

They are very excited to invite us to their performance. As more information becomes available, we will share it. If they request more assistance, I'm certain we will help where we can.



ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic Achievement

This month three individuals 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. As an example, here are the results from March.

Distinctions: 13
Honors: 6

— Richard Quinn —
Distinctions: 7
Honors: 3

Challenge Takers

- Dustin Freeman -
- Lucas Freeman -

Reading Challenge

Awards

- Dustin Freeman -

Advanced Training - Beta / Gamma / Delta (SFSO)

- Richard Quinn -

Basic Training Ribbon (SFSO)

Promotions

E-2 / Crewman Apprentice (CRA) Richard Quinn

CAPTAINS LOG

Welcome to June! This month has been busy for me as I prepare to retire from active-duty service in the Army after 20 years. As such while I was quite busy, the ship was a bit quieter. I encourage you all to hang out in Discord, share cool stories and memes, even come up with plans for things we would like to do as a crew.

I also got the opportunity to have a great conversation with one of our crew mates about what it means to be active, and about promotions and leadership roles. We as a command team strongly encourage you to look at department chief roles that you are interested, it should be noted that you are not required to hold a position to be promoted, it helps, but is not required. If you want to just show up for get-togethers, attend watch parties, and talk about Star Trek without taking a leadership role, you will still be promoted.

That being said, by filling department chief roles, you enable the ship to run that much more effectively. If you think you have an interest in something that falls under a department but not the full responsibility of that department, that's fine too. If you like to write, but don't want to take the Chief of Communications role that calls for you to take charge of the newsletter, you can still be part of the communications department. If you see a role and think you think you have an interest in, but would like to make a change to it, then reach out. I always say "The worst I will say is no." Understand that I want the ship to be a reflection of the crew, not force the crew into a box of my devising. Let's work together to make this the best crew in all of Texas.

-CMDR Freeman co.ussveritas@sfi.org CO USS Veritas

FIRST OFFICERS LOG

Hello everyone!

Well, things have been kind of quiet since the last log. I'm still looking at finding department heads. I really want to encourage everyone to try and choose a department specialty. It would help you get promoted. As well as give you a direction to work towards. It would give the Captain and I an idea how to help you accomplish your goals.

On a different note. I would like for us to start using our discord channel more often. I've had some ideas that I would like to chat with you all about. Just some fun ideas for future events/projects. If anyone has an idea for some fun things, please let me know! I personally can't wait to be able to meet everyone in person and would like to know if anyone has a specific movie/ series/ or game that we could arrange for a weekend get together.

The next thing I want to hit on is recruiting. If you have any friends or family members who may be interested in participating in our crew, please try and get them to join us! We can't grow if we don't recruit.

I know many of us haven't met yet but if you have any questions, concerns, or comments. Please feel free to contact me at texascavtrooper@gmail.com or text me at (254)258-5066.

I will do my best to help you in any way I can. Ok keep thinking about any ideas you might have for the group!

Fair Wind and Following Seas

For now,

XO, Out

-LCDR Bryan Fitch xo.ussveritas@sfi.orgXO USS Veritas

SCIENCE REPORT

During the Eclipse on the 8th of April, you may have noticed the red dots around the circumference of the eclipse. Good News! You weren't crazy or miss seeing anything. Those red dots are called a Solar Prominence. If you are unfamiliar, a prominence is reference to astronomy is a stream of incandescent gas projecting above the sun's chromosphere. For anyone in the totality of the eclipse the prominences were particularly impressive.

For those of you who are unaware of the difference between a solar prominence vs solar flare, a solar prominence is anchored to the sun; the arch does not separate and go into space. A solar flare, though, will travel through space since it is a release of energy. A solar prominence is "a massive loop of the sun's plasma that hangs attached to the visible surface of the sun, forming perhaps within a day but lasting as long as several months", according to NASA. Prominences often appear reddish because their plasma can originate deeper in the sun's atmosphere, in a layer called the chromosphere, which is characterized by hydrogen at high temperatures that emits red light.

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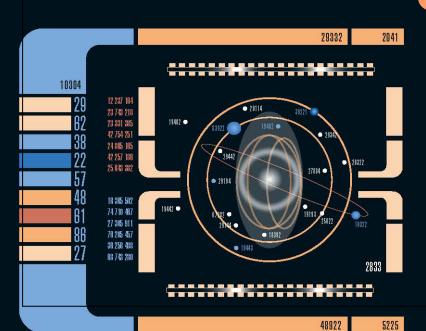
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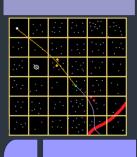
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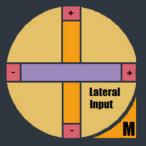




Report by: CMDR Dustin Freeman







Upcoming Events

FAN EXPO (DALLAS)

June 7th -9th 2024

AN EXPO Dallas is the largest sci-fi, horror, anime, and gaming event in Texas that attracts tens of thousands of people at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center.

Greater Austin Comic Convention

July 20th - 21st 2024

The Greater Austin Comic Convention is a celebration that brings all things pop culture together with the Austin Vibe. It packs in two fun-filled days of entertainment that the whole family can enjoy at the beautiful H-E-B Center in Cedar Park! https://www.greateraustincomiccon.com/

• Bell County Comicon

August 3rd -4th 2024

Not much explanation needed. We will meet up and have a good time at the local Comicon.

Giganticon

October 5th-6th 2024

Giganticon is a celebration of HEROES, from ones that jump off the page of your favorite comic book to those everyday heroes that serve our Country and protect our Freedoms! Come Celebrate with us during the best weekend of the year and throw on your favorite costume, you won't want to miss out! https://www.giganticon.com/

Trek Tour

November 15th-17th 2024

A major Star Trek Convention in our backyard!