

# The DaVinci Pilot

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## FROM THE CENTER SEAT

VICTORY! Qapla! Starfleet claims the bragging rights as champions of Putt-Putt! On Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of June, three members of the DaVinci, met three honorable Klingon opponents from the KAG vessel IKV Muscogee Phenix on the Putt-Putt battlefield at Hollywood Connection. It was Captain against Captain and crew against crew with members of both ships cheering from the sidelines. It was a heated battle, and careless errors and just plain bad shooting on both sides kept the outcome a mystery until the very end.

It was also loads of fun and if you were not there you missed a great time! There was camaraderie and good sportsmanship on both sides with Starfleet cheering for Klingon and Klingon cheering for Starfleet. When it was all over both sided adjourned to Lieutenant's for the post-battle feast! The highlight of the festivities was when your Captain, with only honorable intent, proposed a toast to the Captain of the wrong ship!

The final standings were as follows: CPT Freddy Heller (48) versus CPT John Faulk (57); ENS Zach Farley (51) and ENS Steve Gordon (50) from the DaVinci versus 2<sup>nd</sup> Officer Josh Ainsworth (56) and Navigator Sam Metz (56) from the Muscogee Phenix. Stay tuned because I am sure that a rematch is in the works!

The BIG news of the month is that Connie and I are moving. Wait Joe, do not cut your wrists quite yet! We are not leaving Columbus, just moving to a bigger house. With the addition of Ariana to our family (okay, I have a few things too), our house has become very small. We have looked at more than a dozen homes and have so far narrowed it down to three. Naturally, one of the primary criteria is that the house has a room where I can store all of my Star Trek collection. Oh yes, Connie wants a craft room as well. More good news is that each of the houses on our list has a swimming pool!

The coupon contest is in full swing! Although not many crew members are participating, the amount

donated so far is impressive. The current leaders are ENS Randy and ENS Deniece Dunn with \$1000 (\$500 food and \$500 non-food). In second place is ENS Zack Farley with \$237.56 (\$99.30 food and \$138.26 non food). Finally in third place is ENS Gisela Stephens with \$19.90 (\$13.20 food and \$6.70 non-food). Remember the contest ends at the end of the month and the winner will receive an additional year of DaVinci membership! So, with such a great prize on the line, you should start clipping!

FCPT Freddy Heller

## SICKBAY

Viagra Falls

From time to time, I will take the liberty to write a lighthearted, albeit serious article on medical issues. This one just happens to be about the new impotency drug Viagra.

As men get older, their bodies tend to lose the ability to perform certain functions. One of these functions is the ability to sustain an ah, ah well, you know. Okay, I know what you are thinking: I have not reached that age yet! Not now, fellow crew members, but eventually we all will. Just as menopause affect women as they reach their late 40's to 50's, we men also begin to notice a certain detrimental effect on our bodies as time play a cruel but factual joke on our reproductive systems.

So, 20<sup>th</sup> Century medicine has come to the rescue as Pfizer Pharmaceutical announced earlier this year that the Food and Drug Administration has approved a new wonder drug for impotency. As you all know its name is Viagra. I am sure you have heard all of the jokes made about this drug, but for all of the material it has given to late-night comedians, it has also rejuvenated many older couples sex lives.

Laugh as you may, but if you could take something that would make you feel 21 again (or 18), would you not at least try it? Sure these little

pills are \$10 a pop, but for some folks, they are worth every penny.

It seems the fountain of youth has been discovered and Viagra will be the talk of the country for quite a while. Now, what will the 21<sup>st</sup> Century bring? Perhaps a drug that will shave years off you!

On a side note, I hope all of you can participate in the Parrises Squares tournament planned for later this year. I certainly plan to be there!

LTJG Steve Gordon

## SECURITY DESK

We are well on our way with the DaVinci Security Team! Our new name is DaVinci Troopers. The ship has supported us by purchasing name tags which all of my security team will wear. We will do our best to keep order at all functions and make events safe and fun for the whole family. Why? Because it is our job. The Troopers will start getting more involved with the community, fund raising events, competitions, and law enforcement events.

The Troopers are always looking for more members. So, if you think you have what it takes to become a DaVinci Trooper, we will welcome you aboard. I can be reached at 682-6911 after 5:00 or at 562-4647 anytime.

### DID YOU KNOW:

If you buy a radar detector, you are wasting your money. Why? Because today's law enforcement have radar that enable them to hit a mute button until they see you. At that time, they hit it once again and have you locked on. Your radar detector will not have picked up the signal. So, if you have one be careful because sooner or later you will get caught!

ENS Zach Farley

**NEXT DaVINCI NIGHT OUT WILL BE  
AT THE GOLDEN CORRAL ON THE  
MANCHESTER EXPRESSWAY ON  
JULY 6<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00 P.M.**

## CONVENTIONAL WISDOM

I just heard from Joe Motes concerning the guest for his November convention in Atlanta. Tim Russ

will not be the guest. Right now, who will be taking his place is not known. Stay tuned for information as I hear it. Whoever the guest might be, remember that Joe always puts on a great show so send in your money now for good seats!

## TREK BUZZ

Patrick Stewart was the recipient of a Favorite Supporting Actor trophy at the fourth annual Blockbuster Entertainment Awards.

Avery Brooks appeared at the Kennedy Center in Washington at a ceremony honoring the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Zero to Three, a group that helps children in their early developmental years.

Kate Mulgrew took home a Golden Satellite Award from the International Press Academy for Best Performance by an Actress in a Drama Series!

Ricardo Montalban was presented the first Easter Seals Hollywood Lifetime Achievement Award honoring one who despite a debilitating spinal injury has achieved international success.

Gene Roddenberry was acknowledged for his "pioneering commitment to multiracial casting" in the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary special issue of TV Guide.

Chase Masterson is the new co-host of Sci-Fi Entertainment, a half-hour weekly news magazine on the Sci-Fi Channel. In Columbus it is on at 6:30 P.M. every Friday.

Marina Sirtis was recently in Australia on a trip that included two convention appearances and the opening of "Star Trek: The Exhibit" at the Scienceworks Museum in Melbourne.

Garrett Wang presented a Media Achievement Award to Rick Berman, Michale Piller, and Jeri Taylor for their contribution to multi-ethnic casting-in this case for creating the role of Ensign Harry Kim!

Leonard Nimoy and John Rhys-Davies will be among the celebrities lending their voices to Pentafour Films' animated feature "Sinbad: Beyond the Veil of Mists".

Thanks to Star Trek Communicator (Number 117) for the information!

## WELCOME ABOARD!

Welcome aboard to the following crew personnel who have recently come aboard or renewed their membership in the DaVinci (D) or Starfleet (S):

FCPT Freddy Heller (D)  
 CMDR Connie Heller (D)  
 Cadet Travis Grisham (D)  
 Cadet Ariana Heller (D)  
 CPT Joe Perry (D)

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to the following DaVinci personnel and Star Trek celebrities and events who are celebrating birthdays in July!

CRMN Kris Kersey	5 <sup>th</sup>
Rick Sternbach (Senior Illustrator)	6 <sup>th</sup>
CRMN Stephen Sprung	9 <sup>th</sup>
Patrick Stewart (CPT Jean Luc Picard)	13 <sup>th</sup>
Robert Justman (Producer)	13 <sup>th</sup>
CADET Ashley Gordon	15 <sup>th</sup>
VADM Mike Henigan	20 <sup>th</sup>
CADET Nikki Orr	22 <sup>nd</sup>
CPT Joe Perry	25 <sup>th</sup>
Nana Visitor (MAJ Kira Nerys)	26 <sup>th</sup>
Wil Wheaton (Wesley Crusher)	29 <sup>th</sup>
David Warner (Chancellor Gorkon)	29 <sup>th</sup>
CADET Hunter Ainsworth	31 <sup>st</sup>

## FINANCIALLY SPEAKING

Opening Balance	231.36
Printing	13.48
Postage	9.00
Closing Balance	208.88

CMDR Connie Heller

## ACCOLADES TO:

CRMN Robert Anthony for graduating from Columbus State University! Way to go Rob!

## DaVINCI STAFF ROSTER

Commanding Officer Freddy Heller 562-TREK

Executive Officer Joe Perry 327-5888  
 Finance Connie Heller 562-8735  
 Community Service Josh Ainsworth Unlisted  
 Publications Freddy Heller 562-8735

Science Officer Michael Walker 214-5179  
 Counselor JoAnne Vazquez 563-9185  
 Holodeck VACANT  
 Medical Steve Gordon 864-2607

Engineering Officer Deniece Dunn 291-0150  
 Communications Karen Baker 323-4217  
 Quartermaster Randy Dunn 291-0150  
 Security Zach Farley 682-6911

Co-Cadet Corps Cmdr Dana Ainsworth Unlisted  
 Co-Cadet Corps Cmdr Marilyn Gordon  
 (334) 864-2607

SR Chief Petty Off VACANT

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE CAPTAIN'S HOUSE ON 16 JULY AT 7:00 P.M. WHICH HOUSE WHO KNOWS! COME FOR GOOD TIMES, COMRADESHIP, AND A POOL (?)**

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## CARGO BAY 1 - BUSINESS

The following businesses will give DaVinci crew personnel a 10 percent discount on purchases. Make sure you let them know who you are.

**COLLINS CARDS & COLLECTIBLES**  
4728-A Warm Springs Road 569-5353

**COLUMBUS BOOK EXCHANGE**  
6440 W. Hamilton Park Drive,  
Suite B 324-2559

**CYBER EXCHANGE**  
5256 Armour Rd. 320-9711

**EXTREME GALAXY**  
3554 Hilton Ave. 317-2500

**EXTREME GALAXY II**  
2901 University Avenue, Suite 42 569-5939

**DUGOUT**  
1033 Broadway 653-9060

**PREFERRED COMPUTERS**  
4405 Armour Road, Suite C322-3225

## **CARGO BAY 2 - THE CREW**

**WANTED:** Star Trek fan material. In need of trading cards that came in pre-recorded videos of original series episodes. Call Freddy at 562-TREK.

**FOR SALE:** Cards, action figures, and a whole lot more! Both Star Trek and Star Wars! Call Freddy at 562-TREK.

**FOR SALE:** Star Trek toys and memorabilia. See Patty at the meeting. "I have what you need!."