

# Regulators Charge!

### Defending the Final Frontier

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### **Crew Meetings & Activities 2012**

2013

May 18: Movie Star Trek into Darkness at UA Fossil Ridge
Recruiting at movie house
May 27 Pot Luck Dinner and Promotions(see Counselor)
Jun 15 Monthly Meeting/Away mission to CATS game
Jul 20 Monthly Meeting
Aug 17 Monthly Meeting
Sep Mirror Mirror away mission at Zoo
Sep 21 Monthly Meeting
Oct 19 Monthly Meeting/Klingon Dinner Thing
Nov 16? Monthly Meeting
Dec ? Christmas Party

All above meeting are subject to change. Normally we meet at Shady Oaks BBQ at 3:00 p.m. on the dates above(unless otherwise mentioned.)

### From the Ready Room

The ship's complement continues to grow: currently, we're at a total of 27 (22 National, 3 Local, 2 Honorary). We're approaching the best time in the near future for recruiting purposes: the *Best of Both Worlds* showing on the big screen tonight (25 Apr), and the new movie, *Star Trek: Into Darkness* (*ST:ID*) next month.

The people have spoken: I've been re-elected for another two-year term as Commanding Officer. Commodore Goulet remains the Executive Officer (a.k.a. First Officer). Departments heads are all filled up, too: Bridge Specialist Department is now headed by Lieutenant (Junior Grade) Cross, Security by Ensign Brulotte, Science by Ensign Fralicks. The Department Heads also selected the ship's new Second Officer, LT(JG) Cross... "May God have mercy on his soul."

The Promotion Board has been constituted: COMM Goulet (chair), LCDR Clark, 1LT Marchant, MCPO Goulet, and PO1 Goulet. They've reported their recommendations to me, and I'll be acting accordingly. Remember, promotions reflect the level of activity, the time-in-grade, and the general attitude & behavior. They need to come slowly enough to be meaningful, yet quickly enough to be exciting. Since I took the center seat, I've only promoted twice a year (other than initial promotions and promotions due to passing OTS at the STARFLEET Academy).

The Game Day was certainly a success. Everyone who came had fun, and everyone who didn't come was missed. I'm looking forward to doing this again!

I'm sure this will be mentioned by others, but the May meetings/activities have changed a bit. *ST:ID* opens on Friday 17 May. Many of us will be meeting at the Fossil Creek cinema on Saturday 18 May, fairly early (time will be announced as soon as we get more info) to do the ol' recruiting, press-the-flesh, have-a-flyer, come-join-us thing before & between showings. Those of you who have uniforms, please wear them! Meanwhile, Dallas Comic-con will

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be going on in Irving. Those of you who are going, please feel free to take some flyers with you (I'll send you the PDF if you want, & you can print some yourself!). I hope to see some of you at the Fossil Creek Cinema later in the day, but the wide-spread locations can be a bit difficult to deal with. Regardless, take pictures, take notes, and tell us about it!

Our regular meeting at Shady Oaks won't happen in May. Instead, we'll be going to the Goulet's for a potluck dinner/promotion/awards fun time. It starts at 4pm; contact Liz for the address & directions.

In June, we'll be back to Shady Oaks, but after the meeting we'll be going to LaGrave Field to watch the Fort Worth Cats play ball. We don't have as many opportunities to watch them this year as we have in years past, so I hope all of you who can will join us. Tickets are far from expensive — I think the most expensive seat we had last year was \$14, and that was right behind Home Plate.

Mirror Month planning continues. Suggestions have included going to the park next to the FW Zoo for a meal, then going to the zoo, with me trying to get the Tantulus Field Device working whilst ya'll try to advance yourselves up the chain-of-command using "phasers" set on Nerf. Again, I encourage creating "mirror-verse" uniforms, to add to the fun. I'd still like to have our "normal" ship's meeting at Shady Oaks in September, as well -- and we'll be in the Mirror for that activity, as well. The shipwide "How I'd Kill The Captain" essay contest is on --don't send me anything before the first week of September, though. I select the winner... and I'm one of those weirdos who enjoy good grammar, good spelling, and wordplay. I *love* a good (bad?) pun! Don't think you have to write a lot, either -- good stories often have the same criteria as good sermons: a good start, a good ending, and the two as close together as possible. Poems are fun, too... maybe try a haiku? Perhaps a limerick?

Oh, and while you're getting uniforms/costumes together, don't forget that we'll have our Klingon Dinner Thing in October again. Talk to Tracy (or is that Kalamity?) about how simple Klingon clothing can be.

Meanwhile, let's keep having fun! With my compliments, Colonel Tank Clark, SFMC Commanding Officer, USS Regulator

### **XO/Communications**

Great to see soo many people show up at the meetings. Hope to see most of you next month at the Pot Luck at my place. Directions are listed under the Counselor's spot.

Liz Goulet, Commodore XO/Communications Officer

### **BRIDGE REPORT**

It was with great pleasure and honor that I accepted being selected as the ship's Second Officer at the ship's meeting. Once again I will do my best to carry out the duties of this position. Congratulations to Perry Brulotte for being named the Chief of Security and to Amanda Fralicks being named our new Chief Science Officer. Can we find some members with easier to spell names?

The meeting itself was a lot of fun as always. Those of you who couldn't attend we look forward to seeing you at the Potluck/Meeting in May.

The Bridge is doing fine. We have been accident free for only 5 days. (I will find who left the banana peel behind the security station.) A new sign has been put up next to the "No Running with Scissors" sign, "No Eating on the Bridge". It has come to my attention that a certain Conn Officer who will not be named (Ensign Barnett) has been using the view screen to watch old episodes of Doctor Who. Please don't make me put up another sign.

Chief of Engineering Lt. Marchant has told me that the sparks and flames coming from the Science Station issue has been resolved. It seems that a tribble got caught between the circuit boards... Ensign Brulotte has assured me that was the last tribble onboard. I would think a ship with this many Klingons on board would have less tribble issues.

The ship continues to grow! We are nearing the "Magic" 30 number and I am sure we will be there soon. As you all know, we have a great time together and more members will just mean more fun. By the time you read this we will have attended the "Best of Both Worlds" movie event and that will be a great opportunity to gather new members!

We have two crewmembers whose STARFLEET memberships will be expiring in May, myself and Lt Commander John Kraly II. If you are not a member of STARFLEET there are a lot of great benefits to membership. Check out WWW.SFI.org for details on how to join.

Till next month, L.L.A.P. LTJG Michael Cross

### **MEDICAL ALERT!! MEDICAL ALERT:**

Unfortunately, today's fast paced life makes it easy for us to slip in to a very unhealthy routine. This doctor promotes happy and healthy hearts and I have some simple tips for you to fit in your busy schedule.

### 1.Fitness

One of the easiest things to improve your heart health is to get at least 30 minutes of exercise, five times a week. Many people may be frightened by the F word, but it is not so scary when playing Frisbee or jogging with your dog around the park for 30 minutes.

### 2. Relaxation

This may be easier said than done, but less stress each day can do a wonder for your heart. Of course, not everyone can relax in the same manner. Some may lay in the dark and let the day drift away while others may choose yoga as a way to relax. I suggest trying Vulcan meditation as a new way to relax.

### 3. Eating Habits

- Light on the Salt Limit your salt intake 1,500 milligrams a day or less. You can do this by limiting processed foods, cooking without salts and taking it easy on the saltshaker.
- Go Grain Whole grains such as wild rice, corn tortillas and whole-wheat pasta can help lower cholesterol and blood pressure.
- Produce

  Eating 2½ cups of vegetables and fruit each day will lower your risk for heart disease, stroke and cancer.

 Decrease Bad Fat – Limit your saturated fat intake by using healthier fats like olive and canola oil to cook with. Also, be sure to choose lean meats such as turkey or chicken. <u>The</u> <u>American Heart Association</u> says this can cut your risk of heart disease in half.

### 4. Routine Health Exams

- Cholesterol Check cholesterol levels once every five years after the age of 20.
- Blood Pressure Check blood pressure every two years.
- Diabetes Diabetes is a leading factor in heart disease. Age 30-45 is the most important age to be checked for diabetes.

As your ships doctor I advise checking your cholesterol levels and blood pressure at least once a year if not more often. The more you know, the better for your health.

Be Happy, Be Healthy LT Tracy Clark Chief Medical Officer

### CHIEF OF THE BOAT (Chief in Charge)

I have a challenge for the crew. Starting this month, I will be providing a brief summary of a book I have read. The challenge is that anyone who would like to read this book, can have it from me. It's my way of passing it on. All I ask is that when you are finished with it, you pass it on to someone else who wants to read it, or give to your local library or sell it at Half Price Books. That way we PASS IT ON.

This month – My Grandfather's Son by Clarence Thomas This book is an autobiography about his life and how he got to be a Supreme Court Judge. I found it very interesting and it answers a lot of questions that I had. I hope someone will want to read it. If so, let me know – email is the same as Communications Officer, and I'll have it at the next meeting. Alan Goulet

## From the Flight Deck: OIC, VMA-333 "Phoenix Squadron" Numquam Cede, Numquam Succembe Ahoy, Marines!



Here's the update on the Reading Challenge:

The squadron has reported 51,606 pages read since the contest started over again in August 2012 -- that's an average of 4,300.5 pages per Marine in our unit.

Marine	Total Pages (since Aug '12)
COL Tank Clark	18,615
LCDR Tracy Clark	5,352
COMM Liz Goulet	5,266
1LT Roon Marchant	1,576
ENS Perry Prulotte	3,343
ENS(JG) Amanda Fralicks	
MCPO Alan Goulet	1,870
PO1 Michelle Goulet	401
PO3 Randall Weems	
PO3 Lora Weems	
PO3 Karen Chaffin	15,183

Remember, when you finish a book, tell me. You can send me an email with the name of who read it, the author's name, the title of the book, the ISBN, and the total number of pages; you can use the form Perry made for us at <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1VRMVC\_ALAALwOMTr-HHCtjY6dZ98Mk2ffjCGT\_B2c38/viewform?">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1VRMVC\_ALAALwOMTr-HHCtjY6dZ98Mk2ffjCGT\_B2c38/viewform?</a> sid=546b7c37020cb116&token=29qpHD0BAAA.Uji9YbkCl1qlc8ydvlZ37g.Fekf53wD5Tyctli\_0e1zCA; or you can just hand me a list with the info when you see me at the meeting or an activity/event.

Speaking of events: The 3rd Brigade is holding its Muster on Saturday, 27 April, at the Sleep Inn and Suites (TXD85), 14004 Owen-Tech Blvd, Austin, TX 78728. Opening Ceremonies at 0900L, with events and activities throughout the day. The Brigade Annual Meeting will be at 1500-1700L, with Dinner at 1930L, at Opal Divine Marina, 12709 N. Mopac Expwy, Austin TX 78727. I am going, and will report back with anything of interest as it happens. I may even make a "Captain's Blog" entry whilst I'm there, as Weebly.com has created a new app for my android phone. Wooo, technology.

We're growing not only as a ship but as a Marine unit. If there's any interest, maybe we can do a "Marines Only" thing sometime? (We haven't done anything like this in the past, as I don't like to be exclusive — I prefer being inclusive, on the theory that more people is more fun.) Opinions are welcome!

Thank you all, & Semper Fi!
Colonel Tank "Bazinga" Clark, SFMC
OIC, VMFA-333 "Phoenix Squadron"
3BDE S-1 Personnel & Administration

### **News from The Paxton Boys (in PA)**

Taking a break this month, will send update next month. Sincerely,

John A. Kraly II

LCDR-SFI, PA member of USS Regulator

President & Organi-czar – West Shore Science Fiction Society CO-USS Pennsylvania NCC-17120 (Independent Star Trek club)

"In the spirit of BB-38 & SSBN-735"

"The Achilles-class starship is a warship developed by the

Federation during the Dominion War" – <a href="http://memory-beta.wikia.com/wiki/Achilles class">http://memory-beta.wikia.com/wiki/Achilles class</a>

### From the Deck 15 Horde:

The Lone Star Warrior's Association (LSWA) held its Good Day to Dine on Saturday, 30 Mar 2013. Colonel Clark and Lieutenant Commander Clark took a shuttle to Fort Worth, to join with representatives of the *IKV Melota*, the *USS Joshua*, the *USS Trinity River*, and the *IKS Maelstrom* to celebrate the Lone Star Warriror's Association's Good Day to Dine for the month of March, 2013. Many tourists excitedly took photographs of the warriors as we walked through the stockyards. Eventually, the group settled upon a hamburger place called "Trail Boss Burgers" to seize and take over. This was probably a poor decision, as the servants were sub-par, and the food was, at best, marginally acceptable. Many stores were thereafter visited, and some items were acquired by the visiting warriors.

The next Good Day to Dine will be on Sunday June 30, at 1500 hours, at Yummy's Greek Restaurant, 210 W. University Dr, Denton, TX

76201.

Glory and Honor! Captain Klark, son of Konald IKS Maelstrom, commanding.

### THE LOUNGE

Just want to let you know I now have some competition. We recently got a Chaplin on board. So if the counselor doesn't work and you don't feel like having a drink or two with your food, you can go socialize with the Chaplin. Only problem is, I'm not sure where his office is. I don't remember a Chapel in the blueprints. Come see me some time and we'll talk. I will also talk to the Chaplin if he needs an ear to bend. Mark West Bartender

### Cadet Counselor\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

For the "Pot Luck Dinner" in May – Perry has already got dibs on dessert. The doctor and CO are bringing a meat dish. Let the XO know what you will be bringing.

### POT LUCK DIRECTIONS

To get to our location, you come just like you would to the regular meetings, however, you pass Sand shell and go to Western Center. At the corner you take a right and go down Western Center to the next stop light which is N. Riverside. You take a right onto N. Riverside. You follow this to the residential area, the first street on your right is Long Leaf. You will turn onto Long Leaf and one block (short block) on your left is Egan Way. You take the left onto Egan Way and follow it all the way around almost to the other end. We are the second house from the corner facing the street on the left side. There is a large tree in the front and a white car in the driveway. The number is 6929. You can park on the street either in front or across the street. Try not to block the driveways to either the corner house or the one next to us. I'll put something on the mailbox as an indicator or you can call the house at 817-847-1137 if you get lost.

Michelle Goulet, Petty Officer 2nd Class

### **Engineering Department**

Still puttering around the engine room.

Roone Machart, 2Lt Chief of Engineering

### Science Department

(Next month our new Science Officer Amanda will be here)
From Publisher's Weekly

Grimmelmann: ReDigi, Digital First Sale...and Star Trek

Digital first sale is where it's at. <u>Amazon</u> and <u>Apple</u> have filed for patents on marketplaces for used digital files. The European Court of Justice <u>held that it's legal</u> for users to resell their software. Even the Register of Copyrights Maria Pallante has joined the chorus, suggesting that a digital first sale right is a topic <u>Congress should consider</u> as it revises the Copyright Act.

But if there's a party at digital first sale's house, federal judge Richard Sullivan just called the cops. His decision in the case of *Capitol Records v. ReDigi* definitively rejects ReDigi's aguments that iTunes users should be allowed to sell their songs to each other. Tough luck, <u>imaginary Bruce Willis</u>.

ReDigi's system is simple. Users who've grown tired of their iTunes tracks can upload them to ReDigi's servers and list them for sale. ReDigi charges between .59 and .79 cents, a nice discount from Apple's .99 cents and up, of which the seller gets 60%. When the sale goes through, the seller loses access to the track and the buyer gains access.

So, what's the issue? At oral argument, Judge Sullivan drew a Star Trek analogy: He asked whether ReDigi was more like a transporter: "Captain Kirk going from the Enterprise to the planet through that transporter thing, where he's not duplicated." Or, was it an advanced replicator, "where there's a good and a bad Captain Kirk where they're both running around."

The problem for ReDigi, and the reason the case is so fascinating, is that the Internet is *both* a transporter and a cloning machine. Unfortunately, copyright law is firmly, thoroughly convinced that technologies can only be one or the other.

### Transformer, or Replicator

The Copyright Act was drafted with two scenarios in mind: one, we could call the "transporter" or the "post office," where someone takes a book that's *here* and moves it over *there*, out of one person's possession and into another's. Copyright calls this a "distribution," and the first sale defense applies to it. The total number of copies is unchanged: there was one before, and there's one after.

The other offline scenario, which we can call the "replicator" or the "printing press," takes an *old* copy of a book and makes a *new* copy in the same place. Copyright calls this a "reproduction," and it's not subject to first sale. The total number of copies increases: there was one before, and there are two after.

But online, a download is a bizarre hybrid of the two. There's an *old* copy *here* on my computer, and once I send you the bits, there's also a *new* copy *there* on your computer. The Internet therefore is something of a "transporticator" that creates a perfect replica of Kirk down on the planet, while also leaving the original Kirk free to roam the Enterprise.

Courts have generally said that downloads are both a reproduction and a distribution, since it involves both the creation of a copy (on your computer) and a change in who has access to a copy (you didn't before, but now you do). Since <u>first sale is defined</u> in the Copyright Act as a defense only to distribution, and not to reproduction, the courts have said it doesn't apply to downloads. If that reasoning sounds unduly formalistic, you could also say that first sale shouldn't kick in when the number of copies in circulation isn't conserved.

But ReDigi added a twist: it deleted the original track from the seller's computer. Thus, instead of being both a transporter and a replicator, ReDigi argued it was a pure transporter. And this, it claimed, made its sale into pure distributions: transporting a single copy from *here* to *there*. There's no reproduction, because were just as many copies before ReDigi as after.

But, as the philosopher Derek Parfit showed at length in the brilliant *Reasons and Persons*, even a pure transporter raises profound and difficult problems. When Kirk stands on the transporter on the Enterprise, is the person who materializes on the planet still Kirk?

ReDigi said yes: the copy that emerges from its transporter is the same copy that goes in. It is, after all, bit-for-bit identical. Judge Sullivan, however, said no, because the new Kirk-copy is a different "material object" than the old one, made up of different atoms, stored on a different hard drive.

Indeed, to borrow an idea from Parfit, consider what would happen if the transporter malfunctioned and instead functioned just like the Internet—that it is, as a "transporticator." Old Kirk is still standing on the Enterprise; new Kirk is standing on the planet. ReDigi's solution is worthy of Evil Spock: set phasers on kill, execute the old Kirk, and toss him out the airlock.

From the perspective of the Enterprise crew and the aliens on the planet, the outcome is very much as if Kirk boarded a shuttle and flew down to the planet (if a bit faster). There used to be a Kirk here, and now there's a Kirk, there. But when Kirk takes a shuttle, Judge Sullivan would say that it is the same Kirk who arrives on the planet. Not so with the ReDigi transporticator.

ReDigi, of course, begs to differ. Its position, that the copies are the same, is also philosophically plausible. Just a little messier, and harder to square with the text of the Copyright Act.

### Who Gets to Read?

This distinction in the ReDigi case are quite literally metaphysical, and a sign that we're getting away from the more pragmatic questions of real-world consequences that ought to drive copyright policy. Whether Copy A is the "same" as Copy B, and if so in what senses, is not a question that anyone ought to care about. Authors, publishers, readers, libraries, and everyone else with a stake in the copyright system care about who gets access to books and on what terms. All of the technological details ought to be cute irrelevancies once the basic questions are answered. Who gets to read? Who gets paid?

Digital first sale may not be a particularly fun party. First sale's core premise is that there ought to be the same number of copies kicking around at all times. It gives the copyright owner sole and despotic dominion over the creation of new copies, but very little say after that. But, in the digital world, where copying is fast, cheap, and out of control, this compromise may not be good for authors—or readers. Digital first sale may sound like a user-friendly doctrine, but the technical machinery required to ensure that the seller's copy really has been deleted is indistinguishable from a pervasive Digital Rights Management system.

One way out of the mess might be to answer more questions with fair use, and fewer with first sale. In the Redigi case, Judge Sullivan's fair use analysis was cursory, in part because he looked at the question from ReDigi's point of view rather than from ReDigi's users. But fair use's famous—no, make that *infamous*—context-sensitivity gives it the flexibility to look past how books are transmitted and stored and focus instead on how they're bought and read.

Perhaps copyright would be better off backing away from its obsession with counting copies. It's not the transporter that makes our Star Trek future of digital abundance so exciting; it's the replicator.

### **SECURITY! SECURITY!!**

Security has been on two away missions to Providence Rhode Island this month.

March 28 we took an atmospheric transport to Providence via Newark where we sampled the local cuisine and performed various arduous tasks with the local inhabitants (in other words I had a job up there). We returned to Dallas-Ft Worth via atmospheric transport via Detroit on April 10.

Then because they missed us so much we went back April 17 via Boston this time--was an interesting time landing at Logan!--and returned April 24 to the heart of civilization--Texas.

I celebrated a birthday between the trips, and it was my one bit of relaxation and happiness this month I think. All work and no play makes Perry a dull boy!

Many of you may or may not know but I'm from Massachusetts originally, so the attack on April 15 held some pretty strong personal feelings for me. I won't go into details here about what I think justice is in this case other than to say it needs to be very final and absolute.

Oh and just so you know... the upgraded brig has been tested. A few Romulans showed up so we beamed them into the brig and opened that outer wall. Decompressing Romulans is a great sight to behold. You should try it sometime. Makes for a fun time.

Security OUT.

Ens Brulotte, Security

### Things to Review, View, or Just Go See

This one is provided by Kat – enjoy! Webseries! Job Hunters The first season takes you right into the action-*Job Hunters* is a hilarious spin on a dystopian society where citizens are placed in M.A.E.W.I.N. arenas where they fight to the death, and few are selected for ascension into their careers.

Chronicles of Syntax

A team of genetically advanced humans ban together to fight memories of an apocalyptic future.

Both webseries are found on YouTube.

### **IC/SUMMIT 2013**

Incase you have been under a rock or on the far reaches of the universe, we here in Texas are hosting the 2013 IC and it's right next door in Dallas. You are encouraged to attend as these are usually very interesting events. You get to meet all kinds of people from all over the states and the world. The event is being held at the MCM Elegate Hotel at 2330 W Northwest Hwy, Dallas. However, since this might be out of some people's cost range, I have compiled a list of other hotels not to far a field that might help.

There will be programs for youth, gaming and model contests. Several panels on various activities and a panel to talk to the Fleet Admiral.

The charity this year is Share Our Strength – No Kid Hungry. It provides breakfast for kids so they have a good start to the day.

Friday Night Marine Mess is BBQ – so don't wear your dress whites. Saturday night Admiral's Banquet is formal – after five dress (now you can wear your whites). There is Pork Loin, Red Snapper or Roast Tenderloin. NO, repeat NO tickets will be sold at the door for the Admiral's Banquet. If you don't reserve early, you don't get in.

Prices vary depending on what you want to participate in. For the conference only it's \$30.00. Then goes up from there It is cheaper if you get a package deal – check the IC page <a href="www.ic2013.com">www.ic2013.com</a> for all information.

I have provided the addresses of each places and one night's stay for one person. I do advice you to get your reservations in for IC and the hotel of chose as early as you can since prices usually go up.

You may pass this information to anyone you know who might be interested.

Baymont Inn & Suites \$101.15 per night for one person

2310 W Northwest Hwy

Best Western \$71.99 per night for one person

2361 W. Northwest Hwy

Embassy Suites – Love Field \$143.65 per night for one person

3880 W. Northwest Hwy

La Quinta Inn & Suites \$115.00 per night for one person

2380 W Northwest Hwy

Royal Inn \$50-60 per night for one person

2030 W Northwest Hwy

Courtyard by Marriott \$79 per night for one person

2383 Stemmons

Ramada Dallas \$79 per night for one person

Ramada Dallas 1579 Regal Row

.. \$79 per night for one person

Springhill Suites

\$109 per night for one person

2363 Stemmons

The closest Red Roof Inn is in Richardson or near DFW.



Meetings for the *USS Regulator* are held every month at 1500hrs at Shady Oaks BBQ at Sand Shell & Hwy 35. Usually on the third Saturday of every month. For information contact CO Col. Tank Clark

at

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http://ussregulator.weebly.com/

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