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with the Big Guy!!

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Knee

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From the Editor's Desk

GEN Dennis Rayburn, *Space Station Nikola Tesla*

Greetings from the center seat of the STARFLEET *COMMUNIQUE*,

As you read this, the new year has started with all the hope it brings with it. However, what kind of year it turns out to be, remains in the hands of each and every one of us. Now, sure, outside forces will have some effect on the year (COVID, need I say more), but ultimately, it is our actions and attitudes that will decide if this new year will be a good year or if it becomes another one we are very happy to be rid of come December 31st.

The biggest thing that concerns this editor is how we treat each other. One cannot mistreat others and not expect to receive the same. But, as they say, Karma comes around to bite, and those who dish out bad mojo have to expect to receive it in return.

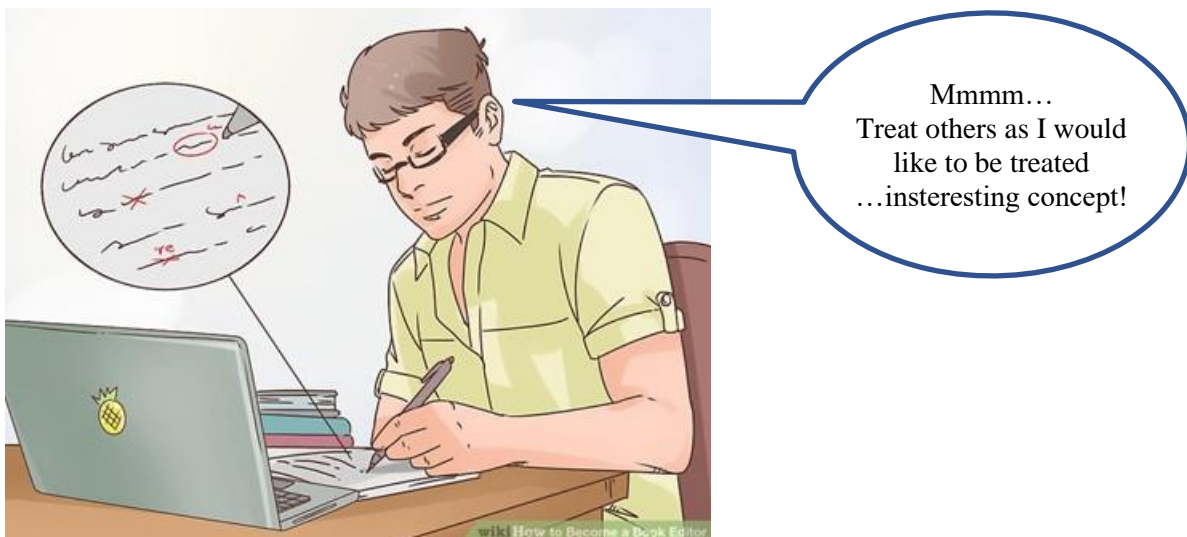
It comes down to these ancient words of wisdom, do unto others as you would have them do unto you—if you want to be treated with respect, do the same to others. It has been truly said that one reaps what he or she sows.

Okay, I'm getting off the soapbox now.

Thanks again for reading your CQ, and remember, it is only as good as what you, the readers, send to us. So, PLEASE, send us your news, articles, fan fiction, illustrations, puzzles...we welcome all of it.

Till next issue, CQ Editor out

Happy New Year!!!





Editorials



Star Trek Is Called Science Fiction, But It's Really More Like $\frac{2}{3}$ Science, $\frac{1}{3}$ Fiction

by LTJG David R. Lyons, *USS Ronald E McNair*, R1

One of the most interesting articles I've stumbled upon talks at great length about various issues within Star Trek and just how "scientific" it is. It's on NASA's website.

NASA's Kepler spacecraft and other programs have identified 3,300 planets as well as 2,500 other possible planets just from the tiny bit of study we have managed to do since we first started getting into space. The scientific community believes that life beyond earth is very probable, and considering the size of the universe and all its galaxies, the odds say it's a pretty decent bet that "It's out there."

You may not have heard, but antimatter is a very real thing. While it's only been created in microscopic quantities so far, it's launched a further study into the realms of possibility that we were first introduced to with the idea of warp drive. Sorry to burst your bubble, but dilithium crystals are still just a fictional creation (and warp drive is just an idea at best so far).

NASA does admit that some elements of Trek get the facts and science wrong. Probably the most notable example is the episode where Crusher and LaForge attempt to hold their breath after evacuating the cargo bay of air to put out a plasma fire. One small misstep by the writers certainly doesn't negate a TV series that got most things right, or as the Mythbusters might say, certainly at least "Plausible."

As Trek fans, we know that we are the apple of the eye for the American Association of Artificial Intelligence: The president of that association was once asked what would be the ultimate dream goal for them as scientists, and he replied simply, "Lieutenant Commander Data." Sure, we're a long way away from anything quite so sophisticated as Data or even the android from the film *Ex Machina*, but who's to say where technology will be in 50 years, or even 75?

Our cell phones are so quickly compared to communicators from the 60s, and other comparisons of lasers certainly are drawn to phasers from any of the series. Before you dismiss the Tricorder as too far off, keep in

mind that today's cell phone is as powerful as a laptop computer, while a computer occupied the size of a small house in the 1950s. And medically speaking, what sits in a small room and is called an MRI machine could easily be the size of a laptop in 25 years and the size of a tricorder in the next 50.

The concept of subspace was discovered by mathematicians decades ago, and the idea of subspace is a very real thing today. Although Trek certainly has taken the concept in many directions to solve various problems over the years, so much is yet to be discovered about subspace that it may one day be even more than any Trek writer could have imagined.

Of course, we don't have nearly the science or understanding yet to approach some of the biggest technical creations in Trek, like holodecks, replicators, and warp drive. Though many have said that some of these concepts are "simply impossible," it can just as easily be reasoned that they *are* possible, but the scientific knowledge that makes those things possible just doesn't exist yet. We only can predict the future based on our current level of knowledge—it's impossible to see where something can be possible when the means to make it possible are impossible to imagine or create.

Many of the greatest advancements we enjoy today were total accidents. One classic example is microwave popcorn. When scientists discovered that it was possible and perfected the art of popcorn in a microwave oven, they were actually trying to do something else that had nothing to do with food. If you study history and science, you'll often find that mistakes or missions to solve one problem end with a surprise in a whole new direction and an answer to a question nobody was asking yet.

Dr. Beverly Crusher was asked once about the meaning of life, to which she replied with probably the smartest and most accurate answer: As humans, it does not matter that we know all the answers. Perhaps it's the struggle to get the answers that matter most.

O Captain! My Captain!

By COMM MarkAdam Miller, *USS Hephaestus*, R2

When the topic of Star Trek Captains comes up, there is always a debate about who is the best Captain. The problem is that when comparing the Captains, most arguments forget that each captain has their own time and circumstance that call for different ways to command. They compared Star Trek to Wagon Train to the stars in the beginning, so I thought I would compare the Captains to some western themes

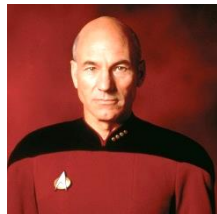
Captain James T. Kirk (TOS)

Captain Kirk is like the marshal of the old west. Kirk, like the marshal, protects a local town (Federation border) and the surrounding area, but he may have to go to nearby towns (planets) to help them out. He protects the locals and establishes order when neighboring people dispute territory. The Captain also needs to make sure the Indians (Klingons and Romulans) don't make problems for those under his protection. If the Indians start trouble, he is there to shut it down before it becomes a war. He is there to stop trouble with a phaser, and the Federation is there to back him up. He follows a book that previous captains made but knows that the Book is just a set of guidelines and not rules carved in stone.



Captain Jean-Luc Picard (TNG)

Captain Picard is like a governor of a territory. There is not as much to explore, so his exploration is more about bettering what has already been done. His *Captain's Book* has experience from previous captains, plus it is annotated with his own incidents. His *Book* gives better ways to guide him and help him teach others how to apply the Book.



Captain Benjamin Sisko (DS9)

Captain Sisko is a father figure Captain. He is a family man with a son he takes care of and loves. His relationship with his crew is more like a father figure than a commander. He is always looking for ways his crew can better themselves. He also has a loving relationship with Bajor. He is always looking for ways to better their lives since the Cardassian occupation. The Book for him helps, but he knows that he will be adding new chapters because



the Delta Quadrant's Founders are different from anything they have encountered before.

Captain Kathryn Janeway (VOY)

This series is a true wagon train to the stars. Captain Janeway is a wagonmaster who guides people through the wilderness from Missouri (Delta quadrant) to California (Alpha Quadrant). The only difference, instead of going to a new home, the Voyager crew is trying to get home. Neelix is the scout who knows the territory and can work with the locals they come across as they travel. Like the Wagon Train, they need to stop off to get supplies and find out what they need to know to continue on their journey. The difference between Janeway and a wagonmaster is that she is forging a new path where the wagonmaster has a course that he already knows. The wagon master did have to forge a new path because of floods and unpredictable weather. Like Janeway, they used the knowledge from other Wagonmasters (Captains) to forge these new paths. Janeway used her knowledge of the sciences and the *Captain's Book* to keep her crew safe and get them home to the Alpha quadrant.



Captain Jonathan Archer (ENT)

Captain Jonathan Archer is like Lewis and Clark. He explores space, helping Starfleet know what is out there and what they have to deal with in the unknown of space. Archer has his Sacagawea, the Vulcan science officer T'Pol. She shows him the ways of other cultures but also learns that humans have something to offer that space needs. He created the *Book* that future Captains would follow to make their jobs easier.



Captain Michael Burnham (DIS)

****Spoiler Alert**** Even though Michael Burnham received her Captain's rank at the end of the third season, she is the lead in *Star Trek Discovery*. In the first two seasons, Burnham is Army Cavalry. Starfleet is exploring and taking care of the settlers in the new Federation. Burnham has a special place in Starfleet as she lived with natives of the region (Vulcans), but the rest of Starfleet don't listen as they still have preconceived notions that have not been disproven. Starfleet holds to Archer's



Book as if it knows best where Burnham knows that there are still problems that Archer didn't face. Burnham tries her best to show that the *Book* needs to be used as a guide, not as something written in stone. Burnham's role changes in the last two seasons (spoiler alert) from the past Federation to a future where the Federation is almost gone. Burnham arrives in an era after the loss of Dilithium (the US Civil war when the US needed to reestablish the settlements and forts that were lost during the civil war). She is reuniting the western frontier (Alpha Quadrant) to bring it back under the leadership of the US (Federation). Unfortunately, the *Captain's Book* has been mostly lost to

this time. What is left is just bits and pieces. Burnham is bringing the *Book* back but still needs to find what might have been added since her era as she only has Archer's original copy and not Picard's larger, revised copy.

Even though this is a brief overview of each Captain, I think we can see that there is something to learn from each. It is not a choice of who is the best Captain but what we can learn from each one to make ourselves better in what we do. Only then can we go boldly where no one has gone before.

Raktajino Ruminations

by CAPT Brenda Miller, *USS Hephaestus*, R2



There seems to be a lot of arguing going on during this time. Everyone thinks that their opinion is the right one. Everyone feels that they have the correct facts. I once heard this about opinions; Opinions are like noses—everyone has one. Everyone wants to believe that they are right and everyone else is wrong. So let's take a look at this story, and I'll let you make your own conclusions.

The donkey told the tiger, "The grass is blue."

The tiger replied, "No, the grass is green."

The discussion became heated, and the two decided to submit the issue to arbitration, so they approached the lion.

As they approached the lion on his throne, the donkey started screaming: "Your Highness, isn't it true that the grass is blue?"

The lion replied: "If you believe it is true, the grass is blue."

The donkey rushed forward and continued: "The tiger disagrees with me, contradicts me, and annoys me. Please punish him."

The king then declared: "The tiger will be punished with three days of silence."

The donkey jumped with joy and went on his way, content and repeating, "The grass is blue, the grass is blue..."

The tiger asked the lion, "Your Majesty, why have you punished me; after all, the grass is green?"

The lion replied, "You've known and seen the grass is green."

The tiger asked, "So why do you punish me?"

The lion replied, "That has nothing to do with the question of whether the grass is blue or green. The punishment is because it is degrading for a brave, intelligent creature like you to waste time arguing with an ass, and on top of that, you came and bothered me with that question just to validate something you already knew was true!"

The biggest waste of time is arguing with the fool and fanatic who doesn't care about truth or reality, but only the victory of his beliefs and illusions. Never waste time on discussions that make no sense. There are people who, for all the evidence presented to them, do not have the ability to understand. Others who are blinded by ego, hatred, and resentment, and the only thing that they want is to be right even if they aren't.

When IGNORANCE SCREAMS, intelligence moves on.

Until next time, be safe.

A joyful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.
— Proverbs 17:22



You're never too cool to learn something new.





Ship News



The World's Largest Chili Bowl

by BDR Glenda Stephenson, *USS Diamondback*, R3

We do everything bigger in Texas. That includes volunteering to make The World's Largest Chili Bowl. This is an annual event that, for several years, the *USS Diamondback* has helped with raising money for the local Ben Richey's Boy's Ranch and Family Services in Abilene, Texas. This is an outdoor event that has cook-offs not only for chili but also for brisket, chicken, beans, and desserts. There is also a children's hamburger cook-off. It is a 2-day event over Labor Day Weekend, which includes lots of local vendors for shopping and auctions.

Last year, the event was canceled due to COVID. Because of our past help, we were contacted to help this year even more than ever. Because of COVID, they were seriously short of volunteers. The *USS Diamondback* was asked to help more than ever before.

But how do you make the World's Largest Chili Bowl? The process starts on Thursday night. Our Captain, Donna Jarrett, and her family worked on prepping all the ingredients. The cooking starts on Friday morning. The rest of our crew showed up along with other volunteers to cook. We start cooking one thousand pounds of hamburger on outdoor gas troughs along with twenty gallons of chopped onions and several gallons of seasoning and other ingredients. Once the meat is cooked, we press the grease out of it and



put it in the five-hundred-gallon pot. The rest of us spend the morning opening about a hundred gallons of tomato sauce. The pot is left to simmer overnight. Now, I'll have to



admit, this was not as large as in past years. Due to COVID, we only made about three-hundred-fifty gallons of chili instead of the usual five-hundred gallons.

On Saturday morning, we began putting the chili into one-quart containers to be sold throughout the rest of the weekend. You can only guess how much your arms hurt after pouring up over two thousand quarts of chili.

The *USS Diamondback* alone was assigned to run one of the two concession stands for the weekend. All the ingredients had been donated, so 100% of the proceeds from our work went to the Ben Richey's Boys Home. The concession stands raised about \$5000 from chili sales and food sales.

They also had the honor of helping judge most of the events. I especially enjoyed judging the children's burgers. When you take a bite, you never know what will be inside. Sometimes jalapeños or pickles. Sometimes interesting spices, too hard to tell what they used. Overall, it was a very fun and exhausting weekend. The *Diamondback* logged 184 volunteer hours for this event. The Boy's Home also had an auction during the cook-off that raised about \$10,000. Plus, each cook-off team and vendor booth paid entry fees. We are so glad we could help this organization have such a successful event. We are looking forward to next year already.



USS Antares Activities

by *USS Antares*, R5



USS Antares, Region 5, collected 143 books in November and distributed them in the Little Libraries bookstands in neighborhoods in Pasco, Kennewick, and Richland, Washington.



Each family who sponsors a Little Libraries donation builds their own designed Little Library. Midshipman Arlene Henriques poses with one of the many Little Libraries to which the *Antares* donated books.



The crew of *USS Antares*, Region 5, cutting fleece neck scarves for donation to elementary school children who need warm winter-weather clothing. The crew cut out 153 fleece scarves—103 donated to Amistad Elementary School and 50 donated to Lincoln Elementary School, both in Kennewick, Washington.



Midshipman Jenn Sandbeck holds a large tote with 103 fleece scarves that the *USS Antares* in Region 5 cut and donated to Amistad Elementary School.



“Hailing frequencies open.” We’re recruiting! The *USS Rhode Island* needs you!

Looking for a ship to join? Wanting to transfer? Considering trying something new?

Check out the *USS Rhode Island*, NCC-72701, Nova-Class Starship, Science Vessel. Launched on 7 January 2020 and officially commissioned 31 October 2020, the *Rhode Island* is a chapter member of STARFLEET, The International *Star Trek* Fan Association, Inc., Region 15, and part of Taskforce 31-MACO. Her home port is Middletown, Rhode Island, and as of this writing, her crew stands at 16. Chapter membership is free. If you a’re an SFI member in good standing and are looking for a ship to join – we want you! Come join the ranks of the *USS Rhode Island* and become part of her outstanding and diverse crew. Whether you’re a *Star Trek* all-the-way fan or enjoy more of a Sci-Fi/Fantasy flare, you can find it here on the *USS Rhode Island*.

There are nine departments to choose from, with many positions available throughout. Each new member receives a digital copy of the chapter’s Member ID Card, Membership Handbook, Membership Certificate, and Promotion and/or Award Certificates as earned.

The fictional timeline of the chapter is set in the *Trek* calendar year of 2383, more specifically, 5-years after the series end of *STAR TREK: Voyager* in 2378.

The *USS Rhode Island* also participates in many events that include, but are not limited to: cookouts, movies, parties or celebrations, trips to local tourist attractions, and Sci-Fi conventions. Just recently, crew members attended the [King Richard’s Faire](#), the largest, the biggest, and the best Renaissance festival in the six states of New England! Mulled wine, anyone?



Community service is both local *and* global with our chapter. Here are a few examples of how our crew members’ efforts embrace the ideals of *Star Trek* creator Gene Roddenberry. We’re doing our part to meet his vision of a better world.

Globally, let’s beam down for a moment to Afghanistan, where U.S. soldiers received “care” packages from *USS Rhode Island* members. Closer to our home front, we’ve collected Labels for Education. We collect donations for the area Toys for Tots campaign and the Angel Tree Project during the Holidays and participate in canned food and recycling drives.

Beam over to [our website](#) for more information, and by all means, be sure to hail the Commanding Officer or First Officer.

Hoping to welcome you aboard soon! Live long and prosper!

LTJG Cindy Ray, Chief Engineering Officer
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Summits & Conventions

HUGO AWARDS ANNOUNCED

From the DisCon III Press Release

In front of an enthusiastic audience at Omni Shoreham in Washington DC and globally online, the 2021 Hugo Awards were presented on December 18, 2021, at the 79th WorldCon—called DisCon III. The event was hosted by Andrea Hairston and Sheree Renée Thomas. In addition to the Hugos, the winners of the Lodestar Award for Best Young Adult Book and the Astounding Award for Best New Writer were also announced. The Hugo Awards are the premier award in the science fiction genre, honoring science fiction literature and media as well as the genre's fans. The Hugo Awards were first presented at the 1953 World Science Fiction Convention in Philadelphia (Philcon II). They have continued to honor science fiction and fantasy notables for more than 60 years.

Congratulations to the winners!

Best Novel

Network Effect, Martha Wells (Tordotcom)

Best Novella

The Empress of Salt and Fortune, Nghi Vo (Tordotcom)

Best Novelette

Two Truths and a Lie, Sarah Pinsker (Tordotcom)

Best Short Story

"Metal Like Blood in the Dark", T. Kingfisher (*Uncanny Magazine*, September/October 2020)

Best Series

The Murderbot Diaries, Martha Wells (Tordotcom)

Best Related Work

Beowulf: A New Translation, Maria Dahvana Headley (FSG)

Best Graphic Story or Comic

Parable of the Sower: A Graphic Novel Adaptation, written by Octavia Butler, adapted by Damian Duffy, illustrated by John Jennings (Harry N. Abrams)

Best Dramatic Presentation, Long Form

The Old Guard, written by Greg Rucka, directed by Gina Prince-Bythewood (Netflix / Skydance Media)

Best Dramatic Presentation, Short Form

The Good Place: Whenever You're Ready, written and directed by Michael Schur (Fremulon / 3 Arts Entertainment / Universal Television, a division of Universal Studio Group)

Best Editor, Short Form

Ellen Datlow

Best Editor, Long Form

Diana M. Pho

Best Professional Artist

Rovina Cai

Best Semiprozine

FIYAH Magazine of Black Speculative Fiction, publisher Troy L. Wiggins, executive editor DaVaun Sanders, managing editor Eboni Dunbar, poetry editor Brandon O'Brien, reviews and social media Brent Lambert, art director L. D. Lewis, and the FIYAH Team.

Best Fanzine - no art

nerds of a feather, flock together, ed. Adri Joy, Joe Sherry, The G, and Vance Kotrla

Best Fancast

The Coode Street Podcast, presented by Jonathan Strahan and Gary K. Wolfe, Jonathan Strahan, producer

Best Fan Writer

Elsa Sjunneson

Best Fan Artist

Sara Felix

Best Video Game

Hades (Publisher and Developer: Supergiant Games)

Lodestar Award for Best Young Adult Book

(not a Hugo)

A Wizard's Guide to Defensive Baking, T. Kingfisher (Argyll Productions)

Astounding Award for the Best New Writer,

sponsored by Dell Magazines (not a Hugo)
Emily Tesh

Marine News

The General Staff has been busy joining multiple Zoom Musters and enjoying talking to the Marines and getting their input and suggestions. If you wish to have members of the GS join your online meeting, just email us.

FORCECOM has upgraded all the reporting tools and will be going through Google. The last reporting period went well, and we will continue this process till the new DB is completed. Then we will see about uploading the older reports.

If interested in positions in the SFMC, please remember to review the HR listings.

The new STARFLEET Data Protection Policy is in place. If you are a new OIC or DOIC at a unit-, battalion-, or even brigade-level, you must take this course and pass to do your

work. If you have any questions, please reach out to your chain of command. Also, recertification for those who have already taken it must be completed within 30 days of the anniversary of your certification date. Please log into the SFI database to see your dates, and also log into the Moodle page to complete your course.

Please remember to use the Moodle website to get the latest courses of the SFMCA: <https://es.sfi.org/>

Our store is still open for your uniform needs. Please visit the SFMC QM website; sfmcqm.sfi.org

To be up to date on the latest happenings in the Corps, please join our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/3275293079/>

IC News

IC 2022 TO BE VIRTUAL; IN-PERSON PUSHED BACK TO 2023

by GEN Linda Olson, *USS Relentless*, R2, IC Chair

After checking on the temperature of the powers that be, I have contacted the hotel, and due to the rise of Omicron and Delta viruses and the travel restrictions expected, we have postponed the IN-PERSON IC to June of 2023.

All currently registered attendees will be moved to that date unless they request a refund. All refunds will be minus the PayPal fees paid.

Please cancel any and all reservations for June 2022 event at the hotel. I apologize for the delay, but I feel that the climate is not right to hold this IN-PERSON event.

I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, then you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're doing something.

— Neil Gaiman, Author

College of Mathematics is now open!


$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

$$A = \pi r^2$$


C'mon STARFLEET, let's have some fun! All space dust aside, after a long away mission, the College of Mathematics is now open! Warp over, start your fun, and maybe learn a little bit about math along the way!

Take the Basic Math course, and refresh yourself with PEMDAS; or learn to fix that bulkhead on your ship, and become the Miracle Worker of polynomials.

Dazzle your crewmates with stories of the Ishango Bone and the Eye of Horus, then surprise them that you know what a Fibonacci series is (or that you can even *pronounce* it!) All in the name of mathematics, of course!


You'll meet the ladies of mathematics, the Klingons at Space Station K7, and find out something fascinating on the Positronic Brain. And did you know that "Egyptian Fractions"  are even a thing? I mean, who *knew*?



That's right, Buttercup, it just keeps getting better – like writing right-to-left with hieroglyphs, , or finding F-O-I-L in math?

Our courses have been redesigned with an astronomical format and are easy to read, not to mention



our brand-new killer certificate (sorry, no peeking).  All are yours, at the right price, no Gold-pressed Latinum needed!

Your Director and Assistant Director stand ready to welcome you and eagerly await your shuttle to dock at the College of Mathematics. C'mon, STARFLEET, let's have some fun!

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*I like the dreams of the future
 better than the history of the past.*

– Thomas Jefferson



Science



STARFLEET Sciences / Stellar Cartography

STARFLEET Sciences [Facebook](#) link

Stellar Cartography: [Facebook](#) link

Starfleet Sciences is an informational resource within the old Fleet Resource Center concept which promotes science education and explores the portrayal of science within the Star Trek shows.

o Starfleet Sciences has a [website](#) that includes a Chief Science Officer Handbook.

o Starfleet Sciences also has a listserv and Facebook page (see link above).

o A [Pinterest board](#) of science-related events by Region is available.

o The Stellar Cartography department is led by BDR Mike Calhoun (sfiaststcomply@gmail.com). Stellar Cartography's Guidebook identifies the department's goals: to bring together fans of the universe in all its splendor and beauty; to share knowledge, tips, tricks, expertise, and equipment sources for observing the universe among those who have the interest; and to spread the hobby and gain an understanding of ourselves and our place in this vast universe. Stellar Cartography also has a [Facebook](#) page

Check the Facebook pages often for new posts.



Awards & Citations



Promotions

Fleet Captain (FCAPT)

Gene Armstrong

Sven Harvey

Mark Logan

Jessica Odell

Al Sandham

Commodore (COMM) / Brigadier General (Marine) (BGEN)

Ken Kopacki (COMM)

Ian Lawther (COMM)

Stephen Boggs (BGEN)

Derek France (BGEN)

Rear Admiral (RADM)

Peggy Eubanks

Eilidh Montgomery

Alan O'Shea

Brian Schreur

Keith Shikowitz

Vice Admiral (VADM)

Denise Rush

Cher Schleigh

Admiral (ADM)

Paul Dyl

*You are never too old to set another goal
or to dream a new dream.*

– C.S. Lewis

Orders of Merit

Each Order of Merit has three classes — First, Second, and Third. Generally, an Order of Merit, Third Class recognizes significant achievement at the chapter level; Second Class recognizes significant achievement at the regional level; First Class recognizes the highest level of achievement to STARFLEET.

The following members of STARFLEET have received STARFLEET Orders of Merit:

Order of Axanar

Mediation or Problem Resolution

Gene Armstrong, 2nd class

Order of Babel

Recruiting

Gene Armstrong, 2nd class

Derek France, 2nd class

James Stringer, 2nd class

Order of Cochrane

Technology

James McGuire, 3rd class

Challena Zellick, 3rd class

Order of Darmok and Jalad

Outreach

Tim Barrington, 3rd class

Order of Dionysus

Recreational Event Planning

Douglas Leopard, 3rd class

Victor Hull, 2nd class

Order of Gaea

Ecology or Preservation

Thea Caine, 3rd class

Grankite Order of Tactics

Event Planning

Gene Armstrong, 3rd class

Arlene Henriques, 3rd class

Tim Barrington, 2nd class

David Campbell 2nd class

Jeffery Cromwell, 2nd class

Patrick Devine, 2nd class

Derek France, 2nd class

James McGuire, 2nd class

Patrick Nichol, 2nd class

Paul Reid, 2nd class

Andrew Reist, 2nd class

Anthony Rumpel, 2nd class

Richard Steele, 2nd class

Gene Armstrong, 1st class

Larry Barnes, 1st class

Rey Cordero, 1st class

Karen Herring, 1st class

Mary Kane, 1st class

Amber Lister, 1st class

DJ O'Brien, 1st class

Steve Parmley, 1st class

Kevin Plummer, 1st class

Dennis Rayburn, 1st class

Andrew Reist, 1st class

Denise Rush, 1st class

Bran Stimpson, 1st class

Carol Thompson, 1st class

Jerry Tien, 1st class

Edward Tunis, 1st class

Order of Herodotus

History / Recordkeeping

Derek France, 3rd class

Order of Samaritan

Volunteerism

John William Discant, IV, 3rd class

Robert Hall, 3rd class

John Halliday, 3rd class

Isabelle Hartwell, 3rd class

Shadowfaxi Littrell, 3rd class

Patrick Nichol, 3rd class

Earl Simom, 3rd class

James Stringer, 3rd class

Ashley Waguespack, 3rd class

Kyle Allison, 2nd class

Gene Armstrong, 2nd class

Ralph Brigham, 2nd class

Ryan Byrd, 2nd class

Victor Hull, 2nd class

Order of Surak

Scholarship

Arlene Henriques, 3rd class

Order of Tarbolde of Canopus

Writing

Derek France, 3rd class

Dallas Reinhart, 3rd class

Brandi Jackola, 2nd class

Final Mission

Sabrina Dunivan, Crewman
USS Marko Ramius, 12th Fleet

James McClelland, Crewman
USS Hephaestus, 2nd Fleet

Carol J Walker, Petty Officer 2nd Class
USS Dark Phoenix, 12th Fleet

Jo Ann James, Petty Officer 3rd Class
USS Missouri, 12th Fleet

Brunilda Quinones, Chief Petty Officer
USS Jurassic, 1st Fleet

Jack "Towaway" Eaton, Vice Admiral
USS Trident, 2nd Fleet

NOTABLES

JoAnna Cameron – Actress: – Isis in *The Secrets of Isis*, and the TV series, *Shazam!*

Michael "Rich" Clifford – Astronaut: flew on STS-53, STS-59, and STS-76

Richard Evans – Actor: Isak in *TOS: Patterns of Force*

Robert Herron – Actor & Stuntman: Stuntman for Jeffrey Hunter in *TOS: The Cage*, Sam in *TOS: Charlie X*, and Kahless in *TOS: The Savage Curtain*

Patrick Horgan, Actor: Eneg in *TOS: Patterns of Force*

Reuben Klamer – Inventor: Created the Phaser Rifle for *TOS: Where No Man Has Gone Before* and invented the board game *The Game of Life* for Milton Bradley

William Lucking, – Actor: Harrad-Sar in *Star Trek Enterprise*, Furel in *Star Trek Deep Space Nine*, Col. Lynch in *The A-Team* and Piney Winston in *Sons of Anarchy*

Gavan O’Herlihy, – Actor: Maje Jabin in *Star Trek Voyager*,
and Chuck Cunningham on *Happy Days*

Camille Saviola – Actress: Kai Opaka in *Star Trek Deep Space Nine*

Jan Shutan – Actress: Lt Mira Romaine in *TOS: The Lights of Zetar*

Dean Stockwell – Actor: Colonel Grat on *Star Trek Enterprise* and Al on *Quantum Leap*

Remembering Towaway

by VADM Tom Restivo, *USS Katherine Johnson*, R7

On December 3, 2021, word was received that VADM Jack Eaton, former RC of Region 2 and STARFLEET Chief of Operations, passed away too soon.

But most of us knew him as Towaway.

In 1990, he related the origin of his moniker in the issues of *Immortal Lines*, the newszine of his ship at the time, the *USS Christa McAuliffe*. Here, for your enjoyment and in his words, is the Towaway Story.



The Towaway Story

by CMDR Jack “Towaway” Eaton

Once upon a time, I was the President of the Boston Star Trek Association, once upon a time being 1986. The club was sponsoring the Platinum Anniversary Convention [in] celebration of *TREK*’s 20th year. As guests for this con were Gene Roddenberry, Majel Barrett-Roddenberry, Robin Curtis, David Gerrold, and George Takei. The committee had arranged for all five guests to fly in on the same flight. We would greet them at Logan and return them to the hotel in a limo. Dave Ryan and I had rented a van from Warwick to tote supplies for the art show and eventually carry the stars’ luggage in from Logan while they rode in luxury... or so we thought.

As the hour for the stars’ arrival drew closer and closer, the committee members became more and more nervous as those who were supposed to be bringing the limo had not shown up yet. At the last possible moment, they did show up, with no limo, though. Stating all kinds of hectic-day-type stories and miscommunication with the limo company, they were also not able to do shopping for the welcoming party planned for the guests [upon their] return to the hotel. While these people stayed and bickered, Dave and I said that we would head to Logan, and time was growing shorter and shorter, and on the way [we] would pick up food and drink for the reception.

Dave and I did know the way to Logan International Airport. We did not, however, have any idea where we were going to do our last-minute grocery shopping. As we headed toward the airport, we spotted a store that was open, and by dead reckoning, found our way to the building. Like the Allied Forces storming the Normandy beaches, Dave and I ran into the store, each with a designated food item to purchase. Just as we got to the checkout, both trailing two carriages loaded with food, we heard over the loudspeaker, “Please make your final purchases. The store will be closing in five minutes!” Talk about timing!!!

We then quickly made our way to Logan and parked the van in front of the terminal. Not finding anyone else from the committee and hearing that [the] guests’ flight was offloading just as we walked in the door, we panicked! Dave stayed in the baggage claim area while I went upstairs to greet the guests.

George was the first to walk out the gate, and I warmly greeted him and the others and pointed the way to baggage claim. When we got there, we found that the others had arrived; no limo but for cabs for transportation. We all mingled and waited for the luggage to show. George and I seemed to hit it off and talked the usual “Welcome to our city”-bull. As he and I are talking, I can see a cop writing a ticket for our van. Apparently, I had parked somewhere I was not supposed to. “No problem,” I think to myself, “the con can afford a little parking ticket.”

Suddenly, Dave runs up to me, wild-eyed and panting, “JACK! THEY’RE TOWING THE VAN AWAY!!!!” I look out, and there is a wrecker backing up to our rented van.

Do you remember, from the Warner Brothers cartoons, how when someone ran away very quickly, they left this outline of themselves in a cloud?

Well, that must have been what happened when I heard what Dave said because George was still jabbering away as I was bolting out the door. I grabbed the ticket out of the cop’s hand and quickly drove the van around and parked it again

in front of the terminal, this time in a legal spot. As I got out of the van, I could see the guests getting into the cabs. I walked up to Dave and said, “Jeeze, that was close!”

“Yeah,” he replied, “but did you get David Gerrold’s luggage?”

“What do you mean, ‘David Gerrold’s luggage’?” Sure enough, we both looked out, and there, with traffic streaming past on both sides of it, was David’s duffle bag sitting in the middle of the roadway. I dodged cars to retrieve it and tried to quietly get past the cab he was in without him seeing me.

We got back to the hotel and had our reception in the con suite. For some unknown reason, I had already been tagged with the nickname “Crocodile” Eaton for the weekend, and it was emblazoned on my con name tag. George came up to me, saw this, and said, “Oh, no! Your name should be ‘TOWAWAY’ Eaton!!!”

As if that wasn’t bad enough, the next day there was a story in the Boston Sunday Herald about the con, and they quoted me in it, identifying me as “Jack’ Towaway’ Eaton”!!!!

That was how it all started. Since then, each time George and I get together, we pull some sort of joke on one another; sort of a perpetual running practical joke contest, what began as a series of quiet little one-liners and practical jokes. Well, as time went by, these quiet little one-liners and practical jokes began getting louder and louder.

In February of 1987, I attended Shore Leave, at which George was the guest. I saw this as a perfect opportunity to get even for having tagged me with the Towaway nickname. A small amount of pre-planning and a conversation with the Con Committee, and I was set. I had known the con chairperson, Marion Machiesni, for some time, and she was very anxious to see my plan come to pass.

I got up on stage to introduce George to the three hundred or so gathered to hear him speak. As I introduced him, I told the Towaway story. I brought George on stage and said that I had a small gift to thank him for having given me the nickname and, since it was also Valentine’s Day weekend, it could serve a dual purpose for him. I then handed him a gift-wrapped box of bikini underwear with a wonderful heart design. It was when he opened the box to show them off that he got the real surprise. In bold red letters, across the front of the briefs was the line of his from *The Search For Spock*, “Don’t call me tiny!”

Yes, you guessed it. He laughed!

And laughed!

And laughed!

George instantly came back with, “I’m sure I’ll have plenty of use for these, although as soon as they see these, they’ll know they have to call me tiny!”

...Towaway out



Remembering Dean Stockwell

Cartoon by Tye Bourdony, *Space Station Nikola Tesla*’s newest recruit, and author of the paperback, *The Lighter Side of Scifi*.

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Tribbles & Stem Bolts

From the Office of the Fleet Historian: THE WHITEHAVEN TOUR

by FCAPT Eugene Sanford, USS *Challenger*, R1



Whitehaven is a majestic landmark cherished by the citizens of Paducah and the surrounding areas. This gracious mansion was once destined to be destroyed but was saved by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. The Transportation Cabinet saw a vision for this grand old home and restored and renovated it to become an award-winning Rest Area/Welcome Center. Whitehaven possesses great architectural and historical significance. The main portion of the house, a two-story brick structure, was built in the 1860s by Edward L. Anderson. The residence remained in Edward's family until 1903 when it was sold to Ed I. Atkins, a cashier for the German American Bank located in downtown Paducah. The McCracken County Deed records reveal that the property was conveyed to Mr. Atkins by Norton B. Anderson on April 7, 1903, for the sum of \$4,000.00. At that time, Mr. Atkins commissioned one of his good friends, A. L. Lassiter, to begin a complete renovation on the house. Mr. Lassiter was a local architect who had designed such buildings as the Carnegie Library, the Sinnott Hotel, and the Fisher Mansion.

During the period of this renovation, the Classical Revival architectural style was popular. It was common to

take Victorian homes and dress them up with large columns and classical detailing. Mr. Lassiter's plans for the home, which he completed, included the Corinthian-columned front porch, ornate plasterwork for the ceilings, stained glass windows, and a classically designed front entryway. Once the work was completed, Mr. Atkins renamed his new home Whitehaven, a title appropriate for the beauty and grandeur of the architectural changes. Two details that Mr. Atkins added to his newly remodeled home were having the name "Whitehaven" engraved into the mantel of the Music Room's fireplace and the addition of stained glass placed above the landing of the staircase, which reads "Whitehaven 1903."

On May 21, 1908, Whitehaven and 57 acres were purchased for the sum of \$7,000.00 cash by James P. Smith, who at the time was Mayor of Paducah and a prosperous merchant as a wholesale grocer. According to the deed books, Whitehaven was described as being located on Lovelaceville Gravel Road. Shortly after moving into the home, the Smiths renamed the residence Bide-A-Wee. Mrs. Smith was of Scottish Heritage, and Bide-A-Wee translates in English as "Come to Rest a While." Mrs. Smith had Bide-A-Wee spelled out in leaded glass above

the front entrance. Under the ownership of the Smiths, several changes were made. A firm, Marshall Fields from Chicago, was hired to redesign the home's interior decor. The new improvements to the interior included silk wallpaper and heavy gold damask draperies. Along with changes to the interior design of the house, the exterior was changed. The additional rooms to the rear of the structure were made to accommodate the Smith family's six children.

The attic space was renovated and became a third-story playroom with beautiful Oriental stenciling and a massive square piano installed. A carport was also added to the side of the home. Mrs. Smith and her daughter, Elizabeth Smith Shelter, were enthusiastic gardeners. They designed and installed extensive formal gardens around the property, where they would host beautiful garden parties. Because of the elegance and design of the formal gardens, Bide-A-Wee was featured on a tour for the Garden Club of America. Elizabeth Smith Shelton was the last member of the Smith Family to reside at Bide-A-Wee. She left the residence in 1968. At the time of her departure, Elizabeth and her family believed that the house would be torn down during the construction of Interstate-24. Although the house was not demolished during the construction of the Interstate, the then-vacant residence suffered greatly from vandalism. All of the original stained glass was stolen, interior mirrors were all broken, as well as most of the doors and windows. Water damage was also an issue. Because water poured into the house during rain and snowstorms, most of the ceilings and floors were damaged. In Paducah and the surrounding areas, there was great concern as to what the future would hold for the house. It appeared as though the house was destined to be destroyed until three events took place in the spring of 1981. The first event was the sale of the property and residence by the Smith family to the then-Paducah Community College. While the community college's main interest was acquiring the land for future expansion, it was also sympathetic to hearing proposals to save the once-grand mansion.

The second event that changed the house's future was the Commonwealth of Kentucky allocated funds for building a Rest Area/Welcome Center on I-24 in Paducah. Lastly and most importantly, the Secretary of the Transportation Cabinet, Frank Metts, and then-Governor John Y. Brown threw their total support and commitment to restoring the Smith Mansion to become that Rest Area/Welcome Center instead of building a new one. At this time, the house was again renamed Whitehaven. Now the house serves a new

and exciting purpose as the official Rest Area/Welcome Center for the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the South. In March of 1984, Whitehaven was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in the United States by the United States Department of the Interior. By having this designation, Whitehaven was recognized for its outstanding historical and architectural significance. The Department of the Interior placed brass plaques on the property to identify Whitehaven as a National Register Property. The restoration of Whitehaven was honored on the local, state, and national levels for the hard work and dedication to detail that brought this property back to its past grandeur. In 1984, the Paducah Civic Beautification Board presented a "HANDS" Award for the restoration work done at Whitehaven. In May of 1984, Whitehaven was recognized by the Ida Lee Willis Foundation and the Kentucky Heritage Council, who presented the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet with a "Project Award." The National Trust for Historic Preservation presented the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet with the Award for "Service to Preservation," which recognized their restoration efforts. In 1984, a local group known as Paducah's Growth, Inc. purchased a collection of former Vice President Alben "Veep" Barkley's memorabilia at an auction of the Barkley Estate.

Barkley was our 35th Vice President of the United States and a native of Lowes, Kentucky. Items included are Barkley's Vice President Desk and Chair, which he received from the President of the Philippines, Barkley's Congressional roll-top desk, Barkley's collection of walking canes, senatorial shaving mugs, the first Vice Presidential Flag, and the 1948 Inaugural Bible and Tuxedo, as well as other Barkley mementos. Because of this gracious donation, there is a special Barkley room in place on the second floor of Whitehaven, which exhibits these items highlighting this local figure's life and political career. These items can be seen on the guided tour provided by the Tourism Department. Because of the funding by the state and federal government, this lovely old mansion was saved from destruction. Anyone wishing to donate antiques and furnishings should describe the pieces and send photographs and copies of documents of authenticity to the District One Chief District Engineer, 5501 Kentucky Dam Road, Paducah, KY 42003. All accepted donations will be identified and recognized in an appropriate manner as having played a vital role in maintaining Whitehaven.

Bachin' it: The Health and Economy Edition

by COL Sean T. Kelly, *USS Jaresh-Inyo*, R4

Camouflaging Vegetables

To camouflage vegetables and lower salt, try Ramen. Try 50% more water and 50% less of the flavor packet. Is that a quarter or a third of the salt? Who cares? It's less! My sense of taste got used to less salt in just ONE WEEK! By that I mean, it's just as good. Next: boxed macaroni and cheese. Like a good salad (also tasting good without dressing), I started eating mac with just butter until and unless I felt a need to add a pro-rated amount of the cheese powder and its attendant salt. To either of these, I add a drained can of no-salt organic mixed vegetables. That is 3½ servings of food having phytonutrients, more than most people get in a whole day.

I am trying these things for the first time twenty years after first considering trying to eat better. But, like quitting smoking, sometimes it just takes more time and more tries—no need to stress over that.

“Just the batteries, Captain.”

I turned my water heater off. Any Rifleman knows it's easy to mix a kettle of hot water into a plastic basin with cold water and use a washcloth in the shower when quartering with civilians, and it doesn't raise their bill much.

The refrigerator is next. REMEMBER TO PROP THE DOOR OPEN if you want to try limiting carbon dioxide this way. Pets or kids make it better just not to try this, as the thing propping the door open needs to be out of place for only a short time to give the inside a terrible and unremovable odor.



Interviews



Were Rowe and Rich Correct in Their Song?

by GEN Dennis Rayburn, *Space Station Nikola Tesla*, R1

By now, most of you have probably heard the new Christmas song written and recorded by Mike Rowe of “Dirty Jobs” fame and John Rich, of the country duo Big and Rich. The song claims that “Santa Claus got a dirty job.”

Is their claim true? Well, in an exclusive for the STARFLEET *Communiqué*, I went straight to the source and asked the man himself, Santa Claus!

Because of his busy schedule at this time of year, my interview with him was brief. Therefore, I cut to the chase, asking him if Rowe and Rich were on the Naughty or Nice

list this year. “Well, I do have a dirty job, so they are both on the Nice List.” He explained that the chimneys caused it to be just that way.

So there you have it, Santa Claus does have a dirty job.





Reviews



The Good, the Bad & the Ugly

by COMM MarkAdam Miller, *USS Hephaestus*, R2



The Star Trek Movies are a series unto themselves and are actually three series: TOS, TNG, and Kelvin*. There are thirteen movies so far—I will lump them together as one group.

This is how I see the movies. It is not a personal attack against anyone or any of these movies. As always, I hope this lends itself to discussions to understand each other better.

The Good

Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home (1986)

This was a hard one to choose because I have four favorite *Star Trek* Movies**. I chose *The Voyage Home* because it strikes a chord with me.



This one could have been an episode of the original *Star Trek* series. The Star Trek movies are mostly action movies, making it hard for me to call them Star Trek. *Star Trek: TOS* has a heart for bettering us as human beings. This movie shows that heart by making a point that we are not the only important species on this planet. It also shows how Earth could cause problems if one of its species became extinct. This film caused many viewers to join and fund conservation groups worldwide. The conservation group gives some credit to this film for the humpback whale's increased population, allowing for better protection of this species.

This movie also focused on the rest of the Star Trek cast. Usually, the focus is on Kirk, Spock, and McCoy. In this movie, the director gave other characters (i.e., Uhura, Scotty, Chekov, and Sulu) more screentime than the minor lines they had in the other films. Even minor characters Sarek (Mark Lenard) and Amanda (Jane Wyatt) get good scenes.

These two reasons are why this movie is a step above my other three favorites. This is a two-hour *Star Trek TOS* episode done with love for the series' fans.

Rate: ★★★★★

The Bad

Star Trek V: The Final Frontier (1989)

I understand some like this movie, but for me, this movie has problems. The biggest problem is that Paramount cut the budget, which causes many issues for any science fiction film. Special effects are costly no matter what you do. So by cutting the budget, you are already putting the movie in a bad light.



Then there is William Shatner as director. I will admit I am biased against him because I do not see the talent that people say he has. The problem I had with him in directing this film is that he is good at doing a scene, but he doesn't have what it takes to transition between scenes. As a result, this film is very choppy. Some places feel like we missed a scene, a line, or a mention of a place change on screen. The film does not follow a direct path across the river. Instead, it jumps from one rock to another, hoping not to fall in before it gets to the other side of it.

The final problem was the plot. This script, a story by Gene Roddenberry, was turned down several times because of its antigod stance. Also, the script was rewritten several times to weaken the antigod stance as not to offend people who believed in God. I am not against the original script being antigod but the producer's script that tried to play to both sides. Because they could not choose a side, the movie failed.

These three failures cause this film to be at the bottom of most *Star Trek* lists. The best I can do with this film is fast forward to the funny scenes.

Rate: ★★★★★ I give it one chevron because of the funny scenes and Mr. Shatner trying.

Ugly Fandom

The movies have done well by not going ugly, but that can not be said of the fans. I am not only pointing at the worse of Fandom, but I am pointing at myself as well.



We have become intolerant of those who are trying to expand the franchise. The Kelvin Universe films have gotten a lot of negative reviews from Fandom because it does not fit our image. The third film nearly didn't make it because of the fans' animosity. Paramount has been slow in making another Star Trek movie because they do not want to spend money they may not make back because of Fandom's power. Paramount knows that they can not make money if they do not please the fans. At the same time, they need more than just the fans' support to be successful. Because of social media, fans have been emboldened to

express their opinions, but those opinions are crossing a line of being intolerant. We can express our negative opinions, but at the same time, we need to do it with tolerance. This is not just Star Trek Fans. Fan groups of Star Wars, Doctor Who, and many others show intolerance as well. Star Trek speaks of tolerance, and as fans, we need to set the example for all of Fandom.

Rate: ▲▲▲▲ I am giving us three chevrons because we still have a lot of work to do to live up to the vision in Star Trek.

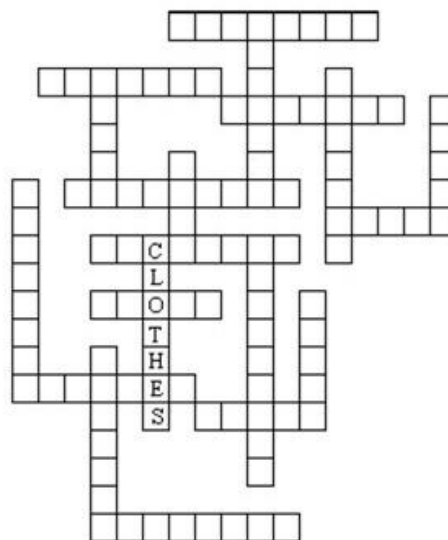
*Kelvin describes the movies produced by J.J. Abrams' company Bad Robot. Kelvin was the ship that Nero destroyed at the beginning of Star Trek (2009)

**My top four Star Trek movies: *Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home*, *Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country*, *Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan*, and *Star Trek: First Contact*

Puzzles

A Christmas Gift

P P U P M O N L H B T F F O C
T S O O C O H C S O C O U C S
H K W A T C H L O O T F R T L
F C H O C G I F T C A R D F I
L F A R Y P P U P Y G R P I Y
K H E N P R J E M U F R E P C
C T O E D Y E W M Y P N P A H
O W R S T L W E G A M E S F T
S S R E T A E W S C A C C E A
L K P H C F L S Y R K K S O W
I P C T F K R O R C O L F F O
P W M O N E Y I C S O A W F R
P E C L S R N C H O B C A E E
E S O C K G W O T W H E G E P
A O C K S R E W O L F C U P W
R T A E W S S E A R R I M G S
R E W G I F T O O L S E A R R



1. BOOK
2. CANDLES
3. CHOCOLATE
4. CLOTHES
5. COFFEE MUG
6. EARRINGS
7. FLOWERS

8. GAMES
9. GIFT CARD
10. JEWELRY
11. MONEY
12. NECKLACE
13. PERFUME
14. PUPPY

15. SHOES
16. SLIPPERS
17. SOCKS
18. SWEATER
19. TOOL SET
20. WATCH

Answer is on page 32.



PetFLEET



LCDR Frances Smith, USS Neptune, R2

	September	October	November
New registrations	4 (1-cats, 2-dogs, 1-rabbit)	24 (4-stuffed animals, 13-cats, 5-dogs, 1-beared dragon lizard, 1-potbellied pig)	2 (2-cats)
New pet parents	2	5	2
Total registrations	495	519	521
Total pet parents	227	232	234
Stuffed animals	23	27	27
Cats	218 (10-D, 3-R)*	231 (12-D, 3-R)	233 (12-D, 3-R)
Dogs	193 (6-D, 1-G, 1-R)	198 (6-D, 1-G, 1-R)	198 (6-D, 1-G, 1-R)
Birds	9	9	9
Racoons	2	2	2
Rabbits	6	6	6
Lizards	7	8	8
Guinea pigs	6 (2-D)	6 (2-D)	6 (2-D)
Ferrets	2	2	2
Tarantulas	4	4	4
Snakes	5	5	5
Turtles	4 (1-D)	4 (1-D)	4 (1-D)
Fish	3	3	3
Hedgehog	1	1	1
Horse	2	2	2
Gerbil	2	2	2
Mini horse	2	2	2
Squirrel	1	1	1
Dolphins	2	2	2
Potbellied Pig		1	1
PETFLEET Facebook Page members**	397	400	401

*(D-deceased, G-given away, R-retired)

**Members post items of interest, funny photos,
and photos of their own pets.





Fiction



A Starship Captain (A Sea Shanty)

(Sung to the tune of “Drunken Sailor”)

by LCDR Rick Brocato, USS *Katherine Johnson*, R7

What do you say to a starship Captain?
What do you say to a starship Captain?
What do you say to a starship Captain?
Early heading homeward?

Refrain

Way-hey, our ship rises,
Way-hey, our ship rises,
Way-hey, our ship rises,
Early heading homeward.

Tell ‘em the ole warp engine’s ready,
Tell ‘em the ole warp engine’s ready,
Tell ‘em the ole warp engine’s ready,
Early heading homeward.

Refrain

Tell ‘em to set the course by starlight,
Tell ‘em to set the course by starlight,
Tell ‘em to set the course by starlight,
Early heading homeward.

Refrain

Hoist up a drink and toast our health, now,
Hoist up a drink and toast our health, now,
Hoist up a drink and toast our health, now,
Early heading homeward.

Refrain

Clear skies, fair winds ‘n following breezes,
Clear skies, fair winds ‘n following breezes,
Clear skies, fair winds ‘n following breezes,
Early heading homeward.

Don’t Shoot, I’m an Engineer!

Episode 3: The Android vs the Commodore

by COMM MarkAdam Miller, USS *Hephaestus*, R2



LT M’ranklin Personal Log Stardate
*****. * – Marley and I were doing
inventory in a STARFLEET warehouse
when Marley accidentally activated an alien
android. As Marley went for help, I stayed
to keep the android from self-destructing. I
hope help arrives and knows what to do because I don’t
want to go on my final mission without using the litter box
first.

M’ranklin paced back and forth, staying close enough to
the android to keep an eye on it but hopefully far enough
away that he would have time to run if the android gave up
waiting and self-destructed. Then, he saw a figure coming
down an aisle. The portly man wearing a STARFLEET
uniform waved to M’ranklin. M’ranklin raised his paw,
“Halt. This is a dangerous area. Please leave for your own
safety.”

The portly gentleman waved again, “LT, I am
Commodore MarkAdam Miller of the USS *Hephaestus*. I
am here to help.”

The LT clapped his paws together, “Thank the Queen
Lioness. Do you need my help, or can I scamper off to use
the litter box”

The Commodore frowned, “Give me a rundown of what
happened, and then you can scamper.

“Well, sir, my partner, Ensign Marley, and I were doing
inventory when we ran across this box. The inventory
PADD,” handing the PADD to the Commodore, “wouldn’t
give us much information. Marley tried to see if the access
and data control panel on the box would give us more
information, but instead of initiating the data screen, he
opened the box. As soon as the box opened, the android
activated and rose out of the box. It then asked for Sargon.
When we told him we didn’t know Sargon, it said it needed
to self-destruct so as not to fall into the hands of an inferior
species. So I asked it to wait while we tried to contact our

superiors who would know of Sargon. Then Marley ran to get help. The android sort of went into a standby mode, I surmise, and I've been waiting for help."

Commodore scratched his VanDyke, "Okay, scamper quickly to the litter box and then get back here. I am not sure if the android will take to a change of people."

M'ranklin dropped to all fours and darted for the front of the warehouse. The Commodore took a few steps toward the android. When he was about two feet away, the android's eyes started to glow, "Where is Sargon? I am built for service to Sargon. Where is Sargon?" It paused, looked at the Commodore, "You are not who I was conversing with before. Where did he go? If this is a trick, I will be forced to self-destruct."

The Commodore, doing the Picard maneuver*, announced, "Greetings, I am Commodore MarkAdam Miller. LT M'ranklin had to go do some personal business and will be right back. I need to ask for some time. We know of Sargon but do not know where he is at this time. You being awakened is an error on our part as it has been some time since Sargon placed you with us for safekeeping."

The android hummed and then spoke, "Why would Sargon place me with an inferior species?"

"He believed us to be his children that his race seeded in the stars. As his children, I don't think he would want us to be harmed when you self-destruct. Is it possible that you could move to someplace that would cause less destruction of the surrounding area?"

The android hummed again, "In space would be the only place. But I do not have the means to fly into space."

The Commodore smiled, "Would you trust me to take you to someplace safe so as not to harm my people?"

The android beeped a couple of times before answering, "Since you are concerned for your fellow people, I feel I can trust you in this."

M'ranklin came dashing up and quickly saluted the Commodore. Commodore saluted, then turned towards the android, "I am stepping outside to make arrangements to move you. I will leave you with LT M'ranklin to see that you are not disturbed till my return. Is that agreeable?"

Android quickly said, "Agreed!"

Commodore patted M'ranklin on the back, "Hold down the fort."

M'ranklin looked around, "What fort?"

The Commodore shook his head then darted off. A couple of minutes later, he arrived back. "Everything is set. We will transport up to my ship, the USS Hephaestus, and take you someplace to self-destruct."

The android nodded, "That sounds acceptable."

M'ranklin purred, "If you won't be needing me, I will be going?"

The Commodore shook his head, "Nope. You are coming with us. I don't want the android to miss your company." Then, tapping his combadge, "Hephaestus, three to beam up, Code Purple."

The three dematerialized from the warehouse. A minute later, the Commodore and the Lieutenant materialized on a cargo platform on the Hephaestus. CAPT Brenda Miller came running up to her husband, the Commodore, handing the Commodore a PADD, "I think we have found a way to deactivate the android."

M'ranklin looked around for the android, "Where is the android?"

The transport operator, LCDR Sandra H, replied, "We are holding it in the transporter buffer per Code Purple protocol until the Commodore is ready to deal with the android."

The Commodore read the PADD and then looked up to Brenda, "This is it. Great work, Brenda, Thanks!"

Brenda grinned, "Don't thank me. Crewman Jimmy T found it looking through the old records."

The Commodore nodded at Brenda, "Okay, I will." Then, turning toward Sandra, "Beam the Android aboard." He turned as the android materialized on the cargo platform. "Greetings, Commodore."

Commodore nodded, "Greetings and welcome aboard." The Commodore looked at the PADD and spoke, "Klaatu Barada Nikto."

The android laid down, and his eyes stopped glowing. Also, a buzz that they didn't realize they were hearing went away. M'ranklin's fur stood up, "What just happened?"

The Commodore grinned, "My crew found the shutdown code. Sandra, beam up the storage case and set it up to be sent to Mr. LaForge." He tapped his comm badge, "Commodore Miller to Admiral Parmley."

"Admiral Parmley here. You have the android contained?"

Commodore, still grinning, "Admiral, you can stand down from red alert. We have deactivated the android and

are sending it to Mr. LaForge. I repeat, you can stand down from red alert. The android is deactivated.”

The gruff voice of Parmley came over the speaker again, “Thank you, Commodore. Well Done.”

The Commodore smirked, “Just remember this when I come up for promotion. Also, make sure LT M’ranklin gets credit as well.”

“I will Commodore, Parmley out.” Before the Admiral closed the channel, you could hear cheers in the background.

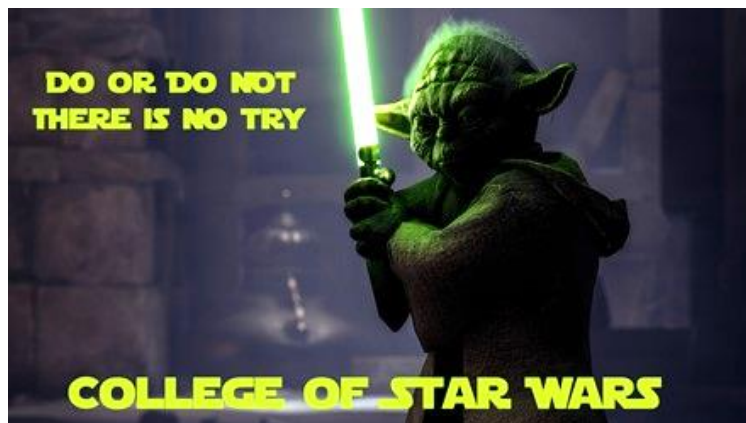
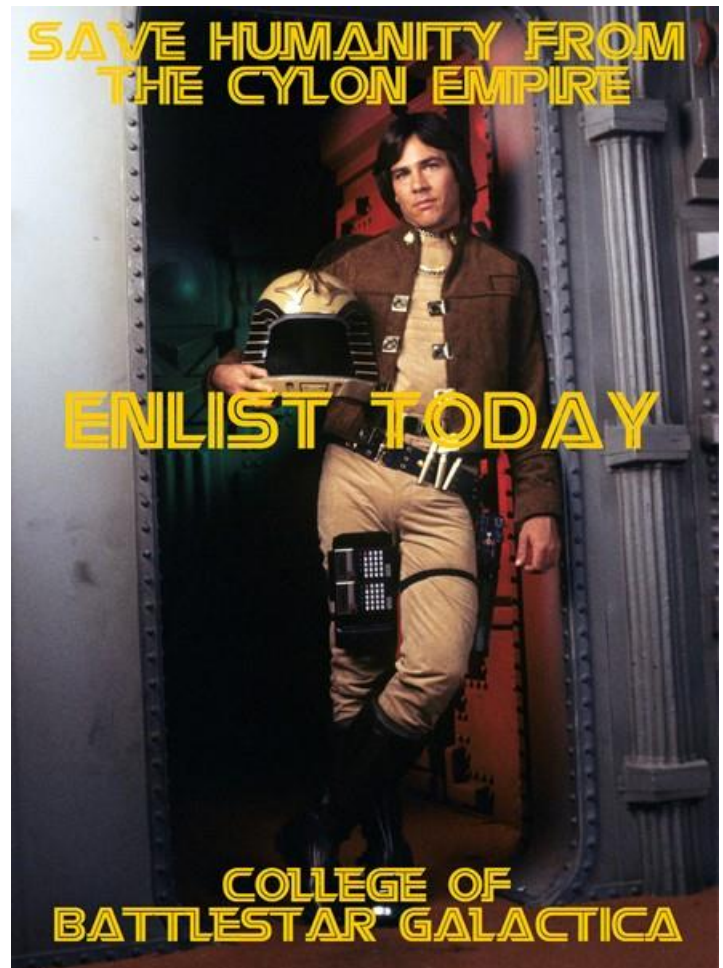
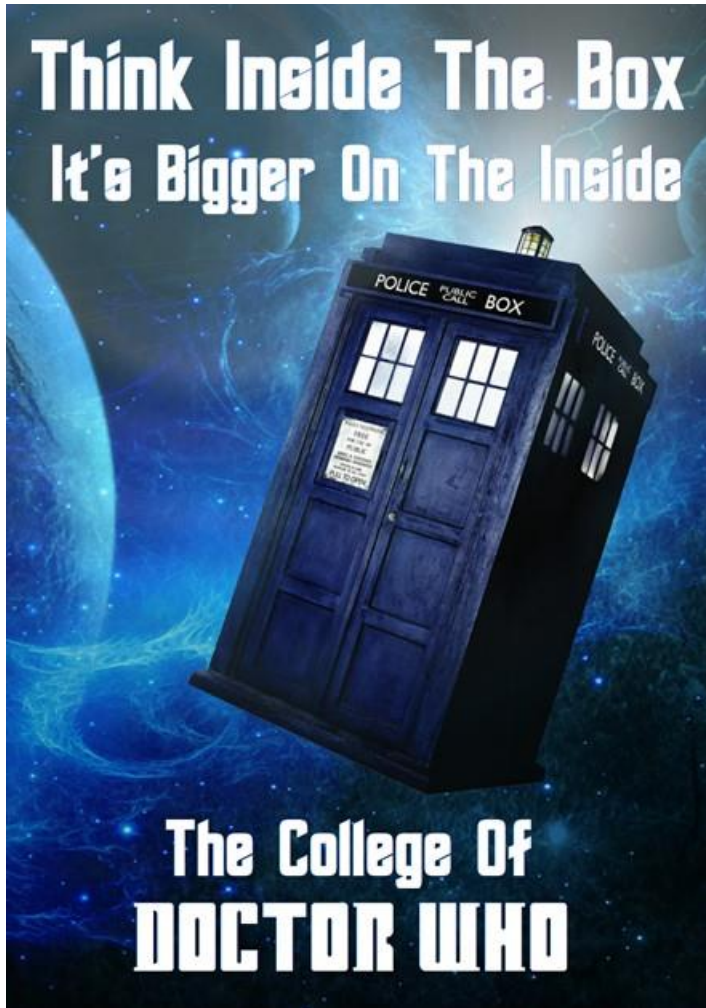
The Commodore went over to M’Ranklin and patted him on the back, “Come on Lt, let’s go down to Ten-Forward. I think I owe you a drink.”

M’ranklin purred, “Make it two, and you have yourself a deal.”

*pulling his tunic down

(If you want to read more of Commodore Miller and the crew of the Hephaestus, check out the Anvil at www.facebook.com/USSHephaestus)

Marley and M’ranklin will return in *Don’t Shoot, I’m An Engineer* in the next CQ.





Vice Commander

ADM James Herring, *USS Missouri*

We have created a window cling that can be attached almost anywhere, your vehicle, laptop, or fridge. The cost for these will be \$5.00 each (+taxes, shipping & handling). This is something to help raise money for Fleet, so this would be a great gift for your favorite Trekkie (besides yourself). And it's a great way to show your Fleet pride. Maybe also help in recruiting! Please contact Linda Olson, STARFLEET QM, to get yours today!



There is also a new department coming online under the office of the VCS: that of STARFLEET Tactical. For more information on that, see its section.

STARFLEET DIPLOMATIC CORPS

CAPT Aaron Himes
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Things are still moving slowly. We have not had much luck in opening relations with other organizations. The biggest hurdle is many have dealt with SFI in the past or used to be a part of us and are hesitant to have further contact with us. My staff and I are working diligently to overcome these obstacles in hopes of showing them this is not the same SFI they left so long ago. We are still hampered by the pandemic as far as going out to different conventions and meeting people there. I feel face-to-face will be more beneficial than sending an email introduction. The PowerPoint is complete, and I hope to use it soon.

Many ships have contacted us asking about ambassadors and joining the Diplomatic Corps. While we have no direct control over shipboard ambassadors, we are more than

willing to work with them in furthering the goals of both SFI and the Diplomatic Corps. XX

We have contacted the United Federation of Phoenix. I will be working with them over the next few weeks to get things set up, as they have expressed an interest in working with us.

We have messages out to other organizations, so we hope to hear from them soon.

I am also working on pins and shirts for the Diplomatic Corps. Our website is still in limbo, and I am hoping soon to expand our contacts.

STARFLEET INTELLIGENCE

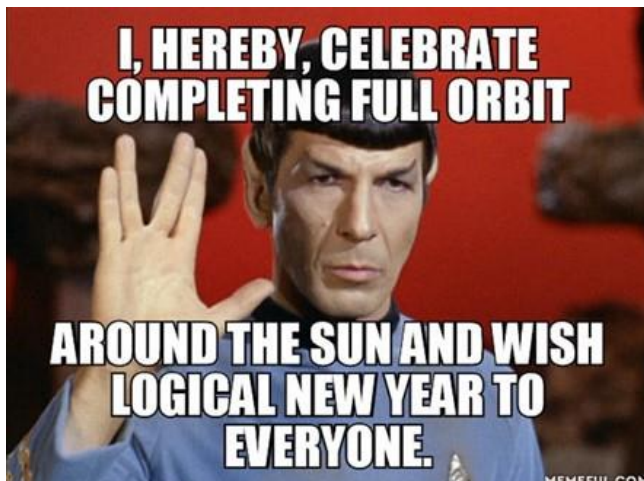
CAPT Lourdes Bond

CAPT Lourdes Bond has been chosen as the newest director to head up the STARFLEET Intelligence department. Please welcome CAPT Lourdes Bond!

The primary focus of this department will be retention of STARFLEET members. The second will be assisting with recruiting through the VCS office. And finally, there will be a role play aspect.

As of November 2021, Starfleet Intelligence has set up operations and begun reviewing procedures, problems, and proposals brought forward by its membership for STARFLEET International.

As of this writing, the membership stands at 45 Total Members. Director – CAPT Lourdes Bond, *USS Avenger*; Asst. Director – CAPT Jason Garrett, *USS Aequitas*





Chief of Communications

ADM Jeff Higdon, *USS Black Hawk*



Senior Vice Chief of Communications

GEN Dennis Rayburn

No, there has not been a coup, nor have I taken Jeff Higdon out. Due to several issues, he has taken a step back and asked me to fill in for a few days.

The Comms Department is running smoothly. However, there has been a couple of changes. First, Eric Johansson has stepped back from being Sr Vice Chief of the department, and Jeff has named me as his successor. I'm pleased to report that Eric is staying on in Social Media Services.

The second change is that Ed Tunis and Kimberly Donohoe have resigned from the Audio/Visual division of Comms. This division has been transferred to the Office of the Commander, STARFLEET.

SOCIAL MEDIA SERVICES

RADM Eric Johansson,
Vice Chief & Lead Moderator

Because of time constraints, I needed to cut back a bit on my Fleet activities. As such, I passed the torch of "Senior Vice-Chief of Communications" to General Dennis Rayburn.

The Members Only FB page ended the month with 1,224 subscribers, and the Business Only FB page ended the

month with 529 subscribers. Again, there were no huge surprises for Media Services.

As previously, I continue to remove subscribers whose membership has lapsed by more than a month, so if you find that you have been removed from one or more FB pages and/or the SFI-L mailing list, first check to see if your membership is still current. If your membership did lapse and you want back on [the mailing list or the FB pages], bring your membership back to current and [once Membership Processing has completed the paperwork] re-apply for access. Please answer the three membership questions – as those without responses will be declined access.

Yes, it's that easy. If your membership did not lapse [and you did not remove yourself and you still wish to have access], please contact me and I will figure out what is going on and get your access back.

COMMUNIQUÉ

General Dennis Rayburn,
Editor

Greg Mortensen has redesigned the CQ page for the Database. The net result is a visually more attractive page which, instead of just a stark listing, shows the actual cover of each of the Communiques over the years. I commend him on his great work on this project!



*Without followers,
evil cannot spread.*

– Mr. Spock,
TOS: And The Children Shall Lead



Chief of Operations

ADM Johnathan Simmons, *USS Stormbringer*



Ops Report

Failure to Report Status

August: 3 Regions failed; 27 Chapters failed

September: 3 Regions failed; 23 Chapters failed

October: 5 Regions failed; 33 Chapters failed

Ops has been putting chapters on StandBy for not reporting. Reports are due and considered on time between the first and fifth of the month. Reports received between the sixth and the tenth are marked as late, and any report received after the tenth is considered *Failure to Report* or FTR. Three FTRs in a year's time are considered grounds for decommissioning. Ops has begun the process of placing chapters on StandBy and in DryDock for continued Failure to Report.

We have begun placing chapters in Drydock Status due to noncompliance with required SFDPP courses. These chapters have been on Standby Status for over 90 days. Chapters that are in Drydock Status for more than 90 days can be decommissioned.

DTS

The MOM Manual is being updated and renamed the *Support Ship Operations Manual* (SSOM). It is now available in the documents section of the fleet website.

ShOC Report

Commissioned

Charlton Station, Deep Space 8
USS Cerberus, R10

Launched

USS Anansi, R2

USS H Lamarr, R5

USS Titan, R1

USS Nathan Hale, R15

USS Seawolf, R15

Shakedown Chapters:

None for this quarter

Name/Class/NCC changes approved for starships/stations include:

USS Frank W. Ault NCC-4744397, Wells-class Timeship to **USS Flying Scotsman NCC-88880**, Invincible-Class Space Control Ship

USS Victorious NCC-40967, Sovereign-class Heavy Cruiser to **NCC-40967-A**

Names approved for new vessels (either on shakedown cruises or preparing for same) include:

USS Seawolf NCC-74709, Intrepid-class Cruiser

USS Titan NCC-80102, Luna-class Exploratory Cruiser

USS Templar NCC-1035, Crossfield-class Large Exploratory Cruiser

Names approved for shuttlecraft include:

None for this quarter

New classes approved include:

None for this quarter

The decommissioning/deactivation (listed as on-hold, as per standard protocol, pending any decision to reactivate)

None for this quarter

Names now available following chapter withdrawal from STARFLEET and 6-month waiting period:

USS Le Moyne

Now, I don't pretend to tell you how to find happiness and love, when every day is a struggle to survive. But I do insist that you do survive, because the days and the years ahead are worth living for!

— Edith Keeler,

TOS: The City on the Edge of Forever



Chief of Educational Services

MGEN TJ Allen, *Space Station Nikola Tesla*



Office of Educational Services is still working with CompOps to get the grades from the blackout period put into the Database. Please be patient, as we are still moving down the Institutes.

We have been reviewing the info coming to the Monitor. We have noticed that it is getting harder to put information together to release the Monitor properly. At this time, the Office of Educational Services has determined to suspend the Monitor and focus on courses. I repeat, the Monitor will be discontinued at this time and not offered.

SFA and SFMCA are working hard to complete the tasks assigned to them. They are being diligent and making sure our students are taken care of. If anyone has a question or comment for either SFMCA or SFA, please email ces@sfi.org.

A reminder of The Chain of Process for exams:

1. You submit your completed exam.
2. Director has **1** week to respond with receipt or with a grade. (If submitting an exam outside of QAM, the director has 14 days to respond.)
3. If you have heard nothing, email the director.
4. After **1** week of the follow-up, send the first contact email to the Director and Dean.
5. After **1** week of the follow-up and still no response, send the first two contact emails to the Director, Dean, and SFA Commandant/SFA Academic Coordinator or SFMCA Superintendent (if SFMCA course).
6. After **1** more week of no contact, send all evidence of the contacts to CES and Vice CES. We will follow up and find out what is going on.

SFA NEWS

The STATS

	# Students	# of	NOTES
	Takes	courses	
	courses	taken	
Aug	*	*	SFDPP2021 - 102
Sep	200	1550	
Oct	175	1150	

*unavailable

We continue to have many people either taking SFDPP for the first time or taking the recertification course. Please remember a few things:

- If you have not taken any SFDPP exam with SFA before, you must take 101 and 102 first.
- Each year's recertification course will be due on the anniversary date of the last one that you took. It is best if you do not take it more than 30 days before you are due, and it should be taken no later than 30 days after the due date. If taken after that date and if you have elevated database access for any reason, you risk losing that access (and possibly the position that requires that access).
- COs and XO's are required to keep their certification current, as well as anyone who has a position that gives elevated database access. If you hold a Regional or Fleet position and are not sure if you are required to take these courses, please check with your RC or your supervisor.

We are steadily working on getting more courses into the automated system (known as QAM, or Quiz Activity Module). We appreciate everyone's patience while we do this, as it does take time, and we certainly want to make sure we do the job right.

Work continues with CompOps to get the grades from the "blackout period" imported into the Database. I cannot give an estimate on when this will be finished, but hopefully soon. At that time, we will also be able to restart the Boothby program; and while it will take a little time, all of the Boothby Awards that have been earned will be awarded retroactively.

As always, if you are interested in possibly joining our staff, please visit the Humanoid Resources website (<https://sfi.org/humanoidresources/>) and take a look at the current openings. If you have any questions about a listing, please email me at jazdansfa@gmail.com, and I will be happy to answer them.

SFMCA NEWS

The SFMC Academy is currently reformatting all of our courses to SFA Style. SFMC is implementing the grading scale that SFA uses. It will be in the manuals and exams soon.

Our directors and assistant directors are working very hard to get the manuals and exams updated as quickly as possible. Please continue to bear with us as we make headway.

This is where we are currently:

- Personal Development, Officer Development, and Leadership Development have completed their rewrites, and those courses are slated for Archive and updating to QAM/Moodle soon. (Superintendent and TRACOM are finishing reviews of the materials.)
- Infantry, Medical, and Support Services are being rewritten or have been updated and are in review before archiving/Moodle-QAM migration.
- Armor, Combat Engineering, and Maritime Operations are in the beginning stages of rewrite.

We hope to have them up and running by Spring 2022.

As with all courses and procedures, please follow the chain of command. Students have **10** weeks to complete an exam. Once submitted, unless the course is already QAM, please allow the director/assistant director time to acknowledge receipt and grade the exam. **If you have not heard anything from the director in 1 week, please contact them via email or the Moodle site.**

WE NEED YOU!

Marine Instructors and Assistant Instructors are needed – Please visit the SFI HR page to see what is available. If you have any questions regarding becoming an instructor, please contact TRACOM or myself; we will be happy to respond.



A man either lives life as it happens to him, meets it head-on and licks it, or he turns his back on it and starts to wither away.

– Dr. Boyce, *TOS: The Menagerie (The Cage)*



Chief of Computer Operations

COMM Tony Knopes, *USS Dejah Thoris*

SSO / SINGLE-SIGN-ON:

This one fell to the back burner because of other priorities, but it is on the feature list for the new Database. We will also purpose the new Database as an identity server to allow for SSO for our sites (including the SFI Forum and the Academy).

DATABASE NUMBERS:

Total active memberships: 5,800
Total individual memberships: 2,715
Total in family memberships: 3,007
Number of family memberships: 1,054

CompOps - Handy SFI Web Subdomains

Greetings from the CompOps Team,

We've created the following handy subdomains to help you get around the SFI.org network a bit faster. We will update this list in each issue of CQ whenever there are changes made.

SFI Quick Subdomain Shortcuts

Facebook (Public) - facebook.sfi.org
Facebook (Members Only) - fb.sfi.org
Facebook (Business Only) - fbb.sfi.org

SFI Join - join.sfi.org
SFI Renewal - renew.sfi.org
SFI Chapter Finder - chapters.sfi.org
SFI Database - db.sfi.org

SFI Handbook - handbook.sfi.org
SFI Helpdesk - helpdesk.sfi.org
SFI Humanoid Resources - hr.sfi.org
SFI HR Submit form - hrform.sfi.org
SFI Bylaws - bylaws.sfi.org

SFI Discord - discord.sfi.org
SFI Forums - forums.sfi.org
SFI Scholarships - scholarships.sfi.org
SFI Webmail (for staff) - webmail.sfi.org

SFI Websites

Starfleet Educational Services
- es.sfi.org / academy.sfi.org
SFI International Conference - ic.sfi.org
SFI Medical - medical.sfi.org
SFI Quartermaster - qm.sfi.org
SFI Sciences - sciences.sfi.org
Starfleet Special Ops - sfso.sfi.org

Starfleet Marine Corps - sfmc.sfi.org
Starfleet Marine Corps Academy - sfmca.sfi.org
SFMC Quartermaster - sfmcqm.sfi.org

SFI Region Sites & RC Email Shortcuts

Region 1 - region1.sfi.org - rc1@sfi.org
Region 2 - region2.sfi.org - rc2@sfi.org
Region 3 - region3.sfi.org - rc3@sfi.org
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If you have any suggestions for a subdomain shortcut, please drop a line at webmaster@sfi.org

Vice Admiral Greg Mortensen
Vice-Chief of CompOps (& Web Services)



From the Surgeon General

CAPT Mark Logan, *USS Merlin*



Personnel Status

	Additions	Removals	Total
September	1	2	201
October	5	0	206
August	5	0	211

Jeffery Roemer
Ian Struthers
Paul Bennett
Andrew Fiori
Franklin Gonzalez
Robert Richard
Kevin Welch

REGIONAL ASSISTANT SURGEON GENERALS (ASG)

The majority of the Regions now have regional Facebook groups, which you are welcome to join.

[R1](#) [R2](#) [R7](#) [R9](#) [R11](#) [R12](#) [R13](#) [R17](#) [R19](#) [R20](#)

R20 Wellness Group [LINK](#)

STARFLEET Medical Wellness Group (Fleet) [LINK](#)

STARFLEET International Forums (Medical) [LINK](#)

(Requires registration)

HYPOSPRAY WEBZINE

The current issue, [Volume 2 No. 4](#), is on SFI Doctors and Women in STARFLEET. Spanish and French versions can be accessed via the website or SF Medical Facebook page.

Medical Awards

Medical Star Award

Awarded to any member of STARFLEET Medical who is a current or retired medical professional.

None

EMT / Paramedic Star

Awarded to any member of STARFLEET Medical who is a current or retired EMT/Paramedic professional.

Michael Rosen

Thaddieus Jeznach

Ancillary Star

Awarded to any member of STARFLEET Medical who is a current or retired ancillary professional in the Medical, Nursing, or EMT/Paramedic fields.

Michael Rosen

Joseph Gallagher Service Award

Gallagher Service Award – Bronze: Awarded to any member of Starfleet Medical who completes one year of service.

Paul Grittini
April Carden
Stephen Vetrano
Joel Ehl
Dawn Lennox

Gallagher Service Award – Silver: Awarded to any member of Starfleet Medical who completes 3 years of service.

Paul Ortiz
Caitlyn Champlin
Gerry Knight

Gallagher Service Award – Gold: Awarded to any member of Starfleet Medical who completes 5 years of service.*

Richard Sams
Dant Stooke
Chris Lynch
Ronald Rozier
Denise Rush*

*At 5-year intervals thereafter – Bars added to the gold award

Crusher Award for CPR Training

Awarded automatically to any member of STARFLEET Medical who completes certification in CPR from a certified instructor or institution (Red Cross, College, Nursing, Medical School, etc.)

Paul Grittini
Wade Poitras
Michael Rosen
Cathleen Hays

Chapel Award for First Aid Training

Awarded automatically to any SFMedical member who completes certification in at least basic first aid from a certified instructor / Institution (Red Cross, College, Nursing, Medical School, etc.)

Paul Grittini
Wade Poitras

*Medical Training Program Certifications***CORE LEVEL 1**

Patrick Steffens

CORE LEVEL 2

Patrick Steffens

CORE LEVEL 3Lynn Harper
Patrick Steffens**CORE LEVEL 4**Lynn Harper
Amanda Phillips
Patrick Steffens**CORE LEVEL 5**Amanda Phillips
Patrick Steffens**CORE LEVEL 6**

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Robyn Murray
Wade Poitras
Amanda Phillips**CORE LEVEL 10**

Wade Poitras

CORE LEVEL GRADUATE

Wade Poitras

The STARFLEET Medical awards program can be accessed via the STARFLEET Medical [website](#):

STARFLEET Medical Com Badges

We are now able to offer you the opportunity to order the STARFLEET Medical Com Badge. At present, these are limited to one per SFI member due to limited availability.



Puzzle Answers

P P U P M O N L H B T F F O C
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F C H O C G I F T C A R D F I
L E A R Y D P U D Y C R P I Y
K H E N D R J E M U F R E D C
C T O E D Y E W M Y P N P A H
O W R S T L W E G A M E S F T
S S R E T A E W S C A C C E A
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E S L I P P E R S

Engage!

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