

STARFLEET, SOL SECTOR SUN

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Greetings from the Office of Communications

CMDR Tj Feldman, Director of Communications

Hello Sol Sector and welcome to the inaugural issue of the Sol Sector Sun. The name was selected because Sol Sector will be the blazing sun in the Star Trek fan universe. There is a role here for everyone. This will be a quarterly publication and eventually monthly. Please submit your events and photos as we want to showcase what our members are doing. This issue will be a shorter one featuring words of wisdom from Fleet Admiral Kilbey and Rear Admiral Anzaldi, but future editions will feature profiles of members and chapters in Sol Sector.

A Message from the Fleet Admiral

FADM Michael Kilbey, Command Advisor, Remaining Founder

The history of our Fleet summed up? Pure love of Star Trek was to be our center of all things. Gene's Dream of the future was what brought us all together and needed to be the cement that fixed it permanently. We knew we were going to have bumps along the way, but using the spirit of Star Trek to solve them and see new paths to growth and strength were to be our hallmark.

When myself and two other Trek fans first started talking about the kind of club we all wanted and what we thought everyone else wanted several basic answers were immediately clear. First – no money. We and those we talked to wanted nothing to do with money, be it dues, donations – no money period. Which meant we would have to be all volunteer. Great, that's too easy.

Second was that plague of clubs of every fandom – DRAMA. So we devised the Zero Drama Policy. This was not to ever suggest that we had solved a global issue of people being people, but that we were going to deal with it differently when it did arise. We've encountered some bumps along the way but we are still growing stronger with every passing day. And lastly, we were to be member driven. Ultimately this means that all members have the right to be heard and their opinions were to be considered in all things. True, we did agree upon a



governing body of officers called a Command Council. These officers would come from all over the Fleet and assemble as needed to vote on only the matters that actually required a vote. The truest part of our dedication was our dedication to the members. And to let the Captains run their groups their own way within a basic certain set of guidelines written simple enough for all fans to be amenable to. Sometimes easier is better.

As each week and month passes, we are getting to know a stronger corps of emerging officers that are beginning to take on very strong leadership roles within their respective areas. We are indeed truly international in that we have awarded a Council Seat to a member from Great Britain. We are as strong as we are diverse.

We try very hard to use lessons and inspirations drawn from all of the incredible Star Trek worlds and cultures. Klingon strength and perseverance, Terran dedication, wit and charm, Bajoran spirit and commitment, and Vulcan logic to name but a few.

At the end of the day, what we are is what and where we came from. We are nerds. Phaser toting, Monster Maroon wearing, latex forehead and ear sporting, Live Long and Prospering NERDS! And we are incredibly PROUD to be so! And we want YOU to be a part of it. We encourage all fans from all over creation to join us in keeping alive the traditions and love that was and is Star Trek LONG into the future. And with good people, that task is not a dream – but a destination. Live long....and prosper.

Around the Fleet

USS Caledonia NCC-75024 (Z2 2nd)

Captain Roberts and her crew have been working together playing Star Trek Online and have put an in-game fleet together for Sol Sector. They are currently taking a hiatus from STO and are discussing what to play next. The Caledonia is also considering another 24-hour gaming marathon for their charity, The National Autistic Society.

USS Sheridan NCC-1964 (Z1 3rd)

Captain Woodward and his crew hold Dungeons & Dragons games twice a month.

The Captain and his Chief Medical Officer Commander Gillispie also attended the annual meeting of their Masonic Grand Lodge and were fortunate to find their new Chief Engineer, Lieutenant Commander Shumaker.

Chief of Staff's Corner

RADM Joshua Anzaldi, Fleet Chief of Staff

Greetings to all officers in Starfleet Sol Sector Command. I have been given the opportunity by Commander Feldman to talk to you today about my vision and goals for our organization as the new Chief of Staff. I could use this time on a long-winded, stereotypical brass speech, or I could approach you all on a more personal, F.D.R. fireside chat kind of way. I chose the fireside way, and I do it for a very simple reason. No matter what rank you may hold, what title has been given to you, we all have something in common. We all, at one point, were crewmen with a dream... fresh young officers eager for their first pip. We came here for a variety of reasons, but all saw the same thing when we arrived day one on Earth Station Titan. We saw an organization designed with the principles of Mr. Roddenberry, and run by the officers, for the officers. We found the place where we could all Trek together, free of judgement and unnecessary negativity, and to the tune of IDIC.

We had found the true Starfleet of our childhood dreams. No matter who you are, or where you come from, we're all here for that reason. This is our home, our fleet. At heart, no matter rank or medals, titles or seniority, we are all that crewman standing in the docking bay doors, saying "yup, this is home." With that said, I'll never choose to talk to you as Admiral if I can help it, but rather as the crewman I used to be, at the docking bay doors, eager to be here with you all.

That chimes into my vision of what my office aims to do as well. Our goal is simple, take that organization we all saw when we

walked through the gates, and help it grow to what it's truly capable of. The organization, and the foundation it's built on, has the potential to grow and evolve from a small club into a large fan organization built on a framework that serves the "Star Trek" experience to everyone everywhere, and do it by adhering to the most professional standards. I believe that Sol Sector Command is capable of growing to this based on the structure that already exists... one of a fan run organization in its truest form. Something we can all be proud of.

Everyone deserves as accurate an experience as one can possibly have without actually being on the decks of a real starship.

It is a unique experience to watch a new Crewman come through the doors with stars in their eyes go from Crewman to Ensign. To watch as they one day apply for their own ship. To see us grow and bring people together. To get them involved with the world around them, and bring our way of IDIC to the world around us. To spread the dreams and principles of Mr. Roddenberry, and our love of Star Trek to the places we live and to the communities we are a part of.

I look forward to building this with you, and I look forward to serving with all of you as a Starfleet Officer. A thing we all once thought we could only

be in dreams as kids. Well, look what dreams have made so far, as you are what you dreamed.

Now my question is, where will our dreams take it next? Let's find out together. In the undying words of Captain James T. Kirk in response to a question from Chekov about their next course, "Second star to the right, and straight on till morning."



Astronaut Samantha Cristoforetti donning a Voyager Uniform on the ISS @astrosamantha