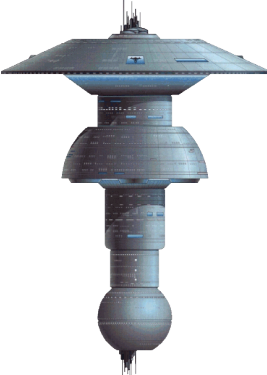
	<h1 style="text-align: center;">THE FURIOUS FIVE</h1> <h2 style="text-align: center;">STARBASE 05</h2> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Inaugural Edition, Jan 2012</i></p>	
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From the Starbase Commander

Hello all! I'm going to try something new: a Starbase newsletter! It's tentatively called "The Furious Five", referencing both our Starbase # and the *Kung Fu Panda* characters. I'll be happy to take recommendations for a new name. Most news will come from your SPARs and newsletters. There will also be a section on Fleet news. I'll also take articles from you the readers as well. (Your local newsletter takes precedence over the Starbase newsletter.) Captains, I'll need your help to make sure your crew gets a copy. My goal is to send out a newsletter quarterly. I'd love some assistance putting it all together. If you know anyone who could help with editorial duties, I'd appreciate it.

Don't forget there is a Starbase05 YahooGroup. All Captains and First Officers should be on it. The rest of SB05 is encouraged to be on it.

Your faithful Starbase Commander (and newsletter editor),

Rear Admiral Kevin Johnson

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A new ship coming to Starbase 05!

A new ship is being planned in Dayton, Ohio! It will likely launch in March 2012. Is your current ship too far to drive to? Looking for possible career advancement? Want to help a new ship get launched smoothly? Contact RADM Kevin Johnson and he will put you in contact with those forming the new ship.

Upcoming events for Starbase 05

- The USS *Bismarck's* 20th Anniversary Party will be March 3-4 at Great Wolf Lodge in Mason, Ohio. All Fleet members are welcome to attend. Contact VADM Lisa Johnson on the USS *Bismarck* at kljohnson@cinci.rr.com for details. Reservations must be made through VADM Johnson by 2/12 to receive discounted hotel rates.

- Millennicon, Cincinnati's on-going sci-fi convention to promote literacy, will be at the Holiday Inn I-275 on March 16-18. Convention tickets are \$35 until 2/29. Discount for children under \$10. Guests this year include Tobias Buckell, Beth Willinger, and Tom Smith. See www.millennicon.org for details.

Fleet news

It's renewal time already! Fleet dues need to be received ASAP. If don't renew, you will not be able to receive Fleet awards or receive promotions. You may also lose your ship position. You can send a check made out to "Starfleet Command" to PO Box..... or use PayPal and send money to cms@starfleet-command.com . Dues are \$12 for individuals, \$20 for couples, and \$24 for families at the same address. (Note that PayPal will charge you a minimal service fee of no more than \$0.72 for a family renewal.)

SFC has expanded its rank system! There are now enlisted ranks as well as Marine ranks. All members 10 years old and up can have an enlisted rank. Those who are at least 16 years old may take the Academy exams to receive an officer's commission. Marine ranks are the same as Navy ranks, just with a different label. There is still a minimum of 6 months time in grade requirement.

Ships of Starbase 05

Active Ships

USS Bismarck

Middletown, OH

Captain Thomas Efker, Commanding

chewydewok@yahoo.com

Large Ship

USS Melbourne

Cold Spring, KY

Captain Miriam Lauer, Commanding

leftyrose@gmail.com

Small Ship

USS Yorktown

Cincinnati, OH

Rear Admiral Chris Boehm, Commanding

Radm.chris@cinci.rr.com

Medium Ship

Ships preparing for Commissioning

(Unnamed Ship)

Dayton, OH