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# *Regulator Charge!*

**Defending the Final Frontier**

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## Upcoming Crew Meetings & Activities

Oct 1 Landing Party: Fort Worth Aviation Museum  
Oct 22 Mirror, Mirror Month Meeting: Awards, Promotions  
Nov 5 Charity Dinner and Auction (see below)  
Nov 12 Landing Party: Build a Bear, Grapevine Mills Mall  
Landing Party: Game Day/Video Watching, Xpertek  
Nov 19 Regular Meeting  
Bring your shirt and \$11 so Glen can get logos  
Dec 17 Star Wars movie premiere

## 2017

Jan 21 Christmas/NY Party (Election Officer Selection)  
Feb 18 Ship's Meeting (Nominations Open)  
Mar 18 Ship's Meeting (Nominations Close)  
Apr 15 Aurora Alien Festival (first alien in TX)  
Apr 22 Ship's Meeting: KDT, Elections, Promotions, etc  
May 20 Ship's Meeting  
Jun 17 Ship's Meeting

All above meetings 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

October is here and the Regulator has lots of stuff going on. The awards, promotions and Mirror Month meeting will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of October to allow members to attend other functions. Hope to see a big turnout.

Remember to bring your Maroon or Black Polo shirts and money to give to Glen for embroidering. I look forward to seeing the crew all decked out in matching shirts!

By the time you read this there will have been an away mission to the Fort Worth Aviation Museum. I hope it is a success and we don't lose any redshirts.

Short and sweet this month. Keep on Trekin' and Live long and Prosper.

LLAP,  
Captain Michael Cross



## First Officer's Office

Time Flies Like an Arrow...

... and Fruit Flies like bananas. Okay, bad joke. Regardless, it's amazing how fast the days go by.

### Mirror, Mirror Month, Awards and Promotions Meeting

Our October meeting is fast approaching. *IF YOU WANT TO NOMINATE SOMEONE FOR AN AWARD (see below) CONTACT THE CAPTAIN REALLY, REALLY QUICKLY!*

This year we celebrate our 24<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a commissioned chapter in STARFLEET, the International Star Trek Fan Association, Inc. Last year, we moved our Mirror, Mirror Month to coincide with our fall awards/promotions celebration, too. So, here's what we're looking for:

Nominations for Chapter Awards

Check <http://ussregulator.weebly.com/chapter-awards.html> for a list of the awards, and what they're awarded for. We're especially looking for nominations for the Order of the Cylindrical Storage Vessel of Simians and the Member of the Year.

Nominations for STARFLEET Orders of Merit.

For these, visit <http://sfi.org/merit/>. Orders of Merit are awarded in three Classes, but we're mainly concerned with Third Class right now – these are the ones for recognition on the Chapter (that is to say, the USS Regulator) level. Depending on how long it takes STARFLEET to process these, they may not be available for award at the October meeting, but if you feel someone deserves recognition, please submit a nomination.

Remember, since this is our Mirror, Mirror Month, to wear your Mirror uniforms (if you have one), and please keep your phasers set to "Nerf."

### November Charity Dinner

On Saturday, 5 November, we're planning a \$40/plate (\$70/couple, \$25/child) dinner to raise money for our charities, the Wise County Committee on Aging (WCCA) & CARE (Center for Animal Research and Education). We'll be holding an auction as well; please contact me with your donations. The registration for this event is LIVE: send folks to <http://ussregulator.weebly.com/charities.html> for info (there's a link at the bottom of the page), or you can go to <https://goo.gl/forms/aqMfELUrbfay9cjT2> directly. I have a PDF hard-copy form, as well, but to pay, customers must go to the PayPal link (<https://www.paypal.me/VMFA333>), write a check, or give cash... and if they do one of those last two options, you'll need to get the money to me.

**THERE'S ONLY A MONTH LEFT!** More info as it comes; please plan on attending, if not helping.

### Build-A-Bear Landing Party/ Game Day

On 12 November, we'll be visiting a Build-a-Bear workshop to build Trek (and other) bears! Currently, we're looking at the Grapevine Mills Mall location, starting around 1100 hours.

Following, we'll be going to Irving to play games & watch videos with Perry, starting around 1300 hours (that's one in the afternoon, for those of you who don't know the military-style clock). This will be at 1825 W Walnut Hill Ln, Suite 104, Irving, TX 75038-4402, XPERTEK's current digs. I hope to see ya'll there!

### Star Wars: Rogue One

17 December is opening weekend for the latest Star Wars movie, and we're going to try to get a table set up for raising money for our charities (and awareness of us!) at the Texas Movie Bistro.

All this and regular ship meetings, too! Pretty awesome, eh? Come out & join us!

Respectfully,

Commodore Tank Clark, SFMD  
First Officer, USS *Regulator* NCC-2009

REGULATOR'S CHARGE



Rear Admiral

## Communications

This next month is our 24<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a meeting chapter. I might point out that this is a rare event. Most meeting ships don't last this long. And it is all due to our fantastic crew. Of course the staff has worked to make things fun for everyone to enjoy and that is why month after month and year after year, we all come back. Also remember it is awards month, so send

in your candidates to

Tank/Mike ASAP. And it is also Mirror, Mirror month and since we moved the date, the CO will be available for killing.

Reminder to bring your shirt in November that you want to have the logo put on. As well as your \$11 per shirt. Glen will take them to his embroider and get them done for us.

Liz Goulet, R.Admiral

Communications Officer, *USS Regulator*, NCC 2009

## Sick Bay

Time caught up to me.

Commander Tracy "Gleek" Clark, SFMD  
Chief Medical Officer, *USS Regulator*, NCC-2009



Commander



## Helm

*"I can't even count how many pints by now."*

## After Action Reports:

### FenCon

As usual, FenCon was great fun. Tracy and I were there, as well as Glen and Roon. I also encountered Jeremy Carsten, Kelly and Sarah Hays, Robyn Winans, and many other people whose names escape my memory. I took Gary the

Tribble with me, and he took the spotlight, as he usually does.

## Fort Worth Aviation Museum Landing Party

The museum opens at 0900, and by the time you see this, we will have been there and gone. I'll put a photo or two on the Facebook page of we intrepid few who were able to make it.

We still have lots of activities and events coming up soon, and I hope to see y'all there!

Releasing the parking brake!

Commodore Tank Clark, SFMD

Helmsman, *USS Regulator*, NCC-2009



## BOSUN (Chief in Charge)

### Flip Top Totals

Goulet Family is in the lead, so get those tabs to me at the next meeting.

**Special Note:** Please put your name and what group you want your flip tops to be counted for on your bag with the tops. If you **do not** put your name on it, you won't get credit- I will.

Alan Goulet, MCPO



## From the Flight Deck

VMA-333 "Phoenix Squadron"

Take a knee, Marines.

As the regularly scheduled Ship's Meeting has been moved back a week, this has freed my schedule so that I will be able, once again, to attend the Alliance Airport Airshow, this year held on the weekend of the 15<sup>th</sup> of October. In recent years, we've been able to send a landing party of three or four to this event, and I can highly recommend it. The static displays are always fun, the food is... well, it's ok... and the aircraft-watching is fantastic.

This year, the USAF Thunderbirds are scheduled to make an appearance, too. Visit <http://www.allianceairshow.com/> for more information. It's free to get in, but parking is \$30 per vehicle. So, if you want to go, perhaps we can get together somewhere and carpool?

Thank you all, and Carry on!

Brigadier General Tank Clark, SFMC, SFMD  
Officer-in-Charge, VMFA-333, "Phoenix Squadron"  
Never Give Up, Never Surrender!



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## Ship's Services

Oct birthdays:

Liz Goulet Oct 27

Renew Memberships with Fleet:

Everyone is renewed!!

Upcoming Movies:

- Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children: Sep 30
- Inferno: Oct 28
- Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them: Nov 18
- Dr Strange: Nov 5
- Star Wars Rogue One: Dec 17



## From the Deck 15 Horde

*(We're kalled the Klingon Krew)*

The IKV Melota hosted their annual Batleth tournament at Purvis Creek State Park in Eustace, TX, from September 30 through October 2. As usual, Kalamity and I were too occupied, but if any of you were able to go, I'd like to hear your report.

Citizens of Grapevine, beware! The Lone Star Warrior's Association, a loose affiliation of Klingons (and people friendly to Klingons) will be holding its next Good Day to Dine on Saturday, the 29th of October. The vote at the last GDtD was to do a Walkabout / lunch in Grapevine, Texas. (If you want to vote on where the next one will be, you need to attend in uniform.)

Sunday October 29th is the last Good Day to Dine (GDtD) for 2016 – we normally have a GDtD on the 5th Sunday, but as some of the more interesting sites in Historic Grapevine are not open on Sunday, we're doing this on Saturday.

*The term "walkabout" is commonly used to characterize indigenous Australian people as highly mobile over the short-term.*

The invasion is scheduled to begin at noon, exploring the historic area in downtown Grapevine; there is a glass blower (701 S. Main St. Ste 103, Grapevine, TX 76051), and a blacksmith (707 S. Main). We intend to be at Willhoite's Restaurant ([www.willhoites.com](http://www.willhoites.com)) at 1400 hours.

Our plans are to dine at 2pm at (Willhoite's Restaurant is located in Historic Downtown Grapevine, Texas at 432 S. Main Street). Be sure to bring friends! bring family! It Will Be A Good Day to Dine!!

For the Empire!

Klark, son of Konald





## Have Phaser, Will Travel!

As always, the monthly reminder: You should, when and as possible, be taking Ranger courses from STARFLEET Academy. You can get the lists of what you should take for each Grade (1 through 10) from the Publications page of the SFSO web site: <https://sfisfo.wordpress.com/publications/> There's a lot of stuff to learn, and it's fun. Do it! When you complete a grade, notify me, letting me know the dates you completed each course within the grade. I'll send it up through my chain of command, and get you certified. Easy-peasy. Completing Grade Two earns you the Major Hayes ribbon. Now, on with the game stuff...

Last month we talked about Goblinoid Games' *Mutant Future*. This month, let's talk about a supplement for *Labyrinth Lord/Advanced Companion*, called *Rabbits and Rangers: Cartoon Animals for Fantasy Gaming (R&R)*. As is true of many of my games, I acquired this from DriveThruRPG.com.

Remember Disney's Robin Hood animated movie, in which Prince John and King Richard were lions, Robin and Marion were foxes, Little John was a bear, and so forth? This is like that. As I've mentioned before, *Labyrinth Lord's Advanced Companion* rules are very similar to *AD&D First Edition*. *R&R* gives rules for playing various anthropomorphic animals (like in Robin Hood) in an otherwise "standard" fantasy role-playing game. You could have a Badger thief, a Tiger paladin, an Owl cleric, or even a Mouse Magic-User.

Each species has unique benefits and penalties. Some are Small, some Medium, some Large. Ability scores in a logical fashion, and many species have armor class bonuses. The Coyote, for example, has his armor class improved by one point – because he's "Wily." There's some wonderful new spells – like, for example:

*AHKME'S CATALOG (LEVEL: I-1 OR M-1)*

*DURATION: SPECIAL*

*RANGE: SPECIAL*

*LITTLE IS KNOWN ABOUT THE MYSTERIOUS WIZARD OR CONCLAVE OF WIZARDS KNOWN AS AHKME, EXCEPT THEY MAKE REALLY USEFUL STUFF. BY MEANS OF THIS SPELL, A MAGIC-USER OR SUB-CLASS MAY SEND A MISSIVE (AND AT LEAST 25 GP) BY WAY OF A SMALL MAGIC BIRD TO THE HIDDEN LABORATORY OF AHKME. THE MESSAGE DESCRIBES A PROBLEM AND ASKS THE GENIUS (OR GENIUSES) OF AHKME TO SEND AN ITEM TO HELP DEAL WITH IT. THE BIRD TAKES 1D6 TURNS TO FLY BACK TO THE CASTER, BEARING A PACKAGE FROM AHKME. THE CONTENTS OF THE PACKAGE WILL VARY WILDLY DEPENDING ON THE NEED OF THE CASTER, PER THE RANDOM TABLE BELOW. THE PLAYER SHOULD ROLL 1D20 ON THE TABLE, ADDING +1 FOR EVERY ADDITIONAL 25 GP SENT. THE MAGIC BIRD CAN CARRY AN INFINITE AMOUNT OF GOLD.*

## RABBITS & RANGERS

Cartoon Animals for Fantasy Gaming

By J.V. West



There's a good number of guidelines on hit dice adjustments, based on the Animal's size and type. The book does not offer any advice on class restrictions, nor on multi-class restrictions, which means that the game master gets to make some great decisions for his own game.

I don't know when I'll have the time to play this, but I'm really looking forward to it!

Grab some dice, and let's start killin' some goblins = er, I mean Snakes...

*Sum non Satis?*

Commodore Tank Clark, SFMD  
Team Leader, 33<sup>rd</sup> STARFLEET Rangers ("The Paladins")  
"Have Phaser, Will Travel"

## AHKME DELIVERY TABLE

d20 Roll	Package Contains
Up to 2	The package explodes upon opening, dealing 1d6 rounds of stunning damage. A cloud of smoke forms the word "cheapskate".
3-4	A note comes attached to a rock. The note reads "Just throw this, cheapskate".
5-11	Ahkme sends a rudimentary single-use magic item vaguely fitting the needs of the caster. It is not impressive and fails on a 4 in 6 with a loud bang.
12-14	Ahkme sends a proper magic item fitting the needs of the caster that can be used 1 time. It fails on a 3 in 6 with a loud bang.
15-17	As above, but the item can be used 1d3 times. It fails on a 2 in 6 with a loud bang.
18-19	As above, but the item is custom-designed for the specific purpose the caster has in mind. It fails on a 1 in 6 with a loud bang.
20+	As above, and the item cannot fail. Includes a coupon scroll for 5 gp off the next purchase.

Meetings for the *USS Regulator* are held every month  
(Usually on the third Saturday)  
at 1500hrs at  
Shady Oaks Barbeque  
6364 Sandshell Drive  
(Near I-35W and Western Center Blvd)



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