business must have of its goals before it sets out to reach them. It describes aspirations for the future, without specifying the means that will be used to achieve those desired ends.

A Vision provides an identity that enables values, strategies, systems, organization and accountabilities - the components of culture - to be aligned. As a result a business can be managed dynamically and positioned to take advantage of opportunities in an uncertain world.

The results of this past election have clearly shown that the membership wants change. Not only a change in operations but an actual change in the "culture" of STARFLEET. By creating our own Corporate Vision Statement we are taking our first steps in providing our membership with a kinder and gentler STARFLEET, where members matter and their right are preserved.

We know not everyone in our organization agrees with our

approach and perhaps some are working to undermine it, but we are convinced that our corporate vision is the best strategy to insure that our members make a difference. When our members help each other to achieve their goals and succeed on their terms, they accelerate the success of the Roddenberry Dream and the success of STARFLEET. It is our sincerest hope that each and every member will make that commitment to success and work shoulder to shoulder, despite opposition, to achieve the organizational greatness I know we can attain.

In Service to the Membership,

Garrick Halverson  
 Vice Commander, STARFLEET





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STARFLEET is the fan organization with something for everyone. Members the world over are united in appreciation of the human adventure that is Star Trek. Hundreds of chapters throughout the world link members to local fandom activities, as well as the central organization. Annual membership begins with a membership package containing membership card (s), certificate (s), a handbook, and a listing of chapters. In addition, you will receive six issues of the Communiqué, our bi-monthly publication, which contains news and information on STARFLEET operations and chapter activities, convention information, and much more. Please allow 6-8 weeks for your membership packet to arrive. If you provide an email address or self-addressed stamped postcard, you will be notified as soon as your membership is processed. Contact [membership@sfi.org](mailto:membership@sfi.org) or at the P.O. Box below if you have not heard anything after 8 weeks. We can only process memberships for one-year terms - please do not send funds for multiple year renewals.

To join STARFLEET, complete this form and mail with payment (US Funds payable to STARFLEET) or Credit Card information to: STARFLEET Membership Processing: PO BOX 94288 Lubbock, TX 79493-4288 USA

### Member Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Chapter Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

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Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Family of 6	\$34	\$35	\$39

- ☐ New Membership
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- SCC: \_\_\_\_\_
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### Family Membership Member Information

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Family memberships are limited to six family members, and include one copy of each issue of the Communiqué.

### Starfleet Scholarship Donation (Optional)

STARFLEET, the International Star Trek Fan Association, in cooperation with Star Trek personalities, supports educational efforts with contributions made by our members.

If you would like to support this effort, please make a donation (minimum \$1 per box checked) to one (or more) of the following scholarship funds. Please note: Donations are not required and must be included with your membership fees. Additional information on specific programs available upon request. Scholarship donations are not currently tax deductible.

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**NAME: PELLERIN, PEG****RANK: ADMIRAL****POSITION: COMMANDANT, STARFLEET ACADEMY****OTHER POSITIONS: EXECUTIVE OFFICER****SHIP: SFR 1501 SS IAN FLEMING; REGION: 15, MASSACHUSETTS (USA)****ACHIEVEMENTS: FORMER CO OF USS EQUINOX; FORMER OTS DIRECTOR; FORMER DEAN OF INSTITUTES OF LEADERSHIP****COMMANDANT, STARFLEET ACADEMY**

## From the Office of the Commandant, STARFLEET Academy

Welcome to another exhilarating issue of the CQ! Starfleet Academy continues to grow and improve. We are constantly polishing up on all courses to continue making the "Jewel in the Crown" of STARFLEET shine brightly.

For those of you who are new to STARFLEET, you will find that STARFLEET Academy has a diverse group of colleges to choose from for your enjoyment and learning.

Read on for changes and activities within the Academy:

There are a number of temporary College closures due to PC problems or real-life LOA's. Please check the SFA website for updates.

Institute of Leadership Studies: The Flag Officer School has re-introduced the essays from the previous version of the exam as upper-level courses, giving the College three more courses

Institute of Foreign Affairs: Jayden Tyronian has assumed the duties of Dean and is the new director of European Studies. New courses are planned for other countries around the world.

Institute of the Arts: Operating within normal parameters.

Institute of Alien Studies: Bill Rowlette has returned to the Academy faculty after a short time away, taking over the Andorian Orientation College. The College of Xenoanthropology has been reorganized with some changes to its exams. Peg Pellerin has taken on the logical position of director of Vulcan Orientation College as well as Cadet Vulcan Orientation College.

Institute of Intelligence & Espionage: Courses have been added to the College of Intelligence in the Media. Cryptography has added a course on the history of WWII's Navaho code talkers.

Institute of Military Studies: The School of Security in Trek was added to the College of Security; Colonel Bruce O'Brien took charge of Strategy and Tactics.

Survival Studies has added a School on escape pods.

Institute of Science Fiction Studies: The institute continues to grow at a rapid pace. College of Star Wars Studies added the School of the Force for a look at Sith and Jedi teachings. Courses have been added to the College of the Macabre. The College of the Fantasy Realm has been restructured into schools and courses added. Look for new courses in the College of Cinema in the near future. Truman Temple remains as the Dean of this Institute.

Institute of Star Trek Studies: The new IOSFS separates the Star Trek Colleges from other Science Fiction courses of study. Jayden Tyronian has taken the position of Director for Star Trek Chronology. Jill Rayburn has been assigned as the Dean of this Institute.

Institute of Cadet Studies: We are looking for school-aged cadets to take these courses. Some colleges have different levels of exams for younger and older cadets.

Our new SFA webmaster Jayden Tyronian has made some cosmetic changes to the College pages to make them look more alike. Greg Staylor stands by as backup should the need arise and until we get an Assistant Webmaster

We no longer have a Chief of Staff. Instead we have a Coordinator for Support Services. I am grateful that Wayne Killough, Jr., my predecessor, has accepted this position. The Support Services structure is as follows:

Support Services Coordinator - Wayne Lee Killough, Jr.

- Alumni Association Section Chief - S. Adam Day
- Newsletter Editor - Abe Smith
- Academy Awards Section Chief - Truman Temple
  - Assistant Academy Awards Section Chief - Scott A. Anderson, Sr.
  - Scholarship Director - Wayne Lee Killough, Jr.
- Electronic Services Section Chief - Gregory S. Staylor
  - Webmaster - Jayden Tyronian
  - Fully Automated Course (FAC) Program Director - Gregory S. Staylor
  - Arts & Graphics Department
    - Scott A. Anderson, Sr.
    - Jay Hurd

We are adding more courses to the FAC Program, so keep checking the Academy Website for additions to the Program.

As a reminder, the deadline for submitting applications for STARFLEET Scholarships is May 31st. Those need to be submitted to Wayne Killough, Jr. (robynhuntermgs03@gmail.com, with a copy to Peg Pellerin (academy@sfi.org).

I would also like to congratulate the following on their recent promotions. They were submitted by then SFA Commandant Wayne Killough, Jr. and approved back in April of 2007, but due to unforeseen circumstances, were just processed. (the sound of a drum roll)....

Richard Benker to Vice Admiral  
Dana Marshall to Fleet Captain  
Nancy J. O'Shields to Fleet Captain  
Jeffrey K. Salamon to Fleet Captain  
Rebecca Louise Self to Major General  
Donna Stewart to Commodore  
Joost Ueffing to Lieutenant General  
Mark Vinson to Admiral  
Robert Westfall to Admiral

I would also like to congratulate the following on their promotion which were approved on February 25, 2008:

Jayden Tyronian to Captain  
Sherman Adam Day to Fleet Captain  
James Delantonas to Commodore  
Abe Smith to Commodore

That's it for now from the halls of STARFLEET Academy. See you next time around.





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**Earthdate: 0801.26**

On a dull, rainy and overcast day, the Captain and XO of the starship CENTURION having already procured a rental car made their way from San Bernardino to Long Beach to partake in the Terran viewing of the props, models, uniforms and such from the TV series, Star Trek. They arrived and bumped into fellow starship members from the SFI chapters ANGELES and STORMBRINGER, as well as from the IFT chapter NATHAN HALE.



Outside the Queen Mary Dome

If you've ever even considered yourself a Trek fan, this was the place to go and see things involved with the show. It included two full size bridge replicas; of the classic ENTERPRISE and of the TNG Bridge. A transporter room, a portion of sickbay, Picard's quarters, a starship corridor, a Borg regeneration alcove; a full size Scorpion fighter and a full sized replica of the "Guardian of Forever", complete with wind and sound effects.



Cyndi &amp; Truman coming through the Guardian



Reman "Scorpion" fighter



"I'm Command, not Security!"

The former occupant, the Spruce Goose took up only a portion of the immense hangar, the Star Trek tour made it so that it was like the Goose never existed. I'd only wished that the Tour had put out a layout map, would've made finding things a great deal easier instead of stumbling onto them. But, that was also part of the fun. And that was for the people that didn't want to pay for the audio tour.

People were allowed to take tour sanctioned photos on the replica bridges, just no personal pictures. Everywhere else, you were asked if you wanted to be alone on the bridge or have the characters basically cut and paste into the scene with you. Unfortunately for us, when we went to go get ours, the printer had just broken down and wasn't likely to be fixed until the end of the day. Told us it would be about three weeks, which is about the timing of this article.

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 USS Centurion

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Cyndi with movie era uniform



End of the tour

