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The STARFLEET Academy Newsletter



Introduction by the Commandant

Hello, and welcome to the first issue of STARFLEET Academy's very own Newsletter! We at the Academy decided that, with all of the changes/enhancements/updates that are constantly taking place within the Academy, that it would be best to have this information readily available for the membership. So...we have created our Newsletter. Under the publishing skills of Abe Smith, I am sure that this Newsletter will be a wealth of knowledge to many of you in STARFLEET. We will be running a contest to name the Newsletter, which Abe will discuss more in this issue.

In the Newsletter, we will be going over any and all changes to Academy policy/guidelines, as well as any changes to the Academy structure. We will also be publishing Academy graduates, and any new additions to the curriculum. Future ideas also include Academy-related articles, as well as interviews of Academy personnel. If you have some ideas on what you would like to see in the Newsletter, please let us know.

With the creation of the Newsletter, we have also revived the Academy Alumni Association. S. Adam Day has been chosen to head up this project. The Alumni Association is a section of the Academy that focuses on our graduates. With this program, we at the Academy plan to have enhancements and special "incentives" specifically designed for those who enjoy expanding their Academy experience.



Adam will go more into details on this new program in the very near future.

At this time, I would like to remind all students that, if they ever have any issues/problems/concerns with a specific Director and/or College, that there is an actual Chain of Command to go through for this. For issues with a Director/College, please notify the appropriate Institute Dean. For issues with a Dean/Institute, please notify the Vice-Commandant - Administration, Carol Thompson. For issues that are not Academic-related (Scholarship, Website, Awards, etc.), please notify the Vice-Commander - Support Services, Greg Staylor. Of course, if all else fails, or if it is a severe issue, please feel to come to me and discuss.

We at the Academy strive to ensure that the Academy is meeting (if not exceeding) the expectations of our students. If we are not doing this, then we need to know about it, so the problem(s) can be

resolved. The Academy is not happy unless the membership as a whole is happy with it.

I and my Staff are at the disposal of you, the membership. If you ever need to contact us, please feel free to do so:

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Once again, welcome to our Newsletter. Please give us your thoughts on future issues, so that we may give you the best possible Newsletter possible!

In Service,

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From the Editor

As Wayne has already said, welcome to what will be the first of hopefully many issues of the STARFLEET Academy newsletter.

I would like to apologize for the abruptness with which this issue was published. Wayne wanted to get the first issue published as soon as possible, so we had to rush to get this one out the door. The original publication date was meant to be on the 1st of November, but that proved to be a little too rushed.

I can't promise that the

structure and the content of this newsletter will stay the same, as I am waiting for you the reader to decide what you would like to see here. I am open to suggestions and would love to hear your feedback. One thing that will most likely change in the next couple of issues will be the title of this newsletter. You can read below more on this contest.

At this time I would like to announce the next newsletter will be out on December 15th. This will get us caught up for this year (and this administration). Submissions deadlines for the December newsletter will be December 1st.

I can't make the call what the next administration will want, but if I stay on in this position, the next newsletter would be out in February, then April, June, August, October, December.

If you have any questions or would like to talk about doing a recurring article, please contact me privately. I'm also looking for anyone with artistic ability that would commit to doing a comic strip/panel for the newsletter with a Starfleet Academy theme.

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Name the Newsletter Contest

Is *ex astra, scientia* a little too boring a title for you? Then help come up with what will be the new title for the STARFLEET Academy Newsletter.

Email your ideas to N_star99@yahoo.com by

December 8th to be considered.

If your entry is chosen as the new title you win the following:

- A blurb about YOU in the next newsletter

- Seeing your title adorn the top of our little newsletter
- And a special prize!

Fine Print:

The judges will be whomever I can push into 'volunteering'. All entries become the property of STARFLEET Academy. Only one coupon valid per customer. Not valid on Andoria, Ceti Alpha V, or parts of the Q Continuum.

Academy Alumni Association

Welcome to STARFLEET Academy's newsletter! The newsletter will be used as a showcase for the Academy while at the same time serving as a one stop information center for those who need information on, or about the Academy. The Alumni Association will be providing such information as a complete list of graduates for each institute, as well as an updated listing of graduates of OTS and OCC,

the largest and most popular schools in the Academy. The Alumni Association while in its infancy now, will be expanding upon its tasks in the coming months, and do more than just offer completed graduate lists. The Association will work to serve as a common denominator in bringing members of STARFLEET together as we all realize we have a common interest... the pursuit of education or knowledge.

Captain S. Adam Day
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Carol Thompson also heads the **Academy Degree Program** and would like to congratulate the following students on completing their Academy Degrees

*Christopher Bayonet
Associate of Alien Studies*

*Christopher Bayonet
Associate of Sci-Tech*

*Glen Diebold
Doctorate of Military Sci
& Science-Tech*

*Larry French
Doctorate of Command & Fed
Studies*

*Richard Hewitt
Bachelor of Fed Studies*

*Richard Hewitt
Bachelor of Sci-Fi Studies*

*Teri Lotta
Master of Fed Studies*

*Douglas Mayo
Master of Fed Studies*

*Sean Niemeyer
Doctorate of Command
& Intel*

*Sean Niemeyer
Doctorate of Military Science*

*Truman Temple
Doctorate of Fed Studies*

*Truman Temple
Doctorate of Command*

*Truman Temple
Doctorate of Intel Military Sci-
ence*

*Truman Temple Doctorate of
Sci-Fi Studies*

From the Vice-dant, Administration

What does a Vice do?

My job is to Mother Hen the Institutes and Colleges, to see to the smooth operation of the academic side of Starfleet Academy. I field questions and concerns from students, directors and deans. I am a member of the Course Development Committee, which gives final approval for new Colleges and exams and places them into the appropriate Institute. I help add courses to the SFI database and the database behind the Academy's website. In other words, I help where I can.

News for August and September 2007:

The months of August and September saw the opening of several colleges and one program:

The College of Intelligence in Science-Fiction was retooled from the former College of Intelligence in Trek to include Intelligence and Espionage exams from movies and episodes of science-fiction outside of Star Trek.

The College of Parallel Studies is in the beta-testing phase. Once this phase is completed, the College will go on to the Course Development Committee for ap-

proval. Look for this College sometime in October. The College will be directed by Abe Smith and will cover theories of parallel universes as presented in Science Fiction.

The College of Bond, James Bond opened under the directorship of Dennis Rayburn. Bond fans will find these exams challenging as well as entertaining. The College will add exams in groups of 5, in general order of release.

The Academy Degree Program is the result of many people planning over several administrations to offer a degree program that allows a member to earn personal degrees in a program similar to that of a University. As with any new program, it is expected that the ADP will evolve and change to meet the needs of the members.

Accessibility Projects

Project Audioexam was instituted due to the number of requests we have had from people desiring their exams in audio format. At this time, the project is in its early stages, as we determine who will participate in the development of

downloadable audio files.

Ron Novak, Dean of ILS, has been converting the leadership exams and materials into PDF text-only format to enable students to use a reader program that will read the material aloud. Once the leadership materials are completed, the project will extend to the other Institutes.

Election Hopefuls:

On the Ueffing/Halber ticker Carol Thompson is the candidate for SFA Commandant.

On the Plant/Devine ticket Wayne Killough is the candidate for SFA Commandant.

On the Lizard/Halverson ticket Peg Pellerin is the candidate for SFA Commandant. Peg recently rejoined the Academy to take over the Vulcan Orientation College.

The candidate for Academy Commandant on the Olsen/Berenberg ticket is undeclared at this time.

Adm. Carol Thompson
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Kudos from the Dean

I would like to acknowledge the school and colleges of the Institute of Science and Technology:

Adm. Barbara Paul, College of Archaeology and Anthropology

Capt. Jeff Davis, College of Engineering

Capt. Jeffrey Salamon, College of Online Chat (and also

developing a rocketry program)

Capt. Judith Waidlich, College of Temporal Physics

Radm. Wayne Lee Killough, Jr., Starfleet Academy College of Medicine

Adm. Carolyn Donner and Radm. Gary Donner, Starfleet Officers Radio School

Capt. Gloria Hanson, Vulcan Academy of Science

For their dedication and excellent service to the students of Starfleet Academy .

Adm. Sharon Ann Clark-Dean, IOST
Director, College of Computer History

Academy Interview

This is the first of a series of articles for the newsletter. I am going to be interviewing members of the staff for STARFLEET Academy to give you the reader a little more insight into the command staff.

First up is Admiral Carol Thompson, Vice-Commandant of Administration among many other things. She took time out of busy day to do a brief interview with me on IRC.

<ajs> - Abe Smith
<Alaska_Hermit> - Carol Thompson

<ajs> Ok, those of us that work in the Academy know that you wear many hats. Can you describe some of your daily duties?

<Alaska_Hermit> Well, Abe, As a director, I first print out the returned exams I receive every morning and stack them for grading in the evening. I then address any inquiries from directors and students that come my way. If there is any database entry to do for a director, I do that as well. Then if there is time, I am usually writing a course for someone.

<ajs> Ok, as the Vice-Dant of the Academy, what do you find as the most challenging of your duties?

<Alaska_Hermit> The most challenging aspect in my job, and one that I thoroughly enjoy, is finding solutions to problems that students and directors pass my way.

<ajs> How long have you been involved in STARFLEET Academy?

<Alaska_Hermit> I think I wrote my first course in 1995, under the encouragement of Bjo Trimble and Helen Pawlowski. That was for the College of Survival Studies.

<ajs> As a candidate for the Commandant position on one of the CS tickets, can you tell us some of the ideas that you have for the Academy if your team wins?

<Alaska_Hermit> I have to laugh at this, because nearly every one of my ideas has taken root in THIS administration. One idea that I would like to see really grow is the accessibility program so that students with any kind of disability can take our exams. Another pet project of mine that took off before its time is the revival of the Alumnus Association. I am happy to say that the AA is starting off very well and I hope to see it expand in the next administration.

<ajs> You recently released the Academy Degree program, can you tell us a little about that, and how long you worked on it?

<Alaska_Hermit> I cannot take much credit for the Academy Degree Program. Several people in previous administrations developed it before I did. I simply took what they had written, added some of my own ideas, then had the staff from both SFA and SFMCA take a look at it. It is still being adjusted as people apply for degrees.

The ADP is an academy-wide program that I like to think is a big brother to the Vessel Readiness Certificate program and the Ma-

rine Unit Readiness Program. The ADP is tailored after the individual degree program of a real-life University, allowing a member to earn overall degrees based on the type and number of courses completed.

<ajs> You've started off a lot of courses and colleges and handed them over to new directors, ever miss your 'adopted' courses?

<Alaska_Hermit> I did at first, but I trusted the people who took them over. For example, Glen Diebold took the College of Survival Studies from a 12-course curriculum to 50. Then I discovered how much I enjoy writing colleges, getting them going, then passing them on to qualified people.

<Alaska_Hermit> So now, I don't look back anymore once I pass a College on.

<ajs> How many hours a day would you say you put into Academy work?

<Alaska_Hermit> a minimum of 8. Some days a lot more, some days less, but average 8. There is an advantage to being self-employed!

<ajs> That's a lot of time dedicated to the Academy, what do you enjoy doing in your time off to 'get away' from the Academy?

<Alaska_Hermit> Bowling. I bowl 3 times a week, two of those days on a league. I find the physical challenge interesting. * wink *

<ajs> Ok, last question. What is it like mediating between all the personalities in the Academy?

Are you more of a Warden, Mother Hen, Project Manager, or some combination of all three?

<Alaska_Hermit> Mother Hen. There are times when I do have to pass down

directives from the Boss, but I much prefer brainstorming with the faculty and working out solutions to the inevitable problems that arise in any group of people working together.

<ajs> Ok, Thank you Carol for taking time out of your busy schedule to do this interview.

<Alaska_Hermit> it was my pleasure, Abe!

Look for more Academy Interviews in the upcoming newsletters. If you would like to volunteer to interview members of the staff, or you have someone in mind you would like interviewed, please contact me directly.

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2007 Squad Winners



Erik Stubblefield: (Red Squad leader)
- College of Communications
- College of Law
- College of Borg Technology
- College of Sci-Fi Literature

Richard Hewitt: (Assistant RS leader)
- College of History
- Romulan Orientation College
- College of Intel, TV
- Vulcan Academy of Science

E. Lexie Currie:
- College of Down Under
- College of Survival Studies
- College of Computer History

Jill Tipton
- College of Star Trek Chronology

Ros Heywood
- College of European Studies

Wayne Smith:
- College of Mythology
- Klingon Warrior Academy

Scott Akers
- College of Economics
- College of Intelligence in Movies

Larry French, Sr.
- Vulcan Orientation College
- College of Archaeology and Anthropology

Sharon Ann Clark
- College of Genealogy

Ian Parson
- The Gorn Academy

Debbie French
- Flag Officer's School

David Cerame
- Officer's Command College

John Roberts
- STARFLEET Officer's Leadership College

Nicole Green
- College of Intelligence Operations

Josephine Fisher
- College of Sci-Fi Cinema

Alejandro Agrelo
- School of Recruiting

George Ann Wheeler
- College of Military Intelligence

Mike McGowan
- College of Security

Sandra Mutter
- College of the Fantasy Realm

Shane Russell
- College of Federation Studies

Barbara Buffington
- College of Treknology

Melinda Kincaid
- College of Medicine

Jan Sleigh
- College of Temporal Physics

Michelle Fanelli
- College of Online Chat

Joseph Fuller
- STARFLEET Officer's Radio School



- Chris Hewitt: (Blue Squad Leader)
- Cadet Security School
- Romulan Orientation College
- Cadet Vulcan Academy of Science



- Richard & Chris Hewitt
(2 nominations)
- Larry & Debbie French (FOS)



College of the Year
- College of Intelligence Operations

Director of the Year
- Glen Diebold

Dean of the Year nominations:
- Carol Thompson

Institute of the Year
- IOIE

August & September Graduates**IOAS - Institute of Alien Studies**

Abe Smith
 Andrea Benton
 Antonio Lopes III x5
 Barbara Paul
 Brian Miller
 Carolyn Donner
 Carolyn Zimdahl
 Chris Lane x4
 Christopher Bayonet x15
 Christopher Esquibel x5
 Daniel Dreesbach x3
 Donald Dobrin
 Douglas Mayo x3
 Elizabeth Long
 Eric Johannson x3
 Erik Stubblefield x2
 Eugenia Stopyra x3
 Gary Amor x3
 George Edwards x7
 Grahame Smith x3
 Gregory Staylor x5
 Hillary Miller
 Isa Gunther x2
 Jayden Tyronian
 Jeremy Skeltoon x2
 Josephine Fisher x14
 Judy Waidlich x3
 Larry French x5
 Linda Leonardy
 Masibindi MotherCourage
 Melissa Swatek
 Nova Wahl
 Richard Hewitt x5
 Peg Pellerin x2
 Robert Shaver x4
 Scott Akers
 Scott Anderson x6
 Sean Niemeyer x4
 Stephen Martin
 Truman Temple x3
 Wayne Killough x5

IOFA - Institute of Foreign Affairs

Abe Smith x2
 Amy Labbe
 Angel Avery x2
 Antonio Lopes III x3
 Carolyn Donner
 Carolyn Zimdahl x2
 Cathy Edgington
 Christopher Bayonet
 Debbie French x4

Douglas Mayou x2
 E. Lexia Currie x2
 Jo Shrapnel
 Larry French x3
 Margaret Moyle
 Michael D. Anderson
 Nova Wahl
 Raye Crews
 Richard Hewitt
 Rob Deschenes x2
 Scott Akers
 Sean Niemeyer x5
 Shaun Bannan
 Susan Mahaffey
 Teri Lotta x2
 Truman Temple
 Wayne Smith x3

IOIE - Institute of Intelligence and Espionage

Abe Smith
 Amy Labbe x2
 Angel Avery x2
 Antonio Lopes III
 Bill Downs x3
 Bill Rowlette x6
 Bruce OBrien x10
 Carol Thompson x27
 Carolyn Zimdahl x4
 Christopher Bayonet x4
 Christopher Esquibel x13
 Dean Rogers x7
 Donald Dobrin x12
 Erik Stubblefield x10
 Franklin Kennedy
 Gary Amor x9
 George Ann Wheeler
 Glendon Diebold x7
 Gregory Staylor x32
 Jayden Tyronian
 John Kiwi Kane x3
 Josephine Fisher x3
 Joshua Grabau
 Kyle Hunter x2
 Larry French x12
 Lee Montgomery
 Matthew Moyer x2
 Matthew Tuting x3
 Monika Reinholz x10
 Pamela Michaud x6
 Robert Westfall x3
 Scott Akers x13
 Scott Anderson x6
 Sean Niemeyer x16
 Shane Russell x4
 Sharon Ann Clark x4

Thomas Pawelczak x7
 Truman Temple x14
 Victor Swindell
 Wayne Killough x41
 Wayne Smith x8

IOLS - Institute of Leadership

Aaron Maehre x2
 Abel Petersen
 Amy Labbe
 Andrea Reid
 Andy Chamberlain
 Angel Avery x3
 Barbara J Johnson
 Barbara Paul
 Beverly Stefl
 Bobby Zamarron
 Brandon Buske
 Brian Boyd
 Brian Garver
 Brian Turizziani
 Carolyn Zimdahl x4
 Chris Lane
 Christopher Bayonet x8
 Clint Hill
 Cynthia Rayburn
 Daniel Dreesbach
 David deMello
 Deron Braun
 Donald Dobrin
 Donna Parker
 E. Lexia Currie
 Ed Nowlin
 Eric Johannson
 Gary Amor
 Gary Hollifield
 Gordon Reid
 Ian Boggs
 Jack Alexander
 James Eik
 James Lee
 Jay Sell
 Jayden Tyronian
 Jeffery Beckstrom
 Jennifer Baldwin x2
 JoAnn Nickerson
 Joe Blackwood
 John Johnston
 Jonathan Fuhrman
 Joseph Fuller
 Joshua Evens
 Keith Shikowitz
 LaDonna Dean
 Lee Smith
 Marck Roman
 Marques Elliot
 Max Buske
 Miroslav Holcik
 Nova Wahl

Pamela Horn
 Richard Harris
 Rick Benninghoven x2
 Rick McKinney
 Russell Broomfield
 Russell Gould
 Sarah Black
 Scott Akers
 Scott Anderson
 Scott Sawyer
 Sharon Ann Clark x3
 Shaun Bannan
 Shaun Vanderberg
 Stephanie Snipes
 Stephen Wilkey
 Tammy DeVore
 Teona Bisson
 Teri Lotta x3
 Tim Blaauw
 Todd Brugmans
 Todd Sullivan
 Zed Drebin

IOMS - Institute of Military Studies

Aaron Maehre
 Amy Labbe x6
 Andrea Reid
 Andrew Tatlock
 Bill Rowlette x2
 Carol Thompson
 Charles Parks
 Chris Lane x7
 Christopher Bayonet x4
 Christopher Esquibel
 Cynthia Rayburn
 Darrell Thomas
 Dean Rogers x7
 E. Lexia Currie
 Eric Johannson
 Glendon Diebold
 Gregory Franklin
 Gregory Staylor
 James Lee x2
 Jayden Tyronian
 Jeffrey Triz x2
 Joe Blackwood x2
 Jonathan Fuhrman x3
 Joseph Fuller
 Kyle Hunter x5
 Larry French x7
 Mark Lindeman x2
 Martin Lessem
 Masibindi MotherCourage
 Matthew Haley x4
 Matthew Keener
 Matthew Moyer x3
 Monika Reinholz x36
 Nick Morgan

Pamela Horn
 Paul Woolard x5
 Rick Benninghoven x3
 Ros Haywood x2
 Roy Willis x3
 Sarah Black x2
 Scott Sawyer
 Sean Meyer
 Shaun Bannan x5
 Stephanie Snipes x4
 Sune Schnnemann Jensen x2
 Thomas Pawelczak
 Timothy Kirshman x4
 Todd Brugmans
 Truman Temple x2
 Wayne Killough
 Wayne Smith
 William Dover
 Willis Burhans

IOSF - Institute of Science
 Fiction Studies

Abe Smith x5
 Angel Avery x8
 Barbara Buffington x7
 Barbara Paul
 Bill Downs x9
 Brian Miller x2
 Carol Thompson x16
 Carolyn Zimdahl x4
 Cathy Edgington
 Christopher Bayonet x4
 Christopher Esquibel x11
 Cynthia Temple x7

Dave Macklin x6
 Dean Rogers x5
 Debbie French x4
 E. Lexia Currie x6
 Ed Nowlin
 Erik Stubblefield x26
 George Ann Wheeler x4
 Gregory Staylor x12
 Hillary Miller
 Jan Sleigh x10
 Janice Graham
 Jayden Tyronian x13
 Jennifer Baldwin x10
 Jeremy Skelton x7
 Jo Shrapnel x5
 John Hancock x10
 Jonathan Hogan x13
 Josephine Fisher x22
 Kirylyn Dreamer x3
 Kyle Stewart
 Larry French x29
 Lauren Niemeyer
 Leanna Morgan
 Lee Montgomery
 Lisa Hergert x2
 Louise Hup x4
 Matthew Tuting x12
 Nancy Hall
 Nancy OShields x4
 Nick Morgan x2
 Nova Wahl x2
 Pamela Bryant
 Raye Crews
 Rob Deschenes x5
 Robert Fisher x5

Robert Temple x7
 Ron Novak
 Sandra Mutter x9
 Scott Anderson x18
 Sean Niemeyer x20
 Sharon Norris x22
 Shirley Graham x5
 Stephen Francesconi x5
 Thomas Pawelczak x6
 Travis Littou x3
 Truman Temple x5
 Wayne Killough x19
 Wayne Smith x22
 Willis Burhans

IOST - Institute of Science and
 Technology

Aaron Maehre
 Amy Labbe
 Carol Thompson x2
 Carolyn Donner x4
 Christopher Bayonet x8
 Crystal Treadway
 Donald Dobrin
 George Ann Wheeler
 Jan Sleigh
 Jeffrey Davis x4
 Larry French x7
 Matthew Moyer
 Nancy Hall
 Rob Deschenes x2
 Scott Anderson
 Scott Sawyer
 Sean Niemeyer x5

Sharon Russell x2
 Sune Schnnemann
 Jenen x3
 Victor Swindell x4
 Wayne Killough
 Wayne Smith

IOTA - Institute of Arts

Abe Smith x2
 Amy Labbe x3
 Antonio Lopes III
 Carolyn Donner
 Christopher Bayonet
 David Jamison
 Donald Dobrin x7
 Douglas Mayo x2
 Jeremy Skelton x3
 Josephine Fisher x6
 Joyce Fink
 Larry French
 Lee Vitasek
 Martin Lessem
 Matthew Moyer
 Monika Reinholz x5
 Morgan Hahn x2
 Pamela Horn
 Rob Deschenes x2
 Raye Crews
 Ros Haywood
 Sean Niemeyer
 Stephen Martin
 Stephen Stubblefield
 Victor Swindell
 Wayne Smith x2

What's New at the Academy

The past couple of months have seen a flurry of new colleges and courses at the Academy.

Expansions in the Institute of Intelligence and Espionage have brought lots of new courses. Along with the College of Bond, James Bond.

The Institute of Science Fiction Studies has three new colleges; The College of Star Wars, The College of The Macabre, and the College of Parallel Studies.

The Institute of Cadet Studies has gained the Cadet Preparatory College.

And the College of Engineering has reopened in the Institute of Science and Technology.

Please take the time to try out some of these new courses and colleges and let the directors know what you think.



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