

Inside The Rock

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Happy Star Trek 48th Birthday Ark Angel!

Happy 67th Birthday United States Air Force!



Little League Month

<http://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/september.htm>



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From the Comm Station,

Greetings and Salutations,

Theme for next month's newsletter is "Your favorite Star Trek Toy?"

Any ideas for a newsletter theme email your Com officer.

Star Trek birthday is this month on the 8th in 1966. Get out and party. Don't forget Ark Angel Day on the 20th at noon.

Check out the holiday site for all your favorite unknown holidays (link on title page).

Communication Officer Ark Angel Station,

LT Mike Brown

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Science Corner,

Greetings Ark Angel members!

This month I wanted to share my experiences at IC, which took place last month. The highlights include traveling to and from IC, attending panels, meeting with friends and participating in the ceremonies and other activities. There may have also been some awards and promotions that figure prominently in my report.

The Trip There

I left early Thursday morning, flying out from Austin-Bergstrom airport and arriving by way of a Dallas layover at the Chicago O'Hare airport. From there, I made my way to the bus terminal and eventually boarded a bus for the 1.5 hour ride to the Clock Tower Resort in Rockford. It was a fairly long journey, to be sure but basically uneventful. The one *character* I met was the bus driver. He was vehemently anti-Obama and let everyone know his opinion. He spoke of the corruption of the Teamsters and how the mob was in control of all construction and the politicians could not be trusted. I left the bus ride wondering which lesson I wanted to take away from all this – that there is large-scale corruption that affects all our lives or that bus drivers – they be crazy. Perhaps both; not sure.

Just a Little Drama

Sometime on Thursday, John Robert from Region 3, sent a post to the sfi-I list, lambasting the IC Committee and the IC Selection Committee for selecting 'such a terrible' venue. According to his extensive Internet research, the hotel was full of stink, had horrific food, had roaches and bed-bugs, broken ice machines and terrible service. What we **actually** found once we arrived was your typical IC/Summit type of hotel. It was clean, the staff was friendly, the rooms were comfortable and there were several selections for food, including a passable pub/burger place and a Thai food restaurant. It continues to amaze me how much some people like to find fault and complain loudly without real reason or cause. The ironic thing about this is that John didn't even attend IC this year.

Opening/General Ceremonies

These two ceremonies went smoothly and were pretty enjoyable, as such events are rated. Getting to the event rooms is a bit of a challenge because the layout of the hotel is frantically spider-like and confusing. Once you knew the way it was not an issue.

It was nice to see the friends I meet every year or two. Most of the folks I met with were focused on running IC but I met some who were not involved in the running of IC.

On Saturday, at the general meeting, I was pleasantly (but very substantially) shocked and surprised at the announcement of my name as the promotions were presented. Commodore Halliday, at your service! Wow. Thanks Larry French for putting me in for this.

Science Officer Ark Angel Station,

CDRE Sorak (John Halliday)

Q Conundrum

Oh, what are you gonna do?



PLUNGE me to death?

RULES:

- 1) This is a fun trivia game on all things Star Trek so have fun or Worf will have a talk with you.
- 2) Use of the internet, printed material, or any references to find the answer is not allowed! In other words either you know it or you don't **No cheating**. We're on the Honor System.
- 3) One point for each question answered correctly.
- 4) No points lost or gained for incorrectly answered questions.
- 5) Questions for any quiz in the same calendar year as that quiz can be answered until the answers are published in the newsletter but only one answer per person per question.
- 6) One point awarded each month for an article turned in on that month's newsletter theme.
- 7) Ten to twenty questions each month for twelve months.
- 8) Judge's decisions are final (Com officer is the judge)!
- 9) Send your answers to Comm Officer. commo@arkangelstation.com
- 10) Open to all Ark Angel Station Crew and Staff.
- 11) Prize is bragging rights for the next year.
- 12) Failure to follow these rules will result in Assimilation.

Questions:

- 1) Which character sang 'I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen' over and over?
 - a) The Doctor VOY
 - b) Scotty
 - c) Kevin Reilly
 - d) Data
- 2) What TOS character was the only one to carry over from the original pilot, 'The Cage'?
 - a) McCoy
 - b) Sulu
 - c) Scott
 - d) Spock
- 3) Which TOS character did NOT appear on any TNG episodes?
 - a) Kirk
 - b) McCoy
 - c) Spock
 - d) Scotty
- 4) How did James T. Kirk ultimately die?
 - a) Fell with a collapsing bridge
 - b) Shot by Klingon Prison Warden
 - c) Killed by Spock during Vulcan Marriage Ritual
 - d) Space Herpes
- 5) VOY: How do the actors Robert Beltran, Robert Picardo, and Robert Duncan McNeill avoid confusion on set because of their names being the same?
 - a) Go by their character names: Chakotay, Doctor, Paris
 - b) Nicknames based on their hair: Baldy for Picardo, Blondie for McNeill
 - c) Go by their initials: RB, RP, RM
 - d) Different nicknames: Robert, Bob, Robbie
- 6) What actor played three different aliens who all ultimately died in various Star Trek productions?
(Full Name)

- 7) The Bajoran Wormhole leads from the Bajoran system to which quadrant of the Milky Way galaxy?
 - a) Alpha
 - b) Beta
 - c) Delta
 - d) Gamma
- 8) To which quadrant of the Milky Way galaxy was Voyager transported to?
 - a) Alpha
 - b) Beta
 - c) Delta
 - d) Gamma
- 9) What metal is the base for Vulcan hemoglobin?
 - a) Nickel
 - b) Iron
 - c) Copper
 - d) Cobalt
- 10) What character's name is also the name of a sub-atomic particle?
 - a) Uhura
 - b) Quark
 - c) Nog
 - d) Kim

Quiz Leader Board

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Ark Angel Station's Schedule of Events:

Have suggestions for events, let us know. Please email to the Operations Officer Ops@arkangelstation.com for suggestions or information on any Ark Angel event.

The Schedule is always a changing...but here's a glimpse into the future:

- September 8th Ark Angel meets at Jim's restaurant, 9091 research Blvd, 78758 @ 6:30 pm before heading to Pinballz Arcade to have our annual Star Trek Pinball Tournament to celebrate Star Treks Birthday.
- September 20, 2014 @ Noon to whenever – Ark Angel Station Day: We will continue to role-play our characters or other gaming.
- September 27th, 2014 Mike and Celena will be married in Austin, TX. After Geek Party starting at 4pm at Mike's house.

Hope to see you all at one of these events!

REMINDERS:

Inside the Rock Deadlines: All members of the Ark Angel should and the AA Staff must turn in articles by the 21st each month. There is a suggested topic; however, you don't have to submit it just for that. Send you articles, photos, poems, stories, etc. to commo@arkangelstation.com.

