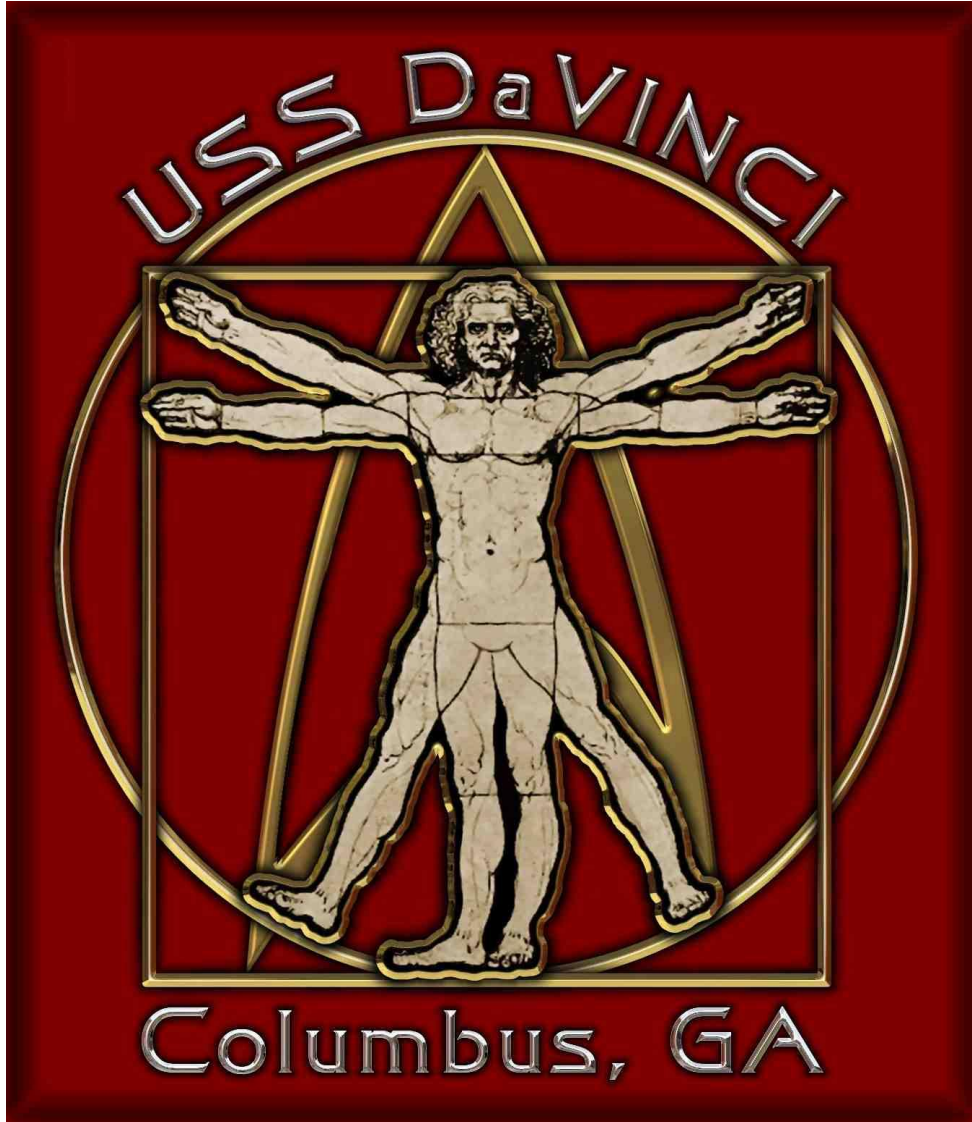


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UPCOMING EVENTS

**** 17 August, Night Out/Membership Meeting, Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers, 6:30 pm**



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STARFLEET NEWS YOU CAN USE

Away Mission Movie

On July 8th several members of The DaVinci met at the theater to see Disclosure Day. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all, despite that fact that there were mixed feelings about the way the movie ended (enough said - avoiding spoilers). But that's not surprising, it is a Steven Spielberg film after all.

Submitted by LCDR Karen Pynenburg



DaVinci Website Migration

July marked the time of our annual website renewal fees. We've been hosted by GoDaddy since the DaVinci website first came into existence about two decades ago. Alas, the costs have been climbing, and this year it reached just shy of \$170. This is absurd. We'd be spending far more than is reasonable for our minimal hosting needs.

And so the search began for a more affordable website host. After a great deal of research, Namecheap was chosen as the best option. And thus the site migration began. The DaVinci website was down a couple of days due to the webmaster's inability to notice a little checkbox concerning the domain settings, but after the correct option was checked, we were back online, snug on our new host's server.

Not only is our annual bill now considerably cheaper at \$40 a year for both Domain and Hosting fees, we also got a free month of hosting out of the migration. Going forward, the domain name will renew in July, and the hosting will renew in early August. Our latinum vault will be enjoying that savings.

Submitted by LT Leiko Koone, DaVinci Webmaster



ACCOLADES

A BIG Bajoran Congratulations go to:

Mike Watkins, our new Operations Officer



REPLIMAT RECIPES

Ferengi Snail Steaks

Source: foodreplicator.tumblr.com/post/31936257829/snail-steaks

Ingredients:

7oz canned snails
3.5 tbsp butter, at room temperature
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 small bunch parsley, chopped finely

2 eggs
1/3 cup plain flour
Oil for frying (can use butter)
Round metal molds such as large cookie cutters or egg molds

Directions:

- Drain the snails and rinse under cold water. Pat them dry, chop the snails roughly and set aside. Mash the garlic and parsley into the butter, and when integrated, add the eggs and flour to make a batter. Add the snails and mix until they are coated in the batter.
- Heat a frying pan and add some of the oil. Rub some of the oil on the inside of the round metal molds. Place the molds in the frying pan and add spoonfuls of the mixture inside, until the molds are about half full. Leave them to cook for about 2-3 minutes, and then using tongs, slide the molds off. Flip the 'steaks' over for another 2-3 minutes, until both sides are golden brown.
- Garnish with additional parsley, and serve while still warm.

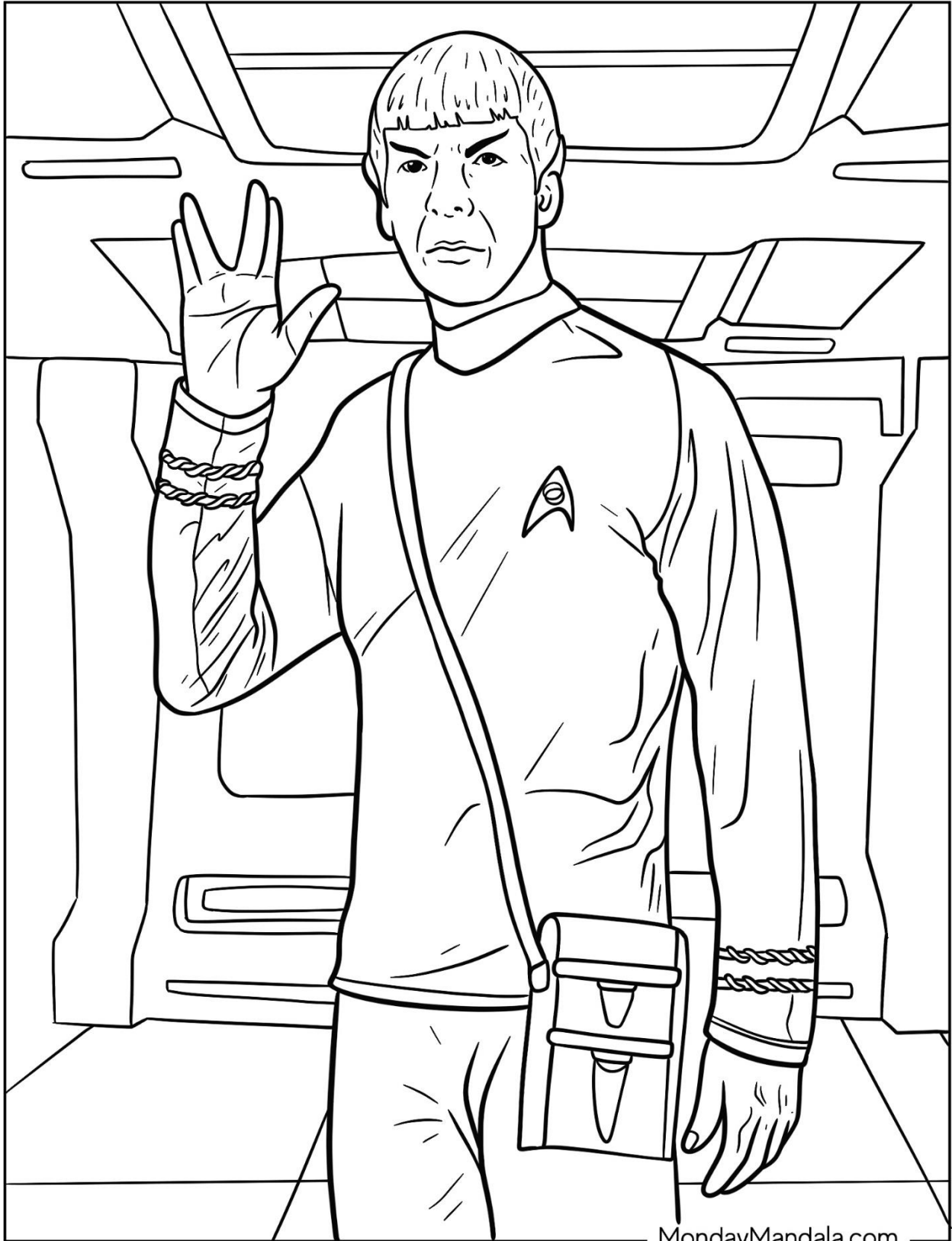
Note: Can substitute canned mushrooms in place of snails if you're not ready for the authentic Ferengi snail-eating experience.

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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.

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.ocalacomiccon.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 (swfloridacomicon.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.

Angus Imrie (<i>Zero, Prodigy</i>)	2 nd
ENS Wilbert Adams IV	5th
Bruce Horak (<i>Hemmer, Strange New Worlds</i>)	5 th
Lucille Ball (CEO Desilu Studios, approved production of <i>The Original Series</i>)	6 th
Michelle Yeoh (<i>Emperor Philippa Georgiou, Discovery</i>)	6 th
<i>Star Trek: Lower Decks</i> Premier (2020)	6 th
Jim Lovell, <i>Apollo 13</i> Commander, Dies at age 97 (2025)	7 th
Evan Evagora (<i>Elnor, Picard</i>)	10 th
Ben Abruzzo, Maxie Anderson, & Larry Newman Become First People to Cross Atlantic Ocean in a Balloon (1978)	11 th
Space Shuttle <i>Enterprise</i> 's First Free Flight Test (1977)	12 th
Dawnn Lewis (CPT Carol Freeman, <i>Lower Decks</i>)	13 th
ENS Sue Koone	14th
Gene Roddenberry (Creator of <i>Star Trek</i>)	19 th
Jonathan Frakes (CDR William Riker, <i>The Next Generation</i>)	19 th

Diana Muldaur (Dr. Kathrine Pulaski, <i>The Next Generation</i>)	19 th
William T. Riker is Born in Alaska (2335)	19 th
Russian Cosmonaut Svetlana Savitskaya Becomes Second Woman in Space (<i>Soyuz T-7</i> , 1982)	19 th
Eddie Paskey (LT Leslie, <i>The Original Series</i>)	20 th
John Noble (The Diviner, <i>Prodigy</i>)	20 th
NASA's <i>Viking 1</i> Lander Launched on Mission to Mars (1975)	20 th
Jennifer Lien (Kess, <i>Voyager</i>)	24 th
Melissa Navia (LT Erica Ortegas, <i>Strange New Worlds</i>)	24 th
Lycia Naff (ENS Sonya Gomez, <i>The Next Generation</i>)	29 th
Dee Bradley Baker (Murf, <i>Prodigy</i>)	31 st

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Jul 23 – Aug 23

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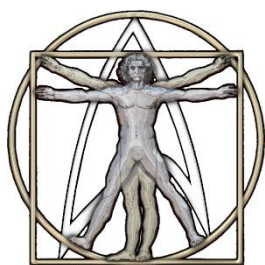
Aug 24 – Sep 23

NIGHT OUT LOCATIONS

August
September
October
November
December

Raising Cane's
Red Robin
Cheddar's
Firehouse Subs
Black Cow

Alternates:
Country's BBQ
Chef Lee's
El Carizo



MEMBERSHIPS

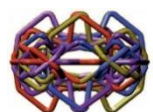


Many of you do not know when your membership in Starfleet is due for renewal. So to help you remember, the following lists your **family** expiration dates.

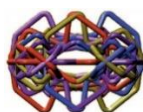
Please note that if the date is highlighted in **RED**, your membership has expired and you need to renew as soon as possible.

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 '26
Wilbert Adams	Nov '26	Charles Koone	Apr '26
Robert Anthony	—	Sue Koone	Apr '26
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	Paula Lee	May '26



LINKS



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

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

LATINUM VAULT

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DaVinci Pilot, 9

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

#OTD in 1983, 3,000 friends and family of the crew of USS Enterprise waited on a pier in the rain for the carrier to return from an 8 month cruise only to see it get stuck in the mud 1,000 yards out. The crew lined the port side in an effort shift weight and dislodge the carrier.

After 5 hours, the Enterprise was finally freed by tugs, the incoming tide, and the weight of the crew. On board was guest George Takei, best known for his role as Sulu on STAR TREK. He quipped that the event should be marked with a new drink named "Enterprise on the Rocks".



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