

REGION 2 MONTHLY MEMO

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REGION 2 REGIONAL COORDINATOR



One of the vacant regional positions has been filled. The new Chief of Computer Operations is Rich Trulson, of the Wernher Von Braun. Rich has served as our Vice Chief of Computer Operations for quite a while, and I think he will do a good job as Chief of Computer Operations. His duties will include keeping the Region 2 web page up to date, creating links to and from our page with other Starfleet pages, Star Trek pages, convention pages and related pages. He will also be offering his help to Region 2 Chapters in creating and improving their pages, and in helping chapters use their computers to their fullest to aid in their day to day operations, recruiting, communications, and so on.

The new Florida Zone Coordinator is currently being voted on by the Florida Commanding Officers, from the pool of applicants who sent in their resumes last month. Good luck to them both! The Region 2 Constitution, currently nearing completion so it can be voted on by the chapters of Region 2, will require future Zone Coordinator selection to take place via a vote, like we are doing for this change in ZC. The position of Vice Regional Coordinator will be done similarly, with each full chapter getting a vote. As Regional Coordinator, my only power will be to officially install the elected ZC or VRC. I think this will aid a lot in the organization and growth of Region 2.

Every month, in chapter reports, I hear from a few groups who have not received the membership packets or Communiques. I am happy to help with these problems, and will do my best to resolve them. First, though, you must keep in mind certain facts about membership processing.

Without going into too great detail, the nature of the processing of new memberships and renewals means this will always take a number of weeks. Files are updated and sent to the various offices approximately once per month. If you are fortunate in when you hit the cycle of work, you may receive your packet in as little as three weeks. If your timing is unfortunate, it may take close to eight weeks.

If you have waited more than eight weeks, it is time to take action. Please send the information to me, via email or postal mail, with the following information: your name, address, SCC number, when you sent your payment, when your check cleared your bank. From my discussions with the EC/AB, many of these problems are caused by changes of address, errors in writing your address, or handwriting so bad that the address cannot be reliably deciphered. If none of these are the problem, it is likely that the membership office has somehow dropped the ball (which happens sometimes, as all our SFHQ staff are unpaid volunteers, just like you and I), or that some real-life concern has delayed processing. Our membership staff goes on vacations, has family emergencies, and computer crashes, just like we do. If this is the problem for your late package problem, I will let you know and keep up with the situation until you receive your materials.

I have also been told that one of the other big reasons for late processing of membership renewals and new memberships is that memberships are sent to old addresses. Such mail can take quite a while to forward. I have enclosed a copy of the latest SFI flyer for you to duplicate and hand out to your crew; please be sure you are using the latest flyer when sending in memberships.

Misdelivery of Communiques should be sharply down, especially with the next issues. SFI has acquired a second class permit, which will allow longer forwarding times and more returned mail in the case of bad addresses. If you have missed an issue, please be sure to include this in your monthly report, and I will do my best to see that you receive a replacement issue.

I will be attending the 1999 Starfleet International Conference from August 5-8, where I will have meetings with Starfleet leadership and staff. If you have any concerns or questions you would like addressed, please contact me and let me know. I have a few things I plan to address while I am there, but I should have time for several more.

There are still some Region 2 Staff positions open, though applications and resumes have begun arriving. These include Engineering, Shuttle Operations Command, Public Relations, Recruiting and Sciences. If you would like to apply for any of these positions except Recruiting, send a resume to Region 2 Vice Regional Coordinator Jennifer Rosbury (also known as my Chief of Staff) at:

Jennifer Rosbury
579 NW 41st St. Apt. B
Oakland FL 33309
r2vrc@trekland.com

To apply for the Recruiting post, you need to contact Starfleet Public Relations Division Chief Ron Fell, at Commrfell@aol.com.

In addition, I received a request from the Director of Starfleet Diplomatic Corps, Christopher Esquibel, for anyone who would like to apply for the position of Assistant Director, Diplomatic Corps, Regional Services for Region Two. Chris has asked me to choose a member of Region Two for this position. Anyone who is interested in applying should send his or her resume to Jennifer Rosbury.

The next Region 2 Internet Chat will be on August 1, at 7 p.m. Alabama and Mississippi time, 8 p.m. for Georgia and most of Florida. If you are not sure how to join an IRC chat, go to the www.sfi.org website, and click on the Cyberspace button. There are directions on that page on how to install and use IRC software. You can join the Region 2 Chat in the same fashion you join the main Starfleet channel, #starfleet, except that the channel name is different. The R2 channel is #sfi-r2. I drop by often, so join any time, you never know who you will see there.

By now every chapter should have received two chapter rosters from me, one in March at the Summit (or in the mail immediately after), and one by mail in the May Monthly Memo. Any corrections should be sent to membership@sfi.org; please do not send them to me, as I just have to forward them to membership. It has been said by HQ that at some future point, Regional Coordinators may have the authority

to make changes for their chapters, but until that happens, only the membership officer can do so.

We will be publishing a list of all Region 2 Summit paid registrants in each monthly publication, from now until the 2000 Summit. This will help people see if their registration has been received. In addition, we will send an email or postal mail confirmation to all registrants. The list so far:

Registrant	Chapter	Package
Tim Tennery	Dark Silence	C
Cynthia Tennery	Dark Silence	C
Bill Hart	Triumph	A
Pete Mohny	Hephaestus	A
Sue Ellen Mohny	Hephaestus	A
Nick Mohny	Hephaestus	A
Danny Potts	Hephaestus	A
Denby Potts	Hephaestus	A

In addition, certain Starfleet staff or Regional staff are given complimentary memberships. Note that these do not include transportation or lodging, except at the discretion of the Region 2 leadership, which may (if finances permit) elect to subsidize some of these expenses.

Mike Smith	Fleet Admiral	A (complimentary)
Brian Davis	SFMC Comm.	A (complimentary)
Mike Henigan	Chief of Summit	A (complimentary)
Ron Fell	Auctioneer	A (complimentary)

Starting in August, at the end of each month, we will have a drawing from among the paid Summit registrants for a \$10 Auction Certificate, good for \$10 on bidding at the auction. Summit staff are not eligible for these drawings, even if they are paid attendees. If you register in August, you will have six chances to win!

As always, I am here to serve you. Report your problems and achievement in your monthly reports, and I will look to solve the first and congratulate you for the second. If you need to contact me, email is preferable; please limit telephone calls to weeknights no later than 9 p.m. or weekends no later than 10 p.m.

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