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REGION ONE COORDINATOR

By VADM Ruth Lane



Congratulations to Michael Timko on the position of Publication Officer.

2015 IC's ECAB meeting was probably the shortest one that I know of ever happening. It was about an hour and half and they approved the budget for next year. ECAB has been approving previous minutes as they are made available.

The position of Chief of Computer Operations is now open. Larry French has stepped down. Requirements:

- * Samples of previous web design / development work, including information on which aspects of each

project you performed.

- * 2 references (either real-life or STARFLEET/Fandom) that can attest to your skills and work ethic.

- * Basic web coding experience (HTML and FTP knowledge mandatory, CSS/JavaScript/PHP and other programming languages a plus).

- * Experience working with web hosting services (setting up FTP services, creating email addresses, etc.) mandatory.

- * Experience with WordPress/ Content Management Systems a plus.

- * Experience managing social media accounts a plus.

- * Basic image editing skills in Photo Shop / ImageReady / GIMP / etc. is a plus.

- * Experience with Technical Crisis Management (and the patience of

a Saint!) to deal with emergencies and member support issues as needed. If you are interested in applying for this position, please submit your resume (both STARFLEET and real-life), a letter of intent, samples of previous web design/development work, and your two letters of reference to cs@sfi.org. Applications will be accepted through Tuesday, September 30, 2014. Email CS@sfi.org

RDC program has a new website, <http://rdc.lstbde.org/>. Rey Cordero is the new RDC program director. Rey is working with the RDCs to see what each program is doing. He will be filling vacant positions soon.

Till next time,

Ruth Lane

A WORD FROM IC 2015

By FADM Dave Blaser (ret)



Today marks one year out from IC2015, and we're hoping that you can join us for the fun and see the beauty of Niagara Falls.

You can register for the IC from our website at: <http://www.ic2015.com>.

We're about 80% through the planning of our programming now and hope to have it ready to unveil this fall. Lisa Stuckey & the USS Serling and Will Devine & the USS Accord are putting together a great set of panels and programming that'll cover both STARFLEET specific topics as well as Star Trek and science fiction topics.

For those traveling in by plane or train, we'll be setting up a way for you to provide us with your travel plans so that Glen Diebold & the USS Niagara can set up a schedule and make arrangements to meet you at the airport or train station in Buffalo, NY and welcome you to the IC.

Debbie and I, along with our friends in the USS Hadfield, are in the process of coming up with some fun things to do in the Niagara Falls area for those spouses and significant others who will have people in the ECAB Meeting on Friday August 23rd, and then again on Sunday August 25th for those who were trapped in that

ECAB Meeting. More details are to follow.

Remember to bring your passports or enhanced drivers licences so you can cross the border and visit some of the sights in Canada. We're going to be only 3 short blocks away from the Rainbow Bridge, and there's a huge amount to do on Clifton Hill in Niagara Falls, Ontario!

More to come!

Dave

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2015 STARFLEET International Conference

August 21st to 23rd, 2015

Niagara Falls, New York



WWW.IC2015.COM

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STARFLEET REGION ONE

SVRC REPORT

By VADM Darlene Harper

We would like to welcome all the new ships to the region, just remember if you need anything the staff's door is always open and willing to assist.

If anyone has any ideas about events they wish to do please let us know so we can get the word out to the region it is always fun to get together even if it is a small group.

Chapter Care is available not only to answer questions if you haven't been able to find the answer, but they are there to assist you in planning an event or just to run ideas by someone to get any additional input. Check the Region One website for the contact information for the members on the committee or contact me we are willing to assist.

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Vice Admiral Darlene Harper

SPACE CAMP

By VADM Darlene Harper

There is a change in the space camp program, Jason Schreck has agreed to join the committee. Jason is the commanding officer of the USS Columbia and a space camp alumni. With the addition of Jason to the committee we should begin to have new ideas as how to get the program back on track.

One idea is sit out a jar at your meetings or events mark it space camp donations the USS Columbus did that at their anniversary party and received \$18.50 in donations.

We will have more information about the program in the near future.



Welcome to Our Newest Chapters

- USS Bellerophon
- USS Freedom
- USS George Washington
- USS Liberty

Welcome and may fair winds be at your backs.

VRC - PROGRAM OPERATIONS

By COMM Scott Gibson



Hello Everyone, welcome to the newest issue of Channel 1! I'd like to thank our newest Publications Officer, Mike Timko, for stepping up to the plate and taking on the responsibility of getting the First Fleet's newsletter back up and running. Please offer him as much support as you can and, as always, if you or your chapter have anything that you'd like to share with the region, an article, artwork or just an announcement, send it his way for inclusion in an upcoming issue.

Speaking of announcements and com-

munications, I'd like to encourage all of our Commanding Officers and First Officers in Region One to communicate information from the regional staff list and chat list to all of their crewmembers in their local chapters. We often have lots of great programs and opportunities for members within the region that are announced in our lists, (and in our newsletter, the Channel 01) that members in Region One need to be aware of. Especially with our chat and staff lists, the Commanding Officers and First Officers are our first point of contact between regional announcements and members on the local level. We depend on our XO's and CO's to convey the information to their local memberships. Without your help, a lot of great positions go unfilled and a lot of opportunities are missed by very qualified regional members.

So please take the time to make sure that, if you read an announcement on a list or newsletter about a program or opportunity within the region, go ahead and share that with your fellow crewmembers on the local level. Your help will make everyone's STARFLEET experience that much more rewarding!

Finally, I'd also like to welcome aboard Rey Cordero as our newest RDC Program Director! Rey is busy reaching out to folks and getting new programs started up in the Regional Division Chief system. If you are at all interested in participating either as an RDC or as a member of a pre-existing RDC program, I encourage you to get in contact with him. Rey's email is: rcordero@1stbde.org.

That's all for now,

Scott Gibson

REGION ONE RELIEF FUND

By COMM James Cecil



Greetings everyone!

Yes it's been a long while since we've heard anything about the R1 Relief Fund. What is the R1 Relief Fund? It is a fund that all members of the region can utilize by submitting an application for assistance to help off-set some of the things that has come up unexpectedly upon you. These things just might be essential medicines not covered by insurance. (Copy of previous prescription receipts necessary), food that cannot be supplied by local assistance organizations, clothing, especially due to fire, flood, or tornado. To pay utilities that cannot be paid by state agencies or local assistance organizations.

The following are examples of emergencies:

Fire or other damage to the home.

Flood or other natural catastrophe.

Eviction from home. (A copy of the eviction notice must accompany the applicant's request).

Unexpected illness or injury causing loss of job or pay. (Copies of medical bills and type of illness or injury necessary).

Robbery or burglary of day-to-day living expenses. (A copy of the police report must accompany the request).

Utilities, i.e. gas/water/electric, where state agencies have refused. (Copy of shutoff notice necessary).

Sudden loss of income, such as loss of employment without notice or severance pay. (Copy of notification, employment security commission filing, etc.)

The Relief Fund will not provide relief for the following events:

- * Missed house or rental payments not showing a valid reason, such as income loss or robbery.
- * Insurance payments.
- * Car payments not showing a critical need.
- * Club or organizational dues.
- * Lost vacation money.
- * Moving expenses, except in special circumstances.
- * Furniture payments, credit card payments, etc.
- * Tax payments.
- * Child support payments.
- * Alimony payments.
- * Gambling losses.
- * Travel expenses.
- * Lawyer's fees.
- * Automotive repair, except in special circumstances.

Upon taking the office of Region One Relief Fund Coordinator I have created an application form, a donations form, and an Outlook stationary. Through subspace communications (email) between myself and Vice Admiral Ruth Lane I have been informed that the current available funds in the R1 Relief Fund is \$: 1,107.01 as of March 31st of this year. I have also been informed that there is no PayPal account setup for the region and there are no pending applications for relief.

The application form for R1 Relief

Fund assistance can be obtained through the R1 Relief Fund office by emailing me directly at jcecil922930@att.net. Yes I do have the application form as a word document file and a PDF file. I do have a donations form for those members here in the region that would like to make a donation to the R1 Relief Fund that is also available in both PDF and Word document formats these can be requested from me from the same email address that I just provided. I do plan on having these two documents added to the R1 website so that members can download them as they need them and do plan on posting them on the two R1 Facebook group pages.

For those of you who want to make donations right now to the R1 Relief Fund make your personal checks or money orders out to STARFLEET Region One and in the memo section write down R1 Relief Fund Donation place into a self-addressed stamped envelope and send to:

STARFLEET Region One Treasurer

Barbara M. Buffington

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That it for now folks! Until the next exciting issue of Channel One that's to coming into your inbox!

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James Cecil

THE INTERNET AND ITS COMPLEXITIES

By FCAPT James Ortega



A few weeks ago there was a hiccup on the internet and it's connectivity. In simple terms it was a configuration error that Verizon did. Too bad it wasn't ComCast! In the past I warned about what misconfigurations could do and their consequences. This was only a small taste of what could happen. Luckily it wasn't too severe and short lived.

As all of you know the internet is a network with smaller networks contained within. For packets to flow and reach their destinations a routing table has to be created. There are iron clad routers that exist on the internet and their sole purpose is to route information. They contain the global routing tables. The tables themselves have begun to grow in size and are now affecting the software configuration limits on those routers. Verizon made adjustments to their network and those changes were propagated out. The routing tables were al-

tered and so connectivity was affected.

There is a limit of how many tables a router can hold. We are at the halfway point. 512 is the current setting. Since the latest hiccup, it's being advised to increase that number to 768. Once this is done we'll be at 75% full. The maximum limit is 1024. When we get there hardware will have to be upgraded. New routers will have to be installed. Remember now this will have to be done globally. IPv4 addresses take up 1 slot on those tables. While IPv6, they take up 2 slots.

Since we've pretty much ran out of IPv4 addresses, from here on out it's strictly IPv6 address space growth.



Which means those slots are going to get depleted much faster.

These same routers and their tables can be changed to affect traffic flow. As you remember in

past years and today that countries internet were falling off the grid. Well, the government and

political landscape demanded that traffic be suppressed. We'll start to see more and more of

this behavior. The suppressed citizens fell back to using dialup modems to disseminate their

information.

What caused today's Internet hiccup?

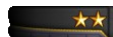
<http://www.bgpmon.net/what-caused-todays-internet-hiccup/>

Security Now - Episode #469

<https://www.grc.com/sn/SN-469-Notes.pdf>

PUBLICATIONS OFFICER

By MGN Michael Timko



Hello Region One!

I just wanted to drop a short message.

The most important thing right now is the schedule. This is what I have

Issue 4

Issue 5

Submissions: 9/25/14

Submission: 10/25/14

Publication: 10/5/14

Publication: 11/5/14

mapped out:

Issue 6

Submission: 11/25/14

Publication: 12/5/14

In the November issue (Issue 5), I will publish the 2015 schedule although it won't deviate that much. Submissions will be due on the 25th and the issue published on the 5th of the following month.

To meet the above goals, we need your help.

We need reports from your chapter.

We need reports about events you've done or will be doing in the future.

Are you a writer? Then maybe we could be an outlet for your fictional star trek and science fiction stories.

Do you like to draw? Well I suck at, so maybe you would like to join the staff and design covers for Channel One. You can also send us star trek or other science fiction related artwork to print within Channel One.

Marine's of the 1st Brigade... we need you as this just as much your newsletter too.

We need your OIC reports, reports of your activities, and SFMCA 301 Level Projects.

Well, I'm going to get off my soapbox now, but just remember Channel One can't be successful if you don't support it.

Now who's with me?

MGN Michael Timko

**THE AAC WANTS YOU! RESISTANCE IS FUTILE.****By FCAPT Curtis Bellman** 

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be an alien? Do you have a favorite alien species? This is the time to act on it! Become that species you have always dreamed about. By joining the Region I Alien Ambassador Corps. A role-playing group where aliens from different races, species, worlds and quadrants of the Star Trek universe come to play. We requested that Starfleet allow us the use of a space station. They instead graciously gave us an old derelict space dock.

We leave SFI, R-I, SFMC, and real world politics and news at the door and just have fun in our own little world. In the past we have hunted the Trill Ambassadors cats. Which didn't turn out so well for the hunters. Then we fought off an attack by a renegade Vorta. Which didn't turn out so well for the Vorta. Then there was the Genetically Enhanced Human and the tab he ran up

at the Ferengi's bar. The tab is still outstanding! We have repaired and modified Unity to suit our needs.

What we need now are members. These requires having on line access as well as being a current member in an R-I chapter, and have a Yahoo account for access to list serve and a bio of your persona. That's all. To join or if you have any questions. Send an e-mail to Fleet Captain Curtis Bellman (that's me, ambassador for the Borg of Unimatrix Zero and AAC RDC) at Liberatorxo@aol.com.

In the past we have had an award winning newsletter, and fanzine. Also there were chats, which we would like to start up again. At this time most all ambassador positions are open. I won't say we are in a rebuilding mode it's more like a new start up at this point. And would love to have new

members. This is your chance to get in on the ground floor. Alien ambassador positions that are currently open are Vulcan, Breen, Cardassian, Klingon, Romulan, and the list goes on.

Feel free to go to our web site and read our story. You can find it here. <http://www.regionone.net/AAC/> Past newsletters and ambassador bios can also be found there as well.

It would be not just an honor but a privilege to have you come aboard and play!

We are also working on adding a list of Region I members that have an alien persona. That may not want to join the AAC. You can send your information to me at the above e-mail address without being part of the AAC.

Thank you for your time and hope to hear from some of you soon.

CHAPTER MONTHLY STATUS REPORTS**Report: USS Appomattox:**

Our August meeting was our ice cream social. This was the first meeting Alan Provo could attend post back surgery so he caught us up on the RI summit. We ate ice cream and played the Star Trek RPG the game ended in a tie and we cleaned up and took off for Lori's to continue enjoy each others' company.

Upcoming events Planned at the business meeting in July- The USS Appomattox will have its 13th. Anniversary on Sunday September 14th. at King's Island Restaurant 6:30pm

We'll be fundraising for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and The Lynchburg Humane Society at the Lynchburg Community Market October 25th.

We also discussed a possible trip to the Udrar/Hazy part of the Smithsonian in Chantilly, VA or closer to home

a trip to the Museum of the Confederacy.

Report: USS Commonwealth

As of August 31, 2014 the USS Commonwealth has collected 89 drink pounces earning a total of 250 points making this a cash value of \$2.50 earned. We are preparing out next drink pouch shipment to TerraCycle this weekend which will be shipped out on Sept. 2, 2014. We have asked TerraCycle about Kuerig K-Cups being accepted under the Nespresso Capsule Brigade program or how we would go about starting a Kuerig-K Cup Brigade through TerraCycle.

Quarter Master reports that there has been no change in sales from our CafePress store nor any sale from our Express Shirts store.

RI Relief Fund

The RI Relief Fund was organized to help members of Region One who find themselves in an emergency situation where financial help is needed. The fund is filled by donations from chapters, individuals, and auctions. Current available funds in the RI Relief Fund is \$: 1,107.01 as of March 31st of this year. All forms have been up loaded to the Regional Facebook Groups. No application for relief has been submitted to this office. If you or someone in your chapter does not have a Facebook account please let me know by sending me their email mail address and I'll send them the form they need or if they do not have access to a computer please let me know by sending me their name and mailing address and I will mail out the application form to them.

**CHAPTER MONTHLY STATUS REPORTS (cont'd from page 11)****Report: USS George Washington****Promoted to Petty Officer 3rd Class**

Josh McClullan

Kenny Mosses

Matthew Coots

Angela Spugnardi

Promoted to Prive First Class

Megan Shoaff

Briana Shoaff

Alexis Shoaff

Activities:

-We continue to organize our Chapter and continue to work on our publications that I hope to have a Handbook by our 3-4 month mark.

-Our Newsletter called the "FEDERALIST" should be out between our 3-4 month mark.

-Michael Timko completed the chapter website. The short url is <http://bit.ly/lw2yv7F>

-29 SFMC Courses completed and 4 SFA Courses completed

-We recruited 8 returning SFI members, 1 new member from the RI Unassigned, and 3 pending transfer from the USS Rodger Young

-2 members of our MSG participated with the USS Helen Pawlowski Marines with the monthly online gaming Modern Warfare that was held on July 12, 2014.

Comments:

May need assistance on getting the family of 3 from the USS Rodger Young transferred to the USS George Washington. A request to membership services is about 3-4 days old with no action.

Report: USS Helen Pawlowski

-collected a total of 47 Campbell Soup Labels for Education this month which will be added to our tally for the summer and be turned in when the new school year begins in mid-August

-8 members participated in our monthly online gaming session of Modern Warfare: Black Ops II which was held on 12 July. We had two members from the USS George Washington.

-collected and shipped 2 care packages overseas to servicemen deployed.

-working with the chapters two shuttles on chapter publication items

-recruited 16 over the past month, 7 remain while the other 9 joined the two

shuttles that we sponsored. We still have two families still deciding to join or not which would be a total of 9 more.

-Completed 28 SFA courses and 1 SFMCA Course during this reporting period

COMMENTS : Having to reorganize the chapter leadership and train and mentor newer members as the core experienced members begin to take on the challenges of organizing and launching of there own chapters. We have launched two chapters in June and we have two groups desiring to launch there own. Not sure of any rules to the number a chapter can support, but I am not sure if we could support them due to a newer command staff do not have the experience. The two groups are currently calling themselves the USS Panther and USS Gallifrey projects.

USS COLUMBUS: 25th Anniversary**By VADM Steve Harper**

On Saturday August 16, 2014 the USS Columbus celebrated her 25th Anniversary with a party at Hometown Buffet. There were awards given, small speeches and door prizes.

We were honored to have shared this milestone with Region One RC Ruth

Lane, Commanding Officer of the USS Arizona, the commanding officer and executive officer of the USS Ohio, commanding officer and executive officer of the USS Asgard, commanding officer of the USS Liberator, the RDC of Programing and an ambassador from the USS Renegade,

as well as a local independent ship and the owner of Starbase Columbus, a local sci-fi store where we normally hold our meetings.

Two of the original crew were also in attendance Ralph Winans III, the current commanding officer of the USS Asgard and



CO's in attendance: Ruth Lane, Steve Harper, Barbara Buffington, Melinda Coates, and Ralph Winans III



Captains of the Columbus: Steve Harper, Betty Downing, and Ralph Winans III

Marcia Carson who is still an active and valued member.

We have honored the past and now we celebrate the future of the USS Columbus, Region One and Starfleet International.

REGION ONE AWARDS DEPARTMENT

By RADM Pam Michaud



Awards Program activity from June 2014 to August 2014

Dearest Blood

Dennis Relyea - USS Alaric

Let Me Help

Vannah Swint - USS Indiana

Good Conduct 5+ years

Scott Osborne - USS Drakonia

Good Conduct 10+ years

Jan Sleigh - USS Drakonia

Following awards were awarded to USS Columbus members

Good Conduct 5+ years

FCapt Melinda Coates

POI Wyatt Cook

Good Conduct 10+ years

Capt Wesley Kincaid

Good Conduct 15+ years

FCapt Kyle Curry

RAdm J. Eric Davis

VAdm Darlene Harper

FCapt Kathlene Harper-Cook
FCapt Melinda Harper-Kincaid
Capt Krystal Harper-Kargas
VAdm Steve Harper
Meritorious Service Award

Sarah Kincaid
Morgan Harper
Wyatt Cook

Paul Kincaid

Let Me Help

Doug Price

Meritorious Unit Commendation

Final Frontier
Darlene Harper

Submitted Wade Larkin and Warren Price for the SFI Grankite Order of Tactics for their being co chairmans and planning and coordinating and putting on the RI 2014 Summit

Linked Starfleet awards on RI awards page to the new SFI DB Orders of Merit page

Submitted Annual Awards winners for inclusion on SFI CQ (done in May)

Added names of RI members who have completed OTS/OCC to the RI Awards site Scholastic Achievement

page

Lt jg Ashley Walker - USS Bellerophon - Legion of Honor - Dean's list Spring 2014 semester Western Carolina University

Paul G Dyl - USS Helen Pawlowski - Legion of Honor Honor roll 4th quarter 9th grade

Maxwell Michaud - USS Ronald E McNair - Legion of Honor- A honor roll all 4 semesters and awarded Presidential Academic Achievement Award signed by President Obama.

Submitted all three for SFI Order of Surak

I have been approached with an idea for a new annual award. The rough draft premise of the award would be for the most active participant in the RDC program. Each Program director gets to nominate one person. It has been sent to the awards committee of which the RC and RDC Program Director are members and to the RI VRC Programs. They agree to the changes to the awards manual. We will have more information on this award as soon as the details are all in place.

REGION ONE LOGOS & GRAPHICS DEPARTMENT

By FCAPT Carnell Eubanks

The Region One Logos and Graphics is available to help STARFLEET chapters with their art work needs.

We can help with new logos, artwork for flyers and business cards and other areas based on the volunteers at a given time.

If you have a talent and would like to volunteer your services please contact Fleet Captain Carnell Eubanks at dar-kon1@atlanticbb.net

We need artists who can draw starships, space stations, people, animals, blueprints or schematics.



If you are a model builder we can always use more photographs of starship models especially the rarer ships.

I look forward to hearing from you and hope we can be of assistance.

Fleet Captain Carnell Eubanks
RDC Region One Logos and Graphics

REGION ONE: MAKE IT SO!

By ADM E. Wade Larkin



Greetings fellow Region One members!

I think that much of the region is aware of the discussion that took place a few weeks ago, which dealt with splitting the region. While there was a good deal of disagreement, that post was one of the most responded to ever, at least as far as the R1 Facebook group goes. We had nearly 300 replies. Couple this with the recent R1 RC election, in which there was much discussion about the direction that the region should take in the future, and we have an opportunity to do something for the good of the region.

With that in mind, I have been given the temporary commission by the RC, Ruth Lane, to begin a discussion about what issues need improvement in R1 and come up with solutions for them. Matthew Miller will be joining me in this endeavor since he has already started a survey and has had a good deal of contact with the region's unassigned members as the R1 Recruiting Director.

What I have in mind is that on the Facebook Group, on the email lists or privately, we are going to open it up to take suggestions to improve on R1. However, when you make a suggestion, please be prepared to help work on the solution. You may suggest that we need a fresher website, for example. You may not know how to write

html code or create a website, but you can help by saying "we need starships flying by" or "it needs to be easy to navigate". Some ideas may take a team to implement or even to find an amicable solution, so we need for the region as a whole to be a part of everything we do.

The timeline for this project will be starting immediately by replying to this posting via Facebook or email, either public or in private. We'll gather suggestions until early-mid October, seeking out your ideas for solutions as we go along and then sometime in late October we will assemble teams as needed to tackle those problems that we are going to pursue. Hopefully we can be finished with plans by the end of the year and implement things as soon as possible.

One road we are NOT going to go down is the path of personal attacks. To be quite frank, I don't care how X did it when they were in charge and that Y doesn't do it that way now. Arguing and disagreements will solve nothing and get us nowhere. We are Region One and **WE ARE BETTER THAN THAT**. Oh, and we've already had our splitting the region discussion for this half-decade, so we don't need to go there again.

Having said that, nothing else is off

limits as far as suggesting improvements- constructively. No program is sacred. Just remember though, if you are going to point out improvement opportunities, be prepared to be a part of the solution. If you **DON'T** have any suggestions, then we'll have to figure that you are ok with the way things are. If you say that R1 is no longer the greatest region in Fleet, well, here's your chance to help make it so again, to paraphrase Captain Picard.

This is open to **EVERY** member of Region One from the newest Crewman Last Class to the most senior Admiral and **EVERY** suggestion will carry equal weight. If you are not comfortable discussing an idea in public, please feel free to email me privately at stonewalltn@charter.net or catch me on Facebook. Matthew and I will assemble every suggestion we get and start to work with folks to form teams to implement them. The RC and VRCs will be involved as will any affected program directors or staff members, and of course the final say in whether we tackle a problem or not rests with the RC, as it should.

What I am asking for 1000 people to do is to adopt the attitude that I see every year at summit- that of cooperation and fellowship. Impossible? Not in my mind. We'll be calling this effort "Project Make It So", because together we **CAN** make R1 better. We can make it so.

COUNSELOR CORPS

By RADM Barbara Lariscy



The Counselor Corps has been quiet as of late as my life has been a bit busy lately.

Now that I have slowed the rest of my life down a bit, I can devote more time to this job.

For those who do not know, the Counselor Corps is here to provide advice

and guidance when needed by command staffs or others within the region.

There is a Region One Counselors Facebook page and a yahoo group region one Counselors.

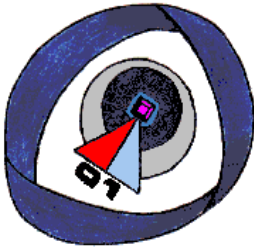
We haven't had much participation on these so please if you are a ship coun-

selor or want to represent your ship on these pages please subscribe. The more participation we have the better the results will be.

Please contact me at shadowkeeper56@aol.com if you have questions about the Counselor Corps.

REGION ONE SCIENCES REPORT

By VADM Richard Heim



Greetings Region One! Region One Sciences is going strong and I'm pleased to provide this report to Channel One.

Region One Sciences is here to provide a resource to R/I ships and other interested members to learn about science through ship science department activities and have fun while you're at it! We have a web resource where you can find information about our program, science articles, and even a Chief Science Officer Handbook. The url for R/I Sciences is: <http://bit.ly/InPhbxx>. Starfleet Sciences, of which I'm Director, also has a wealth of resources at your disposal, and they can be found online at: <http://bit.ly/InPhicF>

Region One Science Officers (and other interested members) are encouraged to subscribe to our listserve, which functions as our main communications mechanism. Instructions to do so can be found here: <http://bit.ly/lvE42PS>

R/I Chief Science Officers are also requested to send me a monthly summary of your science activities, discoveries of science news items, and science-related things you discuss, so that I receive them by around the 7th of each month. I'd be happy to hear from any member about science, besides just the CSOs! I can be reached by email at AlaricRH@charter.net or the old-fashioned way at: Richard Heim, P.O. Box 2072, Asheville, NC 28802.

One of the things I like to do is summarize science activities aboard R/I ships' science departments for my monthly reports to RDC Program Director, BGN Rey Cordero. It's great to see what science activities the region's ships are doing! But before I begin, I

wanted to mention that we are working through Starfleet Sciences to see if NASA is interested in pairing with STARFLEET to promote NASA programs and space exploration and education in general. Also, two crew members of the USS Alaric, Jennifer Hampton (with assistance from Ken Wheeler), are working with schools, museums, and others in the Asheville, NC area to promote science education among children. Lessons learned locally here through the Alaric's (Jennifer's) efforts will be provided for application across Region One and STARFLEET.

Following are excerpts from my April through August RDC reports to BGN Cordero:

Region One Summit: As R/I Science RDC, I presented Region One Sciences annual CSO awards at the Region One Summit to FCapt. Janet Wagoner (USS Ohio), Comm. Janice Graham (USS Renegade), Capt. Nancy Hall (USS Jurassic), and Capt. Lea Relyea (USS Alaric); both Janet and Janice reported 12 months out of 12 in 2013. As USS Alaric CO, I ran gaming with FCapt. Stephen Stott (XO USS Ronald E. McNair) (who provided Star Trek Attack Wing demo) and Lt. Emilee Dockery (USS Indiana) (who brought MB's Sub Search, MB's Electronic Battleship: Advanced Mission, Star Trek: The Game, and Battlestar Gallactica).

My Region One Sciences ARDC (Assistant Regional Division Chief) for many years, Brigadier Dennis Relyea, passed away in June after a heroic fight against cancer. Our thoughts and hearts go out to him and Lea, his wife. With his passing, we have suffered a great loss. I posted to several regional and STARFLEET lists an email soliciting applicants for the position of ARDC:

With the passing of Brigadier Dennis Relyea, the position of Assistant Regional Division Chief (ARDC) for Sciences in Region One is now open. I will be accepting applications until September 26, 2014. Please submit

your application to RDC Richard Heim, P.O. Box 2072, Asheville, NC 28802 or via email to me at AlaricRH@charter.net. With your application, please include your STARFLEET resume, your real-life resume, and a paragraph explaining why you want the position and what you would like to accomplish as Region One Sciences ARDC. You don't need to be a Science Officer aboard your ship to qualify, although that would help, but you do need to be a STARFLEET Region One member. I'm looking forward to hearing from you!

Duties: To serve as a representative for the R/I Science RDC at events and meetings the RDC is not able to attend. Provide valuable consultation and advice to the RDC, as needed. To lead various projects, such as the compilation of scientific and technological applications and developments presaged in the Star Trek TV shows, and helping keep the Region One Sciences web pages up-to-date and current, and others as requested. Additional duties may be determined pending the applicant's response to the request to include "a paragraph explaining why you want the position and what you would like to accomplish as Region One Sciences ARDC".

Lt. Sherriea Williams, of the science vessel USS Tycho, initiated contact with NASA project director, Sarah Ramsey, who expressed interest in exploring a relationship with STARFLEET to promote NASA programs and science education. RDC Science Director Richard Heim, as Starfleet Sciences Director, is following up with Ms. Ramsey. (May): Lt. Williams continued conversations with Dr. Ramsey, who expressed interest in exploring a relationship with STARFLEET to promote NASA programs and science education. Sherriea noted that the NASA program seeks to "encourage non-government and non-military people to become active in sharing ideas that we the general public have to assist the space program. Many of her contests have cash awards, for those members interested

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in real challenges.” In Sherriea’s discussions with Dr. Ramsey, the following ideas have been suggested: “ask our (STARFLEET) ships in all regions to initiate contests challenging all crews to solve living in space problems. The winners would receive certificates from her NASA office. Better ideas on any topic are much welcomed – from robots and asteroid observations -- to better methods for eating, bathing and bathroom technologies ... these are a few problems that come to mind.” I (Richard Heim) think this is an excellent idea and seek input from ships across Region One (and across STARFLEET). (July): Sherriea provided information about the NASA CubeSats project. The CubeSat Launch initiative (CSLI) provides opportunities for small satellite payloads to fly on rockets planned for upcoming launches. The CubeSats are flown as auxiliary payloads on previously planned missions.

Adm. Willy Smith, Chief Science Officer of the USS Heimdal, reported that the April meeting was the ship’s 30th Anniversary Celebration held at The Lounge in the Holiday Inn Downtown Lynchburg, Virginia. 64 people attended the buffet dinner, evening of videos & dancing to the Rain Stewards Band. Guests were greeted by a life-size Guardian of Forever, complete with blinking / fading lights, & had their photos taken in front of it or in some cases actually leaping through it. Each guest also received a gift bag filled with goofy stuff that brought the house down. Following dinner Willy Smith & Karen Delano gave a Video Presentation, which included a 30 Year Heimdal Retrospective followed by last year’s Anniversary Video & this year’s anniversary video, which has been entered in the Summit Video Contest in May. The videos were a huge hit & trophies were presented to Karen & Willy by newly-promoted Admiral, XO Kenny Proehl, for their hard work & great result on the videos. When guests arrived they were asked to make a guess how many aliens, stars & moons were in a jar. Willy Smith’s sister won the prize guessing just 1 more than was in the jar. 5 other tickets were drawn for door prizes, which were Star Trek mugs from Café

Press. The Heimdal’s recipient of our 2014 Space Camp Scholarship was chosen – a 13 year old girl. All arrangements for her trip in June have been made. Our Space Camp Committee met & read the essay entries on April 5. Adm. Smith reported that at the May meeting, “Our guest speaker was Elizabeth Narehood from Future Focus, a local program that brings science & technology to grades K through 12 with an emphasis on robotics. She gave a presentation of slides & videos featuring Future Focus & robotics. She brought a working robot with her & after her presentation & a Q & A session, she let everyone manipulate the robot around the library meeting room. She had handouts & everyone enjoyed her presentation, especially the ‘hands on’ time with the robot. Hopefully this S.T.E.M. (science, technology, engineering, and math) activity will be in Virginia schools as an elective such as Shop or Home Eco. It will enrich the lives of many kids with science and technology. Fascinating! Check out <http://bit.ly/lu8warz> for a cool video put on by students explaining their work (something each team MUST do).” Willy also reported that, “this past April, the Heimdal had one of its junior members involved in a Lego based project on ways to prepare, stay safe, and rebuild after a disaster (<http://bit.ly/lw0vvpP>). 23 members attended this REALLY interesting meeting and Linda will have her on her TV show soon ... so it’s not over yet!” For the July meeting, Willy reported that, “July meeting guest speaker was Dr. Brian Nerrie, Aquaculture Specialist from Virginia State University. He told us all about aquaculture & included how NASA plans to use it on future deep space, extended missions. He brought a Power Point presentation & had a Q & A session following his presentation. Many thanks to Heimdal member, Paul Campbell for contacting Dr. Nerrie to be our meeting speaker.” Admiral Smith also noted that, following the speaker, they had a longer than usual business meeting while they finalized everything for their Annual Charity Auction on August 16. “We will not have an August meeting – the auction will take its place. ...

Members Glenda Blanks & Dennis Henderson will be guests taping the ‘Lynchburg Live’ TV talk show on July 23 discussing the auction, the Heimdal & STARFLEET.” Other activities reported by Willy: “Will be taking our Annual Houseboat Trip on Smith Mountain Lake on July 26 with members, Kathy & Larry Whately. We will be having a Pool Party & Picnic on August 23 just to relax the weekend after the auction. Sixteen Heimdal members spent the July 4th holiday on Timberlake with members Peter & Beth Hopkins. Everyone had a great time at the picnic, swimming, relaxing & watching the fireworks on the lake after dark.”

USS Renegade Chief Science Officer, Commodore Janice Graham, reported that “I will be participating in Earth Fest 2014 at Penn State Shenango in Sharon, PA on April 12th. It’s free to the public, lots of activities and Earth-friendly information. I will have only natural fiber to spin and things made with natural fibers such as cotton and wool, and will be doing a hand-spinning demonstration.” In May, Comm. Graham reported that she participated in Earth Fest 2014 at Penn State Shenango in Sharon, PA on April 12th. Janice added that “the Renegade is honored to add Dr. Michio Kaku to our roster as an Honorary Member.” Comm. Graham reported on a website (<http://www.lumosity.com/>) that has scientifically designed tests (disguised as games) that exercise your brain. She heard about it on TV, “and I tried it last night. It’s fun and challenging.” (July): Janice wrote a tribute to the late Dennis Relyea, who served as Alaric CSO and R/I Sciences ARDC for many years. The tribute was a fictional episode of the Alien Ambassador Corps in which she wrote his character’s passing as a hero.

FCapt. Janet Wagoner, CSO of the USS Ohio, related that “this winter has not been kind on our ship’s meeting and activities. We did brave the cold/wind in downtown Akron for the St Patrick’s Day Parade. Afterwards, we had lunch at The Ido. At our last

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meeting, we discussed upcoming activities for the summer – trip to the zoo, Hale Homestead, activities with the Cleveland and Akron Metro parks and the Cuyahoga Valley train.” FCapt. Wagoner noted that the ship went on an away mission to the Akron Zoo, June 18. Last month the zoo welcomed a pair of snow leopard cubs which will be on display in July. In the August report, Janet reported on the ship’s away mission to the Akron Zoo to visit the baby Snow Leopard cubs: “They were on display just two hours a day.” Janet added that the ship had a Sharknado party. “We watched both movies back to back. The ship has several away trips planned for August.”

USS Jurassic Chief Science Officer Captain Nancy Hall noted that she is the new director of the College of Physics under the Institute of Science and Technology. Nancy also reported that “Annette, Dawn, Nancy and Bruni got together for a coupon cutting party. Diane attended a ‘Change the World’ Leadership Conference. Phil and Tracie are getting excited about the new season for the Cleveland Indians baseball team and will start looking at organizing an away team mission for the Science Department to go to the ballpark to see a game. Cadet Carol continues to excel in her studies at the Academy. She is also getting ready for the Academy Golf season which is about to start.” (May): Captain Hall noted that things have been quiet for most of the folks in Science Department aboard the USS Jurassic. Nancy took one class from the Academy called PSS-102 Emergency Preparedness 2: Natural Disasters from the College of Survival Studies and passed with Distinction. However, Lt. Annette Wood went on shore leave in April and has the following report: “I went on shore leave to San Francisco and San Diego CA to visit family. While there we drove across the Golden Gate Bridge, scenes to many adventures in the Star Trek universe including Star Trek IV: The Voyage home where Admiral James T. Kirk, Spock and several other officers warps around the sun to travel back to the Earth year 1986. They were flying a Klingon Bird Of Prey they had cap-

tured, HMS Bounty, that nearly crashed into the bridge. I also flew on board a sea plane with my son Rusty and visited the Natural History museum in Golden Gate Park. In San Diego, I visited San Diego Zoo Safari Park and ziplined down the hill with my niece Christine and Christine’s son Padrig. Overall it was a great trip and I had lots of fun!” (June): Nancy noted that Annette and Nancy went to the Dayton Hamvention (the largest amateur radio convention in Ohio) on May 17-18. “We met a lot of ladies from the Young Ladies Radio League (YLRL) and helped staff the YLRL table. Nancy bought a new handheld, an ICOM IC-92AD that has DSTAR. DSTAR is a mode that allows you to communicate to people across states or countries via amateur radio utilizing the internet. Annette, Bruni, Dawn, Phil, Carol and Nancy met up for the NASA’s Glenn Tabletop Gamers Organization annual picnic on May 30. It was a nice day and the picnic was potluck with hamburgers and brats as the main meal. Carol is looking forward to the end of the Academy year and Diane was back at the Academy giving a workshop to educators on Model Teaching which involves teaching engineering and science instruction modeling for 5th grade teachers. Bruni used her skill as a Botanist to help Nancy with planting new shrubs in her garden and make sure there was mulch there to stop the weeds. Phil and Tracie are looking at dates for members of the Science Department to have an away mission to see the Cleveland Indians Game. Nancy is slowly updating the Jurassic site with updates suggested by the skipper.” (July): Capt. Hall reported on shore leave activities of Science Department members (visiting family). One shore leave included Nancy and Carol, who went to Florida to visit family and, while there, visited the historical city of St. Augustine, the oldest settlement in the United States. Nancy received a grade of Honors in the Vulcan Academy of Science course VAS 104 - Specialist I in Musicology. (August): Nancy reported on activities of Science Department members: “Cadet Carol earned her technician class amateur radio callsign. Her call is

KD8ZEH. Annette is hoping to upgrade her license so has started studying for the general exam. Annette, Bruni, Carol and Nancy went to a Lake Erie Crushers baseball game and had a lot of fun. Annette continues to cut coupons with her friend Eva. Phil and Nancy attended the monthly NASA Glenn Tabletop board gaming event and played several new games.”

Aboard the USS Alaric, Fortean Research Dept. Chief, Capt. Lea Relyea, reported on the condition of husband Dennis Relyea, the Alaric’s CSO. Even struggling with cancer, Brig-Gen. Relyea was able to complete and receive his Woodbadge Beads, an 18-month feat that he finished in less than a year. Lea noted that “the cancer has spread into his lungs now; he is doing palliative chemo which he is handling well.” As reported by Planetary Sciences Dept. Chief, VAdm. Richard Heim, the Alaric held a movie night on March 22 at which the crew watched Shaun of the Dead and Hot Fuzz. The March 15 regular monthly meeting of the U.S.S. Alaric was held at the South Buncombe Branch Library meeting room. The meeting began with regular officer reports and reports on the Alaric’s new SFA Education Department, and continued with discussion of upcoming activities, including the Alaric recruiting tables at the May 10 Space Day event at Roper Mountain Science Center and the June 7-8 GeekOut mini-convention in Asheville (volunteers to man the tables were solicited); support of a July 26 MSG run was also discussed. Science education reports included: the ISS testing of new robots that function in gravity and non-gravity environments, 24-hour cars racing hybrid, and the U.S. House of Representatives wants NASA to conduct a Mars flyby mission in 2021. The Fandom Report discussed the upcoming Star Trek 3 movie and speculation on the future of SF TV shows Almost Human, Intelligence, and Marvel’s Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. The April 12 regular monthly meeting was combined with the Alaric’s Over 40 Party (to celebrate the ship recently breaking the threshold of having 40 members) and a mod-

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el rocket launch of the Saturn Rocketry Club. The meeting was held at the residence of a Saturn Rocketry Club member and included an outdoor picnic. At the business meeting, regular officer reports were made, status of club projects was discussed, and the Alaric Council voted to upgrade the ship to a Prometheus Class Multi-Vector Advanced Escort. Science education reports included: 1) the recent discovery of a massive meteor impact 3.26 billion years ago, larger than the dinosaur-killing Chicxulub meteor (probably a Rhode-Island-size meteor), which created a crater 300 miles across, and 2) online scanning and skimming rewires peoples' brains to the point where it is hard for them to read comprehensively ("It's like your eyes are passing over the words but you're not taking in what they say," Claire Handscombe confessed. Humans, warn cognitive neuroscientists, seem to be developing digital brains with new circuits for skimming through the torrent of information online; this alternative way of reading is competing with traditional deep reading circuitry developed over several millennia.). A staff meeting was held April 19 during which upcoming projects and activities were discussed. The Alaric had a recruiting table at the Roper Mountain Science Center's May 10 Space Day event. Six members participated, with several of us able to talk one-on-one with the guest speaker, NASA Ambassador Alan Rich, and meteorite collector Mike Parker (who shared his meteorite collection with attendees). Alan's powerpoint presentation, "Eyes on Exoplanets", was especially fascinating! This is the third year the RMSC has asked us to set up a recruiting table at their Space Day event. The USS Alaric lost her CSO, Brigadier Dennis Relyea, to cancer in early June. CO Richard Heim is now serving as CSO. The Alaric sent a contingent to the Region One Summit May 16-18 in Pigeon Forge, TN, where the ship ran Summit gaming with assistance from two other ships. The May 24 regular monthly meeting of the USS Alaric was held at the South Buncombe Branch Library meeting room. The meeting began with regular officer reports and discussion of upcoming activities. It was proposed that

the USS Alaric handbook be revised to reflect that one promotion point will be awarded for every three items brought in for donation to one of the Alaric charities and that the number of points possible to earn will be unlimited; the proposal passed unanimously. The science education report included discussion of the new Martian probe, Insight, to be launched in 2016, the "Qualcomm Tricorder X Prize" contest, and solar roadways. Insight will be stationary and pierce the surface to investigate how Earth-like planets develop their layered inner structure of core, mantle and crust. The \$10 million "Qualcomm Tricorder X Prize" contest is to develop a medical tricorder that can monitor, at a minimum, these medical problems: anemia, type 2 diabetes, pneumonia, TB and the early signs of stroke. Videos and pictures from the Space Day event and from the Region One Summit were also shared, and upcoming fandom news was reported. A movie night was held May 24 after the regular monthly meeting; the movies seen included The World's End and Hunger Games/Catching Fire. The Alaric had a recruiting table at the local Geek Out convention June 7-8. The USS Alaric held a movie night June 14 which was part 4 of the 2000s SF TV theme, with episodes of Smallville (X-Ray), Crusade (The Well of Forever), Eureka (Maneater), and Star Trek Enterprise (In a Mirror Darkly, Parts 1 & 2) shown. The June 21 regular monthly meeting was held at the South Buncombe Branch Library meeting room. The meeting began with regular officer reports and discussion of upcoming activities. The science education report included discussion of the upcoming December test of NASA's Orion spacecraft and the proposed Europa Clipper Mission to determine the potential habitability of the Jupiter ocean moon. After the monthly meeting several members engaged in a game of tennis at a nearby tennis court. Another movie night was held July 5, with Independence Day, Demolition Man, and the Lolani episode of Star Trek Continues shown; an awesome fireworks extravaganza capped the evening! The Alaric had an away mission to the Pink Beds Picnic and Hiking

area on July 13. The July 19 regular monthly meeting was held at the South Buncombe Branch Library meeting room. Prior to the business meeting, a photographer from Bold Life Magazine snapped pictures of Alaric crew in uniform for an article on the club, which will be printed later this summer. The business meeting began with regular officer reports and discussion of upcoming activities. The science education report included discussion of the Rosetta probe and testimony about the future of space exploration. From Ken: The Rosetta probe took pictures of Comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko on July 14. Ken shared pictures of the comet, which is made of two pieces. There is speculation on how two-piece (contact binary) comets form. Observation of Comet 67P could help scientists understand the formation of contact binary comets. Rosetta will rendezvous with the comet on August 6 and remain to observe until November. Richard shared an article from the June 3 EOS magazine about testimony given to Congress about the future of space exploration and the possibility of discovery of life both in our solar system and in the larger universe. The meeting concluded with a lively discussion of various SF movies and TV shows, including JMS's aborted plans to remake The Forbidden Planet as a trilogy (I feel like it would have been a masterpiece!). The Alaric held a movie night August 9. The theme was 1950s science-fiction movies and TV, with two movies (The Forbidden Planet and War of the Worlds) and four TV episodes (Here Comes Tobor: Tobor and the Atomic Submarine, Radar Men From the Moon: Moon Rocket, One Step Beyond: The Sorcerer, and The Adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle and Friends: Jet Fuel Formula) shown. Following the shows was a discussion of 1950s culture and cinematic technology and how they differ from today.

REMEMBERING DENNIS RELYEA

By LTC Matthew Miller



BGN Dennis Relyea was a great man and one of the finest Starfleet Marines in the First Brigade and the SFMC as a whole. He held many positions of trust at all levels of Starfleet, some of which were: 1) he was the First Brigades Deputy Officer in Charge, 2) R1 Sciences Assistant RDC, 3) the USS Alaric's Chief of Staff, 4) a former CO of the Alaric, Science Officer and 5) Officer in Charge of the 102nd MSG.



Dennis "Quirk" Relyea receiving an award at the R1 Summit in 2012

When I first joined Starfleet and became a Marine he reached out to me like any good leader would. I was his DOIC for two years and even as his health declined he never stayed out of involvement with our unit. Dennis over his 14 year Starfleet career was always at the Region One Summit and known by many as a Ferengi and a friend.

I first met Dennis at my very first regional summit. I recall that he was dressed as a Ferengi and when I asked him who he was he smiled that Ferengi smile and said "Quark!"

— James Cecil

Over the years, Dennis earned the following honors as a member of the STARFLEET Marine Corps:



Sword of Valor, Brigade Service Commendation (x3), Brigade Achievement Award, Meritorious Unit Citation (x5), Marine Honor Guard, Good Conduct Medal, SFMC Anniversary Ribbon, Brigade Muster Award (x5), Embassy Duty (x4), Professional Development Award, Medical Proficiency Award, & Initial Entry Training Award.

I just wanted to take a moment to thank Dennis and tell his family how much we appreciate everything he has done and the man he was.

Thank you for taking time to read this,

1st BRIGADE REPORT

By COL TJ Allen



The International Muster was this past August the First Brigade had some award winners. Brian Chappell won the Star of Honor which is given out to the Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year. Congratulations Brian! Other awards won by First Brigade members include:

STARFLEET Cross

TJ Allen
Brian Chappell
Barry Jackson
Hayden Segel
Peter Yohe

SFMC Service Commendation

Jill Rayburn
Julie Rickard

SFMC Achievement

TJ Allen
Peter Yohe

Student of the Year

Paul Dyl

Team Delta

Paul Dyl

STREAMERS

COFINCOM - 131st MSG
SFMCA AR - 176th MSG
SFMCA IN - 120th MSG
SFMCA SU - 163rd MSG
Reporting - First Brigade

OIC's, if you would like to see your marines honored in the First Brigade or the SFMC next year, then please make sure your reports are as com-

plete as possible. Every little detail counts and sometimes those little details will decide who gets an award.

With the Musters now behind us, its time to start thinking about the next year. It should be noted that we had no top finishers in the Reading Challenge this year... this is something we can work.

Looking back at the streamers, last year we won a reporting streamer, but during our most recent reporting period, we had 20 out of 23 units report with 7 of those reporting well after the deadline. This is not a good way to start out. During the October 2014

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reporting period I would like to see 23 out of 23 units report in on time.

We also have some numbers to report. The first is 189. That is the total number of marines in the First Brigade. We have 109 Active marines and 80 Reserve marines. The next number is six. During this reporting period we in the process of activating six new strike groups in the 3rd Battalion. They are:

117th MSG: Reapers

119th MSG: Assassins

121st MSG: Black Panthers

122nd MSG: Time Lords

129th MSG: Hoplites

130th MSG: Knights Templar

In August, we also had a pair of Flag Level promotions. Brigadier Generals Barry Jackson & Michael Timko

were promoted to the rank of Major General. Congratulations Michael!

Well, thats all I have for this month.

—
BDR TJ Allen

1st BRIGADE UNIT OIC REPORTS



****120th UNIT REPORT DATA****

Unit Information

Unit OIC: ILT Douglas Kirk

Unit DOIC: CPL Paul G Dyl

Battalion: 3rd

Branch: Infantry

Nickname: Temporal Guardians

Motto: Protecting the past is our future

Roster:

13 Marines (4 Active / 9 Reserve)

Unit activities:

-Helped chapter in collecting 42 Campbell Soup Labels for Education during Jun/July

-Helped the chapter collect items for care packages for Soldiers deployed overseas with a total of 2 boxes for Jun/Jul.

-Conduct two sessions of gaming; Modern Warfare: Black Ops II with 8 members participating, 2 from the 129th MSG also participated

-4 SFMCA course and 39 SFA courses completed during Jun/Jul

-4 Marines Participated in the SFMC Reading Challenge



****130th UNIT REPORT DATA****

Unit Information

Unit OIC: MGN Michael Timko

Unit DOIC: BDR Chris Bayonet

Battalion: 3rd

Branch: Aerospace

Nickname: Knights Templar

Motto:

Roster:

28 Marines (18 Active / 10 Reserve)

Unit activities:

-Marines of 130th took 54 SFMCA courses and 8 SFA courses completed during the months of June / July

-The chapter website is now complete. The short url is <http://bit.ly/lw2yv7F>

-2 members of our MSG participated with the USS Helen Pawlowski Marines participated in an online gaming session of Call of Duty: Modern Warfare that was held on July 12, 2014.

They also played during the month of June. Regular matches will occur monthly

-Mike Timko / Terri Leavitt recycle paper, plastic, aluminum & glass. In June they recycled 31.6 pounds & in July they recycled 71.0 pounds

-Mike Timko & Terri Leavitt participate in ink jet cartridge recycling for Pet Smart charities. The recycling agency pays Pet Smart charities \$2 per recycled cartridge. In June they sent in 4 used cartridges and in July they sent in 8 used cartridges.

-Mike Timko participated in SETI@Home the past 2 months.

-Mike Timko participated in Galaxy Zoo astronomical cataloging the past 2 months.

-1 Marine Participated in the SFMC Reading Challenge

-For the next reporting period, the unit recruited 2 new marines.

Would you like to see your unit report printed here? If so, then just send it to michaelj.timko@gmail.com with the subject line of Channel One Submission.

—
Michael Timko
Editor, Channel One



USS Heimdal Charity Auction Brings in \$3442 for Space Camp

By ADM Linda Smith

On August 16, 2014 the USS Heimdal, based in Madison Heights, VA, Region One, held her 9th Annual Charity Auction as a public event. Sixty-five people attended the auction held at the Holiday Inn Downtown in Lynchburg, VA.



Auctioneer, Carl Davis - photographer Beth Hopkins

This year's Annual Charity Auction brought in \$3442.00 that will fund the chapter's support of 10 local charities and will send another local middle school student to NASA's Space Camp in 2015.

Heimdal members began canvassing local merchants, businesses and restaurants in March for donations and by auction time had accumulated 298 auction items. 104 gift certificates were among those items; favorites of many auction guests.

Each person attending the auction received a guest packet that included a bidding number, a pen, several pieces of candy, small items like Advantage Cards and coupons, plus a note pad and a Heimdal recruiting flyer. This year's packets also included ...just for fun ...a mustache lip whistle and a colorful blow-out.

For the third year in a row, Kroger donated a \$100 gift card to randomly include in an individual Guest Packet. Sheetz also donated 2 \$10 gift cards and one \$30 gift card to add to 3 more of the Guest Packets ...to the absolute delight of the guests who got those special packets when they signed in at the Welcome Table.

The week prior to the auction, the Heimdal's Bag & Tag Team met at the local library to bag, tag and input all auction items into the computer. The items were boxed according to number

and placed in our Security Chief's van in the order in which they would be auctioned. On auction day, the items were removed from the van and easily set up in the sequence in which they would be auctioned.

Glenda Blanks and Dennis Henderson were guests on the local TV talk show, "Lynchburg Live" discussing the auction prior to the event. CO Linda Smith did a radio interview and she and Glenda Blanks were interviewed by the local newspaper. The paper did a full, front page article on the Heimdal and the auction. All area newspapers carried a blurb about the auction the week before the event and WSET TV came out the day of the auction, interviewed Linda and did a video of the actual auction in progress. The clip was shown on both the 6 O'clock and 11 O'clock News.

27 Heimdal members were present on auction day to act as security, host the Welcome Table, sell tickets for the auction's door prizes and 50/50 raffle, sell chapter cookbooks and set up the auction. The Welcome Table was manned by Beth Hopkins, who was also the auction photographer, Annette Overstreet & Janice Lawson. Dan Blanks, Glenda Blanks and Martha Stimpson sold chapter cookbooks and passed out free coupon booklets and backpacks to each



Linda Smith coordinating everything - photographer Willy Smith

guest. Security was maintained by Daryl Gooch, Peter Hopkins and Scott Capley. Tammy White, Robin Hudson and Jennifer Whitten were in charge of door prizes and the 50/50 Raffle, which brought in the most money to date.



Runners Chuck Rayburn, Annette Overstreet, & Doug Carroll taking items to those who won them - photographer Beth Hopkins

Security Chief, Carl Davis was auctioneer the 9th year in a row, with Bonnie Davis, who is also Carl's wife, coordinating auction set-up. Members Kathy Whately, Annette Overstreet, Doug Carroll and Chuck Rayburn acted as "runners," delivering auction items to the guests who purchased them. Karen Delano and Bonnie Davis computer tracked auction purchases, Willy Smith and Brett Witcher tracked purchases, and Kenny Proehl and Karen Delano accepted payment from guests at the end of the auction.

After a much-deserved break, in December the Heimdal crew will begin work on the 2015

Charity Auction. Canvassing will begin in March.

A special THANK YOU to all Heimdal members who worked so hard to make this year's Annual Charity Auction the most successful yet.

During the final hectic two weeks leading up to this year's auction, Chief Science Officer, Willy Smith remarked, "**Nobody can IMAGINE how much work goes into these auctions.**" Well, all 50 Heimdal members can and every one of them knows it's worth it to be such a helping presence in our community.

GIVING STARFLEET THE BIRD

By BDR Justin Donovan



Well....not quite....but here is a snippet from an article I plan to submit to the CQ's next issue....it may be a great place to start....or even continue....

At this year's International Conference in Rockford, Illinois, I was reminded that when an idea strikes, STARFLEET usually makes it work – especially when charity is involved.

Any charity exists only as long as there are donations supporting it. STARFLEET's primary and self-created charity, the STARFLEET Scholarship Fund, is no different. It, and the students that it supports, are one of our greatest legacies. While sitting with friends on the Friday of the International Conference celebrating STARFLEET's 40th year, I envisioned a way that all members and chapters could potentially raise money to keep our scholarships active and healthy. It all hinged on the smallest, most insignificant, of things – pennies.

We all have pennies. They're, at best, the major component of any person's 'change jar.' You know what I'm talking about – that old jar, cup, bowl, where you dump spare change. And even in the electronic money age – we ALL have change. But what if we could turn that change into a positive change – a contribution to the STARFLEET Scholarship Fund?

It is probably more fortuitous that it is currently school supply shopping season. So, here I am, with a few willing volunteers (we all know who they are) scouring Wal-Mart for the props needed to make this idea a reality. Six pencil boxes, some stickers for decoration, a clear plastic tub in the shape of a bear filled with animal cookies, and a pink owl piggy bank later – a fundraiser was created. Now it just had to be tested.

Thanks to the graciousness of the hosts of the 2014 International Conference and our own Commander, STARFLEET, the idea was given an introduction at General Session. The concept was simple. The pencil boxes would be placed in each

of the panel rooms for people to throw their spare change into. At closing ceremonies the change would be counted. 100% of the money collected would go to the STARFLEET Scholarship Fund. Easy.

I didn't even make it back to my seat at General Session before the change started coming in. Throughout the panels on Saturday afternoon, a lovely assistant, Commodore Michelle Westfall of the ISS Katana (R12), checked from room to room on small pink pencil boxes since I was pinch hitting as AV guru for 3 panels. Were there pennies? Yes. But there was more. Nickels, dimes, quarters and even dollar bills began to fill the boxes. What's more, while walk-



ing around the IC carrying the newly introduced pink owl piggy bank, now named 'Penny', members of STARFLEET began putting in fives, tens, and to my complete surprise, twenties. I was stunned. But that wasn't all. While taking a break outside the hotel with 'Penny', I was approached by total non-STARFLEET strangers who naturally asked what a grown man (6'3" and north of 240) was doing carrying a pink owl piggy bank. I told them we were raising money for a scholarship program, and do

you know what happened? Total strangers pulled change from their pockets to "feed Penny."

At the end of the panels, what had been collected was tallied. In just a few short hours we already had almost \$60 for the

STARFLEET Scholarship Fund; and 'Penny' was just getting started. While sitting on our table at the Admiral's Banquet she got filled even more. Everything from pennies to twenties went in. It was incredible! And that's one of the things I have always loved most about STARFLEET. Give the members of this organization a chance, and they will make miracles happen.

The next morning at Closing Session, 'Lane' joined the party. The giant plastic bear now empty of its animal crackers, became the tally jar for the donations. While 'Penny' made a final 'flight' around the room of Closing Session, all of the pencil boxes were emptied one by one into 'Lane.' Then, 'Penny' was also emptied of everything that had been collected. Thanks again to Michael Garcia, our Vice Chief of Communications, for taking the bear around the room to get a few more donations before the counting started.

At the end of General Session, there was a total. \$202.91, of which there were 331 pennies, had been collected. Pennies. That's where it started, but it wasn't done. During the whole thing, two STARFLEET chapters, Retribution Station (R3) and ISS Katana (R12), had pledged to match whatever 'Penny' had collected. So, in a little over 24 hours at the 2014 International Conference, an idea that started while sitting with some of my fellow STARFLEET members, resulted in a total of \$608.73 being raised for the STARFLEET Scholarship Fund.

'Penny' and I are on our way home, very happy knowing that 'feeding Penny' isn't over – it's only the beginning. She's spawned a movement....she's inspired conversation....she's created ideas....some powerful things....from the smallest seeds... Please... STARFLEET... Let's keep Penny flying high... And let's keep our scholarships soaring...

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We are also known as First Fleet and we are the largest region of STARFLEET by members and total chapters.

First Fleet is composed of 8 states which are: Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Our region has 48 chapter and just over 1000 members to date. Some of these chapters hold face to face meetings while other choose to conduct their business via the internet, email, social media, and smartphones.

A complete list of chapters can be found at the regional website which is located at <http://www.regionone.net/R1>. Click the chapter button and the list will populate.

If you find a chapter you like, but are unsure how to join, then please contact our Regional Coordinator at R1RC@regionone.net and they will be more than happy to assist you in making contact that chapter.