Region One The First Fleet



Jan/Feb 2017 Newsletter



Happy New Year, everyone!

Since this is the first issue of the New Year, and it's a tradition to make resolutions around this time, I'd like to take the liberty of suggesting a resolution for your consideration.

My "recommendation" for a New Years Resolution is that we all, myself included, resolve to get more involved. Now, when I say "more involved", I'm referring not only to getting involved with our wonderful programs here in Region One, (which I wholeheartedly recommend that you do <grin>) I'm also speaking of getting more out of your fan experience by finding ways to become more involved in your chapter's activities and regional events.

As STARFLEET members, we all have opportunities to get involved. Volunteer to help put together your chapter's newsletter or organize a fund-raiser for the Scholarship or Space Camp Programs. Become a Department head on your ship or organize a "sewing circle" to help fellow members with their uniforms or costumes. You can take point and lead a STARFLEET Marine group in a Habitat for Humanity home building project or lead your Special Ops team in a canned food drive for your local food bank. There are a multitude of ways that you can become more involved, and each offers a sense of satisfaction and accomplishment that will only enhance your STARFLEET experience!

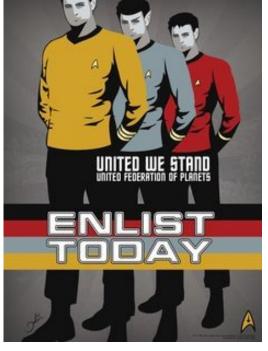
I invite all of you to consider making this one of your New Years resolutions; you'll be glad that you did!

Rear Admiral Scott Gibson

Vice Regional Coordinator

Program Operations

Region One



Special points of interest:

- Department News
- RI Awards Program
- Chapter Happenings
- Feature Article

Embracing IDIC: How to Channel Your Inner Geek/ Nerd!

News from the Region 1 <u>Staff Departments</u>



With the start of a brand new year what are your plans, hopes and dreams for the region?

Let us know if you have any ideas, is there something you would like us to do. Remember no idea is a bad idea just send it to us so they can be looked at and discussed.

If you are planning an away trip let us know so they can be announced. Traveling in the region stop in and visit a meeting chapter. Anniversary party or outing coming up let us know. There are many places to visit in our region why wait for the summit to get together. Lets come together and show everyone why we are Region One.

Admiral Darlene Harper

Senior VRC

Greetings Region One from the desk of your Region Historian. I would like to time to update the region on the progress of the historian office. To be honest I have to tell you that not much progress has been made. There is a good chance that I may need to inquire more chapter information. I would like to get chapters history to add to the website. I will be adding a picture page for pictures and videos of the region. If you have pictures I would like to add them. Just email them to me. I will be adding new information to the historian web site in the near future. Anyway, that is a short update.

Admiral Warren Price, CO, USS Providence NCC-71796

R1 Historian http://sites.beyondweb.com/r1-historian/,

E-Mail wormmy at aeneas.net

R1 Relief Fund





R1 RELIEF FUND

I had wanted to get this out earlier but personal issues have kept me busy. It has 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, 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 full guidelines for the relief fund can be found on the Region One website. Just go the R1 website and click on the link on the left side named GUIDELINES. Then click on REGIONAL RELIEF PROGRAM.

I will be creating an application form and a donations form. Details still need to be worked out but anyone donating \$10 or more will receive a bumper sticker (design to be determined).

How to apply for the application form for R1 Relief Fund assistance can be obtained through the R1 Relief Fund office by emailing me directly at wormmy@aeneas.net. I do plan on having these two documents added to the R1 website, when they become available, so that members can download them as they need them and do plan on posting them on the two R1 Facebook group pages.

I still have some work to finalize on the program but I wanted to get this communication out to the region. Any question or comments please let me know. Thanks

That is it for now folks!

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The holidays are such a busy time and the first of the year we need to be sending in nominations for annual awards due that the space camp committee have decided to extend the deadline for nominating a child for space camp to March 15, 2017. If you do not have the information you need to nominate a child contact us we will be pleased to supply the information.

The child does not have to be a member of Region One, but their a parent, grandparent or guardian must be a member of a Region One ship. This means you don't have to physically live in the region just belong to a ship located in Region One.

The scholarship does not cover travel expenses to space camp it only covers the stay at camp.

This is a great opportunity for a child to learn, have fun and build a love for exploration.

Admiral Darlene Harper

Space Camp Committee

USS Columbus





Awards

Region 1 Awards <u>Information</u>

It's that time of the year again. Deadline for Region One 2016 Annual Awards is fast approaching. The Deadline is 31 January 2017.

Submissions may be done here http://r1awardforms.webs.com/

Awards Manual can be found here https://sites.google.com/site/sfir1awards/

I have five judges lined up for the Chapter and individual annual awards categories.

Judges are already looking at the Region One chapter and program websites.

Chapters are encouraged to submit their best newsletter of 2016.

Make sure you let us know if it's monthly, bi-monthly or quarterly as well as tell us the name of the newsletter.

Newsletters can be emailed to me at sfir1awards@yahoo.com or to RDC Communications John Hoppa. R1rdccomm@yahoo.com. John is also the judge of chapter's handbook/crew manual or ship's fiction

Categories are as follows: Page 19 in awards manual shows the particulars of the awards. Page 21 is awards specifics. This is basically what judges have on their eval sheets.

The RC gives me a report of the Chapters reporting history for 2016. Some chapters like to include their reporting record because they are proud of it. Some chapters don't include it. No points are deducted by the judges if the CO didn't include it in their chapter annual award submission.

Annual Awards are as follows:

Chapter of the Year

Criteria - This is a chapter that exemplifies the best of what STARFLEET is: a club that promotes the ideals of "Star Trek," is involved in community and/or charitable service, promotes fun activities and projects, and has a solid administration. The ship's newsletter and handbook (if any) should be a reflection of the chapter as well. Chapter must have two or more years in service

Best Shakedown Cruise -

Criteria- For the shakedown chapter that best shows the qualities of and the potential of being an ideal STARFLEET Starship. Additionally, the Shakedown Chapter Commanding Officer must have filed all his/her reports on time and received a good assessment from the support ship CO and/or the Region 01 ShOC Director. Any chapter that was "in training" for most of the award year (minimum of 6 months) falls in this category.



Ribbon

Support Ship of the year

Criteria - Awarded to the Region One Chapter that encourages and fosters the growth of a shakedown chapter by taking on the added task of responsibility, advising and assisting the new chapter as it travels on its journey from shakedown chapter - to commissioned Chapter. This Support Ship assists the Shakedown Chapter to effectively and actively run their own Chapter level events as well as participation in Regional or Fleet level events when possible.

Jonathan Archer Award -

Criteria - For the rookie SFI Region One CO, who has shown excellent leadership and administration skills, is well thought of by his/her crew, but most significantly, helps set the direction and vision for the chapter during his first year of Command. He/she is OTS/OCC qualified, has been a CO for at least one year years and has not missed a report or filed late (without excuse). Also has fosters crew involvement in SFI Region 01 and STARFLEET.

CO of the Year -

Criteria - For a SFI Region One CO, who has shown excellent leadership and administration skills, is well thought of by his/her crew, but most significantly, helps set the direction and vision for the chapter. He/she is OTS/OCC qualified, has been a CO for at least two years and has not missed a report or filed late (without excuse). Also has been instrumental in helping any shuttles attached to his/her command; and fosters crew involvement in SFI Region 01 and STARFLEET

<u>Best Department</u>

Criteria – For the best all around chapter department and most outstanding chapter department in Region One. Departments are defined as those or categorized by the by the RDC/FDC Program.

SFI Region One Medal

Criteria - This is for the member who has shown best overall dedication and involvement to SFI Region One and his/her starship; and has made significant accomplishments to it. Categories are Enlisted, Officer and Flag Officer. Commanding Officer submits candidates for this award.

Cadet of the Year

Criteria - For a member up to 18 years of age, who has shown significant involvement on his/her starship, does very well in school, and shown an avid interest in science fact. The cadet may have also taken a course(s) at STARFLEET Academy. The Commanding Officer recommends this cadet

Edith Keeler Award

Criteria – This recognizes the best all around humanitarian who consistently and persistently made the most impact in a Volunteer/ Community Service in the Region. (Excluding personal monetary donations).

NEWSLETTER OF THE YEAR

Citation - MOST OUTSTANDING STARSHIP/SHUTTLE NEWSLETTER

Criteria - For a ship's newsletter that reflects the personality of the ship; shows diverse submissions from its membership; and with items of science fact as well as science fiction, is informative as well as entertaining. (NOTE: Computer generated newsletters will be judged separately from "cut & paste" (manual layout)

COMMUNICATIONS EXCELLENCE

Citation - MOST OUTSTANDING PUBLICATION BY A STARSHIP OR REGION

Criteria - This is for publications other than newsletters, like fanzines, handbooks, departmental newsletters, and web pages

International Conference 2017

As you know there have been some difficulties getting IC 2017 launched and moving towards its end date of August 18th, 2017.

Right now I would like to take advantage of each the Regional Communications Divisions and ask them in the course of their normal communication with their members to remind them of the International Conference. We are in the process of creating flyers and other media to help promote the event.

We are not just appealing to existing and long-term members but also asking to consider using the International Conference to recruit new members into the organization.

There are those whom have taken the initiative and have starting to pass the word already. You have heartfelt thanks and we ask you continue for as long as it possible.

We on the committee know we have an uphill battle for the next seven and half months so we think it is important that everyone pass the word and remind our members of dates.

Right now if you visit our website www.ic2017.org you will the prices for the host hotel which is \$99 a night. Early-bird Registration before June 1st, 2017 is \$40 for the entire weekend with the Marine Mess and Admiral's Dinners each \$45.

We are also supporting the local Habitat for Humanity who have been helping Louisiana Residents get back on their feet since the flooding during the summer of 2016. To complement this we are also looking at talking to Second Harvest Food Bank which has been assisting people in the Gulf South Louisiana for several years. They have also been helping victims of the flooding in getting people much needed food when money and homes were in short supply.

Assisting these two agencies not only help with the crisis of the past, but at the same time prepare for the future should such events happen again.

If you have any questions or you would like the files of flyers please feel to contact me and I will be happy to send them out.

Thanks in advance.

In Service,

CMDRE Randolph Allen

Commanding Officer, USS NEW ORLEANS

Chairman, STARFLEET's 2017 International Conference

Deputy Director, STARFLEET Office of Emergency Preparedness

STAR TREK

NEW ORDERS FROM STARFLEET!

Thanks so much for all the feedback on the first playtest survey, we've updated the Alpha rules now and this includes a lot of re-written sections (such as a much clearer Extended Challenges section) to help with clarity as well as new starship rules, Supporting Crew and more!

Whilst we wait for the individual ship missions to be approved (we expect very soon) we want you to get your hands on the new ruleset and give the ships and crew and test. Get acquainted with the systems and decide which pre-gens your players want to continue with.

For those just joining us get to know the rules and be ready for when the individual ship missions are sent out.

You'll find the following documents in the new pack:

- STA Starships Alpha v1.1 - new ship rules to test

- Adversaries Test for v1.3 sample adversaries to test whilst we wait for the first ship missions to be approved
- Summaries (2268) rules summaries for the Lexington
- Summaries (2371) rules summaries for the Next Generation era ships
- Living Playtest Pregens new pregenerated characters for Living Playtest
- Playtest Pregens or keep using the pregens from the first playtest
- Star Trek Adventures Alpha v1.36 the new rules version
- Supporting Crew supporting characters (see rules)

DOWNLOAD ALPHA v1.3 PLAYTEST PACK

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REGION ONE PROMOTIONS

Rhonda Ammerman PROMOTED TO Petty Officer Danielle Lilly PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG Keagan Wittig PROMOTED TO Cadet Michael Martinez PROMOTED TO Commander Robert Treadway PROMOTED TO Ensign Charles Phillips Jr PROMOTED TO Major Joan Savage PROMOTED TO Lieutenant Commander Kayla Kay PROMOTED TO Midshipman Kyleigh Burke PROMOTED TO Ensign Donald Murray PROMOTED TO Lieutenant Commander Jarrad Jalbert PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG Tracy Lilly PROMOTED TO Colonel Steven Ventress Sr. PROMOTED TO Ensign Keagan Wittig PROMOTED TO Cadet 4th Class Keith Bowers PROMOTED TO Crewman 3rd Class Michelle Meeker PROMOTED TO Ensign John Zimmerman PROMOTED TO Midshipman Angela Taggart PROMOTED TO Petty Officer 3rd Class Connie Bowen PROMOTED TO Crewman 1st Class Shannon Arnett PROMOTED TO Senior Chief Petty Officer

REGION ONE PROMOTIONS

Anna Brolin PROMOTED TO Petty Officer 3rd Class Kathy McClullan PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG Lynn McClullan PROMOTED TO Ensign Josh McClullan PROMOTED TO Ensign Kenny Mosses PROMOTED TO Ensign Matthew Coots PROMOTED TO Ensign Robert Dyl Jr PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG Rebekah Dyl PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG Bobby Dyl PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG Katie Staples PROMOTED TO Commander Jessica Llovd PROMOTED TO Lieutenant Commander Kyle Mogilka PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG Charles Phillips Sr PROMOTED TO Lieutenant llyana Parks PROMOTED TO Cadet Private Susan Hanson PROMOTED TO Lieutenant Freddy Mogilka Jr PROMOTED TO Lieutenant Rebekah Bostic PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG Dave Purks PROMOTED TO Crewman Recruit

CONGRADULATIONS!!!!

Last year I was contacted by a student wishing to do a paper on STARFLEET . The article below and on the following pages is the end result of a series of interviews of myself and several other members of Denali Station. Our chapter is happy to work with students whom are STARFLEET members or not.

Captain Kevin R Plummer

Denali Station, R1-Commanding Officer



Embracing IDIC: How to Channel Your Inner Geek/Nerd!

BY : OLIVA SMITH

I am a fan of many things including Harry Potter, Criminal Minds, and Star Wars. The kind of media I'm consuming doesn't matter to me whether it be books or tv shows. I love immersing myself in them, reading fan fiction, and re-watching or re-reading my favorites. Yet, fan clubs haven't been something that I have ever been a part of. You would think I would, since then I could talk with others who shared the same love. But while growing up I always thought that you were a geek or lame if you were in a fan club or if you were a fan of a particular fanbase. I always thought others would judge me. For example: I have been a fan of My Little Pony Friendship is Magic, a kids animation TV series, since my freshman year of high school. This is obviously targeted for 7-12 year olds but I find the graphics so clear and the characters and songs extremely cute. This is one fan base that I am very self conscious of telling others that I am interested in. I have in past years found out that older teens- adults are fans of this tv series but the self consciousness hasn't left.

Many fandoms come together online but I have noticed how internet interactions are frowned upon over inperson communication. Yet, online communication is our main source of interaction today. Older generations are guilty of stereotyping online communication as dangerous. I know my parents cautioned me not just on online stranger danger but on the sweet trap the internet can be. On the other hand older generations may view fandoms and fan clubs as a fond memory due to growing up with an particular fandom than younger generations viewing them as "lame"! However, now that I am in my colleges years I have been realizing that this "geek" stigma around fan clubs and hate on technology may be non existent or waning away. This was evident through exploring a fan club of a successful movie and ty series, Star Trek!

I always grew up watching Star Wars instead of Star Trek and I was very aware that not only are they both successful but that they amiably compete against each other. If you were a fan of Star Wars you weren't a fan of Star Trek and vice versa. Star Trek was started before Star Wars, first debuting on September 8, 1966 (Star PAGE 11

Trek, 2016). The original series follows Captain James T. Kirk and his adventures aboard his spacecraft in the 23rd century (Star Trek, 2016). Some could say Trekkies, as Star Trek enthusiasts refer to themselves, could be the epitome of geek and that was why I was so interested besides in seeing how a successful club runs and communicates but in what the members think about fan club stigmas.

History

STARFLEET began with a group of Star Trek fans from Texas led by John Bradbury. They formed the club called USS Enterprise. After a successful beginning, on May 23, 1974 it changed its name to STARFLEET (A History of STARFLEET, 2016). Their home base and first chapter (subdivision of the larger club) was in Lufkin, Texas. The captain or leader was Jay Wallace. By the end of 1981, 14 chapters had popped up and 3 Commanders (See Figure 1) had passed through power; then STARFLEET hit its first crisis (A History of STARFLEET, 2016). Membership applications and renewals were not being properly attended to and a power struggle began between two Admirals, Stillwell and Wetsch but ended with Eric Stillwell becoming the 4th commander. More ups and downs came for STARFLEET including chapters breaking off to form new clubs and more power struggles. Yet through these shifts they managed to continue being a successful fan club numbering over 5,000 members with Admiral Robin Woodell-Vitasek as the 18th Commander currently to be turned over to Robert Westfall as the 2016 Commander shortly (A History of STARFLEET, 2016)!

STARFLEET is not a member only fan club but it is strongly recommended for the dedicated fans. Members pay a small renewable membership fee of \$10 each year (A History of STARFLEET, 2016). They are then welcome to join a local chapter close to them. STARFLEET has countless chapters throughout the world. Each divided into a region by state or country. Chapters are mini clubs or subsections of STARFLEET where members can get together and talk about Star Trek, make new friends, and do community service. Each region can have conventions, conferences, parties that any chapter is invited to. STARFLEET's mission is to "provide Star Trek fans a way to meet each other, make friends, have fun, give back to their communities, and show that the dream of Gene Roddenberry can live long and prosper" (An Introduction to STARFLEET, 2016).

Infinite Diversity in Infinite Combinations

During my research I reached out to chapter leaders in Florida, Ohio, Kentucky, and Washington but the best feedback I was given was from Denali Station SFR-107, a chapter in Logan, Ohio. Kevin Plummer is the Captain of this chapter and also very involved with other parts of STARFLEET. His chapter is 24 strong, some active some inactive. Denali Station is a correspondence chapter meaning that they do not meet in person like others do because only 4 of their members live in Logan, Ohio. The rest are from different parts of the US and Canada. Just to show what a big fan base Star Trek has brought together, in this chapter the youngest member is 12 and the oldest is 73. It surprised me to find out most were in their 30s and 40s. After emailing back and forth with Kevin, I asked to join Denali Station's Facebook page, their main hub for chapter communication and within minutes was approved. I was then able to interact with members and this proved an asset to me.

I was curious about life in Denali Station so I asked Kevin what they talked about. I was intrigued to find out that only 20%, or 15 minutes, of their meetings were spent on Star Trek talk. They talked about their families, off topic things, club/organization business besides Star Trek, but the thing they talked about the most is Star Trek roleplay. Which is where they all take up characters associated to Star Trek and write their own story together. Since Kevin mentioned having an in-person chapter an hour away that he visits occasional, and chapters can get together at regional events, I asked about this next. He personally tries to attend another chapter meeting every couple of months and had just attended a international conference in Kentucky.

Since I am an outsider I wanted to pay attention to words or phrases in the answers I received that I wouldn't know and then ask what they meant, "IDIC" was one of these. I soon found out it meant "Infinite Diversity in Infinite Combinations" and it came from the original Star Trek tv series. After asking what it meant I found out:

"IDIC" means Infinite Diversity in Infinite Combinations. Basically we accept anyone and everyone regardless



of whom or what you are when it comes to sexuality, religion, political views etc, (Plummer).

"Geeky and Proud!"

While growing up reading books and watching movies the "geek" or "nerd" always had glasses, was really quiet, and had his/her nose in a book. You could always identify one by their love for something lame. This fear of being seen as lame while growing up fueled me to hide away which fandoms I was in and from joining a fan club. Yet, through watching and interviewing Denali Station and other Chapter leaders, I realized that this fear is just in my head and to be a geek of something is to be embraced and loved! STARFLEET members are proud to call themselves geeky and embrace it wholeheartedly. Bianca Wright from Denali Station says "They [fan clubs] sure are, but I don't care. It's fun being different and not to flow with the mainstream." They don't care if others call them geeks because they are and they believe that it is outsiders that are missing out. Denali Station members are proud of STARFLEET and when I asked them "What does Starfleet mean to you?" most members gave me an answer that had to do with how fun it was and how it was a way to express themselves. Gerome Knight who is from Ontario, Canada says "Starfleet to me is a way I can express my inner being by role- playing (rp)." While Mark Spriggs from Tulsa, Oklahoma adds to this by saying "Starfleet means Star Trek friend, family, and fun." Lastly, my best insight into what Starfleet means came from Bianca Wright and I believe it is a good representation of other Starfleet's members as a whole. She says:

Starfleet to means diversity. No matter what ethnicity nor language, nor religious view is come together to form one huge big kind of family. It means, laughter and tears, it means sharing your thoughts and emotions, stories and sometimes hopes and dreams. It means others to pick you up when you're down, to guide you when you lost your path. It also means having fun and widening your horizon (Wright).

STARFLEET became a family and a way to interact/communicate with others for the Denali Station members. But besides STARFLEET's impact Kevin had something to say about the impact of fan clubs in general on society:

Many of us in today's society suffer from isolation. We go to work, and have our families, but we are isolated when it comes to being able to enjoy the things that make us happy or that we find "fun". Fan clubs offer us a sense of community, belonging, and let us know we are not alone. (Plummer).

I thought this was extremely interesting because fan clubs then become a vessel for communication and family not just a place to talk about tv, books, and movies. I didn't understand how much communication was really going on until getting into the Facebook page of Denali Station. Communication is key for fan clubs and fan groups in general, especially with the correspondence or prominently online clubs. Technology becomes a big player of interaction between fans. This is especially true for those that live in different states or countries. Yet, I know that some people are very cynical of technology, my parents included. They believe that technology should be used in modesty and don't understand how much teens- young adults really use technology.

I went on to ask the STARFLEET members if they thought online fan clubs and communication is becoming more prominent now and if the harm of becoming addicted is real and I got many answers. Most believed that it was on the rise and that technology is needed for communication, especially the fan clubs that are only online. They were even glad to have online interaction because it made talking to others easier with their hectic schedules. Kevin describes this:

For example, Denali Station has 20+ members... Am I going to call each one and tell them that there is a rule change or just send one group email? Plus how can I carry on a group conversation if we are not all in the same place at the same time. The internet offers answers to these things and best of all it is convenient, messages wait for me to read them on my schedule (Plummer).

My fear of being seen as lame had definitely dissipated a lot more but I was curious what advice STARFLEET members would have for others that were feeling on the fence or possibly cynical of joining and meeting others online over in-person interaction. I was pleasantly surprised on the answers I received. The underlying majority of the answers I received from respondents believe that although both types of interaction are great they have made amazing friends and lasting friendships online. Jay Cashman from Reeds Spring, Mississippi says "I have friends both online, and offline... some I see daily, and some hardly ever. Friendship transcends "in Person". Some of my online friends have proven truer than those physically close by." While Bianca Wright

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adds"Some of my friends I made face to face but due to constant moving due to my husbands work, that contact would be lost without online communication. I also made some very very good friends who became a part of my family by heart."

Conclusion

Although STARFLEET is just one fan club out of multiple for one fan base, Star Trek, I believe that I got a really good insight into club life, communication, and the love of fan clubs! It would take many years to go through every crevice of STARFLEET and to interview every member but I felt extremely welcome with Denali Station's members! I did get the sense of family while being a part of them for a short time and I realized that being geeky is cool! I believe we can all learn from STARFLEET that to embrace something you love you might have to be seen as "nerdy." But that it is something you should be proud of. You have others that are into what your are into and others shouldn't pull you down. Whether these friends are met in person or online, communication in online fan communities like Denali Station is a must. Technology serves as a big vessel of this interaction especially for those in online only fan clubs. Members see it not only as a way to make friends but to create a supportive family that has the same interests as others that they can't meet in person. This family atmosphere is evident. This preconceived idea of mine that fan clubs are geeky has totally evaporated and I am definitely more confident to let others see my fan base interest thanks to the help of STARFLEET!

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ATTENTION TO ORDERS:

It is my pleasure and honor to announce that:

Commander Lynda J. Fury is hear-by promoted to Senior Commander Commander Junior Clark Fury JR is hear-by promoted to Senior Commander Chief PO Shayna C. Fury is hear-by promoted to Senior Chief Petty officer Chief PO Tami L. Kuhl is hear-by promoted to Senior Chief Petty officer Chief PO Bryce Kuhl is hear-by promoted to Senior Chief Petty officer 3rd class Hugh Stewart Hill 111 is hereby promoted to 2nd Class Petty officer 3rd. Class Mary Ann Butzer is hear-by promoted to 2nd. Class Petty officer Seaman Eli Owen Hughes is hereby promoted to 3rd. Class Petty officer Seaman Riley V. Kuhl is hear-by Promoted to 3rd. Class Petty Officer

ALL PROMOTIONS TOOK EFFECT AS OF 01-01-2017

Congratulations to my crew.

Admiral Roger H. Scritchfield CO USS Arizona NCC 71839 ussarizona.us R1ShOC Director r1shoc.ussarizona.us Starfleet the International Star Trek Fan Association





We held our annual Christmas Party and toy drive pick up on December 3, 2016. We celebrated with a pot luck dinner and held the annual Frengi gift exchange.

The Columbus crew and friends were able to donate to the Steve Harper Memorial Toy Drive for the Firefighters 4 Kids for the ninth straight year. This year we donated 282 toys for the drive. This is a great outpouring of love to not only the children that wouldn't have a toy but showing the local fire fighters how much we appreciate their hard work on and off duty.

The sad news is there is such a large need not only in our community but all over the nation the good news is we have already started collecting toys for this years toy drive.

Admiral Darlene Harper JAG Officer USS Columbus

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USS Heimdal Launches 2017 Space Camp Program

By Adm. Linda Smith

On January 23 the USS Heimdal launched her 2017 Space Camp Scholarship Contest by giving a presentation to the local Civil Air Patrol cadets. CO, Linda Smith, XO, Kenny Proehl & 2nd. Officer, Willy Smith attended the CAP meeting & invited the cadets to participate in this year's contest; the 4th. year the cadets will have participated.

Accompanying the Heimdal members to the CAP meeting was Carl Hayden, Jr., the student winner of the Heimdal's 2016 Space Camp Contest. Carl gave the cadets a PowerPoint presentation of his 6-day, 5-night trip to Space Camp in June, 2016. His presentation was informative & funny & seemed to resonate with the cadets.

A packet was sent to each participating middle school with rules for students entering the Heimdal's contest. Contestants will write an essay of 500 words or less on "Why I Want to Go to Space Camp" & return them to the Heimdal's Space Camp Committee for judging. A winner will be chosen & announced no later than April 9, 2017.

The Heimdal's Space Camp Scholarship has expanded to include Space Camp, Aviation Challenge Camp & Robotics Camp - all on NASA's Space Camp campus in Huntsville, AL & part of the Space Camp Program. The student with the winning essay will have a choice of camps.

The Heimdal received a donation in 2016 from a local family trust fund primarily because of the Space Camp Program. The Heimdal includes funds towards travel expenses & the generous donation covered all expenses for the 2017 contest winner.

Heimdal members are always thankful to be able to sponsor our 10 Christmas charities AND make this camping experience a reality for a local student.

All arrangements for the winning student will be made by CO, Linda Smith. The cost to the chapter for the 6 day trip for the winning student is \$1400.



Pictures on the right.....

CO Linda Smith & XO Kenny Proehl invite Civil Air Patrol cadets to participate in the Heimdal's Space Camp Contest

016 Space Camp Contest winner, Carl Hayden, Jr speaking to the cadets

Carl giving presentation to cadets

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The U.S.S. Star League concluded the 2016 year of celebrations at full warp speed! Our November and December calendar were incredible, as befitted Star Trek's 50th anniversary and our chapter's 25th anniversary. We explored the deep friendships that began by our common love of trek but have become so much more. We also explored the ideals of Starfleet and the legacy of Gene Roddenberry through having fun, exploring the world around us and giving back to the community.





1. XO Jana Sandarg, CO Carnell Eubanks in Klingon persona and LtJG

Tammy Smith: Discuss Frankenstein the First Science Fiction Novel!

2 Left: Guest Parent Speaker, CO Carnell Eubanks, Emily Railey, Freedom Park Elementary, teacher, XO Jana Sandarg, LtJg Tammy Smith, Children's book author: Kam Vivi Verde

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DC of Computer Operations and Star League CO (Peggy and Carnell Eubanks) take an example from Picard and and explore a one of Mexico's pyramids during a brief bit of downtime.





One of our annual charitable events is a Black Friday gift wrap event at our local Barnes & Noble book seller.

These photos show our XO dropping off the toys that were purchased with the donations we received during the event.

(Above)

XO Jana Sandarg dropping off the donations for the Toys for Tots with a U.S. Marine collecting donations!

(Below)

Donations collected for Hispanic children in collaboration with the Spanish Club at Augusta University.









We also had a wonderful at this year's Columbia County parade.

Photos Enterprise float

Vulcan Snowman

A very wet and cold Star League Crew!

Jerry Holden, Carnell & Jeanne Renew, Mary Holden, Carl Irvin, Tammy Smith, Peggy Eubanks,

CO (Carnell Eubanks: In Klingon disguise),

XO Jana Sandarg



(Above)

CO with drop in guests

(Below)

A look back: Crew past and present look back at the Star Leagues accomplishments as a chapter over the past 25 years.

Tommy Keeling, Lucille Skipper, Jana Sandarg Allen Feeman, Tim Campbell,

(Right)

Allen Mooney displays one of his screen used props, a Cardassian Disruptor





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(Above)

Captains assistant William Knowles defends his CO Carnell Eubanks in Klingon disguise from any Rouge Jedi

(top)

Carnell Eubanks, Carl Irvin, Jana Sandarg, Carolyn Irvin, Jeanne Renew, Carnell Renew. Tammy Smith We end the year with a lightsaber instead of a bang at the opening weekend of Rouge One.

Our annual December Food Drive with Regal Cinemas to benefit Golden Harvest Food Bank





(Above)

CO and XO discuss next year's event schedule.

(Left)

XO drops off check and food. We collected 60 pounds of food and \$160 dollars to help feed the hungry this holiday season!



Columbus Science Fiction

We're about: Star Trek · Sci-Fi, Fantasy · Astronomy · Science Fiction · Star Wars · Science Fiction Fans · Dr Who · Doctor Who · Geeks & Nerds · Geek Culture

When? Saturday, February 4, 2017 6:30 PM

Where? Fazoli's Restaurant 807 South State St. Westerville, OH

https://www.meetup.com/ColumbusSciFiMeetup/

Just a casual dinner meetup to get things rolling here and get to know some of our members. Following the dinner (whenever we get tired of eating breadsticks), Starbase Columbus will be open after hours exclusively for the meetup attendees. If you have never been to the shop, or just haven't been recently (it has changed a lot!), this is a great time to come in and see what it is all about!



Sky Viewing Events

Feb 10-11 - Full Moon also known as the Full Snow Moon and the Hunger Moon there will also be a Penumbral Eclipse (it will appear darker than normal)

March 12—Full Moon also known as the Full Worm Moon

April 16-25—Lyrid Meteor Shower

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The Chapter Care Program consists of five members and is there to help the chapters. It is a one-stop place to get answers to questions, to get help for problems and mediation, or just wanting help planning a fun event.

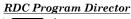
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February 2016

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Schedule of Events										

- 2/1 Channel One newsletter publication due out
- 12/2 USS Tycho Meeting @ 6:30 PM at Uncle John's Pancake House, 3131 Secor Rd, Toledo, OH 43604
- 12/5 USS Columbus Christmas Party
- 12/6 USS Tycho Christmas Party 1:30 PM @ Spaghetti Warehouse 42 S Superior St, Toledo, OH 43604
- 12/17 USS Tycho Star Wars movie viewing 8:00 PM @ Fallen Timbers Maumee Oh
- 12/22/99 USS Aries Anniversary
- 12/25 CHRISTMAS
- 12/31 USS Asgard New Years Party

Traveling for the holidays? Why not beam into another ship's event?

March 2016

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• 1/1 - NEW YEARS DAY

• 1/5/94 - Bennu Station - Anniversary

• 1/6 - USS Tycho - Meeting @ 6:30 PM at Uncle John's Pancake House, 3131 Secor Rd, Toledo, OH 43606

• 1/12/09 - USS Odin - Anniversary

• 3/25 Submissions for the Channel One newsletter are due.

To get your chapter's events added to the calendar, just email: SFOfficer.Plummer@gmail.com with a list of upcoming events.

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