

# FLEET ADMIRAL STEVE PARMLEY

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You are hereby requested and required to assume command of the 11th fleet as of this date, March 22, 2020. You will finish up Fleet Captain Eileen Reed's term ending April 1st and start your full term. The USS Southern Cross will serve as the flag ship of the 11th fleet.

Congratulations!

We have quite a few promotions since we last posted them. And there are a few still more to come. Congratulate the following individuals, as they have been promoted to the following rank:

Franklin Newman III to Rear Admiral John Rogers to Fleet Captain Brian Pickett to Commodore Ralph Brigham to Fleet Captain Kevin Plummer to Fleet Captain Robin Fleming to Fleet Captain Joseph Perry to Vice Admiral Bryan Teske to Fleet Captain Jay Gallops to Commodore Richard Childers to Commodore **Richard Trulson to Admiral** George Mustafa to Fleet Captain Patrick Devine to Marine Brigadier Mark Anderson to Marine General Kevin McNeillie to Fleet Captain Mauro Martins to Fleet Captain

It was announced that Baycon, where IC 2020 was going to be held, has been rescheduled to November 6, 7, & 8. We will keep you updated on what is going on.



# **ADMIRAL JAMES HERRING**

VCS@SFI.ORG Greetings all! ussmoco@hotmail.com

With everything going on, be safe. I know we are having meetings via the Internet to stay safe. Let's keep being as safe as possible.

# **Departments Under the VCS**

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This month works is continuing on the guide for helping members with Disabilities, though it is slow as I'm hoping to get more input.

We have gotten the Facebook page set up and have a total of 36 members. Discussions are already ongoing mainly seeking input on areas STARFLEET can improve on in access for members with disabilities. Our Facebook page can be found here. https://www.facebook.com/groups/173308277449152/

We have also established an All Access-STARFLEET Discord channel for real time discussion, however getting discussion started there has been a slower process.

In the coming month I plan to continue work on the guide as well as try to get more discussion going on the Facebook and Discord pages.

# **STARFLEET Diplomatic Corps**

stifleetambassador@gmail.com The Diplomatic Corp is still in the process of being setup. I have made attempts to contact a representative of KAG. Once I have my staff, we will move forward with making formal contact. I will be looking at setting up a website and designing a logo.

The Sistership program will begin once a Director is selected.

Next month I will have more detailed information and plans listed.

Tour of Duty – March Fleet Status Report

# **CPT** Aaron Himes

ADM Jason Schreck

#### Fast Recruiting Orientation Shakedown Team (F.R.O.S.T.) frost.sfi@gmail.com

## **CPT Jason Garrett**

This month due to COVID19 I have been forced to cancel two events in April.

Also, due to both my parents at opposite ends of the country having emergency surgery I admit, I have let things go.

I cannot apologize enough. My priorities and thoughts have been elsewhere. Even as I type this, my mother is having her 3rd operation in 3 weeks.

Let's all remember CPT Garrett's mother and all those affected by the COVID19 and hope everything works out.

### MACO

#### **RADM Denise Rush**

There was an issue with the MACO website reporting form so everyone was given a bye this month, but it has since been taken care of and should be on track for March Reports.

Most of the SOU/IO's are waiting on the Awards Manual to be updated and published before making any requests. This will be a priority in the coming days.

Group 1 Operations Commanders Notes: 0 Gains: 0 Losses: 0 Activated on Standby: 0 Deactivation: 0

Group 2 Operations Commanders Notes: Gains: 1 Losses: 0 Activated on Standby: 0 Deactivation: 0

Group 1 Operations: Total SOU's & IO's: 21 Reported: 21 Excused: 0 Late: 0 Incomplete: 0 Failure to Report: 0 Unit Breakdown: SOU's: 15 Operatives: 113 IO's: 6 Operatives: 9 Total Operatives: 122 Group 2 Operations: Total SOU's & IO's: 14 Reported: 14 Excused: 0 Late: 0 Incomplete: 0 Failure to Report: 0

Unit Breakdown: SOU's: 10 Operatives: 55 IO's: 4 Operatives: 4 Total Operatives: 5

Total MACO Operatives accounted for: 181 Total MACO Affiliates in DB: 327 Total MACO SOU's & Independents: 35 Total MACO SOU's & Independents reporting: 35 Percent Reported: 100%

Group 1 Reports

Roster Changes: 0 Gains - 0 Losses - 0 Leadership Changes: 0 Awards Issued: 0 Awards Requested: 0 Problems, Comments, or Suggestions: 0

Group 2 Reports

Roster Changes: 1 Gains - 1 Losses - 0 Leadership Changes: 0 Awards Issued: 0 Awards Requested: 0 Problems, Comments, or Suggestions: 0

### Petfleet

LCDR Frances Smith

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There were no new registrations for February 2020. The biggest problem we have there is that some people request access to the page but don't answer the questions that ask for the SCC number and permission to check SFI membership status. The total number of pet parents listed is still 163 with 352 separate pets, although the information that I have does not include many of the earlier registrations. These include 16 stuffed animals, 158 cats (8 deceased, 3 retired), 141 dogs (4 deceased, 1 given away, 2 retired), 7 birds, 2 raccoons, 2 rabbits, 7 lizards, 2 guinea pigs (1 deceased), 4 tarantulas, 5 snakes, 4 turtles (1 deceased), 2 fish, and 2 rats. There are likely additional deceased pets, but these are all the ones I have records of at this time.

## **MGN Rey Cordero**

## SFMC

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1) Manual revisions are still on going, Courses can be requested via email to each branch director. Please visit our SFMCA for additional information. <u>http://sfmca.sfi.org/</u>

2) Many jobs are still available in the SFMC especially in TRACOM and INFOCOM, please visit the HR website for job listings. http://hr.sfi.org

3) Please welcome MCapt. Jacob Thompson as DCOINFOCOM and Col. Philip Cox as OIC of the 1st Brigade.

4) The final day for receiving Honor Awards nominations is May 1st, 2020.

5) Due to the ongoing current health situation, if the IC is cancelled, the GS is making alternative plans for the International Muster to be a possible virtual meeting. Again, this is if the IC is not happening.

6) To be up to date on the latest happenings in the Corps please join our Facebook page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/3275293079/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/3275293079/</a>

I was approached by GEN Les Rickard about conducting a STARFLEET Marine Corps Blood Drive during this pandemic situation. All blood banks are in desperate need for donations and I am issuing a challenge to Marines in the SFMC to please donate, if possible, to your local blood bank.

It is our understanding that all blood banks are open during this critical period but call ahead. If you are able to participate, we will need you to send us proof you donated to include also your name and SCC number. This could be in the form of a picture of you donating or a note from a medical authority. All documentation is to be sent to the SFMC SGM Sardeson at <u>sgm\_sfmc@sfi-sfmc.org</u> starting today and ending April 30th.

As this crisis is affecting every nation worldwide, I will be authorizing the Disaster Relief ribbon to be awarded to all qualifying Marines who participate. I also challenge our brothers and sisters in Fleet to stir a little competition between Marines and Fleet. Though I am not authorized to award Fleet members an award, we can say we are doing this as bragging rights, which will not only benefit the local blood banks but morale in helping others during this crisis.

Thank you for your attention and be safe,

# **CPT Mark Logan**

# STARFLEET Medical

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https://www.facebook.com/groups/STARFLEET.Medical.Corps/

**Members Affiliated in the Database with the Medical Corps:** 239 (*this number has dropped in the DB since last report*)

**Members Officially Registered with the Medical Directorate:** 164 (*this number is changing as I am currently in the process of removing expired/deceased members from the SF Medical excel workbook*)

The "Operational Plan" developed in 2015 continues to be a baseline reference for STARFLEET Medical Corps members.

The main themes are -

- Raise community health awareness and home safety issues;
- Make explicit efforts to work collaboratively with SFI Regions to further develop health awareness programming (*including community service efforts*)
- Make plans to invite participation.

# **STARFLEET Medical Recognitions:**

Award Issued	Date	Nominee's Name	Nominee's SCC#	Nominee's Rank	Starfleet Medical Award Requested	Nominee's Region	Nominee's Chapter
2/28/2020	2/28/2020	TJ Allen	66154	MGN	McCoy Medical - Bronze Cross	1	USS Noth Carolina
3/2/2020	3/2/2020	Denise Rush	66280	RADM	McCoy Medical - Gold Cross	2	USS Longbow

I am helping Mark with the transition into the office of SG. There are still open positions that are pending both applicants and approval. Right now the Coronavirus COVID-19 is running rampant and our members need to be advised of this potential health risk and what can be done to avoid it.

With the help of a webmaster, that has already been chosen by Mark, we will be updating the website which is horribly out of date.

I was planning on having meetings periodically with the ASG's to continue to encourage monthly and annual activities in their respective Regions:

- Share at least one, health information article in their assigned Region's newsletter
- Try to plan one wellness event in their Region and help CO's do the same
- Help CO's try to plan one community service activity

This will be up to Mark if he wants to continue this.

I am still working with Tony to get the Medical Awards in the Database. I understand that the transition of the DB is taking a little more time than anticipated however, I hope once that is done, we can finally give the recognition to our Medical members that they deserve.

I also recognize the need to develop the leadership capabilities/opportunities of female members of Medical Corps and will try to actively recruit female Medical Corps members into leadership settings.

## **STARFLEET Sciences**

#### **ADM Richard Heim**

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## https://www.facebook.com/Starfleet-Sciences-365693010206326/

Starfleet Sciences is an informational resource within the old Fleet Resource Center concept which promotes science education and explores the portraval of science within the Star Trek shows. Starfleet Sciences has a web site (https://scienlaric.com/sfsci/starfleet-sciences.html) which includes a Chief Science Officer Handbook; in the past month, the number of hits to the web page increased 48 to 5185. Starfleet Sciences also has a listserv and Facebook page; the Facebook page has 2602 lifetime total likes and 889 daily total impressions for February. A Pinterest board of science-related events by region is available (https://www.pinterest.com/starfleetsfi/science-related-events-by-region/). A Stellar Cartography department, with Capt. Michael Krogh (mkrogh@mail.com) at its head, has a goal to promote amateur astronomy through information, advice and communication. Stellar Cartography's Facebook page is (https://www.facebook.com/groups/355894761948677). Starfleet Sciences Director Richard Heim reported on a February work trip to Anchorage to participate in a National Weather Service Alaska Region Climate Science and Services Workshop and lead the discussion on development of a drought monitoring strategy for south central and interior Alaska. Starfleet Sciences receives reports from the regional science officers or liaisons in seven regions (1, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, and 15). Region One Sciences (also led by Adm. Heim) was active with five ships reporting in February, and Region 7's Comm. Held summarized many new developments in the field of astronomy and space exploration reported by the USS Sovereign. Comm. Held's summary included reports on: discovery of a second exoplanet in the Proxima Centauri star system: the possibility that life on another planet may be so alien that we wouldn't recognize it; to find intelligent alien life, humans may need to start thinking like an extraterrestrial; a new model to predict which alien worlds could support life; hazy atmospheres on Pluto and Titan; searching for Majorana neutrinos to tell us why we exist; icy winds on Pluto; and Voyager 2 is still functional after temporary automatic shutdown. February posts to the Starfleet Sciences Facebook page covered such topics as: the dimming and shapeshifting of Betelgeuse; Perovskite solar cells; bacteria-eating viruses narrow gap between life and non-life; how our birth environment can influence our health; Earth Day 2020; learning behaviors; robot hand research; stress; interstellar taxis for terrestrial life; tardigrades & climate change; how sentient life could evolve across the universe; megadrought helped topple the Assyrian Empire; and NASA's ECOSTRESS mission; as well as Science Shows on TV This Week. The most popular post was the Betelgeuse post (viewed by 100 people), followed by robot hands (viewed by 70 people).



# **ADMIRAL JOHNATHAN SIMMONS**

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Greetings Fleeters,

For the month of February, we had 37 chapters that did not report. We have begun the process of placing chapters on Stand-By for not reporting in the last 90 days. We give chapters incredible leeway in reporting, with the reporting period being ten days each month.

Only three regions reported for February. Thanks to R7, R8 and R9 for reporting on time. I understand that the database is not sending me all the regional status reports. If you get a terse email from me, ignore it. ③

We launched the USS Grand Petosky in Region 13 and commissioned the USS Archangel in Region 12.

That's a wrap from Ops.



# **ADMIRAL JEFF HIGDON**

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Greetings from the Department of Communications. Please remember that in order to be members of certain social media services that STARFLEET oversees; you <u>must</u> be a member of STARFLEET. Facebook groups include the STARFLEET Members Only Page and the STARFLEET Business Page, as well as our Mailing Lists, which include SFI–L and SFI-Annonuce-L. On some of these pages you must supply information as proof of being a member of STARFLEET. This will include asking for your SCC Number. It will also ask you for permission to access your information on the of the STARFLEET Database. If this latter is not granted you will NOT be approved for membership. Also please supply your name as it appears in the STARFLEET DataBase (SFDB) without granting permission, you will not be approved for membership.

It is important that we have not only your SCC number but the name as it was given on the application for membership and is on our database. This should be your legal name. You may also not have your SCC number due to you being a new member of STARFLEET. If you have not received your SCC number via email the simple way to correct this is contact your Commanding Officer for help. You may want to open a Helpdesk Ticket which you do and indicate that you have not received your membership information. Make sure that the Helpdesk Ticket is going to membership.

If you are a member of STARFLEET we want you to partake of these important avenues of communications with the leadership of STARFLEET. It is important for us to know that you, the members of this Association, are getting the information that is offered on these avenues of social media. We appreciate each and every one of you.

I also remind you that the next scheduled due date articles for the Second Quarter CQ is June 15, 2020. Please send them to starfleetcq@gmail.com to ensure that we get your article.

If you need to contact any of us, please refer to the listing of the Communications Department at the front of the Communiqué or ion our website <u>http://sfi.org</u>. If you have a problem with anything concerning any of the divisions of the Communications Department, I urge you to go to Helpdesk and fill out a ticket. Please be sure to list the division that you have a problem with so your ticket can be handled in the most expedient way possible.

Thank you!



# **MAJOR GENERAL TJ ALLEN**

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The Support Administrator set up a Facebook Group for the Educational Department at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/497313550988054/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/497313550988054/</a>. This group will serve as a central point of contact for files open to the Fleet, such as the Course Catalog and the Academy Newsletter, for news, and announcements, and for Members to ask questions.

Since the latest host upgrades and Moodle updates were incompatible, the latest Moodle updates were removed, and the program set back to its pre-upgrade settings.

Moodle is now open, and within a few moments of reopening (February 22), students were already taking OTS and OCC.

The Support Administrator set up two Google Groups for Reporting the MSRs from the Directors and Deans for the STARFLEET Academy and for MACO Training Centre. The two groups are <u>Starfleet-academy-msr@googlegroups.com</u> and <u>macotc-msr@googlegroups.com</u>. The directors are to email to the group and their assistant director. The deans are to email to the group and their assistant deans. This cuts back on how many changes to do for the MSR Report if someone changes in the upper echelon.

## SFA NEWS

Based off the above info of the Support Administrator and Google Groups, Directors can send their MSRs for archiving. This group eliminates all but 3 recipients for the MSRs, and it won't change when personnel come and go.

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Everyone is pleased for Moodle being back up. The Certificates are being reapplied to the QAM courses. In the meantime, affected directors are creating their certificates and getting them to the students. Work is also progressing on getting more QAM exams on Moodle and opened.

OTS, OCC, and FOS have been revised to be up to date with the new Membership Handbook, and that was done very quickly after the MHB was released to the membership at large. The director is still working on SOLC and hopes to have those finished in the next few days.

## MACO TC NEWS

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#### SFMCA NEWS

The SFMCA is struggling under a lack of personnel, and so they will slow down on their transfer to the Moodle platform, until 1) they get the SFMC reorganized 2) Rewrite their materials and 3) find replacement personnel.

So, JT, Shane, and I have agreed to temporarily close the SFMCA on Moodle for now, until they can catch up. It's only 3 months into the new term. We have time. :-) They will continue to operate out of their website, while additions are made to their Moodle site.

MECHA is being re-written for use removing all copyright issues and renaming and redrawing all MECHs. The MECHA Director has created a team to assist in this project as not to lose MECH completely.

More details will be reported in the March April Tour of Duty.



# **REAR ADMIRAL TONY KNOPES**

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### WEBSITES

http://sfi.org: site completed. http://members.sfi.org: site in progress. Greg is soliciting feedback for features and content http://qm.sfi.org: site in progress. Need to finish up with pictures of product and finalizing some of the formatting

http://hr.sfi.org: site is live

Academy: the site has been having some problems lately, but all are because of the host and not because of what we've implemented. We have some things that we'd like to see done at the host level, but our provider is not very agreeable with them. We are gathering requirements to start looking for a new provider for our websites.

#### A couple of new site ideas being tossed around lately:

http://docs.sfi.org to separate documents and other similar things into a consolidated and separate site https://qc.sfi.org to separate the QC archive from the database. This site will still need the database authentication, however so the database will need to be able to authenticate other sites. We thought about waiting for the new database since it will have OAUTH already, but I'd like to see this separated before the migration to have one less thing to worry about.

Sites overview:

http://sfi.org/ - DONE http://members.sfi.org/ - in progress http://academy.sfi.org/ - DONE http://qmm.sfi.org/ - Almost done http://dts.sfi.org/ - Almost done http://dts.sfi.org/ - PENDING http://sfmc.sfi.org/ - Migrating Now http://sfmca.sfi.org/ - Migrating Now http://medical.sfi.org/ - DONE http://medical.sfi.org/ - DONE http://sciences.sfi.org/ - PENDING http://dcs.sfi.org/ - thinking stage http://docs.sfi.org/ - thinking stage

### DATA CLEANUP

Scripts for cleaning up memberships has been completed and implemented. Scripts to target memberships that need to be cleaned up are in progress. Interface to allow HD to submit memberships to be cleaned up are in progress.

Development of scripts to allow HD/MP to clean up duplicate SCC numbers is still pending. Duplicates somehow continue to be a problem even with the new landing page. I've written a script to report on them and I'm going through those and cleaning them up.

100000+ SCC numbers: no update

New Member Database: working now on a few different things for the migration: putting together a definition of what we need for a SFI member; pulling together process flows; working on the install guide for Linux for the overall project.

Automated responses: rewriting the wording of these still happens as I come across them.

#### DH SITE MIGRATION

This is still pending because of the logistics in moving the SFMC off there. In light of possibly moving to a new provider, we'll back burner this for the short period until that situation is finalized.

### DATA PRIVACY

Some editing of the policy needs to be completed (tightening up a bit, contact info, etc.). Acceptance of the policy needs to be fixed.

### DOCUMENTATION

Department documentation now are kept as notes in a private wiki. Processes and turnover process documentation need to be written in the eventual day when it's time for Greg and I to move along.

NEW DATABASE Currently pending completion of the core by the core programming team. Design framework of Day 1 features are mostly written. Install documentation of the database being polished and tightened.

Current active members (from the database) All memberships: 5,536 Family memberships: 3,562



# **GENERAL LINDA OLSON**

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Hello! The best way I know to deliver this information to the members is to give the short version.

STARFLEET Opened the month of February with a balance of \$58,838.51 Credits equaled \$4,846.44 Debits equaled \$180.46 Closed the month of February with a balance of \$63,504.49

Breakdown of credits is as follows: Over the Counter deposits: \$10.00 Paypal January transfer (made on last day of the month) not showing on the January statement. \$2,659.18 Paypal February transfer (made on the 27th) \$2,177.26

Paypal shows us starting the month with \$233.53 This is the amount we received between the time I pulled the January transfer and midnight on the last day of the month and is included in the February transfer.

Quickbooks break down for February Membership: \$2,494.53 Donations: \$390.00 Monthly fee: -\$30.00 Sales Fee: -\$188.35 Purchases: -\$7.00 This will equal the Paypal transfer of \$2,659.18

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Breakdown of Debits Onebox Services - \$33.87 (800 number) Stamps.com - \$17.99 (Machine rental) Dream host - \$16.90 (SFA web hosting) Site5.com - \$23.94 web hosting Linode.com - \$20.00 Invisioncommunity.com - \$20.00 Fedex - \$47.76

total \$180.46

SFI Scholarship Account Opened the month of February 2020 with a balance of \$14,696.93 Credits: \$.23 (interest) Debits - 0 Closed the month of February 2020, with a balance of \$14,697.16