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Captain's Corner

By Ted Klosowski

February

As always another busy month for the Tycho, a planetarium visit, movie outing, dinner...and we have lots more planned for March and April!

This is a presidential election year which also means it is an election year for captain of the Tycho. We decided 4 years ago to have the Tycho election coincide with the presidential election with our Tycho election occurring at the November meeting. If anyone is interested in being captain of the Tycho please submit your intent no later than the July meeting. As captain you will be able to select your first officer and department heads. If no one decides to run in November we will have a vote of confidence and I will be more than happy to continue leading the best crew in all of Starfleet!

This will probably be the last of the AI stories. While fun at first the stories have become rather formulaic. The story that I had high hopes for, that would only let me generate so many lines per day was actually pretty bad when I got around to actually reading it. Wynn timer had a suggestion for the next story. That being a round robin story where we have an event (which we can discuss at the meeting) then have a chapter center on each department and tell that part from the view of that department. I thought this sounded like it could be fun, kind of like a lower decks kind of story but for it to work we need most everyone's cooperation. What do you think?

We hope to see you at our next meeting on Thursday, March 7, 6:30 pm at Charlie's and on Zoom!

Bursting Barriers To Eternity

By Belinda Williams

What assembly of matter does not transform itself into the peaks and flows of existence: $E=mc^2$

What flux doth convert matter into energy arrays: The cycle of celestial forces that were, have been and will be ever universal

The wheel within the wheel that generates another wheel and then another ad infinitum

The gravitas is of this persistence, our existence

A proton, a neutrino,

an atom, an element that is to be the primordial molecule, and then the substances preceding life

Thus the cosmic chemistries that bred and wrought our strife

The notions of existential awareness want eternity

And then the solar furnaces of spirit ponder why we hunger immortality

Thusly, in the wake of death: We continue to explore

Tis whom we sought to be

Tis how we hope to live free

Flesh and spirit sailing on and on,

Bursting barriers to eternity

The question being: Can a bit of flesh bound spirit survive forever



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A Tycho Story

By AI

Story 14 <https://toolbaz.com/writer/ai-story-generator>

Captain Ted stood on the bridge of the USS Tycho, his eyes scanning the viewscreen as the ship glided through the vastness of space. He had been in command of the Tycho for three years now, and he still felt a sense of wonder every time he looked out into the unknown.

His first officer, Marchelle, stood by his side, her sharp blue eyes also taking in the sights. She was a no-nonsense woman, but Ted knew he could always count on her to keep the crew in line and make sure everything ran smoothly.

As the ship's computer management officer, Brian sat at his station, monitoring the ship's systems and making sure everything was working as it should. He was a whiz when it came to technology, and Ted was grateful to have him on board.

Linda sat at the stellar cartography station, her fingers dancing across the controls as she plotted the ship's course. She was a master at navigating through the stars, and Ted often relied on her expertise.

Chrissy sat at the disaster recovery/helm station, her hands firmly on the controls. She was a skilled pilot, able to maneuver the ship through any dangerous situation. Ted had full confidence in her abilities.

Justin, the ship's chaplain and anthropologist, sat at his station, pouring over ancient texts and artifacts. He was a man of faith, but also a man of science, and Ted admired his ability to bridge the two worlds.

In the engineering section, Jeremy worked tirelessly to keep the ship

running smoothly. He was an engineering assistant, but Ted knew he had the potential to be a great engineer one day.

Ryan, the biologist, studied samples from each new planet they encountered. He was fascinated by the diversity of life in the universe, and often shared his findings with the rest of the crew.

Sherryl was the lab manager, overseeing all of the scientific experiments and research on the ship. She was a stickler for details and made sure everything was done by the book.

In the shuttle bay, Troy worked on the maintenance of the shuttles and other small craft. He was a skilled technician and always had a positive attitude, even in the most stressful situations.

Lisa, the archaeologist, was a recent addition to the crew. She joined the Tycho in hopes of discovering new civilizations and artifacts. Her expertise in ancient cultures was a valuable asset to the crew.

Wynnie sat at the communications/interpreter station, her fingers flying over the controls as she communicated with other ships and planets. She was fluent in multiple languages and was a crucial member of the team.

Donna-marie was the chief medical officer, responsible for the health and well-being of the crew. She was a compassionate leader and always put the needs of her patients first.

Paula sat at the helm/navigation station, working closely with Chrissy to plot the ship's course. She was a skilled navigator and often had to make split-second decisions to keep the ship on track.

Belinda, the head nurse, worked closely with Donna-marie to care for the crew's medical needs. She was a calming presence in the chaos

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of sickbay and always had a solution to any problem.

Sherriea was the chief communications officer, responsible for all incoming and outgoing messages. She was a skilled communicator and often had to navigate delicate negotiations with other ships and species.

Karolyn, one of the ship's nurses, worked alongside Belinda in sickbay. She was a kind and nurturing soul, always ready to lend a listening ear to her patients.

Diana was the chief science officer, overseeing all of the scientific missions and experiments on the ship. She was a brilliant mind and always pushed the boundaries of what was possible.

Jerry, the chief engineer, was the mastermind behind the ship's technology. He was constantly tinkering and improving the ship's systems, and Ted was grateful to have him on the team.

As the Tycho continued its mapping mission, the crew was excited to discover a planet that seemed to have been untouched by any other civilization. As they began to scan the planet's surface, they were amazed to find traces of an ancient race that had long been forgotten.

The crew quickly got to work, with Justin and Diana leading the way in deciphering the ancient texts and artifacts. They discovered that this race had been highly advanced, but had mysteriously disappeared thousands of years ago.

As they explored further, the crew found evidence of a catastrophic event that had wiped out the entire population. They also found technology that was far beyond anything they had ever seen before.

Excitement and curiosity filled the ship as the crew worked to uncover the secrets of this long-lost race. They spent weeks on the planet, learning everything they could and documenting their findings.

When it was time to leave, the crew was sad to say goodbye to the planet and the ancient race. But they also knew that they were leaving with a wealth of knowledge and a greater understanding of the universe.

As they continued on their journey, Ted couldn't help but feel grateful for his diverse and skilled crew. They had come together as a team to make this incredible discovery, and he knew that there would be many more adventures and discoveries in their future.

The USS Tycho may have been on a mapping mission, but they never could have imagined that they would stumble upon a long-lost ancient race and uncover the mysteries of their disappearance. It was a journey that would go down in history, and one that the crew would never forget.



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Groups.io

By Ted Klosowski

Groups.io

<https://groups.io/g/USS-Tycho>

This will be the last time we are sending out Transmissions through the legacy email list. Starting with the March issue you will need to sign up to up to our Groups.io page at the link above. Groups.io will also be your source for all the latest news and events for the USS Tycho. I encourage you to not only sign up but to register, which involves setting up a password. Once you have a password you can select how often you wish to receive information, either immediately or as a daily digest. You can see past posts and you can also sign up for other groups. This seems really cool and will greatly simplify things for us from a logistics point of view. I would like to thank Chrissy for all the information on groups.io and for setting our account up for us.

We still have our [Tycho Facebook page](#) for the latest on Star Trek, Space and NASA news.

To submit items for Transmissions please send them to [Marchelle](#) and to me usstycho@gmail.com

Thank you and I hope to see you on Groups.io. If you have any difficulties and need help, please ask us.

Chief Medical Officer Report

By Donna-marie Mominee

AI and Alzheimer's

There are currently more than 6 million Americans that are known to be living with or linked to Alzheimer's. Doctors have been looking at, helping design, and using tools and methods such as memory and problem solving tests, biomarkers and brain scans. Scientists, doctors and companies are working to harness AI power as a better diagnostic tool.

*RetiSpec, a Toronto-based medical imaging company, is asserting that they have developed an algorithm for an eye-scan to detect Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, Dementia, and Sclerosis 20 years before symptoms may show up.

*California-based NeuroVision Imaging is using its AI to look for certain protein buildup and for twisted blood vessels, symptoms of Alzheimer's.

*Rui Chang, PhD, researcher at Arizona College of Medicine, built an AI model to find genetic triggers linked to Alzheimer's which might otherwise take more than a decade to identify. His model is being tested by Path Biotech, an AI-powered medical solutions company founded by Chang.

As Reported to National Awakenings December 2023

There you have it! A few tidbits of AI and medicine to ponder!

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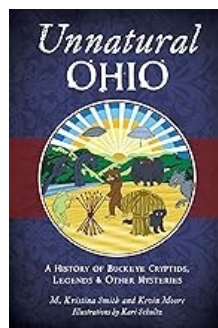
Book Review

By Marchelle Lee

**Unnatural Ohio: A History of Buckeye Cryptids,
Legends and Other Mysteries**

By M. Kristina Smith and Kevin Moore

I came across this book at Finch and Fern Bookstore in Sylvania, and subsequently checked it out from the Toledo Lucas County Public Library. I was intrigued by the title and description, although I had never heard of the term 'cryptid' or the related word 'cryptozoology.'



This book is divided into three sections, and the first is the cryptids. According to dictionary.com a cryptid is "a creature whose reported existence is unproved, such as Big Foot or the Loch Ness monster: the subject of cryptozoology." Cryptozoology is defined as "the study of evidence tending to substantiate the existence of, or the search for, creatures whose reported existence is unproved, as the Abominable Snowman or the Loch Ness monster." You can read about Ohio's Big Foot, or South Bay Bessie, for instance. The second section is a selection of ghost stories, including the Elmore Rider, and Maritime legends. Thirdly are UFO stories.

Mixed in with newspaper reports and interviews is information on Men in Black and the Mothman Prophecies, things I'd heard of but didn't really know about the origins. The authors aren't trying to prove or disprove the paranormal, according to the introduction to the book, but researched and related the stories. Whether you believe the stories is up to you. It was an interesting book.

StarFleet Academy Update

Ted Klosowski

IOLS - STARFLEET Data Protection Policy

SFDPP 2024 Re-certification HONORS Jan 26, 2024

Chrissy Hart

SFI Medical Awards

Starfleet Medical Service Award - Silver (3 years)
Awarded Jan 31, 2024

Justin Hunt KGO

IOMA - College of Mortuary Science

CMORT 001 - Mortuary Science DISTINCTION Jan 25, 2024

SFI Individual Awards

Order of Tarbolde of Canopus - 1st Class Awarded
Feb 16, 2024

Distinction = 100%

Honors = 90% - 99%

Pass = 70% to 89%



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Quantum Quandary

Submitted by Wynifred McBeth

How do you know you have left Talos IV?
 How can you prove that you're clear?
 If you let temper fly
 Does it clear your mind's eye?
 Can you tell if you're there or you're here?

Can you be sure that the holodeck's off?
 Glitches do happen, it's true.
 Does the mission you face
 Seem a little off base
 As if run through a bad CPU?

If you're not certain that Q's left the ship
 How can you get him to go?
 He can take any form
 And blend into the norm.
 If he's pulling the strings, would you know?

What hand has entered you into the log?
 What programmer maintains your code?
 Is your katra intact
 As a provable fact?
 Could you be some designer's upload?

KALE CHIPS

Submitted by Donna-marie Mominee

Oven 350 Degrees

1 big bunch of kale (usually has 6-7 stems)
 1 TBSP olive oil
 ½ tsp seasoned salt

Wash, drain and dry your kale. The sprayer nozzle that most of us have with our faucets work quite well. Shake in a strainer. If you have a salad spinner, excellent. Pat dry.



Cut or rip kale into bite size pieces. I find using scissors works really well, as you can more easily cut around the veins. Be sure to keep the sizes as close as possible to the same size!

Toss with olive oil and salt until every piece appears to be well-coated.

Place on parchment lined cookie sheets in a single layer.

You will have to watch your first batch quite carefully, as different ovens have different hot spots, and some kale is curlier than others and cook at slightly different speeds! Start with a 10-minute increment, then keep a very close eye on it, because you just want a **very slight browning** of the edges of the leaves.

Trust me, if you through the pain in neck process of making these into crispy chips you will never go back to potato chips.

Got this recipe from my daughter Sarah Newmister.

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They Say It's Your Birthday!

March 2/1949 Gates McFadden / Dr. Crusher TNG PIC
 March 3/1920 James Doohan / Scotty RIP
 March 5 **Sherryl Klosowski / USS Tycho**
 March 5 Mark Allen / USS Tycho
 March 5 Jolene Blalock / T'Pol ENT
 March 11 Anton Yelchin (Chekov, Star Trek 2009, STID)RIP
 March 14 **Donna-marie Mominee / USS Tycho**
 March 17 Pat Steiner / USS Tycho
 March 18 J.G. Hertzler (General Martok, DS9)
 March 19 Connor Trinneer / Charles 'Trip' Tucker III ENT
 March 20/1948 John de Lancie / Q
 March 21 Sonequa Martin-Green / Michael Burnham DSC
 March 22/1931 William Shatner / Capt. James T. Kirk
 March 24 Tig Notaro / Jett Reno DSC
 March 26/1931 Leonard Nimoy / Mr. Spock RIP
 March 29/1954 Marina Sirtis / Counselor Troi



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Gates McFadden



Sherryl Klosowski



Jolene Blalock



Donna-marie Mominee



William Shatner



Leonard Nimoy

Fortune Cookie Quote

When all your winter fat is gone, you will be left with only spring rolls.

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Science and Sci-Fi News

Submitted by Ted Klosowski

Star Trek: Legacy Dreams Are Dying



Lenovo's Project Crystal laptop Looks like a Star Trek prop



AIs get better at maths if you tell them to pretend to be in Star Trek



Star Trek: Discovery Season 5 Trailer Teases Burnham & Crew's Final Mission



Kenneth Mitchell, Star Trek and Captain Marvel actor, dies aged 49



Meet the Disney Imagineer Building You a Real-Life Holodeck



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At The Movies

Brought to you by [FilmAffinity.com](https://www.filmaffinity.com)

March 1



Dune: Part Two



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Sci-Fi Paul Atreides joins the Fremen and begins a spiritual and martial journey to become Muad'dib, while trying to prevent the horrible but inevitable future he's witnessed: a Holy War in his name, ... [+]

Denis Villeneuve

Timothée Chalamet, Zendaya, Rebecca Ferguson ...

March 15



The Animal Kingdom



2023

Sci-Fi In a world hit by a wave of mutations that gradually transform some humans into animals, François does everything possible to save his wife, affected by this mysterious disease. As society is thrown ... [+]

Thomas Cailley

Romain Duris, Paul Kircher, Adèle Exarchopoulos ...

March 22



Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire



2024

Fantasy After the events in Oklahoma, the Ghostbusters team returns to where it all started; New York City! The Spengler family story continues with a new group of Ghostbusters led by Winston Zeddemore (Ernie ... [+]

Gil Kenan

Paul Rudd, Carrie Coon, Finn Wolfhard ...

March 22



William Shatner: You Can Call Me Bill

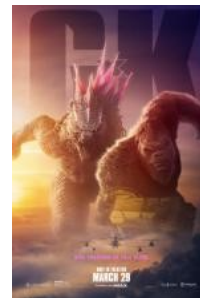


2023

Documentary A portrait of William Shatner's personal journey over nine decades on this Earth, 'You Can Call Me Bill' strips away all the masks he has worn to embody countless characters, and reveals the man behind it all. [+] **Alexandre O. Philippe**

Documentary, *Self*: William Shatner

March 29



Godzilla x Kong: The New Empire



2024

Action The epic new film will delve further into the histories of these Titans, their origins and the mysteries of Skull Island and beyond, while uncovering the mythic battle that helped forge these ... [+]

Adam Wingard

Dan Stevens, Brian Tyree Henry, Rebecca Hall ...

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U.S.S. Tycho Minutes

USS Tycho

February 1, 2024

Commanding Officer: Ted Klosowski

Recording Officer: Marchelle Lee

Location: Charlie's on Central and Zoom

Attending: Chrissy, Lisa, Linda, Guy, Wynn timer, Diana, Jerry, Dianne, Ted, Marchelle and Justin. Also attending were guests Wilma Blankenship, and Tom and Ann Marie Jablowski.

Ted submitted the June 2023 newsletter for consideration for a Region 1 reward.

We will watch the Eclipse at Jerry and Diana's house on April 8th.

Meeting at the Village Inn February 9 at 5:45 pm to eat before going to Appold Planetarium

We will give groups.io email service a try. It will be easier to manage a large list.

Justin: Working on CQ and Region 1 newsletter. Moebius is interested in getting together with us for the eclipse.

Chrissy: Will be bagpiping Sunday, March 17 at either Hensville or Fleetwood's at 11:00 am. Won't know which location until it's time to play. May know more by next meeting.

Jerry: Introduced friends Tom and Ann Marie. Saw an item that the Endeavor will be set on its tail for viewing. In March will be an outage at Davis Besse for refueling and repairs.

Diana: Will be going to Pensicon in Florida.

Linda: Brought latest cross stitch project. Diana helped by drawing in the tip of a wing on the graph paper.

Lisa: School. Island of Gibraltar out by Put-in-Bay. Possible outing.

Guy: Getting walkin shower.

Ted: Roof not replaced yet, still waiting on materials. Troy is in Thailand, has 22 kids in his class.

Wilma: Painting, mowing, weeding needs to be done. Waiting for warmer weather.

Dianne: Saw an item on a red rainbow caused by dirt in the air. Car is still in the shop.

Tom and Ann Marie: Tom is retired, enjoys pickle ball and photography. They have a son and daughter, and Ann Marie calls the family the Geed Squad.

Wynn timer: Had a little accident and wound up getting a tetanus shot.

Newsletter deadline is Saturday, February 17.

Next meeting is March 7.

END TRANSMISSION

***Next meeting is March 7, 2024
Charlie's @ 6:00 and Zoom @6:30
Be there or be a tribble***

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From the Chaplain

By Justin Hunt KGO

The Ponderous Work of Leisure

Most of the time that we talk about the glory that is “Roddenberry’s Dream”, we tend to focus on the social issues such as racism, sexism, economic statuses, and the like. While these are particularly significant and well deserving of the spotlight, one other aspect that shouldn’t be overlooked is the background idea of becoming more fulfilled and well-rounded people.

I refer to this as a background detail because, in the classic Trek series, it exists but is seldom the focus. If anything, it tends to be glorified set dressing; there for context, but never a big deal. In later Trek, we see this idea explored more fully, though still it is seldom a central point. Now, many of the major moments of character development are a result (directly or indirectly) of the key elements of a given episode or movie. Many other points, though, take place mainly off camera. I am talking about leisure activities.

In every iteration of the franchise there are mentions of various shore leaves, off duty celebrations, hobbies and just taking time to relax. Kirk loved nature and rock climbing. Picard had his noir pulps. Sisko had cooking and Baseball. Janeway had coffee and regency era holo-novels. Archer spent time unwinding with Porthos. Burnham would seek comfort in a treasured book. Pike made more use of the captain’s mess than was really necessary. And that was just the captains. Most of the other mains, all the way down to the simple crew members are shown to indulge in recreational activities.

The truth is that despite the continuing mission, the occasional wars, and any number of major events, Starfleet (and the entirety of the UFP) seems to hold a high value on the downtime. The world we live in today is just now starting to acknowledge the significance of leisure time and phrases such as “work-life balance” are becoming buzz

words of sorts. Studies are being performed that show a connection between time away from the job and overall productivity. And psychology has long been a proponent of recreation as a form of recharge.

Historically, leisure has been the catalyst for culture. Literature and the arts as we know them likely as not wouldn’t exist if all we were worried about was net production. Looking back at the ancient founders (not those founders) of philosophy, one easily sees how a mere subsistence mindset would never have achieved what they did. Instead, many cultures valued well rounded and multifaceted citizens. Contests of athleticism, games of chance, artwork, oratory, music, and language arts have all been well documented going back into the ancient times, even among the most stoic of societies.

What does all of this teach us? It teaches us that no matter how perceivably busy we are, no matter how much we have on our plate, and no matter how intentional our actions, we will never be our best selves so long as we ignore leisure as a part of our lives. If we are to ever hope to live up to the ideals that we see on the screen, we must develop ourselves through more than our work. Trek says that in the future, society will grow to a point where we no longer consider the accumulation of wealth to be the highest goal. We will seek prestige in the form of our accomplishments and our contributions to society. Those who do and achieve the most are those who are passionate about what they are doing. Seldom is passion spurred on by the punch of a timeclock alone. Passion is discovered in the time spent discovering oneself.

So, I encourage you all to take time to unwind. Read a book, watch a something good, paint a picture (even if it’s not good), pet your cat, Spot—whatever. Just do something you enjoy. Sometimes the things that are done for no other reason than the simple pleasure they bring are the chief contributors to our growth as a whole person; and that is the ponderous work of leisure.

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uP In Space

Submitted by Marchelle Lee

"NASA is seeking applicants to participate in its next simulated one-year Mars surface mission to help inform the agency's plans for human exploration of the Red Planet. The second of three planned ground-based missions called CHAPEA (Crew Health and Performance Exploration Analog) is scheduled to kick off in spring 2025.



Each CHAPEA mission involves a four-person volunteer crew living and working inside a 1,700-square-foot, 3D-printed habitat based at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston. The habitat, called the Mars Dune Alpha, simulates the challenges of a mission on Mars, including resource limitations, equipment failures, communication delays, and other environmental stressors. Crew tasks include simulated spacewalks, robotic operations, habitat maintenance, exercise, and crop growth."

From [NASA.gov](https://www.nasa.gov)

Ritter Planetarium Offerings

Appold Planetarium Offerings

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meetings

Thursday March 7, 6:00 [Charlie's Central Ave](#) and [Zoom](#)@6:30

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

Thursday May 2, 6:00 [Charlie's Central Ave](#) and [Zoom](#)@6:30

Extra Curricular

Sunday March 10, Daylight Savings Time Begins

Sunday March 17, St. Patrick's Day

Sunday March 31, Easter Sunday

Monday April 8, 12:00 Eclipse Viewing Jerry and Diana's Home

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

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