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I am delighted to bring you our April edition of the USF PADD cyber-magazine. This issue is quite full - 45 pages long! We have all of our monthly columns: Trivia, Wanted, Ballot Box, Gossip, Birthdays, Humor, Conventions, TechnoBabble. We also have some exciting new features - including an exclusive interview with **Robert Beltran**, who plays Commander Chakotay on Star Trek: Voyager. I know many of you are looking for this interview. It's somewhere in this issue! We also have a delicious recipe for Betazoid Cake, which I urge all of you to try out - it's quite yummy! We are starting a new Counselor's Office column, where you

can send your questions to Counselor Mavelle. Feel free to email her with any of your questions. Naturally, we have a few more interesting surprises in store. Read on to find out what they are!

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BALLOT BOX

by LCdrObrien

Has USF been moving too far from the original ST topic, peace and exploration?

YES: 58% (4)

NO: 42% (3)

Next months question: Are you satisfied with ST: Voyager and DS9?

To answer the question, send an email to LCdrObrien@aol.com. In the subject line, type "YES VOTE" or "NO VOTE". If you wish to make a brief comment, then type it in the text area. If any comments are given for the yes vote or no vote, they will be given under the vote count, without the person's name. Please have these votes in by the 20th of the month. The vote count will be in May's edition of the PADD, as well as the next question. If you have a question suggestion, send it to LCdrObrien@aol.com. I REALLY need more responses to get accurately show peoples opinions.



The USF's Bit of Gossip (The Dirt)

edited by Captain Ariell Johannson-Riker

ATTENTION READER'S

Thank you to all of my sources both anonymous and otherwise for your juicy bits of gossip.

Please let me hear from you. I know you want to spill your sim's dirt. E-Mail CptAriell@aol.com with your bit of dirt. You can even remain anonymous, just let me know that in the e-mail. Please place the ship name and then DIRT in the subject of the e-mail. This will help me to find it more easily.

I would like to keep this section, but I can't do it without your help. Yes that's right. I NEED YOU ALL !! Is someone getting married on your ship, perhaps people are just pairing off, or maybe you just know more about the "Men in White". (he he) Whatever the news is on your ship, we want to hear about it. Send your news, gossip, and good ole fashion dirt on the crew to me at CptAriell@aol.com

I can't wait to hear from you. --Ariell--

Integrity Gossip

Captain Ariell (excerpt from anonymous)

At this rate I think the USS Integrity will have a feature in every section of The Dirt. Hmm, could this be what **Captain Rigel** and **Commander Gorkon** are shooting for?? Who knows, but in any case they have it because I have received the following excerpt

anonymously from one of their sims. My thoughts are below it.

DrMavelle: Want flirting? Want a kiss? Join the USS Integrity.

DrMavelle: New motto!

LTABugg: ::fills out an application:: what position did u apply for mavelle ::eyebrow goes up::

DrMavelle: ::Smiles:: Official Captain's Kisser

Now I don't know about you, but I am sure that there are many of women in the USF who would want that job of **Mavelle's**. I am hear to let you know ladies that the position is open. You heard me, **Mavelle** is going to have to resign as the Official Captain's kisser very shortly.

I have it on good authority, (I received an engagement announcement from the manly half of the duo), that **Doctor Mavelle** of the USS Integrity is now engaged to **Commander Quint Kivo** of the USS Aldrin. ::Gives the Home Alone face:: You know I would swear that those two just met at **Captain Rigel's** birthday party a month or so ago.

Now as they are engaged, I am sure that **Quint** will have something to say about Mavelle being reassigned to duties other than kissing **Captain Rigel**. ::Wonders if next month she will have dirt on a brawl on the Integrity due to miscommunication between the Vulcan/Klingon captain and the husband to be:: ;-)

Federation gossip

By CaptAriell

Life just keeps getting stranger and stranger on the USS Federation. At least we are beginning to solve some of the dilemmas though. Who would have thought that a ship brand new out of space dock would have mirrors that transported people to another dimension, replicators that gave out food posioning, transporters that don't work, turbolifts that all of a sudden stop working, and a multitude of other mishaps.

Are there ghosts on the ship? Although a couple officers would swear they could smell lilacs in their rooms when they didn't put any there, I don't think that ghosts are our main problem. **First Lieutenant's Jason Shrader** and **John Campbell** and **Lieutenant Commanders JAW** and **Haven** have found evidence of something much more dangerous on the loose, a ring of saboteurs. ::Shivers:: Yes you heard me right. For whatever reason, (we will find that out soon), a conspiracy of officers have infiltrated our vessel and are proceeding to ruin it piece by piece.

As if those troubles weren't enough, it seems that the past is never totally forgotten. Upon arrival to Deep Space Nine, for repairs and to look into the saboteur problem, **Captain Sisko** requested for **Captain Ariell Johannson-Riker** to meet him for a meeting. As soon as she stepped foot onto the Deep Space Nine territory security officers were on each side of her and **Sisko** was reading off a list of charges. The charges included: treason, sedition, and sabotage.

Unbeknownst to the crew, which gathered quickly in defense of their Captain (I love my crew), **Ariell** knew very well the man whose name was sign on the warrant PADD. How could she forget **Admiral Richards**, the man responsible for her 4 and a half year Cardassian imprisonment because he would not send a rescue team. Upon seeing that **Richards** was the one charging her, Ariell agreed to a house arrest with a security officer from DS9's forces as well as her own.

The next few weeks will be tricky ones on the Federation. Will the saboteurs be brought to justice? Will **Ariell's** past relations with the Maquis finally come out for the whole crew to know? Will **Ariell** be acquitted of these charges or will she have a repore with Deep Space Nine security like her sister? (Sorry Ahrele had to tease) ;-)

Will we find out what happened to **First**

Lieutenant Scott, or will it remain a stain on **Lieutenant StDuiex's** dessert record? Find out next month in THE DIRT.

Eclipse gossip
anonymous

What is this? Someone keeps depositing home-made brownies into people's quarters. It seems that all new officers to the Eclipse get a surprise package of brownies delivered right to their door step so to speak. Some people have even gotten an anonymous surprise birthday gift of them. Who could the culprit be?

Congratulations to **James Junior** on his promotion to Full Lieutenant.
Congratulations as well to **Lyra Rose** on her promotion to Lieutenant Junior Grade.
Congratulations to **Jonathan Hobson, Tarra Katlin**, and **Goku Mantel** on their superior attendance records, which has earned each of them a Silver Medallion.

Roddenberry Surprises
The Spy

Tonight on the Roddenberry Channel 7 News (RC7N)
Enigma Jennings

::the screen fades on, allowing you to view a young woman, looking like a 20th Century Earth anchorwoman:: Good evening. Welcome to the monthly 1700 hours news on Channel 7. A monthly report given so that you, the viewer may keep up to the strange events happening to the USS Roddenberry.

First on RC7N, this reporter would like to congratulate Edward "Brownie Consumer" Derign and Candace "Not CanDance" Derign on their delightful marriage on Stardate: 9803.03. Though it was a jovial event, it had it's weird moments. The Best Man and the Maid of Honor most specifically were most noticeable at the wedding. Word is that these two are like oil and water, never ever agreeing ... and always disagreeing. Most would think, however, that for this special occasion, these two would try to be kind to each other ... just for one day. Ha! This reporter must admit, she has never seen such a humorous pair of "enemies". The constant bickering was almost too funny to believe. Taking the roles of five year olds, they both threw fits at discovering they had to dance with each other ... as part of tradition. Guests had to wonder if hair-pulling, pushing, and spitballs were going to start.

::a clip shows of the two bickering::
Best Man> I am not dancing with you!
Maid of Honor> I am not dancing with you!
Bride> You two are dancing!
Best Man> NO!!!!
Maid of Honor> Candace!! Have some heart!!!
::the clip ends, focuses back to the reporter::

During the exchange of vows, the soon-to-be-husband gave a more than zealous response. At the same time, telepaths had to laugh as they heard the telepathic bickering between the Best Man and the Maid of Honor. And as the marriage was sealed by a kiss, many had to laugh (snicker?) as a downpour of tears were seen from the Maid of Honor. Talking of downpours ... trick of the year goes to the Best Man for pulling the best prank at a wedding. Yes ... ladies and gentlemen. No one went to the reception dry because the Best Man rigged the holodeck to release water over everyone. Through the laughter, someone was sure they heard Candace screaming ... "YOU ARE SO DEAD JAY!!!"

The reception went ahead ... normal as could be expected. Now that is scary considering what ship this is. The Best Man and the Maid of Honor were happy to notice how

Candace forgot about the tradition of dancing. I'm sure they were happy beyond words.

One good thing. While trying to escape from dancing with the best man, the Maid of Honor was seen with Commander Quint Kivo, muttering to him about playing along so she could be saved from dancing with the Best Man. Apparently it worked all too well. The both of them have been seen (or heard) to be tackling each other all over the USF. And more to the point ... an engagement ring from the Commander was given to Mavelle only a few days ago. Ah. Love forged on the Roddenberry. What'd I tell ya?

On other news, mail has been a constant on the USS Roddenberry, being able to inundate the crew's maliboxes with simple one liners. Proven to you its powers has turned new ensigns to crazed lunatics.

On other developing stories, a new case has come up against Edward Derign concerning his sanity and the facts of his brownie addiction. Further information as the story develops.

On the financial section of our story, bets are now being collected on the following subjects:

1. How long it will take for Ed and Candace to pronounce an incoming child.
2. How long it will take for the new ensign to go nuts.

Do you wish to take part in the sport? Contact Dr. Mavelle as she has been seen wearing a poker style visor and taking bets by the minute.

::shuffles her papers:: This is Engima Jennings on the Roddenberry Channel 7 News saying good night ... and that a brownie a day will keep the sanity away.

Stealth gossip

LCdrSean2

On March 18th Lieutenant Commander Stacy Bones was awarded the Purple Heart in front of her peers.

USF Hosts gossip

By anonymous

Every time I think that it can't get any wackier on the host string it does. The pink tutu'd teddy bears are still about, although Captain Killian swears that she will seek revenge on anyone she catches with one. Each new host is greeted by giving them their sedative medication schedule, the directions to their padded room, and a nice firm pat on the back from all who haven't been locked in their rooms.

The argument at this point is just who does have the wackiest ship in the USF fleet? Captain Killian thought about claiming the honor, but Captain Arkee Dakro (Aarek Dakor), insisted that he held that honor. Hmm, in looking about at the others hosts on the string there Arkee, I think that you will have some stiff competition to hold that title.

It seems to be a general consensus that the USF is the most fun, insane fleet on America Online. Of course we are. We know how to have a good time, so lighten up out there folks and have fun. That is after all why we really signed up now isn't it.

Nigala Gossip

By anonymous

If walls have ears, then the walls in **FsLtSchTal's** quarters on **SS Nigala** need to be questioned: **LtCdrJade**, after her recent breakup with **CmdrJeter** was seen entering the Lt's quarters, and not leaving till the next morning. 'Course they all claim nothing happened, but we've seen the way TuFa looks at her. But it's back to business in Ops where one needs to wear armor if they're anywhere near Jeter and Jade.

Speaking of armor, there may be a battle of the bat'leths between **Ltj Cador** and **EnsgnSasha** over whom the love-torn **Ltj Elana** will choose.... rumor has it that Sasha is the new host for Elana's ex-fiancé, Jakea.

On a last note, **CaptDmoney** and **CmdrJeter** were last seen being assimilated by the Borg. Will the Nigalans be able to recover their staid command officers? Stay tuned to find out!

Potemkin Gossip

By anonymous

The **Potemkin** Arboretum has been working its magic charms overtime as of late. **LtCdrBjorn**, CTAC/SEC, recently reserved the beautiful space and proposed to **FstLtStorm**, CMO, in an incredibly romantic fashion..... the Doctor did say "YES!" and so it looks as if a wedding is in the works... hmm, this reporter wonders if the captain of the *USS Fantasy* will make an appearance at the bachelorette party... *rowr.....* **CptnSierra** and **LtjgVistar**, AOps/ASci, were also seen in the Arboretum, holding a long conversation in the gazebo... things that make you go 'hmmm....'

It has also been heard that Rasha is looking at **LCdrRaptor**, CSCI, with passion in his eyes... will the Ru go for his advances?

...meanwhile, in an alternate timeline..... <eg> Ranks and relationships are all afuss! Nothing is quite like it ought to be! Will the members of the crew who crossed over find their way back to the correct timeline? *Time will tell!*

****REMEMBER**** -- I'm right here, just an email away at CptAriell@aol.com.
Your *Dirt* is always welcome. Please submit those juicy morsels of gossip from your ships! I invite *all* of you who are reading this to send something to *The Dirt*. Requests for anonymity are respected.



SPACE AT THE BAR?

by - Tom Shepherd (AKA Fr. Kapi Tan)

Truffles, trifles, troubles with tribbles,
In the maze of E-mail files
 all *Nigalans* specialize,
Some have mere romantic dates
 while others seek eternal mates,
And some are wont to trivilaize
 as others flash their bedroom eyes.

But all *Nigalans* share a link--
 deep space sailors love to drink.
Gather we at Charlie's lair
 tip our glasses, smooth our hair,
Smile at every passing creature
Some of whom are sure to feature
 prominently in next week's plot--

Alien lifeforms to be shot,
phasered, photon'd, *bat'telh* 'd, punched--
Then back to Charlie's for our lunch.

Life in deep space has its pleasures
Like a moment's stolen leisure
before the next shift begins,
Cador, Tufa, Tok and Hale
meet and greet and swap tall tales,
Elana, Torah, Jeter, Jade
stagger in, their nerves all frayed,
Valmont and the Friar stop by,
give each other dagger eyes.

Then the Captain marches in
wants to know where all have been,
Who's accomplishing Nigala's mission
with all his officers in this condition?
"Get to work!" DMoney yells,
everybody runs like hell,
'Cept the Friar, who's not Starfleet,
smiles and says, "Have a bite to eat?"

Captain D slumps in chair
and spends the next two hours there,
Lakio listens to his troubles,
while swashing down a series of doubles.
The long day ends in drips and dribbles--
Truffles, trifles, troubles with tribbles...

[With deepest apologize to anybody not mentioned ... and more so to those who were!]



Betazoid Chocolate Candy Cake

Submitted by Captain Ahrele Johannson

Greetings one and all! It has been awhile since I have found a recipe that I thought was worth sending along, so I wrote to my mom on Betazed and had her send me a recipe of one of my all time favorite desserts. This one is guaranteed to satisfy even the most picky of chocolate lovers. I have converted all the ingredients to Terran equivalents. :-)

2 c. flour	1 c. butter
2 c. sugar	1/2 c. buttermilk
1 tsp. baking soda	2 eggs slightly beaten
1 c. water	1 t. vanilla extract
1/4 c. cocoa	

Combine sugar, flour, and soda in a mixing bowl and set aside. Combine water, cocoa, and butter in a heavy saucepan and bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Gradually stir liquid mixture into flour mixture. Stir in buttermilk, eggs, and vanilla. Pour into a greased and floured 13 x 9 pan. Bake at 350 degree oven for 30 minutes.

Frosting:

1/2 c. butter

1/4 c. + 2 Tbl. evaporated milk

1/4 c. cocoa

1 (16 oz.) box powdered sugar, sifted

1 tsp. vanilla extract

Combine butter, milk and cocoa in a heavy saucepan, bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Stir in sugar, return to a boil stirring constantly. Immediately remove from heat. Add vanilla. Beat with a mixer until frosting begins to lose its gloss. Pour over cake.

Try it and let me know what you think! :-)



Antimatter, Antimatter Storage And Antimatter Transfer

(note: This article is from the viewpoint of the 24th century)

By LCdrSean2

Since its confirmed existence in the 1930's, the concept of a form of matter with the same mass but reversed charge and spin has intrigued scientists and engineers as a means to produce unprecedented amounts of energy, and to apply that energy to drive large space vehicles.

Cosmological theory maintains that all constituent parts of the universe were created in pairs; that is one particle of matter and one particle of antimatter. Why there seems to be a propensity toward matter in our galactic neighborhood is, to this day, a topic of lively discussion. All of the basic antiparticles have been synthesized, however, and are available for continued experimental and operational use.

When for example, an electron and an antielectron (or positron) are in close proximity, they mutually annihilate each other, producing energetic gamma rays. Other particle-antiparticle pairs annihilate into different combinations of subatomic particles and energy. Of particular interest to spacecraft engineers were the theoretical results presented by deuterium, an isotope of hydrogen, and it's antimatter counterpart. The problems encountered along the way to achieving a working M/A (matter/antimatter) engine were as daunting as the possible rewards were glorious. Antimatter, from the time of it's creation, could neither be contained by nor touch any matter. Numerous plans were proposed to contain anti-hydrogen by magnetic fields. This continues still to be the accepted method of containment. Appreciable amounts of antihydrogen, in the form of liquid, better yet, slush, posed significant risks should any portion of the magnetic containment fail. Within the last fifty years, reliable superconducting field sustainers and other measures have afforded a greater degree of safety aboard operational Starfleet vessels.

As used aboard the USS Enterprise, antimatter is first generated at major Starfleet fueling facilities by combined solar-fusion charge reversal devices, which process proton and neutron beams into antideuterons, and are joined by a positron beam accelerator to produce antihydrogen (specifically antideuterium). Even with the added solar dynamo input, there is a net energy loss of 24% using this process, but this loss is deemed acceptable by Starfleet to conduct distant interstellar operations.

The antimatter is kept contained by magnetic conduits and compartmentalized tankage while aboard the fueling facility. Early starships were also constructed with compartmentalized tankage in place, though this method proved less desirable from a safety standpoint in a ship subjected to high stresses. During normal refueling, antimatter is passed through the loading port, a 1.75 meter-wide circular probe-and-drogue device equipped with twelve physical hard-

dock latches and magnetic irises. Surrounding the antimatter loading port on Deck 42 are thirty storage pods, each measuring 4x8 meters and are constructed of polyduranium, with an inner magnetic field layer of ferric quonium. Each pod contains a maximum volume of 100 m3 of antimatter, giving a 30 pod total starship supply of 3000 m3, enough for a normal mission period of three years (doesn't look like Voyager is going to make it). Each is connected by shielded conduits to a series of redistribution manifolds, flow controllers, and electro plasma systems (EPS) power feed inputs. In rapid refueling conditions, reserved for emergency situations, the entire antimatter storage pod assembly (ASPA) can be drawn on jackscrews and replaced in less than one hour.

In the event of loss of magnetic containment, this very same assembly can be ejected by microfusion initiators at a velocity of 40 m/sec, pushing it clear of the ship before the fields decay and the antimatter has a chance to react with the pod walls. While small groups of pods can be replaced under normal conditions, the magnetic pump transfer method is preferred.

Antimatter, even contained within storage pods, cannot be moved by transporter without extensive modifications to the pattern buffer, transfer conduits, and transporter emitters for safety reasons due to the highly volatile nature of antimatter, (Specific exceptions apply for small quantities of antimatter stored in approved magnetic containment devices, normally used for specialized engineering and scientific applications.)

Refueling while in interstellar space is possible through the use of Starfleet tanker craft. Tanker transfers run considerable risks, not so much from hardware problems but because refined antimatter is a valuable commodity, and vulnerable to Threat force capture or destruction while in transit. Starfleet cruiser escorts are standard procedure for all tanker movements.

Source: Star Trek The Next Generation Technical manual.



The Sounds of Wedding Bells

~ Dr. Mavelle Katara Rand ~

The USF is known for bringing people together with simming. And boy does it bring people together! :) We've all seen our friends date, marry, and maybe even have children before our very eyes. But what does it exactly mean to be married? I decided to find out. I took the time to speak with two couples. The difference? One was a newly wed while the other had been married for almost a year. Lt. Commander Edward Darign and Lt. Candace Darign of the USS Roddenberry were married on Stardate: 9803.03 and are experiencing life as a newly married couple.

I had the chance to speak with Ed first. While in character, Ed showed so much love for Candace that I understood why Candace was always so happy. Again and again, he repeated how he would have hated himself for not proposing to her. How much it pleased him to wake up in the morning with a woman who he loved sleeping soundly next to him. How much Jake Vargo was an ever-present shadow in their life. More to the point, how he much he loved her. When I asked what advice he would give to newlyweds, Ed had this to say:

::clasps hands together:: Not much ... you'll be too jittery and nervous to notice anything besides the bride, if you're like me. But seriously? I have no clue. In fact, you act like I know what I'm doing <Whisper> Ah .. would you believe spur of the moment enthusiasms? What do you do .. what do you do .. well, item numero uno on the list is shared quarters. Got to love that one, but be prepared. You may love the idea of your mate sharing quarters with you .. but look around theirs first .. ::remembers Candace's bat'leths:: They may have some unusual furnishings you will need to get used to. Talk it out. Generally, it's not a problem when you're in love, but you never know.

My conversation with Candace was much different. She gave the same reply of how much love played an

important part in their lives. She kept mention how Ed was "perfect in every way - sensitive, kind, funny, and just .. perfect". And without much surprise, she also said marriage with him was "paradise .. heaven". I asked her the same question I asked Ed, "What advice would you give newly weds?" This is what she had to say:

No matter what you tell newly weds, they won't listen. If they are totally in love, they don't see or hear anyone else! It's like the rest of the universe melts away.

However, though characters might be married, the people behind them are not. I took the time to speak to both Ed and Candace out of character, trying to understand what it felt like to play married characters. Ed and Candace both agreed that having their characters get married was an excellent idea. Ed admitted having to play a married man is difficult as he wasn't married. Admitting that he never expected his character to get married, Ed enjoyed the fact that his original plan to make his character slightly timid, nerdy if you will, didn't go through. He advised simmers this if you are thinking of having your character marry:

Do something interesting. Don't just be married. ACT married. And try not to make it a fairy tale ending, either. Sometimes that's a bit old. The one thing that is needed for a sim marriage (relationship, if you wish) is that you must be good friends with the person whose character you are engaged to.

Candace laughed as I spoke with her about being a single character to a character who is married. She enjoyed the fact that she had to "go from trying to flirt a little, to being married!" I asked her of the changes she had to make for her character. Admittingly, she explained how her character had to trust men again after finding her other love was a criminal. I asked her what she advised simmers to do if they were married, and she had this to reply:

Just make sure you and the person you are "married to" are good friends, you have to get along like old pals.

Good advice from two totally different people who must try to understand what is it that makes a character feel married. But what happens after time has passed? When you've been married for more than a few months? Commander Gorkon and Lt. Commander Karem of the USS Integrity took the time to speak with me. Again, this was both in character and out of character.

I asked them what made their marriage last for a year. Both had to agree love played a vital role. It helped them overcome limitless degrees of pain and trouble when it arose in their relationship. They both understood communication was an important role in their lives. Talking through the problem was the only way to solve it. I thought of problems and their roles in Starfleet. Carefully, I asked, "Starfleet is a harsh world to live in, battles to be fought. How do you handle times when duty comes before love? Or do you pick the other way around?"

Gorkon and Karem looked at each other, careful to chose their words. But wisely, Karem answered, "There are times that you know duty comes before love, but it is still hard."

"How do you handle them though?"

Gorkon spoke up after a bit of silence, "Well .. luckily we haven't had many of those, but we always stick together. We get through it ... no matter what it takes."

I asked both of them what advice they would give to people who were just married, getting married, or thinking of getting married. Gorkon had this to say, which Karem agreed to with all certainty:

Make sure it is something you really want. Its a big commitment and if your not ready for it...you wont make it.

Stepping out of character for a moment, I spoke with the people who played Karem and Gorkon. I had to laugh as I discovered how different they were from their characters. Karem and I spoke for a while. She conveyed to me how playing a married woman means enabling her character to grow beyond what she had originally planned. When I asked her of any advice, she had this to say:

Well, just keep in tune with the person that is playing the other character. Make sure you know where they want to take the character relationship.

Gorkon was much more of a comedian as I spoke with him, proving that you may not necessarily be anything like your character. I asked him what it was like playing a married man and why he thought it lasted for so long. He had this to say:

Its interesting. ::Laughs:: You can't flirt around with all the girls Through hard work and dedication. Always being there for one another, and always working out our differences together and as a team.

He went on speaking how it was everything he had expected and more. Finally, I asked him what advice he would give to others who were about to or thinking of playing a married character. Thoughtfully, he answered:

Communication is very important. With out talking to each other, you don't know what each are thinking. You can't work out things alone...it must be a team effort. A big part of a relationship is being each others best friend. Relationships that aren't built on friendship as well...in most cases...don't last too long

So there you have it. :) Love has always been an aspect in our lives, real or otherwise. The USF is not only a way to enjoy the action of our Star Trek passion, but it's a way to form lasting friendships. These two couples have proven marriage can work to change your character's aspect of life .. and maybe even create a stronger friendship between yourself and your "spouse". Are you next to be bitten by Cupid's wedding arrow? :) If you have, I wish you all the luck in the world.

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Medical Advice

Multiple Births in Starfleet...Not Just a Coincidence

By Dr. Bargeil Leen, CMO USS Sundancer

As a physician in Starfleet, I make it a point to keep abreast of new research, and I recently ran across an article in a medical journal that caught my attention. It seems that there has been a dramatic rise in the incidence of multiple births in officers aboard starships, particularly so among command personnel. Couples cited in the article as examples of this growing trend include Captains Shodan and Putty (triplets), Captain and Cmdr Richard and Beth Semino (triplets), Captain Ariell Johannson-Riker (father's name was withheld) (twins), Captain and Cmdr Doug and Kel Dmoney (twins), Captain Leetanzia Storm Grant and Cmdr Jason Storm (twins). At first, it was caulked up to coincidence, but further research into the phenomena has revealed otherwise. It seems, that this rise in multiple births can be attributed to the proximity to warp cores during sensitive moments in a couple's relationship.

As the CMO aboard a starship, I find this information worth passing along to my patients. While shielding around the engineering sections of Starfleet ships is considered adequate protection from the environmental hazards created by the strong energy emitted from warp cores, it has been proven that the probability of having a multiple birth is directly proportional to the proximity of the parents to the warp core at the time of conception. Further research is being conducted and any couple aboard a Federation starship that experiences a multiple birth is asked to contact Starfleet medical to be added to the study. Any couple interested in participating in the study, but is at the moment childless can also contact Starfleet Medical or their CMO for fertility counseling. In the meantime, the Federation's Surgeon General has issued a warning concerning family planning aboard starships. If you are planning or more importantly NOT planning a family, a discrete distance from the engine room might be in order! :-)



100th Episode (Babylon 5)

By Captain Ariell Johansson-Riker

Babylon 5 is still kicking and going strong. On April 8th, TNT will be airing Babylon 5's 100th episode. It will air at 8:00 pm Eastern in most areas. Please note that this is a change from the usual 10 pm Eastern slot. Please check out the schedule on TNT's site that I have listed below as there are major changes in the Babylon 5 schedule due to the basketball playoffs. I have copied the notes from TNT's site exactly below for those that don't want to go to the web site. I urge you to check it out first hand and keep up to date on any changes.

Lots of promotion has already begun for this episode. I am sure that it will be exciting and entertaining as only Babylon 5 can give us. Be sure to watch the episode and show your support for this fine show.

You can find out more about Babylon 5 (including hundreds of downloads) by checking out <http://tnt.turner.com/babylon5/> or <http://www.babylon5.com>

SOME IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS CONCERNING THE BABYLON 5 SCHEDULE ON TNT!

The staff of TNT would like to thank everyone who has made Babylon 5 such a huge success on our network. YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL to the ongoing success of the series and its future on TNT. Please continue to watch the shows as they air, tell all your friends to tune in as well, and spread the word among the uninitiated. As you will see below, there will be some important changes in the schedule during TNT's broadcast of the NBA Playoffs so please bear with us during this temporary situation. We are doing everything we can to accommodate ALL of our viewers and appreciate your loyalty.

March 28

No Babylon 5 episode will air this Saturday due to our special all-day festival - Turner Classic Movies on TCM

April 8

We will premiere our fifth season episode of "The Ragged Edge" (#513) at 8 pm ET with an encore showing at 11 pm ET. This marks the 100th episode of Babylon 5 and will be a special evening for Babylon 5 fans everywhere.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WEDNESDAYS AT 8 PM ET IS THE NEW TIME SLOT FOR BABYLON 5 YEAR FIVE EPISODES.

April 15

After the airing of episode #514 "The Corp is Mother, the Corp is Father", there will be a break in the fifth season episodes due to our extensive coverage of the NBA Playoff Games. We will resume with episode #515 "Meditations on the Abyss" on May 27 at 8 pm ET.

April 22

We present a special encore showing of the re-edited/re-mastered pilot episode of Babylon 5 - "The Gathering" - for all those fans who missed it the first time around. It will air at 8 pm ET with an additional showing on Saturday, April 25 at 11 am ET.

May 4

Beginning Monday, May 4, Babylon 5 episodes will air Tuesday through Friday only at 7 pm ET until the NBA Playoffs are over. Please check the web site and your local listings on a regular basis to make sure these start times are correct. There is always a possibility that the NBA games may start earlier which would mean that the regularly scheduled Babylon 5 episode at 7 pm ET would air AFTER THE GAME. Remember that the fifth season of Babylon 5 will resume with #515 "Meditations on the Abyss" on Wednesday May 27 at 8 pm ET.

May 14

Beginning Thursday May 14 at 7 pm ET, we will begin repeating Babylon 5 episodes in their correct sequence starting with episode #103 "Midnight on the Firing Line." This will give new viewers a chance to start from the beginning as well as give regular fans a chance to catch any past episodes they missed and watch their favorites again and again and again. Every true B5 fan knows that each episode grows richer and more rewarding with each viewing.

May 27

Our fifth season schedule of Babylon 5 resumes with episode #515 "Meditations on the Abyss" on Wednesday May 27 at 8 pm ET with an encore showing on Saturday May 30 at 11 am ET. We will present new year 5 episodes every Wednesday night at 8 pm ET with a Saturday morning encore at 11 am ET through Saturday June 20 through episode #518. The remaining new year 5 episodes are being held until the fall for air.

June 24

Babylon 5 will be pre-empted on this date by a live NBA Draft Special.

July 1

Beginning Wednesday July 1 at 8 pm ET, we will begin an encore run of the fifth season of Babylon 5 starting in order with episode #502. These Wednesday showings will also repeat every Saturday morning at 11 am ET.

July 19

We present the premiere of our new TNT Original Babylon 5 movie, "Thirdspace." Check our web site in April for more details.



Fan Club Series: Babylon 5

By: CptAriell

Let's Continue On

I am continuing to try and bring you all of the fan clubs of the science fiction and fantasy genre. This month the feature is Babylon 5. I am always adding clubs (as I find out about them) so please don't hesitate to ask about your favorite actor or series. I will do my best to get them to you. All of the clubs that I have found so far are listed on my web site at <http://members.aol.com/captariell/fanclubs/>

If you know of an Official or Non-Official fan club that I don't have listed, please contact me at CptAriell@aol.com Please give as much contact information about the club as possible so that I can pass it on. Also if there is a science fiction series that you would either like the fan club information for or you have fan club information again let me know at CptAriell@aol.com I am always looking for more. Hopefully the list will grow further as I am able to search out other science fiction/fantasy clubs.

Is there another science fiction or fantasy show that you would like to see the Fan Club listing for here??? Let me know at CptAriell@aol.com

Official Babylon 5 Fan Club

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North Hollywood, CA 91603

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Richard Biggs Fan Club
c/o Shirley Didemoico
1133 Uptegraf Street
Puttsburgh, PA 15218

BRUCE BOXLEITNER
Bruce Boxleitner's Official Fan Club
P.O. Box 57593
Sherman Oaks, CA 91403
OR
230 Deerfield Dr
Alexandria, VA 22309

MIRA FURLAN
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Viacom Entertainment Store

by USF Sierra



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HAVE YOU ALWAYS WANTED THAT RED AND BLACK LEATHER JACKET Picard wore in the episode "Darmok"? Or perhaps you need a complete set of Starfleet Academy gear, right down to a SFA class ring? Is your Trek collection not complete without an official Tribble?

Then your search is over. Next time you are in Chicago, beam into the official **Viacom Entertainment Store**, located on the Magnificent Mile at 600 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611. [Tel. (312) 867-3547; or Fax (312) 867-3660; Jason Morel, Star Trek Director]. Here you will find many souvenirs of the mighty Viacom Empire (see <http://www.viacomstore.com/online.tin> for a set of weblinks of Viacom's many projects), ranging across six of Viacom's most recognizable cash cows -- Paramount Pictures; MTV and VH1; Nickelodeon and Nick at Nite; and of course, Star Trek. You can find things as diverse as Café

Nervosa (*Frasier*) coffee blends, toys, dog mats, mugs, t-shirts, CD's, you name it. And if wandering through this shrine to Viacom wears you out, you can stop in the restaurant upstairs and have a snack. (*Oddly enough, the café doesn't serve any of the Nervosa coffees or the Trek teas!*)

This store has the feel of a Disney or Warner Brothers store; if it is successful (it opened Memorial Day weekend, 1997), perhaps they will eventually expand to malls near you. And not unlike the supermarket, where you have to walk through the entire store to get to the milk, Viacom makes you go through the whole store in order to reach the thing you want most -- the Trek mecca upstairs. I've been to a lot of conventions, and I thought I'd seen it all, but surprise, there is even more Trek merchandise to be had! Aside from the Picard jacket (\$380), Academy wear (\$10 and up), and Tribbles (\$5 and \$8), the VES features Trek books, videos, computer programs, clothing, model kits, mugs, pens, puzzles, game cards, trading cards, candy, action figures, (*Trek Ken and Barbie only \$20 -- versus \$75 most other places*), SFA class rings, autographed memorabilia (*pictures, director chairs, models*), and various other Trek items. In addition, you can be photographed "on" a transporter pad (*thanks to the miracle of bluescreening*) with members of the Trek casts (\$8 and up). You won't find any "Beam me up, Scotty," bumper stickers here; but there is still plenty of merchandise to keep the average Trekker happy. (*Also, they allowing photographing inside the store*).

Did I get anything? Well, I bought a Romulan baseball cap (\$14) to add to my ballcap collection <g>. But that's it, I swear. ;) The Magnificent Mile had plenty of other nifty shops to explore!



Trek Gossip and Upcoming Episodes

By: CptAriell

SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR VOYAGER:

Remember when Voyager switched from 9 pm Eastern in most places to 8 pm Eastern? Well be prepared to reset your VCR's because as of April 8th Voyager will return to its 9 pm time slot. The Sentinel will move back to 8. On April 1st you can also check out the Voyager 2 hour episode Scorpion (1 and 2) all together beginning at 8 pm Eastern on UPN (For those that get it at that time. All others check your local listings.)

STATIONS BLACKOUT !!

Have you been blocked out of receiving Start Trek Voyager and other UPN shows?? Well help is on the way. Check out <http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Dimension/9644/voylounge.html> for more information. Deals are being worked out as I write to get Voyager and other shows back on in your area.

Voyager Thoughts

What do you think of this 4th season's episodes?? I think they are great. Each episode just continues to get better. Who all sat glued to their television as the 2 hour Voyager played out the last two parts of the 6 part saga? ::Raises hand:: I assure you that I did. Nothing else took precedence that night.

I was able to get a listing of upcoming episode titles. The air dates are not available yet (at least I couldn't find the air date yet), but if any of you know a little about these episodes write to me. Send an e-mail to CptAriell@aol.com and let me know what teasers you have heard for the episodes. I have a convention coming at the end of April so hopefully I will have lots of juicy TNG movie news, DS9 7th season news, and Voyager news.

Deep Space Nine News (Thanks to CptnSierra)

Yes I know this is a repeat from last month, but some people weren't sure if I had mentioned it or not, so I wanted to post it again just so you are sure to have read it. :-)

Yes it is official that Deep Space Nine is going into seven seasons. The sad and unfortunate news is that Terry Farrell will NOT be returning for the 7th season.

Terry Farrell hopes that the producers will send Dax off somewhere (like a fight with

Worf or reassignment) instead of killing off her character. I am sure that the rest of us feel the same way.

{I have heard many rumors as to why she will not be back, so I can't give an accurate reason as to why. I believe that it had something to do with how she was treated in the negotiation process. From what I have heard Paramount people can be ruthless at times during negotiations. ~~Ariell}

Given any thought to writing and submitting a script for Voyager or Deep Space Nine?

In my time here I have met some very talented individuals. Here is the information that you will need to get their script writing guidelines. Who knows, maybe we could someday see a written by fellow USF'er in the credits. :-)

Send a 9" X 11" self-addressed stapled envelope (55 cents) to
Lolita Fatjo
C/O Paramount Pictures
Hart Building 105
5555 Melrose Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90038

Did you know about an e-mail magazine called On Screen? It contains updates and news about Star Trek at least once a week. E-Mail startrek.f@ukonline.co.uk if you would like to join that list.

MOVIE UPDATES

According to one of On Screen's sources the name for the new Star Trek: The Next Generation movie is Transcendance. Now since we have heard many titles already for this movie, I will try to find out at the end of April when I go to my convention here in Michigan. I will post all movie news here as soon as I hear it.

COLLECTED INTERVIEWS WITH THE CAST OF DS9 (Thanks to OnScreen for this)

Now available is a 49 page booklet that includes many wonderful photos of the regular cast of Deep Space Nine (several previously unpublished) You can check out the interviews with Rene Auberjnois, Michael Dorn, Terry Farrell, Armin Shimmerman, Cirroc Lofton, Nana Visitor, Colm Meaney and Alexander Siddig. If you want more information on how to order this book (only 10 dollars) please e-mail 103202.3163@compuserve.com

DEEP SPACE NINE UPCOMING EPISODES

3/28/98	541	Wrongs Darker Than Death or Night
4/4/98	542	Inquisition
To Be Determined		In the Pale Moonlight (Patriots)
To Be Determined		His Way
To Be Determined		The Valiant
To Be Determined		Profit and Lace
To Be Determined		Out of Time

VOYAGER UPCOMING EPISODES

4/1/98	168 R	Scorpion Part 1
4/1/98	169 R	Scorpion Part 2
4/8/98	188	Vis A Vis
TBD	189	The Omega Directive
TBD	190	Unforgettable
TBD	191	Living Witness
To Be Determined		Reciprocity
To Be Determined		Demons
To Be Determined		One
To Be Determined		Hope and Fear

The Counselor's Office

~ Dr. Mavelle Katara Rand ~

Look who they finally allow to become an official counselor!!! Hey! Don't run away! ::laughs:: I won't operate on you!! ::chuckles:: Seriously, this is a small spot where you, the reader (an ever so curious person), gets to ask me any questions that you might want answered, whether it may be in character or out of character. It may involve a situation your character is in, and you have no idea how to solve it. It may involve a question on exactly what you're suppose to do when you've got nothing to do during a simulation. Anything! Try to stump me with questions! Since this is still starting, you'll have to excuse the dearth of questions. Hopefully, you'll have a question you might want to ask. It doesn't have to be hard or serious. You don't have to have your name on it, and no one will ever find out who wrote it. If you have a question, send it to DrMavelle@aol.com.

1. My character is awfully shy. And I suppose it's up to me to change him. But, I'm not sure exactly what I'm suppose to do to make him interesting. Got any ideas? - Shy and Quiet (OOC)

Well .. There's really a lot that you can do. First of all, what do you want to do? After all, he is your character. What are you interests? Use those. I know a good friend of mine changed his character quite a bit. In fact .. he turned to become one of the most crazed characters you could ever know (Sickbay has been taped with "**Stay Clear: Chopper™ Zone**") because of it. You may not want to go that far off the edge .. but you can make your character live a little. During one of your free sims, go to the holodeck and do something unexpected! Hang glide .. over sharks .. in a gorilla suit! ::laughs:: All right .. maybe you don't want to go that far. But you get the idea. Live a little. After all .. what is a character good for if you can't live out your wildest fantasies!

2. I am a young Cardassian/Bajoran female who, whenever I try to talk to anyone, gets shoved aside or ignored. I have realized that I am different, but I still don't know how to let people see past all that. What can I do to help them see past the skin? - Alone on DS9 (IC)

Hmm .. that's quite serious. But, I see your dilemma. First of all, always remember that what people think don't matter. You have to be comfortable with who you are. And your origin is quite special. Don't ever feel less than a person, and don't ever let anyone let you feel that way. If you want them to know the real you, go and prove yourself to be a person of good nature with integrity and style. Don't worry. Your moment will come. But if you can't wait, you can always start befriending someone. Get involved in their out-of-work activities. Let them see the special side of you.

3. Who does your hair? What is the best ship in the USF? - Commander Gorkon (IC)

By the Prophets!! You've had too much time on your hands! First of all, my hair is about mid-chest length and almost always in a French twist. I wish I

had Janeway's hair. :) And then I'll have a really cute First Officer with a tattoo tell me one of those third person love stories. But I've got someone better. :) Whoohoo! Er .. ::straightens her uniform, calming herself:: Never mind. Anyway. As for the best ship of the fleet .. I shouldn't say anything. After all, I'll get hunt down. ::evil smile:: But since you signed your sanity away and said you'd let Sickbay give you a physical if I say this .. I'm going to *have* to do it. I'll have to say the *USS Integrity* is the best ship. ::smiles:: (Hey .. you'd say your ship if this guy was your commanding officer!) But .. ::evil smile:: Commander, you failed to say which *ONE* ship is the best. And since you never said *ONE* .. I'll have to assume you mean that there is no limit to how many ships. So this is what I have to say:

Every ship in the USF has their special qualities. Either they're more advanced in simming. Or they're more insane. Or they've got the most interesting crew. Point being, there's no way you can measure what exactly is the "best" ship .. especially if you haven't simmed on all of them (which I haven't). The USF is known for their wonderful crews that are assigned to their ships. Eventually, people hate to transfer since they've gotten used to calling their ship "home" .. when in truth, almost every ship can be called home if it's in the USF.

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ORB Review

by USFShodan

ORB is the Official Robert Beltran web site. Fans of this exceptionally talented actor are delighted that Robert has consented to officially sanction a web site. And this is really some web site! I strongly urge all Robert Beltran fans to check it out at

<http://www.robertbeltran.com/>. This site has already been visited by well over 10,000 visitors and is creatively designed and maintained by Diane Nichols and Jennifer Schlenzig, two unabashed and "enthusiastic" fans of Robert's.

The first page the internet browser sees is the *Welcome* page. The first thing we notice about it is the hand-drawn illustration by DRush. This is a well-detailed head-shot of Robert which captures some of the warmth in his smile (oh, those dimples!). There are also words from Diane and Jen. "Who is Robert Beltran? Some of you may only know him as Chakotay™, but he has had a varied career in film, television, and theater. Through this site, we hope to encourage new fans to become better acquainted with the entirety of Robert's career and to provide old fans with a new perspective on and a greater appreciation for his work. Talent perseveres, and it always rises above the mundane. If we have one hope, it's that we can illustrate to the world that Robert's talent has done and will continue to do both of those things."

If one scrolls down just a tad, one can find a quote from Robert himself. "Welcome to my web site. I was happy to have the opportunity to work with Jen and Diane to put this site together because my fans mean a lot to me, and I thought this would be a nice way to show you all how

much I appreciate your interest in my career. The Internet provides us with new ways of communicating and breaking down barriers, and this can only benefit all of us. Enjoy the ORB, and thanks for your support.”

There is a table of contents which gives 11 more sections to this web site. First there is the *Self Portrait* section - a definite must-see section. “The photographs on these pages have been selected for inclusion by Robert Beltran, and the words are his own.” There are six pictures of Robert from his college days. Yes, he was just as good-looking back then as he is now. Robert also wrote a few paragraphs to explain these pictures. Five are taken of him in costume, performing Shakespeare (*Macbeth* and *Julius Caesar*) and Henry James (*The Turn of the Screw*).

The next section is titled *In The Works*. This lists many up-coming TV appearances of various movies and television shows that Robert has been in. It also lists several conventions that Robert has agreed to attend. He is planning on attending five more conventions this year. Find out if he’s coming to your area!

Following this section is *Features* - another must-see. This special section includes reviews written and pictures taken by fans. Diane Nichols was lucky enough to be invited to the Voyager set by Robert, and she wrote up a fascinating review on her trip. She also gives her review of Robert’s September 1997 appearance in Atlanta, Georgia (which Captain Ariell and myself reviewed here in the USF PADD a few issues back). In addition, Diane wrote an article about the hotel (accompanied by photos taken by Becky Olsen) we stayed at (it does seem that no one from that convention would ever recommend that hotel to anyone - I certainly would strongly recommend NOT staying there). Diane also wrote an article about her son, Brett, and how wonderful he was helping her in Atlanta. He took “23 different pictures with 23 different cameras, no two of which operate the same way” for a group of us women (which included me). There are many pictures of Robert taken at Ft. Lauderdale, Cleveland, Springfield, and Atlanta conventions taken by many different people - and they are **all** worth looking at. The photos of Robert in Atlanta show off Robert’s truly goofy personality. They are sure to bring a smile to any viewer! Also *Featured* is Diane’s review of Hamlet, which she was lucky enough to see four times. This review is accompanied by photos by Marnie Andrews and Diane Nichols (and one of those photos is incredibly sexy!). Another fabulous *Feature* is a Quotes section. These are quotes made by Robert to various publications (such as Starlog magazine and The Star Trek Communicator magazine). Lastly, this *Feature* section Features a positively, drop-dead gorgeous, tremendously sexy photo of Robert taken in Zurich, Switzerland. This photo is definitely a must-see.

The next section is the *Oeuvre* - “*oeuvr*e \oevr)e\ n, pl *oeuvres* \same\ [F *oeuvre*, lit., work, fr. L opera -- more at OPERA] (1875) a substantial body of work constituting the lifework of a writer, an artist, or a composer.” This is a complete listing of theatrical appearances, films, and television series that Robert has acted in starting from 1979 through to today with short synopsis and pictures of many of these performances. If you want to know what Robert has done professionally, check this section out.

Following the *Oeuvre* is a *Biography*. This is one page (a long page) bio on Robert. There are four small snap-shots of Robert and one big photo of Robert’s 7th grade class. If you can pick Robert out from this photo and click on him, you will get a close-up of that picture. He’s certainly changed a great deal since seventh grade.

There are five more sections after this. The *Get Involved* section shows future plans for fundraising for charities. Next is *Conversations*, which shows another wonderfully goofy photo of Robert and lists his email address (he will not personally respond, but he does read his email). Following is the *Guestbook*, which you can sign. You can also read what others have signed in the *Guestbook*. *Mailbox* comes next. This gives email addresses for Jen & Diane (creators of the ORB) and Robert and a snail mail address for Robert (Paramount Studios). The *Links* page

gives numerous hyper-links (from theater to fan club pages to Latindio sources). Lastly is a *What's New* section which shows a luscious picture of Robert with his gorgeous smile that melts icebergs (another must-see) followed by new additions made to the ORB site.

All in all, this is a terrific web site! Many thanks to Diane and Jen for making it possible, and many thanks to Robert for sanctioning such a site for his fans. I give it a two thumbs up, a ten, and highest ranks. Please check it out! <http://www.robertbeltran.com/>



BIRTHDAY LIST FOR THE CASTS OF STAR TREKS

Don't forget to mark your calendars folks. Do you share the same birthday with your favorite character? Check this section out each PADD to find out if you do.

APRIL

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- 1st- Grace Lee Whitney (Rand, TOS)
- 15th- Michael Ansara (Kang, TOS/DS9 and more)
- 18th- Avery Brooks (Sisko, DS9)
- 20th- George Takei (Sulu, TOS)
- 26th- Spice Williams (Klingon Vixis, STV)
- 29th- Kate Mulgrew (Janeway, VOY)

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- 5th- Marc Alaimo (Gul Dukat, DS9/and much more)
- 23rd- Joan Collins (Edith Keeler, TOS)
- 30th- Colm Meaney (Chief O'Brien, TNG/DS9)

Know of anyone that I missed let me know at CptAriell@aol.com.

BIRTHDAYS OF THE USF SIM GROUP MEMBERS

~~If you don't tell me I don't know~~

NOTE #1 -- If you transfer your character to another ship or you get promoted please let me know. I will note it here on our birthday list. Otherwise I will just leave your old rank and ship listed.

~~Please make sure all correspondence goes to CptAriell@aol.com~~

NOTE # 2 -- As always please be sure to put PADD BIRTHDAY in the subject line. Thank you.

~~Make up a birthday or use your own~~

NOTE # 3 -- Remember that if you haven't made a birthday for your character just use your own birthday for your character. Years are not necessary.

FINAL NOTE: If you have sent me your birthday and you do not see it listed here PLEASE TELL ME. Again thank you for all of the responses. ~~CptAriell~~

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ALDRIN (USS)

Jan. 22nd- Commander Quint Kivo (USFKivo)

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AGAMEMNON (USS)

Sept. 15th- Ensign Austian Jacobs

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DARMOK (USS)

Jan. 8th- Lieutenant Commander Sarvok Cha'Tavek (LCmrSarvok)

Feb. 10th- Commander Damara (CdrDamara)

May 16th- Lieutenant Junior Grade Morgane (retired)

July 1st- Lieutenant (Doctor) James Huston (DrJHuston)

Nov. 9th- Captain Ahrele Johannson (CaptAhrele)

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DARKPATH (USS)

May 23rd- Commander Ektor (USFLDEktor)

June 1st- First Lieutenant Chelsea Austin (Lt1Chelsea)

Dec. 4th- First Lieutenant Iron (FstLtIron)

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ECLIPSE (USS)

Jan. 30th- Lieutenant Kaiyana Latuur (LtKaiyana)

Feb. 20th- Lieutenant (JG) Lyra Rose

July 26th- Ensign Nveid Khaesl tr'Khnialmnea

Aug. 2nd- Fleet Captain Eileen Shodan-O'Brien (USFShodan)

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EVEREST (STARBASE)

Jan. 11th- Lieutenant Commander Mel'Zhon Obrien (LCdrObrien)

May 16th- Lieutenant Commander Ashley Mars (retired)

June 1st- First Lieutenant Stacey Kassmar (retired)

Oct. 7th- Commander Tage Baxter (USFTage)

Nov. 13th- Lieutenant Commander Wes C' Rusher (retired)

Nov. 15th- Lieutenant Junior Grade Mike W (retired)

Dec. 23rd- Commander Koric Hawkins (USFHawk)

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FEDERATION (USS)

Jan. 5th- Lieutenant Anne Farnah Molari (retired)

Jan. 22nd- Lieutenant James Michael Riker (LtJimRiker)

Feb. 4th- First Lieutenant Serena Powell-Shrader (DrSShrader)

Feb. 10th- Commander Tamara Zekad (CdrTamara)

March 24th -- First Lieutenant Kyrax Joven Akerio (CnslAkerio)

April 5th- Ensign James Paul Wolfe (retired)

April 9th- Commander Joval (CmdrJoval)
June 15th- Lieutenant Kevin, X (retired)
July 28th- Lieutenant Commander Michael Form (LCmdrMike)
Sept. 23rd- First Lieutenant Micklach (retired) (RawlMick)
Oct. 27th- Lieutenant Commander Rogue Quodlibet-Chid (retired)
Oct. 27th- Lieutenant Edenic Quodlibet (retired)
Nov. 9th- Captain Ariell Johannson-Riker (CaptAriell)
Dec. 27th - Lieutenant Commander JAW (LtCmdrJAW)

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HALIFAX (USS)

May 22nd- Lieutenant Commander Shane Kew-EI Booker (LCmrBooker)
July 2nd- Commander Kel (USFKell)
Sept. 7th- Captain Aarek Dakor (USFDakor)

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HERMES (USS)

Feb. 28th- Lieutenant Junior Grade Bo Duster (BoDuster)
Feb. 29th- Lieutenant Bonnie Duster (LtBonnie)
Mar. 5th - First Lieutenant Sydney T'Nemelt (retired)
May 16th- Captain Grant-Storm (USFGrant)
May 19th- Captain Richard Semino, retired (USFRSemino)
May 19th- Commander Bethany Semino (retired)
Oct. 27th- Madison Javaro (MadsJavaro)
Dec. 8th- Lieutenant Commander Sabrina Tearin DuCant (LCmrDuCant)

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INTEGRITY

May 1st- Lieutenant Commander Ryan (LtCmdrRyan)
Nov. 22nd- Lieutenant Aeon X (Lt Aeon X)
Dec. 13th- Lt. Mavelle Katara Rand, M.D (DrMavelle)

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KEMO SABAY (USS)

April 25th- Lieutenant Alidar (LtAlidar)
May 3rd- Fleet Captain Ultimo (USFUltimoH)
May16th- Lieutenant Junior Grade Amber Fox (DoctorAFox)
Aug. 14th- Captain Tristaoncia Habrandona (CaptTrista)

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KHAZARA (Romulan)

July 27th- Commander Sela (retired)

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LOTHLORIEN (USS)

May 12th- Commander Josh (USFJosh)
Aug. 4th- First Lieutenant B Hobbes (LtHobbes1)
Sept. 11th- Lieutenant Junior Grade Wesley Riker-Troi (LtJGWTroi)

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MARQUESAS (USS)

Mar. 14th- Commander Maarek Steele (CmdrMaarek)
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NIGALA (STATION)

May 16th- Lieutenant Commander Donna Jade (LtCdrJade)
Nov. 19th- Charrlette Sandrine (Civillian) (Charrlett)
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ODYSSEY (USS)

Nov. 25th- Ensign Doug (EnsDoug465)
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POTEMKIN (USS)

Jan. 17th- Commander Robert Mason (retired)
Jan. 30th- Lieutenant Commander Arsiyah Raptor (LcdrRaptor)
July 4th- First Lieutenant Back (FstLtBack)
Sept 4th- First Lieutenant Jackie Alkar (retired)
Oct. 27th- Captain Sierra Rhydarr (USFSierra)
Dec. 1st - Commander Katarina Janar (CdrKJanar)
Dec. 18th- Captain Putty (CaptPutty)
Dec. 23rd- Ensign Kathrine O'Dell (retired)
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RODDENBERRY (USS)

July 9th- Lieutenant Jon Harwood (Lt Jonny)
July 12th- Lieutenant Commander Ellen Yuch-Qorgh (LtCmdrEllen)
Oct. 31st- First Lieutenant Ray
Dec13th- Lt. Mavelle Katara Rand, M.D (DrMavelle)
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SOG

Oct. 29th- Alexandra Jean Kelly (SOGAlex)
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STEALTH (USS)

Aug. 14th- Lieutenant Commander Jantak
Dec. 30th- Lieutenant Commander Stacy Bones Harris (LtCdrBones)
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SUNDANCER

Jan. 9th - Lieutenant Commander Bargeil Leen (Beeg)
Oct. 10th- Commander Hughes (USFHughes)
Oct. 26th- Captain Karral (Kari) (CaptKarral)

-Λ- USF TRIVIA -Λ-

APRIL Edition

=Λ=THE NEXT GENERATION=Λ=

Who said these lines and, if not to themselves, to whom? (Hint- they're all major characters.)

1. "If you can't take a little bloody nose, maybe you ought to go back home and crawl under your bed. It's not safe out here. It's wonderful with..... But it's not for the timid."
2. "Now if these men do not die well, it will be a black matter for the king that led them to it."
3. "If there's nothing wrong with me, maybe there's something wrong with the universe."
4. "The advocate will refrain from making her opponent disappear."
5. "Men do not roar; women roar. Then they hurl heavy objects and claw at you."
6. "Yes, absolutely, I do indeed concur, wholeheartedly."

=Λ=VOYAGER =Λ=

Name the speakers.

- 1) "You're an incredible woman."
- 2) "Get the cheese to Sickbay."

=Λ= DEEP SPACE NINE =Λ=

- 1) In "Family Business" why did Quark have to return home?
- 2) What are the Scirian refugees searching for?

=Λ= MOVIES =Λ=

- 1) Who was the Deltan navigator in *Star Trek: The Motion Picture*?

=Λ= The Original Series =Λ=

- 1) In the episode "The Deadly Years" what was the cure for the away team's advanced aging?
- 2) In what episode did Kirk get married?

Send your answers to CdrKJanar@aol.com.

I've isolated some humorous and memorable lines from my one and a half years of SIMing on the Excelsior to illustrate just how fun SIMing can be before the SIMs even start...

Stardate 9610.28 - My second SIM

Cdr Winger: Everyone, snap too attention! Admiral on the Bridge!
USFAnders: ...to prevent us violating TOS
LtJGData34: violating the TOS?!?!?!?!?!
LtjgSpock1: Settle down data
Cdr Winger: Cut back on the caffeine, Data. :)
LtjgTimmer: emotion chip on the fritz?
LtJGData34: isn't it always?????
USFAnders: LOL
Cdr Winger: Yes, indeedy, this is gonna be a fun Sim. :/ <--Bored.
LtjgSpock1: I do not believe that caffeine affects androids, Commander
Cdr Winger: I was making a joke, Spock.
LtJGData34: Speak for your self Spock.....
LtjgSpock1: That is illogical
LtjgSpock1: I do not understand these "jokes"
LtJGData34: then your in the wrong place
USFAnders: A vulcan :::smiles::
Cdr Winger: ::Sighs:: Vulcans, literally *NO* sense of humor.

Stardate 9611.10

USFABC1701: Please review the mission briefing, as we will begin in 1:30 seconds...
Eyleene: <<i need the brefiging sir>>
LtjArronax: What briefing?
USF Winger: ::nervous 'cuz he misplaced the briefing::
LtJg Derk: <<Spock is ignoring me>>
LtJGData34: SPOCK!!!
LtjgSpock1: ::is looking at a printed copy::
LtJGData34: <<they have printers in the future?>>

Stardate 9703.02

FLt Data34: always be precise to the nearest 10000 decimal places....
USF Winger: Vulcans and Half-Xenar are very different, Spock. What can I say?
LtCmdSpock: That could get you into serious trouble, though.
LtCmdSpock: For example...
LtCmdSpock: If you were exposed to .000001253008 ppb dinutroniuminated plasmatocoid matter...
LtCmdSpock: If you rounded the sensor readings to an even 0...
USF Winger: Sometime I've got to look at that Vulcan Science Lesson you have on your Web Page, Spocko...

Stardate 9705.18

LtCmdBower: :enters holding a Strawberry Smoothie:: good evening everyone!
LTCRWS: :::enters holding a ROMulan Ale::: Greetings all but Spock.
USFABC1701: Evening...
USFABC1701: I have a Tornado here like 1/2 mile away so...
USFABC1701: If I suddenly disappear....
OnlineHost: USF Winger has entered the room.
USF Winger: <Made it!>

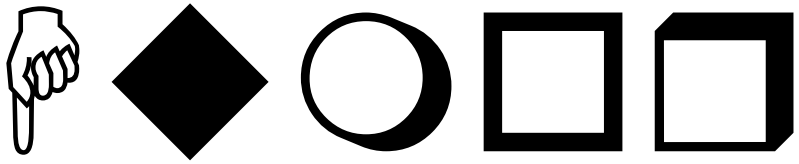
USFABC1701: Please go about the sim without me as my personal well being is on the line.

Stardate 9802.28

OnlineHost: *** You are in "nagf". ***
LjgCobachk: Why are we here?
CdrArronax: ::panting:: Finally.
LtCdrHobbs: it's about time
LCdr Le: AOL is really screwed up tonite
LtjgKukuk: ill say
Lt Synth: Just tonight? ;)
CdrArronax: What's new, Le?
LtjgKukuk: lol synth
LtCdrHobbs: LOL
LCdr Le: Well More than usual

Stardate 9803.08

CdrArronax: Evening all. Hope I don't get phone calls tonight.
Lt Synth: No offense Commander, but us too ;)
Ltjg Andy: I have not been in my office for over 2 months now!
Lt Synth: You have an office? Lucky!
CdrArronax: Who says there isn't a helm office?
Ltjg Andy: Hey, I'm the cheif of security! ;-)]
Lt Synth: There's a helm office? WOOHOO! ;)
Lt Synth: ::starts to chant "I got an office, I got an office...":
MRoa26485: I have an Office too, one with a really Nice Window view
CdrArronax: Wait Synth, I didn't say definately.
Ltjg Andy: ::Chants louder than Synth:: "I got a better office, I got a better office!" ;-)
Lt Synth: Huh?!?
Lt Synth: Dang!
CdrArronax: But perhaps. :)



(Humor)
Submitted by USFKivo

Welcome aboard, cadets! Welcome to the USFPADD Humor section. This is the place to go to laugh, cry, or just plain throw up. :^) Just kidding. Here's your Nine out of ten dentist approved humor article.

All of this stuff was sent in by FCptShodan :^)

Top Ten Ways to REALLY Annoy Everyone at a Bridge Officer Conference

- 10) Every time someone says 'Romulans', scream and hide under the table.
- 9) Construct top ten lists about the Captain's bald head.
- 8) Out loud.

- 7) Record your personal log. Mention the problems that the Chief Medical Officer has given you those salves for.
- 6) Pretend your tricorder has gone off the fritz. But in reality, hook into the viewscreen behind the captain and bring up a video bridge log of Q naked.
- 5) Keep saying, "Computer, delete Captain subroutine.
- 4) Pretend to die. When the CMO leans over you, bite their neck.
- 3) Star out the window. Occasionally scream, "Is *that* Voyager?"
- 2) Keep a spare communicator inside your mouth. Every five minutes, replace it with the one on your chest. Repeat

And the number one way to Really Annoy Everyone at a Bridge Officer Conference

- 1) Play footsies with everyone you can reach.

Top Ten rejected titles for "One Little Ship" (You know, the episode with the microscopic Runabout :^)

- 10) "Darby O'Brien And The Little People"
- 9) "The Itsy-Bitsy Starship Climbed Up The Jem'Hadar's Snout"
- 8) "Are You Absolutely Sure Brannon Braga Didn't Write This??"
- 7) "<SPLAT!!> I Declare! The Mosquitoes Are Frightfully Large This Year!"
- 6) "The Incredible Shrinking Attention Span."
- 5) "Dr. Julian Bashir, Human Proctology Probe!"
- 4) "Next Week, We All Turn Into Salamanders!"
- 3) "Damn, Worf Is Ugly When He Appears To Be Fifty Feet Tall!"
- 2) "Six Inches Long And Packin' Heat!"

And the Number One rejected title for "One Little Ship"...

- 1) "The Little Runabout That Could!"

Ok, that's it! Oh wait!! Just one more short one!!

Top five reasons why there aren't many lawyers in the Klingon Empire

- 5) Four words: No laws, no lawyers
- 4) Think carefully, if you lost your case what would happen to you?
- 3) With friends like these, who needs lawyers?
- 2) I can't imagine a Klingon in a suit and tie...I just can't

and the number one reason

- 1) Code of Honor #26- Kill all lawyers

He he he. Ok, now I'm done. There's no more. GO AWAY ALL OF YOU!! ::thwaps himself:: Sorry everyone!! It's my other personality. ;^)

Come back next month, and if you grovel enough, I may just give ya some more.

P.S. PLEEEEEEEEEEEASE SEND ME HUMOR STUFF!!!

Love,
~~Commander Quint Kivo



WANTED: DEAD OR ALIVE

By: Capt. Winger (USF Winger)

SUBJECT: Joseph Becker

NAMES AND ALIASES: No aliases are affiliated with Becker.

CHARGES: There are at least 50 charges associated with Becker, including kidnapping, grand theft starship, terrorism, murder, rape, torture, espionage, and treason.

BACKGROUND: Joseph Becker is a Terran-born human. He is a known Maquis operative, been there "since the beginning," he says. He was seen around the Starfleet Academy, and recruited people for the Maquis, including the husband-to-be of Captain Ahrele Johannson, Kevin T. Austin. He joined the Maquis after his wife and daughter were killed by Cardassians. Becker is currently married to a clone of Johannson, Miranda Johannson-Becker. He was involved in the kidnapping of Capt. Ariell Johannson-Riker of the *Federation* (she was a lieutenant serving on the *Lothlorien* at the time), sister to Captain Johannson.

Becker claims to be responsible for the salvation of a planet near the Federation-Cardassian border, where he organized the defense against a Cardassian strike. He says that the Federation did not protect it, so they had to fend for themselves. He hates the Federation for it. He was almost killed once by Ahrele, but she refrained, knowing that doing so would not bring back her fiance.

Becker says that only one group has ever come close to catching him: the highly secretive Special Operations Group (SOG).

CHARACTERISTICS: Becker is in his fifties, with graying hair. Some would find him handsome. He is fairly tall, with light green eyes. He tends to wear civilian clothing, rather than the Maquis paramilitary uniform. He is perfectly stable and knows what he is doing at all times. He is a very intelligent, manipulating, and calculating individual. He seems to have a sense of morals, even if they don't coincide with the Federation's.

SHIP(S):

- *Johannson*, his personal favorite. It is a Class IV freighter that's been heavily modified. "A good match for anything below Galaxy-class," Becker says.

KNOWN ASSOCIATES:

- Miranda Johannson-Becker, clone of Captain Ahrele Johannson, wife of Becker
- The first officer of his ship, known only as Jonas. He is a former pirate from the Orion Sector.
- One of his lieutenants. According to him, he's a triple agent in Starfleet, a senior officer on a Starfleet ship. He will not reveal a name.
- A certain Starfleet captain, in charge of a large and powerful ship, whom he brainwashed and has ready to serve his needs. He will not reveal a name.

A QUICK EVALUATION BY WINGER:

Captain Ahrele Johannson-Riker managed to somehow convince Becker to give me an interview, and I learned a great deal from him. I can safely say this about him: he is one of the most deadly threats that the Federation has yet faced, and he's still loose. Captain Johannson-Riker commented that she should have killed him when she had the chance, and I tend to agree with her. I was forced to redefine my standards of Evil Incarnate, and he comes very close to the extreme. He should be considered extremely dangerous, and approached with supreme caution. I'd say: shoot to kill. --JW

IF SPOTTED, CONTACT: CaptAhrele@aol.com, JosBecker@aol.com

If you know of a dangerous criminal on the loose, send the data to USF Winger@aol.com

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Bring My Red Shirt

Submitted by Ens Pardek, USS Kemo Sabay

There was a treasure ship on its way back to port. About halfway there, it was approached by a pirate, skull and crossbones waving in the breeze!

"Captain, captain, what do we do?" asked the first mate.

"First mate," said the captain, "go to my cabin, open my sea chest, and bring me my red shirt." The first mate did so.

Wearing his bright red shirt, the captain exhorted his crew to fight. So inspiring was he, in fact, that the pirate ship was repelled without casualties.

A few days later, the ship was again approached, this time by two pirate sloops!

"Captain, captain, what should we do?"

"First mate, bring me my red shirt!"

The crew, emboldened by their fearless captain, fought heroically, and managed to defeat both boarding parties, though they took many casualties. That night, the survivors had a great celebration. The first mate asked the captain the secret of his bright red shirt.

"It's simple, first mate. If I am wounded, the blood does not show, and the crew continues to fight without fear."

A week passed, and they were nearing their home port, when suddenly the lookout cried that ten ships of the enemy's armada were approaching!

"Captain, captain, we're in terrible trouble! What do we do?" The first mate looked expectantly at the miracle worker.

Pale with fear, the captain commanded, "First mate... bring me my brown pants!"



Interview with Robert Beltran

On the evening of March 14th, I had the great pleasure and honor of interviewing the multi-talented actor Robert Beltran, who currently plays the character of Chakotay on Star Trek: Voyager. I was extremely delighted that Robert consented to doing this interview with me so that I could bring it to all of you. I would like to give a special Thank You to Diane Nichols for arranging this interview. Without her, this would not have been possible.

Susan: Robert, thank you for agreeing to do this interview. A friend of mine got me this program of *Hamlet*, and on it, I noticed that *Hamlet* was presented by The Classical Theater Lab and Mustardseed Productions. Can you tell me about those?

Robert: The Classical Theater Lab is just a group of actors that get together and just work on material that's considered classical; Shakespeare, Greeks, everything up to the modern day -

anything language-oriented.

Susan: How long have you been involved with them?

Robert: Oh, I've been involved with the Classical Theater Lab since we started it in 1989.

Susan: What about the Mustardseed Productions?

Robert: Oh, that's mine.

Susan: When did you form that?

Robert: I formed it **for** *Hamlet*.

Susan: So, what does it do {as in purpose or function}?

Robert: Oh, it just puts it out there, and the next time I do something with Mustardseed, I'll have a track record.

Susan: Have you ever considered becoming officially involved as a spokesperson for the National Down Syndrome Society, and when did you start becoming involved with supporting them? {Ed. note: Robert has a younger brother with Down's Syndrome, and Robert and his fans have often been involved with raising money for the NDSS}

Robert: I haven't considered it because - I don't know. You can consider anything you want to but until they ask you to do it, when did I get involved? Oh, I've been involved - I don't remember a specific time, but it's been, oh, six or seven years.

Susan: I know the fan club {Robert's fan club} is raising money for them.

Robert: Yes, they are.

Susan: What was it like directing and playing the lead role in *Hamlet*?

Robert: It was much more difficult than I thought it was going to be, and I thought it was going to be difficult. I just had to do it that way because I had a specific thing that I wanted to get {across}..., my ideas across about the play, the style, and about Shakespeare in general. That's why I did it; that's why I directed it.

Susan: I know each director likes to do things differently. We go to the Flint community theater in Michigan, and the director wants to do the play differently than its ever been done before. So he tries to find how to make things different.

Robert: yeah

Susan: What are you planning on doing during this hiatus {from Voyager} and what would you like to be doing?

Robert: Well, I'm gonna be mostly just traveling, I don't have anything ...

Susan: Taking it easy?

Robert: Yeah

Susan: OK, because if you were in some movie or something, your fans will want to know.

Robert: I'll let them know.

Susan: What sports do you like to play?

Robert: Right now I mostly just run because ... I don't have to rely on however many people I can get together. I just run; that's what I do.

Susan: I'd like to ask a Voyager question. Generally, you're very satisfied with your air time that the Chakotay character gets. Do you still feel that way with this 4th season?

Robert: Yeah, yeah, I do.

Susan: Okay, because we would like to see more Chakotay.

Robert: ::laughs:: Well, I like my days off, but unless they're gonna write something really interesting, I'd rather just have my days off.

Susan: When will you start filming Voyager again for the next season?

Robert: May, late May

Susan: Which of the Voyager actors have directed episodes?

Robert: Tim {Tim Russ}, Robbie {Robert Duncan McNeil} and Robert Picardo.

Susan: I've heard they go through a ... like a director's training, does that qualify them to only direct Voyager, or can they direct anything after that?

Robert: Well, it's not really a training thing, if you want to direct, they expect you to learn how ... you know {on} Star Trek: Voyager, everybody has their own way of doing things but ... it's a good place to learn about directing. Directing Voyager is the same as directing anything else, so, yeah, if you can direct a Voyager episode, I think you're qualified to direct anything.

Susan: What is it like working with Robert Duncan McNeil?

Robert: Great fun, he's very funny; we have a good time. We have a very good time.

Susan: My last question here. Do you do your own stunts?

Robert: There isn't much call for stunts on our show, but no, I don't do them.

Susan: There is one particular scene I want to ask about, in Basics Part Two a couple of years ago where Chakotay rescues this woman from the lava. Did you do that stunt?

Robert: It was half me and half the stunt man.

Susan: Your fans think you are capable of doing the stunts on your own.

Robert: No, actually, I'm not ... the stunt men are way more suited to their job than I am.

Susan: That's all I have to ask you. Thank you very much for consenting to this interview.



=Λ- USF TRIVIA ANSWERS-Λ=

March Edition

Submitted by USFTamara
Editor: USF Tamara
Questions: USF Tamara, CdrKJanar

=Λ=THE NEXT GENERATION=Λ=

In the episode "Deja Q" Q appears to the crew of the USS Enterprise-D. Which of the following is true?

- a) Q states that the Q Continuum kicked him out.
- b) Bre'el IV's moon has lost orbital velocity and threatens to crash into the planet.
- c) The Calamarian come in the form of a cloud of ionized gas intending revenge on Q.
- d) Worf puts Q in the brig.
- e) All of the Above

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In what episode do we see Captain Picard and Commander Riker talking to the stunning brunette, Minuet, in the holodeck?

- a) *The Survivors*
- b) *The Big Good-bye*
- c) *11001001*
- d) *Our Time Together*
- e) None of the Above

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=Λ=VOYAGER =Λ=

Name the actor who plays the Emergency Holographic Doctor.

Robert Picardo

In the last episode of Voyager where the crew got letters from home, which crewmember got his letter just as the episode ended?

Ensign Harry Kim

=Λ= DEEP SPACE NINE =Λ=

Fill in the blank.

1) In the episode "Broken Link" Odo is advised to merge w/ the Great Link or else he may die. During his time in the link, Odo discovers that Gowron, the head of the Klingon Empire, is a _____.

Changeling

2) All Jem'Haddar are addicted to "Ketracel-White" Without it, they will die. The _____, who are part of the _____ control, the White and therefore control the Jem'Haddar.

Vorta, Dominion

=Λ= MOVIES =Λ=

In the movie Generations, Captain James T Kirk is caught in the Nexus. When Captain Picard speaks w/ him in the kitchen, who is Kirk bringing eggs up to? Please give the name. Extra points if you know what question he was going to ask.

Antonia, to marry him.

In the movie ST: The Undiscovered Country who was sentenced along w/ Captain James T. Kirk in the Klingon court?

"Bones" McCoy

=Λ= The Original Series =Λ=

In the episode "The City on the Edge of Forever", Spock says the following line to whom? "*I am endeavoring, ma'am, to construct a mnemonic memory circuit using stone knives and bearskins.*"

Edith Keeler

In the episode "Space Seed", the prequel to Star Trek IV: The Wrath of Khan, Khan seduces the ship's historian, who then helps him awaken his companions and take over the enterprise. What was her name?

Lieutenant Marla McGivers



SCI FI/FANTASY CONVENTION LISTING (Updated 3/23/98) by CptAriell

I began doing the convention listing for the USF PADD almost 2 years ago. In May of 97, I began an even more up to date convention listing on the web. It is there for those of you who want to remain more current than once a month, or want to recheck some information. For all those of you who have read the listing in this publication and visited my web listing, I would like to say thank you.

A particular thank you to all of you who have visited the convention web page (<http://members.aol.com/captariell/fanclubs/convention.html>) since May of 1997. I am thrilled that as of 3/23/98 we've had over 1500 visitors. Due to the nominating from a convention web site member we have won the IFT web link of the month of January. ::claps and smiles::

It takes a lot of effort to keep both of these lists current, and knowing that you are visiting, and enjoying, the site makes it all worthwhile to me. Thank you again.

PLEASE CHECK OUT ALL CONVENTIONS IN YOUR AREA BECAUSE GUEST LISTS AND DATES DO CHANGE. This site is maintained to help you find the conventions in your area, but I am not responsible if some conventions change their guest lists and dates. Please check the web site or e-mail address for each site so that you can find out if there are any changes to the convention that you wish to attend. Thank You. :-)

Star Trek/Science Fiction Cruises

Check out either <http://members.aol.com/cruisetrek/cruisek.html> or <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/seatrek/seatrek.htm> for CruiseTrek and SeaTrek information on cruise conventions. Safe sailing !!

International Listings

Our INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION LISTING will be growing by leaps and bounds as I have found a wonderful place on the net listing conventions in England, Germany, Scotland, and more. As soon as I can get them all typed up there will be a page dedicated solely to the international conventions. Until then why not check out this great site, where I found the majority of the international convention listings, <http://alethea.ukc.ac.uk/SU/Societies/StarTrek/Conventions/>

Another fine source of International Convention is <http://www.smof.com/conlist.htm> This site was just recently submitted to me, but I am sure that those of you overseas will want to check it out. I just want to make sure that all of you are able to find the conventions nearest to you. :-)

This is the one stop that you should make to find out if anyone will be in your area soon. There are two main convention lists. One is a list of the Conventions in the United States (listed by state). The other list contains the international conventions (including England, Austria, Australia, Ireland, Germany and Canada). If you see a () around the name of a company like (Creation Entertainment) then that means to look at the end of the page for the address to that web site.

The Conventions are listed under the city and state that they are going to take place in. I apologize if any of the information is incorrect. The people that run and schedule these conventions change their minds frequently. We will continue to try to get the most accurate information that we can to you.

Please forward all comments, questions, and information to CptAriell@aol.com. If you know of a convention coming to your area, please send the information to me. Try to send me as much of the information as possible, as this will help me to pass it on to other readers. In the subject area please put CONVENTION. This will help me to answer you faster. Thank you.

~Captain Ariell Johansson-Riker~ CO, USS Federation

NOTE: As always if you have any information on where to get convention information from then please let me know. I am constantly searching for more web site and e-mail sources. If you know of any convention web sites or e-mail addresses please send it to me. I am trying to get on as many mailing lists as I can to bring the best convention listing to you.

PERSONAL NOTE: I am looking for any conventions that have the FOREVER KNIGHT cast or crew at them. I liked the show, and I would like to see Nigel Bennett or Geraint Wyn Davies in a convention setting. I know that there are others who would be interested in this information as well.

LOOKING FOR I have someone who has contacted me looking for any Bond conventions. If you have any information on this type of convention please let me know. I am a fan of Bond myself as well. :-)

United States Conventions Listing

ALABAMA

July 24-26, 1998 Birmingham, AL (Temporal Disturbance, Birmingham Jefferson Civic Center and Sheraton Civic Center Hotel)

Guests include several people from the creative, illustrative and visionary aspects of science fiction and fantasy shows and comics: David Duncan, Lee Eric Shackelford, Scooter Tidwell, Marcus Lusk, C.B. Smith, Matt Murray, Stephen Bennett, Jeff Tatarek, and Hal Jones. {For more information please check out <http://www.geocities.com/area51/chamber/4780/> }

ARIZONA

1. May 30, 1998 Phoenix, AZ (Star Trek Convention: Civic Plaza)

Leonard Nimoy is the esteemed guest of honor for this convention. Mr. Nimoy will only be signing 300 autographs per the instructions on Creation's site. Contact them ASAP if you want to purchase the autograph tickets. (Creation Entertainment)

2. May 31, 1998 Phoenix, AZ (Hercules/Xena Convention: Civic Plaza)

More details to come. (Creation Entertainment)

3. June 6-7, 1998 Tucson, AZ (The Original Series Fab Four)

Come see the Fab Four of Star Trek: The Original Series: Jimmy Doohan, George Takei, Nichelle Nichols, and Walter Koenig. Also attending will be Chase Masterson, Beverly Washburn, and Steven Furst (Babylon 5). (Please check out Slanted Fedora -- Formerly Trek Productions.)

CALIFORNIA

1. April 3-5, 1998 Pasadena, CA (Grand Slam VI: The Pasadena Center)

THE FOUR CAPTAINS TOGETHER AT ONCE ON SUNDAY. Guests already include: William Shatner, Patrick Stewart (tentative), Avery Brooks, and Kate Mulgrew. Also appearing are Michael Dorn (Sat only), Terry Farrell (Sat only), and Jeri Ryan (Friday and Saturday). John de Lancie and Leonard Nimoy are scheduled to perform in an "Alien Voices" production on Saturday. On Friday these Trek guest stars will appear: Dwight Schultz (Barclay), Louise Fletcher (Kai Wynn), Andrew Robinson (Garek), Jeffrey Combs (Weyoun), and Marc Alaimo (Gul Dukat). (Creation Entertainment)

2. July 2-5, 1998 San Diego, CA (Westercon 51)

Scheduled to appear are: Katherine Kurtz, Scott MacMillan, Sue Dawe, Forrest J. Ackerman, Kary Mullis, and Special Guest J. Michael Straczynski. {For more information check out <http://www.westercon.org/sandiego/>}

3. July 24-26, 1998 San Jose, CA (San Jose DoubleTree Inn)

More details to come. {For more information before it is posted here check out <http://www.starquest.org/>}

4. August 1-2, 1998 San Francisco, CA (Star Trek Convention: Masonic Center)

More details to come. (Creation Entertainment)

5. August 7-9, 1998 Los Angeles, CA (Airport Hilton)

WILLIAM CAMPBELL'S FANTASTICON: William Campbell has played Trelane, Koloth and other Star Trek characters. He puts on this show once a year, and is an all out BLOWOUT of Star Trek, Babylon5, and other science fiction actors. Check out <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/fantast/fantast98.htm> for more information and updates as they are available.

6. October 18, 1998 San Francisco, CA (Hercules/Xena: Masonic Center)

More details to come. (Creation Entertainment)

7. November 21-22, 1998 Burbank, CA (Salute to Babylon 5: Airport Hilton)

More details to come. (Creation Entertainment)

FLORIDA

1. March 28-29, 1998 Altamonte Springs, FL (Vulkon Orlando, Orlando Hilton North)

Guests include: Tim Russ, Joshua Cox (Lt Corwin, Babylon 5), Lolita Fatjo, and Ame Starr. {Check out <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/upcoming.htm> - Vulkon Conventions}

2. May 15-17, 1998 St. Petersburg, FL (Vulkon St. Petersburg)
Guests Include: Aron Eisenberg, Andrew Robinson, and Mark Sheppard. {Check out <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/upcoming.htm> - Vulkon Conventions}

3. May 28-30, 1998 Cape Canaveral, FL
Guests Include: J. Michael Straczynski, Mira Furlan, Richard Biggs, Julie Caitlin Brown, Jason Carter, Larry DiTillio, Harlan Ellison, Patricia Tallman, Peter David, Jim Lockett, David Gerrold, Arne Starr, SM Stirling, and John Vornholt {I am looking for where you can receive more information on this convention}

4. May 29-31, 1998 Fort Lauderdale, FL (South Florida Sci-Fi Festival, Fort Lauderdale Marriott North)
Guests Include: Gary Lockwood, Paul Carr, Josh Clark (Voyager and Babylon 5), and Mary Kay Adams (DS9 and Babylon 5). {E-Mail trekintime@aol.com for more information.}

5. June 5-7, 1998 Orlando, FL (Adam's Mark Hotel)
Guests Include: Jerry Doyle (Babylon 5) . More guests will be listed as soon as they are available. Check out <http://www.ao.net/~tachycon/event.htm> for more information on this convention or check out <http://www.ao.net/~tachycon/> for information on previous conventions and the site map of everything they have to offer.

6. August 28-30, 1998 Orlando, FL (Vulkon Orlando)
Guests Include: Robert Beltran (confirmed). Henry Darrow who has played Chakotay's father in many episodes has been invited to attend as well. {Check out <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/upcoming.htm> - Vulkon Conventions}

7. October 2-4, 1998 St. Petersburg, FL (Vulkon St. Petersburg)
Guests to be announced soon. {Check out <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/upcoming.htm> - Vulkon Conventions}

GEORGIA

1. May 22-24, 1998 Atlanta, GA (Vulkon Atlanta)
GUEST LIST CHANGE: Ethan Phillips and Robin AtkinDownes (Byron, Babylon5) are scheduled to appear {Check out <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/upcoming.htm> - Vulkon Conventions}

2. June 5-7, 1998 Atlanta, GA (JurassiCon, Howard Johnson Midtown)
Guests Include: Ray Harryhausen, Dr. David Schwimmer, Rick C. Spears, J. Cameron Thyme, and Craig Hamilton. This convention is to help benefit dinosaur research.

3. September 3-6, 1998 Atlanta, GA (DragonCon Hyatt Regency Atlanta)
Guests Include: Anthony Daniels (C3-PO), Patricia Tallman, Stephen Furst, Harlan Ellison, and many more guests and writers. Check out <http://www.dragoncon.org> for more information and a complete guest list.

4. November 20-22, 1998 Atlanta, GA (Vulkon Atlanta)
Guests to be announced soon. {Check out <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/upcoming.htm> - Vulkon Conventions}

IDAHO

November 20-22, 1998 Boise, ID (The Original Series Fab Four)
Come see the Fab Four of Star Trek: The Original Series: Jimmy Doohan, George Takei, Nichelle Nichols, and Walter Koenig. (Please check out Slanted Fedora -- Formerly Trek Productions.)

ILLINOIS

October 2-4, 1998 Collinsville, IL (Archon 22: Collinsville Gateway Center and Holiday Inn)
Guests already include Lester Smith. {For more information you can check out <http://www.stlf.org/archon>}

INDIANA

1. April 4, 1998 South Bend, IN (Heartg Con '98', The Century Center)
Guests Include: Mark Allen Shephard (Morn, DS9). {For more information E-Mail USSValhalla@juno.com}

2. September 26, 1998 Hammond, IN (Summertrek '98', Purdue University-Calumet Athletic Building)
The guest list will be coming soon. Please check out <http://www.garrisonent.com/ainsworth/summertrek/> or E-Mail ainsworth@iftcommand.com for more information as it is available.

3. October 2-4, 1998 Portage, IN (Maquis Gras '98)
Guests Include: Jack Donner and Paul Carr (The Original Series, Star Trek), Mark Kay Adams (Babylon 5, Na'Toth, and Deep Space Nine, Grilka), and Margaret Bonanno. {For more information please E-mail bejen@maquis.com or check out <http://www.maquis.com/mfa> and click on Maquis Gras}

IOWA

April 12, 1998 Ames, IA (Cy-Con II, Iowa State University)
Guest of Honor: Jeff Grubb. {For more information check out http://www.public.iastate.edu/~stu_org/ASFFA/cycon.html}

MARYLAND

1. June 26-28, 1998 Hunt Valley, MD
Guests Include: Bill Mumy (Babylon 5/Lost In Space), Robert Duncan McNeill (Voyager), Erin Gray (Buck Rogers), Ann C. Crispin, Peter David, Tim DeHaas, Michael Jan Freidman, Bob Greenberger, Jaqueline Lichtenberg, Howard Weinstein, Joan Winston, Kirk Borne, Helen Hart, Phil Plait, Christian Ready, Eric Smith, and Ray Villard. {For more information check out <http://members.aol.com/shoreleave/> to get the updates hot off the presses. :-}

2. August 5 - 9 1998 Baltimore, MD (Baltimore Convention Center/Inner Harbors Hotels)
Guests Include: C.J. Cherryh, Milt Rothman, Stanley Schmidt, Michael Whelan, and Special Guest: J. Michael Straczynski. {For more information E-mail bucconeer@bucconeer.worldcon.org (place subscribe in the subject) or check out <http://www.bucconeer.worldcon.org>.}

MASSACUSETTS

1. July 18-19, 1998 Boston, MA (Visions '98' Boston's Premier Sci Fi and Comic Gaming)
Robert Beltran is already scheduled to appear. (Contact ivisions@cape.com or check out <http://www.digiflicks.com/visions.htm> for more information.)

2. July 31 - August 2, 1998 Taunton, MA (RebelCon '98' Taunton Holiday Inn)
The guest list already includes J. Michael Straczynski, the creator of Babylon 5. You can find more information about this convention at <http://www.rebelcon.com/>

3. November 20-22, 1998 Springfield, MA (United Fan Con 8, Marriott)
The Guest List is to be announced. {Check out their web site at <http://www.pcnet.com/~alanr/ufc.html> or E-Mail ufancon@aol.com for more information or to make guest list suggestions.}

MICHIGAN

1. April 25-26, 1998 Dearborn, MI (Star Trek Giant Show: Civic Center)
Leonard Nimoy (Saturday Only) and John de Lancie (Sunday only). IMPORTANT NOTE Leonard Nimoy and John de Lancie will be performing "Alien Voices" Saturday night 8:00 p.m. for a separate price. This is a performance well worth seeing. (Creation Entertainment)

2. August 22-23, 1998 Dearborn, MI (Star Trek Convention: Civic Center)
More details to come (Creation Entertainment)

MINNESOTA

1. August 8, 1998 Minneapolis, MN (Hercules/Xena: Convention Center)
More details to come. (Creation Entertainment)

2. August 9, 1998 Minneapolis, MN (Star Trek Convention: Convention Center)
More details to come. (Creation Entertainment)

NEW JERSEY

August 29-30, 1998 Cherry Hill, NJ (Hercules/Xena: Hilton)
More details to come. (Creation Entertainment)

NEW YORK

1. March 27-29, 1998 Stony Brook, NY (I-Con 17 SUNY Stony Brook Campus)
Guests include: Nana Visitor and Claudia Christian (Check out <http://www.iconsf.org/> for more information)

2. April 4-5, 1998 Buffalo, NY (The Original Series Fab Four)
Come see the Fab Four of Star Trek: The Original Series: Jimmy Doohan, George Takei, Nichelle Nichols, and Walter Koenig. Also attending will be Chase Masterson, Beverly Washburn, and Patricia Tallman (Babylon 5). (Please check out Slanted Fedora -- Formerly Trek Productions.)

3. May 15-17, 1998 Kiamesha Lake, NY (Northeast Supercon '98', Concord Resort Hotel and Convention Center)
Guests Include: John de Lancie, Erin Gray & Gil Gerard (Buck Rogers), Gary Lockwood, Robert Trebor, and Peter David. Even more guests will be announced the closer they get to the convention, so check out <http://www.productivity-partners.com/supercon.htm> to keep updated on this event. You can also e-mail CelEntCorp@aol.com.

4. October 11, 1998 New York City, NY (Marriot Marquis)
More details to come. (Creation Entertainment)

OHIO

1. March 28-29, 1998 Dayton, OH (University of Dayton)
This is the 5th Annual Role Playing Convention at this location. Check out <http://www.dayton.com/~jbumgam/FASFAC/udcon/> for more information.

2. May 1-3, 1998 Columbus, OH (Marcon 33, Hyatt Regency)
Guests Include: Lois McMaster Bujold, Robin Wood, Melody Asplund-Faith, Joel Rosenberg, Julius Schwartz, Ookla the Mok, and Dr. Tom Burns. {For more information check out <http://www.marcon.org> or E-Mail info@marcon.org}

3. June 13-14, 1998 Cleveland, OH (Vulkon Cleveland)
Guests already include: Robert Duncan McNeill. {Check out <http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/upcoming.htm> - Vulkon Conventions}

OREGON

May 23-24, 1998 Eugene, OR (The Fab Four Tour, Eugene Hilton) The FAB FOUR TOUR of Star Trek continues in Oregon. James Doohan, Nichelle Nichols, George Takei, and Walter Koenig are scheduled to appear. Also attending will be Chase Masterson, Beverly Washburn, and Steven Furst (Babylon 5). (Slanted Fedora)

PENNSYLVANIA

1. May 22-25, 1998 Hidden Valley, PA (Hidden Valley Resort)
This convention is scheduled to be a tribute to the late and great, multitalented actor Mark Lenard. This whole convention is dedicated to that purpose. All proceeds of this convention will benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Robert and Catherine "Lenard" Felix {Authors of Mark Lenard's biography}, Walter Koenig, Mark Allen Sheppard (Morn:DS9), Robin

Curtis, Dr Lawrence Schoen, Carl Taliaferro, and Paula Crist are already on the guest list for this one. Marc Okrand (Founder of the Klingon language) and Lawrence Schoen (Klingon Language Institute) will also be available at this event. (Check out <http://www.nb.net/~qsera/praxis/praxis.html> for more information on the convention and updates as they are available)

2. July 22-26, 1998 Bensalem, PA (The 5th Annual Klingon Language Institute, Comfort Inn just outside of Philadelphia)
For more information on this please check out <http://www.kli.org>

3. August 1-2, 1998 Valley Forge, PA (The Fab Four Tour)

Guests Include: James Doohan, Nichelle Nichols, George Takei, and Walter Koenig. Also attending will be Chase Masterson, Beverly Washburn, and Steven Furst (Babylon 5). {Slanted Fedora}

TEXAS

1. March 26-29, 1998 College Station, TX (Texas A & M University)

Guests Include: Robert Aspirin (Author), Phil and Kaja Foglio (Artists), Joe R. Lansdale, Brian Stelfreeze and over a dozen more. DUE TO FILMING CONFLICTS NIGEL BENNETT WILL NOT BE AT THIS YEAR'S AGGIECON. :({For more information E-mail aggiecon@msc.tamu.edu or check out <http://cepheid.tamu.edu/aggiecon> If you would like the snail mail address contact me}

2. May 29-31, 1998 Irving, TX (Project: A-Kon 9, Harvey Hotel)

Guests Include: Will Allison, Dean Hsieh, Steve Bennett, Shawn "The Touched", Pat Duke, Elin Winkler, Tavi Cat Comics, Robert Woodhead, Newton Ewell, Scott Frazier, Any Howard, Mitsuhsa Ishikawa, Kuni Kimura, Lee Madison, Neil Nadelman, Nene', and Lance Pope. {For more information please check out <http://www.cyberramp.net/~phoenix/akon.html>}

3. September 18-20, 1998 Dallas, TX (Stellar Occassion V, Sheraton Dallas-Brookhollow)

Guest: Stephen Furst (Babylon 5, Vir Cotto). {For more information check out <http://www.cyberramp.net/~phoenix/stellar.html>}

VIRGINIA

1. March 27-29, 1998 Virginia Beach, VA (Sheraton Oceanfront)

Guests already Include David Schwartz (Executive producer of Beauty and the Beast, the TV series). More guests to be added. {Check out <http://members.aol.com/bbcon98/index.html> or E-Mail bbcon98@aol.com for more information}

2. April 3-5, 1998 Harrisonburg, Virginia (Madicon 7, James Madison University's Taylor Hall)

This year's guests have not yet been confirmed, but please check out <http://maavwik.simplenet.com/sffg/madicon.html> for more information as it is available.

3. June 6, 1998 McGaheysville, VA (Cardassian Con '98', Massanutten Four-Season Resort)

Special Guest: Casey Biggs (Gul Damar, Deep Space 9). Contact Chris Heinemann at PO Box 322, McGaheysville, VA 22840 or E-Mail ridgemechl@aol.com

4. October 9-11, 1998 Salem, VA

Guest list already includes: Gil Gerrard and Erin Gray (Buck Rogers), Richard Biggs (Babylon 5), Hal Clement, Deanna Lund, Beverly McDermott, David MacIntee, Michele Matheson, Joyce Meadows, and France Nuyen (Contact oakman@roanoke.infi.net for more information)

WASHINGTON

April 4-5, 1998 Marysville, Washington (M-Con 1998 Marysville Pilchuck High School)

Guest Include: Ethan Phillips, Richard Arnold, Aron Eisenberg, and Chase Masterson. (Call (360) 659-2607, E-Mail STMCON@AOL.COM, or check out web site <http://members.aol.com/stmcon/index.html> or E-Mail MCN1998@aol.com for more information)

WEST VIRGINIA

June 27-28, 1998 Charleston, WV (The Fab Four Tour)

Guests Include: James Doohan, Nichelle Nichols, George Takei, and Walter Koenig. Also attending will be Chase Masterson, Beverly Washburn, and Steven Furst (Babylon 5). {Slanted Fedora}

WISCONSIN

September 25-27, 1998 Madison, WI (Mad Media 5, Captial Conference Center)

Guests Include: Harlan Ellison, Stephen Furst (Vir, Babylon 5), Peter David, Timothy Zahn, Neil Gaiman, Joan Vinge, Donald R. Scmitt, Mike Baron and mroe to come. {Check out <http://www.madmedia.org>}

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INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION LIST

I am happy to report that our International Convention Listing is indeed still growing.

Remember that you can check out ----- <http://alethea.ukc.ac.uk/SU/Societies/StarTrek/Conventions/> for the latest in International Convention listings. A great thanks to those that are maintaining that page. Drop them a line to let them know if you like the site.

Another fine source of International Convention is <http://www.smof.com/conlist.htm> This site was just recently submitted to me, but I am sure that those of you overseas will want to check it out. I just want to make sure that all of you are able to find the conventions nearest to you. :-)

AUSTRALIA

1. March 28-29 1998 Brisbane (Mercure Hotel)

Guests Include: Peter Wingfield {E-mail: sonjav@powerup.com.au for more information}

2. April 17-19 1998 Brisbane (Travelodge Roma Street Station)

Guests Include: Caroline John and Geoffrey Beevers {Call Trevor Gensch (07) 5499 0265 for more information}

3. April 24-27, 1998 Perth (Orchard Hotel)

Guests Include: Lois McMaster Bujold, Tess Williams, and Grant Stone. {For more information check out <http://www.gu.uwa.edu.au/swancon> or E-mail swancon23@ucc.gu.uwa.edu.au}

4. June 5-8 1998 Hobart (Hadley's Hotel Hobart)

Guests Include: Leanne Frahm {For more information write P.O. Box 55 Battery Point Tas 7004}

ENGLAND/UNITED KINGDOM

1. March 27-29, 1998 Festival Park, Stoke on Trent, England, (Moat House)

Guests already include: Gareth Thomas, Paul Darrow, Sally Knyvette, Jan Chappell, Michael Keating, Jacqueline Pearce, Stephen Greif, Brian Croucher, David Jackson, Peter Tuddenham, David Maloney, Chris Boucher, Sheelagh Wells, Matt Irvine, Barry Letts, Brian Lighthill, and Martin Bower. (Check out web site <http://www.horizon.org.uk/deliverance/> for more information. You can also write Mrs Judith Smith, Deliverance 98, 18 Bury Avenue, Newport Pagnell, Bucks. MK16 0ED, England.)

2. April 10-13, 1998 Heathrow, London, UK (Radisson Edwardian Hotel)

Scheduled to appear already are Dave Prowse, Warwick Davis, Jeremy Bulloch, and Kenny Baker. Contact Kathy Shiel Call: (0191) 377-2599 FAX: (0191) 477-1326 (Check out Regeneration's Web Site, <http://web.onyxnet.co.uk/KShiel-AIS.onyxnet.co.uk/> for all of the details on this convention.)

3. May 1-4, 1998 Manchester 45th British Star Trek Convention (The Palace Hotel)

Guests Include: Robert Beltran. Check out this web page -- <http://www.dynamite.co.uk/wolf359/dominion.htm> for more information on this convention.

4. July 10-12, 1998 Cardiff, Wales (Angel Hotel)

Guests include: Colin Baker (Doctor Who) and Dave Prowse (Star Wars) {Other Science fiction actors and complete convention details can be found at Infinity's web site, <http://www.cf.ac.uk/ccin/main/ents/sffc/infinity.html>.}

5. July 17-19, 1998 Bristol, England (Nexus 98, Hilton National Hotel, Bristol)

Peter Jurasik (Londo Molari, Babylon 5) is the guest of honor. {For more information on this convention please E-Mail nexus@cosham.demon.co.uk or check out <http://www.cosham.demon.co.uk>}

6. July 25-26, 1998 Heathrow, London, England (Radisson Edwardian Hotel)

Guests already include: Bruce Boxleitner and Jerry Doyle. (Check out <http://www.dynamite.co.uk/wolf359/crusade.htm> for more information)

7. Febraury 26-28, 1999 Kent, UK (Redemption '99', Ashford International Hotel)

Guests already include: Gareth Thomas, Jane Killick, Sheelagh Wells, and Joe Nazzaro. For more information please check out <http://www.smof.com/redemption/> or E-Mail STEVE.ROGERSON@MCR1.poptel.org.uk

8. August 27-30, 1999 London, England (Galileo Convention IV: Heathrow Park Hotel)

Guests already include: Richard Arnold. For more information E-Mail galileo@mlrichardson.prestel.co.uk or check out web site <http://www.homeusers.prestel.co.uk/mlrichardson/galcon.htm>

GERMANY

1. April 17-19, 1998 Bonn, Germany (Federation Conn VI -- Hotel Maritim)

Scheduled Guests: Nichelle Nichols, Robert Beltran, Gates McFadden, Rene Auberjnois, Kate Mulgrew and Robert Duncan McNeill (Contact FED-Con GmbH at 0049-821-219-0932 or FAX: 0049-821-219-1937) {Check out <http://www.eject.com/startrek/stce/fedcon.htm> as well}

2. June 20 - July 25, 1998 Duesseldorf, Germany (Messegelaende, Star Trek World Tour)

William Shatner introduced this event on December 12 together with Herman Zimmerman, designer on all current Star Trek series. The complete set of "Star Trek: The Next Generation" is going to be rebuild in a huge hall, so we fans will be able to (finally) take a walk on the Enterprise-D (including the bridge, transporter room, ten-forward... everything!!!). 180,000 - 250,000 visitors are expected! (As soon as a contact person is available I will list it here)

3. August 28-30, 1998 Berlin, Germany (Nexus '98', Hotel Estrel)

Guest list already includes: Michael O'Hare {Babylon 5} (For more information check out <http://www.snafu.de/~agents> or E-Mail agents@berlin.snafu.de)

4. October 9-11, 1998 Hagen, Germany (Encounters '98' -- Stadthalle)

Guests Include: Larry and Janet Nemecek. (E-Mail office@factandact.com or check out <http://www.factandact.com/Starlight/> for more information)

IRELAND

April 11-12, 1998 Limerick, Ireland (Limerick Inn Hotel)

Guests Include: Kate Mulgrew and Winrich Kolbe {For more information E-Mail anny.wise@iol.ie or write Anne Wise, 56 Tullyarraga Ct, Channon, Co. Clare, Ireland}

NEW ZEALAND

May 30 - June 1 1998 Wellington, New Zealand (West Plaza Hotel Wellington)

Guests Include: Neil Gaiman {For more information write P.O. Box 11559 Manners St Wellington New Zealand}

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All conventions that are listed as being given by Creation Entertainment can be contacted by calling (818) 409-0960. You can choose what options you want from there. That is the direct line

to all the information that you will need. They also now have a WEB SITE
 (http://www.creationent.com) Their web site is updated weekly on Monday nights.

For all conventions that are listed as Galactic Entertainment, further information can be found at
 http://www.GalacticEntertainment.com/ OR EMAIL GalEnter@aol.com

For all conventions that are listed as Wolfe 359 please check out website
 http://www.dynamite.co.uk/wolf359/ The Wolfe 359 Web Site is sanctioned by Julia Catalin
 Brown (Na'Tooth of Babylon 5)

Trek Productions has changed to Slanted Fedora. For their conventions check out web site
 http://www.sfedora.com You can also send an E-Mail to sfedora2@aol.com

Vulkon Conventions can be found at http://www.scifinetwork.com/startrek/vulkon.htm Please
 bookmark this NEW site as they have upgraded and the old site is no longer available.

Thanks and see you next time in the USF PADD or USF Log Book !!!

USF SIM SCHEDULE					
Day	Sim Name	Time Eastern	Location	C.O. Commanding Officer	X.O. Executive Officer
Sunday	Orlando Station	8:00	Orbital Velocity	USF Tefa	USF Tage
Sunday	USS Federation	8:30	Private Room	USFAriell	USFTamara
Sunday	USS Excelsior	9:00	Orbital Velocity	USFABC1701	USFArronax
Sunday	USS Marquesas	10:00	Private Room	USFWit	USF Maarek
Monday	USS Columbia	9:00	Private Room	CptDTorres	=OPEN=
Monday	USS Eclipse	9:00	Private Room	USFShodan	USFDylan
Monday	SS Nigala	10:00	Private Room	USFDMoney	USFCaitlin
Tuesday	USS Roddenberry	9:00	Private Room	USF Scully	USFKurn
Tuesday	Atlantis (SOG)	9:00	Private Room	USFEliz H	USFCaitlin
Tuesday	USS Hermes	10:00	Private Room	USFGrant	USFAkarn
Tuesday	USS Aldrin	11:00	Private Room	USFKillian	USFKivo
Wednesday	USS Stealth	9:00	Orbital Velocity	USFTarjoto	CdrNicole
Wednesday	USS Halifax	10:00	Private Room	USFDakor	USF Spock
Wednesday	USS Kemo Sabay	10:00	Private Room	USFAhrele	USFAkarn
Thursday	Outpost Cousteau	8:00	Java Chat Room	USFSierra	=OPEN=
Thursday	USS DarkPath	9:00	Private Room	USFMstrad	USFLDEktor
Thursday	USS Potemkin	10:00	Private Room	USF Sierra	CdrKJanar
Thursday	USS Agamemnon	10:00	Private Room	USF Zaphod	USFGeek
Thursday	USS Sundancer	11:00	Java Chat Room	USFDamara	USFHughes
Friday	USS Lothlorien	9:00	Private Room	USFWinger	USFJosh
Friday	USS Integrity	10:00	Private Room	USFRigel	USFGorkon
Friday	USS Darmok	11:00	Private Room	USFAhrele	USFDamara
Saturday	USS Odyssey	9:00	Orbital Velocity	USFCaitlin	USFGill
Saturday	IKC Hegh'ta	8:00	Private Room	USFABC1701	USFKurn

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