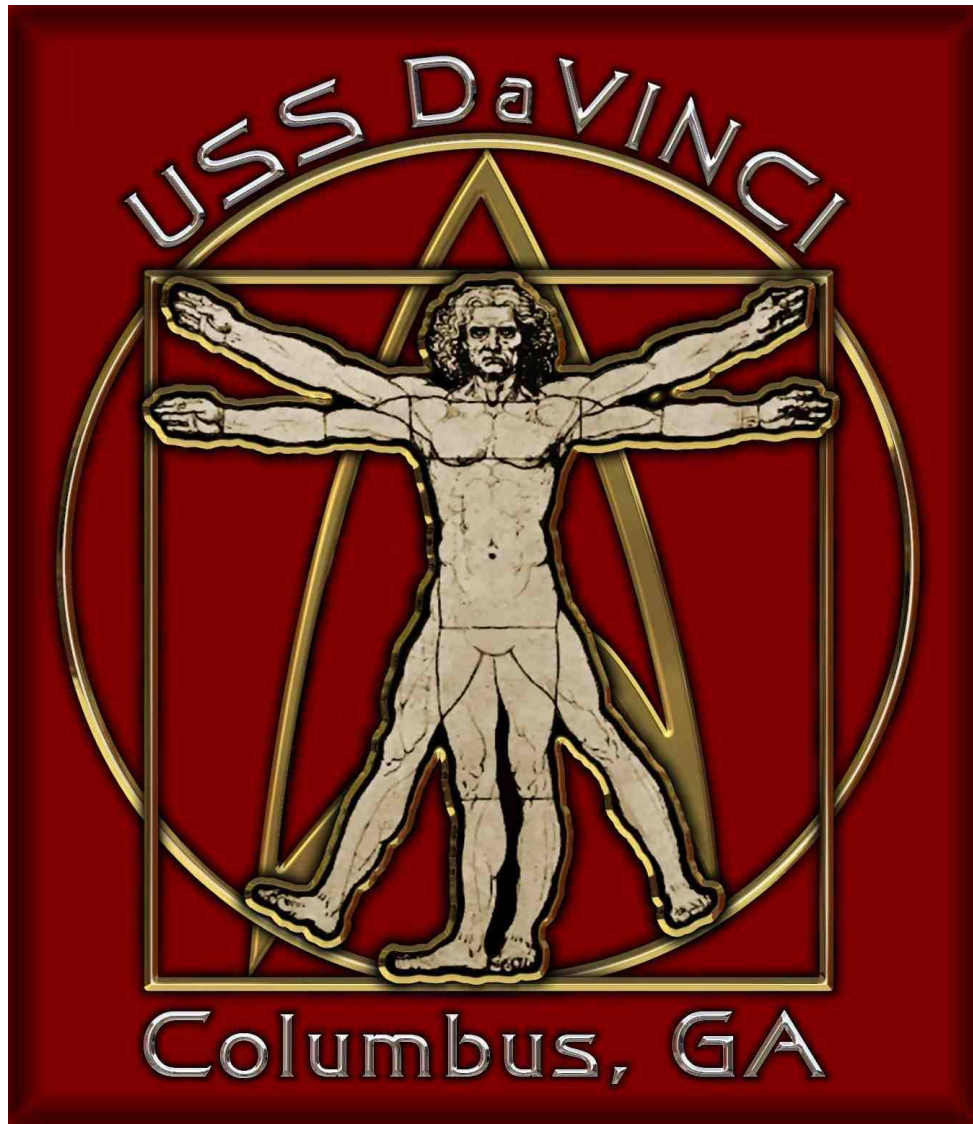


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UPCOMING EVENTS

**** 19 May, Night Out/Membership Meeting, Longhorn Steakhouse (Whittlesey), 6:30 pm**



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"Mr Spock, increase the range of the scanner"

REPLIMAT RECIPES

Mother's Day is coming up this month, and sometimes it's hard to find that perfect gift. So why not bake a cake from scratch to show the mom in your life how much you care? (Just make sure to also clean up after yourself in the kitchen. That might be the biggest gift right there.)

But what cake should you make? Counselor Deanna Troi is a Star Trek mom who sometimes gets overlooked due to the very unusual circumstances of her pregnancy (*"The Child"* TNG Season 2). Perhaps the Counselor needed some counseling of her own after that. Hopefully she did not take Data's approach and consult the holodeck's Sigmund Freude program. Which leads us to this Star Trek cake option for Mother's Day. The Counselor Troi-shaped Cellular Peptide Cake with Mint Frosting, as seen in Season 7 episode *"Phantasms."*

Cellular Peptide Cake with Mint Frosting

Original Site: <https://www.geekychef.com/2012/04/cellular-peptide-cake-with-mint.html>

Ingredients:

For the Cake:

- 2 3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 2/3 cups granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup unsalted butter, softened
- 4 egg whites
- 1 whole egg
- 1 cup vanilla yogurt
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon almond extract (optional)

For the Frosting:

- 1 1/2 cups powdered sugar
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 tablespoon butter or shortening
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- A few drops of mint extract (or to taste)
- Blue food coloring
- Black food coloring (or methods to create black frosting)

Directions:

Baking the Cake:

1. Preheat your oven to 350°F.
2. In a large mixing bowl, cream the softened butter and granulated sugar together until light and fluffy.
3. Add the egg whites one at a time, beating well after each addition, then add the whole egg and mix until fully combined.
4. In a separate bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, and salt.
5. Gradually add the dry ingredients to the butter mixture, mixing until just combined.

6. In another bowl, whisk together the yogurt, vanilla extract, and almond extract (if using).
7. Add the yogurt mixture to the batter and beat until the batter is smooth and fluffy.
8. Pour the batter into a small square baking pan and spread it out evenly.
9. Bake for 30-40 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean.
10. Let the cake cool completely.



Making the Frosting and Decorating:

1. In a small bowl, combine the powdered sugar, milk, shortening, vanilla extract, and mint extract (if using). Beat until smooth and creamy. If the frosting is too thin, add more powdered sugar to thicken. If too thick, add a bit more milk.
2. Split the frosting into two bowls. Stir the blue food coloring to one bowl, using enough to achieve a deep blue color. Add the black food coloring to the other bowl, stirring until uniform in color.
3. Once the cake has cooled, cut it into a T or torso shape by trimming the sides to create the desired silhouette.
4. Frost the cake with the blue frosting for the body and black frosting for the details, emulating the TNG uniform (see above image). Add a Starfleet com badge, either in yellow icing or a real one (if you have one), and you've got a cake that'll make any mother's day.



COMIC CORNER NEWS

This is a partial list of Sci-Fi, etc. conventions for 2025. If you know of any upcoming convention that's not yet listed, please feel free to submit it.

May

May 3-4 **Superstar Comic Con** - Savannah, Georgia (superstarcomiccon.com/)

May 4 **CCS Comic Con** - Stone Mountain, Georgia

(<https://charliescollectibleshow.com/event/ccs-comic-con-and-free-comic-book-day-comics/>)

May 22-25 **MomoCon** - Atlanta, Georgia (www.momocon.com/)

May 30-Jun 1 **Smoky Mountain Terror** - Kingsport, Tennessee

(<https://www.smokymountainterror.com/>)

June

- May 30-Jun 1 **Smoky Mountain Terror** - Kingsport, Tennessee
(<https://www.smokymountainterror.com/>)
- Jun 13-15 **Rangerstop & Pop** - Atlanta, Georgia (www.rangerstopatlanta.com/)
- Jun 20-22 **JoeFest & Comic Convention** - Augusta, Georgia (www.joefestusa.com/)
- Jun 20-22 **Metrotham Con** - Dalton, Georgia (metrothamcon.com/)

July

- Jul 12-13 **Savannah ComicCon** - Savannah, Georgia (www.savannahcomiccon.com/)
- Jul 18-20 **Atlanta Comic Convention** - Atlanta, Georgia (atlcomicconvention.com/)
- Jul 20-22 **Southern-Fried Gaming Expo** - Atlanta, Georgia (gameatl.com/)
- Jul 26 **AugustaCon** - Augusta, Georgia (<http://theaugustacon.com/>)

August

- Aug 1-3 **Starfleet International Conference** - Houston, Texas (ic2025.sfi.org/)
- Aug 1-3 **Georgia Pop Culture & Horror Con** - Columbus, Georgia
(gapopandhorrorcon.com/)
- Aug 8-10 **Monsterama Con** - Atlanta, Georgia (monsteramacon.com/)
- Aug 28-Sep 1 **DragonCon** - Atlanta, Georgia (www.dragoncon.org/)

September

- Aug 28-Sep 1 **DragonCon** - Atlanta, Georgia (www.dragoncon.org/)
- Sep 12-14 **Ancient City Con** - St. Augustine, Florida (www.ancientcitycon.com/)
- Sep 20-21 **Ocala Comic Con** - Ocala, Florida (www.ocalacomicon.com/)
- Sep 27-28 **South Alabama Comic Con** - Mobile, Alabama (www.southalabamacomiccon.com/)

October

- Oct 18 **Georgia Horror-Fest** - Augusta, Georgia (georgiahorrorfest.com/)
- Oct 17-19 **Multiverse** - Atlanta, Georgia (www.multiversecon.org/)

November

- Nov 14-16 **CONjuration** - Duluth, Georgia (www.conjurationcon.com/)
- Nov 28-30 **Starbase Indy** - Indianapolis, Indiana (www.starbaseindy.org/)

December

- Dec 18-21 **Anime Weekend Atlanta** - Atlanta, Georgia (awa-con.com/)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Here are just a few of the following DaVinci personnel, Star Trek celebrities, and historical events that are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this month.

Grace Lee Whitney Dies at 85 (Yeoman Janice Rand, <i>The Original Series</i>)	1 st
Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson (Pendari Champion, <i>Voyager</i>)	2 nd
Leonardo da Vinci Dies (1519)	2 nd
Marc Alaimo (Dukat, <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	5 th
Santiago Cabrera (Chrisobal “Chris” Rios, <i>Picard</i>)	5 th
<i>Star Trek: Strange New Worlds</i> Premiers (2022)	5 th
CDR Alan Shepard Becomes First American In Space (1961)	5 th
<i>Star Trek</i> Premiers [alternate timeline] (2009)	8 th
ENS Sandra Adams	11th
CPO Lisa Neal	12th
Eugene Cordero (ENS Sam Rutherford, <i>Lower Decks</i>)	12 th
<i>Star Trek: Enterprise</i> Final Episode (2005)	13 th
Betty Miller Becomes First Woman To Fly Solo Across Pacific Ocean (1963)	13 th
<i>Skylab</i> Space Station Launched By NASA (1973)	14 th
RADM Jeff Kirkland	15th
Final Mercury Flight, <i>Mercury-Atlas 9</i> , Launches (1963)	15 th
<i>Star Trek Into Darkness</i> Premiers [alternate timeline] (2013)	16 th
Andreas Katsulas (CDR Tomalak, <i>The Next Generation</i>)	18 th
Jacqueline Cochran Becomes First Woman To Break Sound Barrier (1953)	18 th
<i>Apollo 10</i> Launches (1969)	18 th
Helen Sharman Becomes First Briton In Space (1991)	18 th
John Billingsly (Dr. Phlox, <i>Enterprise</i>)	20 th
David Ajala (Cleveland “Book” Booker, <i>Discovery</i>)	21 st
Charles Lindbergh Makes First Solo Nonstop Flight Across Atlantic Ocean (1927)	21 st
Amelia Earheart Becomes First Woman To Fly Solo Nonstop Across Atlantic Ocean (1932)	21 st

<i>Star Trek: The Next Generation</i> Final Episode (1994)	23 rd
<i>Star Trek: Voyager</i> Final Episode (2001)	23 rd
Doug Jones (Saru, <i>Discovery</i>)	24 th
ADM Freddy Heller	26th
NASA Astronaut Sally Ride (1951)	26 th
<i>Discovery</i> Becomes First Space Shuttle To Dock With The <i>International Space Station</i> (1999)	29 th
Colm Meaney (Chief Miles O'Brien, <i>The Next Generation</i> , <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	30 th
NASA Launches <i>Surveyor 1</i> Lunar Probe (1966)	30 th
<i>Mariner 9</i> Mars Space Probe Launched (1971)	30 th



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NIGHT OUT LOCATIONS

May	LongHorn Steakhouse
June	Ria's India Cafe
July	Cracker Barrel
August	Carrabba's
September	Old Chicago
October	Fire House Subs
November	Deorios Pizza
December	Country's BBQ

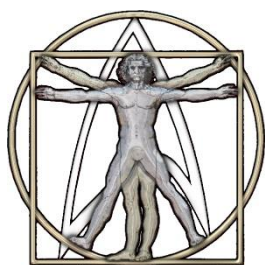
Alternates:

Hibachi Buffet

Build Your Own Salad

Red Robin





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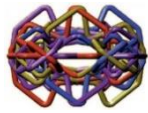
Many of you do not know when your membership in Starfleet is due for renewal. So to help you remember, the following lists your **family** expiration dates.

Please note that if the date is highlighted in **RED**, your membership has expired and you need to renew as soon as possible.

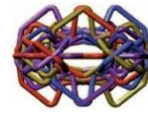
If highlighted in **BOLD** your membership is nearing its expiration, so please renew soon.

Name	Starfleet	Name	Starfleet
Sandra Adams	Expired	Jeff Kirkland	Nov '25
Robert Anthony	—	Leiko Koone	Apr '26
Michael Allen	Expired	Everett Leonard	Feb '26
Richard Biniasz	Expired	Gregory Newer	Feb '26
Steve Brown	—	Joe Perry	Nov '25
Steve Cushing	Expired	Karen Pynenburg	Mar '26
Randy Dunn	Expired	Diane Ruhland	Expired
Freddy Heller	—	Harold Stewart	Mar '26
Todd Kes	Nov '25	Mike Watkins	Apr '27

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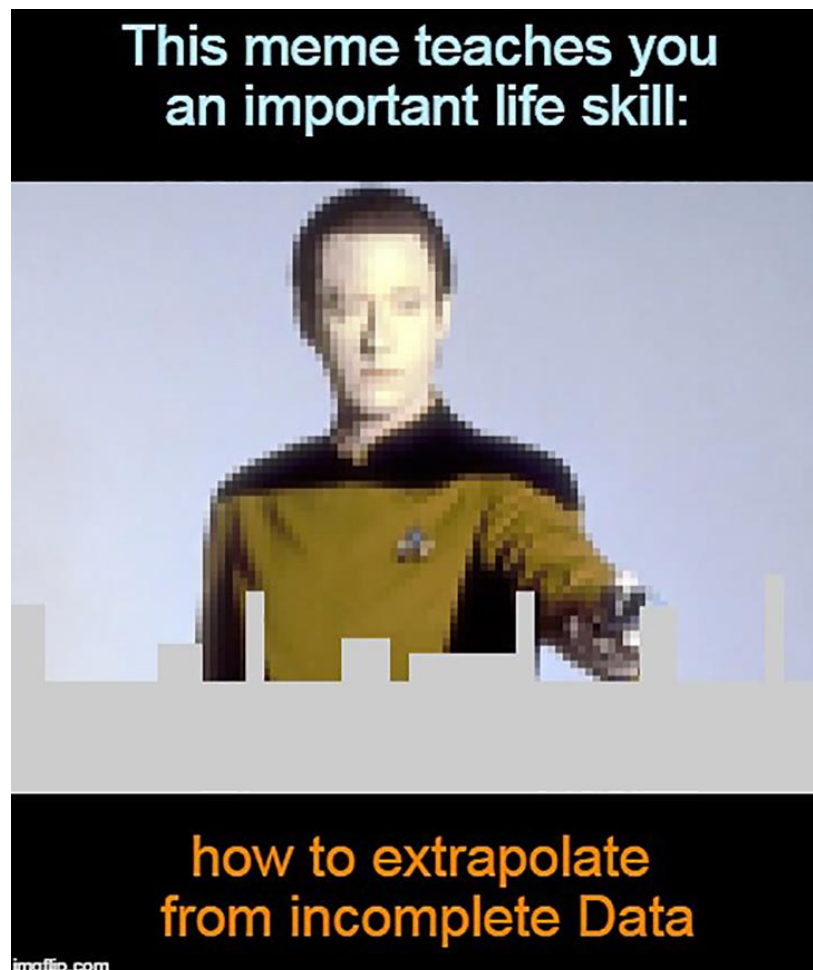


Here are a few important web sites relevant to the DaVinci:

USS DaVinci Home Page	http://www.ussdavinci.org/
Starfleet Home Page	http://www.sfi.org/
Starfleet Database	https://db.sfi.org
Starfleet Region 2 Home Page	http://region2.org/

LATINUM VAULT

Opening Balance	\$114
Closing Balance	\$114



DAVINCI T-SHIRTS

DaVinci t-shirts are still available! The cost is very reasonable: YM to L (\$11); XL (\$12), 2X (\$13), 3X (\$14), and 4X (\$15). Please contact Joe if you'd like to purchase a shirt.

Here is what the shirts look like:



Operations



Science



Engineering

Here is what we currently have in stock:

<u>Operations (Red)</u>		<u>Science (Blue)</u>		<u>Engineering (Yellow)</u>	
Medium	2	Youth Medium	1	Youth Medium	1
Large	0	Small	1	Small	1
XL	3	Medium	2	Medium	4
2X	2	Large	1	Large	2
4X	1	2X	2	XL/2X	0/0

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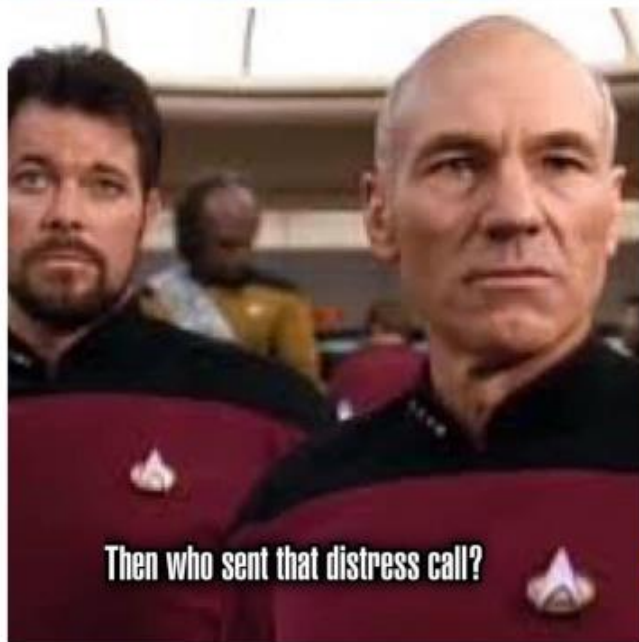
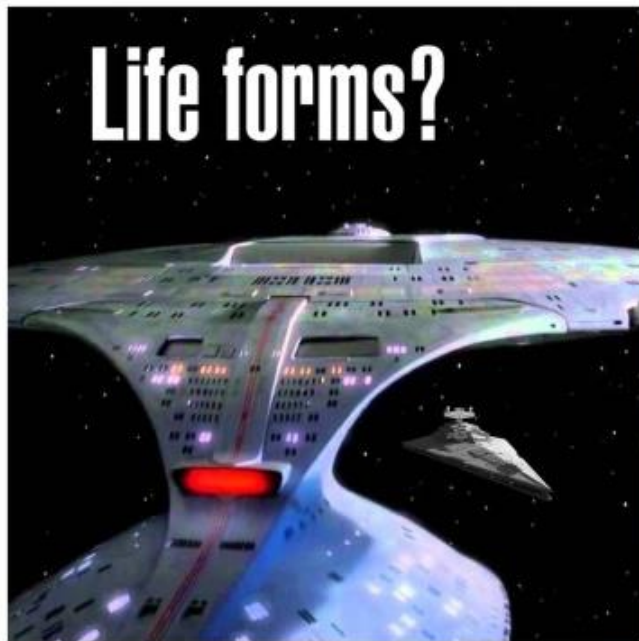
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