



THE COMMLINK

The Newsletter of the U.S.S. HAISE, NCC-74664 - Commissioned April 1996



Calendar 2012

Meetings Stardate:

Sat., July 21
6:30 p.m.

Penn's Restaurant
2085 Lakeland
Jackson, MS 39216

Mon., July 23
6-7 p.m. - Display Table
7 p.m. - Movie

Tinseltown Theatre
Pearl, MS
Star Trek:NG
Special Event Showing

Aug. 3 - 5
Starfleet Int'l (IC)
Whispering Woods
Hotel & Conference
Center
11200 East Goodman
Road
Olive Branch, MS
38654

Sat., Aug 18
Swim/Social Time
Around The Pool -
4 p.m.

Eat - 6 p.m.
Meeting - 7 p.m.
Movie after meeting
McNeil's Home
Byram, MS

Sat. Sept.15
6:30 p.m.
China Belle
Lakeland Drive
(in the Quarter)
Jackson, MS 39216

QUOTE OF THE MONTH: In any case, were I to invoke logic, logic clearly dictates that the needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few." -- Spock
"Or the one." -- Kirk (Star Trek II)

Captain's Log

BY: Rear Admiral Lucy Ferron - Commanding Officer

Welcome to summer in Mississippi! The weather is hot and steamy and so are some of the movies (I must admit to going to see "Magic Mike"). After a much needed shore leave to Risa, I am on an away mission to Orlando, FL, for my "other work" for JMG. Tough luck I know but someone has to sacrifice their time. I'm pretty sure I saw Buzz Lightyear flying by earlier today shouting his signature line "To Infinity and beyond!" The shuttlecraft (i.e. chartered bus) will bring me back in plenty of time for the next meeting. Welcome to our new members PO3 Philip, PO3 Emily and Cadet Charlotte Graves! We hope soon we will also have assimilated Gypsie and Austin Canon. These are some awesome people joining us and I can see already they will be great additions to our crew.

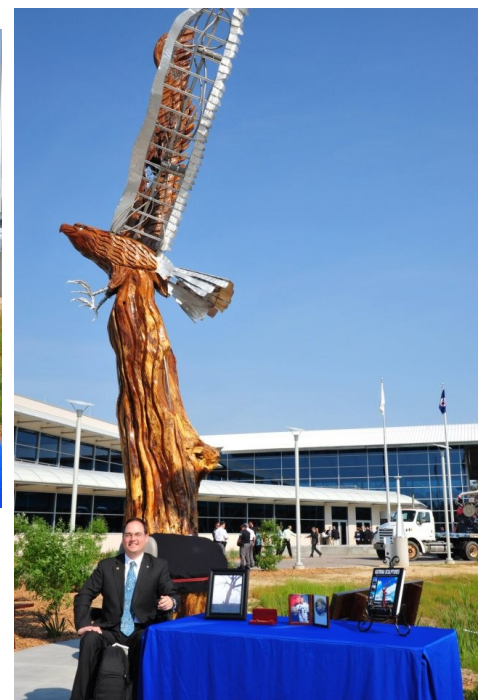
Plans continue to gel for the startup of our book club. I'd like to start taking orders for our first book purchase at the July meeting. Some folks I know may want to purchase and download on their e-reader, but we will send in an order for paperback copies for those that so choose, so bring your checkbook.

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April 11, 2012 - Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony - INFINITY Science Center At NASA Stennis Space Center
Above: USS Haise Members: Janet Bullock, Lucy Ferron, & Barbara Allen

Right: USS Haise Member Scott Crawford



HAILING FREQUENCIES OPEN

EDITOR'S HAIL

New Editor: Barbara Allen
Lieutenant
Chief of Communications

This issue contains photos and reports submitted from department heads & others.



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4/10/2012 - Supper with Fred Haise before the INFINITY opening
 Left to Right:
 Barbara Allen, Lucy Ferron, Janet Bullock, Scott Crawford , & Fred.

We have plenty of hot days ahead of us, but the recent much needed rain here sure has been a blessing the past few days with some cooler temps.

We all had a wonderful visit with Fred down on the coast and we felt it was a great honor and privilege to be his guests at the Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony of the INFINITY Science Center at NASA Stennis Space Center on April 11. We have plenty of pics in this issue.

I am looking forward to seeing the 25h Anniversary showing of *Star Trek Next Generation* 's two most popular episodes, Ep. 106 "Where No One Has Gone Before" and Ep. 114 "Datalore" on the big screen. This special event will also include exclusive looks at the massive restoration of season one, never-before-seen interviews with the original cast members and behind-the-scenes looks at the artists who created the original FX elements and photography during the making of the show.

Join us at Tinseltown Theater, Pearl, MS—7 pm
 The USS Haise will have a info table set up there from 6-7 pm.

I will also be attending my first Starfleet International 2012 International Conference in Olive Branch, Mississippi in August. I look forward to meeting a lot of new friends.

My husband, Glenn and I look forward to attending Creation Entertainment's *Star Trek Convention* in Las Vegas again August 9 - 12 at the fabulous Rio Hotel. We both love *Star Trek* conventions. So much fun!

We saw several great movies so far this summer: *The Avengers*, *Men in Black III*, *Snow White and the Huntsman*, & *Spider Man*. It has been a great movie summer so far and more to come!

I spent a few days in sick bay back in May. On a visit to my dermatologist, he found a basal cell carcinoma (skin cancer) on my nose. He sent me to a surgeon to have it removed. I am happy to report the he got all the cancer and the scar can hardly be seen. I feel very blessed and am reminded that we all should be sure to use plenty of sun screen when you are out in the sun. Keep your skin safe and healthy.

Hope everyone has a great summer and please take a vacation—we all need one every year!

Apparently we were having so much fun at our May and June meetings, we forgot to take any pictures. We all love to eat and party! We also want to assimilate new members! Come Join the Adventure!

FROM THE CAPTAIN'S CHAIR
Continued from the front page

REAR ADMIRAL LUCY FERRON



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At last count, eight Haise crew members will travel to STARFLEET International Conference in Memphis/Olive Branch the first weekend in August. One of the highlights will be the chance to meet the CO and XO of the USS Havana. They called me from Mexico last night (July 8) and were overwhelmed with all the Star Trek items we shipped them (which finally arrived last week) and they are very grateful for our help. Another thing I am looking forward to is the chance to meet Rod Roddenberry (Gene Jr.). It should be a great conference and the Haise might end up being the chapter with the most members in attendance! The last three months were again very busy with fun things like the ceremonial opening of the Infinity Science Center, MS Braves baseball game and more you will see pictured in this newsletter. The next few months will be interesting too with the Blu-Ray release and special cinema showing of episodes from ST:TNG, our annual pool party, the new book club, and Jackson ComicCon's return. Until I see you next, stay cool, live long and prosper!



Left: Astronaut Lucy at INFINITY April 11

Right: Lucy & fellow crew member, Cliff Treadaway at MS Walk on May 5

Below Left: Lucy & Barbara Allen at INFINITY on April 11

Below Right: Lucy with fellow crew members at the MS Braves Baseball Game on April 28

Back - Clarence Winter, Bill Downs
Front - Clay Bartnek, Lucy



APRIL MEETING PICTURES

At this meeting, we celebrated our annual First Contact Day Celebration. We had a feast of food and great fellowship while watching Star Trek First Contact movie. After our meeting, we all went outside in the back yard and celebrated with fireworks and sparklers. A great celebration was enjoyed by all.

USS HAISE MEETING
April 21, 2012
Glenn & Barbara Allen's Home

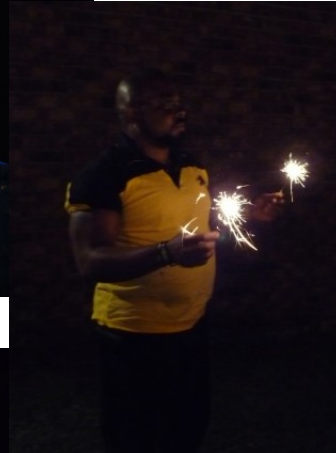


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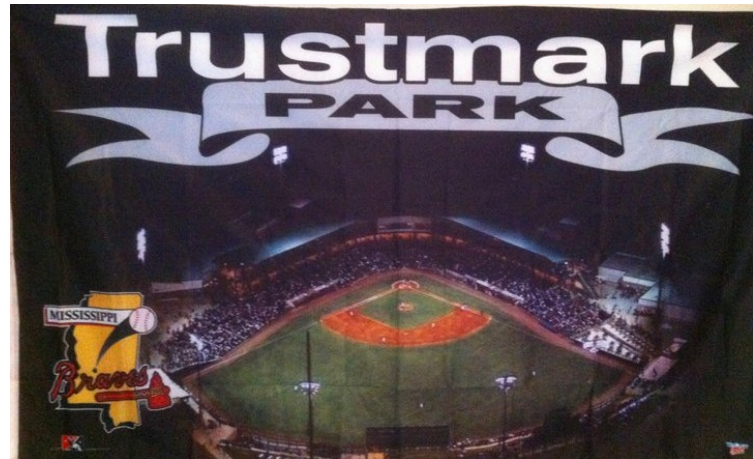
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FIRST CONTACT DAY CELEBRATION - USS HAISE



EVENT PICTURES - APRIL

April 28, 2012
Sci-fi Night at the Mississippi Braves Baseball Game
Trustmark Park, Pearl, MS



USS HAISE ON FACEBOOK

The USS Haise has a Facebook Page. Please friend us and send the link to all your friends! And USE the page. The more exciting it is, the more people will see it.

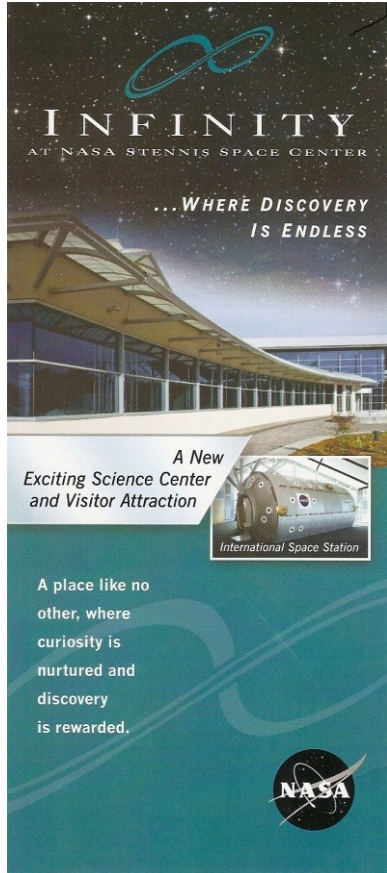
EVENT PICTURES - MAY

Saturday, May 5, 2012
Walk for Multiple Sclerosis
Winner's Park, Flowood, MS

The USS Haise has two members, Scott Crawford and Cliff Treadaway, who have MS. The Haise crew was out in full force to support this event.



APRIL 11 - INFINITY SCIENCE CENTER AT NASA STENNIS SPACE CENTER RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY & FRED HAISE



National Aeronautics and Space Administration



INFINITY
AT NASA STENNIS SPACE CENTER

Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

Wednesday, April 11, 2012

Welcome

Honorable George Schoegel
Mayor, City of Gulfport / Chairman, INFINITY Science Center Inc.

National Anthem

South Hancock Elementary Choir
Bay St. Louis

Remarks

Mr. Patrick Scheuermann
Director, John C. Stennis Space Center

Mr. David Radzanowski
Chief of Staff, NASA Headquarters

Honorable Steven Palazzo
United States Congressman, State of Mississippi

Honorable Roger Wicker
United States Senator, State of Mississippi

Honorable Thad Cochran
United States Senator, State of Mississippi

Honorable Phil Bryant
Governor, State of Mississippi

Mr. Fred Haise
Apollo 13 Astronaut / Vice Chairman, INFINITY Science Center Inc.

Ribbon Cutting

Reception to follow

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Honorable George Schoegel – Mayor, City of Gulfport / Chairman, INFINITY Science Center Inc. George Schoegel is the mayor of Gulfport, Miss., and serves as chairman on the INFINITY board of directors. Prior to becoming mayor, Schoegel was chairman of the board for Hancock Holding Company. He joined the bank while in high school in 1966, working in the mailroom after classes. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of New Orleans. He was a faculty member of the Mississippi School of Banking at the University of Mississippi and was a faculty member, trustee and past president of the Graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University. He was founder of the Harrison County Strategic Planning Commission, known as Coast 21, and serves as chairman of Mississippi's Workforce Investment Board.

Mr. Patrick Scheuermann – Director, NASA John C. Stennis Space Center Patrick Scheuermann serves as director of NASA's John C. Stennis Space Center near Bay St. Louis, Miss. As director, he provides executive leadership, overall direction and management of the center. He is responsible for implementing NASA's mission in the area of rocket propulsion testing, developing and maintaining NASA's world-class rocket propulsion test facilities, and ensuring Stennis serves as the systems engineering center for applied science activities assigned by the agency. He serves as a federal manager, hosting an integrated multi-agency federal laboratory. Stennis is a unique federal city that is home to more than 30 federal, state, academic and private organizations and numerous technology-based companies.

Mr. David Radzanowski – Chief of Staff, NASA Headquarters David Radzanowski serves as chief of staff for NASA Administrator Charles Bolden. Prior to his appointment in May 2010, he was deputy associate administrator for program integration for the Space Operations Mission Directorate, a position he had held since October 2008. Radzanowski recently supported the Review of U.S. Human Spaceflight Plans Committee, otherwise known as the Augustine Committee, which conducted a comprehensive review of NASA's human space flight program.

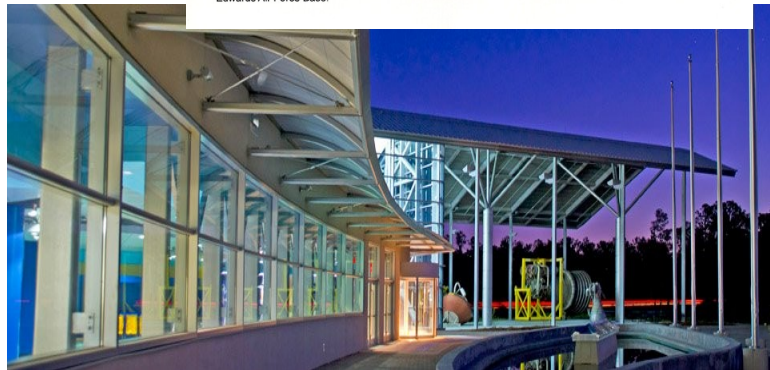
Honorable Steven Palazzo – U.S. Congressman, State of Mississippi Congressman Steven Palazzo represents the 4th Congressional District of Mississippi. Palazzo was sworn into office on January 5, 2011, and serves on the House Armed Services Committee and the Science, Space and Technology Committee. In 2008, he was elected in a special election to the Mississippi House of Representatives. A year later, Palazzo was re-elected to a full term. During his time in the state legislature, he used his background in business to push through a tax cut for Mississippians and authored a resolution reaffirming the 10th Amendment, which defines a limited role for the federal government by reserving power for the states.

Honorable Roger Wicker – U.S. Senator, State of Mississippi Roger Wicker was elected to the U.S. Senate on Nov. 4, 2008. Since then, he has championed pro-growth policies to create jobs and has worked to reduce spending, limit federal overreach, and maintain a strong national defense. Wicker serves as deputy whip and is a member of the Armed Services Committee, the Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee, the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, and the Veterans Affairs Committee. As deputy whip, Wicker works alongside Republican Whip Jon Kyl to promote a conservative agenda and build support for the legislative plan. Wicker has been a strong advocate for economic development initiatives to help keep Mississippians competitive in a global marketplace. He has been honored by the National Association of Manufacturers for his work on pro-growth, pro-manufacturing policies in Congress.

Honorable Thad Cochran – U.S. Senator, State of Mississippi As a member of the U.S. Senate, Cochran has served as chairman of the Senate Republican Conference, chairman of the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee, and chairman of the Appropriations Committee. Cochran currently serves as the ranking member of the Senate Committee on Appropriations and the ranking member of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense. In the current 112th Congress, Cochran also serves as a member of the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry, as well as the Committee on Rules and Administration and the Joint Committee on the Library, which oversees activities of the Library of Congress. Cochran's legislative record includes sponsorship of the National Missile Defense Act of 1999, the Campaign Finance Reform Act, as well as key provisions of several farm bills. Cochran has also written legislation supporting education programs such as teacher training, vocational education, libraries and educational television. He served as a member of the National Education Goals Panel.

Honorable Phil Bryant – Governor, State of Mississippi Phil Bryant was sworn in as Mississippi's 64th governor on Jan. 10, 2012. He was elected in November 2011. Prior to becoming governor, Bryant served one term as Mississippi's 37th lieutenant governor. As lieutenant governor, Bryant continued his work to ensure accountability in state government. In his first week of office, Bryant proposed webcasting of Senate proceedings so taxpayers could see their government in action and hold their elected officials accountable. The Senate unanimously approved the innovative, open-government measure. Bryant also led the fight to pass the most comprehensive ethics reform in nearly 25 years, which, among other things, requires all elected officials to file ethics reports online.

Mr. Fred Haise – Astronaut, Apollo 13 / Vice Chairman, INFINITY Science Center Inc. Fred Haise retired in 1996 as president of Northrop Grumman Technical Services. He joined Grumman in 1979 as vice president of space programs, and had a succeeding assignment as president of the Space Station Support Division in 1987. Haise was born in Biloxi, Miss., on Nov. 14, 1933. A 20-year NASA career was begun as an aeronautical research pilot at Lewis Research Center in 1959. Further assignments were held as a research pilot at the NASA Flight Research Center in 1963 and as an astronaut at Johnson Space Center in 1966. Haise served as a backup crew member for the Apollo 8, 11, and 16 missions. He flew as the lunar module pilot on the aborted Apollo 13 mission in 1970, which was dramatized in the Hollywood movie titled "Apollo 13." He also flew five flights as commander of space shuttle Enterprise in 1977 for the Approach and Landing Test Program at Edwards Air Force Base.



Check out INFINITY on Facebook and also on their Web site.



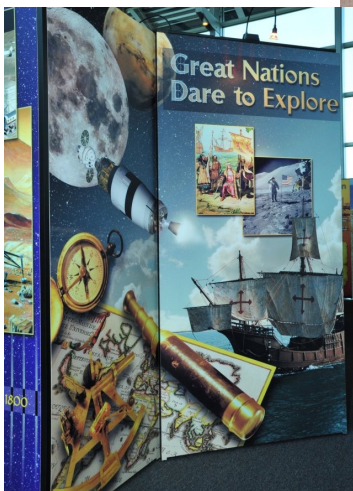
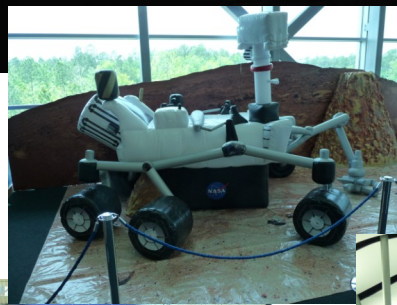
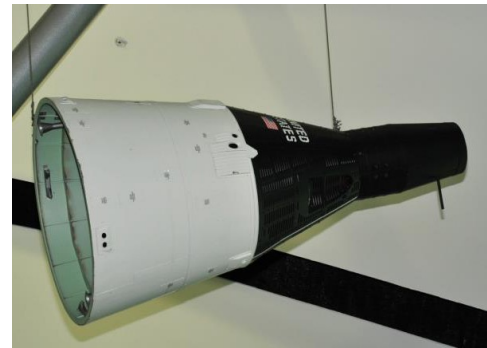
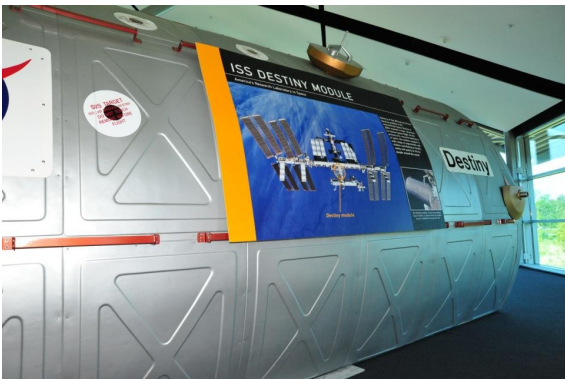
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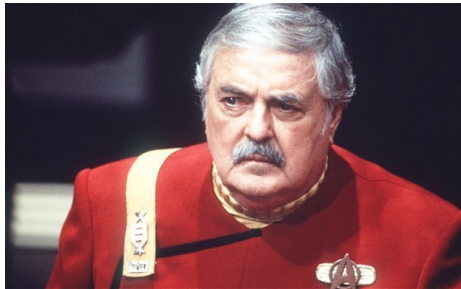


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No Report Received

CONGRATULATIONS to the following crew Members on their promotions as of 6/28/2012

- Barbara Allen to Lieutenant (Lt.)
- Tim Stubbs to Lieutenant Junior Grade (Lt.JG)
- Cliff Treadaway to Chief Petty Officer (CPO)
- Pat Simmons to Chief Petty Officer (CPO)
- Rene' Berry to Chief Petty Officer (CPO)
- Roderick Berry to Chief Petty Officer (CPO)



CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Scotty has finally been beamed up. The ashes of the actor James Doohan, who played Scotty on the 1960s television series "Star Trek," were launched to space this morning (May 22) on a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.

OPERATIONS



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Re-capping our last quarter with my SciFi friends: I enjoyed our First Contact Day Celebration at the Allen's on April 21st. Then, again for SciFi Night at Trustmark Park Brave's game on April 28th, and our May 19th meeting at Corner Bakery where we got to view "Star Trek 2 -Wrath of Kahn". It's great to see new faces in our midst as well.

On June 11th my father passed away. He was 81 in the final stages of Alzheimer's. He had forgotten how to walk and couldn't remember much past 45 seconds. I hope he's found his ultimate healing. "Thanks" to all of you for your thoughts, prayers, cards, e-mails & attending his funeral.

Sorry I couldn't attend the May 5th MS Walk, but I heard we did exceed our goal amount of money raised! **Our next philanthropy project is a food drive to benefit the Mississippi Food Network food bank. At our next couple of meetings bring your donations of canned meats (tuna, stews, chili, spam, salmon or chicken), canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned soups and peanut butter.**

I'll be on "shore leave" vacationing in Virginia with Craig to see his family from July 28th to Aug. 5th. Yes, this means I'll be missing our IC held right here in our state. It was a tough decision. Anyone need an early bird priced ticket?

See you at our next meetings Saturday, July 21st at Penn's Fish House on Lakeland Dr. at 6:30 p.m. **with your food donations to the Mississippi Food Network.** And then again for *Star Trek: The Next Generation* one night event viewing "Where No One Has Gone Before" & "Datalore" on the big screen at Tinseltown on Monday, July 23rd at 7pm. This will include never-before-seen interviews with the original cast members and privy to an unseen sneak-peak of "Measure of a Man". Have you got your ticket yet? I have! We will also have an information table set up from 6pm to 7pm. So come early if you can.



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ENGINEERING



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May 26-June 15 Theilman Away Mission to European Union

RADM Theilman, PO Theilman and Cadet Theilman and her family have been investigating reports that these objects are a transmitter to aliens such as The Doctor discovered the London Eye to be, but found nothing out of the ordinary. The first is an observation tower called The Orbit and sits in the center of the London Olympic village. Speculation: the Seattle Space needle and a roller coaster mated.

The second is an observation (now cell tower) built for a world's fair. Please excuse the fraternization; it is a cover to blend in with the locals. The third object in the form of an iron crystal was found in Brussels, Belgium.



The European Union is trying to use as much renewable energy - solar and wind power as they can. The wind turbines were near the Hook of Holland.



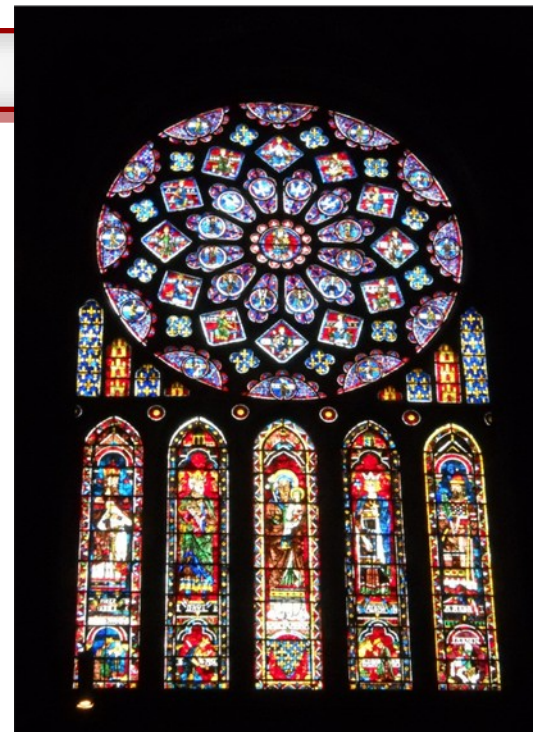
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This rose and lancet window ensemble is in Chartres Cathedral built 1210 AD.



Below:

Bruges, Belgium: The rich medieval trading center that time forgot. The river silted in, the burghers made some poor political decisions, and the economy collapsed. Thus it wasn't important enough to destroy in WW2 and has become a tourist mecca.



Below: Versailles: The house that Louis built. Complete with statue of an American. No wonder the peasants revolted.



We are going on another short away mission and then will return for duty on the USS Haise.

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SCIENCES -



**Commander
Scott M. Crawford
Chief Science Officer**

Multiple Sclerosis Walk 2012: The USS HA-ISE formed a walk team led by Cliff Treadaway and myself, as we both cope with the disease. We raised \$1270 to help stop multiple sclerosis from afflicting yet another generation of young people. Despite the oppressive heat, we had a great time. I think I ate enough donuts for a year!



Team mascots came to support the effort as well, Lillie from the Berry family, and Scott's own, Zoe. Rene' and Scott showed off our team jersey's during the "fashion show", and said hello to "Tommy Hawk" from the Mississippi Braves.



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SCIENCES - continued



Commander
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Away Mission to Nashville: Roderick Berry and I went on an away mission to explore Nashville. Roderick visited his sister while Scott visited his friend, Liza Joffrion. It was a “working vacation” for Scott, who took the opportunity to meet with various officials at the Tennessee Department of Transportation, Nashville ADA Compliance Office, and Disability Law and Advocacy Center.



Here, Roderick stands before a reproduction of the Greek Acropolis in Centennial Park:



Here, Liza takes a picture of Scott on the Shelby Street Pedestrian/Bicycle bridge.

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SCIENCES - continued



Commander
Scott M. Crawford
Chief Science Officer

Right:
The new Cumberland Park
has water fountains for the
kids to play in.



LEGO JACKSON Vandalized: The night of June 11th, thieves broke into the storage unit at Uncle Bob's on I-55 Frontage Road that held LEGO Jackson and Scott's nephew Bijan's belongings. They did not steal much if anything, but deliberately smashed about one third of the exhibit and threw the pieces into the driveway to be rained on. Despite getting it on video, there have been no arrests.

I was pretty devastated by this cruel and cowardly act, but I won't let them win. I've begun to rebuild what was destroyed, and will have it ready for an early December opening, bigger and better than ever.

I've been working on Bailey Magnet School for five months, and it is finally complete. It will be added to the display, as will a new creation, "Phoenix Rising", a statue to mark the rebirth of LEGO Jackson after its near destruction.



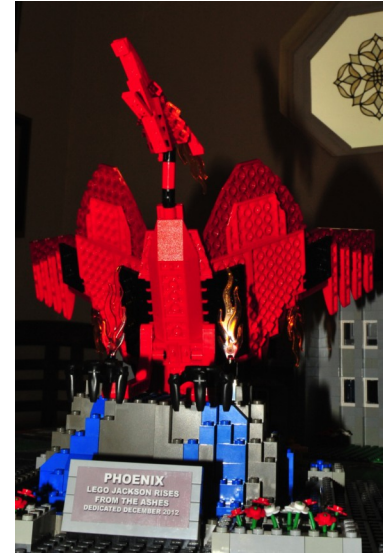
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SCIENCES - continued



**Commander
Scott M. Crawford
Chief Science Officer**

LEGO Jackson will open, once again, the first week of December, at the Mississippi Arts Center on Pascagoula Street, right underneath the Planetarium. I'll send out emails as time approaches. A big turn out on opening night would send a message that the good citizens of Greater Jackson will not be intimidated by a bunch of cowardly criminals.



Triumph for SPACE X's DRAGON:



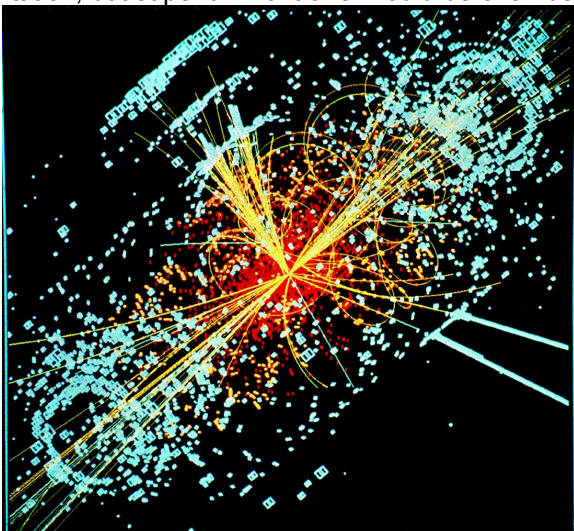
SPACE X, a private company led by Elon Musk, achieved what only four governments have yet to achieve: orbiting and returning a craft from the ISS. In this case, DRAGON was able to dock with the International Space Station on a resupply mission. It is hoped that privatization of the more "routine" aspects of spaceflight (trips to and from the ISS) can free NASA to concentrate on more ambitious, "deep space" technology development (e.g., exploring near Earth asteroids and eventually a mission to Mars).

DRAGON Spacecraft grappled by ISS robotic arm prior to berthing. Photo Credit: NASA

Large Hadron Collider at CERN Discovers Elusive Higgs Boson:

Decades in the making, the Large Hadron Collider quickly pays off by discovering one of the most fundamental of all particles, the Higgs Boson. The Higgs field, and its most elemental particle, the Higgs Boson, is what gives all other particles their masses. Think of it as an energy field that pervades all of space and time. It is the medium through which all particles travel...some particles with greater mass, interact with the Higgs field (or are "slowed down" through inertia) to a greater degree, whereas others fly through it with less interaction (hence, "lighter" elements).

Once the exact properties of the Higgs field are known, it will bring physicists much closer to a grand unified "Theory of Everything": the "Holy Grail" of physics. Of course, TREK fans are hoping that breakthrough technologies may result. I'm still hoping for teleportation, but superluminal travel would be even better.



Simulation of a proton-proton collision in the LHC indicating the presence of the Higgs Boson. This is what physicists likely saw on their screens during the discovery. Photo Credit: CERN



Professor Peter Higgs arrives triumphantly at CERN after the discovery that his theory was indeed correct. Photo Credit: CERN

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MEDICAL



Lt. Commander
Janet Bullock
Chief Medical Officer



Your CMO continues to be very busy in Sickbay. Seems to be lots of chest and abdominal pain going on in several areas around Brandonia! Rest assured, your Sickbay personnel are trying to head things off as much as possible.

I DID manage to sneak away for a few holodeck hours, however, and got to relive a particularly enjoyable Mobicon 2012. I chose to only go on Saturday, May 19, 2012, and it was very enjoyable!!

Encountering several alien species at any convention of this kind from the early 21st century is not unknown, but I noticed a particularly large group of Zombies running all over (well, shuffling all over!) and was intrigued to learn of a large group of "Walking Dead" fans at the convention. I must say that their costuming and makeup certainly gave me pause at times!

For me, the reason for attending was getting to meet Neelix himself, Ethan Phillips. I met him in a conference room that had been set aside for his autograph sessions, and I fully expected there to be a line. How pleasantly surprised I was to find only 2 other folks in the room with him! I sat down at the table directly across from him, and stayed there for the duration of the time, talking with, and listening to, all the many stories he had to tell about making Star Trek Voyager and all the fascinating characters he met and worked with along the way. He considers himself a "middle-class actor", meaning he makes a good living as an actor, but he is not a \$100,000 per episode actor. When asked about residual income from television repeats, including Voyager, he said he and the other actors might get the occasional check for a few cents or a few dollars, but as the years go by, the checks get smaller and smaller.

He held a well-attended Q&A session for an hour or so, and I got to meet up with several Starfleet personnel who attended, also. I counted 5 ships in all that were represented from Region 2 there. It was great to meet up with all the 'Fleeters, and catch up.

After the Q&A session, I asked Ethan if he would mind getting a photo taken with members of our group in front of the booth set up by the USS Jubilee in Mobile. He very graciously agreed, and the rest of the 'Fleeters seemed thrilled to get to meet and visit personally with Neelix.

I then whisked Ethan away on my own to get a photo made with him myself by the official Con photographer. By this time, Ethan and I were on a first-name basis! I told someone later that this was the best Con ever for me because I felt like I really got to spend some quality time with Ethan that folks don't usually get to have.

Most of the Con goers seemed more interested in the comic artists than the main attractions. As I strolled through the Vendors' Alley, most of the items for sale revolved around comics (or graphic novels) as they are now known.

I got what I went for, though, and much, much more! It was great meeting Ethan Phillips; he is a kind gentleman, and a regular guy.

It was also great connecting with some new 'Fleeter friends I had never met, and renewing contact with some I had! It was a wonderful experience! I highly recommend it for next year. It is not expensive, and I went and came home same day. Great trip!!

See you at the next meeting!

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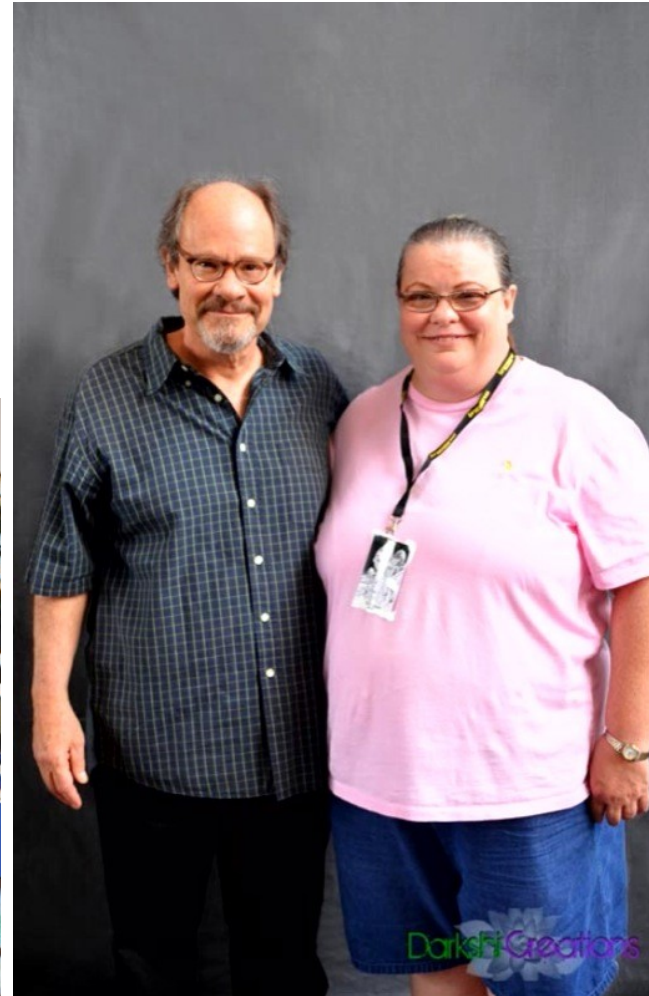
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Lt. Commander
Janet Bullock
Chief Medical Officer



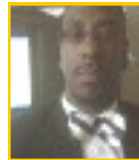
Great Group Photo: Other Starfleet Region 2 members in Mobile, AL with Janet and Ethan Phillips at Mobicon 2012.



Star Trek: Voyager's Neelix - Ethan Phillips with Janet.



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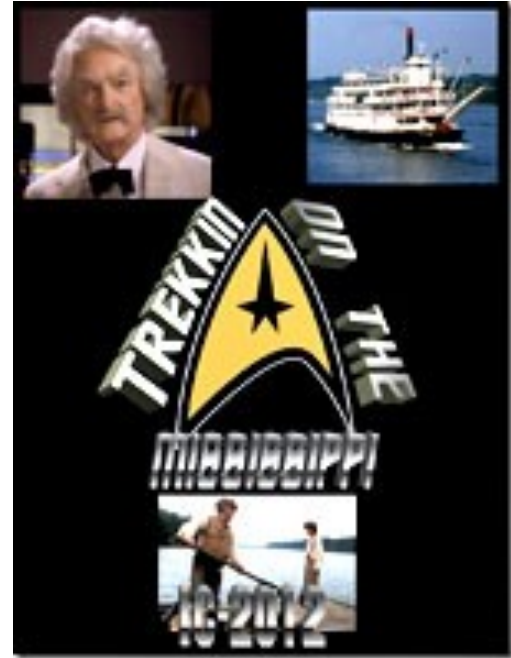
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To Boldly Go
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With *Enterprise* riding piggyback, NASA's Shuttle Carrier Aircraft takes off from Dulles International Airport in Sterling, Virginia, Friday morning. Completed in 1976, *Enterprise* was originally supposed to have been named Constitution, in honor of the U.S. Constitution's bicentennial. But a write-in campaign by fans of the *Star Trek* TV series led to the orbiter's current designation. According to Reuters, actor Leonard Nimoy, who played Spock in the original series, was among those in New York today to witness *Enterprise's* arrival. Published April 27, 2012