

# Regional Status Report

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## Your Region Twelve Staff

(As of 9/14/2009)

Coordinator: Vice Admiral Jeffery Higdon  
Senior Vice Coordinator: Rear Admiral Beatrice Hart  
Junior Vice Coordinator: Brigadier Rolando Gomez  
Honorary Vice Coordinator: Admiral Helen Pawlowski  
Financial Officer: Commander Jeff Gallus

*Remember:*

***The STARFLEET  
International Conference 2010***  
Western Hills Guest Ranch  
Sequoyah State Park, Wagoner, Oklahoma  
July 30-August 1, 2010  
<http://ic2010.org>



Hosted within Region Twelve by Members of the Region!!!  
More on this event in the Regional Coordinator's Report *below*

**Regional Coordinator's Report**  
***Vice Admiral Jeffery Higdon***



Greetings from the 12<sup>th</sup> Fleet Commander's Office on Starbase 12, deep within the extreme edges of Sector Illinois. It has been an extremely busy and active month for this office and the region. I am please to report that all chapters are on assigned patrol routes and have reported with a 95.25% on time rate for this month. Excellent job to all our Captains as well as the officers and crews of each starship!

As most of you know we finally appointed a new Junior Vice Regional Coordinator back on August 25. Please welcome to the corner office of the Strategic Command Center Brigadier Rolando Gomez of the USS *Jeannette Maddox*. I also want to thank each of those Region 12 Officers who submitted applications for the position. Their passion for service as well as duty to the region has not gone unnoticed and I thank you.

Also I wanted to let you know I now have a new way to communicate with you and that it is with Skype. I have already used it to communicate with the senior staff and it serves it's purpose well. My Skype user name is jefferyhigdon. If you use Skype and need to contact me, please do!

As many of you know I announced the resignations of our Publications Officer, Fleet Captain Jay Hurd, and the Awards Officer for the region, Commander Amy Hurd on September 13<sup>th</sup>. In their departure it is my belief that the region is loosing the valuable services of two fine individuals and friends. On behalf of the region I want to wish both Amy & Jay the best of luck in their future endeavors and look forward to seeing them again as they continue in the journeys within STARFLEET. Jay continues to be the Commander of the USS *Chicago* and I have no doubt we will be hearing from the Fleet Captain soon.

Prior to this announcement, I invited the members of our region to send in resumes for two open positions. The positions of Web Administrator and a newly created position of Shakedown Operations Officer. We will be taking applications for both positions until September 20<sup>th</sup> or when filled. Please send a REAL LIFE RESUME and a FANDOM RESUME along with a statement on what you think the position you will be applying for should be under your care. You may send them to [captain@ussblackhawk.org](mailto:captain@ussblackhawk.org) or [rc@region12.org](mailto:rc@region12.org).

Fleet Captain Jay Hurd had filled temporarily as the Web Administrator during his time with the Region. This had always been meant to be a temporary fix until we were ready to announce the opening. Jay did a great job with the site and continued to oversee the site until recently. He must be commended for his work with the site!

Here are the announcements covering the requirements for each position that were posted over the R12 Mailing List on September 3<sup>rd</sup>:

**Region Web Administrator (RWA)** - this position oversees the Region 12 Website found at <http://region12.org>. The RWA will build, maintain and oversee the R12 Website and will be reporting to the Junior Vice Regional Coordinator. The applicant must have a good website building skills and access to needed graphics for the website as well as the ability to keep the site up to date. Knowledge of JOOMLA preferred but not a must. Site maybe rebuilt from scratch if needed but needs to be up ASAP. (NOTE: If you don't know JOOMLA don't worry, neither do I. The current site is JOOMLA though.)

**Regional Shakedown Operations Officer (RSO)** - this position will be the Region 12 go-between concerning STARFLEET Shakedown Operations (as well as that departments divisions, IE - DTS, Advance Starship Design Bureau, etc...), the Shakedown Chapters and Motherships with the Regional Coordinator. The RSO reports to the Junior Vice Regional Coordinator.

As for the Region 12 Website, it will stay up in it's present form as it does offer some information that is valuable to the region and the general public. However it is my intention, pending the appointment of a new Web Administrator, to replace that site with a more user friendly site. More will be announced later over the R12 Mailing List.

As for the other positions that recently have come open, our senior staff will be going over the requirements of the positions in the near future. Watch the R12 Mailing List for further news on these positions!

At this time I must to extend my congratulations to two of our finest. First – Helen Pawlowski as she served as the Proxy for our European chapters in Region Nine. She did an outstanding job and I have awarded Helen, with the concurrence of the newly confirmed Region Nine Coordinator, Thomas Sigmundsson, the Region Twelve Coordinator Commendation for her work at IC2009 as the proxy for Region Nine.

Our second congratulations goes to the Officers and Crew of the USS *Chicago*! The *Chicago* was the only chapter to participate in the recently concluded fundraiser for our Region Twelve Scholarship Fund, with a contribution of \$30. For their efforts in a manner befitting STARFLEET & Region Twelve, I hereby awarded the Officers and Crew of the USS *Chicago* the Region Twelve Unit Citation. The citation was presented to the crew of the *Chicago* on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at their regular meeting held at the Zone Comics in Homewood, Illinois by Regional Financial Officer, Commander Jeff Gallus, on my behalf. Thank you, *Chicago*!

Also I just wanted to remind you that bids for the 2010 Region Twelve Summit are due by September 30<sup>th</sup>. You may still download the requirements for the summit from <http://region12.org>.

As many of you know, the next STARFLEET International Conference, also known as IC2010 or just IC10, will be held within the confines of Region Twelve at the Western Hills Guest Resort, Sequoyah State Park, Wagoner, Oklahoma from July 30<sup>th</sup> until August 1<sup>st</sup>. We cannot hype this enough! So talk to you crewmates and fellow officers within STARFLEET and ask them about coming.

As this event is being held within the confines of our region it has been stressed by others in the region (and outside the region) that my presence at IC2010 is a must. I will be one busy Regional Coordinator, not only for my duties on your behalf and the rest of the fleet but because I volunteered to help as part of the IC staff.

To that end I have already purchased the appropriate memberships for myself and my family and reserved a room at the IC site. Actually *room* is not the appropriate word, *cottage* would be a more appropriate word. I chose the least costly cottage due to obligations and needs of my family members, which are health related, who will also be attending this event with me (I might be able to get my daughter, Emily, who is currently stationed with the USMC in Okinawa to come). The cottage has a refrigeration unit in it, as well as a stove top and microwave, which I have been informed the hotel rooms do not. And it has a grill outside the door so if we want to plan an outdoor event away from the hotel proper we can. I have also been assured that the cottage is one of the closer ones to the hotel (again requested due to health concerns of myself and my family) so it will be easy to visit.

I have informed by our IC10 Coordinator, Greg Trotter that at least 60% of our room commitments have been taken, including all the two bedroom cottages, half of the one bedroom cottages and over half of the Sunday night hotel rooms (which is quota'ed for much less than the other nights). So it would be a great idea for you to get your reservations in ASAP. It is a good thing that I reserved my place at Sequoyah when I did!

However the policies of the State of Oklahoma requires a deposit of the payment for the first night, this was paid by the region. I authorized this after consulting the Regional Coordinator's Handbook (which you can find and download off <http://www.sfi.org>) as well as the Region Staff, a former RC (who happens to be serving as the STARFLEET Inspector General) and informing the Commander, STARFLEET of this expenditure, which is considered a legitimate business expenditure. I want to assure all of you that the deposit can be refunded up to five days before the event and that I will be paying, from my own pocket, the remaining nights I plan to spend at Great Western. I will be arriving on July 29<sup>th</sup> in order to attend the ECAB Meeting scheduled for the morning and afternoon of July 30<sup>th</sup> and will be leaving sometime on August 1<sup>st</sup> to return to Rockford.

Let us encourage as many of our Region Twelve members to attend IC10. It looks like it is going to be a great gathering, maybe outdoing any that have been put on before. Its already beginning to set up as a great IC!

Well that all from Starbase Twelve. We will see you next month with another issue of the RSR!

**Senior Vice Regional Coordinator's Report**  
*Rear Admiral Beatrice Hart*



Hello Region 12. Greetings from your SVRC.

As we are moving into fall, the signs of fall weather is in the air, we are also at a point where school has started.

I am happy to say that I have one applicant, this month ends the Scholarships.

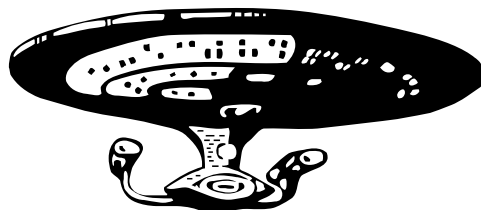
I also want to welcome newly appointed JVRC Rolando Gomez. I look forward to working with you. I am sure there are many that are very excited about IC 2010. This will be a very exciting time for Region 12. I am also excited about getting to meet many wonderful people from all over the US, and overseas. It is going to be a great.

Have a great September!

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**ATTENTION REGION 12 STARFLEET**

We appreciate your understanding and patience on the publication and distribution of the September Issue of the RSR! Thank you. - Vice Admiral Higdon



**Junior Vice Regional Coordinator's Report**

***Brigadier Rolando Gomez***



Hello, my name is Rolando Gomez and I am the new Junior Vice Region Coordinator. My job is to get some of our RC's goals for the year done. Two big ones he identified to me is: One - make the Regional Awards active and vibrant. Two - find homes for the Regions unassigned members. Also, we are taking applications for several Regional positions. So if you have any questions, comments or criticisms please contact me at: Rolando Gomez. 1910 W 29<sup>th</sup> St. , Wichita, KS, 67204, my is E-Mail at [shadoe7@mac.com](mailto:shadoe7@mac.com), 316-831-9732, Skype rolandogomez86.

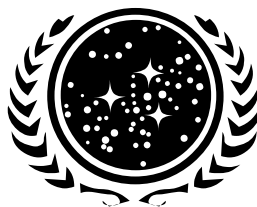
I am also on Facebook (please on the friend request mention that you are in R12). I have a cell phone, but the number is private which means I don't like to leave it on the internet but will give it out, all you have to do is ask.



**Welcome the newest Shakedown chapter to Region Twelve:**

**U.S.S. JARESH-INYO**  
**NX-74922**  
**PROMETHEUS CLASS STARSHIP**  
**Paragould, Arkansas**  
**Brigadier General Gary 'Tiny' Hollifield, Commanding**  
**Mothership: USS BortaS, Commodore Donald Glenn, Commanding**  
**Effective September 14, 2009**

Congratulations to the *Jaresh-Inyo* and the *BortaS*  
*"May the winds be at your backs..."*



**Regional Financial Officer's Report**  
***Commander Jeff Gallus***



I wish to report the winner of the Summer Scholarship Fundraiser as the USS *Chicago* commanded by Fleet Captain Jay Hurd. The *Chicago* raised \$30.00. During the September General meeting I presented the Region Twelve Unit Citation on behalf of Admiral Jeff Higdon, praising them for their successful drive. A \$50.00 dollar gift card was to be given to Fleet Captain Hurd but he along with an Unanimous vote from all present have decided to decline the prize stating a lack of funds and participation from the region.

Otherwise an easy month to report. The only major expense was an approved request for a deposit for RC's hotel room for the IC2010.

We still have two (2) outstanding checks to deal with: A check for Arainna Foley (R-12 2009 Summit Refund) returned to me for a wrong address and a check for Denise Zimdahl (for Carolyn Zimdahl's R-12 2009 Summit Refund) received but not yet cashed.

At the end of month September 2009 I will have to void these checks and redeposit them. Your help in the matter of getting me the right address for Arainna Foley and I ask the friends of Carolyn please see that Denise deposit the check please.

Also if anyone wishes to make a contribution to any fund please contact me at [trek\\_ds9@yahoo](mailto:trek_ds9@yahoo). Or you can do a PayPal donation at [region12epayments@yahoo.com](mailto:region12epayments@yahoo.com). Please state your name, rank, chapter and what fund you wish to contribute to.

Thank you for your time. See you in 30!



Visit the SFMC Twelfth Brigade at  
<http://sfmcdirtydozen.org>

*We of Region Twelve salutes our brothers and sisters of the 12<sup>th</sup> Brigade & the SFMC!!!*

Region Twelve Chapter

# Monthly Status Report

Activities Summaries

## USS BLACK HAWK

NCC-75004 ♦ Rockford, IL ♦ Chapter Strength: 15 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME  
USS Black Hawk continues to make plans for submitting for IC13.



## USS BORTAS

NCC-74211 ♦ Urbana, IL ♦ Chapter Strength: 18 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

Held regular meeting - discussed plans for 4th annual Roast and awards banquet. Held meeting with prospective new chapter possibly to start shake down in next couple of months. Sending paperwork to RC for new shakedown chapter the USS Jaresh-Inyo.



## USS CHICAGO

NCC-75011 ♦ Steger, IL ♦ Chapter Strength: 19 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

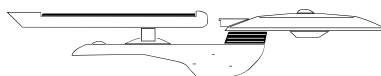
Due to busy schedules, all official chapter business has been continued to September. Several members of the chapter took part in an impromptu away mission to the Wizard World Chicago ComicCon at the Donald E. Stevens Convention Center in Rosemont, IL, where we met had the opportunity to meet Nichelle Nichols, Erin Gray and stars from other movies and shows including BSG. Associate member Don Sowers won a costume competition in his 'Optimus Prime' costume. Pictures of the event were taken by the C.O. and Cmdr. Gallus and were posted to Facebook.



## USS CLAYMORE

NCC-72292 ♦ Oklahoma City, OK ♦ Chapter Strength: 6 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

Went to a Redhawks game, worked with the 912 project, discussed volunteer efforts for upcoming midterm elections.



**USS DISCOVERY**

NCC-1308 ♦ St. Louis, MO ♦ Chapter Strength: 10 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

The month began with crew member, John Knowles, welcoming his newborn son into "the covenant of Abraham" with several fellow crew in attendance. Other activities during the month included hiking, Wii, and various degrees of alcohol consumption.



**USS DRAGONSTRIKE**

NCC-74305 ♦ Oswego, KS ♦ Chapter Strength: 19 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

With the start of the second half of the year, the crew grows. General crew meeting on September 20<sup>th</sup> at the Great Wall in Joplin. Collection of school supplies for children continues.



**USS FIREFOX**

SHAKEDOWN CHAPTER

NX-19083 ♦ OZARK, AR ♦ Chapter Strength: 8 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

8-4: Participated in national night out in fort smith helping to promote the community crime awareness. 8-7: Movie premiere at Clarksville cinema-G.I. Joe. 8-16: Movie premiere-District 9 monthly meeting held at CO house.



**USS HELLFIRE & BRIMSTONE**

NCC-3143 ♦ Topeka, KS ♦ Chapter Strength: 13 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

*No activities reported.*



**ISS HEXUM**

NCC-2199 ♦ Belleville, IL ♦ Chapter Strength: 15 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

We conducted our August crew meeting at an IHOP restaurant in the St Louis area. Kathy and Lester Schopp and Dennis Booker from the ISS Discovery attended. Carole Smith is hosting a Labor Day party at her home on 7 September. Looking for other summer activities and discussed upcoming movies.

### USS HORIZON

NCC-1000-B ♦ Columbia, MO ♦ Chapter Strength: 37 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

STATS: Total Membership - 37; Active membership for August 17 (46%)

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: Members got together in Springfield, MO to tour Oouvda Winery; Members met at the St Louis Mills Mall to see the movie GI Joe; Members got together for a lunch at Pan Head Billy's in Callaway County; Members got together to tour the Heart of Missouri Tourism Center in Kingdom City, MO; Members met at Oishi Steakhouse & Sushi Bar for dinner in St. Louis, MO; Members had a monthly meeting; Members met at Barcelona Tapas for dinner in St. Louis, MO.

.CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES: OCP (in dollars of coupons): Monthly = \$19,406.97; Annual = \$181,000.95; Stamps for Stampede (in # of stamps): Monthly = 22; Annual = 780; Aluminum Can Recycling (# of cans): Monthly = 18; Annual = 577; Cash Donations: Monthly = \$0.00, Annual = \$249.45; Other Recycling (in weight in lbs): Monthly = 76.00; Annual = 481; Service Time (in minutes): Monthly = 27,662; Annual = 156,015; Ecology Service Time (in minutes): Monthly = 360; Annual = 2,660; Items in Lieu of Cash Donations: Monthly = \$0.00; Annual = \$8,536.00; Campbell's Soup Labels: Monthly = 0; Annual = 23



### USS JEANNETTE MADDOX

NCC-14514 ♦ Wichita, KS ♦ Chapter Strength: 16 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

Planning any party and fall activities! Congratulations to Maddox CO Brigadier Rolando Gomez who was appointed the New Region Twelve Junior Regional Coordinator!

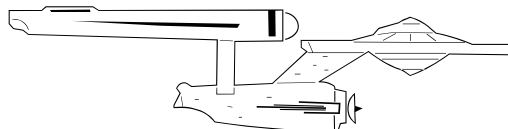


### USS KRAKATOA

### SHAKEDOWN CHAPTER

NX-80115 ♦ Independence, MO ♦ Chapter Strength: 9 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

Lieutenant Gonzalez published the first issue of the newsletter early in the month; several chapter members contributed. Papp hosted two gatherings for Chicago area crew in his newly furnished basement. Commander Atilano visited Chicago on his way to a new assignment. Lieutenant Namowicz has designed promotion and recruitment materials to spread the word about Starfleet and the Krakatoa. He, Lieutenant Atilano, and Commander Gonzalez have begun distributing them to their local bookstores. Ensign Hawkins is hard at work updating the website code. And last but not least, Ensign Willmore organized the college pick 'em football pool.



### USS MARKO RAMIUS

NCC-23103 ♦ Fayetteville, AR ♦ Chapter Strength: 17 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

*No activities reported.*



### USS PHOENIX

NCC-2155 ♦ Columbia, MO ♦ Chapter Strength: 12 ♦ August RECEIVED ON TIME

Having video showing at Daniel Boone Regional Library in conjunction with local N.O.W. chapter on Aug. 8; Moving business meeting day to send Monday of the month, and will relocate back to Columbia Mall food court for monthly meeting and weekly gaming sessions starting in October.



### ISS ROYAL SOVEREIGN

NCC-72201 ♦ Leavenworth, KS ♦ Chapter Strength: 12 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

August was a quiet month... crew resting from busy July and preparing for a fun fall.



### USS SUNFLOWER

NCC-74679 ♦ Augusta, KS ♦ Chapter Strength: 10 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

CO had accumulated 1 pound of pop can tabs and took them to the Ronald McDonald House in Wichita, when the CO filled out the card presented the tabs in STARFLEET'S name, although they still sent us the Thank you. The can with our request to drop there pop can tabs in, and is rapidly accumulating plenty already.



### USS THUNDERBIRD

NCC-71845 ♦ Oklahoma City, OK ♦ Chapter Strength: 10 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON 9/6/2009

When looking for an August thing to celebrate, we found so much. So we celebrated August and listed things; including Woodstock and the first moon landing, and the start of the internet. We found a charity of sorts. We are providing some school supplies for the 5th grade class at Willowbrook school here in OKC. And plan for this to be an ongoing support.

**SS TROUBADOR STATION**

NCC-1201 ♦ St. Louis, MO ♦ Chapter Strength: 12 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

Admiral Pawlowski enjoyed the heck out of herself at the IC. Got to be with another Troubadour member (the Admiral's Grandson). The admiral was treated with a hug and a squeeze from Fred Haise! The admiral's comment included, "At my age that's plenty of activity for the month."



**USS UMIAK**

NCC-3142 ♦ St. Louis, MO ♦ Chapter Strength: 12 ♦ August MSR RECEIVED ON TIME

The crew is looking forward to Archon 33.



**USS WHITE STAR**

NCC-71012 ♦ Blue Springs, MO ♦ Chapter Strength: 18 ♦ August RECEIVED ON TIME

*No activities reported.*



**USS WILLIAM WALLACE**

NCC-2555 ♦ Joplin, MO ♦ Chapter Strength: 14 ♦ August RECEIVED ON TIME

The Browns will rendezvous with the Grahams for the Tulsa Scottish Games, coming up in two weeks.



**REGION TWELVE PROMOTIONS**

**Chief Petty Officer**

Andrew Staheli, USS *FireFox*

**Ensign**

Glenn Hawkins, USS *Krakatoa*  
Cindy Godawski, USS *Black Hawk*  
Justin Segal, USS *Chicago*

**Lieutenant, junior grade**

Travis Ragsdale, USS *FireFox*

Congratulations to all newly-minted officers!