

Notes From The Captains Chair

Well here it is the first issue of open waters!! I want to start off by saying that I am very proud of each member of the Tiburon. Our chapter is only 4 months old and already we have 21 members, the chapter is almost exactly 50/50 with active vs ghost members (just were we want to be). Our first draft of our By-Laws are complete and in front of the Command Staff for review. The hard work on the General Orders is about to begin. One of the other things have to say is WOW what a website!!! Dave has done one awesome job creating out website, also can anyone think of another chapter in all of Fleet that has their own game, WAY COOL!!!

Our chapters Community service aspect is beginning to take shape. I am still waiting to hear from the lady from RTD about adopting the stops we all agreed on. As soon as that paperwork comes in we can begin scheduling clean-up times for the stops. I have finally managed to talk with a lady from BonFils concerning our sponsoring a blood drive or two a year. Just from the conversation I had I can tell you that she is very excited about a Star Trek themed blood drive. We talked about what our responsibilities would be and theirs. When I told her that our crew would be in Star Trek costumes, I thought she was going to come through the phone. She thought it was a fantastic idea. Contact continues to be made with the no kill shelter, as we try to find a time to get together with them. Lastly, but certainly not least Toys 4 Tots, of course this program is still a few months off, but certainly should not be forgotten.

Of course it is great to see the crew coming out for all the events that we have been sponsoring. Sci-Fi Fridays has turned out to be a great idea. Of course in the next couple of weeks we will have to decide what to do with the event. With Battlestar, and StarGate in reruns and the end of Enterprise coming up our Sci-Fi Fridays needs to be revamped. Another great chapter event has been the Gaming Saturdays. First poker and then Starcraft, not only were these activities fun but they were educational as well. Most of us learned how to play several varieties of poker we did not know before, and we learned that four computers on the wireless network was about all the LAN could handle. Coming up in the next couple of weeks are StarFest and the Regional Summit. Dave, Andrea, and Beth (Andrea's sister) have graciously offered to let us use their room for our Sci-Fi Friday event, so we will not have to miss anything. The USS Pioneer has tickets for a reduced price, for more information check the email that was forwarded to the Tiburon yahoo group. Remember though that StarFest is at the end of this month. Just a couple of weeks later is the Region 17 Summit at OpusFest. The majority of our crew is on the Summit staff so I am sure that we all will be there. I hope that the summit turns out to be a good experience, I know that we have all worked very hard on the summit and we should all go and have a good time.

Well I guess I have babbled on long enough. Well farewell until the next issue, I am sure I will see you all in the Mess hall.

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