

# THE RUDDER

*The Newsletter of the USS Continuum*

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## From the Editor

In October 1992, David Brumbelow and Keith Boleen held the first meeting of the then-(unofficial) *Shuttlecraft Continuum* at the West Florida Regional Library on West Gregory St in downtown Pensacola. Our official launch wasn't until the next April, and our commissioning, in December 1993, but we always remember October as our "real birthday." Happy 15th, *Continuum*!

## A note from CO candidate, Jay Gallops

After some consideration, I have decided I no longer wish to be considered for Commanding Officer. This, of course, means Bruce Dolan will again be our CO for the next two years. Congratulations, Bruce!

## Continuum elections

Elections for ship officers will take place at the ship meeting on November 16. At the meeting, there will be the nominations, speeches, and elections for:

- Executive Officer
- Second Officer
- Chief Financial Officer
- Counselor

Each department will then nominate and elect its Department Heads.

Please note we will be meeting at 6:30 this month (a half-hour earlier than usual).

You must be a STARFLEET member by the 16th to vote in any of the elections. You can join/ renew through the STARFLEET website ([www.sfi.org](http://www.sfi.org)), through mail, or through the *Continuum*.

## STARFLEET Elections

A reminder to STARFLEET members: election ballots must be received by November 15. If you have not already mailed yours in, please do so now.

## Clean & Green

Our next Clean & Green project is on November 3. We will be meeting at the home on 7524 Dartmoor Drive.

Help us help others! We will be doing lawn work for a medium-sized yard, helping individuals incapable of doing the work themselves as a part of the C&G's "Individual Assistance Program."

## Blue Angel Air Show/ Greek Festival

On November 10, the *Continuum* will see the Blue Angels for their final Air Show for 2007. Gates at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola open at 8 am.

Afterwards, we will be going to the Greek Festival at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, 1720 W Garden St.

## Anniversary Dinner

The date for our Anniversary Dinner has changed to December 1. Invitations have been sent out to each of the R2 Staff and each of the Commanding Officers across the Region. We will be getting a list together of food and drinks people

plan to bring and be looking at the Annual Awards within the next few weeks.

## Flea Market Sale

Although we were not as successful in our last flea market sale as our first, we still managed to raise \$78.

We will do another sale on December 8 and, hopefully, will be able to take advantage of the Christmas season.

## Recruiting and Public Relations

Several ideas were discussed at the last ship meeting for recruiting and public relations:

- T-shirts with the Continuum logo and web address.
- Flyers.
- Slides as part of movie pre-show.
- Community service.
- A commercial (Although not completely out-of-reach, it is for the time being until we raise more funds).

## Launch trip

We hope to have an estimated price for the August Launch Trip by January. After looking at some of hotels in the Cape Canaveral, we have decided on renting a house for a week.

The launch for mission STS-125 remains scheduled for no earlier than August 7 at 8:24 a.m. EDT.