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George Takei

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# CAPTAIN'S LOG

STARDATE: 53040.8

CAPTAIN CARL STARK

As many of you know, after moving to Roy, I now travel the entire length of the I-15 spacelane to reach Salt Lake for employment. This allows me to travel past sections 332 to 334 in Layton. The USS Ticonderoga's assigned area in the Adopt-A-Highway program. After taking our first tour of cleaning duty last month I now pass this location with pride. Knowing that we were out picking up litter from the side of the road and making our world a better place. I tend to scan the two miles while driving by making sure that no extra star trash has fallen since our last away mission.

I'd like to thank our Chief Medical Officer Ensign Karrie Buck and Chief Security Officer Ensign Frank Buck for being a driving force in getting our Adopt-A-Highway project off the ground. I'd like to thank everyone who came out and helped pick up trash, if you don't have your special bumper sticker for this project please let me know. And I'd like to especially thank those who stayed at the Buck's crew quarters and helped watch the younger crewmembers. This helped out quite a bit.

If you didn't get a chance to help out in March, we will be taking another away mission to pick up trash in the next couple of months. After cleaning our section for a second time we will be eligible to have a roadside sign placed next to the spacelane with our name on it. This will make a great opportunity for a group photo for our photo album and website. Our goal is to continue the clean up about every three months or so. If you would like to help, please let your Department Chief know.

Captain Carl Stark  
Commanding Officer  
USS Ticonderoga, NCC-74676

## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR:

What? What do you means she's in labor? She had the Northern Lights? Oh, only in first name. And you want me to do what? BY WHEN??????? Hey, I am not a miracle worker. Check with Engineering on that. I know I am supposed to handle all the problems that arise but this is not my fault. Okay, I will do it for now but I doubt I will make it like she did.

So as you have guessed by now, I am filling in for Midship Erica Abner while she is tending to her newly arrived Northern Lights <wink>. I am doing this on short notice so try not to be hard on me on how this looks. I had several things I wanted to put in here but didn't have the time. The next issue, which all submissions are due by May 13<sup>th</sup> ( I gave extra time before CONduit ), should be a little more organized. Make sure you send your submissions to me at [CptnValdez@aol.com](mailto:CptnValdez@aol.com) or the next time you see me. If I need to type it out from a handwritten submission, give to me earlier. If you can think of anything you would like to see in the next issue, just let me know. This is your newsletter and we want to make sure you enjoy it. I hope you will all join me in wishing Erica congratulations on her new arrival and hope she returns soon. Of course she didn't tell me that getting the Captain to submit his report was like pulling teeth with no anesthesia. And speaking of that, remember to set your clock back one hour for CST. That is CAPTAIN STARK TIME for all you who don't know. We are never ahead. {:o)

Now for the voyage ahead. Hope you enjoy this newsletter and remember that only by subscribing do you get all this fun stuff.

Acting (Yeah right!) Editor  
Lt. Cmdr. Bob Allen  
Strategic Operations Officers

P.S. I really want to thank all those who did submit items for the newsletter on time like I asked.

## **Engineering: Chief's log. 3\1\00**

In our continuing quest to find out how the ship works, my team and I decided that we would start by removing items and then finding out what doesn't work. So we can know what it does. We started with a round squarish peg. After removing it, we found that the ship started to drift and that kind-of got Dave mad. So after replacing the peg, all ship systems returned to normal. Next month we will find out what "Stem Bolts" do. (I got a great price from a Ferengi for them.)

## **Engineering: Chief's log. 4\1\00**

Our mission for efficiency has began. As promised I tried to find how "Stem Bolts" are used, we didn't find a thing. Although we did find that after the "Stem Bolt" seals you can't remove them. So as we send messages to Star Fleet for the codes to remove the "Stem Bolt" from Floyd's leg. (And get my money back from that conniving Ferengi.) Floyd will temporarily be in charge of "Button Pushing." An important position here on the Engineering deck. (Let's hope he doesn't get me pregnant again.)

## **Engineering: Chief's log. 4\1\00 Supplemental:**

Yet again I should not have left the button pushing job to Floyd. I am now pregnant again. I must have a serious talk with his professors to see what his problem is. (I think the power is too much for him.)

## **STAR TREK SONG SUBMITTED BY CAPTAIN CARL STARK**

### **"Saving the Enterprise"**

I get up every mornin'  
To the alarm clock warin'  
And take the turbo-lift up to the bridge.  
I'm in charge of navigation  
So I've got to man my station  
For an acting ensign, quite a privilege.  
And if there's some threat  
Well, you sure as heck can bet  
That I'll figure out a way to save the day!  
If you ever get annoyed at this acting ensign boy,  
Well, I'm not the one who writes it, Okay?

I'll be savin' the Enterprise, every day  
Savin' the Enterprise, every way  
Savin' the Enterprise, it gets old,  
Savin' the Enterprise, in every episode





Danny La/The Salt Lake Tribune

George Takei, center, of the original 'Star Trek' television series gives the familiar Vulcan hand salute as he poses with a costumed fan Saturday at FanFest 2000.

## Captain Sulu Visits Planet Utah

BY DAN NAILEN

THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

George Takei, better known even to non-Trekkers as "Mr. Sulu," has enjoyed a 30-year career including a hit television series, blockbuster films and a best-selling autobiography. Now, to pad the income a bit, the "Star Trek" stalwart often spends weekends discussing them with fans.

Takei is just one of the television, horror and science-fiction icons appearing at FanFest 2000 this weekend at the

Utah State Fair Park's Grand Building. During his Saturday afternoon appearance, he showed just how deft he has become answering questions from people in "Star Trek" costumes, while admitting that he cannot fit in his old "Mr. Sulu" gear.

One fan asks a specific question about a specific episode of the "Star Trek" television show. Takei spins a 10-minute history of the episode's production, finishing to applause. Another asks about

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## George Takei Talks of Treks Through Space

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the mysterious daughter that showed up in now-Captain Sulu's life in "Generations," the most-recent "Star Trek" movie and who should play the part. Takei encourages the crowd to call out suggestions, then muses about a "young Sigourney Weaver," to much laughter.

One fan suggests Takei record some meditation tapes because his baritone is like "black velvet." Takei laughs heartily, then starts asking people why they live in Utah. His easy humor and presentation were much like a stage show in Las Vegas.

"At one period, I was doing a convention every weekend for three straight months," Takei said before signing a pile of photos. "If I wanted, I could do one every weekend."

The convention circuit is anything but conventional. Besides Takei, FanFest 2000 featured a who's who of niche celebrities. Catrine McGregor, a casting director who organized the event, has lived in Park City on and off through the years. She figured a convention focussed on specific

*"I wanted something where you don't have to wear all black, or have a cell phone or a water bottle hanging around your neck, to go."*

Catrine McGregor

FanFest 2000 Organizer

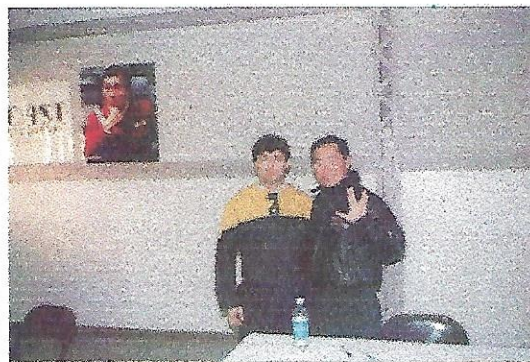
genres, like horror and sci-fi, could do well in Utah, and went about contacting Hollywood friends, and their friends, to put it together.

"There are these kind of festivals everywhere," McGregor said. "I wanted something where you don't have to wear all black, or have a cell phone or a water bottle hanging around your neck, to go."

The result is a mix of collectibles and kitsch. Vendors are on hand selling action figures, movie posters, Hollywood antiques and, at one table, candles and bear repellent.

Depending on the time of day, fans can walk away with autographs from Todd Bridges (Willis from "Different Strokes") or Mike Lookinland (Bobby Brady), or perhaps Gunnar Hansen, Leatherface from "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre."

Ticket sales were sluggish at \$22 per day, so McGregor decided to charge \$9.99 for today's autograph sessions and lectures. More information is available at [www.slcfanfest2000.com](http://www.slcfanfest2000.com).

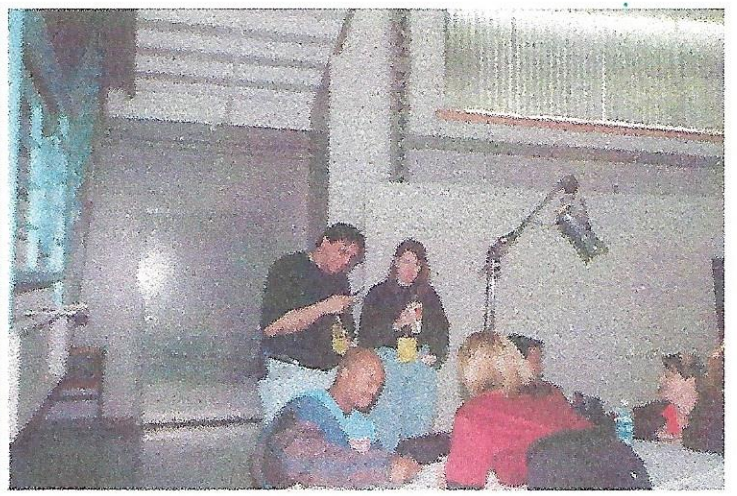


Our own Ensign Frank Buck poses with George Takei for a picture taken by Ensign Josh Merrill while a Salt Lake Tribune photographer takes their picture.

## FANFEST 2000









# THE WEAPONS OF STAR TREK

## BY ENS. FRANK BUCK

### CHIEF OF SECURITY

## ARTICLE #3

### HANDHELD WEAPONS: ALIEN AND FEDERATION

As I mentioned in the previous articles, these weapons are from TOS . This list is incomplete, if you have any additions or deletions please feel free to let me know.

1. First and foremost there is the Hand phaser. Virtually everyone in the federation had one and/or used it. The early phasers were larger and pistol shaped with ringlike setting adjustments around the barrel. Phasers had two main settings, Stun or Kill. But they could be set to make things explode or to burn a hole through something . They can be set to overload and explode. My personal favorite, Dematerialization makes the bad guy disappear. Phasers effected the nervous system of most species. The hand phaser can be snapped into a pistol grip power pack which adds power and range. The phaser pistol can then be incorporated into a rifle to add even more power and range.
2. A bomb can be used as a handheld weapon, as long as your not holding it at the time of use.
3. The Troglytes used a Bole-like throwing weapon called a Thong.
4. On Beta III, the lawgivers carry a long hollow open-ended rod, which can shoot death-dealing rays.
5. On Capella IV, the basic weapon is a Kligat, resembling a saucer-sized circular saw with three outstanding sharp flanges. Inside of 100 yards they are just as accurate as a phaser, and probably a lot cheaper.
5. There has been a chemical gun referred to in episodes,. But I don't know anything about it, and can find no pictures or explanations of this weapon..
6. The guards on Ekos carry old-fashioned nuclear hand weapons, as well as body armor and daggers. If you glow that means you got hit and your out of the game.
7. On Eminiar VII the guards used a sonic disrupter to herd everyone who got hit and didn't know it into a disintegration chamber for disposal.
8. The Klingon's also had sonic disrupters, ~~both~~ pistols and rifles. It is possible the Klingons either traded for or stole the technology from the Eminians.
9. The Gorn used a Morter-type weapon that looked a lot like the ones used in WW-II.
- 10.The Romulan disrupter uses a different type of energy. Spock called it an Enveloping Energy Plasma, which effectively disrupts molecular structures by forcing an implosion.
- 11.Mr. Atoz, the librarian holds an empty metal tubs about six inches long at Kirk, which stuns the captain with a scintillating light.
- 12.The sentinels of Stratos City carry weapons that emit small pulses of light and are capable of killing.
- 13.The Talosians use a weapon the size of small writing pen, which creates a ragged wavy effect toward the victim. It's usually set on stun but can be set to kill.

I've enjoyed this discussion on the hand held weapons of Star Trek and look forward to many more.  
Have a nice day!



# SECURITY OFFICER TUVOK

## BY ENS. FRANK BUCK

Tuvok, born 2264 on Vulcan. He entered Starfleet in 2289 at the insistence of his parents. Tuvok graduated in 2293, and was assigned to the U.S.S. Excelsior under the command of Captain Sulu. In 2298 he resigns from Starfleet and attempts the Kohlinar. 2304- Tuvok undergoes Pon Farr and weds T'Pol abandoning his Kohlinar training. Tuvok returns to Starfleet in 2349 after an absence of over five decades. In his youth he had found it difficult to accept Starlet's multi-cultural environment. The experience of having raised a family helped him realize that there are still many things he can learn from other species. Upon returning, his first assignment is aboard the Steamship Wyoming. At this time Tuvok spoke against Captain Spock's visionary proposal of an alliance between the Federation and the Klingon Empire. He taught archery science at the Vulcan institute of Defensive arts.

Tuvok meets Captain Kathryn Janeway in 2367. As Security Chief aboard the U.S.S. Voyager, Tuvok is assigned to infiltrate a Maquis group near the Cardassian border. This Maquis group is led by former Starlet officer Chakotay. Their ship was caught up in a massive displacement wave and disappears while hiding in the Badlands. After the destruction of the Maquis ship the crew, including Tuvok, is incorporated into the Starlet crew of Voyager. At Captain Janeway's request Lt. Tuvok conducts a class designed to help the Maquis adapt to Starlet discipline. Tuvok realizes Kes's telepathic abilities and tutors her in Vulcan mind control techniques, in order to help her harness those abilities.

During a transporter malfunction in 2371 Tuvok and Neelix are somehow merged into a single person. Captain Janeway has to order TUVIX to undergo a DNA tagging procedure in order to separate Tuvok and Neelix. Acting against orders, Acting Captain Tuvok contacts the Vidi'ans for medical help when the Captain and Chakotay contract a potentially fatal viral disease. The Vidi'ans help and Tuvok was able to rescue the Captain and First Mate. Tuvok is listed as MIA along with the rest of the Maquis and the U.S.S. Voyager.

## I'M A DOCTOR, NOT A CHEF!

Where can you find the most daring, delectable food in the universe? In the infamous kitchen of Mr. Neelix : scout to the Delta Quadrant, trusted confidential adviser to Captain Janeway, occasional ambassador, ship's morale officer, and most importantly chief cook for Voyager's intrepid crew. In his adventures he has gathered recipes and anecdotes and recorded them in the Star Trek Cookbook. You can find recipes from everything from Uncle Zisky's Mandelbrot to Bashir's Spam-and-Beans Bolognese. The most unusual dishes seem to be the Klingon recipes. Containing ingredients as varied as calf's skull, pork throat, and pumpkin seeds - it's a brave human who ventures into Klingon cuisine. Data's programing for replicated Cat Food #219, subroutine for Spot, is an example of android creativity - liver, kidneys, hearts, haggis and other organs, bran, oatmeal and cooking oil are ingredients to tempt your Earth bound feline. Eating the food of other species is a terrific way to learn about them. I hope the thrill of encountering new foods will be contagious. Talaxians (and your CMO!) Are famous for their hope and optimism. I have personally tried several of the recipes. Commander Sisko's Jambalaya recipe is wonderful, and I have successfully recreated it using my handy-dandy crock pot (a busy CMO's treasure- especially when the replicator is down!) Captain Janeway's favorite Darvot Fritters are wonderful - a great snack or side dish! (Nicki will enjoy this one!)

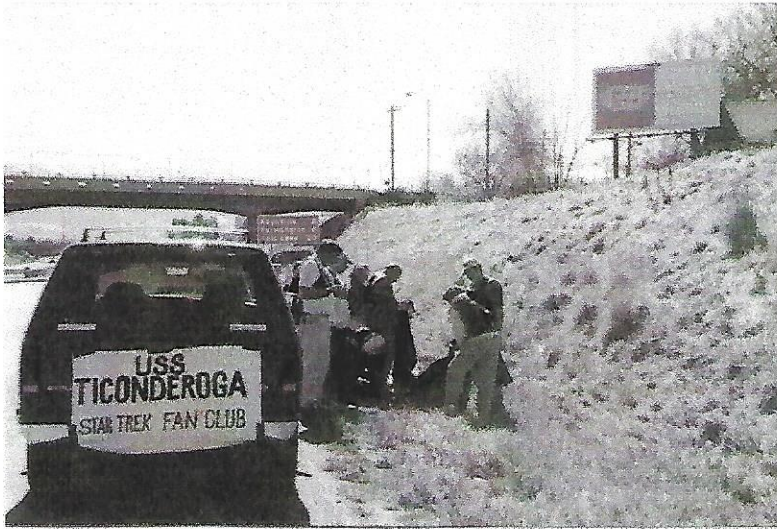
### Darvot Fritters

1 cup fresh, frozen, or canned corn kernels (drained)  
1 ½ cups canned creamed corn  
2 eggs  
6 tbs. Bleached all purpose flour  
½ tsp. Baking powder  
1 dash salt and nutmeg  
¾ cup (1 ½ sticks) butter

In a blender, food processor, or handheld mixer - combine corn until mixture looks like a mash. Beat 2 eggs by hand and add to corn mixture. Add flour, baking powder, salt & nutmeg. Melt the butter in a hot skillet, spoon batter in 1 inch drops - fry until brown, both sides - serve with fresh fruit! Enjoy!



# HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

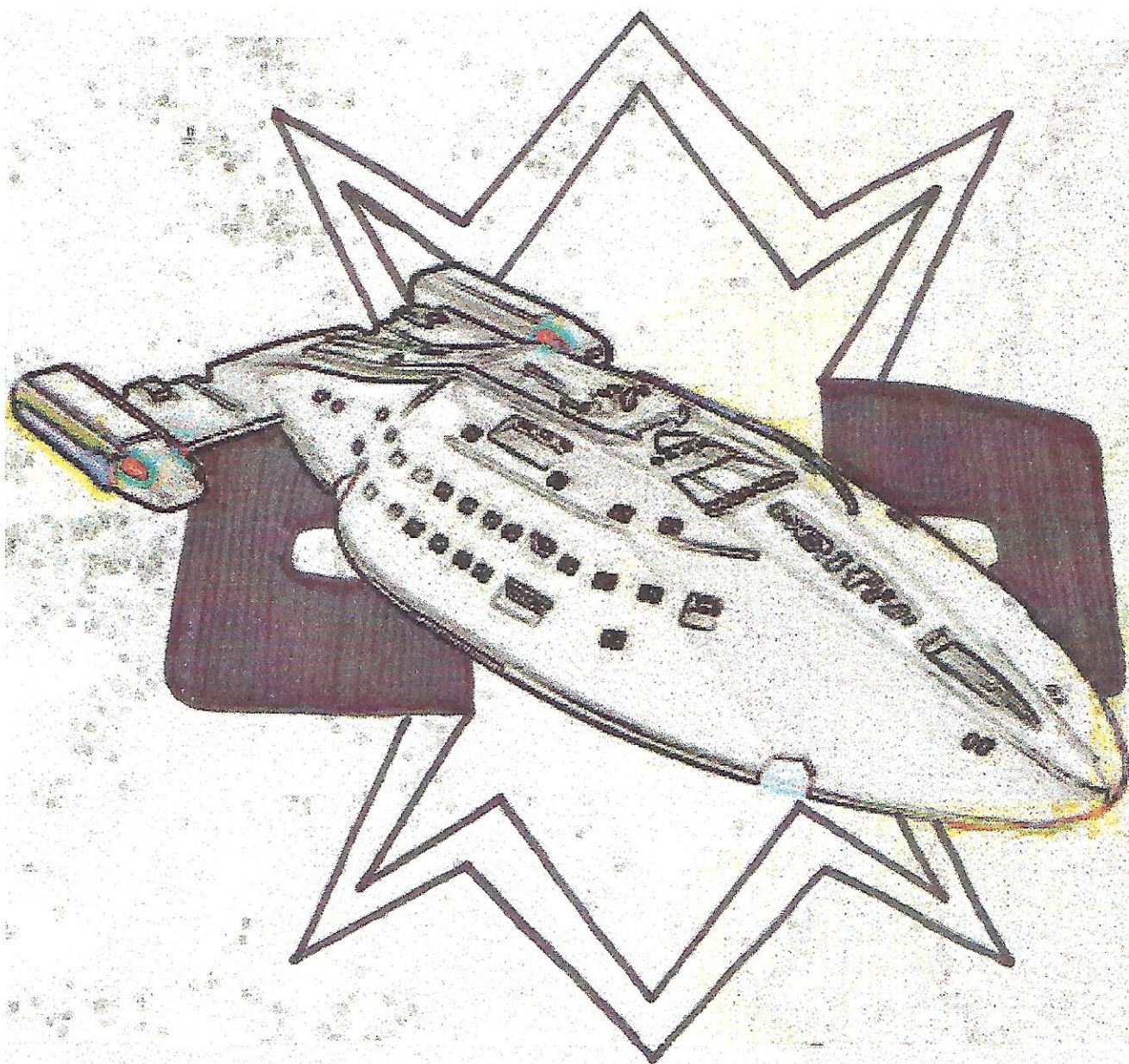


**MARCH 18, 2000**



The intrepid crew of the U.S.S. Ticonderoga gears up for the Adopt-A-Highway clean up. Four miles of highway was covered by the 11 courageous club members. The large banner advertising the effort was acknowledged by many horn honks and even recruitment of two new members. The next scheduled clean up is June 3<sup>rd</sup> , 9:00 meeting at the Buck's Home. After the clean up there will be a potluck lunch. Please contact your Department Chief for further information.





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