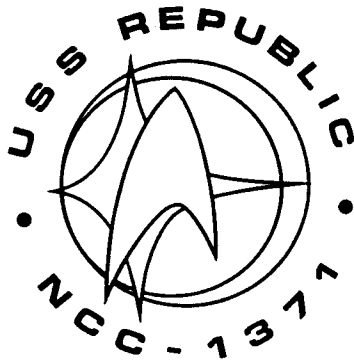


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Notes from Number 1

I wish to thank Captain Vosper, the Staff and the finest crew in **STARFLEET** for their diligence and dedication during these trying times. Due to the short duration of this refit, I feel the ship is well on its way to regaining its former glory, and to once again becoming the finest ship in Region 2. This excellent progress is due to the positive attitudes of the membership. I want to thank all of you - job **WELL DONE** and Warp speed ahead! Hailing frequencies Closed.

Commander Keith B. Rodgers, 1st Officer
USS REPUBLIC
NCC-1371

Awards

Janet Green passed OTS and has been promoted to Ensign.

Keith Rodgers was promoted to Commander, effective 9107.31. **Stephen Stevers** has passed the SFA Security School Exam with honors! **WELL DONE** Stephen!

Edmund Trafford passed OTS and has also been promoted to Ensign. Congratulations to all.

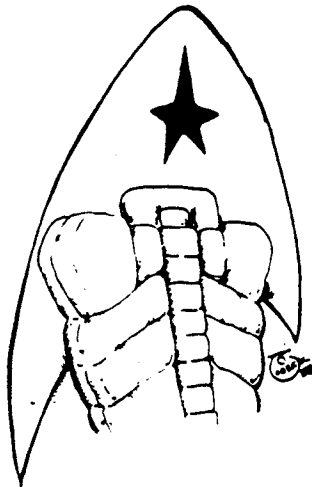
Announcing - the

NEW LOGO CONTEST

(quoted from the July Region 2
Regional Update)

It was recently suggested that the time has come for a new Regional logo, so it's time to go back to the drawing board. Submissions will be accepted up until December 15th and the entries will be printed in the January issue of the *Regional Update*, which will also include a voting ballot. The winner will be unveiled prior to the spring Vulkan. So sharpen those pencils and Good Luck!

FROM THE CENTER SEAT



In keeping with my leadership philosophy that there is no such thing as too much communication, here is another newsletter. **And to the REPUBLIC** will be published on the first of each month from now on. Last month's newsletter went out to all fifty-four chapter members and to twenty other Region 2 Starship Captains. We welcome your submissions of articles, book reports, stories, news, gossip, etc. The deadline for submissions is the Sunday evening at least one week prior to the publication date.

Sixteen of you have received membership renewals from us as well. I hope you will respond promptly, since we cannot have a growing Starship without our old members' renewals.

The department heads have formed a chapter-wide telephone net, and by now should have contacted all of you personally. They are also calling old members who have left the **REPUBLIC**, many of which have decided to take another look at us.

If anyone has not been contacted by phone, please call me at 814-1308 some evening. Let's get acquainted!

We now have a bank account with **\$145.00**. A preliminary bank statement appears in this issue. **Janet Green** has agreed to be our **new Secretary-Treasurer**, and will be attending our staff meetings from now on.

We have picked up (and paid for) the ship's display table, along with some beautiful new cabinetry. This display will look great at the public events that the club attends. Thanks to **Security Chief Neil Fuller** for lending us his van for the trip - twice.

That same day was our August 17th general meeting. After some very brief announcements, we continued reading from the screen play *Star Trek VI: the Klingon Plague*. We hope to finish in September. There was an encouraging 50% increase in attendance. At 1:30 we adjourned to the Mall food fair for lunch.

Speaking of public events, **Paramount** is staging "the Marathon" (Sit Long and Prosper) - a one day showing of all five ST movies at the **UA Lenox Square** theatre, on Saturday, September 7th.

The **USS REPUBLIC** and the **Klingon Assault Group (KAG)** will each have their own display/recruiting tables there. Let me thank those of you who have already volunteered to stand watches at the table. We have enough

volunteers, however if you have not volunteered and you have a ST uniform of any kind, please give Keith or myself a call.

A hearty greeting to our new Science Officer **Jon-Paul Estes**. Jon-Paul is an intelligent fellow who I am sure can come up with all of the answers required by the Command. Those that he cannot, he can probably get from his wife ship's Councillor **Karen Estes**.

The August 24th picnic at Stone Mountain was a great success, and was attended by twenty members. A wonderful time was had by all. Keith and **Bill (Tony) Knopes** got there early and saved us an ideal spot. **Neil Fuller** shot some video there, which we will try to show at the general meeting on September 7th.

We have submitted our monthly report to **STARFLEET** Region 2 Coordinator Deborah Nelson, and she was very impressed. A **WELL DONE** to all staff members, for helping pull this ship back together in such a short period of time.

We now have a supply of **STARFLEET** Academy vouchers. Academy schools no longer accept any money, only vouchers. The vouchers will be available for \$3.00 apiece at each meeting. We also have new SFA applications.

Let me take this opportunity to give special thanks to our First Officer Commander **Keith B. Rodgers**, who has worked tirelessly this last month running the ship and making both the ship and its Captain look good. It gives me a warm feeling to have such a reliable officer at my back. **WELL DONE** Keith!

Keith and I have applied to SFA for the Officer's Command College course - a requirement for our certification as the **REPUBLIC's** commanders. Due to its recent troubles, **STARFLEET HQ** is still uneasy about the stability of the **REPUBLIC**. The staff and the membership needs to do everything possible to impress SFHQ of their enthusiasm and of their dedication to the success of **STARFLEET** in the Atlanta area.

As you can tell, the staff has been doing a lot of work in your behalf. Please do us all a favor and participate! Come to the general meetings, and visit us at the Lenox recruiting table. And bring a friend. We need for the word to get out to other Trekkers that we are **BACK** and we are the **BEST**. Remember - we can only succeed with your help, financial support and participation.

Steady as she goes -
Ahead Full Impulse.

Cmdr. David W. Vosper,
Commanding Officer, elect
USS REPUBLIC NCC-1371

Roster Changes

1. The former Karen Sutton is the same as **Karen Estes**.
2. Sherry Randolph is now **Sherry Jordan**.
3. **Leon Lord's** phone number is 473-4431
4. The following Athens members were inadvertently omitted from the August roster:

Clark, Janine	(404) 613-9884
Horton, Leila	(404) 548-5759
Tatum, Bill	(404) 886-9404
Totter, Paula	(404) 549-7699

Schedule Changes

1. September 7th - Georgia Public TV Telethon - **Canceled.**
2. September 7th - **Regular general meeting** - Fernbank Science Center, 12 noon.
3. September 7th - **Display/Recruiting table, UA Lenox Square theatre 12PM-10PM.**
4. September 29th - **ST:TNG 5th Season premier** - Post Brookhaven Apartments, Atlanta, 6 PM. We may start earlier at 1 PM or 5 PM to show other Klingon episodes. Consult your Department head late in September. **Call 814-1308 for directions.**

DIVISION REPORTS

CHAPLAIN/COUNSELOR Lt. [j.g.] KAREN ESTES

Greetings!! I am your ship's Chaplain/Counselor. I am also a member of the **STARFLEET** Chaplain/Counselor corps. It is my duty to make sure that all of you are having **fun!!!!** Most of you probably know me as Karen Sutton, but the name changed on June first with my marriage to our new Science Officer, Jon-Paul. I also make a report to the Regional Chaplain/Counselor. If you have anything that you want to say to her or any questions about the corps let me know and I will include it in my report. Dr. Sharp CC. always answers promptly. I hope everything is well with you!!!!

Your ship's chaplain-

Karen Estes, CH/CNS

COMMUNICATIONS LCdr. DAN CARSON

Hailing frequencies open...

Boy, this sure has been a banner month both for me and for the club at large. As for the main activity of the Communications department, you are looking at it. This is the first regular edition of *And to the REPUBLIC*. It may not boast all of the features I mentioned in the previous ATTR, but I am sure it is on its way to being the best publication in all of Region 2.

Secondly, the **REPUBLIC's** phone network is up and running. All of the department heads are busily calling everyone in their divisions regarding upcoming meetings and activities. For instance, most everybody by now has heard about the ship's participation at the **STAR TREK** movie marathon at the **Lenox Square** theatre on September 7th. If you haven't, please contact your division officer for details.

We have not done much in the way of recruitment yet. However, the **REPUBLIC** is setting up a recruiting table at the theatre in conjunction with the movie marathon.

Speaking of recruitment, I would like to know if there is someone out there who has any ideas about how to design some recruiting posters that we could hang in shop windows, or one big poster we could display along with our **STARFLEET** logo at our chapter display table. If have any ideas, or would like to help with recruiting, please give me a call at 633-1561.

Ed: Dan is you newsletter editor. You may submit newsletters articles to him by mail, or via computer modem. DWV

ENGINEERING LCdr. WILLIAM KNOPE

Engineering division has been busy in August. Division Chief badges were completed and sent to **Captain Jeff Jones** of the **USS PARAMOUNT** in Birmingham. Work is also being done on more badges for the **REPUBLIC** - some from scratch, some just redone.

We are also working on the rank and division buttons that have become so popular at the Cons.

Ideas are being collected for our convention display at **Vulkon** in February. The current display has proven to be heavy and unwieldy. All persons interested in helping with the display, or who are interested in any other engineering projects should contact me at 424-5926.

MEDICAL GAIL FULLER

The Chief Medical Officer dispensed medicinal beverages at the **REPUBLIC's** room party at the Atlanta Fantasy Fair, and collected a fair number of donations in exchange.

The department sent a fan letter to **Deforest Kelley** in behalf of the club on August 16th. We invited Dee to visit us sometime, or at least keep in touch.

All Medical Department personnel were telephoned in an effort to reorganize, and to inform them of the

club's upcoming activities.

We are working to put together a first aid kit to take on club trips.

The picnic at Stone Mountain was a success, with only one casualty Dawn, my daughter slid down a hill side on her knee. No permanent damage was done, and she is fine now.

The department has been assigned the task of obtaining communicators for chapter use when on away teams like at Stone Mountain.

Any medical personnel who have still not been contacted, please report to the Chief Medical Officer at 994-1833.

SCIENCES JON-PAUL ESTES

Greetings! I am **Jon-Paul Estes** (yes, I am related to the beautiful and charming **Karen Estes**—she's my wife!), and I am your new ship's Science Officer. As such, I am here to make sure that all of you are kept informed in case of a Romulan (or other enemy) attack (ex., type of enemy, weaknesses, shield strength of enemy, how many more hits our ship can take, etc.). Well, since we are not likely to run across any attacks of that kind in the near future, I will also be handling the "recycling of aluminum cans" project.

Since my personal interests involve multimedia, desktop video, and computer graphics, I thought that an excellent project for the ship would be to try to produce our own **Star Trek** episode. Seeing as how the Captain has shared his own script for *Star Trek VI* with us at the meetings, I thought that this would be a

(science report continued)

great place to start. However, if others of you out there are budding writers with scripts or story ideas of your own, please let me know.

STARFLEET is putting together a library of videos from different ships. Combine the special effects that I and a few others can do on the computer with the talent that is just bursting from the crew of this ship, and I just know that we can have the best video of any ship (and have a lot of fun making it!).

SECURITY NEIL FULLER

The Security department assisted in supplying and keeping order at the club's room party at the **Atlanta Fantasy Fair**.

This has been a very eventful month - a new Captain and a largely new Staff, myself included.

Security helped transport the ship's display table and new cabinetry to the First Officer's residence. I have also been busy contacting present and former members of the Security department.

I would like to recognize **Stephen Stevers** for graduating with honors from the SFA School of Security. I am appointing him Assistant Chief of Security.

Security had primary responsibility for the Stone Mountain picnic, which was a great success. Thank all of you who came out and enjoyed it with us. I took some great videos, which we will show at the next meeting.

I plan to lead an away team to Vulkan in St. Petersburg, FL, November 22-24, 1991. Please contact me if you would like to share a ride.

Remember - your continued participation in the club's events are critical to the club's success.

BRINGING YOU
THE 23RD CENTURY
TODAY



NEWS NOTES - The Weekly Star Trek News Column Edited by Jim Shaun Lyon (72571,3002) and Dave Vosper. Copyright 1991 by JSL and CompuServe Information Service

The following is an installment of "News Notes", a feature that is now circulated in the SF/Fantasy Forum Section each Friday. All news is based upon fact (when rumor is consulted it is marked as a RUMOR, which will rarely happen).

Gates McFadden has had her baby. Named **James Cleveland McFadden-Talbot**, the nine pound, one half ounce birth to Gates and her boyfriend, **John C. Talbot**, was born June 10.

According to *Hollywood Hotline*, the music of all five Star Trek films will be put together in a compilation this year, to be released on CD this fall. It's called *The Astral Symphony*.

Daily Variety confirmed yesterday **Patrick Stewart's** tour of "A Christmas Carol," which will hit several cities before ending up on **Broadway from December 17-31**. No word on the other cities that the tour will hit.

Star Trek has tied "Wheel of Fortune" as all-time successful syndicated series, according to *Variety*. This bodes well for the future of ST:TNG, no matter the cost... ST:TNG will be reaching the home video market - again - this fall when **Paramount Home Video** releases

"Farpoint", "The Naked Now" and "Code of Honor." They will be full stereo cassettes with teasers for the following episode. (Columbia House Video is already packaging "Special Edition" cassettes.)

Writers Hilary J. Bader, Susan Sackett & Fred Bronson, Larry J. Conley and Eric Stillwell have sold scripts to ST:TNG for season five.

GNP Crescendo has released a follow up "Next Generation" album featuring Ron Jones' music from "The Best of Both Worlds," Parts One and Two.

Filming of *STAR TREK VI: THE UNDISCOVERED COUNTRY* has been completed. African model Iman ("No Way Out") plays Martia, a shapeshifting alien, while actor Kurtwood Smith ("True Believer," "Oscar") plays the Federation President. Kim Cattrall ("Mannequin," "Big Trouble in Little China") is Valerius, and Christopher Plummer ("The Sound of Music") is Klingon General Chang.

Personality Comics has just released - via comic form, of course - the first in a series of Star Trek unauthorized biographies, featuring William Shatner. One for Patrick Stewart is next on their list, followed by others in the "Trek" set. Probe may be scheduled for a January release after all; Pocket Books has neither confirmed nor denied it. The *ST:TNG Technical Manual* has been delayed for a November release, while the 25th Anniversary book by Gene Roddenberry and Susan Sackett has also been delayed, until the end of the year (problems with one of the actors portrayed in the book).

ST:TNG received TEN Emmy

nominations this week:

- (1) Cinematography, Series, for Marvin Rush, "Family";
 - (2) Art Direction, Series, for Richard James and Jim Mees, "Best of Both Worlds Pt. 2";
 - (3) Music Composition, Series, for Dennis McCarthy, "Half a Life";
 - (4) Costume Design, Series, for Bob Blackman, "Devil's Due";
 - (5) Makeup, Series, for Michael Westmore, June Abston Haymore, Gerald Quist and Michael Mills, "Brothers";
 - (6) Makeup, Series (second nom.) for Westmore, Haymore, Quist, Edward French, Jill Rockow and Gil Mosko, "Identity Crisis";
 - (7) Sound Editing, Series, for James Wolvington, Mace Matiosian, William Wistrom, Dan Yale, Wilson Dyer, Tomi Tomita and Gerry Sackman, "The Best of Both Worlds Part Two";
 - (8) Special Visual Effects, Series, Robert Legato, Gary Hutzel, David Takemura, Mike Okuda, Don Greenberg, Erik Nash, Steve Price, Syd Dutton, Robert Stromberg and Bill Taylor, "The Best of Both Worlds Part One";
 - (9) Special Visual Effects, Series, for Legato, Hutzel, Takemura, Okuda, Nash, Price, Dutton, Taylor and Pat Clancey, "The Best of Both Worlds Part Two";
 - (10) Sound Mixing, Series, for Alan Bernard, Doug Davey, Chris Haire and Richard Morrison, "The Best of Both Worlds Part Two".
- Interestingly enough, "BOBW Pt. One" received a Special Visual Effects



nomination even though it's part of Third Season. **Diana Muldaur** (ex-Pulaski) received a Best Actress nomination for "LA Law", while **Whoopi Goldberg** (Guinan) received a Guest Actress, Comedy Series nomination for an appearance on "A Different World". **ST:TNG** was the third place winner for the number of nominations.

Wil Wheaton will be returning to **ST:TNG** for two cameo appearances next season, one of which will be written by **Susan Sackett**. (ed: Why?)

STAR TREK VI may be in for a little bit of a ride. Rumors from the set abound that **Paramount** wishes to refilm a few scenes to leave a possible **TREK VII** open, and the end of **TREK VI** doesn't really do that. Nothing definite yet.

Speaking of **TREK VI**, the special effects departments of **ILM** are now underway finalizing much of the footage they've been set to do. Among their achievements will be the **Enterprise** and **Excelsior**, a Klingon vessel, a shapeshifting alien, planets galore and more. Director Meyer is assisting in some work.

A new **Star Trek** computer game will be released September 15th. "Will combine 'Wing Commander'-like flight sequences with **Sierra**-style planetary explorations". Previous computer games have proven to be been unimpressive.

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Minutes from Staff Meeting

Stardate 9108.07, 8:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE:

David Vosper, President

Keith B. Rodgers

Willaim Knopes

Dan Carson

Neil Fuller

Gail Fuller

8:00 - Meeting opened by **Keith B. Rodgers**.

1. DIVISION REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

a. **ENGINEERING: Willaim Knopes** - Badges are being worked on for **Jeff Jones** of the **USS PARAMOUNT**.

b. **SECURITY: Neil Fuller** - Will be doing work on a logo display.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT, **David Vosper, President, STARFLEET ATLANTA**

a. Rough draft for newsletter was passed around for proofreading and approval. Staff voted not to include staff reports for this month's newsletter.

b. Phone list passed around and phone network established.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Vulkon** coming to Atlanta in February. **USS REPUBLIC** has been asked to be the host chapter. **1992 Region Two Conference** will possibly be here.

9:45 - Meeting closed by **David Vosper**.
REPORTED BY William Knopes
Acting Secretary

Minutes from Staff Meeting
Stardate 9108.14, 8:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE:

David W. Vosper
Keith B. Rodgers
Willaim Knopes
Dan Carson
Neil Fuller
Gail Fuller
Karan Estes
John-Paul Estes

8:10 - Meeting opened by **David Vosper**.
New membership applications and
agendas are distributed.

1. **Keith Rodgers** was appointed
recording secretary for the meeting. It was
decided to ask **Janet Green** to become
club Yeoman/Secretary.

2. **Wachovia Bank** has agreed to open a
checking account for the club. Official club
minutes, appointing **David Vosper** and
Keith Rodgers are necessary for the
application. **Bill Knopes** submitted
minutes for staff meetings on 9107.31 and
9108.07. Bill agreed to type same on
STARFLEET stationary for submission
to the bank.

OLD BUSINESS - **Keith Rodgers** is
given the chair.

3. **REPUBLIC Shuttles** - It is agreed
that David will talk to **STARFLEET**
Regional Coordinator about the shuttles
INEVITABLE and **MAKO** in Athens and
Macon, GA, respectively. **Bill Knopes**
volunteered to contact the shuttle's
commanders.

4. **REPUBLIC** dues for families - the
following dues schedule is agreed upon:
a. **\$12.50 individual**

- b. **\$20.00 family of two**
 - c. **\$22.00 family of three or more**
5. Stone Mountain Picnic -
- a. Location: Stone Mountain State park
 - b. Date : Aug. 24th at 12 noon
 - c. Meeting Place : Railroad Station
 - d. Neil to decide logistics for recycling.
 - e. Announce picnic at 9108.17 general meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Treasury Report - **David Vosper**
- a. The treasury contains approximately **\$10.00**. The only debts are the club's obligation to send newsletters to members.
 - b. The club is obligated to send newsletters to approximately 50 members. The total 'promised' membership is 206 member/months. At \$.50 per newsletter per member, this obligation totals \$103.00.
 - c. Case in point: **Tome Lawhorn** - paid the **REPUBLIC** \$20.00 for **STARFLEET** and **REPUBLIC** membership in September, 1990. He got two newsletters and no **STARFLEET** membership package. At least four other member's are in similar situations. Others still are unknown.

- d. New procedure: the **REPUBLIC** will collect only **REPUBLIC** dues. **STARFLEET dues will be send directly to SFHQ by the member.**

- e. **David Vosper** contributes **\$100.00** to the Treasury to open club checking account and to balance club obligations.

- f. It was suggested that we have a donation box at the general meetings.

- g. Put on next meeting's agenda - review membership rates in light of club obligations.

7. 9108.17 General meeting at Fernbank -

- a. We have reserved a 16 person classroom for the meeting. Overflow

attendees will adjourn to the shelter area along the nature trail.

b. Rooms of sufficient size must be reserved at least two weeks in advance. Neil/Security Dept. will be responsible for this.

8. Old REPUBLIC Rules and By-Laws - a copy was passed around for inspection. The disposition of the document was tabled for the next meeting.

9. Regional Patch/Logo Competition -

a. David read the announcement. b. Announcement will be reprinted in the September newsletter.

10. Newsletter-

a. **David Vosper - Editor-in-Chief**
b. **Communications Officer Dan Carson - Editor**
c. **Janet Green - Assistant Editor**
d. Various release schedules are discussed.

e. David decides to **publish a full newsletter monthly.**

f. Will be published on the first of the month.

g. **Division reports and other articles are due the Sunday evening, one week before the newsletter publishing date.**

h. Editorial meeting will be held the Wednesday before the publishing date.

11. Club business cards and stationary - table till next meeting.

12. Club Display table and new cabinets-

a. Will pick up from Zac Jordan on Saturday morning 9/10/87.

b. David will pay \$30.00 balance due.

13. Deforest Kelley -

a. CMO Gail reads fan letter from club.

b. It is agreed to put it on the word processor after the meeting for editing by CMO, CO and Councilor.

b. **Personnel records** - yellow membership and blue renewal card records **are incomplete.**

c. Old member data and phone numbers are available.

d. All department heads are to review the records and pick out what concerns their departments.

15. STARFLEET Vessel Registry -

a. David wrote **STARFLEET Executive Committee** to correct errors in CO and ship's NCC number.

16. Monthly Chapter report to STARFLEET - filed 9/10/87 by David for August.

17. Membership expirations - 10 in August, 6 in September.

18. Telephone network -

a. Rosters are distributed.

b. Memberships lists sorted by ZIP code are distributed.

c. Department heads are asked to choose members to call.

19. New Science Officer - Jon-Paul Estes accepts the post.

JAMES DOOHAN

will appear on the QVC cable TV home shopping channel show 'Collector's Corner' on Saturday, September 11th. 10-12 P.M. Jimmy will be pitching various Star Trek collectable items. Set your VCR for this one, and share it with us at a meeting sometime. Check your cable guide for exact times.