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Commander's Update By CMDR Ken Coots



**Commander
Ken Coots**

Hello everyone! I hope all is going well for you all as we approach Spring and the summer months

Here on the bridge we have been busy once again. The USS Excalibur has a crew of 11 and listed below is the current leadership of the chapter:

Commanding Officer:
Ken Coots

First Officer:
Alex King

Chief Communications Officer:
Kathy McClullan

Chief Medical Officer:
Jessica Llyod

Chief Science Officer:
Alex King

139th MSG OIC:
Charles Phillips Jr

28th Recon Detachment TL:
Ken Coots

Promotions and Awards

In the coming issues, we will announce all chapter promotions and awards via the newsletter. I will still send out the certificates,

but they will be sent after the newsletter announces them.

When the membership handbook becomes available, please refer to Regulations 100 and 200 for more information. All Regional award and Fleet award requests or recommendations will be reviewed by the chapter CO prior to them being sent to the Regional or Fleet Award Directors.

R1 Co-Treasurer Announced

The Region CO's are currently voting on to accept or not accept COMM TJ Allen as the new Co-Treasurer for the region. After talking to several other chapter CO's, I have voted Yes to accept him as the Co-Treasurer.

Chapter Web Site Completed!

I think most of you know but if you don't, you do now. Thanks to the hard work by Paul Dyl, CO of the USS Helen Pawlowski, We have a great chapter website. If you have not checked it out yet, please do and let me know what you think about it. The URL is below:

[https://
ussexcali-
bur26517.wordpress.com/](https://ussexcalibur26517.wordpress.com/)

Chapter Handbook

Besides us having a very functional website, The draft of the chapter Membership Handbook is almost completed. The remaining part I need to complete is the course certifications for half of the Support Services department. I hope to get that completed over the coming weekend.

CQ News!

The AB voted to end the print version of the CQ. And only offer the electronic version of the membership options. Now the AB is working on how to handle the members who are currently on the printed copy membership option.

The AB is also looking into away to offer a printed CQ but if they can work out the details, the CQ will be a subscription based and separate from the membership package.

Department Head Vacancies

I have post the vacant Department Head positions that are currently vacant. If you think you have the time and energy to put into it, please volunteer. For us to grow, we need to get in place our chapter Leadership.

Well my time is up, so I hope to have more for you in the next issue..

CMDR Ken Coots
CO-USS Excalibur
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First Officer's Report Update By LCDR Alex King



Lieutenant Commander
Alex King

Greetings to all crewmembers of the USS Excalibur. My name is Alex King, I live in Stantonsburg, NC which is the ships homeport. A bit about me. I'm 47, marriage with a beautiful little daughter. I work at Camp LeJeune, NC as an IT support specialist. I have been in Starfleet for about 2 years and enjoy it a lot.

Since this is a correspondence chapter of Starfleet, we don't get to see each other. But that doesn't

mean we can't get to know each other, right now we have a facebook page and a ships webpage, and I would like to know if there others ways you would like to know about each other and more about our ship. The web can provide many different ways to communicate. If there is enough interest, we could set up a google+ page, or a forums site using yahoo, please let me or the CO know.



We are a new shuttle and we really need to get some new crewmembers to join up. To that end, I wanted to ask if anyone would want to have a membership table at the next Star Trek movie showing. This is just an early poll to see if there is any interest in this. Let's think of some more ways of getting new people and have some fun while doing it.

We will be having a busy next 9 months getting ready for launch, but lets have a good time getting ready.

Live Long and Prosper,

Alex King
XO USS Excalibur
ussexcaliburxo@gmail.com

USS Excalibur Promotions Update CMDR Ken Coots

In this section, we will be listing all the promotion that crewmembers received since the last newsletter publication.

If you have any questions pertaining to the chapter promotion system, please reference Regulation 100 in the membership handbook draft that is located on our website.

Please review the Time in Grade requirement in Regulation 100 Draft. If you feel that you qualify for a promotion, see your Department Head. He will assist you in completing the chapter promotion worksheet which can be found on our website and having it submitted to the First Officer.

Remember that for Officer ranks, OTS is a prerequisite and depending on the rank being recommended for, OCC could also be a prerequisite.

Also for Department Heads, you must be qualified as a Bridge Officer for your department field.

Our first Promotions Board will be conducted on May 8, 2016. The board members will be Ken Coots, Jessica Llyod, and Charles Phillips Jr.

Any promotions that were either denied or returned without action will be sent back to the Department Chief with an explanation as to

why the promotion was denied.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Gates McFadden	3 James Doohan	4	5 Jolene Blalock
6	7	8	9 Jessica Llyod	10	11 Viktorovich Yelchin	12 Rick Worthy
13	14 Penny Johnson	15	16	17	18 J.G. Hertzler	19 Connor Trinneer
20 John de Lancie	21	22 William Shatner	23 Anthony De Longis	24	25 Robert O'Reilly	26 Leonard Nimoy
27	28	29 Marina Sirtis	30 Marley McClean	31		



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Grace Lee Whitney	2
3	4 Casey Biggs	5 Alexander Enberg	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Jennifer Morrison	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 George Takei	21	22 Manu Intiraymi	23
24 David L. Ross	25	26	27	28	29 Kate Mulgrew	30

Chief Medical Officer's Report Lieutenant Junior Grade Jessica Llyod



Hello everyone! This is my first report as the Chief Medical Officer.

For those of you who do not know me, my name is Jessica Llyod. I am 23 years old and I graduated from Western Carolina University two years ago. I went to school with Vice Admiral Dyl's daughter Ashley, both in Early College and at the University. My major in school was Phycology.

Currently I am living in Tennessee working for Under Armor.

I look forward to being the Chief Medical Officer and I look forward to getting to know you all. As part of this department, our job is the welfare of the crew. To accomplish this, we plan activities that are fun! As a correy chapter, this is difficult, but really its not. Each person can set up activities close to their home with other crew members who might live close them, such as a movie or bowling. If you happen not to be around other crewmembers, maybe its members of a different chapter or its just you and maybe some family and friends. Whatever you, most likely we can count it as an activity. So if you go to the movies or some other special place that you want to tell us about, please let us hear from you. Let me know what your doing for fun...share your Away Team missions with the rest of us.

In closing let me say, thank you to Ken and Alex for allowing me to head this department and I look forward to the many adventures that come our way. God Bless.

LTJG Jessica Llyod
Chief Medical Officer
ussexcaliburcmo@gmail.com



Chief Communications Officer's Report Ensign Kathy McClullan

Hello and welcome to the Communications Department's first issue of the Sword & the Stone!

Here is the schedule and submission deadlines dates for the next few issues;

Issue 2

Publication- 15 May 2016
Submission- 25 April 2016

Issue 3

Publication- 15 July 2016
Submission- 25 June 2016

Issue 4

Publication- 15 September 2016
Submission- 25 August 2016

We are in need of newsletter submissions. If you have an article you want to write and it is either about Star Trek or Sci-fi in general, please send them to me. I really want to

add more articles from the members.



I was asked to do a series about Star Trek characters and I thought this was a very good idea. We will start with the cast from DS9. We will not hit everyone but I will try to hit the main

characters.

I do plan to submit our newsletter into the Regional newsletter competition for the 2016 year. So I need your help! I need submissions.

That is all I have for this issue. I really do hope you like it.

Until the next issue,

Ensign Kathy McClullan
Chief Communications Officer
ussexcaliburcoms@gmail.com

Chief Operations Officer Report Vacant

Position for USS Excalibur Chief Operations Officer is now open for applications.

The Chief Operations Officer can have many duties, including, but not limited to: Assisting with the day to day operations of the chapter. To accomplish this task, the Chief of Operations maintains the chapter personnel database, produces award certificates, promotion certificates and processing of new members.

Job Qualifications:

Be a member of Starfleet in good standing.

Passed OTS.
Passed OCC or working on it which must be completed within six months of appointment to the position.

Complete the appropriate Bridge Officer Certification from SFA.

Must have reliable e-mail access each day. The fact that the internet and e-mail are now the most used forms of communication force this to be a requirement for a Department Chief.

The ability to perform duties in a timely and responsible manner.

Willingness to invest personal time, effort, money for postage, and etc. to perform an important, but sometimes thankless, job for the benefit of chapter members.

Specific requirements for the position are available in the chapter Membership Handbook under the department for which you are applying for.

Requirements of the Job:

Must report to the chapter's First Officer each month on or before 21st of the month.

Contribute to the chapter newsletter on a regular basis.

Must continue to contact members of their department on a monthly basis.

If you are interested in applying, send what you think is pertinent in your Real Life Resume and Fleet Resume with a paragraph detailing what you would do with the department if chosen as the Chief Operations Officer.

Thank you,

CMDR Ken Coots
CO-USS Excalibur
ussexcaliburco@gmail.com

Chief Support Services Officer Report Vacant

Position for USS Excalibur Chief Support Services Officer is now open for applications.

The Chief Support Services Officer has many duties such as Operating a Ships Quartermaster, updating the crew on subjects related to costuming and props. He also assists with chapter events such as helping with arranging food during chapter functions and overseeing materials needed for meetings and activities.

Job Qualifications:

Be a member of Starfleet in good standing.

Passed OTS.
Passed OCC or working on it which must be completed within six months of appointment to the position.

Complete the appropriate Bridge Officer Certification from SFA.

Must have reliable e-mail access each day. The fact that the internet and e-mail are now the most used forms of communication force this to be a requirement for a Department Chief.

The ability to perform duties in a timely and responsible manner.

Willingness to invest personal time, effort, money for postage, and etc. to perform an important, but sometimes thankless, job for the benefit of chapter members.

Specific requirements for the position are available in the chapter Membership Handbook under the department that you are applying for.

Must report to the chapter's First Officer each month on or before 21st of the month.

Contribute to the chapter newsletter on a regular basis.

Must maintain contact with members of the department every month.

If you are interested in applying, send what you think is pertinent in your Real Life Resume and Fleet Resume with a paragraph detailing what you would do with the department if chosen as the Chief Support Services Officer.

Thank you,

CMDR Ken Coots
CO-USS Excalibur
ussexcaliburco@gmail.com

Requirements of the Job:

Chief Science Officer Report By LCDR Alex King



Lieutenant Commander
Alex King

Greeting to all crewmembers of the USS Excalibur.

I'm Alex King, your XO and Chief Science Officer for the ship. I was formerly the CScO for the USS George Washington, then transferred to this shuttle. My position is defined by Starfleet as to provide

science updates and other information of a similar nature to you.

This position is unique in that it is very broad, there is a lot of different types of sciences out there such as earth, physics, computer, and of course space. So I want to ask you, the crewmembers, what kinds of science would you like me to focus on? I encourage all of you to look at different science site and send me articles or suggestions. The Star Trek world is heating up again with a new TV show having been announced on CBS and of course the new movie coming out this year.

Please don't forget that we have a Facebook page that I post information to and that we have a ships website. I also want the crew to vote on what other forms of social media they would like to use such as yahoo forums and google +.

Lets have a good time getting the Excalibur ready and may the wind be to our backs.

Alex King
Chief Science Officer
USS Excalibur
ussexcaliburxo@gmail.com



Chief Security Officer Report Vacant

Position for USS Excalibur Chief Security Officer is now open for applications.

The Chief Security Officer can have many duties, including, but not limited to: Assisting crewmembers needing transportation to from ship activities. And coordinating and executing chapter activities that have strategy components such as Star Trek Online, Modern Warfare gaming sessions and even Paint ball competitions.

Job Qualifications:

Be a member of Starfleet in good standing.

Passed OTS.

Passed OCC or working on it which must be completed within six months of appointment to the

position.

Complete the appropriate Bridge Officer Certification from SFA.

Must have reliable e-mail access each day. The fact that the internet and e-mail are now the most used forms of communication force this to be a requirement for a Department Chief.

The ability to perform duties in a timely and responsible manner.

Willingness to invest personal time, effort, money for postage, and etc. to perform an important, but sometimes thankless, job for the benefit of chapter members.

Specific requirements for the position are available in the chapter Membership Handbook under the department for which you are apply-

ing for.

Requirements of the Job:

Must report to the chapter's First Officer each month on or before the 21st of the month.

Contribute to the chapter newsletter on a regular basis.

Must continue to contact members of their department on a monthly basis.

If you are interested in applying, send what you think is pertinent in your Real Life Resume and Fleet Resume with a paragraph detailing what you would do with the department if chosen as the Chief Security Officer.

Thank you,

CMDR Ken Coots
CO-USS Excalibur
ussexcaliburco@gmail.com

Chief Engineering Officer Report Vacant

Position for USS Excalibur Chief Engineering Officer is now open for applications.

The Chief Engineering Officer can have many duties, including, but not limited to: Collecting, organizing and maintaining the ships Engineering Library which is a collection of the vast ship schematics that have been professional published or even fan produced. The Department also can get involved in things such as model building and computer graphical modeling.

Job Qualifications:

Be a member of Starfleet in good standing.

Passed OTS.

Passed OCC or working on it which must be completed within six

months of appointment to the position.

Complete the appropriate Bridge Officer Certification from SFA. Must have reliable e-mail access each day. The fact that the internet and e-mail are now the most used forms of communication force this to be a requirement for a Department Chief.

The ability to perform duties in a timely and responsible manner.

Willingness to invest personal time, effort, money for postage, and etc. to perform an important, but sometimes thankless, job for the benefit of chapter members.

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ing for.

Requirements of the Job:

Must report to the chapter's First Officer each month on or before 21st of the month.

Contribute to the chapter newsletter on a regular basis.

Must continue to contact members of their department on a monthly basis.

If you are interested in applying, send what you think is pertinent in your Real Life Resume and Fleet Resume with a paragraph detailing what you would do with the department if chosen as the Chief Engineering Officer.

Thank you,

CMDR Ken Coots
CO-USS Excalibur
ussexcaliburco@gmail.com

Chief Diplomatic Corps Officer Report Vacant

Position for USS Excalibur Chief Diplomatic Corps Officer is now open for applications.

The Chief Diplomatic Corps Officer can have many duties, including, but not limited to: Making contact with other Star Trek related clubs such as KAG, Borg Collective and the Romulan Star Empire to just name a few. The department also keeps the crew informed of activities from these other clubs and coordinates for newsletter exchanges etc.

Job Qualifications:

Be a member of Starfleet in good standing.

Passed OTS.

Passed OCC or working on it which must be completed within

six months of appointment to the position.

Complete the appropriate Bridge Officer Certification from SFA.

Must have reliable e-mail access each day. The fact that the internet and e-mail are now the most used forms of communication force this to be a requirement for a Department Chief.

The ability to perform duties in a timely and responsible manner.

Willingness to invest personal time, effort, money for postage, and etc. to perform an important, but sometimes thankless, job for the benefit of chapter members.

Specific requirements for the position are available in the chapter Membership Handbook under the

department for which you are applying for.

Requirements of the Job:

Must report to the chapter's First Officer each month on or before 21st of the month.

Contribute to the chapter newsletter on a regular basis.

Must continue to contact members of their department on a monthly basis.

If you are interested in applying, send what you think is pertinent in your Real Life Resume and Fleet Resume with a paragraph detailing what you would do with the department if chosen as the Chief Diplomatic Corps Officer.

Thank you,

CMDR Ken Coots
CO-USS Excalibur
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Chief Joint Spec Ops Officer Report Vacant

Position for USS Excalibur Chief Joint Special Operations Officer is now open for applications.

The Chief Joint Special Operations Officer can have many duties, including, but not limited to: Keeping the ship informed of news and activities in both the STARFLEET Marine Corps and the STARFLEET Special Operations. The Chief also Coordinates with the ships 129th MSG OIC and 119th MACO Charlie Team with activities .

Job Qualifications:

Be a member of Starfleet in good standing.

Passed OTS.

Passed OCC or working on it which must be completed within

six months of appointment to the position.

Must be qualified as either a MACO Team Leader or a MSG OIC.

Must have reliable e-mail access each day. The fact that the internet and e-mail are now the most used forms of communication force this to be a requirement for a Department Chief.

The ability to perform duties in a timely and responsible manner. Willingness to invest personal time, effort, money for postage, and etc. to perform an important, but sometimes thankless, job for the benefit of chapter members.

Specific requirements for the position are available in the chapter Membership Handbook under the department for which you are apply-

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Contribute to the chapter newsletter on a regular basis.

Must continue to contact members of their department on a monthly basis.

If you are interested in applying, send what you think is pertinent in your Real Life Resume and Fleet Resume with a paragraph detailing what you would do with the department if chosen as the Chief Joint Special Operations Officer.

Thank you,

CMDR Ken Coots
CO-USS Excalibur
ussexcaliburco@gmail.com



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"l'audace, toujours, l'audace"

139th Marine Strike Group OIC Report First Lieutenant Charles Phillips Jr

Hello Marines!

This past month has been very busy for the 139th Marine Strike Group. We have been organizing our Marine Strike Group and working on things like the new logo (which is to the right) and writing the Marine section in the membership handbook. We also made some changes in the Promotion Regulation that deals with the Marines and the Marines specific.

Our strength is currently at six. Three-Active and Three-Reserve.

The Marines have a requirement to qualify in their job, which is called a MOS which stands for Marine Occupation Specialty. Each member has been working vigorously to get this completed. Most of the Marines came from the USS George Washington and the 130th

MSG which was an aviation strike group, but now here on the USS Excalibur, we are an Infantry unit. This means that we all need to re-certify as Infantryman. Lucky for us all we have already taken the Infantry courses, so we just have a few more to be certified. Each Marine will receive a one grade promotion by the CO upon the initial qualification. My goal is to have this completed before my next report if all possible.

I have already been working with our Marines and the Marines on several other local chapters to discuss the Toys for Tots project. Even though this is a Marine lead charity project, it is open to anyone who wants to help make a difference for a child during the holiday season.

More information will be forth

coming in a future issue of the newsletter when the holidays come back around.

Well that is all for this month, have a great Halloween for those who I will not see or talk to before then.

1LT Charles Phillips Jr
139th MSG, OIC



28th Recon Detachment Report CMDR Ken Coots

Greetings Operatives!

Things have been moving right along this past month. I have been working on the unit logo which a copy of it is to the right.

Currently the unit strength is at 10 Operatives.

We are called the 28th Recon Detachment because currently no one is MACO TL qualified and so we could have waited and not have a unit or get started being a part of SFSO and once I am certified as a Team Leader, the unit will re-organize as a MACO unit. But instead of creating different logos etc. I asked the Chapter CO who also happens to be me to just go with the one set of logos.

The other Logo is the standard unit logo that all MACO units have

that are the same except for the unit numeral in the center. That is currently being worked on.

The qualification requirement to become a MACO Operative is to complete MACO Grades 1 and 2. Upon completing Grade 2, you will be a certified MACO and along with that you will be awarded the MACO Ribbon which signifies that you're a certified MACO. You must start with Grade 1 and then you can move on to Grade 2..

More information on the Training certifications, please refer to the SFSO Training Manual located at:

<https://sfisfso.wordpress.com/publications/>

If you are interested in joining us, please feel free to contact me for more information.

Until next time,

2LT Michael McCarthy
119th MACO C Team



Region One RDC Position Vacancies By

RDC Job Openings

Job title: RDC Logos and Graphics

Date posted: Feb 17, 2016 posting expires: Mar 17, 2016

Job description: role and responsibilities: the RDC of Logos and Graphics is a resource for logos and graphics for the region. Chapter logos, event logos, departmental logos or just about anything else can be created in standard formats (.jpg, .bmp, etc.). This person should have an extensive knowledge of creating graphics and have a maximum 4-week turn-around. Additionally, the RDC should build a team of artists and graphics specialists to assist with any project. Monthly posts should be made to the regional lists advertising the service and the RDC should contact each new r1 chapter within the first few weeks of their launch to offer the provided services.

Qualifications and education requirements: familiarity with graphics design, adobe Photoshop, adobe illustrator, Corel Draw graphics suite, or paint.net software programs. Preferred skills: art rendering and drawing.

Additional notes: must be over 21 years of age. Must possess a current STARFLEET membership. Must be a member of region one. Must have taken OTS and OCC. Must have daily e-mail and internet access. Starfleet and real life resumes required.

Job title: RDC Security and Tactical

Date posted: Feb 17, 2016 posting expires: Mar 17, 2016

Job description: RDC security role

and responsibilities: the RDC of security and tactical is a resource for all things security and tactical in the region. The RDC's primary focus should be on matters of public safety.

Qualifications and education requirements: must be over 21 years of age. Must possess a current STARFLEET membership. Must be a member of region one. Must have taken OTS and OCC. Must have daily e-mail and internet access. Preferred skills: back ground in public safety.

Additional notes: experience in the position applying for, example security worked as safety officer or has worked in cons as part of the security team. Passed courses in SFI academy or the SFMC academy in the field you are applying for. Please include dates exams. Starfleet and real life resumes required.

Job title: RDC Fitness

Date posted: Feb 17, 2016 posting expires: Mar 17, 2016

Job description: role and responsibilities: will work with members of the region to promote fitness programs and participation in fitness contests throughout the region. The RDC will conduct occasional contests and will maintain a website with reported monthly totals. A forum, list serve, or a Facebook group is encouraged and must be maintained and kept active. Posts pertaining to fitness and exercise to the regional lists on a weekly or bi-weekly basis are required.

Qualifications and education requirements: must possess a current STARFLEET membership. Must be a member of region one. Must have taken OTS and OCC. Must be over 21 years of age. Must have daily e-mail and internet access. Physical education background or physical

training background.

Preferred skills: physical education
additional notes: STARFLEET and real life resumes required.

Job title: RDC Operations

Date posted: Feb 17, 2016 posting expires: Mar 17, 2016

Job description: role and responsibilities: will work with members of the region to promote the operations programs and participation in the region. The RDC will reach out to operations departments on chapters and work with them on how they work on their chapters.

Qualifications and education requirements: must possess a current STARFLEET membership. Must be a member of region one. Must have taken OTS and OCC. Must be over 21 years of age. Must have daily e-mail and internet access.

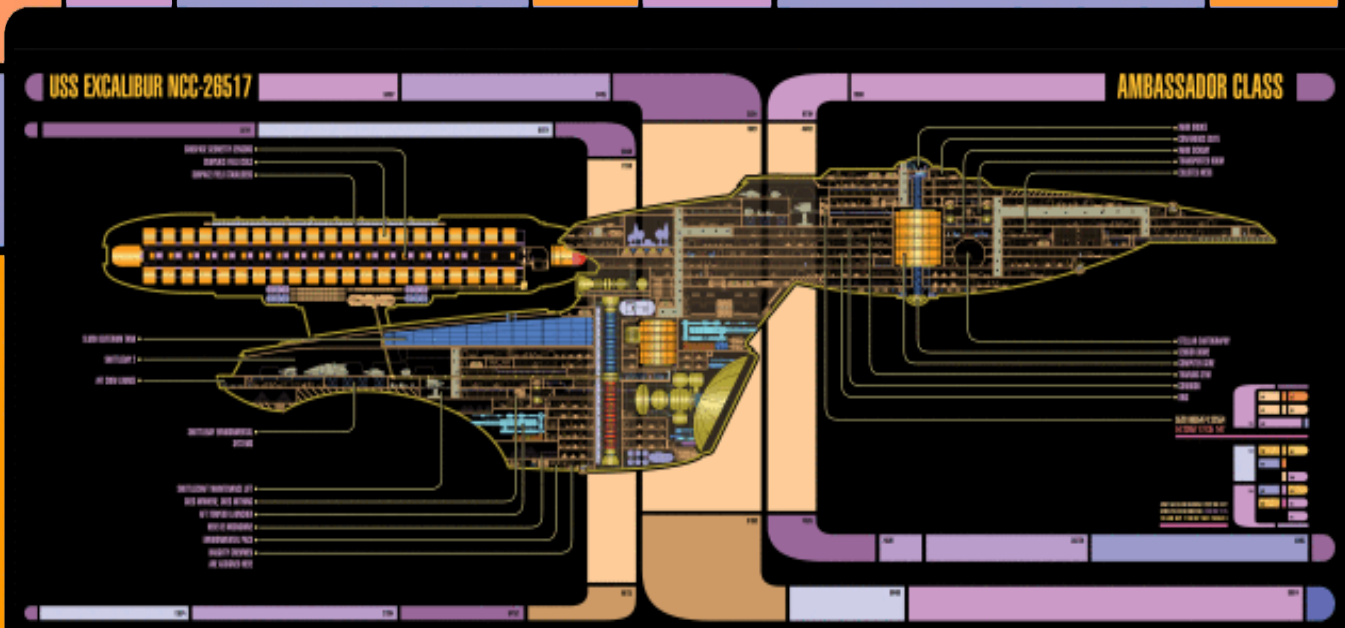
Preferred skills: operations department member on their chapter
additional notes: STARFLEET and real life resumes required.

Please forward all resumes via email to:

RDC Director
BG. Rey Cordero
rcordero@1stbde.org

USS EXCALIBUR NX-26517 CREW ROSTER

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>POSITION</u>
Coots, Ken	CMDR	Command	Commanding Officer/MACO Team Leader/Marine
King, Alex	LCDR	Command	First Officer/Chief Science Officer
Matthew Coots	SGT	Joint Spec Ops	Maine/MACO
Lloyd, Jessica	LT	Medical	Chief Medical Officer
McClullan, Josh	CPL	Joint Spec Ops	Marine/MACO
McClullan, Kathy	ENS	Communications	Chief Communications Officer
McClullan, Lynn	SGT	Joint Spec Ops	Marine/MACO
Phillips, Annabeth	CDT	Medical	Medical Tech
Phillips, Charles	1LT	Joint Spec Ops	139th MSG OIC/MACO
Phillips, Cierra	CRA	Medical	Medical Tech
Phillips, Courtney	CDT	Medical	Medical Tech
TOTAL	11		



STARFLEET IC 2016

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For more information, visit our website at <http://ic2016.com/default.html>

Registration for IC 2016 will cost \$30.00 per person from September 2015 to February 2016, and \$35.00 per person from March 1st to August 5th, 2016. Cost at the door will be \$38.

Registration for children 12 and under will be \$5.00 regardless of time of registration.

We will be able to take registrations via mail and online and accept credit cards through PayPal.

The Banquet

The Hotel catering staff is flexible and creative, and they are eager to work with us to plan specific menus to suit our needs.

This years cost will be \$38.50 per person and the menu will consist of:

BLUEGRASS BUFFET

BBQ Beef Ribs, Cornmeal Encrusted Catfish,
Southern Style Chicken and Dumplings

BUFFET ALSO INCLUDES:

Country Style Green Beans, Fried Okra with Tomato Marmalade, and Hand Mashed Potatoes with their famous Kentucky bread pudding and fruit cobblers for dessert

The Marine Mess will be \$38.50 per person and the menu will consist of:

CROWNE BUFFET

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The DS9 Cast: CPT Benjamin Sisko

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PERSONNEL FILE:

Sisko, Benjamin

Full Name:
Benjamin Lafayette Sisko

Year of birth: 2332

Place of birth: New Orleans, Earth

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sisko (update: it has been learned that Sisko was born to Sarah, Joseph's first wife [d. 2336], but only knew his stepmother)

Education: Starfleet Academy, 2350-54

Marital status: (at time of disappearance) married to Kasidy Yates 2375; previously married to Jennifer Sisko (d. 2367)

Children: One son, Jake, born 2355; wife pregnant with second child as of 2375

Current status: MISSING IN ACTION, 2375 (last known whereabouts: Bajor)

Final rank: Captain

Final assignment: Commanding officer, Deep Space Nine, U.S.S. Defiant.

*Includes summary updates through SD 52999 (2375); updated addenda pending

Starfleet Career Summary

Prior ? Assigned to U.S.S. Livingston and, under Capt. Leyton, promoted to lieutenant commander and first officer of U.S.S. Okinawa.

2367 ? As lieutenant commander and first officer of U.S.S. Saratoga, survived ship's loss against Borg at

Battle of Wolf 359; assigned to Utopia Planetia Shipyards on Mars and oversaw development of Defiant-class warship, which was later mothballed.

2369 ? Led Starfleet contingent on Bajoran-owned Deep Space Nine; helped discover Bajoran wormhole, made first contact with its builders, the nonlinear "Prophets."

2370 ? Made first contact with the Jem'Hadar and Dominion in Gamma Quadrant.



*Avery Brooks
as Captain Benjamin Sisko*

2371 ? Given command of experimental U.S.S. Defiant to beef up DS9 defenses; later promoted to captain.

2372 ? Temporary assignment, Chief of Starfleet Security on Earth.

2373 ? Caused postponement of Bajoran admission into UFP based on visions he claimed to receive from "Prophet" aliens; forged Federation-Klingon alliance to fight Dominion; deployed minefield at wormhole to prevent incursion of Dominion reinforcements; subsequently led evacuation of Starfleet

personnel from DS9 while under Dominion attack, allowing control of station to revert back to Cardassian leadership; commanded Defiant during several months of front-line fighting.

2374 ? Promoted to Admiral William Ross' strategy adjutant after successful infiltration mission in Dominion space; led task force to recapture Deep Space Nine and prevented passage of Dominion reinforcements through wormhole, apparently due to his relationship with "Prophets"; involved in persuading Romulan Empire to join Alliance; awarded Christopher Pike Medal of Valor by Adm. Ross; led invasion force to liberate Chin'toka System from Dominion; took indefinite leave of absence to mourn death of Jadzia Dax and for personal reflection.

2375 ? Returned to duty on Deep Space Nine after three-month leave; commanded Defiant in Chin'toka battle against Breen, but forced to abandon ship upon its destruction; assigned command of U.S.S. Sao Paulo, subsequently renamed Defiant; with Adm. Ross and Chancellor Martok, led offensive against Cardassia which ultimately effected surrender of Dominion and end of war; last seen travelling alone to Bajor reportedly to "fulfill his destiny" — abandoned runabout was found in orbit over Bajor, but body was never located. (Wife reported being contacted by Sisko in a vision, claiming he had "joined the Prophets" and would return at some unknown time.)

Psychological Profile, Medical File Extract:

Report of Chief Medical Officer Julian Bashir, M.D. (acting in counselor's capacity)

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***Starfleet Biographical File appended

Following the tragedy of his wife's death fighting the Borg at Wolf 359, Sisko entered a dark period for three years at Utopia Planetia and very nearly resigned from Starfleet rather than take the Deep Space Nine assignment — until an encounter with the Bajorans' "Prophet" aliens and the discovery of their wormhole jump-started his healing and set him on an ongoing journey in that role, energizing his life once again. Moreover, his one-time ambitions to make admiral as soon as possible have yielded to his realization that he's more suited to making decisions work than just making them — a prime reason for his success as a "builder" at DS9 and for Bajoran-UFP relations, along with defending against external threats such as the Dominion, the Maquis, and foreign powers.

Sisko is very much proud of his New Orleans upbringing, where his father was a gourmet chef and insisted the family dine together to try out his new dishes. Sisko had worked summers in his father's restaurant, simply called Sisko's, where he had a job by age 15.

Along with his brothers he has a sister, who lives in Portland, Ore.; the boys had to pick vegetables in their family garden as youngsters. He had a crush on one Effie Beaumont, but later dated Zoey Phillips for three years.

Sisko had been so homesick during his first week at the Academy that he beamed home at 6:30 for dinner to New Orleans, where his mother was still alive. Today Sisko worries about his elderly father's health and heart condition, and at one point felt helpless when it appeared he would indeed die. The elder Sisko refuses to leave his

business and make the long journey to DS9, so visits are few and far between.



Crew of Deep Space 9

During his academy years Sisko was captain of the wrestling team in 2351, and served his sophomore field study at Starbase 137. One cadet Sisko knew at SFA was Laporin, a Benzenite.

A fellow Academy graduate was Cal Hudson, who shared his love of baseball and ambition to make captain by 30 and admiral by 40; they remained close until the Maquis crisis of 2370 split their loyalties. Another friend is now the captain of the U.S.S. Venture; another is the Tholian ambassador at DS9.



Deep Space 9

As a "raw cadet" he also met Curzon Dax, a joined Trill and Federation official who became his mentor through many years and assignments; when the two first met on Pelios Station, a woman named Anastasia was somehow involved. A perpetual womanizer, Curzon joined him as a first-rate carouser at least until Sisko's late

20s, well after Jake's birth. Curzon had attended his wedding and wild bachelor party as well. They toured the Cliffs of Bole together, often visited Risa, and he once bet he and Hudson's dom-jot play against two Zakdorn at Pelios Station.

Sisko met his future wife Jennifer on Earth immediately at Gilgo Beach after his Academy graduation in 2354, and they soon grew serious about marriage. They once shared a trip to the Mazurka Festival on New Berlin with the Hudsons; ironically, Gretchen Hudson died within the first year of Sisko's stint on DS9. After Jake's birth, the men recalled their best family trip ever was camping on Itamish III.

Sisko and Curzon served some months on the U.S.S. Livingston. He was a veteran of the last UFP-Tzenkethi War during his tenure as lieutenant and lieutenant commander under Capt. Leyton on the U.S.S. Okinawa. Leyton promoted him in rank to become his first officer, and helped nurture his career beyond a basic interest in engineering and ship design.

Sisko's next assignment, on the Saratoga, came to an abrupt end in early 2367 at Wolf 359, where his wife was killed amid their cabin's debris and he and Jake barely escaped. (A reunion with Jennifer was bittersweet when the short-lived encounter occurred in the mirror universe after he was forced to replace his counterpart, the assassinated leader of the Terran Rebellion, in talking her out of working on a deadly project for the Alliance there. This doppelganger also lured Jake over a year later to coerce Sisko in helping build that universe's Defiant for the rebels.) Leyton, later an admiral, nominated Sisko for the DS9 post when it came open upon the Cardassian

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withdrawal, but he took it without conviction, still not over his wife's death; his displeasure turned more solid when his send-off came from Capt. Jean-Luc Picard, who was kidnapped and for a time transformed by the Borg to lead the Wolf 359 assault.

While considering a resignation to escape the post, Sisko considered directing construction of orbital habitats on Earth — the field of astronics he was asked to teach at the University of Vasteras in Sweden. Instead, Sisko not only decided to stay but convinced Bajorans and Promenade merchants like Quark to stay.

Sisko's comfort level in his role at DS9 and as a religious icon to Bajor has gradually developed as he's grown comfortable in both roles. Dukat once called him the most joyless and least vulnerable human he's met — a compliment that was eventually rescinded.

Torn between the important joint subspace relay project with Cardassia and the looming chance it might be a foretold catastrophe of Bajoran prophesy, he went ahead with a risky save that not only allowed the relay to work but fulfilled the prophecy in a different way. The incident left him more open and reflective about other prophecies regarding the "Emissary," whose arrival is now celebrated annually as the Ha'mara. He sat in for the ailing Bareil during the secret Bajoran-Cardassian peace talks on DS9, but refused Kai Winn's later request for Starfleet Security troops or aid during her hunt for fugitive Shakaar, based on the Prime Directive.

Sisko does have a temper and is usually unswervable when his mind is made up. He carries a small scar on his lower lip from the impact of a

ring where Curzon decked him after he took on an Argosian lieutenant. As a junior officer on VIP escort, he once slugged a visiting ambassador for sexually harassing a female ensign. When perturbed in surprise he often utters an odd yipping sound.



USS DEFIANT

He initially butted heads with Kira and Odo, including a case where she went over his head to Starfleet, but he grew to value their opinions and abilities as time passed. Sisko has stood by Kira during her battles with the Bajoran Provisional Government and been aware of her discomfort at his dual role as her religion's "Emissary." Likewise, he has defended Odo's performance from past criticism by Starfleet regulars, and refused to desert him more than once.

It is certainly with Dax that Sisko has the most history. He still calls her Curzon's "old man" nickname and continues their friendship as one of many years, despite Dax's new outward form — a rare break for Trills who usually are barred from such reassociation. He and Dax lost touch after Jennifer's death early in 2367; Curzon slowly slid into death and Dax was joined to Jadzia later that year. He hated to see her go to be with the Meridians, but unlike Curzon, he knew she'd thought it through. He never thought he'd get used to the "new Dax," but he threatened to turn Trill society upside-down by re-

vealing the Joran scandal after the long quest with Bashir to save Jadzia's life. After taking the risk of embodying the murderous Joran for Dax's zhian'tara, he counseled her not to let Curzon manipulate her again in Odo's form. In return, Dax may have a latent attraction to him, since under the effects of Lwaxana Troi's Zanthi fever, she can't keep away from him.

Sisko has long shared his love of baseball with Jake, aided by a ho-lo-program he brought to DS9. Early on he was wary of losing personal time with him to the demands of work, and at first banned his friendship with the Ferengi boy Nog until he got to know him better. The landmarks of Jake's aging often leave him confused or anxious, as when he first dated. He knew Jake was writing, though he'd try to hide it, but Sisko was not ready to let him become a matchmaker and was miffed that his private life was so well known before he even met Kasidy Yates. Still he and the freighter captain did hit it off —

especially when she revealed her brother plays baseball in a Cestus III colony revival league. Sisko later risked shooting a then-allied Klingon ship to rescue her freighter shortly before the alliance breakup.

Aside from Yates, Sisko's romantic life since Jennifer's death had only included Fenna, a telepathic psychoprojective alter ego of the Halanan woman Nidell Seyetik in 2370.

Sisko maintains a healthy recreational life, led by his inherited love of cooking, especially Cajun, and occasionally prepares a hands-on meal for the staff; an old recipe for Creole shrimp is how he finally got to know Jake's onetime girlfriend Marta, his poetry and dom-jot talents. He also cooks Hungarian

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food when in a good mood. His usual drink on duty is coffee — more specifically the Klingon variety, raktajino — especially first thing in the morning; even Dukat knows about it. Kira could set her watch by it during his first year.

Sisko collects ancient African art and after two years finally brought it to DS9. In 2371, Sisko threw himself into the project of building by hand and flying an ancient Bajoran solar-sail craft with Jake with a zest not seen since he built Jake's nursery — and wound up proving a Bajoran legend about early contact with Cardassia.



Crew of Deep Space 9

His love of baseball includes a holo-program of famous stars, including his hero Buck Bokai, and a baseball kept on display on his desk; when playing, he's a right-handed pitcher. He also keeps up with soccer, but he has no bluff in poker and is outclassed by O'Brien and Bashir in darts. He does play 2-D and 3-D chess, often with Dax. Befitting the crossroads culture of his command, he's been reading up on the Ferengi Rules of Acquisition as of his third year on the station, and hosted a Gratitude Dinner during the same-named Bajoran festival in 2371.

Professional Assessment: Report

of Starfleet Command Evaluation Board

Sisko has been an exemplary commander in the new hot spot at DS9, although at times he has shown a streak of stubborn independence that has defied orders yet carried the day in the long run. He disobeyed direct orders to stay at DS9 during the Romulan-Cardassian covert invasion of the Dominion, and risked the Defiant to retrieve Odo anyway; at another time he delayed delivery of a Jem'Hadar youth until he made his escape, trusting in Odo's belief the boy could be raised against his genetic programming to fight. In still another instance, he liberally interpreted the word evacuate during the Bajoran coup threat to delay the withdrawal of his forces.

When trapped in the 21st century's Bell Riots, he risked his life to assume the identity of prematurely killed riot namesake Gabriel Bell and even took a bullet in the shoulder to preserve the timeline after he and Doctor Bashir's accidental arrival. Sisko has also made a bit of history in 2371 as the first sponsor of a Ferengi cadet to Starfleet Academy, Rom's son and Jake's friend Nog — but not before putting the boy to the test.

While Sisko's direct intervention to rescue Cardassia's civilian Detepa Council may have been questionable with Klingons nearing Cardassia Prime, along with the unauthorized use of the cloaking device, his heavily re-armed station helped persuade Gowron that division among Alpha Quadrant powers is exactly what the Dominion Founders want.

Sisko has risked his life on more than one occasion in the line of duty, including working from the Cardassian War Room to retrieve the Defiant when stolen by Tom

Riker of the Maquis, then negotiating for the release of hostage Kira, the ship and its Maquis crew in return for surrendering their leader without the customary death sentence in store. He was also ready to self-destruct the Defiant rather than let it start another war with the Tzenkethi as part of a Dominion Founders sabotage.

UPDATE: Psycho-medical File, CMO J. Bashir reporting SD 50500

As times have grown tense at DS9, Captain Sisko has risen to the challenge. With only the help of Odo and Nog he foiled a martial-law coup on Earth led by Admiral Leyton in mid-2372, even though it pit him against his longtime mentor and senior officer; he formed an uneasy partnership with the Jem'Hadar to subdue rebels trying to use ancient Iconian doorways; and he led the team that unmasked the Changeling double of Gowron's top aide Martok.

And I must say he has grown increasingly comfortable as Bajor's Emissary, especially since he had to "fight" for the role of religious icon from well-intentioned poet Akorem Laan later in 2372. This episode probably best prepared him for the experiences of a year later, when a post-neural shock helped the captain discover the ancient lost holy city of B'hala on Bajor after 20,000 years, and to seeing cryptic visions of the future. Now that this doctor can reflect from a distance, I am not sure what was more shocking: that without Jake's intervention to authorize corrective treatment he would have sacrificed his life to continue, that he called off Bajor's UFP admission based on a vision, or that he finally has Kai Winn's respect.

To the surprise of no one, and just

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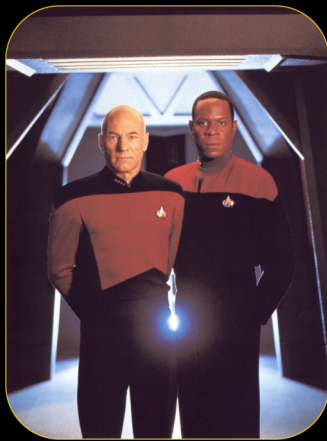
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as he had promised her, the captain resumed his relationship with Kasidy Yates when she returned from her six-month sentence for aiding the Maquis — about the same time as his pagh'tem'far visions began. The intimacy and its consequences in hindsight have appeared to have little effect on his command ability, other than in a positive way.

AUTOMATED FILE REPORT:
Agent X. Dulmer, Temporal Investigation SD 50200

Upon review of the customary evidence and interviews of all subjects involved by this agent and Agent Lucsley, it is our determination that no lasting contamination in this timeline resulted from Sisko's accidental use of the Bajoran Orb of Time to visit 2267 and the NCC-1701, J.T. Kirk commanding.

My only regret on this trip is in not visiting more of this station, which I have heard so much about.



ADDENDUM: Adm. Charles Whately, Starfleet Command
SD 50500

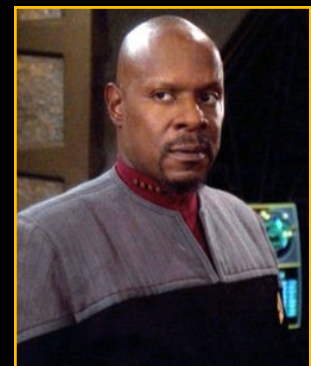
What do I say about Ben Sisko? First he and his crew are decorated for retrieving a new and fairly intact Jem'Hadar cruiser, and then he



goes and starts having these odd Bajoran "visions" and postpones — maybe even sinks for good — the very Federation admission for Bajor that he's worked for five years. Not to mention his run-in again with the Temporal Investigations boys, after his run-in with the time-hopper of all "time," JTK.

Any other officer would have been yanked for that, or at least reassigned, but I have a hunch about Ben. I also have a hunch that any sudden action by this "secular" authority regarding Bajor's Emisary will not be received well by the locals.

Despite our earlier choice to take him off the mission, I must also commend Sisko for his handling of the Eddington affair and the virtual end to Maquis operations that brought. And yes, his covert team sent to check out whether Gowron had been replaced by a Changeling was well done, and likely helped set up the current armistice. I suppose the fact that his psychographic profile is now required reading for Dominion Vorta field supervisors means something.



Captain Benjamin Sisko

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