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Captain's Log

Lt.jg Rose Compton

We're moving through February at a fast clip. The weather here in the Midwest seems to be holding and we are being spared some of what we usually have to deal with.

We made it through our first 'open' meeting with the members of SB 03 and I have to admit, I was more than a little nervous. The area is made up of such a diverse group of people, who all have their own ideas. I was not sure how ours would be accepted. As usual, I worried needlessly. The meeting was a success and now we prepare for our next one on 2-25-2012.

Our first group outing of the year was February 11th. We met at a local bowling alley as an excuse to get out of the house and get a bit of exercise. I would consider it a successful outing.... as well as a few other things! LOL! We had a lot of fun!

We received the interview packet for "Talking Trek", a new book planned for Treckdom. It looks like it should be easy to accomplish. Anyone interested in being interviewed for the book should contact Jim Duriga and request an interview packet. JDuriga @ Seneca-secor.com

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Words of Wisdom

"Captain, do you know what year this is?"
-- Captain Picard





Rec-Dec

The first meeting of the year was held January 29th at Dewey Copper's Café, in the Moline Public Library. It was the first joint venture of the USS Mighty Mississippi, USS Lobo and SB 03. We discussed several ideas for the upcoming year, away missions and community awareness projects. Afterwards, we all received a lesson in speaking Klingon, from FCpt. James Olson. Each first correct response was awarded a yIH (tribble). The one with the most yIH, received a prize of yuch (chocolates). Within minutes, everyone in the establishment, sitting around our tables was laughing along with us. (The winner was Liz Robinson.)



CO. Rose Compton, USS Mighty Mississippi
Receiving the "SB 03 Outstanding Service Award"

Crew of USS Lobo Moline (partial crew)

Amb. Brad Smith, Acting CO. Bill Van Brunt,
Amb. Liz Robinson, CO. Mike House, and SB 03
FCpt. James Olson.



February Bowling Outing

Our first group outing of the year, was a bowling event hosted by the USS Mighty Mississippi. On a very cold and windy February 11th, at 1 PM, we met at a local bowling alley to throw a few balls and cure the cabin fever that's been building over the winter. While the outside temps dipped into the single digits with a wind chill factor, we remained warm, cozy and having a blast inside.

Those in attendance were, USS Mighty Mississippi CO Rose Compton and FO Ed Ciccarone. The guest of honor, Tom Webster, Captain of the USS Iowa, out of Slater Iowa, drove 2 ½ hours just to attend. Special guests were Aaron, Michelle and lil Trent Clark. Aaron underwent a special R'uustai bonding ceremony joining with the house of Qorej. (Klingon Starship Moon Beast.) James Olson, our very own Fleet Captain of Star base 03 was present along with crew of the USS Lobo, represented by Captain Mike House, acting Captain Bill Van Brunt, Ambassadors Liz Robinson and Brad Smith.

Trophies (paper awards) were given for some categories. Tom Webster received the award for most strikes in the game. Ed Ciccarone had the most spares and most splits was awarded to Michelle Clark. The award for the only fault of the afternoon went to Brad Smith and Liz Robinson received an award for keeping our gutters clear. Rose Compton had the top score at 146, Bill Van Brunt followed with 144.

Left to right: FO. Ed Ciccarone, USS Mighty Mississippi, CO Tom Webster, USS Iowa, CO. Mike House USS Lobo.



Ambassadors Liz Robinson & Brad Smith, USS Lobo



Right to left: Guests Michelle & Aaron Clark, USS Lobo Acting Captain Bill Van Brunt & SB 03 FCpt. James Olson.



Capt Tom Webster, USS Iowa & Capt. Rose Compton USS. Mighty Mississippi



The SB 03 group awaiting DFC Mark Williams via cyber space (Web cam). (Mike House not pictured as he was behind the camera.)





Other News in Trekdom

LeVar Burton to be Honored

LeVar Burton, longtime host of PBS kids series "Reading Rainbow," will be honored by Tufts University with the Eliot-Pearson Award for Excellence in Children's Media. Burton is expected to accept the award Feb. 3 at 10 a.m. in the Distler Performance Hall. The ceremony is free and open to the public.

Brooks To Appear At Black Heritage Festival

February is Black History Month, and *Deep Space Nine*'s **Avery Brooks** will be appearing in Savannah, Georgia at a Black Heritage Festival in a play celebrating the life of a nineteenth century African-American Shakespearean actor.

Brooks will be appearing in *Ira Aldridge: The African Roscius*, at 7 PM on February 18 at the Armstrong Atlantic State University Fine Arts Center. The play is open to the public and free of charge.