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From the RC to You

by: FCPT Reed Bates, Regional Coordinator
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Hello, my friends in Region 3.

I want to thank everyone who voted for me and helped me win the election, as it could not have done it without your support. I fell in love with you bunch of rascals and want to see this organization flourish and continue its traditions and frivolity. I wish to do my very best to make that happen.

I also wish to thank my opponent Aaron Murphy for putting on a good fight and look forward to working with him. He will continue on staff to support of our mutual goals. I believe that by combining our efforts, he will be a great asset for our Regional team.

I have three goals for this region that I would like to accomplish in the first year. Specifically, they are:

- Grow the Region.
- Keep all communications lines open and honest.
- Personally visit each chapter in the Region.

Grow the Region

Let's increase our membership by 10%. That would be 40 people. How do we do that? First, by capitalizing on the new Movie as best we can. We make our presence known to others, by announcing our meetings in local community bulletins, attend events with fliers and business cards, and high visibility events. When the Star Trek DVD comes out, host Movie Watching Parties and invite friends. Networking is one of the best sources for membership.

Open Communications

We all must be more proactive about communication in this region-From the top down, and also from the general member up to the Regional Executive Committee.

Several easy ways to accomplish this:

- Sign up for the Region 3 General Discussion List and keep informed firsthand about what is going on.
- Post your chapter's event to our website calendar (soon to come) and an email to the Region 3 General Discussion List inviting others in the Region to attend. Even if you do not think anyone will come, post it to let everyone know that you are doing something. You never know who might have an interest and attend.
- If no one on your chapter is signed up for the Regional 3 General Discussion List, then insist your CO, XO, or RVA be signed up and for them to forward informational messages to your chapter's email listing. In addition, if your email or Internet is down, you should always be able to pick up the phone and call a crewmember, Regional friend, or a staff member to inquire if anything is going on and they can communicate to the Region for you.

To start the process, I will be posting to the Regional list at least once per week, even if just to say, hi.

Many of our REC also have Facebook pages, and are linked to mine. Please take advantage of this free service, and you can "friend" us. If there is an interest, a Facebook Organizational Page for Region 3 could be created where we can communicate with non-Fleet friends as another way to recruit.

The revised website will be more dynamic, and include a calendar of events of the Region, the chapters, and any other conventions of interest so that you, the members, will have one location to see what is going on everywhere in the Region. Regional staff members will be encouraged to submit content to the website so you know how they are working for you to better the Region.

On the Road Again...

By traveling to each of your chapter's cities to visit with you and experience everyone's fun and friendship. This goal I really wish to accomplish, but it also depends on my personal finances. If Chapters could please inform me of their schedules of their events, meetings, and outings so that I may plan my year it would be appreciated. The calendar mentioned above, will allow myself and my staff properly plan the visit. If someone from your chapter would like to put me up for a night, that would definitely help. I want you to know that I am a person just like you and am interested in how and what you are doing.

Please stay tuned to more news from Region 3 and me.

NORTHERN LIGHTS

Senior Vice-Regional Coordinator
Vice-Regional Coordinator, North
by: RADM Robyn Winans
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Well its been a whirl wind the last two months.

Congrats to Reed Bates. There's alot of new and exiting things ahead of us. May was

awesome. Thanks to Starfleet's public relations efforts. Regal movie Theaters in the DFW area called and we responded. The Regulator reported they had a great time at the Fossil Creek in North Fort Worth Area. The Trinity River manned the Keystone Regal in Richardson/Dallas. We saw many folks and the movie got very positive reviews from the folks we talked with.

June saw the Sector 1 Bowling/Trinity River launch anniversary. We had a ton of fun and pictures can be found here in Fleet Channels.

We are looking at doing the event possibly quarterly.

IC will soon be upon us and I am sure Reed will have much to report to us in August when she returns.

The Dallas Comic Con held on Aug 15th and 16th looks to be the best one yet this year with DS9 veterans Rene Auberjonois and Nana Visitor.

Summit information is out on the website with the registration page up and running. Get those Registration rolling in and join in the discussion to be had on the Region lists.

What activities would you like to participate in. Would you like to be on a panel with Star Trek Writer Keith RA DeCandio to talk about Engineering, Klingons or the like. How about discussing the qualities you like in Dr Who and Trek with

Paul Cornell veteran Dr. Who writer. How you like to learn about jewelry making, how to craft with just about anything. Join a costume panel and learn how you put to together one heck of an outfit for the Alienball without ever learning to sew.

Keep those feet on the ground as you reach for those stars.



USS Regulator Bowling Team



USS Trinity River Bowling Team

SOUTHERN SPACEDOCK

Vice-Regional Coordinator, South
by: COMM Robert C. Graham
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Hello Region Three,
As we enter the Summer season, we welcome our new Regional Coordinator, Fleet Captain Reed Bates aboard.

The new movie brought out many chapters ready to recruit new members & enjoy a great Film all in one day. Many of those new members ended up on the Fleet's Unassigned List. So if your chapter is expecting some new members please e-mail either myself, Robyn, or John privately and we will work with you & Operations to see that those members are assigned to their appropriate chapters that recruited them.

In closing, I would like to mention that in the South we have a 97% reporting rate among the Southern Chapters getting their MSR's in & on time. That is a good rate but I know do much better than that. So lets all work together to get the reporting rate among the Southern chapters up to 100%.

Until next time, take care of yourselves & each other.

Robert C. Graham

Go West Young Man!

Vice-Regional Coordinator, West
by: COL John Johnston
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Greetings from the West!

First of all, I am very pleased with the efforts of the entire Fleet in helping to promote the new Star Trek

movie! Every chapter who participated in this effort gained new recruits. Some have even doubled their memberships!

Second, I wish to congratulate Fleet Captain Reed Bates on being chosen to be the new Region 3 Coordinator! May your guidance keep the Third Fleet on the course of righteousness! BTW, sorry you're going to be stuck in all the ECAB meetings at every IC you go to while you're RC.

Finally, I am looking forward to this year's Summit at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Addison. I had an opportunity to preview this hotel at another convention earlier this year, and it seemed like a very nice hotel. Be sure you register right away at <http://www.region3.org/summit/> to be sure you get a good price on the con and the hotel rooms!

That's all that's on the desk of the West. Until next dust devil blows news my way...

MONEY MATTERS

Checking Account Date: 5/29/2009

Beginning May Balance: \$1,149.21

Deposit: \$20 (Cash Donation)

Ending May Balance: \$1,169.21

Savings Account (Quarterly Statement) Date: 3/31/2009

Beginning Balance Quarter: \$1,273.78

Interest Paid 3/31/2009: \$.15

End Balance Quarter: \$1,273.92

Paypal Account: \$20.12

Total Funds for Region 3: \$2,463.26

Fleet Channels Deadlines

The following is a list of the upcoming deadlines for *Fleet Channels*:

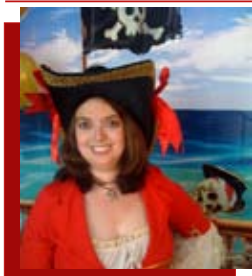
July/August Issue -- August 30, 2009
September/Oct Issue -- Oct. 31, 2009

ALL e-mail submissions should be sent to: fleetchannels@region3.org.

Note: Reminders of approaching deadlines will be posted on the R3 list.

Open Frequencies

Regional Communications Report
by: FCPT Trisha Tunis
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Ahoy there
Mateys!

Once more into
the breach I go,
getting another
issue of Fleet
Channels out.

Many thanks to
those that contributed, and especially
those that turned in material BEFORE
the deadline. Bravo Zulu!

The movie may be done, but my
understanding is that there are several
conventions coming up that Region 3
and its chapters can take advantage
of.

Remember when setting up an
information table to always keep it
neat, and well stocked with flyers,
brochures, and have a calendar of
Regional events handy. CompOps is
working on an online calendar that will
be updated frequently, so that will be
a very handy resource to tell potential
members about all the enjoyable
events here in the Region.

The Communications Department is
being reviewed by the new Regional
Coordinator and possibly may have its
mission redefined to better serve the
Chapters. I know I've been suggesting
changing it to more of the marketing
arm, and less "just the newsletter
editor" department. To make this
happen, we need feedback from you,
the members and the chapters. What
do you need help with? How can this
office make your lives easier?

Be sure to share your input with the
new Regional Coordinator and Chief
of Communications.

At the Keyboard

Regional Computer Operations Report
by: LGN Aaron Murphy
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Greetings Third
Fleet,

Well, the election
is now behind
us. I would like
to congratulate
FCPT Bates on
her victory. I would
also like to thank

everyone who participated in the
election process by asking questions,
making us think, and keeping us
honest. It is an honor to serve in a
region such as ours.

In the regional CompOps HQ, we've
been busy working on the website.
One of the issues that we've had with
the site has been spam submissions
sent through the Contact Us and
Award Submission forms. A solution
has been rolled out live that requires
the person submitting a form to
complete a CAPTCHA submission
(those fields that say "type what you
think these distorted letters are").
This should significantly decrease
spam sent through the forms, as
well as lessening the occurrences of
incomplete form entries.

Other region3.org website news
includes the addition of the Summit
2009 index and registration pages.
You can reach the Summit homepage
either from the link on the region3.org
homepage or by going directly to
<http://www.region3.org/summit/>. The
registration page is linked off the
Summit site navigation. You can also
find links to FenCon, the convention
hosting this year's summit and the
host hotel.

Finally, there are more ongoing and
future updates in the works. The
regional Staff List will be updated as
appointments are made. Chapter
COs

should go out to the Chapter list and
confirm your chapter's information.
If you have updates that need to be
made, don't hesitate to e-mail me
directly or contact me from the
Contact Us page on the website.

Well, that's going to do it for now. If
you have any questions, updates, or
suggestions, don't hesitate to contact
me.

See you again in sixty!

JAG REPORT

Regional JAG Officer Report
by: LCDR Jesse Gutierrez
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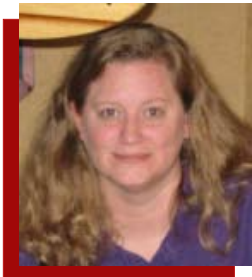
Greetings Fleeters of Region Three,

I wanted to introduce myself. I am
LCDR Jesse Gutierrez. I currently
serve as the Executive Officer of the
USS Bexar in San Antonio. I am the
JAG for the region.

If there is a matter that comes up
that you members feel needs to be
addressed feel free to drop me at
line at JAG@Region3.org.

REED'S SHOP On the PROMENADE

Regional Quartermaster Report
by: FCPT Reed L. Bates



This should be my last article as your Quartermaster. It's been a mighty fun ride! I learned about state sales taxes and online

shirt design to website creation and salesmanship.

One of the most remembered promotions was an idea my husband Lloyd started during my first stint at Quartermastering. I had to leave the quartermaster table to teach a panel on costuming and while I was away, I left Lloyd in charge. Big mistake, you ask? Heck no! When I came back he had started figuring out 100 different uses for the Region 3 Frisbees. He came up with suggestions to use the Frisbees for dog bowls, snow shoes, paper plate holders, flat chested Madonna bras, and princess Leia hair buns...think about that last one. It was hilarious and he even demonstrated them. Then many of the customers were asked for their ideas of uses for the Frisbees. We actually sold about 20 of them that first time out. My husband has been a great help to me as the Quartermaster. He even started calling himself my assistant. I thank him for all his help.

We're Having a Contest: a Summit Logo Design Contest. The Prize will be a free Region 3 t-shirt and maybe some other prizes may surface.

Look over the FenCon website at www.fencon.org and look at their logo, then design a Region 3 Summit/ FenCon 2009 Logo. The deadline to submit your proposed design is July 30, 2009. Please submit it to

qm@region3.org The winner will be announced within a week of the deadline and then sales of t-shirts, hats, and other garb will commence. Must be original artwork designed by you and able to be copyrighted by the Region. The artwork you submit to us must meet these requirements:

- The maximum dimensions can be 10" X 10"
- Accepted file types: Vector art, high resolution bitmap images, and digital photos
- Resolution: 100 DPI or Better

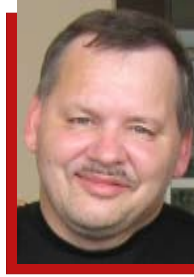
Also, please note about the artwork that white will be transparent on a t-shirt, so the color of the t-shirt will show through. Many in the Region prefer not to have white shirts, but the shirts will also not be dark. Please keep all these details in mind when designing your logo. And, best of luck to you. May the best design win.

Main Street: For details on the sale of the Region 3 t-shirts, hats, medical scrubs, cups, mugs, mini mouse pads, etc. please visit the Quartermaster's page on the Region's website at www.region3.org and click on Quartermaster. But check with the CompOps because he's working on a new website, so I hear. We also have a Cafe press site setup at <http://www.cafepress.com/region3>. If you see something you want added to either the Cafe Press selections or the Region 3 selections from any vendor or even from Queensboro.com, please let me, your new RC know, or whomever the new Quartermaster may be.

I thank you for your patronage.

S.C.O.P.E

Shakedown Operations Report
by: FCPT Beau Thacker
shoc@region3.org



The Region should be seeing some new chapters rising in the next few months, as the chapters USS Rachel Garrett under Marion Murphy's command, and the USS Lefitte

under Justin Toney are working toward their requirements, Both Pre-Chapters have their class, ship name and NCC approved from Fleet command.

Also this year the USS Serenty will be commissioning soon.

I hope to see other chapters grow, as we enjoy this gift from StarTrek...

Security Details

Regional Security Report
by: FCPT Beau Thacker
rdcsec@region3.org

Security update: Summer is here, so take shelter and drink water because of the extreme heat. We don't want anyone to fall out during there 12 mile road march. Then again, skip the workout...use the jet packs instead! Now where did we put them...?

Roleplay on....

There has been reports a lot of break ins while we are away serving our tours on our ships. I'm advising everyone to lock up their quarters, and make sure you secure and record your items. Free pads are given out by your security agent..



USS Ark Angel, NCC-1889
Sector 5 -- Round Rock, TX.
CO -- LGN Aaron Murphy
arkangel@region3.org
XO -- LCDR Dixie Hill

Commissioning Date: January 1, 2001
Motto: *"The Price of Freedom
is Eternal Vigilance"*-- JFK

The Ark Angel had a meeting June 20th and discussed upcoming events, like a picnic for our August meeting, Summit at Fencon in September, and our annual camping trip in October.

Afterwards, we visited our new local LAN center, Titan Gaming and played games. We discovered that the only thing more fun than killing zombies in WWII is killing them with modern weapons and unlimited ammo.

We are planning on going to Georgetown Lake in either August or September for the picnic. When the weather turns cooler, we will be returning to Bastrop State Park in October for our camping trip.

Stay tuned for more fun events.



USS Corsair, NCC-26556
Sector 3 -- Baton Rouge, LA.
CO -- FCPT Trisha Tunis
corsair@region3.org
XO -- COMM Edward C. Tunis III
Commissioning Date: April 19, 2008

The USS Corsair past few months were spent preparing for the new Star Trek movie, and it was worth all the effort! The USS Corsair camped out at the local Rave Motion Pictures for the opening weekend. We proudly showed our own Shuttle (still unnamed..) distributed new flyers, and created an interactive information table for the crowds to enjoy. Our display included the usual communicators, tricorders, and action figures, but our Chief of Communications LT Jennifer Tenney decided to get creative with a few of our tribbles and create a "Klingon Detector". The Chapter was featured in several local media outlets, including a live remote. The theater was wonderful, and treated us to a private showing of the movie since all the theaters showing it were sold out. (editor's note...YESSS!!) Trek is Back!

The following weekend, we had our own "Geek Retreat" with a showing of Fanboys and Rock Band. Much bad singing, and good food was had.

June's highlighted activity was a trip to Stennis Space Center in Mississippi. Crewman Derek Kyzar successfully landed the Shuttle in the simulation several times and had the high score of the day. His application is into NASA now for the next mission.

The next big away mission for the crew will be BabelCon in July, where they will be assisting in coordinating the Sci Fi Track and running panels.



USS Joan of Arc, NCC-73289
Sector 6 -- Corpus Christi, TX.
CO -- FCPT Robin Van Cleave
joanofarc@region3.org
XO -- LCDR Tahnya Abbott
Commissioning Date: January 6, 1994
Motto: *"Legends Endure"*

The Joan of Arc's members went to a house warming for their April event in Victoria. Several of the Marine contingent combined forces as well as finances to buy a huge 6 bedroom house with dual kitchens as well as two large family/living areas. The club assisted in breaking in their home by having a bar-b-que/games night. Morning came complete with the smell of potato & egg tacositos drifting from the kitchen. YUMMY!!

May was busy as ever since we had a general crew meeting, the movie premier, the may birthday bash, & the month still wasn't over. The crew meeting was held at the Butter Churn on the first Sat of the month in Sinton. The meeting went rather well considering the A/c was down & we had only ceiling fans for cooling.

Plans for the Star Trek movie premier were finalized and events later in the month discussed. Everyone was eager for the new movie to start...

Finally the premier arrived with the Joan welcoming it with a four day marathon recruiting effort. Thurs afternoon thru Sunday evening at various intervals, found crew members promoting both the movie as well as the club itself. Saturday was the largest & longest day. We had two recruiting tables due to the movie theatre design staffed from 11a. to 10:30p after the last showing started. It was a real blast but long hours too. Close to 90% of the crew was involved over the entire time event.

OH! I almost forgot... There was a reporter & photographer that went to Robin & Jim's home to see how a real Star Trekker would live!. This resulted in a front page article on the local

section of the paper the week of the opening movie. WOW!!

May has always had the most birthdays plus graduations. Here we have a HUGE party to celebrate everything at once hence the name "May Birthday Bash!! This year we had 7 birthdays from May 5th to a double on May 25th. Since the Marines had plenty of room to sleep everyone plus room for the cadets to run in the party was held in Victoria. Dinner was several types of bar-be-que, potatoe salad, an assortment of drinks(both kid friendly & adult) and of course birthday cupcakes. Each celebrant had his/her single candle to wish on. The traditional Happy Birthday song was a riot...you try to sing to 7 people in the same song!! After bedding down the cadets except Alex the adults had a boisterous D&D game far into the night.

The next event was the wilderness challenge run by the Marine unit of the Joan of Arc. Unfortunately, only a few of themembers could attend due to various reasons but those who did, reported they had an interesting/ challenging weekend!!.

Back here in Corpus Christi, at the Sirloin Stockade, the June meeting was held. Plans for June included a poker night about mid June and the rest of the month in summer Shore leave to allow families to take vacation together & a break from all the events happening earlier.

This is the final Cadet's Excellence in Education report until school starts again for the fall semester. Alex earned three honors, one being named the most improved player on the 7th grade tennis team; being nominated to the Junior National Honor Society. & making the A-B yearly Honor Roll. Congratulations to Alex. His brother Christopher made the first grade Chess team as well as making the A-B Honor Roll. The final school age cadet Isabo, did well in her classes also. Next year we will add one more cadet to this list...Isabo's brother William will be starting recieving letter grades in First grade. We expect great thing from our cadets in the fall Check back later to see if the predictions come true.

I will file the next report after Summer Shore leave....Enjoy your Summer

Submitted by FCPT Kris Dobie, RVA

AWAY MISSION REPORT USS JOAN OF ARC- STAR TREK MOVIE

WOW! That was some weekend!! As noted in the vessel report, the USS Joan of Arc had an away team at the Cine' 16 theatre for various times from Thursday May 8th to Sunday May 10th.

Due to the heat, the theatre relaxed it's ruling that patrons in costumes that covered their faces be denied entry.. Our resident Klingon, Robert Shaver, was at the theatre Thursday evening from 5p until 9p. Together with Rear Admiral Jim Van Cleave, Lt. Commander Diane Beets & myself, we handed out flyers & chatted with people about mostly the Joan of Arc club as we didn't want any spoilers on the movie.

Friday mostly followed the same plan as Thursday. Crew members showed up in two groups to see the show & promote the club. The 'early group' went to the 7"30 showing since most of them had to work the following day or lived out of own. They were letting out. when the late group (those whose jobs ended after 7p) stood at the theatre door pretending to handout flyers....

After visiting briefly, the rest f the club went into see the show. There was a battle on the movie screen close to 35-40 minutes into the show when the ENTIRE screen went completely black!! All the people in that screen room thought it was part of the show so we stayed there until the management sent an usher to inform us that all 16 screens had lost electricity!!! Out came the cell phones as people used the as mini-flashlights.

Unknown to us at the time, there was an auto accident where a car crashed into a light pole disrupting electricity not only at the theatre, about 1/4 of the city & a string of restaurants near the theatre. Our group was near the end of the line waiting for refunds when the lights began flickering back on.

Happily, the management agreed to re-run the show for that screen. It was after 1a. when the show ended but truly worth the effort.

Saturday was the big push where the club manned two recruiting tables due to the design of the theatre itself. There was a team at each table that would pass out flyers, visit with the movie patrons, & answer questions when brave souls came up to the table to see a living, breathing Klingon! The tables were manned from 11a. until 10:30p. after the last showing went in. If you had a persona, this was the day to wear them.. We had Humans, Andorians, Ferengis, Klingons, & Kinder from Dr. Who., quite an assortment of races together.

Sunday being Mother's day, was almost as busy as Saturday. The first two shows were completely sold out on both sides of the theatre. It seems that it was over whelmingly popular to take MOM out to see the latest Trek show! Tables were manned same as Sat. from 11a until 7:30p when the weary crew members closed the tables to go their separate ways; home, dinner or see the show just once more. Only time will tell how effective the effort was by the number of possible recruits that visit the following general crew meetings.

Submitted by FCPT Kris Dobie, RVA



Space Station Freedom III, NCC-SS001
 Regional Correspondence Vessel
 CO -- FCPT Evan Richards
 freedomiii@region3.org
 XO -- FCPT Reed Bates
 Commissioning Date: March 25, 1995
 Motto: "Let Freedom Ring"

Greetings Region Three!
 Here on the Freedom III we are again undergoing a change and rejuvenation. Yes, it's been said before, but this time we mean it. We aren't really all just retired Starfleeters any longer. Our XO FCPT Reed Bates has just been elected as our Regional Coordinator and that makes our Station the Flag Ship of the Region. We are very proud to hold that honor once again.

Our CO, Fleet Captain Evan Richards, is working with his XO FCPT Reed Bates and with the new Operations Officer, Captain Lloyd Bates, to update the Freedom III's website, which is <http://www.ssfreedom3.org/>. It has had a good start but lacks some content and newsletter archives. We are also in the process of starting up a new version of our newsletter, The Freedom Press.

Our members may meet in Dallas area some time in July to have a steak dinner and play some darts. Or maybe go bowling with the Sector 1 crowd.

We are sad to report that VADM Mark A. Vinson has decided to retire from Starfleet and we wish him all the best. We have, however, gained a new member named Kasey Like. She's from the Lubbock area and we are glad to have her stationed with us.

See You in the Funny Pages
 FCPT Reed Bates



USS Trinity River, NCC-6425
 Sector 1 -- Dallas, TX.
 CO -- RADM Robyn Winans
 trinityriver@region3.org
 XO -- FCPT Elizabeth Weber
 Commissioning Date: February 12, 2004
 Motto: "One and Indivisible"

It's been an exciting few months here in Dallas for the crew of the USS Trinity River. Like so many other ships, our May activities revolved around getting the word out about Starfleet in conjunction with the release of the new movie. The ships of Sector One worked with the local Regal Theaters on this promotion. The TR crew was at the Regal Keystone all of opening week to hand out flyers, talk to people, and raise awareness of the organization. A number of people expressed interest in joining SFI and lots of folks posed with Admiral Robyn Winans in her "monster maroon" uniform.

In June, several crew members attended a book release party for "New York Times" best-selling author Rachel Caine. Her latest book, "Carpe Corpus", is the sixth book in her popular Morganville Vampires series, a favorite among many TR crew members.

We also took time in June to try out our new crew bowling shirts by actually going bowling. The USS Trinity River crew enjoyed an afternoon of bowling with the crew of the USS Regulator at AMF Euleless Lanes in the mid-cities. Scores improved dramatically in the second game when the gutter bumpers were raised on two of the three lanes. We're not ready to take on the PBA Tour quite yet but we're ready to face off against any other ship in the Region.

The rest of the summer should be just as exciting as we prepare for the Dallas Comic Con in August. Special guests include Rene Auberjonois and Nana Visitor from "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine" plus actor Barry Bostwick, actress Yancy Butler, and a dozen top comics

artists. Summit 2009 is also in Dallas and we look forward to seeing y'all here for the festivities. It will be all the fun and fellowship of a regular Summit plus the opportunities and activities of FenCon in one big, inexpensive bundle.

Oh, and we're happy that the RC election is finally over so we can have our CO back. The crew wishes Reed good luck and good fortune as she takes the helm of the Region from acting RC Robyn Winans.



Kira Norman, author Rachel Caine, and Chanda Norman at Legacy Books in Plano, Texas.



Dan Stockelman, Kira Norman, Dan Dreesbach, and Chanda Norman take a break at the recruiting table between screenings of the new Star Trek movie at the Regal Keystone



The crew of the USS Trinity River at the Regal Keystone movie theater in Dallas.

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Calendar of Events

July 17-19
BabelCon
Baton Rouge, LA
<http://www.babelcon.org>

July 25
Sector One Meeting
Euless, Texas (TENT)

July 25
G4 TV Star Wars ComicCon panel broadcast
http://upload.g4tv.com/upload/starwars_comiccon09.aspx

July 31
Jeff and Mary Webb (USS ARK ANGEL)'s wedding anniversary

July 31
Due Date for Summit/FENCON logo design contest.
Please refer to R3 Quartermaster website for information.

August 6-9
STARFLEET's International Conference
Greensboro, NC
<http://www.ic2009.org>

August 6-9
Star Trek Convention
Las Vegas, NV
<http://www.creationent.com/cal/stlv.htm>

August 15-16
Dallas Comic Con
Richardson Civic Center, Richardson, TX
<http://www.scifiexpo.com/DCC/Home.html>

September 18-20
FENCON/Region 3 Summit
Addison, Texas
<http://www.fencon.org>



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