

# HAILING FREQUENCIES

MARCH 2024

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## Center Seat



Welcome Crew

I would like to start by thanking everyone that gave their input for the R1RC nomination. VADM Michael Wilson and his team have obtained the required 50%+1 nominations from the eligible voting chapters in R1 to win the R1 RC election. I had a great time at our event Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup>, new location for our Captain's Table and Briefing at Bobby's Bar-B-Que and new fun activity location at Radioactive Pinball Arcade. These were suggestions by the crew, if you know or hear of something you feel the crew would be interested in, please speak up and let us know. We will be having an away mission in Savannah Ga soon so watch for that email. We have always had a great time when we have gone, so I hope many of you will be able to attend. Also, do not forget our library event April 27<sup>th</sup> need you all on board to help and to show a strong support for your chapter and your Community. I wish you all good health and happiness.

Your Friend and CO  
Carnell

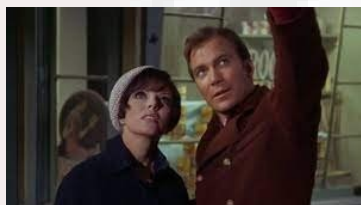
## Unforgettable STAR TREK Guest Stars

### 5. Stephen Hawking in *Star Trek: The Next Generation* - "Descent, Part I"



Having one of the most brilliant minds in history appear on *The Next Generation* was a treat for fans. Stephen Hawking made a historic cameo as himself, joining a holodeck simulation with Albert Einstein, Isaac Newton, and Data for a game of poker. It was a humorous and profound moment, symbolizing the bridging of science fiction and reality in a way only *Star Trek* could achieve. Hawking's appearance remains one of the most iconic moments in the series, celebrated for its wit and the sheer delight of seeing Hawking interact with some of history's greatest minds... and an android.

### 4. Joan Collins in *Star Trek: The Original Series* - "The City on the Edge of Forever"



In one of the most beloved episodes of *The Original Series*, Joan Collins guest-starred as Edith Keeler, a compassionate social worker in the 1930s. Her performance added depth to a tragic love story between her character and Captain Kirk, set against the backdrop of time travel and the moral dilemmas it entails. Collins' portrayal of Keeler was both heartwarming and heartbreaking, providing *Star Trek* with one of its most poignant episodes and showcasing the series' ability to tackle complex themes with sensitivity and depth.

### 3. Whoopi Goldberg in *Star Trek: The Next Generation*



Though Whoopi Goldberg became a recurring character as Guinan, her initial appearances were nothing short of guest star spectacles, thanks to her celebrity status at the time. A lifelong *Star Trek* fan, Goldberg's portrayal of the

El-Aurian bartender brought a mysterious and calming presence to the *Enterprise*, offering wisdom that often guided the crew through moral and philosophical dilemmas. Her unique perspective and backstory added layers to the *Star Trek* universe, making her debut one of the most impactful in the series' history.

## 2. Leonard Nimoy in *Star Trek: The Next Generation* - "Unification I & II"



Leonard Nimoy's return as Spock in *The Next Generation* was a monumental event, bridging the gap between the original series and its successor. His quest for Romulan-Vulcan reunification added a significant chapter to Spock's story, blending the old with the new in a tale of diplomacy and intrigue. Nimoy's performance was a poignant reminder of Spock's enduring legacy and the ideals *Star Trek* represents, making his guest appearance a standout moment in the franchise.

## 1. Jeffrey Combs across various series



Perhaps no other actor has left as indelible a mark across the *Star Trek* universe as Jeffrey Combs. With roles ranging from Weyoun, an enigmatic Vorta in *Deep Space Nine*, to the Andorian commander Shran in *Enterprise*, Combs has portrayed an astonishing range of characters, showcasing his versatility and making each role memorable. His performances have been pivotal, enriching the *Star Trek* lore and making him a fan favorite. Combs' ability to bring depth and complexity to every character he plays secures his place at the top of our list.

## Just In Time For Father's Day, Adam Nimoy's New Memoir Will Explore His Troubled Relationship with is Dad



Adam Nimoy, the son of Spock actor Leonard Nimoy, has a memoir that is set to be released on June 4. The memoir titled *The Most Human: Reconciling with My Father, Leonard Nimoy*. The memoir addresses Adam's rocky relationship with his father and how that has impacted his life. Here is an excerpt from the book that Adam posted on his X:

*Like Spock, my father was often inscrutable – it was hard to know what he was thinking or feeling. The similarity to the half-human, half-Vulcan science officer didn't end there. Like Spock, Dad was not the warm and fuzzy type.*

This is not Adam's first book. In 2009 he wrote a book titled *My Incredibly Wonderful Miserable Life: An Anti-Memoir*. This book is about Adam's struggle with drug and alcohol addiction, a messy divorce, and a rocky career path. However, his new book *The Most Human* talks specifically about Adam's relationship with his father and his relationship with fatherhood.

To help promote his new memoir Adam also started a newsletter. If you sign up you will receive updates on the memoir as well as upcoming events, news, and exclusive photos. You can sign up for the newsletter [here](#). In addition, Adam will be appearing on our podcast later this year. If you want to get this episode and every other podcast episode early and also hear deleted scenes make sure to join our [Patreon](#)!

You can pre-order *The Most Human* [here](#).



## New Details Released About STAR TREK: STARFLEET ACADEMY



About a year ago a new *Star Trek* show, *Star Trek: Starfleet Academy*, was announced. Since then we've heard a little news about it, such as Tawny Newsome becoming a writer for the show, however we've had no big announcements regarding the show up until now. Executive producer Alex Kurzman just announced a bunch of big news about the upcoming series at SXSW!!

The first big piece of news is that we officially have a general timeline for the release of the show. They're starting shooting late this summer and they think they'll shoot for about 6 months. Then there's 6-8 months of post production on the show. Kurzman believes it's possible that we won't be seeing the show until 2026 because he really doesn't want to rush any VFX and post production work. The second piece of big news is that we officially know the length of the series. Like *Discovery*, *Picard*, and *Strange New Worlds* the first two seasons will be 10 episodes long.

We still don't know when the series is taking place however fans are pretty sure that it will happen around *Discovery*. In season 4 of *Discovery* we saw a bit of the Starfleet Academy and Tilly left to become a teacher. It would make sense for the writers to continue that timeline. Kurzman did confirm that they had not begun casting the kids but insinuated that some of the adult roles had already been filled (perhaps by Mary Wiseman's Tilly...).

With the show being about teenagers and young adults, many people are worried that *Star Trek* is trying to shift its demographic, forgetting about its older fans. However, Kurzman reassured viewers this was not the case saying, "I'm always very vocal about this with the studio, you can't do [bring in new and younger fans] to the exclusion of OG fans... You have to make sure that you are also pleasing people who have been around and are die-hard 'TOS' fans, die-hard 'Next Gen' fans, whatever iteration of 'Trek' is yours. You cannot alienate those people. You actually also have to invite them to the tent." So if you were worried that Starfleet Academy wouldn't be faithful to the core of the series, fear no more.

We here at DSTN are all very excited for the new Starfleet Academy show and we hope you are too!!

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# Cooking with Neelix

## Sweet Potato Casserole



- 5 sweet potatoes, peeled, cooked, and mashed
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup butter
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 2 tablespoons heavy cream
- **For the topping:**
  - 1/4 cup butter, softened
  - 3 tablespoons flour
  - 3/4 cup packed light brown sugar
  - 1/2 cup pecans, chopped



Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.  
Lightly grease a 9x13-inch casserole dish.  
In a large bowl, combine the mashed sweet potatoes, salt, 1/4 cup butter, eggs, vanilla, ground cinnamon, sugar, and heavy cream. Mix until well incorporated.  
Pour the mixture into your prepared casserole dish.  
In a medium-sized bowl, combine the remaining 1/4 cup butter, flour, light brown sugar, and chopped pecans. Mix until coarse using a pastry blender or your fingers.  
Sprinkle the pecan brown sugar topping over the top of the sweet potato mixture.  
Bake in the oven until the pecans turn toasty-brown in color, for about 30 minutes.  
Serve warm!



# C R E W







Crew having fun after  
Captain's table and meeting  
at  
Radioactive Pinball Arcade  
In Aiken SC!

## Partial Solar Eclipse April 8th

The moon will darken the skies across South Carolina in under two weeks.

How much darkening you'll see will depend on where you're at though.

A total solar eclipse will occur over a good chunk of North America on April 8 — the last to happen across the continent until 2044 and 2045. While South Carolina will not be privy to the total eclipse, residents in the state will have the chance to see a near total one, depending on where they are at the time. The last time the Palmetto State had a total solar eclipse was on Aug. 21, 2017.

But you can't just go outside and stare up at the sky to view the upcoming eclipse, at least, not if you don't want to damage your eyesight.

Here's what to know about the solar eclipse and a list of when best to watch in various South Carolina cities.

What is a total solar eclipse?

According to [NASA](#), "sometimes when the moon orbits Earth, the moon moves between the sun and Earth. When this happens, the moon blocks the light of the sun from reaching Earth. This causes an eclipse of the sun, or a solar eclipse. During a solar eclipse, the moon casts a shadow onto Earth."

### Types of solar eclipse

- **Total:** This is when the solar eclipse is visible from a small area on the Earth. The people who can see the total eclipse will be in the center of the moon's shadow. The sky becomes very dark, as if it were nighttime.
- **Partial:** This is when the sun, moon and Earth are not totally aligned. From the Earth, it appears like there's a dark shadow on part of the sun.

**Annular: This type of eclipse happens when the moon is farthest from the Earth, making it appear smaller. When the moon passes in front of the sun, it doesn't totally cover it.**

**Also, the light from the sun creates a ring around the moon.**

Where to see the eclipse in SC

South Carolina won't be in the path of totality, so the event will look like a partial eclipse. The [magnitude of the eclipse](#) will be a little larger in the Upstate and smaller in the Low-country and coastal areas.

The partial eclipse will be visible from 1:48 p.m. to 4:27 p.m. in the state. Below is a list of South Carolina cities that shows which ones will see the biggest portion of the eclipse and the best times to view the phenomenon, depending on where you are. For a more complete list of cities in South Carolina and other states, click [here](#).

Max View in Augusta, Georgia and Aiken Area

Global Event: Total Solar Eclipse

Local Type: Partial Solar Eclipse in Augusta, Georgia

Begins: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 1:50 pm

Maximum: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 3:08 pm 0.801

Magnitude

Ends: Mon, Apr 8, 2024 at 4:23 pm

Duration: 2 hours, 33 minutes



Soni stresses that the only way to observe a partial eclipse safely is **through eclipse glasses that are compliant with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO)**. Filters should be ISO 12312-2 standard. “These filters are at least 1,000 times darker than regular sunglasses.





# N A S A N E W S



Heroes and Legends, United States Astronaut Hall of Fame, Kennedy Space Center on March 16, 2024.

On March 16, 2024 I took a few hours out of my wedding trip to visit the Kennedy Space Center. I'd never been. So much history and so many exhibits, so much to see, but, when I came to the replica of the 1962 Friendship 7 Mission I stood for awhile. I tried to imagine the energy of the people in that room during the Mercury Mission. The gravity of what it meant nationally in the Space Race, globally in the Cold War, but the seriousness of John Glenn making this incredible flight around the Earth. I was two when the moon landing occurred, so I grew up knowing we could fly in space. But I think I can sense what amazement and splendor must have been felt in that room, being a part of these early space flights. Now just an exhibit in a museum that not everyone visits.

Submitted by Mony



## ISS National Lab-Sponsored Research Aims to Grow Tumors in Microgravity to Test Chemotherapy

### Effectiveness

**CAPE CANAVERAL (FL), March 20, 2024** – Cancer is the leading cause of death worldwide, with nearly 10 million people dying from the disease each year. Researchers from Connecticut-based startup Encapsulate are turning to the microgravity conditions available through the International Space Station (ISS) National Laboratory to explore how to mitigate the effects of cancer and improve the lives of patients on Earth.

For many living with cancer, treatment options can be a grueling trial-and-error process, as there are multiple drugs available for many types of cancer. Chemotherapy drugs work by killing the cancer cells within the body, but research has shown that for certain cancer types, nearly 80% of initial chemotherapy treatments do not work, which means that individuals have to endure multiple rounds of treatments.

Armin Rad, CEO of [Encapsulate](#), is hoping that his company's research will help streamline cancer treatment and save patients from months of adverse side effects while improving their quality of life. To that end, his company is sending engineered cancerous tumors to space to study how they behave in the microgravity environment.

“Testing on the International Space Station provides an opportunity to evaluate our work with microtumors in an environment that more accurately mimics how cells behave inside the human body,” he said.

The idea of testing tumor tissue outside the body isn't new, but Encapsulate is hoping its unique tumor-on-a-chip approach better mimics a tumor's in-body reaction to treatment. According to Rad, cells behave differently in microgravity, forming 3D structures that more closely resemble the growth and behavior of cells inside the human body. This type of cell growth is difficult to achieve terrestrially, which makes the space station an ideal test bed for tumor-related research.

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To purchase your tickets, head over to <https://icreg.sfi.org> to register.

This schedule is still evolving - stay tuned!

All times in Eastern

Friday, Aug 2

8:30am - ECAB  
12pm - Lunch  
6:30pm - Cocktails  
7pm - Marine Mess (and awards for SFMC)

Saturday, Aug 3

8am - Breakfast Gathering  
10am - Opening Ceremonies  
12-4pm TBA  
6:30pm - Cocktails  
7pm - Banquet

Sunday, Aug 4

8am - Breakfast  
10am-1pm TBA  
1pm - Closing Ceremonies



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S**Stephen Stott**

It is my duty to announce on behalf of the Commander, STAR-FLEET that VADM Michael Wilson has obtained the required 50%+1 nominations from the eligible voting chapters in R1 to win the R1 RC election. He obtained 19 nominations out of the 36 eligible nominating/voting chapters. I congratulate him on his win and thank both Steven Parmley and James Cecil for their participation in the election and thank all those chapters that submitted a nomination. Michael will assume his duties on June 1, 2024 - May 31, 2026. Here is the final list of chapters that participated in the election:

Again, I thank all for your participation in the election process.

Live long and prosper,

RADM Stephen Stott

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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

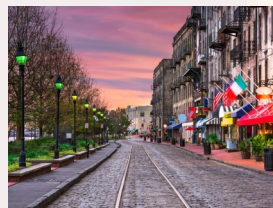


Place TBD





Away Mission  
Savannah Ga  
Check your email for  
Dates and information



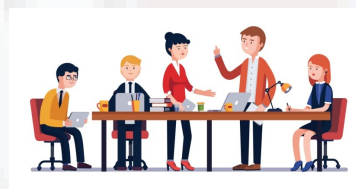
Sunday May 12th  
Mother's Day



Monday May 27th  
Memorial Day



Crew meeting  
TBA



**Please watch your emails and Face-  
book for online and updates and  
changes to  
activities**



# MSR

MEETING DATE: 2024-02-17

PROMOTIONS: None this period

ACTIVITIES: Friday February 7th: We meet at the Augusta Richmond County Library to further finalize plans for our upcoming event Accessibility through Innovation Event to be held in a few months Saturday February 17th, the crew met at the Augusta Richmond County Museum where we once again had the privilege of meeting our local astronaut, Susan Still Kilrain who was reading and signing a book she had written for children. An unlikely astronaut seeks to inspire children to reach their full potential.

Note: years ago, prior to her flight the Star League as the youngest space shuttle pilot the Star League sponsored a well wish's card for her and the crew of STS-83. The card was signed by over 4000 people including President Bill Clinton. The current CO and Dc of computer operations had the privilege of attending her launch party and witnessing her flight at the invitation of her father. We were honored that she remembered our group and still has the card as a keepsake. We then met at our local Chili's for a Captains table and held our crew briefing following the Museum event.

COMMENTS: We were deeply saddened by the loss of a friend to our chapter, the mother of Admiral Krell passed away. Members of the crew attended a memorial service in her honor and one of our founding members shared the story of the Star Leagues first meeting at her home. We published our chapters newsletter and updated our social media pages. We also continued counting possible speakers for our upcoming library event.



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