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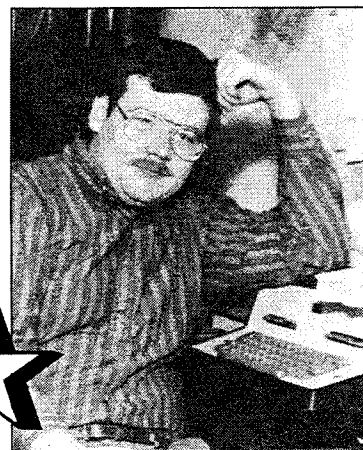
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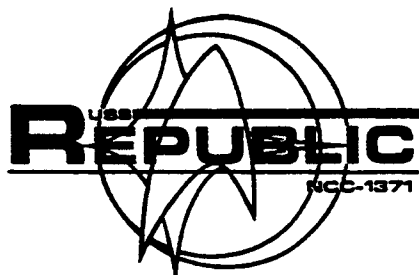
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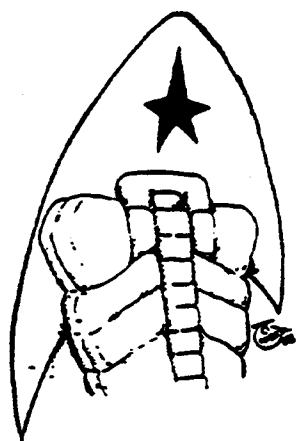
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FROM THE CENTER SEAT



by Fleet Capt. Kelly Hilliard

So, are we having fun yet? This has been one of the most fun and memorable summers I can remember (Hey! no snide remarks from the peanut gallery about being surprised I can remember what ship I'm CO of!). Of course, I remember, USS Enterprise, right? Uh, oh, I meant USS Republic. (One little mistake, sheesh!) We've had movie outings, picnics, White Water, 1994 International Conference, and more. I hope you've had as great a summer as I have.

However, at the end of every summer, duty calls us.. Whether it be going back to school or participating in the annual USS Republic elections, we must do our duty. Nominations for CO of the USS Republic are now being taken. ALL nominations must be sent to Lt. Cmdr. Dan Carson by the end of this month (September). Only one nomination is required. Should no nominations be sent, normally I would continue as CO. Not this time. If no other nominations for anyone else are tendered, I require five nominations before I will continue my leadership of this chapter. Last year, NO nominations were turned in. As such, it is supposed to indicate a vote of confidence, except I couldn't tell if it was because I was doing a poor job and apathy was rampant or everyone wanted me as CO. So here's the deal, you give me five nominations, assuming no one else decides to run against me, and I'll stay on. Sound fair? Remember, don't expect someone else to send in the needed nominations. It's time to participate!

In the next month, we will be gaining a new member. Fleet Captain Mike Henigan, the Starfleet Site Selection Committee Chairman, will be joining the USS Republic. I have also offered



our open department of Operations to him. Mike brings with him the experience of having been a CO of the USS Longfellow in addition to chairing the IC selection committee. Everyone give him a good ol' Southern welcome as he's moving here from the arctic north (Maine).

NOTES FROM NUMBER ONE

*by Cmdr. Jeff Kirkland,
Executive Officer*

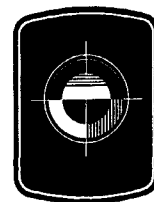
Hi, crew! Sorry I have been so long in writing anything for the ATTR but I have been busy getting ready for the International Conference, working on my parents' van and travel trailer, and totalling out one of my cars.

Now that I have a spare minute, I would like to thank Dan and his parents for having us over for the final episode of ST:TNG and the top five episodes.

We had a good time at the International Conference and wished that the rest of the crew were with us. I would like to remind everyone that we are hosting the conference next year in Atlanta. We want to make this conference bigger and better than the 1994 conference.

Flt. Capt. Hilliard and I went to the bowl-a-thon and had a good time. Anyone who has money to turn in needs to have it turned in to Kelly by August 27 so we can write one check to cover all the cash.

SECURITY



*by Tonya Spanks,
Chief of Security*

Away Mission 9407.16

Members of the Republic and MacLeod attended a meeting in the Atlanta sector known as the Dragon Con. While there, a blood war broke out between the Federation and the Klingons (isn't it strange they always seem to show up at these important meetings). By the time I joined the battle, the Klingons were ahead. However, the end results were for the greater good. Upon my return to the Republic, I was informed of the kidnapping of Captains Hilliard and Fuller and was told that the Klingons wanted Federation credits for the safe return of our captains. An amount in excess of 500 credits was raised which the Klingons had matched by someone in the Star 94 colony to donate to flood victims in the Macon and Albany sectors. Maybe the Klingons aren't so bad after all.

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Crew members met at holodeck MS4 to experience the ancient tradition of "going to see a movie." Fleet Captain Hilliard was met by me, Chief of Operations, crewmen, and two visiting ambassadors. We enjoyed a Jim Carey classic titled "Mask." Now I understand why humans were addicted to that thing called "television."

In our last newsletter, I asked crewmembers who were in paintballing to contact me and as yet I've heard nothing from anyone (including our



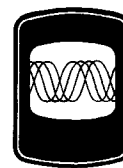
captain, who made the suggestion). Another issue of interest to the crew is the first moon landing and the comets crashing into Jupiter. I've taped what I could from TV (don't buy the moonshot from TBS--I've got it on tape) and I have four copies of each AJC that held articles on the subject. If you want a copy, it's first come, first served.

Upon my last ship's scan, I noticed a few people wandering about the ship looking for their sanity, I presume. I know the word search wasn't THAT difficult. Anyway, I guess I will go ahead and give you a list of works, although I must admit I've made a mistake with two words (so sue me, I never said I was perfect!). "Worf" and "Wesley" were accidentally misspelled "Woorf" and "wesly" (two out of fifty ain't bad). The other words are as follows: Alexander, Ambassador, Bashir, Borg, Chapel, Chekov, Data, Dax, DeForest, DeLancey, Dilithium, Dorn, Dr. Beverly Crusher, Ferengi, Geordi, Guinan, Hilliard, Hugh, Keiko, Kirkland, Klingon, Kyra, Majel, McCoy, Mindmeld, Molly, Nimoy, O'Brian, Odo, Phaser, Picard, Riker, Roddenberry, Scotty, Shane, Shatner, Sirtis, Sisko, Spock, Sulu, Trill, Troi, Uhura, Vulcan, Warpcore, Yar, and Quark. How many times did you count "Odo" and what kind of Chief of Security would I be if I didn't include our Captain, Exec, and Chief of Engineering? Relax your minds and return to your duties!

Communications

"Hailing Frequencies"

by
Lt.Cmdr. Edmund Trafford



There is not a great deal of new news at this time.

Dragon Con was a lot of fun this year, especially participating in the "Trek Trak" activities. (Imagine what next year will be like, as part of the 21st International SF Con!)

I noticed a picture in the current Communique of "Ensign" Bjo Trimble speaking at the recently International SF Con in Orlando. She is standing in front of a wall covered with various ship's banners. I couldn't help but be proud to see in the background our own Republic flag displayed. I wonder who produced that neat feat of needlework?

***** FEATURES *****

RECRUITING DRIVE!

We've had our fun this summer, and now it is time to get down to business. Membership on the Republic isn't what it should be on the flagship for Zone 2. To remedy this, I am sponsoring a recruiting drive to bring up the Republic's membership and our international membership. Each member who joins the Republic earns you 1/2 point, if they join Starfleet, another 1/2 point. The top three members to recruit the most members will win a gift certificate at Starlog at Underground. Third place wins a \$5 gift certificate, second place wins a \$10 certificate, and first place wins a \$20 certificate. So let's get out there and do some serious recruiting. Drive ends October 31, so hurry!



THERE WILL NEVER BE A VULCAN MOZART

by Lt. Cmdr. Edmund Trafford

Two intersecting concepts produced this article. First is the fact that a while ago I wrote an article titled "The Star Trek Muse," about the role of music in the ST universe and the purpose it served in the episodes, novels, etc. (This article was also reprinted in the *Communiqué*.) Second is the fact that on two different occasions during the current con season (at Magnum Opus Con 9 in Greenville and at Dragon Con in Atlanta), I presented a slide demonstration/discussion titled "Vulcan as a Decadent Society." The idea behind this discussion was that the rigorous pursuit of logic has locked Vulcan into a society devoid of brashness, imagination, and passion--and therefore of progress. I tried to show Vulcan as a stratified culture frozen in time. These two ideas--music and Vulcan rigidity--combined to produce a minor insight: there will never be a Vulcan Mozart.

Mozart is widely recognized as the only true genius in the history of Western concert music. Entire works just "came" to him complete, and it was all he could do to write them down quickly enough. Other composers like Bach and Beethoven are routinely labeled "geniuses," but their achievements are not in the same league as Mozart. Beethoven, for example, struggled constantly to find just exactly the right notes, the right rhythms, and the right harmonies for his compositions, and his sketch books are a battlefield of scratched-out, rewritten, and discarded ideas. Beethoven's

particular genius was in recognizing the absolute rightness of his harmonies and melodies when he finally arrived at them, but it was an agonizing process for him. Mozart, on the other hand, had the supreme gift of imagining entire compositions in a single blinding flash of inspiration.

I believe that the Vulcan logical process precludes this kind of intuitive grasp of an artistic problem. I can easily imagine a Vulcan Beethoven systematically investigating various melodic and harmonic possibilities and finally arriving at a satisfying, even masterful, arrangement of tones in his composition. But I cannot visualize a Vulcan composer displaying the kind of artistic "hunch"--the "light bulb" goes on--that characterized the creative process of Mozart.

THE TOP TEN UPCOMING EPISODES OF STTG

10. *Breeding Grounds*--Organian frat boys replace the coffee normally served on the *Enterprise* with Folger's crystals spiked with Klingon aphrodisiacs.

9. *Electro-Q-tion* (alternate title: *Q d'etat*)--Q endows every Starfleet uniform on the *Enterprise* with permanent static cling. The Captain breaks the record for most shirt-tugging "Picard Maneuvers" in one episode.

8. *The Bonding II*--Picard accidentally Crazy Glues himself to the ready room conference table.

7. *Deanna Does Pallas*--While the *Enterprise* is on a mission in the solar system's asteroid belt, Counselor Troi's Betazoid sex drive reaches its peak.

6. *Hell Hath No Fury*--Keiko buries a machete in O'Brien's back after finding him on the holodeck cheating on her with a computer-generated bimbo.



5. *Globular Mustard*--An alien probe of unknown origin pulls abreast of the Enterprise, opens hailing frequencies, and asks, "Pardon me, do you have any Grey Poupon?"

4. *Embroider at Needlepoint*--Q puts humanity on trial again, claiming that it is a savage and tasteless race, introducing as evidence a really ugly sweater that Dr. Crusher knitted Captain Picard for his last birthday.

3. *The Funted*--Superior aliens seize the Enterprise claiming that they wish to study humans, but in a surprise ending reveal that the crew is really on Galactic Candid Camera.

2. *Out, Out Damn Spot*--Data's cat gets onto the bridge and spits up a hairball on Captain Picard.

1. *Star Trek VII: Up the Creek*--Wesley and three of his pals must win a river rafting race for Starfleet Academy.

STAR TREK IN THE NEWS (SORT OF...)

An article on the front page of the August 3, 1994 edition of USA Today quoted famed British astrophysicist Stephen Hawking as saying that computer viruses are a form of life. "A parasitic system that lives on the host computer's metabolism" is how Hawking described an electronic life form "capable of reproducing itself." Remember the STTNG episode in which the nanites nearly succeed in taking over the Enterprise's computer ("No Life of Their Own")? Hawking's observation is a classic case of reality finally catching up with fiction.

MORE ST IN THE NEWS

The August 28, 1994 edition of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reports

"Genie Francis and Jonathan Frakes have produced the first of their own next generation. General Hospital's Laura and Star Trek's Commander Will Riker are the happy parents of an 8-pound, 8-ounce boy, Benjamin Ivor Frakes, their publicist said late Friday."

MIRROR, MIRROR--THE NEXT GENERATION

"Errand of Malice" by Michael
Montoure
(Conclusion)

Captain's Log, Stardate 43402.9:

I have been told by some of my informants among the crew that Chief O'Brien, before receiving a visor from Dr. Pulaski, was last seen in the company of Commander Riker. I strongly suspect that Riker caused O'Brien's "accident" in order to gain an ally with the late Mr. LaForge's advanced sight. This is undoubtedly another of his ploys to wrest the command throne from me.

Unfortunately, Commander Riker is still too strong an asset to the crew at this point. His grasp of starship tactics and interrogation procedures has saved the ship on numerous occasions. . . not to mention the fact that he has thus far been successful at avoiding attempts on his life, thus making the captaincy an even more difficult target.

No, it would be foolish of me to remove Riker directly. However, that does not mean that at least one of his more useful allies may be removed. . .

Also, the away team has missed their last communications deadline. We can only assume at this time that Lt. Yar has failed in her mission. If this is so, it is Data's recommendation that the Klingon captive, Worf, who has recently expressed an interest in joining our crew, be assigned as head of security.



This, more than anything else, will test his ability to survive among the crew of an Imperial Terran starship.

Data is reporting to see me in a few moments. He and Worf will beam down to the planet shortly to determine what has become of Lt. Yar and her tactical team. But first, I have another duty to ask him to perform . . .

In Ten Forward, Riker stared glumly into his drink as Dr. Pulaski watched him.

"He's on to us," Riker said. "I know he is."

"Look, as far as Picard knows, O'Brien suffered a minor accident. There's no reason he should connect you with what happened," Pulaski said. If she concentrated, she could pretend she didn't feel the after-effects of the agonizer booth. Lt. Commander Data did not reward incompetence gently.

"But he WILL. That's just the way Picard thinks. The old man may be paranoid . . . but then, he has a reason to be."

He finished his drink, and Guinan moved to pour him another. Riker shuddered, watching her smoothly walk away. He was always unnerved by Guinan--rumors about her on the ship were that she was hundreds of years old and that no one but Picard knew where she came from, and that she had eyes and ears everywhere. Riker didn't usually listen to rumors, but Guinan's bearing lent credence to them.

"All right," Pulaski said. "Suppose he DOES suspect you. What's the first thing he would do?"

Riker didn't answer as he took the new drink from Guinan.

The doors of his ready room chimed. "Come," Captain Picard said.

Data stepped into the darkness. "You wished to see me, sir," it said.

"Yes Commander, as a matter of fact, I did. Sit down, would you?"

"I prefer to stand, sir."

"Very well. Mister Data, concerning Dr. Pulaski . . ." He hesitated.

"Yes?" Data prompted.

Picard drew in a sharp breath. "The code word is Tantalus."

Data froze, every synthetic muscle in its body contracting. Its eyes unfocused and began to glow with a pale amber light. Picard was surprised and slightly amused to see the monitor screen on his desk light up, and an image of Ten Forward appear on it . . .

Pulaski sipped her coffee and watched the worried Riker, inwardly laughing at him. He thought that Captain Picard was unbeatable. She had seen starship captains that could have Picard for breakfast. After all, it wasn't as though he could--

And that was all she had time to think.

Riker watched in amazement as Pulaski disappeared in a brief blaze of light.

He turned to Guinan . . . but she only smiled.

Worf stepped up onto the transporter pad, his new Imperial Terran uniform hot and uncomfortable under his Klingon peace sash. He was very nervous to have the automaton Data behind him, a full battlephaser strapped to his side.

The transporter chief looked at him disapprovingly, but without comment.

"Ready?" he asked.

"Of course," Worf snapped. He was quickly learning that the only way to deal with these Terrans was to treat them as they treated each other.

"Energize."



After they materialized, Data looked interestedly off into the distance. "I believe I hear sounds of distress coming from over there," it said. Worf nodded curtly and strode off into the forest, Data close behind him.

Soon they came into another clearing near a cave and found what had become of Lt. Yar's team. Bodies lay strewn across the clearing, limbs half phasered away. Lt. Yar herself was trapped under a felled tree, the trunk still smoking.

Worf's eyebrows lifted. "One of your men did this?"

Data looked on impassionately. "It is said that trauma and insanity can result in great rage and strength. This would seem to support that hypothesis."

Worf went to Lt. Yar's side. With the Terran tricorder he had been given, he saw that she was still alive. He shook her roughly awake. Her eyes blurred, then widened as she saw the Klingon in an Imperial uniform.

"Your customs, human, would say that if I killed you, I would gain your position and rank . . . is this true?" Worf rumbled.

Tasha could only nod. "And what if someone as lowly as a Klingon were to save your life . . . would that dishonor you enough to surrender your titles to me as well?" Tasha continued to glare at him.

Worf shrugged. "Very well, I shall do this the simple way." He began to press his full weight against the fallen tree.

"All right, all right!" Tasha screamed. "You can have anything! Let me up!"

Worf nodded and lifted the tree trunk. Inwardly, he sighed. The Terran had not seen through his bluff. He doubted if he could ever seriously kill another being.

"You will help me find Chief O'Brien...Ensign," Worf said. Tasha got to her feet, gingerly, and scowled at

Worf. But she obeyed.

Soon, they found a clearing where O'Brien lay stunned, and several Ferengi around him were curiously examining the stolen visor. Worf watched them for several long moments, hoping they wouldn't see him behind his place of concealment in the bushes.

"What are you waiting for, 'Security Chief?'" Tasha taunted. "Kill them!"

Worf drew in a sharp intake of breath. To kill without provocation was against all his Klingon upbringing. But . . . if he did not . . . his newfound status as an officer, not a slave, would all be lost. He drew the battlephaser from his belt, took aim, closed his eyes, and fired.

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Captain's Log, Stardate 43403.2:

We have completed our mission here, and all remaining Ferengi infiltrators have been removed from the planet. I strongly doubt that the Ferengi will try to infringe on Imperial economic monopolies in this sector again.

Some surprises have resulted out of this mission. Lt. Yar has now been reduced in rank to ensign, and Lt. Worf has replaced her as head of Security. Ensign Yar will remain directly under him as his "advisor": namely, someone to keep an eye on him. I am quite satisfied with Worf's performance so far, and am satisfied with the results my little "experiment" with Data.

And, since Dr. Pulaski's . . . mysterious disappearance, Dr. Selar is temporarily replacing her as head of the Medical Department. I will have to find a more permanent replacement eventually . . . and I have just the person in mind . . .

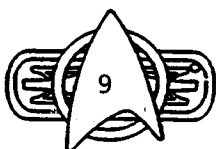
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MORE STAR TREK IN THE NEWS

by Lt. Cmdr. Edmund Trafford

There have been a couple of recent news articles announcing that the Hubble Space Telescope has discovered firm evidence of planets orbiting other stars. "Pancakes" of dust and gas have also been observed around some of the stars in the Orion Nebula. This gaseous nebula is the perfect spawning ground for new stellar systems as the gas collects and condenses around stars embedded in the nebula. A follow-up article in the Atlanta Journal/Constitution on Sunday, September 11, is interesting because it assumes a knowledge of Star Trek on the part of its readers as it discusses the implications of these other solar systems' discovery. It is one more indication that Star Trek is a permanent part of our popular culture. It is taken for granted that a reference to Star Trek lore will be understood by the average reader. The article, "So much space, so little time: Dreams of star travel fading," by Mike Toner, opens with the following paragraph: "Two generations of Star Trek fans, weaned on endless reruns and movie sequels, know how simple it is to conquer interstellar space: Just activate the warp drive and keep a watchful eye out for alien life forms. Spurred by this year's discovery of the first known planets around another star, physicists and theorists are beginning to contemplate some challenges of real-life interstellar travel." The article goes on to discuss the implications of stellar travel, the mind-boggling distances actually involved, and the budgetary limitations of researching and inventing a practicable space-drive. One scientist is quoted as saying, "Getting to the stars in a realistic time at a realistic cost is going to require a new approach to space travel. And there aren't going to be any giant ark-like spaceships that take us there." Another physicist says, "It's clear that we are talking about something extremely difficult, extremely costly, and--given the existing technology--something that isn't going to happen any time in the near future." The article also mentions that some of the current crop of sci-fi writers have abandoned the idea of hyperspatial, faster-than-light travel. Author David Brin says, "We're starting to face the fact that space is very, very big and we're probably not going to be able to cheat." However, the article's generally pessimistic tone is altered somewhat with the closing quotation: "The secrets of flight will not be mastered in our lifetime, not within a thousand years." That was according to Wilbur Wright, two years before the first powered flight at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. The most fascinating part of the article, however, is its use of the Star Trek reference as a jumping off point to the rest of the article.



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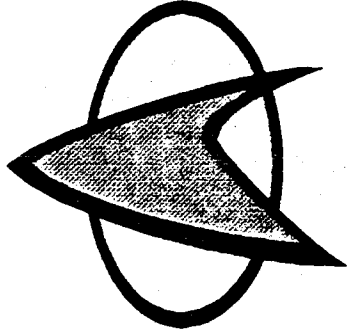
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" The Unexamined Life is not Worth Living "

1994 STARFLEET INTERNATIONAL ELECTIONS

The following information, dated July 19, 1994, was provided by Dan McGinnis on the BBS regarding the McGinnis/Deborah Nelson ticket:

As the election process begins, Deborah Nelson and I would like to introduce the team of members that have agreed to join a McGinnis Administration and serve on the Executive Committee. An administration is only as good as those who serve. Therefore, we have selected a team that is well qualified and has a proven track record of performance for the members of Starfleet.

I previously announced several individuals who would serve in a McGinnis/Nelson Administration. Now, I would like to announce our final Executive Committee ticket. If elected to serve as Commander, Starfleet this fall, the following people will join my administration and serve in positions on the Executive Committee:

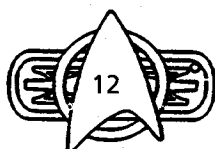
Adam Nettles will serve as Chief of Computer Operations. Adam has served as Region 12 Chief of Staff, Commanding Officer of the USS Locksley, Executive Officer of the USS Hexum, and presently serves as Region 12 Director of Computer Services. He is a trained computer programmer and is employed as national membership coordinator for a major nonprofit association. His vast experience as a computer programmer as well as his practical work experiences as membership coordinator will be invaluable to him in the role of Chief of Computer Operations.

Linda Reynolds will serve as Chief of Shuttle Operations. Linda presently serves as the Region 6 Chief of Staff and has served in many capacities on the USS Czar'ak. Linda has held many chapter offices (including secretary) and served on the leadership of local clubs and convention organizations. She is employed by a major corporation as a secretary. Her skills in organization, development, and training make her uniquely qualified to assist new chapters to progress well in Starfleet. Her vast experience in assisting the Region 6 Coordinator in all aspects of his duties make her a well-versed officer to serve the fleet.

Bjo Trimble will serve as Commandant of Starfleet Academy. Bjo is a layout artist and accomplished writer, having published two books ("On the Good Ship Enterprise" and "Star Trek Concordance"), but is best known for her efforts to name the first space shuttle Enterprise and her national letter-writing campaign in the 1960s that saved Star Trek. She also publishes the well-known magazine "Space Time Continuum." Bjo is a member of the USS Star League and has enjoyed her Starfleet experience for a number of years. Her vast experience with large organizations and personal knowledge of Star Trek makes her talent especially valuable to Starfleet. She has many good ideas to develop the Starfleet Academy and will undoubtedly add many exciting courses to the Academy curriculum. Bjo is a tremendous asset and an individual of impeccable character.

Doug Glenn will serve as Chief of Communications. Doug serves as Region 12 Director of Communications (and editor of the UFP Today) and as Commanding Officer of the USS Umiak. He is employed as a newspaper layout editor and has a tremendous talent for producing quality publications on time, every time. Doug has been a Starfleet member for more than ten years and served on numerous committees and advisory boards. His dedication and determination to make the CommunicuE the finest magazine available is without question, and so is his ability to carry out that challenge. Doug will serve Starfleet's members through the production of a timely magazine that truly represents the members' thoughts while also providing timely information to its readers.

Cindy Krell will serve as Chief of Operations. Cindy has served as Chief of Shuttle Operations and Vice Region Coordinator for Region 1. She presently serves as Commanding Officer of the USS Star League. Her experience in various key positions in Starfleet has taught her the importance of building chapters on strong foundations and keeping organized from the beginning. Cindy is an electrician and enjoys a number of exciting hobbies. She is uniquely qualified to address the needs of the 250+ chapters currently in Starfleet. Her leadership and team spirit are fundamental resources for the Chief of Operations, Starfleet. Cindy will do an outstanding job as Chief.



Deborah Nelson will serve as Vice Commander, Starfleet and my running mate. Deborah presently serves as Region 2 Coordinator and member of the Constitution Committee. She has served as 1994 Starfleet International Conference Coordinator/Hostess and as Commanding Officer of the USS Triumph. Deborah is employed as a sales executive and knows the importance of "team" and working together to reach goals. She has a tremendous vision of Starfleet and its international possibilities. Her excitement, ideas, and vision are just what Starfleet needs in this time of change. Her track record in Region 2 has proven what can be accomplished when a vision and a dream are shared with a team of people who wish to move forward and accomplish a task. She is an outstanding leader, outstanding administrator, and an outstanding friend. Deborah Nelson will be the finest Vice Commander that Starfleet has ever known.

I believe I am qualified to be your next Commander, Starfleet. I have served as Region 12 Coordinator for the past six years. I have also served on Starfleet's Board of Directors, two constitution committees (one as chairman), the Starfleet Scholarship Fundraising Committee, and numerous other committees, panels, and boards over the past eight years. During my administration, Region 12 has grown from 13 chapters to 47 chapters. We are presently the second largest region in Starfleet and continue to grow. This achievement has been done through the hard work and dedication of many people throughout this region. I am employed as an executive producer for an entertainment production company. My experience in accounting (more than 13 years) and administration have given me qualities that are desperately needed in Starfleet at the present time. Our organization is growing and requires some changes to be made. Our team is committed to making those tough decisions and carrying out the will of our membership. I ask for your support and nomination in the upcoming campaign. Together, we will build a better organization!

If you have any questions regarding our campaign or wish to express your concerns and issues, please feel free to write or call: PO Box 24052, Belleville, IL 62223-4052; (618) 233-9801 home.

Thank you for your attention. I look forward to hearing from you! Dan McGinnis, candidate.

In addition, Lori Anne Brown, Director of Starfleet Academy and the officer responsible for overseeing the administration of the 1994 Starfleet elections, has released the following information:

The following, in no particular order, are the qualified candidates for the position of President of Starfleet. They have qualified by receiving at least five nominations from currently valid chapter COs and/or Regional Coordinators, per the Constitution--Rob Lerman, Dan McGinnis, Janis Moore, and Anita Davis. In addition to receiving the requisite valid number of nominations, a candidate for President, as well as the member who will serve as Vice President, must be active members of Starfleet and at least 21 years of age due to obvious legalities.

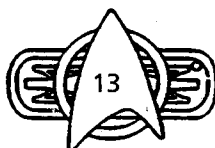
CAST SET FOR "STAR TREK: VOYAGER"

Announced in Hollywood on September 1 is the cast for the upcoming new ST series:

Led by Academy Award-nominated feature film actress Genevieve Bujold ("Anne of the Thousand Days"), the cast members have been set for the highly anticipated newest incarnation of the successful Star Trek franchise, "Star Trek" Voyager."

For the first time ever in the 28-year history of Star Trek, the Federation starship will be helmed by a female captain. From creators/executive producers Rick Berman, Michael Piller, and Jeri Taylor, Star Trek: Voyager is set in the same time frame as Star Trek: The Next Generation and Star Trek: Deep Space Nine. The series, which premieres in January 1995 on the new United/Paramount network, chronicles the adventures of the starship USS Voyager which finds itself in a distant part of the galaxy along with a former enemy, the Maquis. Together, they must find their way back to Federation space.

Captain Elizabeth Janeway (Genevieve Bujold)--This French-Canadian actress was nominated for an Academy Award for her portrayal of Anne Boleyn in the 1969 film "Anne of the Thousand Days." She has appeared in over 25 feature films, including the



lead role in "Mon Amie Max" as well as appearing in "Monsignor," "Final Assignment," "Coma," "The Moderns," and "Another Man, Another Chance." Captain Janeway leads the combined teams of Starfleet and Maquis personnel. She is not the only female captain; however, her intelligence, thoughtfulness, dedication, and diplomacy have earned her respect and recognition as one of the best Starfleet captains, male or female.

Tom Paris (Robert Duncan McNeill)--His feature film credits include the leading role in "Masters of the Universe." His television credits include his Emmy-nominated performance as Charlie in ABC's "All My Children" as well as recurring roles in ABC's "Homefront" and CBS's "Second Chances." He portrayed Colin in ABC's "Going to Extremes" and guest-starred in Paramount's "Star Trek: The Next Generation" and NBC's "L.A. Law." The Starfleet Lt. Tom Paris comes from a proud family of Starfleet legends. When the pressures of living up to the family name result in tragedy, Tom is given a second chance by Capt. Janeway. He boards the starship Voyager determined to prove his worth and remains grateful to the captain for this opportunity.

Chakotay (Robert Beltran)--Beltran's feature film credits include "Shadow Hunter," "Bugsy," and "Kiss Me A Killer." His television credits include the series regular role of Lt. Soto in Fox's "Models, Inc." as well as guest-starring roles in ABC's "Lois and Clark: The New Adventures of Superman," CBS's "Murder She Wrote," and HBO's "Slowbleed." Chakotay is the steady, fearless captain of the Maquis ship. When the two teams become one on the starship Voyager, Chakotay agrees to the position of first officer. A Native American who attended Starfleet Academy and became a lieutenant commander, Chakotay resigned his commission to join the Maquis, a group of freedom fighters.

Tuvok (Tim Russ)--Russ has feature film credits including "Mr. Saturday Night" and Paramount Pictures "Fire With Fire" as well as the upcoming "Star Trek: Generations." Russ has also appeared in ABC's "Hangin' With Mr. Cooper" in the recurring role of Victor. He appeared in USA Network's "Double Cross" and has guest-starred in numerous television productions including Fox's "Living Single," NBC's "SeaQuest," and CBS's "Murphy

Brown" as well as Paramount's "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine." Tuvok is the Starfleet tactical/security officer. He is a Vulcan with a powerful combination of wisdom, experience, and vitality. His fit and active regimen and his ability to use his physical skills in battle inspire the Voyager crew while his Vulcan equanimity and calm demeanor make him a valued peace keeper on the ship.

Harry Kim (Garrett Wang)--Wang will appear in the upcoming ABC series "All American Girl." His feature film credits include "Flesh Suitcase" and "Angry Cafe." Harry Kim is the ops/communication officer. He is a 21-year-old recent graduate of Starfleet Academy. Boarding the starship Voyager after a stellar academic career, Harry is nervous about living up to his own expectations. Nevertheless, he looks forward to the challenges and adventures of space exploration.

B'Elanna Torres (Roxann Biggs-Dawson)--In addition to lead roles in such feature films as "Darkman II" and "Bound By Honor," Biggs has also appeared in "Guilty By Suspicion." Her television credits include NBC's "Round Table" and "Nightingales," USA Network's "Mortal Sins" and "Dirty Work," Paramount's "The Untouchables," and CBS's "Matlock." B'Elanna Torres, a half-Klingon female, is the chief engineer. B'Elanna is a beautiful 25-year-old former student at Starfleet Academy. B'Elanna quit and joined the Maquis. She is tough, knowledgeable, and independent, but her mixed heritage has manifested itself in a state of confusion and denial.

Neelix (Ethan Phillips)--Phillips will appear in the upcoming feature film "Jeffrey." His feature film credits also include "The Shadow," "Man Without A Face," "Green Card," and "Glory." His television credits include a series regular role on NBC's "Benson," as well as guest starring roles in NBC's "The Mommies," "NYPD Blue," "L.A. Law," CBS's "Murphy Brown," and Paramount's "Star Trek: The Next Generation." Neelix is the guide, cook, and all-around handyman on the starship Voyager. He is an alien unlike any ever encountered in the Star Trek universe since he comes from a part of the galaxy that has never been explored. This strange-looking alien is a charming yet straggly scavenger with wit and instincts that have enabled him to survive in this dangerous part of space.

Kes (Jennifer Lien)--Lien's television credits

include the role of Roanne in the ABC series "Phenom" as well as the role of Hannah in NBC's "Another World." In addition, Lien has guest starred in ABC's "Brewster Place." Kes is a member of the Ocampa species, a type of alien never before seen in the Star Trek universe. Kes is the delicate, beautiful young lover of Neelix. Although she appears as a 20-year-old in human years, she is actually a one-year-old Ocampa (a species with a life span of only 9 years).

Doc Zimmerman (Robert Picardo)--Picardo will appear in the upcoming feature film "Wagons East." His other feature film credits include "Gremlins II," "Innerspace," and "Back to School." He earned an Emmy Award nomination for his recurring role as Coach Cutlip on ABC's "The Wonder Years." In addition, he portrayed Dr. Richard on ABC's "China Beach" and had a recurring role in NBC's "L.A. Law." Furthermore, he has guest starred in ABC's "Home Improvement," HBO's "Tales From the Crypt," and NBC's "Golden Girls." Doc Zimmerman is a holographic figure, an emergency medical program devised by Starfleet. When the ship's doctor is unavailable or needs added assistance, the doctor can call on the holographic physician. Doc Zimmerman is programmed with up-to-date medical knowledge and is capable of treating any disease or injury.

In the two-hour premiere episode of Star Trek: Voyager, the excitement and adventure begin early when the starship Voyager is dispatched in search of a Maquis ship which has disappeared in an unusual region of space known as the "Badlands." The Maquis is a group of resistance fighters considered outlaws by the Federation. The starship Voyager finds the Maquis ship but not before being swept up in a strange and terrifying phenomenon which sends the Voyager into the far reaches of the galaxy--so far that even at warp speeds, it would take nearly 70 years to return. The two diverse crews band together to explore this distant part of space and try to find a "shortcut" home.

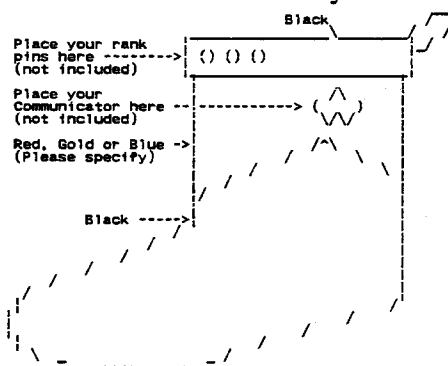
(Ed.'s note: At press time, it has been reported that Ms. Bujold has left the cast of "Star Trek: Voyager" after only 2 days of filming. The reasons are varied. One source mentioned that she was unfamiliar with "Star Trek" and its place in American pop culture. It was also stated that she objected to the 12-hour filming

days, the hair and make-up help provided to her, and she was adamantly opposed to being interviewed. Producers Berman, Piller and Jeri Taylor are currently scrambling to find a replacement.

(Ed.'s SPECIAL BULLETIN: This just in off of the internet: The role of Capt. KATHERINE Janeway will now be played by Kate Mulgrew, best-known to us video-philes as "Mrs. Columbo".)

SANTA CLAUS IS TREKKING TO TOWN!

FCapt. Hilliard pulled the following ad off the computer net--"Large Christmas stockings hand made from high-quality washable felt. Available in standard Federation colors (red, gold, and blue). This is a must-have that will give Santa the right hint about what to leave for presents! \$15.95, shipping included. Bank check or money order only to R. Schraut, 540 South Franklin Street, Holbrook, MA 02343. Allow 4 to 6 weeks for delivery.



DS9 SEASON PREMIER PARTY

Believe it or not, there WILL BE a season premier to STAR TREK: DEEP SPACE NINE as previously expected. The date and time of the episode is Sunday, October 2, at 7 pm. As usual for occasions such as this, members of the USS REPUBLIC will assemble to view said episode. The members will gather around 4 pm at the entrance of the Castlegate Hotel after Vulkan. From there we will car pool to the home of Holly Evans and Dee Troutman to view the program and to dine on fine Mexican cuisine (ENCHILADAS!!). Maps will be available at Vulkan, or, if you can't be at the con, please call Dee and Holly at 819-1274 for directions.



STOP THE PRESSES!!!

From the Chief of Communications: As this issue of ATTR goes to press, we received some late-breaking information on the upcoming Starfleet elections. We hope you have read the McGinnis/Nelson platform presented earlier in this issue. Herewith is the Lerman/Gleason platform taken from the computer nets:

Where are we going . . .

The Starfleet of the future--a communicative, positive organization, with members and chapters united in appreciation and understanding of the greatest human adventure: Star Trek, in all its forms. An organization of the fans, by the fans, and for the fans, with superior membership services and a focus: to be the single best fan-run Star Trek fan association in the world. Fantasy? no--REALITY, with the commitment of the Lerman/Gleason Administration. Starfleet's 7,800 members and 300+ chapters deserve no less than the best. They deserve:

ACCOUNTABILITY from their leaders through increased opportunity for input in regional representation and a simple, straightforward recall and impeachment process for all levels of the Starfleet organization.

The HONESTY to admit when things are going well--and when they aren't. The honesty to tell you the truth; to operate on fact-based information and not rumor and innuendo; to encourage fact-based decision making at all levels of the Starfleet chain of command.

INTEGRITY to stand by the decisions that are made in the best interests of the fleet, and the integrity to consider member concerns and feedback when making those decisions; integrity to do what is right for the members rather than what may be politically expedient or in the best interests of a minority at the expense many.

A COMMITMENT to the Starfleet spirit--a love of one's fellow fan; a belief in a better future as exhibited through the various Star Trek series and movies; and a serious emphasis on fun for all members. This organization exists for the members and for the fans; they will continue to be the focus of the Lerman team for the future.

A BELIEF that Starfleet stands now to lead the way into the future of fandom through growth, unity, and development. Starfleet's members and chapters continue to grow at a fantastic pace, and that responsible growth in numbers and scope will be encouraged and expanded through the next several years as part of the Lerman Administration.

THE FUTURE IS HERE, AND IT IS YOURS TO CHOOSE!



Rob Lerman, Dwain Gleason, Michael Knight, Robbie Lewis, Lori Brown, Jennifer French, Clayton Melanson, and the variety of Starfleet Department Heads, officers, and support personnel stand ready at the threshold of a fabulous future. YOU are the focus--YOU are the reason--YOU are the key. Together, we can take Starfleet boldly into the future; together, we can make a difference; together, we can focus this organization on the members, on the spirit of Starfleet, and on fund.

TOGETHER FOR THE FUTURE--THE LERMAN TEAM

The following is intended to be a brief introduction to the Lerman/Gleason '94 Executive Committee. A more detailed biography of each EC member, along with personal history, statements regarding various relevant issues, and more will be forthcoming with the full Lerman/Gleason Election Magazine and Platform Statements shortly.

FADM Rob Lerman for Commander, Starfleet. Rob has served as Commander, Starfleet for the last 21 months. His administration will be the first in the 20-year history of this organization to complete legal taxing requirements, and his personal approach to leadership in the fleet is an honest, open, and accountable one. Rob believes in doing what is right and necessary to preserve member interests, even above his own personal desires in many cases. Rob's belief in the membership's interests has driven member-initiated changes in regions across the fleet. Rob looks forward to seeing our taxes filed and corporate issues resolved so that the fleet can continue to maintain its growth trends and move forward on the key issues that it faces. Rob has served as Director of Starfleet Academy, Director for the Officer's Training School, Coordinator of the Senior Captain's Network, and Commanding Officer of the Region 4 flagship USS Defiance. He has been a Starfleet member for 13 years.

RADM Dwain Gleason for Vice Commander, Starfleet. Dwain has served as Starfleet's Vice Commander since April of this year, working to expand on key areas in the Starfleet infrastructure. Under Dwain's influence, the Fleet Division Chief program has grown and expanded, the Fleet Status Update has once again returned to bimonthly publication, new programs around the Fleet are being implemented on a monthly basis, and communications with the membership are increasing within the development of the Admiralty Command Journal newsletter for AB members as well as the implementation of the Starfleet Help Desk and the Starfleet Information Network. Dwain believes that getting the job done and doing it well are of prime importance, but also firmly believes that Starfleet is here for the members to have fund and meet others with similar interests. Dwain has served as Region 12's Newsletter Editor, the Region 12 Special Projects

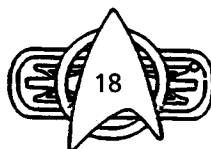


Officer, Region 12 SEALS Director, and Commanding Officer of the USS Krasny Oktyabr. He has been a Starfleet member for 7 years.

FCAPT Michael "JD" Knight for Chief of Operations, Starfleet. Recently appointed as the Interim Chief of Operations, JD has already made his mark upon the diverse and dynamic realm of Starfleet Operations. A Naval veteran, JD has implemented a wide variety of staff and procedural changes to make Starfleet Operations more responsive and efficient for all membership inquiries, whether it be routine questions and issues or the happy responsibility of commissioning new Starfleet chartered chapters. JD has personally responded to and addressed a wide variety of issues across the Fleet and is looking forward to expanding his role as Chief of Operations in the coming months and years. Michael KNight has served as Region 4 Vice Regional Coordinator, Director of Starfleet Covert Operations, and Commanding Officer of the USS Shadowguard. He has been a Starfleet member for six years.

CAPT Robbie Lewis for Chief of Communications, Starfleet. As Region 1's Chief of Communications, Capt. Lewis has set a standard across the Fleet for excellence in print. The Region One Intercom has been acclaimed for its informative articles, eye-catching graphic design, and overall excellent quality--important traights that Robbie plans to bring to the Starfleet Communique, the members' bimonthly magazine. Eager to begin his work on the Communique, Robbie has already begun processes to further improve the overall design and content of the Communique, making it more responsive to reader desires through regular surveys and prompt attention to comments from members. Robbie also plans on developing other Communications Department activities, including a potential Starfleet Fanzine and other supplemental publications for future development. Robbie currently serves as Chief of Communications for the First Fleet and continues as Chief of Communications for the USS Wasp, where he produces an award-winning chapter newsletter. Robbie has been a Starfleet member for five years.

VADM Lori Anne Brown for Director of Starfleet Academy. The Starfleet Academy has been an integral part of the modern Starfleet, and Lori Anne Brown's contributions to the administration of the Academy have been a direct contributor to the current success and popularity of the Academy. A competent administrator and leader, Lori works with each of the Starfleet Academy directors to ensure they are meeting the needs of the members through quality course materials, challenging courses, and reasonable response rates. Lori routinely openus up new courses in the Starfleet Academy, allowing members with a wide variety of interests to participate in the programs of their choosing. Lori's administrative experience as a member of the Executive



Committee has also lent itself to key input on a variety of important Fleet issues. Aside from currently serving as Starfleet's Academy Director, Lori has served as Regional Division Chief program coordinator for Region 2 and Commanding Officer of the USS Paegan, Region 2's oldest chapter. She has been a Starfleet member for 12 years.

RADM Jennifer French for Director of Starfleet Shuttle Operations Command. Development of the new chapters of Starfleet is a key concern in our organization, and it takes an individual with experience, know-how, and dedication to effectively assist the many chapters and individuals seeking to launch shuttles and commission starships in our organization. RADM French, Starfleet's current ShOC Director, has taken a proactive and can-do attitude toward the development of our chapters-in-training. Through two-way communications with the chapters, the ongoing development and expansion of the new ShOC Handbook, and a genuine willingness to help and assist our shuttles and their staffs, RADM French has led the Starfleet shuttle program into the future and plans to continue to do so over the next two years. Through attention to feedback, close with with individuals around the Fleet (including RCs, DTS, CompOps, Starfleet Ops, and others), ShOC has evolved into an interactive, educational, and positive experience for Starfleet's shuttles. RADM Jennifer Franch has served as Director of Shuttle Operations since September of 1993, when she was promoted from Assistant ShOC Director. Jennifer has been a member of Starfleet for over seven years and has held a variety of positions in Region 7, including founding CO of the USS Konkordium.

VADM Clayton Melanson for Chief of Computer Operations, Starfleet. With almost 8,000 members and over 320 chapters around the world, the tracking and monitoring of the Fleet's membership and chapter services is a big job--but not an impossible one. Since the election of the Lerman Administration, Claytom Melanson has brought Starfleet firmly into the information age through the development of an intelligent, high-tech membership database. Through the use of electronic resources (including the Internet), Starfleet membership processing/computer operations maintains a high-speed turnaround of new memberships and renewals as well s producing mailing labels for Communique and Fleet Status Update, chapter, and region rosters and performing special functions on an ad hoc basis. Clayton and his staff have been extremely responsive and communicative, answering letters, phone calls, and e-mails for members with problems, changes, and questions. As Clayton moves forward with the sophistication of the database and tracking software, it continues to grow and evolve--just as our organization dynamically evolves. Clayton has served as Chief of Computer Operations since appointed at the beginning of 1993. He has been a Starfleet member for five years and has served as Commanding Officer of the USS Lancelot.





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MASQUERADE

The NASFiC Masquerade will be held at the Atlanta Civic Center, which has a capacity of 5000 and is only two blocks away, adjacent to **SciTrek**, Atlanta's Science and Technology Museum. This is a masquerade of immense size. You must see it to believe it!

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Tickets are \$45 until 9/15, after which they are \$50 until 3/15/95.

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Members arriving by air can travel to the Ramada, Starfleet's official hotel, by direct and inexpensive MARTA rapid rail. There is a station in the airport's North Terminal, and the Peachtree Center Station is in the same building complex as many of our hotels. Current fare is a mere \$1.25.

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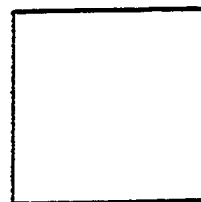


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