



# Sub-Space Newsletter



**The Official Newsletter of the  
United Federated Planets  
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## From The Desk of the President

"Gone Fishin"  
(On Vacation)

Mike Ferguson  
President  
United Federated Planets

From The Office Of  
FADM Wendell Zander:

Reminder: All Ship who do not send in a report by October 1st will be put in dry dock and after time decommissioned and to all officers who have not reported in you also have until October 1st to report in or you will be take out of your office if there is something wrong and fore some reason you can't report in let me now.

Please send in your monthly status reports by the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month so we can keep up with your progress. If there is any news you would like to share with the Fleet in these monthly reports please send them to Mike Ferguson at [mikeferg1@yahoo.com](mailto:mikeferg1@yahoo.com) or Wendell Zander at [ufpops2@yahoo.com](mailto:ufpops2@yahoo.com) and your news will be sent out.

All Department Head Are From Now On Required To Send In A Monthly Report To Say What Is Going On In Their Departments Also Any Ship Who I Do Not Get A Report From By September 15<sup>th</sup>, Will Be Placed Into Dry Dock Until Further Notice.

If Any One Has Any Questions You May E-Mail Me At [ufpops2@yahoo.com](mailto:ufpops2@yahoo.com) and I will answer them as soon as possible.

Thank You

FADM Wendell Zander  
FLEET ADMIRAL OF THE  
UNITED FEDERATED PLANETS  
STARFLEET COMMAND

**August 2007  
News From  
The Sectors, Departments &  
Chapters**

Starfleet Command Sector



## Starfleet Command Department Updates



### Engineering Department

Engineering Department Reports: The Starfleet Corps of Engineers reports all is well. I have added Lt. Carl Stark to the staff of the Starfleet Corps of Engineers as the Chief of Fleet Design Operations. We have completed technical specification sheets and are in the process of putting them onto the website. This concludes my report.

VAdm. Sean Beorn



### Computer Operations

Reporting normal operations for the last month

## Starfleet Command Chapter Activities

### USS Alles

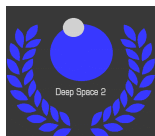
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### USS Beowulf

Reports: Several members of the crew celebrated the July 4th holiday together



## Deep Space 2

Deep Space 2 Reports:

\*Star Trek CCG Tournament: Due to holidays there was no Tournament in July. Next tournament will be on August 12 For more info on Star Trek CCG: <http://www.decipher.com>

### DEEP SPACE 2 BLOG

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<http://www.specialolympics.be/> \*OTHER

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### DS2 SETI PROJECT

There have been problems from the SETI side. Production was lower than usual.

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### USS Horizon

USS Horizon Reports: SOCIAL ACTIVITIES Members had a holiday dinner and viewed fireworks on the fourth of July at the CO's home.

Members went to have a meal at Ci Ci's Pizza

Members went to see "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix"

Members had a meal together at the Macaronni Grill

Members got together at George's for a dinner and to meet with new members  
Members went to see "No Reservations"  
Members met for a party at Summit Lake Winery

## USS Victorious

Regular monthly meeting.

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### CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

OCP (in dollars of coupons): Monthly = \$7,719.97; Annual = \$97,198.74  
Stampede (in # of stamps): Monthly = 39; Annual = 358  
Aluminum Can Recycling (# of cans): Monthly = 24; Annual = 546  
Cash Donations: Monthly = \$18.40, Annual = \$100.28  
Other Recycling (in weight in #): Monthly = 13; Annual = 140.40  
Service Time (in minutes): Monthly = 17,695; Annual = 93,973  
Ecology Service Time (in minutes): Monthly = 240; Annual = 1650  
Items in Lieu of Cash Donations: Monthly = \$0; Annual = \$16,874.00  
Campbell's Soup Labels: Monthly = 0; Annual = 0

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### U.S.S. MARS NCC-586

USS Mars Reports: No activities or meetings to report this month.

The ship's involvement with project SETI



<http://setiathome.berkeley.edu/>

is running smoothly with MARS currently using 2 computers, the 3rd currently does not have DSL internet access. Total work credited as of 06:41 hours on 06-26-07 is 122932.96 with average work units at 107.05 MARS continues to participate in the STARDUST@HOME project, 142 "Movies" viewed as of 7-29-07

For more information on how to become involved, please go to

<http://stardustathome.ssl.berkeley.edu/about.php>

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## Deep Space 2

### Introduction

The DS2 Newsflash is meant to inform the crew about what happened last month, what is going to happen, and what is planned for the near future. The DS2 Newsflash in PDF Format for Acrobat Readerr, often contains pictures, while the text version does not. You can read and download this DS2 Newsflash in PDF Format with this direct link:

[http://users.skynet.be/fa005983/flas10\\_7.pdf](http://users.skynet.be/fa005983/flas10_7.pdf)

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1. A word from the DS2 CO

### Convention time !!!

Yesyesyes. The big conventions in the benelux are coming up. Look at the list in the announcement section.

That is all I am going to say this time. Next issue of the Deep Space 2 Newsletter will be published on November 1st. Lots of convention pictures are to be expected.

Arthur

### \*UFP News\*

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UFP ON-LINE STORE IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS. FOLLOW THIS HYPERLINK

<http://www.cafepress.com/ufphq>

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Hey there Everybody,

I just recently finished and published my first full-length Science-fiction romance adventure novel now available for purchase online from both "Amazon.com", "ChaptersIndigo.ca", and "iUniverse" -- available also over the phone at 1-800-288-4677. The name of the book is "StarChild" (one word with both a capital "S" and "C") and those who've read it so far have all proved most enthusiastic.

In fact it is the book upon which all my on-line groups are based, the more perfect world I endorse at all my sites described in much greater detail in StarChild. And so everyone here can check it out for themselves I've included here the following URL links:

Amazon.com:

[http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/detail/-/0595462030/ref=pd\\_luc\\_mri^104-8532595-0458347?%5Fencoding=UTF8&m=ATVPDKIKX0DER&v=glance](http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/tg/detail/-/0595462030/ref=pd_luc_mri^104-8532595-0458347?%5Fencoding=UTF8&m=ATVPDKIKX0DER&v=glance)

Barnes & Noble:

<http://search.barnesandnoble.com/booksearch/isbnInquiry.asp?z=y&EAN=97801595462032&itm=4>

Chapters.Indigo:

<http://www.chapters.indigo.ca/books/StarChild-Science-Fiction-Romance-Adventure-Jim-G-Styles/9780595462032-item.html?ref=Search+Books%3a+'StarChild'>

iUniverse:

[http://www.iuniverse.com/bookstore/book\\_detail.asp?isbn=0-595-46203-0](http://www.iuniverse.com/bookstore/book_detail.asp?isbn=0-595-46203-0)

Having worked hard on it for the last 7 years StarChild is in fact that upon which I based all the sites I run--the first realistic portrayal of Matriarchy I know of in the world of fiction involving future women of great nobility and power alongside men of superior compassion and sensitivity.

In StarChild you will meet at last those future people who live there, experiencing their entire civilization through their own eyes, while learning as well a shocking secret about our past posing still a dangerous threat to all we hold dear.

So with all this in mind I hope you visit the above listed links, give StarChild a closer look, and (if you like what you see) I hope you'll consider making it a part of your in-home library.

Thanks!

-- Yours Always (and may The Great Saint Bless),

Jim G. Styles

(aka: Jas D. Stevens)

PS: and in StarChild you'll finally find out, too, who the 'Great Saint' was/is/will be and why she is considered so "Great" [O:] [:]])

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Note:

Jim Styles is connected with DS2 through U.S.S. Alice Cooper-B and is listed as Ambassador Jas D. Stevens. I have the privilege of having Jim even play in the DS2 RPG. Besides all that and much more important... I know Jim for many years and he is a great friend.

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Hello Everyone.

The next issue of the UFP Sub-Space will be released on October 28th. Therefore, the deadline for submissions will be on October 20th. As always, any member can send in a submission, see previous e-mails for details.

Thanks and I hope to see some articles soon!

Pete

Adm. Peter J. Lutz  
CO  
U.S.S. MARS NCC-525  
A UFP Starfleet Command Vessel  
petelutz@windstream.net  
You can run, but you'll only die tired!

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## 2. Announcements

OFFICIAL STARGATE SG-1 and  
STARGATE: ATLANTIS CONVENTION

SECAUCUS, NEW JERSEY  
(New York City Area)  
Fri., Sat. & Sun. November 2-4, 2007  
Crowne Plaza Meadowlands  
2 Harmon Plaza  
Guests:  
MICHAEL SHANKS  
DON DAVIS  
PAUL McGILLION

TONY AMENDOLA  
CLIFF SIMON  
STEVE BACIC  
JAY ACOVONE

The OFFICIAL FARSCAPE CONVENTION  
2007  
"The Final Frellin' Farewell"

BURBANK, CALIFORNIA  
Fri., Sat. & Sun. November 2-4, 2007  
Burbank Airport Marriott Hotel  
2500 Hollywood Way  
Guests:  
BEN BROWDER  
ROCKNE O'BANNON  
GIGI EDGLEY  
WAYNE PYGRAM  
ANTHONY SIMCOE  
JONATHAN HARDY  
LANI TUPU

Creation Salutes  
Star Trek

NEW YORK AREA  
Fri. Sat. & Sun. November 9 - 11, 2007  
The Crowne Plaza Meadowlands Hotel  
Two Harmon Plaza (free parking)  
Secaucus, New Jersey  
Guests:  
JONATHAN FRAKES  
Additional guests to be announced.

Creation Entertainment's  
SALUTE TO SUPERNATURAL,  
SMALLVILLE AND BUFFY/ANGEL

CHICAGO, IL AREA  
Sat. & Sun. November 10-11, 2007  
Hyatt Regency Woodfield  
(near Chicago O'Hare airport)  
1800 East Golf Rd.  
Schaumburg, Ill.  
Guests:  
JARED PADALECKI  
SAMANTHA FERRIS  
NICHOLAS BRENDON  
FREDRIC LEHNE  
STEVE CARLSON

THE OFFICIAL  
BATTLESTAR: GALACTICA CONVENTION

BURBANK, CALIFORNIA  
Fri., Sat. & Sun. November 16-18, 2007  
Burbank Airport Marriott Hotel  
2500 Hollywood Way  
Guests:  
JAMIE BAMBER  
TAHMOH PENIKETT  
KATEE SACKHOFF  
KATE VERNON  
BEAR McCREARY

Official Stargate SG-1 Con

BURBANK, CA  
Fri., Sat. & Sun. November 16-18, 2007  
Burbank Airport Marriott Hotel  
2500 Hollywood Way  
Guests:  
MICHAEL SHANKS  
STEVE BACIC  
CLIFF SIMON  
CARMEN ARGENZIANO  
JAY ACOVONE

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\*Star trek 2E CCG Games October 2007

7- 13h00: Constructed  
19- 20h00: Gamesnight

Gamesnights are free, Constructed  
tournaments are 5 euro fee.

Location:

Outpost  
Beggaardenstraat 6  
Antwerpen  
Belgium

Info:  
Filip Vandekerckhove  
Email: stccg@skynet.be

\*Community Service\*

The Charity Link on the DS2 Blog will change every first of every month. The October 2007 Charity Link on the DS2 Blog: Caritas

<http://www.caritas.be>

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From <http://www.wwf.org>

Local communities celebrate new protected areas in Papua New Guinea

Bensbach, Papua New Guinea - The creation of three new wildlife management areas in Papua New Guinea will protect some of Asia-Pacific's most threatened and unique wildlife habitats.

The new Aramba, Tonda extension and Weriaver areas cover about 710,000 hectares in Papua New Guinea's Western Province, and join up with the existing Tonda wildlife management area of 610,000 hectares. These areas, together with the adjoining Wasur National Park in Papua, mean that almost 2 million hectares of the TransFly Ecoregion will be protected.

"The creation of these new protected areas means that the TransFly region will now contain the largest continuous protected area in the country," said Dr David Melick, WWF's TransFly Ecoregion Coordinator.

The TransFly is a vast, low-lying coastal region of grasslands, savannas wetlands and monsoon forest in south-central New Guinea. Home to such unique wildlife as marsupial cats, endemic flying possums and birds of paradise, the region covers more than 10 million hectares, straddling the borders of Papua New Guinea and Indonesia.

"We hope that this region will soon be formally recognized as a cross-border conservation zone to enable international action on conservation and livelihood threats," Dr Melick added.

Hundreds of local tribal groups from surrounding villages celebrated the announcement of the protected areas in a traditional ceremony. Local community leaders, politicians and wildlife officials took part in the ceremony, as well as world-renowned conservationist and author Professor Jared Diamond, and WWF representatives, including WWF International's Executive Director of Conservation, Guillermo Castilleja.

"We are working with local landowners so indigenous values can shape a biodiversity vision to protect priority landscapes on both sides of the political border," said Dr Melick.

"This approach identifies and prioritizes the landscapes, species and traditions that have particular cultural, social or livelihood values."

There are over 60 cultural groups, whose lives, customs, languages and knowledge are linked inextricably with the landscapes of the TransFly. It is also home to some of the largest wetlands in the Asia-Pacific region, but it is threatened by development and agricultural expansion. Millions of birds inhabit the floodplains, with over 50 per cent of New Guinea's bird species found in the ecoregion, including 80 endemic species.

The wildlife management areas will be managed by local landowner committees, with assistance from WWF to promote protection of wildlife and habitat, and sustainable enterprises such as eco-tourism.

**\*SETI News\***

Deep Space 2 SETI Team:

Currently 4 computers are involved in the DS2 SETI team.

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**3. DS2 Monthly Chapter Report**

**UNITED FEDERATED PLANETS**

**CHAPTER REPORTING FORM**

REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF:  
September 2007

CHAPTER NAME:  
Deep Space 2  
UFP Chapter Charter: September 1997

Deep Space 2 celebrates its 10th anniversary in UFP !!

CHAPTER PRESIDENT:  
Arthur van Rhee

CHAPTER VICE PRESIDENT:  
Jan Theys

TYPE OF CHAPTER (ENTER BELOW):  
ENTER TYPE OF CHAPTER HERE:  
STARFLEET COMMAND

IF ALIEN FLEET, WHICH RACE:  
N/A

NEWSLETTER NAME:  
Deep Space 2 Newsflash (produced monthly)

CHAPTER MAILING ADDRESS:  
Deep Space 2  
Tessenderloseweg 149  
2431 Laakdal  
Belgium

E-MAIL ADDRESS:  
[contact@ds2.be](mailto:contact@ds2.be)

**WEB SITE:**

Deep Space 2  
<http://www.ds2.be>

Deep Space 2 Marines  
<http://marines.ds2.be>

**NEW MEMBERS OF CHAPTER:**

Currently 26 members

**PROMOTIONS/AWARDS**

**CHAPTER ACTIVITIES:**

**\*Star Trek CCG Tournament:**

On September 9 four DS2 members attended a Star Trek CCG Sealed Tournament with a 2nd, 4th, 5th and 6th place as a result.

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(The DS2 away team has been saved and brought back home.)

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**OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS:**

Promotion:

ANY PROBLEMS OR QUESTIONS:

ANY SUGGESTIONS:

ANY UFP AWARDS REQUESTED FOR SPECIFIC CHAPTER MEMBERS:

SIGNATURE OF CHAPTER PRESIDENT:

Arthur van Rhee  
arthur.van.rhee@skynet.be  
sky94962@yahoo.com

DATE REPORT MAILED:  
October 1, 2007

**4. Birthdays**

Jan Theys: October 13

Joost Dierickx: October 24

**5. DS2 Quiz**

Deep Space 2 Trivia Quiz October 2007

Every month there will be a small Deep Space 2 Quiz. It is of course very courages of you to solve the quiz without looking at the correct answers. The correct answers will be given at the end of the Deep Space 2 Trivia Quiz. This quiz is only three questions. A first question is a "What is" question, a second is about a certain Star Trek Episode and a third is a "Where" question. Good luck The DS2 quiz is published in the monthly DS2 Newsflash.





## U.S.S. MARS NCC-586

No activities or meetings to report this month.

The CO continues to recover from his minor heart attack and stent implantation and is nearly back to normal, physically.

The ship's involvement with project SETI is running smoothly with MARS currently using 3 computers.

Total work credited as of 12:06 hours on 10-31-07 is 138560.06 with average work units at 206.08

MARS continues to participate in the [STARDUST@HOME](#) project, however, though in a limited way and as time permits.

For an overview or more information on how to become involved, please go to <http://stardustathome.ssl.berkeley.edu/about.php> The ship's involvement with project SETI is running smoothly with MARS currently using



## **BABYLON 5 Sector**

No Submission This Period



## **ANDROMEDA Sector**

No Submission This Period

**(From NASA.gov e-mail bulletins)**  
**Milestones in Space**

**Voyager at 30: Looking Beyond and Within**

A mission that was supposed to last just five years is celebrating its 30th anniversary this fall. Scientists continue to receive data from the Voyager 1 and 2 spacecraft as they approach interstellar space.

The twin craft have become a fixture of pop culture, inspiring novels and playing a central role in television shows, music videos, songs and movies from the 1980s and 1990s. Many of these fictional works focus on what would happen if an alien race were able to locate Earth via Voyager's famous golden records, which include sounds and images of Earth. The selections portray people young and old, male and female -- not to mention examples of many other species -- and include information about every continent on the planet, as well as Earth's location in space.

Earlier NASA missions included plaques with information about Earth, in case an intelligent alien race intercepted the probes. This spurred, John Casani, Voyager's first project manager, to appoint astronomer and author Carl Sagan to head a committee to come up with a message for Voyager.

In his book "Murmurs of Earth," Sagan later described how the committee created the record and chose its contents. Physicist Frank Drake suggested the idea of a record that would have pictures on one side and sounds on the other side. The group had less than six weeks to come up with a record that would represent the entire population of Earth -- in addition to the planet itself -- if it were ever discovered by an intelligent alien race.

Although the chances of extraterrestrials finding the message are extremely slim, the Voyager golden record has become an icon.

"It's the classic message in a bottle. The likelihood of finding it is small, but the payoff is huge if it is found," said Ann Druyan, a science media producer and author. Druyan was appointed creative director of the record project and later married Sagan.

Ed Stone, Voyager's project scientist and former JPL director, explained that although there is almost no chance of the record being found, the record is important as a message to ourselves.

"In a sense it's a unifying message," Stone said. "It's a message from Earth. It contains greetings in many languages, music from many cultures and images that portray our home planet. It's our attempt to say what is Earth, and it's a record of who we think we are."

Druyan also explained that the coupling of music and science was an especially compelling reason to devote so much energy to the record.

"The record represented the idea that science and technology could come together with art," said Druyan, who also designed the sound essay. "It's one of the few totally great stories that we have about humans. It cost the taxpayers virtually nothing, nobody got killed. It was a way to celebrate the glory of being alive on this tiny blue dot in 1977."

"This was the most romantic and beautiful project ever attempted by NASA. It had the sounds of a kiss, a mother saying hello to her newborn baby for the first time, all that glorious music. Remember, this was during the Cold War. Everyone was living with the knowledge that 50,000 nuclear weapons could go off at any time, and there was a lot of angst about the future. This

was something positive -- a way to represent Earth and put our best foot forward. That was irresistible."

Carl Sagan's son Nick was six years old in 1977 when the Voyager records were being assembled. The records feature a recording of him as a child saying, "Hello from the children of planet Earth."

"I had no sense of the magnitude of it at the time," said Nick Sagan, who partially followed in his late father's footsteps by pursuing a career as a science fiction writer. "Literally it was my parents putting me in front of a microphone and saying, 'What would you say to extraterrestrials?'"

Sagan said he began to realize what the record meant as he got older, and as a teen he started to realize what a "strange but wonderful honor" it was.

"It's been a challenge for the rest of my life to live up to that honor. It's always there in my subconscious," he said. "My dad inspired so many people to do so many great things -- to not take things at face value and to look at evidence to search for the truth. It's something that I look to as a beacon."

Sagan said that he and his father discussed the Voyager discoveries in the context of their search for life. They got excited when the spacecraft photographed Titan and Europa, and Sagan noted a change in his father as the years went by.

"One of the things that surprised him was that we didn't find life during his lifetime," he said. "He started to realize that if there's no other life out there, and life is so rare, we need to protect ours. I saw a shift in him. That's when he started to become more socially and politically conscious."

In the end, Sagan believes that Voyager and other extraterrestrial missions are important because of their process rather than their discoveries.

"The question is: What's it all about?" he said. "If we do find life it will change us, but if not it will change things also. The act of looking will tell us so much, and we will learn so much about ourselves."

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Media Contact: Carolina Martinez 818-354-9382 (JPL)

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