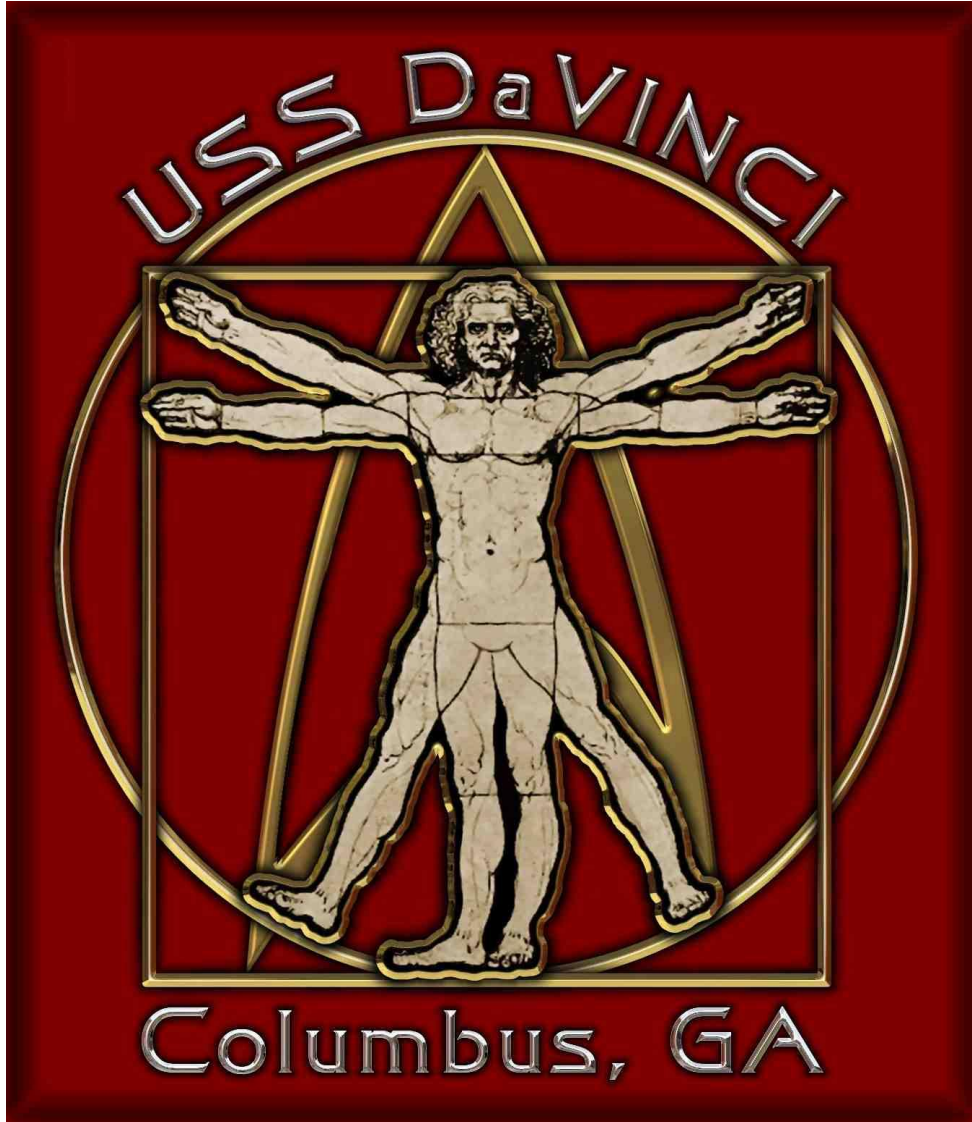


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UPCOMING EVENTS

**** 20 July, Night Out/Membership Meeting, Fuji Japanese Steakhouse, 6:30 pm**



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STAR TREK FAN ASSOCIATION, INC.**

FROM THE CENTER SEAT

FCPT Mike Watkins has stepped down as Executive Officer of the USS DaVinci since he has been appointed as VRC of Region 2.

LCDR Karen Pynenburg has been appointed as Executive Officer of the USS DaVinci.

LCDR Pynenburg has been promoted to the rank of Commander.

The USS DaVinci was recognized for 30 years of service at the last Regional Summit.

RADM Joe Perry
CO USS DaVinci



STARFLEET NEWS YOU CAN USE

On May 25 several DaVinci members got together at a local theater to enjoy watching 'The Mandalorian and Grogu.' Those in attendance included Gregory Newer III, Harold Stewart, Mike Watkins, Karen Pynenburg, and Wilbert & Sandra Adams. Gregory brought his father, Gregory Newer Jr., and Wilbert and Sandra convinced Grogu to join us. An enjoyable time was had by all.



2026 Region 2 Summit



When you just finished a whole pizza and you're not sure if you're disgusted with yourself, or want to finish strong with an ice cream



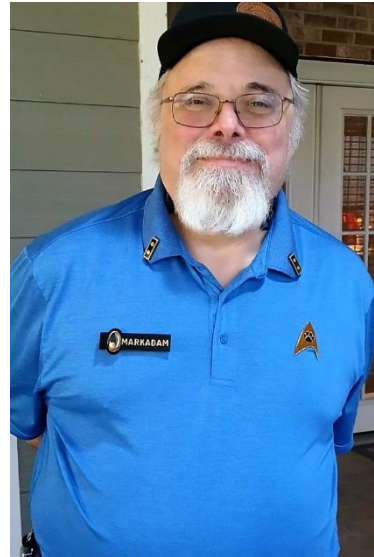
2026 Region 2 Summit

Greetings fellow Starfleet Members and Sci-Fi enthusiasts. This year's Region 2 Summit was held in Jackson, Mississippi from Friday, June 26th to Sunday, June 28th and coincided with the Mississippi Comicon.



In attendance from the USS DaVinci were VADM Joe Perry, FCAPT Mike Watkins, LCDR Karen Pynenburg, and LT Gregory Newer, and special guest VADM Connie Williams.

The Comicon opened its doors at 3:00 P.M. on Friday afternoon, 10:00 A.M. on Saturday and 11:00 A.M. on Sunday with so much to see. The attendees often being of as much interest as the scheduled attractions.



Some of those who made appearances as attendees were Spiderman, Obi-Wan Kenobi (from both the Alec Guinness and the Ewan McGregor eras), Darth Vader, The Cat in the Hat, and even Ozzy Osborne. Among

the scheduled guests were Actors (Joey Fatone, Mark Sheppard, Loud Diamond Phillips, Doug Jones, Wallace Shawn, Kel Mitchell, Kevin Sussman plus many others), Professional Wrestlers (Paul Wight, Road Dogg, Billy Gunn, and Celeste Bonin), Comic writers and artists, and cosplayer groups.

Vendors included everything from jewelry and clothing to comics and collectables.



On a personal note, I must say that my favorite attraction was the Membership table provided by the USS Haise and manned by members of the USS Haise and USS Hephaestus.

The Summit began with the Admiral's Dinner on Friday night at Logans Roadhouse in Pearl, MS.



On Saturday Summit attendees gathered at the house of Commander Starfleet FADM Ryan Case for some wonderful socialization, the Final Mission, a fun cook-out, and the Regional Awards.

This year's Region 2 Summit ended with a Meet the Brass panel at the convention.



In closing the DaVinci would like to say Thank You to VADM Connie Williams of the USS Horizon, Region 12 for joining us at the Summit and helping us expand our circle of friends.

Submitted by CDR Karen Pynenburg



DaVinci Pilot, 6



ACCOLADES

A BIG Bajoran Congratulations go to:

Mike Watkins for appointment as Vice Region Coordinator of Region 2

Karen Pynenburg for promotion to Commander
& DaVinci Executive Officer

REPLIMAT RECIPES

Captain's Log

A quick and easy snack for all ages.

If you like the classic Ants On A Log, you'll love this variation discovered via doomscrolling on the internet. All ages can make this party snack, though perhaps the older folks should handle slicing the celery sticks.

Ingredients:

- Celery, de-leafed and cut into "sticks" approximately 3 inches long
- Peanut Butter, any variety
- Cap'n Crunch Cereal

Directions:

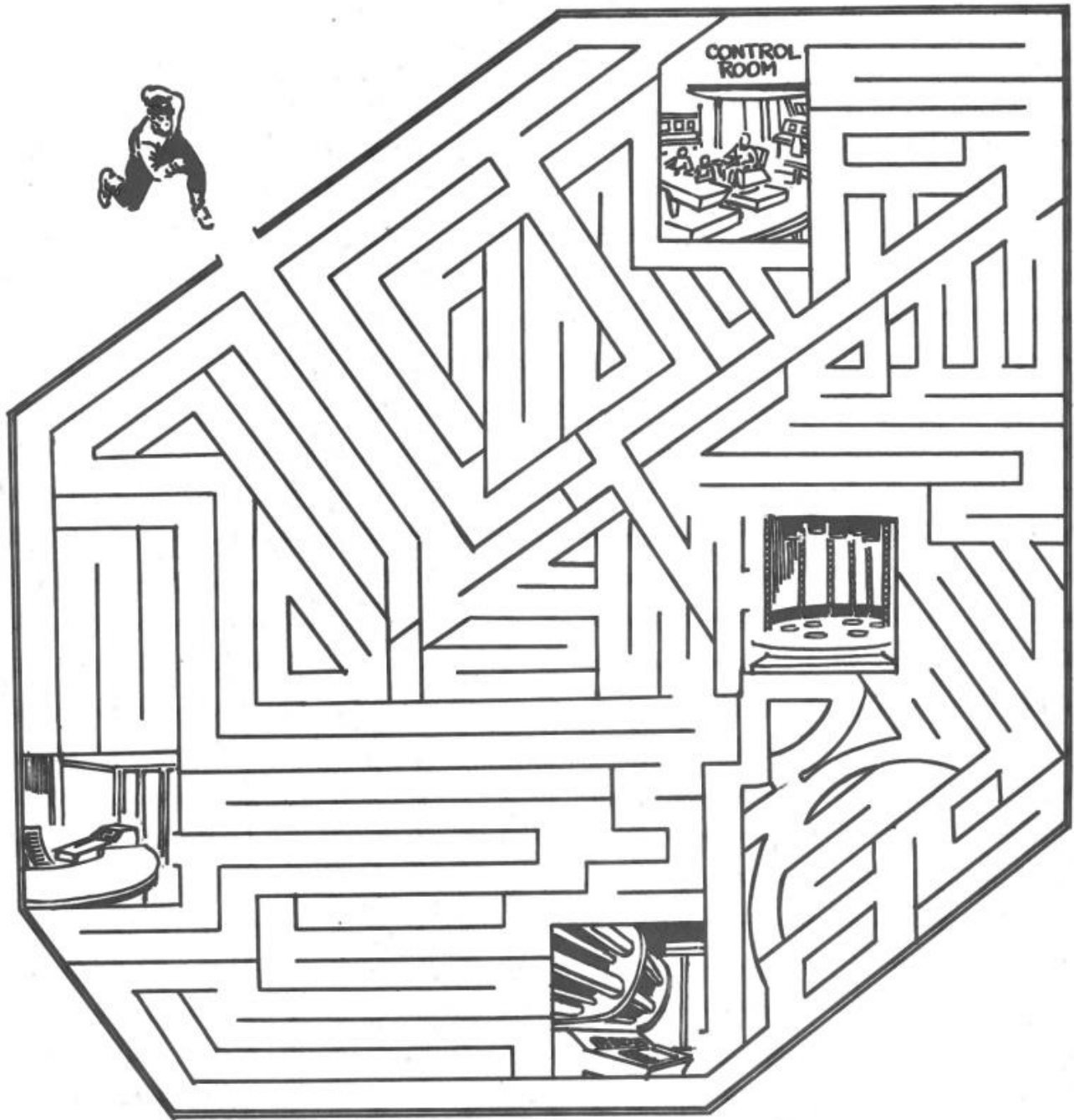
- Carefully fill hollow of celery sticks with peanut butter
- Place pieces of cereal atop peanut butter
- Enjoy!



ON THE HOLODECK

SCOTTY TO THE RESCUE!

Warning! The alarm has gone off in the *Enterprise* control room! Help Chief Engineer Scott get there—through this maze.



COMIC CORNER NEWS

This is a partial list of Sci-Fi, etc. conventions for 2026. If you know of any upcoming convention or event of interest that's not yet listed, please feel free to submit it.

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 (theaugustacon.com/)

August

- Aug 1-3 **Georgia Pop Culture & Horror Con** - Columbus, Georgia
(gapopandhorrorcon.com/)
- Aug 8-10 **Monsterama Con** - Atlanta, Georgia (monsteramacon.com/)
- Aug 21-13 **Megaplex** - Orlando, Florida (megaplexcon.org/)
- 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 13-14 **Collect-A-Con** - Atlanta, Georgia (collectaconusa.com/atlanta-2/)
- Sep 20 **Cobb County Brick Convention** - Marietta, Georgia
(www.brickconvention.com/cobbcounty)
- Sep 20-21 **Ocala Comic Con** - Ocala, Florida (www.ocalacomicon.com/)
- Sep 26-28 **Necronomicon** - Tampa, Florida (necrofl.org/)
- Sep 26-28 **Fanboy Expo** - Orlando, Florida (fanboyexpo.com/orlando/)
- Sep 27-28 **South Alabama Comic Con** - Mobile, Alabama (www.southalabamacomiccon.com/)
- Sep 28 **Florida Horror-Fest** - Fort Myers, Florida (floridahorrorfest.com/)

October

- Oct 11 **Con of Horrors** - Cartersville, Georgia (cartersvillecomiccon.com/)
- Oct 11 **Appalachian Horrorfest** - Knoxville, Tennessee (appalachianhorrorfest.com/)
- Oct 17-19 **Multiverse** - Atlanta, Georgia (www.multiversecon.org/)
- Oct 17-19 **Smoky Mountain Anime Fest** - Gatlinburg, Tennessee
(www.smokymountainanimefest.com/)
- Oct 19 **Georgia Horror-Fest** - Grovetown, Georgia (georgiahorrorfest.com/)
- Oct 25 **Alabama Horror-Fest** - Dothan, Alabama (alabamahorrorfest.com/)
- Oct 25 **Tennessee Horror-Fest** - Clarksville, Tennessee (tennesseehorrorfest.com/)
- Oct 25-26 **Vampire Fan Weekend** - Orlando, Florida (www.creationent.com/cal/tvd_orl/)
- Oct 31-Nov 2 **Spooky Empire** - Orlando, Florida (spookyempire.com/)

November

- Oct 31-Nov 2 **Spooky Empire** - Orlando, Florida (spookyempire.com/)
- Nov 2 **Atlanta Comic Convention** - Atlanta, Georgia (www.atlantacomicconvention.com/)
- Nov 8-9 **PalmCon: Treasure Coast** - Port St. Lucie, Florida (palmcon.net/treasure-coast)
- Nov 14-16 **CONjuration** - Duluth, Georgia (www.conjurationcon.com/)
- Nov 14-16 **Superstar Comic Con Savannah** - Savannah, Georgia
(galaxycon.com/pages/superstar-comic-con-savannah)
- Nov 15 **Augusta Anime Fest** - Augusta, Georgia (augustaanimefest.com/)
- Nov 28-30 **Starbase Indy** - Indianapolis, Indiana (www.starbaseindy.org/)
- Nov 30 **SW-FloridaCon** - Fort Myers, Florida (swfloridacomiccon.com/)

December

- Dec 6 **Sarasota Anime-Fest** - Sarasota, Florida (sarasotaanimefest.com/)
- Dec 6-7 **Enchantment Con** - Jacksonville, Florida (www.enchantmentcon.com/)
- Dec 7 **Charlie's AnimeCon** - Fort Myers, Florida (www.charliesanimecon.com/)
- Dec 14 **Huntsville Anime-Fest** - Huntsville, Alabama (thehuntsvilleanimefest.com/)
- Dec 18-21 **Anime Weekend Atlanta** - Atlanta, Georgia (awa-con.com/)
- Dec 19-21 **Holiday Matsuri** - Orlando, Florida (holidaymatsuri.com/)



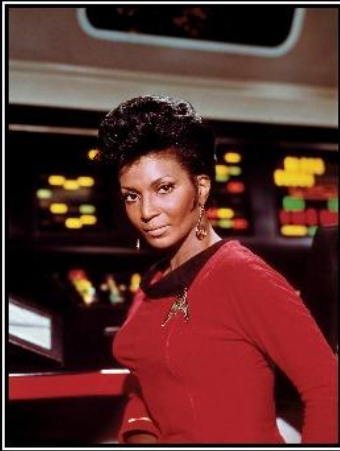
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



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

Dominic Keating (LT Malcom Reed, <i>Enterprise</i>)	1 st
Alan Ruck (CAPT John Harriman, <i>Generations</i>)	1 st
<i>Star Trek: Prodigy</i> Final Season Released on Netflix (2024)	1 st
Brock Peters (Admiral Cartwright, <i>The Voyage Home</i> , <i>The Undiscovered Country</i> ; Joseph Sisko, <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	2 nd
Ferengi Shuttle Crash Lands Near Roswell, New Mexico (1947)	2 nd
Amelia Earhart & Frederick Noonan Reported Missing Over the Pacific (1937)	2 nd
Steve Fossett Completed First Solo Around-the-World Balloon Flight (2002)	2 nd
NASA's <i>Mars Pathfinder</i> Lands on Mars (1997)	4 th
William Schallert (Nilz Baris, <i>The Original Series</i> ; Varani, <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	6 th

Kim Darby (Miri, <i>The Original Series</i>)	8 th
Shazad Latif (Voq/Ash Tyler, <i>Discovery</i>)	8 th
Linda Park (ENS Hoshi Sato, <i>Enterprise</i>)	9 th
Hoshi Sato Born in Kyoto, Japan (2129)	9 th
<i>Telstar 1</i> Communications Satellite Launched by NASA (1962)	10 th
NASA's <i>Skylab</i> Space Station Crashes to Earth (1979)	11 th
Sir Patrick Stewart (CAPT Jean-Luc Picard, <i>The Next Generation</i> , <i>Picard</i>)	13 th
Jean-Luc Picard Born in La Barre, France (2305)	13 th
First <i>Apollo-Soyuz</i> Link-Up (1975)	17 th
James Doohan Dies at 85 (LCDR Montgomery "Scotty" Scott, <i>TOS</i> , <i>TNG</i>)	20 th
NASA Astronauts Neil Armstrong & Buzz Aldrin Become First Humans to Land on Moon; Armstrong Becomes First Man to Walk on the Moon (<i>Apollo 11</i> , 1969)	20 th
NASA's <i>Viking 1</i> Lander Lands on Mars (1976)	20 th
NASA's <i>Liberty Bell 7</i> (<i>Mercury-Redstone 4</i> , 1961) Recovered from Floor of Atlantic Ocean (1999)	20 th
NASA's Shuttle <i>Atlantis</i> Lands for Final Time, Concluding the Shuttle Program After 135 Missions (2011)	21 st
NASA Astronaut Gus Grissom Becomes Second American in Space (<i>Mercury-Redstone 4</i> , 1961)	21 st
NASA Astronaut Alan Shepard Dies at 74 (1998)	21 st
<i>Star Trek Beyond</i> Premieres [alternate timeline] (2016)	22 nd
Wiley Post Becomes First Person to Fly Solo Around the World (1933)	22 nd
NASA's <i>Mariner 1</i> Probe Destroyed at Launch Due to Multiple Failures (1962)	22 nd
Ronny Cox (CAPT Edward Jellico, <i>The Next Generation</i>)	23 rd
NASA Astronaut Sally Ride Dies at 61 (2012)	23 rd
RADM Joe Perry	25th
Louis Blériot Becomes First Man to Fly Across the English Channel (1909)	25 th
Russian Cosmonaut Svetlana Savitskaya Becomes First Woman to Spacewalk (<i>Soyuz T-12</i> , 1984)	25 th
LTJG Gregory Newer	26th
Nana Vistor (MAJ Kira Nerys, <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	26 th
Wil Wheaton (Weasley Crusher, <i>The Next Generation</i>)	29 th
David Warner (St. John Talbot, <i>The Final Frontier</i> ; Gorkon, <i>The Undiscovered Country</i> ; Gul Madred, <i>The Next Generation</i>)	29 th
President Eisenhower Signs the National Aeronautics and Space Act, Establishing NASA (1958)	29 th
Carel Struycken (Mr. Homn, <i>The Next Generation</i> , <i>Deep Space Nine</i>)	30 th



Nichelle Nichols as Lt. Uhura, the bravest
and greatest of all of the Star Trek crew
She was a red shirt and she survived!

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Nichelle Nichols Dies at 89 (LT Nyota Uhura,
The Original Series) 30th
Mary Wiseman (Sylvia Tilly, *Discovery*) 30th

NIGHT OUT LOCATIONS

July	Fuji	Alternates:
August	Raising Cane	Country's BBQ
September	Red Robin	Chef Lee's
October	Cheddar's	El Carizo
November	Firehouse Subs	
December	Black Cow	



CANCER - BAJORAN



Can Be Prickly,
Very Passionate,
Extremely Loyal,
Make Good Allies

Jun 22 – Jul 22

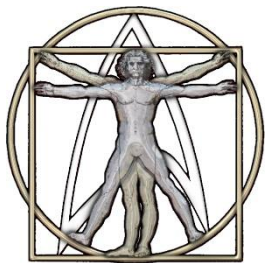
LEO - Q



Unbelievably Powerful,
Make Charismatic Leaders,
Must Be Center Of Attention

Jul 23 – Aug 23

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MEMBERSHIPS

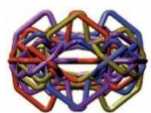


Many of you do not know when your membership in Starfleet is due for renewal. So to help you remember, the following lists your **family** expiration dates.

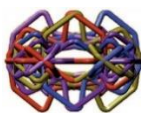
Please note that if the date is highlighted in **RED**, your membership has expired and you need to renew as soon as possible.

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

Name	Starfleet	Name	Starfleet
Sandra Adams	Nov '26	Leiko Koone	Apr '27
Wilbert Adams	Nov '26	Charles Koone	Apr '27
Robert Anthony	—	Sue Koone	Apr '27
Michael Allen	Expired	Everett Leonard	Mar '27
Richard Biniasz	Expired	Gregory Newer	Mar '27
Steve Brown	—	Joe Perry	Nov '25
Steve Cushing	Expired	Karen Pynenburg	Mar '27
Randy Dunn	Expired	John B Morell	Sep '28
Freddy Heller	LTM	Harold Stewart	Mar '27
Todd Kes	Nov '26	Mike Watkins	Apr '27
Jeff Kirkland	Nov '26		



LINKS



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

USS DaVinci	www.ussdavinci.org
Starfleet International	www.sfi.org
Starfleet Database	db.sfi.org/
Starfleet Region 2	region2.org/

LATINUM VAULT

Opening Balance	\$119
Donation	+ \$10

Closing Balance \$219



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	0	Large	1
4X	1	2X	0	XL/2X	0/1

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ONE MORE THING THEN DISMISSED



Shara Maikranz



Will NOT sharpen a Klingon Bat'leth

Reviewed in the United States on August 30, 2019



Does just fine for kitchen knives and other small knives. This will not sharpen Klingon Bat'leths. The motor isn't powerful enough. It kept overloading and stopping the grinder. I would not recommend this sharpener for Klingons.

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