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Captain's Corner

By Ted Klosowski

April

I had the pleasure of attending Saturday Morning Science at the University of Toledo on March 25, 2023

Observing the Birth of Stars with the James Webb Space Telescope: a Toledo Odyssey with Dr. Tom Megeath. For those of you who don't know, Dr. Tom Megeath is the husband of Dr. Laura Megeath who does the shows at Appold Planetarium. The program was free and they had free refreshments, bagels, breakfast bars, fruit, coffee, juice and other snacks. The auditorium was pretty much full with probably around 120 -130 people. They had an infrared camera set up showing the audience. Infrared because that is what the Webb Space telescope uses. Dr. Megeath showed images comparing the Spitzer Space Telescope (named after Lyman Spitzer Jr. who was an American theoretical physicist and astronomer born in Toledo, Ohio), The Hubble Space Telescope and the James Webb Space Telescope. It was amazing to see how much technology has advanced over the years. The presentation was very interesting without being too technical for the audience which ranged in age from 8 – 80. The program lasted a little over an hour with a question-and-answer period after. After the program I noticed Dr. Laura Megeath was there so I went up and introduced myself. She said she had a great time with us and was looking forward to us attending in May.

We have lots of fun activities coming up including a trip to Holland, Michigan for the Tulip festival, our Tycho anniversary dinner, another trip to Lourdes planetarium and more! Keep an eye out on our Facebook page and your emails for future events.

**We hope to see you at our next meeting on Thursday,
May 4, 6:30 pm at Charlie's and on Zoom!**

The Violin and the Heart

By Belinda Williams

*What fanciful music
Dancing in jeweled tones*

Firm the hands

And sure the fingers

Bowing and feathering

These lustrous strings

Plucking them in restlessly

rhythmic golden wings

Oh to hear the tickling

Sounds of endlessly

Rejuvenating themes

That burst forward

Scintillating seasonal springs

Harmonizing like sisters

Ever blending

tender audial essence of tones

Carefully bending

How they whisper in the winds

never-ending

The violin and the heart

Escaping this vacant realm

My emotions to overwhelm

Thus blessing and warming

An orchestrated time and

noble space

The violin and the heart

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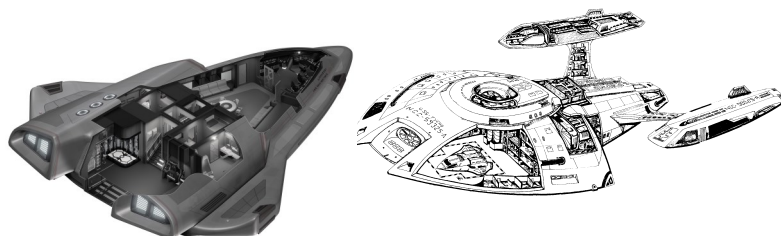
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Dyson Sphere Redux

By Ted Kłosowski

Chapter 13



One of the Hur'q seated toward the middle of the table arose.
 "Silence! Intended or not those Buoy's interrupted our sleep!
 You Must DIE!!!!

All the other Hur'q erupted in applause and voracious yelling, yes
 Kill them, they must be destroyed!!!

Then all the Hur'q in the room began chanting.

"Kill Them!"

"Kill Them!"

"Kill Them!"

"Kill Them!"

"Captain, this is the Waverunner implementing security protocol
 Alpha 1. You have failed to report in time, do you require assistance?"

"A shielded beam out right about now would be perfect!" Ted
 replied

As the Tycho crew arose, the Waverunner initiated a shielded
 beam out and the crew were back aboard the Waverunner.

"Emergency launch procedure, engage now!"

As the waverunner rose, a tractor beam started pulling them
 back.

"Not this time boys, waverider mode engage!" Ted commanded

As waverider mode kicked in the waverider broke free of the
 tractor beam and continued its ascent. While the waverunner
 has the appearance of an ordinary fleet shuttle the waverider is
 much more powerful with full armament and high warp capabil-
 ity.

"USS Tycho, we sure could use your help!" Ted requested

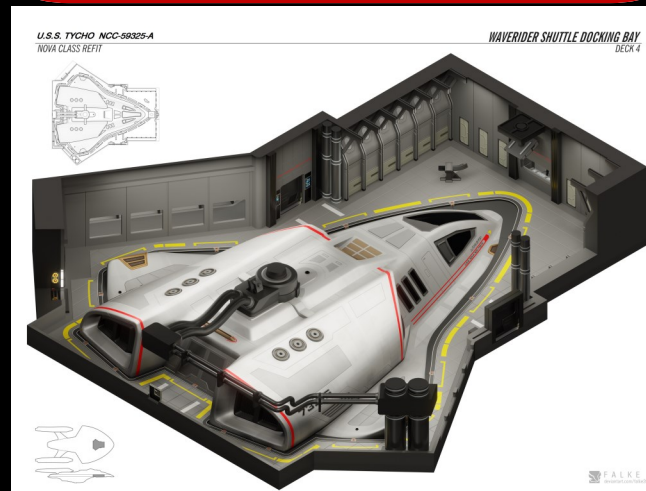
"On Our way!" Marchelle replied

The Tycho left their location and proceeded at max impulse to
 the location the waverunner marked just a few short hours ago.
 Using the command sequence they opened the hatch and en-
 tered the sphere.

"Waverider, requesting permission to dock."

"Permission granted waverider, good to see you again."

The adventure continues...



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Tycho: UFO Encounter

By Sherriea and Belinda Williams

9: An Android Analysis

Captain Paula ordered all senior officers to the briefing room. She turned command over to Lieutenant Justin Hunt. Sherriea rose from her station to surrender her communications console to her relief duty officer, Lieutenant Kal. Alta rose from his station and floated his recessed legs from under his cushioned seat. He led the bridge members to the appointed destination. The senior crew filled the conference room and quietly took their places around the oval table. Captain Ted addressed the entourage, "Ladies and gentleman, Governor Alta will deliberate this meeting." He lifted a hand toward the android, saying "The podium is yours, governor." Alta spoke in a strong baritone voice. His thin metallic lip line seemed to accentuate his angular visage. He spoke, "Last evening you witnessed the holographic image of our unidentified guest in this solar sector. My attempt to visualize them reveals a portrait that strongly resembles the Grays of centuries old terran folklore. As I enhanced the digitally generated images, I was able to view details of their ship and personnel. I contacted our Science Officer Diana with my perceptions of these unknown beings, she informed me she also was using spectral analysis to study the integrity of the ship's bulkhead and general structure. As we conferred, there appeared to be no evidence that they had been answering our communications outreach. As you on the bridge noted, we witnessed an energy bolt of substantial size erupt from the suspicious vessel we held in our tractor beam. Analysis of this bolt however, shows it is not weaponry." Alta addressed Commander Sherriea, "Will you share your analysis with us, commander?" Sherriea stood and ambulated to the podium beside Governor Alta. Sherriea spoke, "We studied flaring lightning that was dissipated by our shields. Yet the force jolted our ship and caused the integrity of our vessel to shutter, but without any damage to our systems. Commander Linda from stellar photography received photographic documentation of this event from our companion starship, USS Cha-Letric."

"I can confirm that my analysis of this event proves this phenomena is a compressed accumulation of communications signals that were emitted from this alien ship. Upon further analysis, I have determined that what

we experienced was a distress call. My engineers have unraveled the multitude of signals. Each is a thread of individual signals much like an SOS. Also, each thread is in a different linguistic pattern, almost as if they were frantically attempting to communicate with as many terran languages as possible in hopes that one thread of a distress call would be understood. After further historical investigations, I have discovered this to be a means of communication used by primitive earth militaries in the twentieth century. I was able to decipher the context from their transmissions. They are not being aggressive. They are crying out to us for help." Chief Engineer Jerry added, "The Gray ship is asking for our assistance with their vessel. I believe this to be an issue with their engines. The captain and I sense a need to communicate with them further."

Captain Paula spoke with an air of empathy and caution, "Of course, it appears that we must give assistance to them if all this evidence is accurate. However, we need confirmation to be sure. We cannot act simply upon assumptions." She continued, "What is your plan of action, Ted? I overheard Alta and yourself whispering some strange alternatives!"

Captain Ted gave a nod and grin toward his android compadre. Alta immediately enhanced the conversation, "I will beam aboard the alien ship in an effort to establish a relationship with their leadership."

After the conference, Captain Ted and Ambassador Sutherland entered sickbay to prepare themselves for mind links with Alta. They had decided to delay communicating this information to his officers until the appropriate time. The chief physician, Dr. Donna Mominee was prepared in case of a medical emergency. She complained, "You realize this mind link could result in a hypertensive crisis, similar to mind melds with Vulcans. A mind link with an android! Well, you two are putting yourself out on a shaky limb in my opinion!"

(to be continued)

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Chief Medical Officer Report

By Donna-marie Mominee

Here's something to think about..."I finally got it all together, then I forget where I put it."

Or,

"How do you expect me to lose weight when eating is one of the best things in life!"

Book Review

By Ted Klosowski

Lightwave: Folding Space Series #0.5-3.0

By AM Scott

This was a fun series of books and a very interesting concept. In order to "fold" space you need a very accurate clock so you end up where and when you want to be so there have to be people (or aliens) to maintain these clocks. Well, in this story there is a human clocker who secretly maintains these clocks.

The story's were fun and imaginative, especially Saree's cover as a Scholar studying filk! Lots of good stuff and fun adventures.



- 1) **Name:** *Winifred McBeth*
- 2) **Rank:** *Petty Officer 3rd Class*
- 3) **How long have you been a member of the Tycho-A?** *Officially just over a year*
- 4) **What is your favorite Star Trek Series?** *TOS*
- 5) **Who is your favorite Star Trek character?** *Spock*
- 6) **Pets and/or favorite hobbies?** *Pet-Dunsel, my tribble hobbies- sewing, cosplay*
- 7) **Favorite food?** *What someone else cooks ;)*
- 8) **Favorite place you have visited?** *Toronto Science Center*
- 9) **What dream do have yet to fulfill?** *Finishing the UFOs in my stash with the planned projects*
- 10) **Favorite book or author?** *Ray Bradbury*
- 11) **Favorite all time movie?** *Wrath of Kahn*
- 12) **Favorite color?** *blue*
- 13) **Favorite style of music?** *Vocal-gospel, folkie, jazz*
- 14) **What in the area is a hidden gem?** *Toledo Botanical Garden*

Fortune Cookie Quote

Silence is golden, unless you have a toddler, then, silence is suspicious.

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Fruit Salad Dressing

Submitted by Paula Rose

3/4 teaspoon poppy seeds

1 teaspoon lemon juice

5 tablespoons honey

Mix this with a whisk.

Drizzle that on fresh fruit.

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Please bring non perishable food items for the Food bank

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Please Bring
a dish to pass

(Coordinate with Marchelle)

You are cordially invited to celebrate
The U.S.S. Tycho 28th Anniversary Dinner

Date: Saturday May 20th 2022

Time: 2:00 - 5:00 PM (Dinner at 3:00 PM)

Where: Compassion Toledo Church
3327 Airport Highway
Toledo, OH 43609

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Please RSVP to usstycho@gmail.com or mlee1961@aol.com

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They Say It's Your Birthday!

May 1	Chrissy Hart / USS Tycho
May 5	Marc Alaimo Gul Dukat DS9
May 7	Winifred McBeth / USS Tycho
May 7	Joshua Tucker / USS Tycho
May 13	Mary Jo Lawson / USS Tycho
May 15	Belinda Williams / USS Tycho
May 20	John Billingsley Dr. Phlox ENT
May 20	Anthony Zerbe Admiral Matthew Dougherty ST:INS
May 21	Joan Collins Edith Keeler TOS
May 22	Paul Winfield Capt. Dathan ST:WOK TNG RIP
May 23	Diana Wolf / USS Tycho
May 24	Jim Kubajak / USS Tycho
May 24	Doug Jones Saru DSC
May 30	Colm Meaney Chief O'Brien TNG DS9
May 30	Michael Piller Producer



Chrissy Hart



Wynnne McBeth



Belinda Williams



Diana Wolf

StarFleet Academy Update

Justin Hunt KGO

IOMA - College of Medical Studies

CMD5 135 Psychiatry & Psychology, Part 1

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PROMOTED TO Lieutenant JG on 04/01/2023

Distinction = 100%

Honors = 90% - 99%



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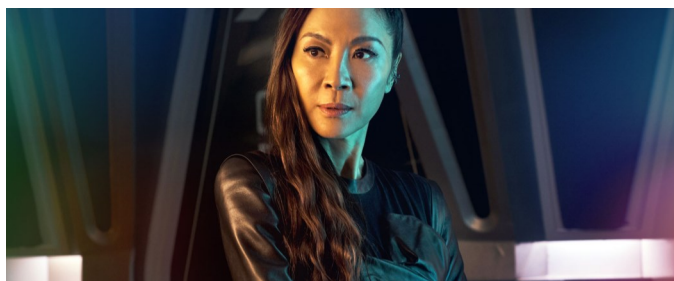
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Science and Sci-Fi News

Submitted by Ted Klosowski

Michelle Yeoh Set To Return As Philippa Georgiou In New Paramount+ Film 'Star Trek: Section 31'



'Star Trek: Resurgence' Game Sets May Release Date



New 'Star Trek' Movie to Reunite Chris Pine's Crew



Book Review: 'The Center Seat' Fills In Gaps That Didn't Make The Docuseries' Final Cut



New Roddenberry Site Offers Virtual USS Enterprise Bridge Tours, Including Ships From 'Star Trek: Picard'



Sisko and Worf unite to stop a crazed Klingon emperor in IDW's 'Star Trek: Day of Blood' event



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At The Movies

Brought to you by [FilmAffinity.com](#)

May 5

[Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3](#)

2023

Sci-Fi Follows Star-Lord, still reeling from the loss of Gamora, who must rally his team to defend the universe along with protecting one of their own. A mission that, if not completed, could lead to the end ... [\[+\]](#)

[James Gunn](#)[Chris Pratt](#), [Zoe Saldana](#), [Dave Bautista](#) ...

May 19

[Fast X](#)

2023

Action The tenth film of the 'Fast and Furious' franchise.

Release: 2023, May.

[Louis Leterrier](#)[Vin Diesel](#), [Jason Momoa](#), [Michelle Rodriguez](#) ...

May 19

[Mercy](#)

2023

Thriller[Tony Dean Smith](#)[Jonathan Rhys Meyers](#), [Jon Voight](#), [Leah](#)
[Gibs](#)

May 26

[The Little Mermaid](#)

2023

Fantasy A CGI and live-action remake of the beloved 1989 Disney movie.

[Rob Marshall](#)[Halle Bailey](#), [Daveed Diggs](#), [Javier Bardem](#) ...

May 26

[The Machine](#)

2023

Comedy Bert's drunken past catches up with him 20 years down the road when he and his father are kidnapped by those Bert wronged 20 years ago while drunk on a college semester abroad in Russia.

[Peter Atencio](#)[Bert Kreischer](#), [Iva Babic](#), [Mark Hamill](#) ...

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U.S.S. Tycho Minutes

April 6, 2023

Commanding Officer: Ted Klosowski

Recording Officer: Marchelle Lee

Location: Charlie's on Central and Zoom

Attending: Marchelle, Ted, Guy, Brian, Linda, Lisa, Wynnie, Sherriea and Belinda

We have a few events in May. May 6 is the tulip festival, we will be carpooling and seeing the sights. If anyone can't afford it, they can be sponsored so they can go. There are four potential sites to visit, and we'll probably visit two or three of the four. Windmill Island, Veldheer's Tulip Farm, Nelis's Dutch Village and the Artisan Marketplace are the four places. Tentative rain date is May 13.

Discussion on whether to hold the Tycho Anniversary Dinner on Saturday, May 20 or Sunday, May 21. The church is starting a Spanish language service at 5:00 pm on Sundays.

Thursday, May 25 is a program at Lourdes Appold Planetarium with dinner to follow, possibly at Paddy Jack's.

Ted is looking for one or more writers for the newsletter story, as his will be wrapping up. You can write for one issue or 12. Round robins are a possibility, we've done them before.

Newsletter deadline, April 15. Next meeting, May 4.

Next meeting is May 4, 2023

Charlie's @ 6:00 and Zoom @6:30

Be there or be a tribble.

From the Chaplain

By Justin Hunt KGO

Faith and the Beyond

"History is replete with turning points. You must have faith that the universe will unfold as it should."

-Spock, Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country-

As we look into the night sky, we see billions of lights hanging over us as if by magic. If we are sufficiently far away from light pollution, we can see even more. Since our beginnings, humanity has looked up to (mostly) the same sky and stood in wonder. As we learned more about what we were looking at we began to notice differences; we learned that the sky above us is alive and changing.

In 1572 the astronomer, Tycho Brahe, noticed what he called "A new star" (actually a supernova that now bears his name) in the constellation of Cassiopeia. This new light in the night sky pushed him on to develop better technologies and even to build the first large observatory in Christian Europe.

Tycho's passion then went on to inspire others. Over two centuries later, the American author, Edgar Allan Poe, wrote this to his publisher regarding his poem, "Al Aaraaf":

"I send you, for your tenderest consideration, a poem ...

It's [*Sic*] title is 'Al Aaraaf' — from the Al Aaraaf of the Arabians, a medium between Heaven & Hell where men suffer no punishment, but yet do not attain that tranquil & even happiness which they suppose to be the characteristic of heavenly enjoyment ...

I have placed this 'Al Aaraaf' in the celebrated star discovered by Tycho Brahe which appeared & disappeared [*Sic*] so suddenly — It is represented as a messenger star of the Deity, &, at the time of its

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discovery by Tycho, as on an embassy to our world. One of the peculiarities of Al Aaraaf is that, even after death, those who make choice of the star as their residence do not enjoy immortality — but, after a second life of high excitement, sink into forgetfulness, & death — This idea is taken from Job — ‘I would not live always — let me alone’ ... I have imagined some well known [Sic] characters of the age of the star's appearance, as transferred to Al Aaraaf — viz Michael Angelo [Sic] — and others — of these Michael Angelo [Sic] as yet, alone appears.” (Letters)

In this same poem, Mr. Poe also draws comparison between Tycho's “star” and a species of aloe when he says,

“...And that aspiring flower that sprang on Earth —

And died, ere scarce exalted into birth,

Bursting its odorous heart in spirit to wing

Its way to Heaven, from garden of a king:...” (Al Aaraaf)

Poe, like so many generations, both before and after, saw a metaphoric connection between the world around him, the cosmos, and spirituality. Christian theology teaches us that the attributes of God are evident in his creation. (Romans, KJV) Many other religions hold special significance in the workings of the stars and planets. And the one uniting factor in all faiths and even those who ascribe to none, is a sense of wonder. Space humbles us. No matter how vast our intellect, there will always be more to learn. No matter how beautiful our creations, the beauty of nature and the cosmos is far beyond us. We are a very small part of this huge and ever-changing universe.

This same universe that humbles us, also sets us in a special place. We are sentient. We are capable of asking questions, of exploring our own value and the meaning of life. Some have even equated the search for meaning as being the meaning itself. That may not be where I stand on the matter but regardless, our great search

continues. And we find that, with each new discovery, we stand even more in awe and are inspired to keep going. We look to find a connection to nature, each other, and even to the spiritual world. We, in our special place, take pride in our peculiarity and still search in hopes that we are not alone in the vastness of existence.

The more we find, the more there is to know. We seem drawn to the idea that there is always more out there. We will, as our abilities allow, continue to search for that something more. For some it's about seeking to understand the world around us. Others are looking to understand what is within us. And still others long to know what is beyond us. And within us all is a desire for that greater connection. These all depend on our faith and where we place it. We are all together watching the future unfold. May we never cease taking time to admire the beauty before us and asking what else is out there. Doing our best to find unity with our fellow beings, the world around us, and the world within us.

In the end we have no way of knowing who we may inspire. Each new connection could be a major one. Each word we utter may be the one that will make a lasting impact. Some moments shine bright and fade quickly, but their memory can be carried through the ages and touch others that we may never know. Let us live our lives in the light of this knowledge. And no matter the situation, continue having faith that all will “unfold as it should.”

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uP In Space

Submitted by Marchelle Lee

"A next-generation spacesuit – in effect an astronaut's personal spaceship – will advance NASA's spacewalking capabilities in low Earth orbit and at the International Space Station.

Collins Aerospace, working with partners ILC Dover and Oceaneering, is designing and building a new suit for NASA. Designed to fit the diverse astronaut corps size range and provide a broader range of motion, the suit will incorporate new technology that is more efficient and durable, and requires less maintenance, than the current suit design used by NASA astronauts on the space station.

For more than 40 years, NASA astronauts have performed spacewalks outside the space station for maintenance and upgrades while wearing the Extravehicular Mobility Unit (EMU) spacesuit design that debuted during the Space Shuttle Program in the 1980s. While the spacesuit has far exceeded its planned design lifespan, NASA needs advanced spacewalk capabilities to achieve its exploration goals."

From NASA.gov



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Appold Planetarium Offerings

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meetings

Thursday May 4, 6:00 [Charlie's Central Ave](#) and [Zoom](#)@6:30

Thursday June 1, 6:00 [Charlie's Central Ave](#) and [Zoom](#)@6:30

Thursday July 6, 6:00 [Charlie's Central Ave](#) and [Zoom](#)@6:30

Extra Curricular

Saturday May 6 Trip to Tulip Festival Holland MI Time TBA

Saturday May 20, 2:00 USS Tycho Anniversary Dinner

Thursday May 25, 5:30 PM Appold Planetarium

Check the [Tycho Facebook Page](#) and watch your email for further details

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