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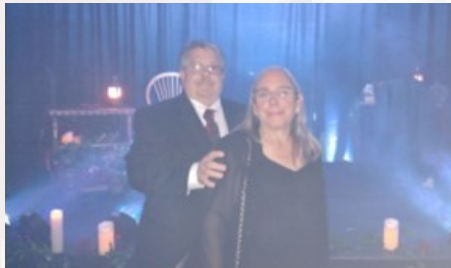
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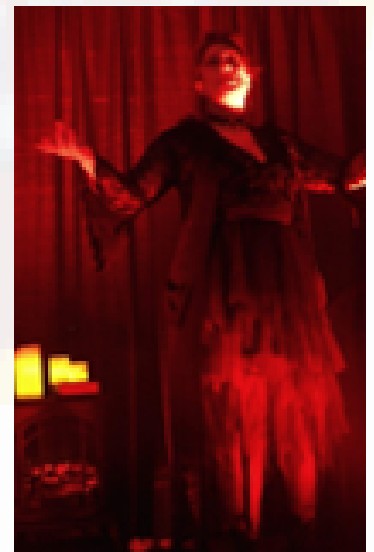
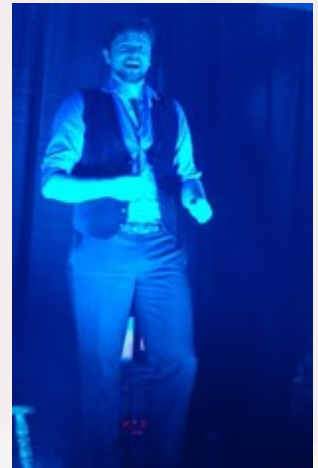


## Center Seat

Please forgive me on the center seat this issue. Your CO is feeling under the weather. So I decided to share some photos of an event that Peggy and I attended this month. Your CO and Friend Carnell



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## STAR TREK Shines at the 2024 Saturn Awards



**STAR TREK Shines at the 2024 Saturn Awards** In an evening that celebrated the best in science fiction, fantasy, and horror, the Saturn Awards held on February 4, 2024, proved to be a memorable event for Star Trek enthusiasts and the television industry alike. The ceremony, which honors outstanding achievements in genre films and television, saw *Star Trek: Picard* beam up multiple awards, highlighting the enduring legacy and impact of the Star Trek franchise in the genre.

*Star Trek: Picard* was awarded the title of Best Science Fiction Television Series, a testament to the show's quality storytelling, production values, and its ability to resonate with both long-time fans and new audiences. The series, which follows the later years of Captain Jean-Luc Picard, has been praised for its thoughtful exploration of complex themes and character-driven narratives.

The Saturn Awards ceremony was also a significant night for the cast of *Star Trek: Picard*. Legendary actor Patrick Stewart, who reprised his iconic role as Jean-Luc Picard, won Best Actor in a Television Series. Stewart's portrayal of Picard has been lauded for its depth and vulnerability, showcasing the actor's immense talent and the character's enduring appeal.

Supporting cast members Jonathan Frakes and Jeri Ryan were not left behind, as they clinched the awards for Best Supporting Actor and Actress in a Television Series, respectively. Frakes, known for his role as William Riker, and Ryan, who plays Seven of Nine, have both been integral to the series' success, bringing depth and complexity to their characters.

Furthermore, *Star Trek* continued its winning streak with Paul Wesley taking home the award for Best Featured Guest Star in a Television Series for his role in *Star Trek: Strange New Worlds*. Wesley's performance has been a highlight of the series, contributing to its critical acclaim and fan admiration.

In a special moment that underscored the profound impact of the Star Trek legacy on science fiction and popular culture, the cast of *Star Trek: The Next Generation* (TNG) was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2024 Saturn Awards. This prestigious recognition celebrates the enduring influence and pioneering spirit of the series, which originally aired from 1987 to 1994. TNG not only expanded the universe created by Gene Roddenberry but also introduced a new generation of fans to the ideals of exploration, diversity, and hope. The ensemble cast, led by Stewart, became iconic figures in the genre, embodying characters that resonated deeply with audiences and inspired countless individuals. The award is a testament to the collective talent of the cast and the indelible mark TNG has left on television history,

## Most Influential STAR TREK Characters Who Were Not Regular Cast Members

*The Star Trek universe is vast and varied, spanning decades of television series, movies, books, and more. Among the countless characters introduced, some have made a lasting impact without regularly appearing in the Trek Universe. Here, we explore the Top 5 most influential Star Trek characters who graced the screen only a few times, but left an indelible mark on the franchise and its fans.*

### 5. Kevin Uxbridge - "The Survivors" (*Star Trek: The Next Generation*)



In the episode "The Survivors," Kevin Uxbridge, an enigmatic and pacifistic being who reveals himself to be a powerful Douwd, responsible for the annihilation of an entire hostile species to avenge the death of his human wife, stands out. His story challenges the concepts of justice, love, and the consequences of omnipotent power, leaving viewers to ponder the complexities of morality and the cost of vengeance.

### 4. Dr. Gillian Taylor - *Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home*

While technically from one of the films, Dr. Gillian Taylor's influence spans beyond her single appearance due to the unique context of her character. A marine biologist from the 20th century, she plays a



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crucial role in saving the future by assisting Kirk and his crew in bringing humpback whales to the 23rd century to answer an alien probe's call threatening Earth. Her passion for conservation and willingness to leap into the unknown for the greater good resonates as a testament to human courage and commitment to environmental stewardship.

## 3. Sarek (Mark Lenard's portrayal) - "Journey to Babel" (*Star Trek: The Original Series*)



Although Sarek, Spock's father, appeared in multiple episodes across different series, Mark Lenard's first portrayal of him in "Journey to Babel" is iconic and sets the foundation for the complex relationship between Sarek and Spock. His struggle to reconcile his Vulcan logic with his human emotional ties introduces profound themes of family, identity, and cultural integration that would be explored throughout the franchise, including a few appearances by Lenard in *The Next Generation*.

## 2. Lal - "The Offspring" (*Star Trek: The Next Generation*)



In "The Offspring," Lal, the android daughter of Lt. Cmdr. Data, offers a poignant exploration of what it means to be alive. Her brief existence challenges the crew of the *Enterprise* and the audience to consider the rights of synthetic life forms and the nature of consciousness. Lal's impact is profound, influencing future narratives about artificial intelligence in the *Star Trek* universe and beyond.



## 1. Hugh, the Borg - "I, Borg" (*Star Trek: The Next Generation*)



Hugh, a Borg drone separated from the Collective and taught individuality by the *Enterprise* crew, is arguably one of the most influential one-time characters in *Star Trek*. His story not only humanizes the Borg, previously portrayed as an unassailable monolith of assimilation, but also sows the seeds for major story arcs in later series, including the liberation of other drones and the complex character of Seven of Nine in *Star Trek: Voyager*.

Hugh's journey from a single drone to an individual with a name challenges the Federation's—and the audience's—perceptions of identity, collective responsibility, and redemption.

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JUST A LITTLE HUMOR





# Cooking with Neelix



## Easy Turtle Treats

- 24 pecan halves
- 24 mini pretzel twists
- 24 individually wrapped caramel squares
- 8 ounces milk chocolate, melted



Preheat the oven to 325 degrees F.

On a baking sheet, place the pecan halves in a single layer.

Toast the pecans, shaking the pan once halfway through, until they're lightly toasted, about 5-6 minutes.

Transfer the pecans to a plate to cool.

Line the baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone baking mat.

Arrange the pretzels in a single layer on the prepared baking sheet.

Top each of the pretzels with one of the unwrapped caramels.

Bake the pretzels until the caramels are softened but not melting, about 4-5 minutes.

Transfer the baking sheet from the oven.

Gently press 1 of the toasted pecan halves into each of the softened caramels just enough so the caramel fills the spaces in the pretzel.

Set the pretzels aside to cool completely.

Melt the chocolate, either in a double boiler or in a microwave.

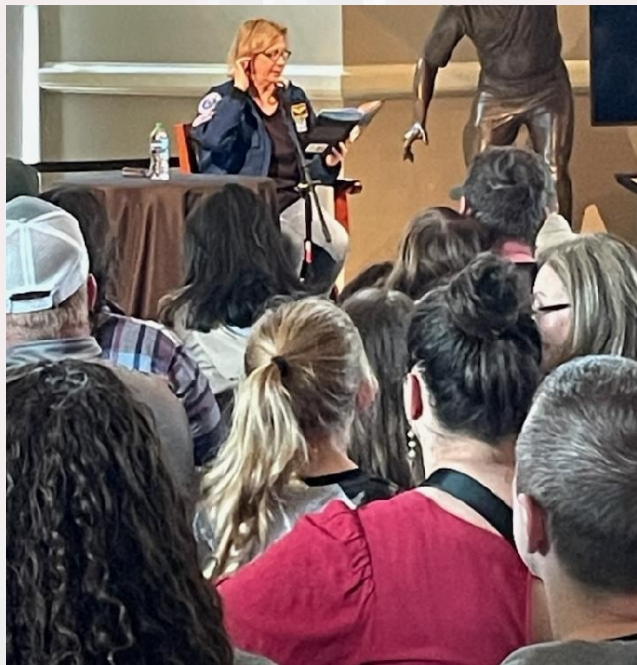
Transfer the cooled pretzel caramels from the baking sheet.

Dollop 1 1/2 teaspoonfuls of the melted chocolate all over the baking sheet.

Lightly place each pretzel onto the middle of each chocolate dollop, making sure they are centered, and press down gently.

Allow the turtle treats to cool completely.

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Greetings Region One~

As of today, the Publications Department is **officially** open to receive submissions for "*Hailing Frequencies Open*". At this time, all submissions will be sent to: [region1.publications@gmail.com](mailto:region1.publications@gmail.com).

Thank you for your patience as the Publications Department dusts off the chairs and tables and gets ready to receive all of the great news from the Region One membership. Stay tuned for more information as we continue to setup our working area.

Cindy ~

Region One Publications Officer

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## NASA, Lockheed Martin Reveal X-59 Quiet Supersonic Aircraft - NASA

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NASA and Lockheed Martin formally debuted the agency's X-59 quiet supersonic aircraft Friday. Using this one-of-a-kind experimental airplane, NASA aims to gather data that could revolutionize air travel, paving the way for a new generation of commercial aircraft that can travel faster than the speed of sound.

"This is a major accomplishment made possible only through the hard work and ingenuity from NASA and the entire X-59 team," said NASA Deputy Administrator Pam Melroy. "In just a few short years we've gone from an ambitious concept to reality. NASA's X-59 will help change the way we travel, bringing us closer together in much less time."

Melroy and other senior officials revealed the aircraft during a ceremony hosted by prime contractor Lockheed Martin Skunk Works at its Palmdale, California facility.

The X-59 is at the center of NASA's Quesst mission, which focuses on providing data to help regulators reconsider rules that prohibit commercial supersonic flight over land. For 50 years, the U.S. and other nations have prohibited such flights because of the disturbance caused by loud, startling sonic booms on the communities below. The X-59 is expected

to fly at 1.4 times the speed of sound, or 925 mph. Its design, shaping and technologies will allow the aircraft to achieve these speeds while generating a quieter sonic thump.

“It’s thrilling to consider the level of ambition behind Quesst and its potential benefits,” said Bob Pearce, associate administrator for aeronautics research at NASA Headquarters in Washington. “NASA will share the data and technology we generate from this one-of-a-kind mission with regulators and with industry. By demonstrating the possibility of quiet commercial supersonic travel over land, we seek to open new commercial markets for U.S. companies and benefit travelers around the world.”

With rollout complete, the Quesst team will shift to its next steps in preparation for first flight: integrated systems testing, engine runs, and taxi testing for the X-59.

The aircraft is set to take off for the first time later this year, followed by its first quiet supersonic flight. The Quesst team will conduct several of the aircraft’s flight tests at Skunk Works before transferring it to NASA’s Armstrong Flight Research Center in Edwards, California, which will serve as its base of operations.

“Across both teams, talented, dedicated, and passionate scientists, engineers, and production artisans have collaborated to develop and produce this aircraft,” said John Clark, vice president and general manager at Lockheed Martin Skunk Works. “We’re honored to be a part of this journey to shape the future of supersonic travel over land alongside NASA and our suppliers.”

Once NASA completes flight tests, the agency will fly the aircraft over several to-be-selected cities across the U.S., collecting input about the sound the X-59 generates and how people perceive it. NASA will provide that data to the Federal Aviation Administration and international regulators.

The X-59 is a unique experimental airplane, not a prototype – its technologies are meant to inform future generations of quiet supersonic aircraft.

At 99.7 feet long and 29.5 feet wide, the aircraft’s shape and the technological advancements it houses will make quiet supersonic flight possible. The X-59’s thin, tapered nose accounts for almost a third of its length and will break up the shock waves that would ordinarily result in a supersonic aircraft causing a sonic boom.



Due to this configuration, the cockpit is located almost halfway down the length of the aircraft – and does not have a forward-facing window. Instead, the Quesst team developed the eXternal Vision System, a series of high-resolution cameras feeding a 4K monitor in the cockpit.

The Quesst team also designed the aircraft with its engine mounted on top and gave it a smooth underside to help keep shockwaves from merging behind the aircraft and causing a sonic boom

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## Attention STARFLEET!

I am proud to announce that registration and hotel reservations for the International Conference 2024 are now open!

Join us from Friday, August 2 to Sunday, August 4, 2024, at the beautiful DoubleTree by Hilton Atlanta Airport, located at 3400 Norman Berry Drive, Atlanta, GA 30344. Conveniently located near the airport and with easy access to the city's public transportation system, our chosen venue ensures seamless exploration throughout Atlanta during your stay. Enjoy the best of both worlds – the excitement of the International Conference and the charm of the city's attractions!

As we celebrate the 50th Anniversary of STARFLEET, our theme "Onward and Upward" will guide us through a weekend of camaraderie, exploration, and celebration. Also, you'll have an opportunity to rub shoulders with the founder of SFI and first CS, FADM John Bradbury, who is currently making plans to attend.

To secure your spot, please visit our registration webpage at <https://icreg.sfi.org/>. Additionally, make sure to book your accommodations at our special room rate of \$129/night, with convenient \$10 parking (\$5 for attendees only).

Use the following link to access the hotel block: Hotel Block Booking  
Remember to adjust the dates according to your planned nights of stay.

Please note that registration rates will increase over time:

- \$60 until the end of February (and those in the first registration window will be given advance notice to any and all IC news before announcements go out)
- \$65 until the end of April
- \$70 until the end of July
- \$80 at the door
- \$10 All-Digital Option (more info to follow)

All of the relevant links and information shown above can similarly be found at <https://ic2024.sfi.org/> with more information to follow. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to connect with fellow members, participate in exciting events, and make unforgettable memories.

See you at the International Conference 2024!

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# MARCH

**Sunday March 17, 2024**  
St Patrick's Day



**Saturday March 23, 2024**  
Captain's Table with briefing  
Bobby's Barbeque  
1PM

Followed by visit to  
Radioactive Pinball Arcade  
113 Laurens St SW #103, Aiken, SC 29801



**Sunday March 31, 2024**  
Easter



**Please watch  
your emails and Facebook for  
online and updates and changes to  
activities**



# April

Friday April 5, 2024  
 Augusta Richmond County Library  
 Telfair St.  
 11:00 until  
 Putting up displays for our  
 Accessibility through Innovation event



April 8-14, 2024  
 Masters 2024



Tuesday April 23—April 30, 2024  
 Passover

Friday April 26, 2024  
 Augusta Richmond County Library  
 Setting up displays and room for event  
 TBD



Saturday April 27, 2024  
 Augusta Richmond County Library  
 9:30 until 2:00  
 Accessibility through Innovation event

Saturday April 27, 2024  
 2:30  
 Captain's Table and Crew Briefing  
 Place TBD

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## OTHER INFO

MEETING DATE:

2024-01-01

## PROMOTIONS:

None this period

## ACTIVITIES:

January 5th The command staff meet with Augusta Richmond County Library to continue with discussion and making plans for our April public event Accessibility Through Innovation. We began outreach to possible speakers. Our DC of Communications and Computer Ops has been able to confirm the Augusta Richmond County Fire Departments attendance which will include a fire truck and safety presentation. January 6th The crew meet at the captains' quar-

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ters for our January meeting followed by Winter-Fest, in an atmosphere reminiscent of Strange New Worlds when the crew meets in Captain Pikes Quarters. We enjoyed great conversations and dined on a variety of dishes and snacks provided by the crew and hosts, while conducting the business of the chapter's future activities and framework for the "Chapter of the Year Award". We were thrilled to see the return of one of our members that had been out of communication for a while. CO, XO and DC of Communications / Computer Ops re-certified their SFDPP 2024. The CO Submitted Annual Awards for Region One (Chapter of The Year, Executive Officer of the year, and Officer of the Year) with input and assistance from the crew. Thank You to all who helped with the writeups and made suggestions.

#### COMMENTS:

January Began boxing up items for our future Chapter yard sale in the Spring. Published newsletter and shared with Regional Newsletter Exchange, updated social media pages. Special Thanks to our XO and the CO of our fellow SC chapter the U.S.S. Ronald McNair for their outreach to an ill crewmember with whom we had difficulty communicating.

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