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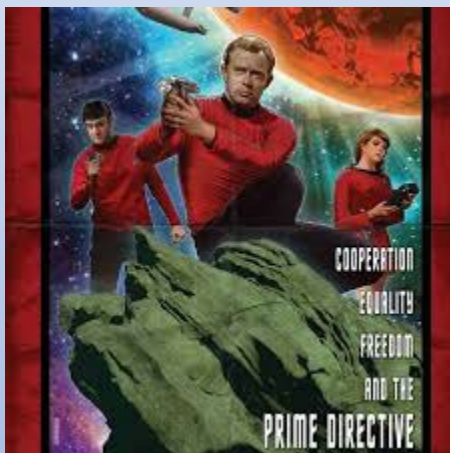
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Status Report

Crew Manifest	
Total Assigned:	17
Officers:	6
Enlisted:	9
Cadets:	2
Citizens:	0





ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic Achievement

This month a single individual completed classes in the academy. When a member of the crew achieves a score of 90 or better (Honors) or a perfect score of 100 (Distinction) in a course, they will be acknowledged here.

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Challenge Takers

Floyd Gage – Reading Challenge

Rachel Mock – Reading Challenge

Amber Freeman – Reading Challenge

Awards

Elijah Freeman – BOCF - Chief Medical Officer Certification

William Sturgeon – Chief Security Officer Certification

Promotions

– William Sturgeon PROMOTED TO Lieutenant Commander –

– Amber Freeman PROMOTED TO Crewman Apprentice –

Crew Promotion Points

Rank	Name	Temporary Points	Permanent Points	Award Points	Total Points
CAPT	Freeman , Dustin Gene	195	135	17	347
CMDR	Fitch , Bryan	64	70		134
LT	Freeman , Elijah Gabriel	54	110	2	166
LCDR	Sturgeon , William Arthur	2	95	12	109
CRR	Sturgeon , Jodi Lynne	3	0		3
CDT 2C	Freeman , Lucas Alexander	24	0		24
ENS	Gage , Floyd	12	5		17
CRMN	Mock , Christopher	29	10		39
CRA	Quinn , Richard Michael	15	0		15
CRR	Mock , Hannah	19	0		19
ENS	Mock , Rachel	2	25		27
CRR	Garneaux , Margaret Ann	5	0		5
CRA	Freeman , Amber Nicole	0	0		0
CDT4	Freeman , Azrael Josiah	18	0		18
CRR	Navarro , Rebecca	2	0		2
CRR	Navarro , Raymond	2	0		2
CRR	Freeman , Serenity	2	0		2

CAPTAINS LOG

Hello crew,

Sorry for the late push on the newsletter, but here it is. I'm excited to see the number of you who are participating in fleet activities outside of Crew meetings. From Gaming with the Tactical Auxiliary, taking classes in the STARFLEET Fan Academy, to reading challenges. Keep up to great work!

I'd also be remiss to not welcome our newest crew-members Rebecca and Raymond Navarro. We look forward to getting to know you at events, activities, and conventions.

To everyone in the crew, I would encourage you all to look over the Ship manual on our website on different leadership positions and ways to earn promotion points.

Until next time, I hope to see y'all at the watch party this weekend.

-CAPT Freeman, Dustin
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CO, USS Veritas

FIRST OFFICERS LOG

Hello, I hope everyone has been enjoying the last few weeks of summer! I have been trying to spend as much time by the pool as I can.

There's not really a lot to talk about over the last month. There wasn't much going on. So on to that dead horse! Lol

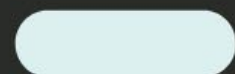
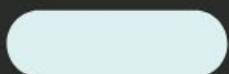
I've been saying it since I became the XO of the USS Veritas. We need to recruit more members. Without new members we can't grow. So ask anyone who you think might be interested.

I would also like to encourage everyone to try and take some of the SFI academy classes. They will help you with your getting promoted and learn more about Star Trek. If you have a specific branch that you want to study the academy has courses geared towards each of the branches. So take a look at what they offer.

I hope everyone has a good month ahead of them and remember if you have any questions, ideas, or concerns, please feel free to contact me or the Captain.

CMDR Bryan Fitch

XO,



Klingon Blood Wine by Star Trek Wines.

I want to start out by say I'm not a wine expert by any means. I'm giving you my layman's opinion and what I really tasted.

At first glance at the bottle, you'll notice the emblem of the Klingon Empire! This is a 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon.

After opening the bottle and pouring a small amount into my glass. I immediately got the fragrance of fruits and spices. Tasting it was a treat. The flavors of cherry and blackberry with hints of vanilla and cedar. Very bold in flavor to start relaxing as it got air! I would classify this as semi-sweet wine.

I enjoyed drinking it! Over a very pleasant wine to drink while hanging out with friends watching a movie or setting around a fire.

If you would like to try a bottle for yourself. You can find this Klingon Blood Wine by googling Star Trek Wines.

Next month I will be trying the UFP special reserve old vine zinfandel. So until next month. Be safe and enjoy life

Cdr Bryan Fitch

XO, USS Veritas



OTHER TREKS

Greetings and salutations Veritas crew, it is I Lieutenant Commander Sturgeon with another endearing column of Other Treks!

In the first column I discussed that I may do columns that highlighted stories from something other than comic books adventures and in this month's column I'm kind of doing that but I'm also doing a column on a comic miniseries.

Star Trek Resurgence is a 2023 adventure video game, developed by Dramatic Labs, which is made up of a bunch of former employees of Telltale Games, so it has a very Telltale feel. The game is set around or post Nemesis time frame and has you playing as both the new female XO and a engineering petty officer. You switch back and forth between playing the two characters and in true Star Trek fashion you are involved with a mission that has significant political and strategic ramifications and you do encounter some moral dilemmas and the game claims that your choices will impact how other characters will interact with you as the story progresses. I enjoyed the game, mostly, which I recently purchased for my Xbox at a much drastically discounted price than when the game originally launched but I had been aware of the game prior to the game's launch, as there was a five issue miniseries, now collected in a trade paperback, published by IDW comics that is the immediate prequel to the video game. The comic tells the story of the previous XO that you will end up replacing in 3/5 of the game, and the mission that cost him his life is referenced in the game and the comic series gives the backstory for your ship in the game as it is recovering from damage inflicted during the miniseries. The only alumni Trek characters to make appearances in the comic are Dr Leah Brahms and Jeremiah Rosa, otherwise known as Jonah the human who stayed with the Talerians, whereas the game has Spock and Riker making appearances. The comic mini-series sets up and tells the pivotal role of how the ship becomes damaged and how the previous XO perishes (sorry spoiler) and gives you insight into some of the characters that you will meet in the video game. Of the two mediums the video game and the comic, I prefer the comic. The comic has the traditionally quicker pacing associated with the comic book medium and has a little more adventure and when reading I'm used to being the observer versus playing video game where you tend to assume the role which I found harder to do in the Resurgence video game because I'm constantly being switched between the XO and the Petty Officer engineer and I have difficulty playing a game where I'm constantly being swapped out.



Additionally in a few points of the game you have to walk around and simply scan stuff with your tricorder, while it is quintessential Star Trek, it didn't make for the most exciting or even enjoyable game play. I don't want to say it is a bad game, because I don't think it is, I just feel it is, while enjoyable, it doesn't really check all of the video game boxes that make a great gaming experience for me. The comic does check more comic book boxes but it does suffer from have a story with life and death stakes but with characters I'm not invested in, so my concern for these characters wasn't high, so the story wasn't as suspenseful as it maybe could have been, had this been the TNG, DS9 or Voy crew. In closing I do think this game and comic series are worth it but not at full price and if you can get the two together and read the comic prior to playing the game I do think it makes the overall story better, than either medium individually.

So what do you think? Have you read or played Resurgence? Or done both? Do you agree with my assessment?

***** Intelligence Alert, Intelligence Alert *****

While I was gathering my thoughts for writing the above column I picked up issue #3 of Star Trek Red Shirts (it came out on Wednesday October 1st, 2025). I want to make everyone aware of this five issue mini-series, as I love the premise, and can't stress how much fun I'm having reading this book so far! The basic premise is an important strategic mission, but it is totally undertaken by TOS Red Shirts, the guys who are notorious for not surviving past the 1st commercial break with Captain Kirk. The time frame is set prior to a particular episode of TOS season 1 (I'm trying to be spoiler free). Inside the cover of issue #1 they give a headshot of the 12 mission team personnel and a very brief bio for each of them but by the time you open issue #3, five of the headshots are now grey with red Xs over their picture, as they have perished; and by the end of issue #3 there are even fewer team members still alive.

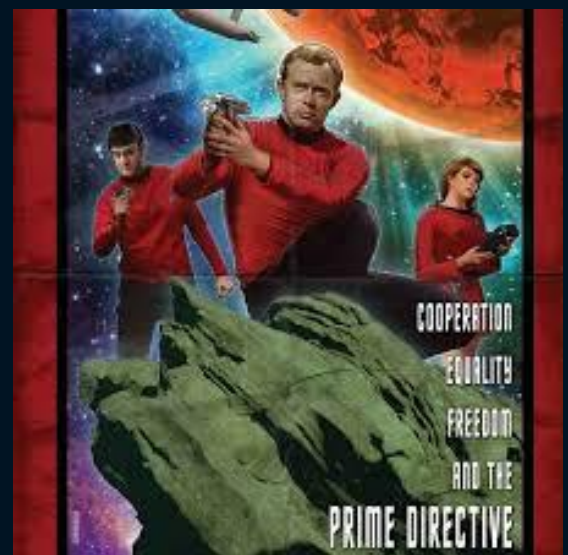
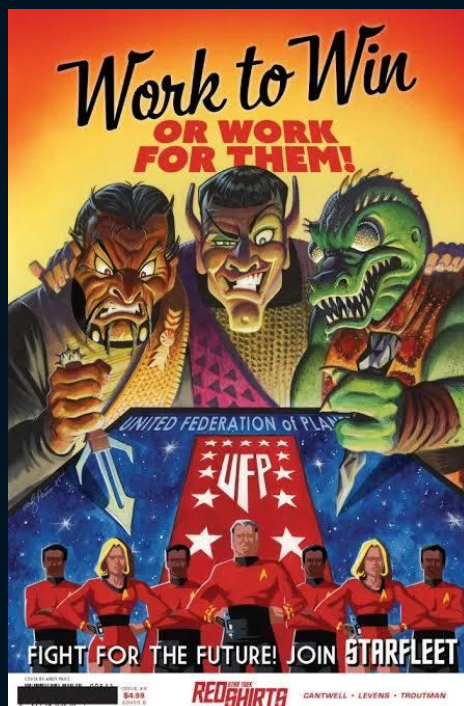
The comic shop I patronize in Killeen, "America's Heroes", had a few issues of #3 left but they were sold out of the first two issues. If you are so inclined, issues 1 & 2 shouldn't be too hard to find online for sale or you could buy Kindle versions (I'm buying both physical and digital copies). I do expect there to be a trade paperback after the series wraps up, but I always try to support buying the actual run in case it doesn't sell well enough and you DON'T get a TPB. IMHO this is just a fun read that is embracing the cliché and playing with it, by leaning into it, I wholeheartedly recommend the series to any Trek fan, especially TOS fans or actual real-world Military/Vets as I think you'll recognize some of the bravado in the characters conversations that we've never quite heard in on screen Trek, but always suspected was there.

Additionally, the B covers are satirical WW 2esque recruitment posters that enhance the fun for me and are just plain pretty.

LtCmdr William A Sturgeon

Chief Intelligence Officer

USS Veritas



Upcoming Events

- **Crew Game Night!**

Sat, Oct 18th @ 2pm to 5pm

At the CO's house. (If you have a working laptop, bring it)

- **USS Veritas Anniversary!**

Sun, Nov 16th

We will meet the following week for the award ceremony so we won't meet in person for this, but just so you are aware and can celebrate!

- **USS Veritas Awards & Promotions Ceremony**

Nov 22rd, 2025 @ 1:00pm

Galaxy Burger, Killeen, TX

We will hold our Quarterly Awards and Promotions Ceremony and enjoy some great food and company!

