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5 Things About 'Star Trek' That Make No Sense

Robert Yaniz Jr

It's amazing how recent years have seen geek culture explode into the mainstream. Superheroes, sci-fi, and **fantasy** are now all among the most popular stories permeating both film and television. But even so, few fandoms are as passionate about their franchise as those who hold *Star Trek* in high esteem. Last summer's latest entry in the film **series**, *Star Trek Beyond*, was a modest success at the worldwide box **office** and garnered solid critical notices (despite its problems), and the upcoming *Star Trek: Discovery* will bring the beloved franchise back to its **television** roots.

However, as much as *Star Trek* fans hate to admit it, there are some elements about the series — and, yes, the same can be said of other franchises (looking at you, *Star Wars*!) — that can become frustrating over time or just plain don't make any sense. For a multimedia franchise with 50 years of storytelling under its belt, perhaps that kind of thing is bound to happen sometimes. In any case, here are our thoughts about some parts of the series that confound us.



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1. Episodic storytelling that lacks direction

The premise of the original television series was that the crew of the USS Enterprise was setting out on a five-year mission to explore new lands. While such a **structure** allows for Kirk, Spock, and company to confront a different adventure each week, this format also confines the possibilities of exploring the expansive, imaginative world that *Star Trek* exists within. Despite the fact that some **stories** in the franchise veer away from this directive, many of them still remain trapped within this original concept. In fact, *Star Trek Beyond* was praised by longtime fans because it hewed closely to this **style** of storytelling. We can't help but think that Gene Roddenberry's creation has more to offer.



2. All the aliens are humanoid for some reason

Star Trek takes place across an impressive range of planets. Yet, the vast majority of aliens the various crews come across still closely resemble the human form. When the franchise started back in the 1960s, this was clearly done to make makeup and costuming manageable on a **TV** budget, but nowadays, there's so much more that can be done using today's technology. Let's bring in some crazier creatures to interact with the Enterprise crew soon.



3. Circular character development

Here's another symptom of the franchise's television roots that it has yet to fully shed. Ever notice how Kirk, Spock, and many of the characters remain static throughout their appearances? Sure, there are exceptions to that rule, but by and large, who a character is will be how they remain throughout most *Star Trek* stories. We get it. These are iconic, beloved characters, and the powers that be don't want to mess with the group dynamic too much. Still, the joy in following these figures over time is watching how they develop and change due to both their interactions with each other and the adventures they come across.



4. Anything goes technology

The limitless possibilities of science fiction mean that *Star Trek* can literally figure out a solution for any obstacle and an explanation for just about any kind of technology one





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can think of. Teleportation and phasers are probably the two most well-known examples of the tools Starfleet uses over the various incarnations of the franchise.

However, it does become frustrating when seemingly nothing has lasting consequences and even death can be reversed. Remember how Spock sacrificed his life for Kirk in that heart-wrenching scene in *Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan*? Doesn't that moment feel a little bit cheapened by his subsequent return to the living? Yup, *Star Trek* technology is the answer to any and all problems.

5. Failure to move beyond Starfleet

As we've mentioned, the franchise has seemed tied to the USS Enterprise a few times over. However, that's really just symptomatic of the series' insistence on centering nearly all its stories on the ship's crew. Seeing as the *Star Trek* universe has so much



to offer, it seems incredibly myopic to insist that every tale be filtered through the eyes of a single crew. Kirk, Picard, Sisko, Janeway, and Archer have all led the cast of their respective shows, and while *Star Trek: Discovery* will reportedly not center on a captain, it will still hone in on a single ship's crew. Starfleet has been done to death already. Why not mix it up a bit more and explore some new types of characters?

XOs Comments on the article

Although I do not usually comment on the articles that I find to post for the news letter this one seems, to me anyway, a bit negative. I find that there is more right with Star Trek than wrong.

When I discovered Star Trek as a child I realized that life lessons were being taught and this is where I learned that the only differences that really separated us were the ones in our heads. Blue people and pink people were the same they only looked at the packages on the outside and decided that they they were different and therefore could not be equal until a conflict of some sort brought them together. Spock, a Vulcan with elf ears, and the rest of the humans seemed to get along just fine except in areas of emotion and logic but each was willing to listen to each other. That, I learned, was the key. We must listen to each other and not look at the outside. People of different race, behind doors, presenting ideas can work them out to an amiable solution without visible clues as to what they look like. People therefore, leave their prejudice at the door, so to say, and work together. Would it not be grand if we could all learn this lesson from Trek?





Captain's Log

Vice Admiral Eddie Allen III

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When I first moved to St Louis, I gave great thought to changing to a St Louis chapter. It would solve the long drive problems that I face. It would allow my wife to join me for activities. I have the administration part of the fan club sometimes. I want to have a good time. I figure that other CO's have similar problems because of the area that their chapter is spread over as well as the need for more fun.

But, it creates problems for the chapter as well. I am not local and cannot coordinate and lead regular events because I am so far away. We have fewer and fewer local events and most of what the chapter does is in St Louis. The chapter is spread out and breaks down as follows:

DoDeca	5
Marines	19
Mid Missouri	10
St Louis	16
Out of Area	16

I have 2 additional St Louis area members as soon as I can get them into the database. That would bring the St Louis contingent to 18. That is important because I spend a lot of time with that group of people. A lot of people think that the St Louis functions are with my wife. Actually, Rhonda only attends half of the functions, due to her very busy schedule working. The St Louis crowd puts the fun back into Trek for your CO.

I am also a member of the St Louis "Meetup." I put time into that as it is available. That brings me to the meet of this article: Who can step up in mid-Missouri to help put the fun back into Trek there. We need the members in mid-MO, both Marine and Regular Fleet to get back on board and have a good time meeting with each other and doing things. Trek is about community and joining.

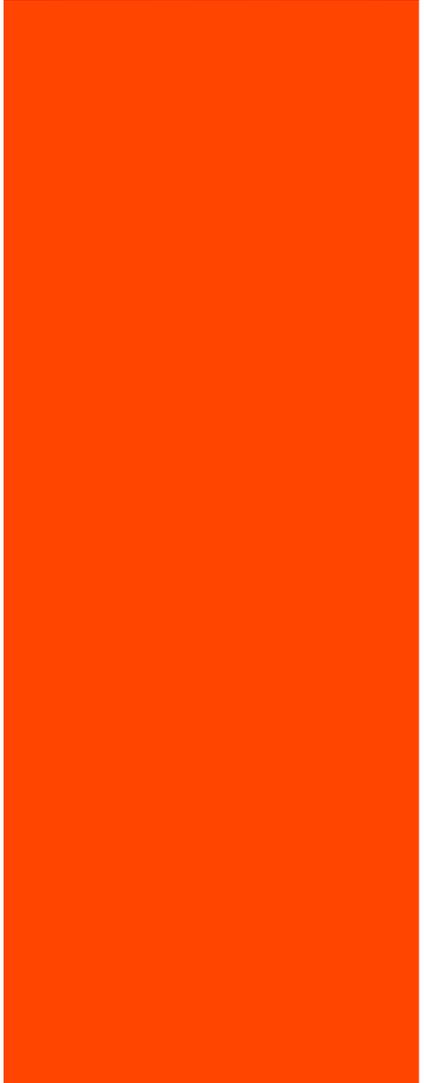




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It is not a meeting once a month. Are there any volunteers for this? Most months lately there are gathering activities in mid-MO outside of DoDeca only one or two days. I'd like to ask you how we can change that?

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Brunch in Ashland



Ice Cream at Freddie's





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Member: Jasmin Brinkley



Member: Toni Taylor

**Olive Garden in O Fallon
Members Karen Jett, Phillip
Allen & Jeff Allen**



**Members Jeff Allen Jr and Ed-
die Allen**



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Tapas at Barcelona in Clayton



A Sidewalk Stroll: Allen Sibs



Member: Dave Kaplan



Easter Dinner: Horizon Members



Member: Adrienne Miller





Engineer's Log

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Insurance Ad in Australia shows futuristic Trek styled cars:



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Trekyards & Fleetyards Pages this month: <https://www.youtube.com/user/knightstalker666>

Kortar Class Raptor, Battlestar Pegasus, Pre-Warp 5 designs, Ebon Hawk, Bortasqu War Cruiser,

K.I.T.T, Starbase Yorktown, V'ger, Sovereign Reaper, Borg Renegade, Baltimore Class

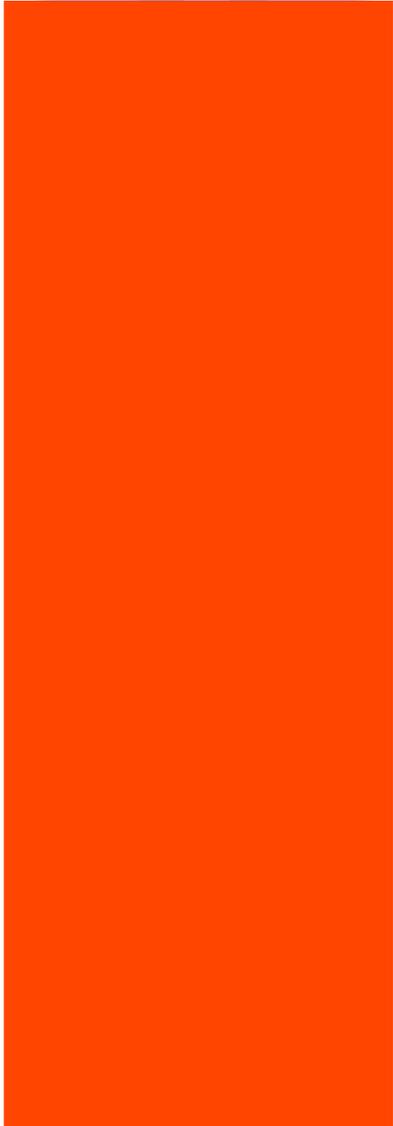
Journey to Mars Overview from N.A.S.A.

NASA is on a journey to Mars, with a goal of sending humans to the Red Planet in the 2030s. That journey is already well under way.

For decades, the agency and its partners have sent [orbiters, landers and rovers](#), dramatically increasing our knowledge about the Red Planet and paving the way for future human explorers. The [Curiosity rover](#) has gathered radiation data to help us protect future astronauts, and the upcoming [Mars 2020 rover](#) will study the availability of Martian resources, including oxygen.

There is more to learn as we expand humanity's presence into the solar system: Was Mars once home to microbial life or is it today? Can it be a safe home for humans? What can the Red Planet teach us about our own planet's past, present and future?

Building on the robotic legacy, the human exploration of Mars crosses three thresholds, each with increasing challenges as humans move farther from Earth: Earth Reliant, the Proving Ground, and Earth Independent.

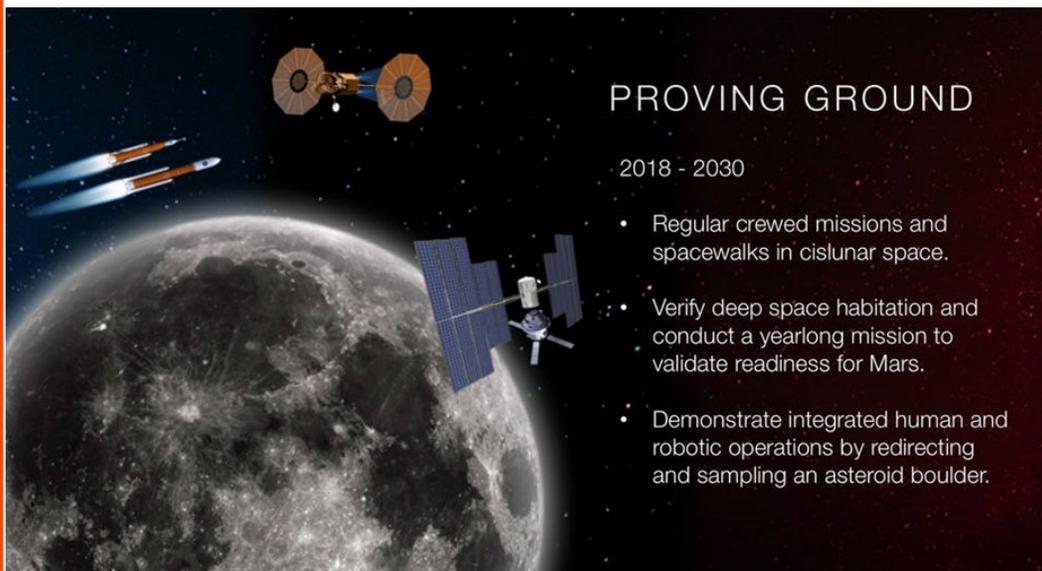




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Earth Reliant exploration is focused on research aboard the [International Space Station](#). The orbiting microgravity laboratory serves as a world-class test bed for the technologies and communications systems needed for human missions to deep space. Astronauts are learning about what it takes to live and work in space for long periods of time, increasing our understanding of how the body changes in space and how to protect astronaut health. We're also working with our commercial crew and cargo partners to provide access to low-Earth orbit and eventually stimulate new economic activity, allowing NASA to continue using the station while preparing for missions beyond.

Next, we move into the Proving Ground, conducting a series of missions near the moon -- we call it "cislunar space" -- that will test the capabilities we will



need to live and work at Mars. Astronauts on the space station are only hours away from Earth, but the proving ground is days away, a natural stepping stone to a Mars mission, which will be months away from home.

The first of these missions will launch NASA's powerful new rocket, the [Space Launch System](#), from NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida. The [mission](#) will carry the [Orion](#) spacecraft (without astronauts) thousands of miles beyond the moon during an approximately three week mission ([Watch Mission Animation Video](#)). Next up, astronauts will climb into Orion for a similar mission, traveling farther than humans have ever traveled before.

Also in the 2020s, we'll send astronauts on a yearlong mission into this deep space proving ground, verifying habitation and testing our readiness for Mars.





Another proving ground milestone is the [Asteroid Redirect Mission](#). NASA will send a robotic spacecraft to capture an asteroid boulder and put it in a safe orbit around the moon. Astronauts on Orion will then explore the asteroid, returning to Earth with samples. This two-part mission will test both deep space spacewalking and sampling techniques and Solar Electric Propulsion, which we'll need to send cargo as part of human missions to Mars. ([Watch Video: Asteroid Redirect Mission](#))

Finally, we become Earth Independent, building on what we've learned on



the space station and in deep space to send humans to low-Mars orbit in the early 2030s.

This phase will also test the entry, descent and landing techniques needed to get to the Martian surface and study what's needed for in-situ resource utilization or "living off the land." NASA is already studying potential "Exploration Zones" on Mars that would offer compelling science research and provide resources our astronauts can use.

Science missions are already in the Independent phase, with the next rover due in 2020. We will also conduct a round-trip robotic demonstration mission with sample return in the late 2020s.

Mars is the next tangible frontier for human exploration, and it's an achievable goal. There are challenges to pioneering Mars, but we know they are solvable. We are well on our way to getting there, landing there, and living there.

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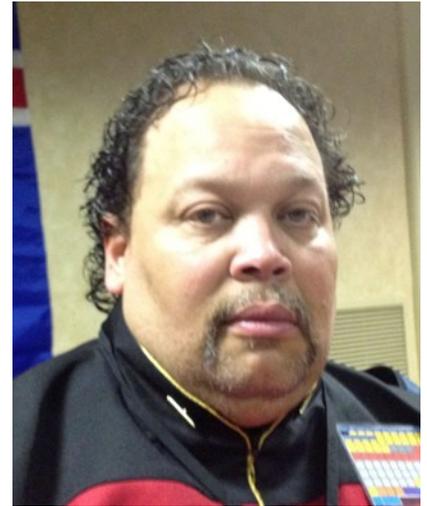


Engineer's Black Market Store

Newly Released Trek and Star Wars Merchandise

Vice Admiral Eddie Allen III

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TREK

Enterprise Lamp: <https://www.trektoday.com/content/2017/04/uss-enterprise-lamp/>



DS9 Adventure Game: <https://www.trektoday.com/content/2017/04/star-trek-deep-space-nine-adventure-game/>



Whiz Kids expanding line: <http://wizkids.com/attackwing/2017/04/04/wizkids-announces-new-star-trek-lines-expands-existing-star-trekm-offerings/>





Engineers Black Market Continued

Next Gen Mirror Mirror Pins: <http://www.startrek.com/article/fansets-unveils-mirror-style-tng-pins>



STAR WARS

Kid's Luggage, 5 choices: https://www.amazon.com/s/ref=lp_12574016011_bf_1_11?fst=fsl%3AAmerican+Tourister&rh=i%3Afashion%2Cn%3A12574016011%2Cn%3A12574016011%2Cp_89%3AAmerican+Tourister&ie=UTF8&qid=1494684035



Men's Rebel Alliance Tie: https://www.amazon.com/Star-Wars-Mens-Rebel-Alliance/dp/B017HK3T9Y/ref=lp_12574016011_1_40?s=apparel&ie=UTF8&qid=1494684035&sr=1-40&nodeID=12574016011&psd=1





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Beach Ball: https://www.amazon.com/SwimWays-Star-Death-Light-up-Beach/dp/B00PNCIU7A/ref=lp_9059017011_1_6?s=toys-and-games&ie=UTF8&qid=1494684301&sr=1-6



Star Wars Storytellers ornaments from Hallmark: <http://www.starwars.com/news/swco-2017-hallmark-star-wars-storytellers-ornaments>



Rey with Speeder Black Series Figure: <http://nerdist.com/star-wars-black-series-hasbro-the-force-awakens-6-inch-rey-with-speeder-last-jedi-daisy-ridley/>



Black Series Toy releases: <http://www.starwars.com/news/swco-2017-hasbro-reveals-6-inch-black-series-thrawn-jaina-solo-and-more>



Lego's Celebration Orlando set: <http://www.space.com/36361-lego-star-wars-celebration-exclusive.html>





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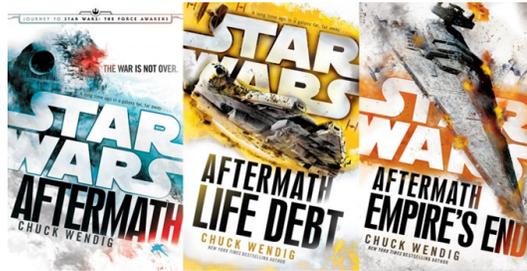
SW Tiki Glasses: <http://www.geekitikis.com>



Star Trek Eaglemoss Graphic Novel Collection: <https://www.eaglemoss.com/en-us/sci-fi-fantasy/star-trek-the-graphic-novel-collection/>



The Aftermath Trilogy: <https://www.amazon.com/Aftermath-Star-Wars-Trilogy/dp/1101885920>



Thrawn: <https://www.amazon.com/Thrawn-Star-Wars-Timothy-Zahn/dp/0345511271>





Flight Log

Captain Rhonda Allen

201704.26 26 April 2017

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April showers bring May flowers! If that's the case, we should be living in the most splendid flower garden. I was about a day from investing in a canoe. We didn't flood at home, but there is definitely, a lake behind the mall where I work. Not too long ago all of Chesterfield Valley was under water but, now with the addition of a double levy we seem to be one of the only places in St Louis not floating away.

April was an awesome month. The new retail year started, and we had the best month we've had in a while. I hope we continue this momentum all year. Of course, this is the beginning of the best 6 months of the year. Baseball season is in full swing and the Cardinals are getting into the groove. We have yet to go to our first game this season but baseball has a very long season so plenty of time to take in a few games. I plan to buy another fan pack so we can enjoy seats all over the stadium. It's also eating outdoors, drive-in, walking in the park, picnic, festival, and Ted Drewes season. It's a good thing I'm averaging 4-6 workouts a week. I've also added yoga to my routine and let me tell you, it's not as easy as it looks. Sun salutation, palm tree, and downward facing dog. Wow! I've also been alternating walking with jogging on the treadmill. Zumba continues to help me dust off my dance moves. That was almost a workout just talking about it :-)

I've been on a kick lately with 2 authors, Terry McMillan and Sue Monk Kidd. Reading almost everything they have published. I'm right on track with my reading challenge. I think I may not be able to increase the amount of .





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books I read per year after the next year or two. This keeps me pretty busy, and out of trouble along with keeping up with my many magazine subscriptions

If anybody is interested in coming up for Korean BBQ, just let us know. We especially like sampling the assorted meats that you get to cook at the table side along with the many bowls of kimchi and vegetables. The soup that they bring to the table is still boiling when they set it down.

Has everyone been bit by the spring cleaning bug? Time to swap out the winter clothes for the more colorful playful selections. Time to clean off that patio furniture, and get that winter haze off the Windows. Has anyone seen my rose-colored glasses?

End Log

XO's Log

Rear Admiral Connie Williams

201704.30 April 30. 2017

Summit it behind us and I am happy to say it was a major success. We had members from seven Fleet chapters, USS Aux Arc, USS Dark Phoenix, USS Discovery, ISS Katana, USS Missouri, USS Oklahoma, USS Phoenix and also the online gaming group 12th Fleet.

Friday night's social event was put on by the Discovery. The provided food and a gorgeous and huge cake that was delicious. The thing was a masterpiece of artwork and I really hated to see it cut and demolished.

The social event was a good time and we all had fun meeting and greeting friends we had not seen for a long time and meeting new friends.

Saturday brought more fun. Robert and Chris were crowned King and Regent of the Kingdom of Callaway and given crowns to wear through out the opening ceremonies. Not to be forgotten the First Lady of Fleet, Michelle Westfall, was also given a tiara to wear to recognize her status





of Princess of the Kingdom along side of King Robert Westfall, her husband.

Promotions and recognitions were given to several members of the region during the opening ceremonies. The Horizon's David Williams was promoted to Colonel. Paul Herring of the Phoenix took the opportunity to promote one of his crew members that was able to make the trip to the summit. Chapter of the Year was the USS Dark Phoenix



The auction for the pie in the face for the RC raised quite a bit of money. Several members of the region pooled their money and Chris, being the good sport that he is sat for the "pie" in the face. Since we did not have a pie we made one out of filled donuts, opened them up, placed them on a plate, covered Chris in my dog's car blanket, and "pied" him. The best part was Sunnie discovered one of the donuts was chocolate filled and licked the side of Chris's face. Too bad it happened so quick and I did not get a picture of it. All in all it was a great pie-ing event.



After opening ceremonies were complete people left to go find a place for lunch. After lunch we all gather back at the Senior Center for more of that lovely cake and the Region 12 auction. Before the auction started we had the opportunity to sing happy birthday to Linda Sneed, who was celebrating her birthday on that day and then to Cindy Foley whose birthday was the next Thursday. I am not quite sure how much was garnered from the goodies that were offered at auction but I am told it was around \$500.00. After the auction Linda was



kind enough to sell her beautiful decorations. I bought two and they are now hanging in my home office.

With the auction finished we sat around and talked for a while, cleaned up our mess in the Senior Center and moved out to rest prior to dinner at Beks.





XOs log cont.

Linda, John Beven and I retired to my house for relaxation and conversation with Rick, who was attempting to convalesce from a cold. We had a lovely time chatting for about an hour and a half before going downtown to dinner.

Dinner at Bek's was, as always, wonderful. The food was very good but unfortunately, I ate too many sweet potato French fries with that wonderful horseradish, vinegar cream sauce and the garlic artichoke dip to eat my supper. It worked out ok because I took my steak sandwich home to Rick. He was not sad, in the least to open the box and see a steak.

I took a cake to have for dessert at Bek's for our group but they wanted to charge us \$25 cut the cake so I decided it would be better to have it some other time. After dinner we went to the bowling alley, where I thought it would be a great place to have the cake but it was full of college students. Many people decided they did not really want to hang with the kids so we gathered at the Baymont Inn pool. Some swam and some just watched but most ate cake. My favorite saying, "there should always be cake" definitely came into play.



Sunday's breakfast at the Central Missouri Meat and Sausage Company was fantastic. Those of us who got up that early really enjoyed the food and the prices were extremely reasonable.

Back at the Senior Center the Closing Ceremonies did not take much time for Shannon Lindbloom to conduct. There was discussion about rather we wanted to have "summit" again next year or do it different, like this year. So many people told me they really enjoyed the free form of this summit. There were no panels, or structure or strict schedule to follow. Opening ceremonies, discussion time, lunch, auction, free time, dinner, free time,



bowling or concert or movie or whatever for the evening and then the





XOs log cont.

pizza wings and drinks for the final evening gathering. I liked it and wanted others to feel comfortable and be able to spend time with each other and not feel rushed to get somewhere. It was also discussed rather we should have it at a different time of the year and possibly call it something other than summit. One name that was kicked around was The Region 12 Family Reunion. This discussion will be taken up again at a later time. I am sure Chris will not let it fall through the cracks.

I need to thank Eddie, Tony and Little Jeff for the video work and being my legs for part of the weekend. I also want to thank Cindy Foley for being my right hand lady willing to do what ever I needed done. The decorations were wonderful thanks to Linda Sneed. Thank you all for all the hard work you did to help this come off and especially to my husband who made phone calls for me and listened to me fuss when it got tense for me. Thanks for listening to me fuss. You are the best.

Here are a few pictures from the Summit for you to enjoy.





Spoilers !!!

All Access from CBS gets movie streaming:

<https://9to5mac.com/2017/04/17/cbs-all-access-movies-directv-now-fox-local-stations/>

Priority One # 314, April 24: <https://player.fm/series/priority-one-a-rod-denberry-star-trek-podcast/314-enterprising-musical-romance-priority-one-podcast-a-star-trek-news-show>

Rules of Acquisition # 61, April 24: <https://player.fm/series/the-rules-of-acquisition-a-star-trek-deep-space-nine-podcast/61-visionary>

Week In Trek # 287, April 24: <https://player.fm/series/this-week-in-trek-a-star-trek-podcast/episode-287-borg-lite-UUxdt0zCp1ZZ7Apo>

Standard Orbit # 170, April 24: <https://player.fm/series/standard-orbit-a-star-trek-original-series-podcast-80509/170-a-selfie-stick-for-his-tricorder>

Earl Grey # 175, April 24: <https://player.fm/series/earl-grey-a-star-trek-the-next-generation-podcast-127263/175-a-klinton-anderson-cooper>

Hyperchannel 169, April 24: <http://trek.fm/hyperchannel/169>

Voyager # 209, April 21: <https://player.fm/series/to-the-journey-a-star-trek-voyager-podcast-129896/209-you-know-when-youve-been-chakotayd>

Mission Log # 232, April 21: <https://player.fm/series/mission-log-a-rod-denberry-star-trek-podcast-9471/232-birthright-parts-i-ii>





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Standard Orbit # 169, April 19: <https://player.fm/series/standard-orbit-a-star-trek-original-series-podcast-80509/169-other-space-seeds>

Earl Grey # 174, April 19: <https://player.fm/series/earl-grey-a-star-trek-the-next-generation-podcast-127263/174-the-perfect-bite>

Week In Trek # 286, April 19: <https://player.fm/series/this-week-in-trek-a-star-trek-podcast/episode-286-burger-commandant>

Warp Five # 109, April 17: <https://player.fm/series/warp-five-a-star-trek-enterprise-podcast-129778/109-did-i-mention-im-an-actor>

More noise on the Discovery release date: <https://www.trektoday.com/content/2017/04/cbs-all-access-on-discovery-release-date/>

Sir Patrick Stewart on Trump: <https://www.trektoday.com/content/2017/04/stewart-on-president-trump-and-brexit/>

ST Podcast, April 12: <http://www.startrek.com/podcasts>

ST Podcast, April 11: <http://www.startrek.com/podcasts>

Priority One # 313, April 12: <https://player.fm/series/priority-one-a-roddenberry-star-trek-podcast/313-elementary-my-dear-priority-one-podcast-a-star-trek-news-show>

Rules of Acquisition # 60, April 12: <https://player.fm/series/the-rules-of-acquisition-a-star-trek-deep-space-nine-podcast/60-prophet-motive>

Voyager # 208, April 12: <https://player.fm/series/to-the-journey-a-star-trek-voyager-podcast-129896/208-irish-candy-land>

Mission Log # 231, April 11: <https://player.fm/series/mission-log-a-roddenberry-star-trek-podcast-9471/231-tapestry>

Standard Orbit # 168, April 10: <https://player.fm/series/standard-orbit-a-star-trek-original-series-podcast-80509/168-horny-albino-unicorn-gorilla>

Week In Trek # 285, April 9: <https://player.fm/series/this-week-in-trek-a-star-trek-podcast/episode-285-the-meaty-center-cyc3SU07rFhJZo2>

Voyager # 207, April 9: <https://player.fm/series/to-the-journey-a-star-trek-voyager-podcast-129896/207-puttin-on-the-pipz>

Mission Log # 230, April 8: <https://player.fm/series/mission-log-a-roddenberry-star-trek-podcast-9471/230-face-of-the-enemy>

Earl Grey # 173, April 8: <https://player.fm/series/earl-grey-a-star-trek-the-next-generation-podcast-127263/173-little-rascals>

Shatner joins Alliance to promote solar: <http://www.marketwired.com/press-release/william-shatner-joins-the-alliance-to-promote-the-benefits-of-solar-energy-tsx-venture-san-2207877.htm>





More Star Trek News

Stewart to host BBC Have I Got News For You: <http://www.radiotimes.com/news/2017-04-05/patrick-stewart-to-open-the-new-series-of-have-i-got-news-for-you-as-guest-host>

Priority One # 312, April 2: <https://player.fm/series/priority-one-a-roddenberry-star-trek-podcast/312-clear-as-mudd-priority-one-podcast-a-star-trek-news-show>

Rules of Acquisition # 59, April 2: <https://player.fm/series/the-rules-of-acquisition-a-star-trek-deep-space-nine-podcast/59-destiny>

Warp Five # 108, April 2: <https://player.fm/series/warp-five-a-star-trek-enterprise-podcast-129778/108-its-moving-in-all-kinds-of-ways>

Standard Orbit # 167, April 2: <https://player.fm/series/standard-orbit-a-star-trek-original-series-podcast-80509/167-loss-and-recovery>

Mission Log # 229, April 1: <https://player.fm/series/mission-log-a-roddenberry-star-trek-podcast-9471/229-aquiel>

Earl Grey # 172, April 2: <https://player.fm/series/earl-grey-a-star-trek-the-next-generation-podcast-127263/171-have-i-convinced-you-yet>

Week In Trek # 284, April 1: <https://player.fm/series/this-week-in-trek-a-star-trek-podcast/episode-284-energy-hwhip>

Voyager # 206, April 1: <https://player.fm/series/to-the-journey-a-star-trek-voyager-podcast-129896/206-uss-snookums>

Simon Pegg to star in Lost Transmissions: <http://deadline.com/2017/04/simon-pegg-katharine-o-brien-lost-transmissions-pulse-films-1202061056/>

Rainn Wilson cast as Harry Mudd: <http://variety.com/2017/tv/news/star-trek-discovery-rainn-wilson-harry-mudd-1202019986/>

Michelle Yeoh receives highest French award: <http://www.thestar.com.my/news/nation/2017/03/28/yeoh-gets-highest-title-for-nonfrench-superstar-conferred-as-hollande-visits-msia/>

ST Podcast, March 28: <http://www.startrek.com/podcasts>

Beware the new Kirk ransomware: <http://securityaffairs.co/wordpress/57261/malware/kirk-ransomware-star-trek.html>

Priority One # 311, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/priority-one-a-roddenberry-star-trek-podcast/311-starships-with-drexler-and-marrone-priority-one-podcast-a-star-trek-news-show>

Rules of Acquisition # 58, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/the-rules-of-acquisition-a-star-trek-deep-space-nine-podcast/58-heart-of-stone>

Mission Log # 228, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/mission-log-a-roddenberry-star-trek-podcast-9471/228-ship-in-a-bottle>





More Star Trek News

Standard Orbit # 166, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/standard-orbit-a-star-trek-original-series-podcast-80509/166-enterprise-incidents>

Earl Grey # 171, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/earl-grey-a-star-trek-the-next-generation-podcast-127263/171-android-cosmetics>

Week In Trek # 283, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/this-week-in-trek-a-star-trek-podcast/episode-283-never-argue-with-a-ferengi-when-profit-is-on-the-line>

Treknologic, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/treknologic-a-star-trek-podcast/treknologic-favorite-things-3-a-matter-of-honor>

Warp Five #107, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/warp-five-a-star-trek-enterprise-podcast-129778/107-alt-vulcan-movement>

Voyager # 205, March 26: <https://player.fm/series/to-the-journey-a-star-trek-voyager-podcast-129896/205-joe-van-gogh>





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(The Last Jedi set scenes)



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Daily SW Podcast: 7X7: <https://player.fm/series/star-wars-7x7-the-only-daily-star-wars-podcast-121558>

Spoilers!!!!

Resistance Radio, April 23: <http://resistanceradio.net>

Weekly Buzz: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/04/star-wars-weekly-buzz-hayden-christensen-returns-to-celebration-lost-han-vs-greedo-shoot-out-and-more.html>

Fan art of Rosario Dawson as Ahsoka Tano:



The rest of 2017 in summary:

TV:

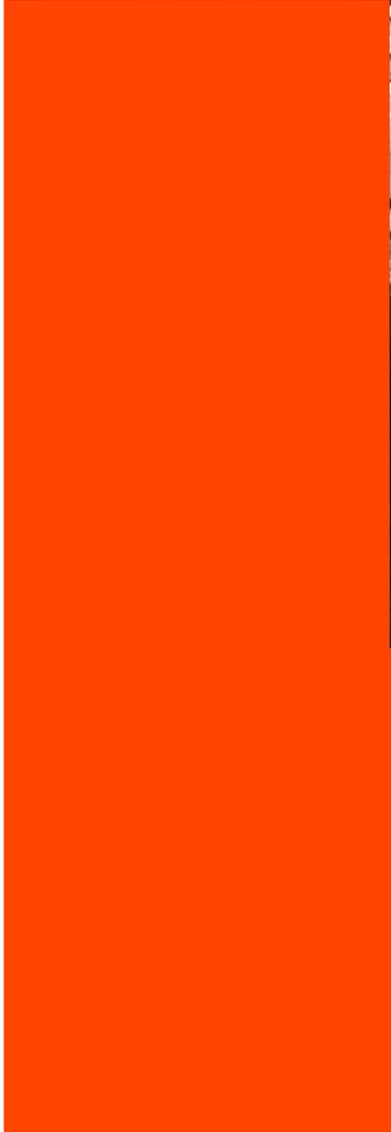
Star Wars: Forces Of Destiny (July)
Star Wars Rebels, Season 4 – Final Season (September/October)

Novels (*JR* = Junior Reader Novels/*YR* = Young Reader Novels):

Rebel Rising (May 2)
Trouble On Tatooine (May 2) – *YR*
Han And The Rebel Rescue (May 2) – *YR*
Guardians Of The Whills (May 2) – *JR*
Adventures In Wild Space: The Rescue (May 4) – *JR*
Star Wars Battlefront II: Inferno Squad (July 25)
BB-8 On The Run (September 1) – *YR*
A Leader Named Leia (September 1) – *YR*
The Legends Of Luke Skywalker (September 1) – *JR*
Leia: Princess Of Alderaan (September 1) – *JR*
Phasma (September 1)
The Prequel Trilogy Stories (September 26) – *YR*
Star Wars: From A Certain Point Of View (October) – Short Stories
Join The Resistance: Escape From Vodran (November 7) – *JR+*

Comics:

Poe Dameron, Issue 13 (April 19)
Darth Maul, Issue 3 (April 26)
Rogue One, Issue 2 (May 3)
Poe Dameron, Issue 14 (May 3)
Lost Stars, Issue 1 (May 4) – *Webcomic*



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Comics: Continued

The Screaming Citadel, Issue 1 (May 10)
 Off The Rails (May 10)
 Star Wars, Issue 31 (May 17)
 Poe Dameron, Issue 15 (May 17)
 Doctor Aphra, Issue 7 (May 31)
 Darth Vader: Dark Lord Of The Sith, Issue 1 (June 7)
 Rogue One, Issue 3 (June 7)
 Star Wars, Issue 32 (June 14)
 Darth Vader: Dark Lord Of The Sith, Issue 2 (June 21)
 Darth Maul, Issue 4 (June 21)
 Doctor Aphra, Issue 8 (June 28)
 Poe Dameron, Issue 16 (June 28)
 Darth Maul, Issue 5 (July 19)
 Captain Phasma, Issue 1 (September)
 Star Wars Adventures, Issue 1 (October 17)

Video Games:

Star Wars Battlefront II (November 17)

Films:

Star Wars Episode VIII: The Last Jedi (December 15)

v Rebel Force Radio, April 22: <https://player.fm/series/rebel-force-radio-star-wars-podcast/rebel-force-radio-april-22-2017>

Star Wars Influences # 22, April 21: <https://player.fm/series/rebel-force-radio-star-wars-podcast/star-wars-influences-22>

Underworld, April 21: <https://player.fm/series/the-star-wars-underworld-podcast/the-swu-podcast-live-210417>

Rebels Press Conference: <https://player.fm/series/the-star-wars-underworld-podcast/star-wars-rebels-season-4-press-conference-swco>

Han Solo movie updates: <http://www.digitalspy.com/movies/star-wars/feature/a784083/star-wars-han-solo-movie-actor-release-date-director-and-everything-you-need-to-know/>

Collider Jedi Council, April 20: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=enNDqSOqccq&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=4>

Resistance Radio, April 19: <http://resistanceradio.net>

Resistance Radio, April 18: <http://resistanceradio.net>

Rebels Podcast, April 18: <http://rebelspodcast.com>



Star Wars News

Original footage from the filming of a New Hope: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/04/never-before-seen-a-new-hope-archival-footage-from-star-wars-celebration.html>

Carrie Fisher on the set of the Last Jedi:



SW Show, April 15: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QuJzxV4i5IM&index=4&list=PL148kCvXk8pBjG-JOhIIU6rWzLyA2O2an>

Rebels Podcast, April 15: <http://rebelspodcast.com>

Celebration Orlando Highlight film: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/04/new-video-highlights-the-best-moments-from-star-wars-celebration-orlando-2017.html>

Celebration Orlando video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jKhWP3yy4H4>

Celebration Orlando live stream: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FfRx3I2uHJM>

The Last Jedi Trailer breakdown (Wow!!): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b89T74ToK9E>

The best of Celebration Orlando: <http://www.starwars.com/star-wars-celebration>

Battlefront II Reveal Full Length Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kae-JjbLsgA>

Carrie Fisher and SW9: <http://variety.com/2017/film/news/carrie-fisher-not-in-star-wars-episode-ix-1202031153/>

The Last Jedi first trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zB4I68XVPzQ>





Star Wars News

Rebel Force Radio, April 15: <https://player.fm/series/rebel-force-radio-star-wars-podcast/rebel-force-radio-april-15-2017>

Rebels will end with season 4: <https://www.theverge.com/2017/4/15/15313366/star-wars-rebels-ending-fourth-season-trailer-watch>

Collider Jedi Council, April 15: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OyTHpyvXI&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=6>

Collider Jedi Council, Rebels 3, April 15: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d8bknvP6BB8&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=7>

Collider Jedi Council, Rebels 2, April 15: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Kbnav_LEI&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=8

Collider Jedi Council, Rebels 1, April 15: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Vwj8slzfts&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=9>

Collider Jedi Council, Fisher, April 15: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HCcB8KN3bo&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=10>

Collider Jedi Council, Trailer, April 14: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aT4g1nXFv00&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=11>

Tribute to Carrie Fisher: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pjOW1mapcDw&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=12>

SW Show, April 12: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OWJD0OP6hOA&index=5&list=PL148kCvXk8pBjG-JOhIIU6rWzLyA2O2an>

The Resistance Broadcast # 64, May 12: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/04/the-resistance-broadcast-episode-64-celebration-orlando-preview-special.html>

Guillermo del Toro Star Wars movie?: <http://www.slashfilm.com/guillermo-del-toro-star-wars-ideas/>





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The Resistance Broadcast # 63, April 10: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/04/the-resistance-broadcast-episode-63-stay-on-target.html>

Draft Script for SW9 finished: <http://comicbook.com/starwars/2017/04/07/star-wars-episode-ix-script-draft-colin-trevorrow/>

Star Wars Celebration Kickoff Bash: <https://player.fm/series/rebel-force-radio-star-wars-podcast/rebel-force-radio-april-13-2017>

Underworld, Last Jedi Trailer: <https://player.fm/series/the-star-wars-underworld-podcast/the-swu-podcast-live-the-last-jedi-trailer-breakdown-from-swco>

Resistance Radio, April 10: <http://resistanceradio.net>

Resistance Radio, April 9: <http://resistanceradio.net>

Pigs in a... Sausage Rebel Fighters!



Weekly Buzz: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/04/star-wars-weekly-buzz-new-rogue-one-concept-art-forest-whitaker-coming-to-celebration-and-more.html>

Benicio del Toro character info from SW8: <http://screenrant.com/star-wars-8-last-jedi-benicio-del-toro-character-rumors/>

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Underworld, April 7: <https://player.fm/series/the-star-wars-underworld-podcast/the-swu-podcast-live-070417>

Collider Jedi Council, Preview Orlando, April 6: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oJHWWlyMdXU&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=19>



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SW Show, April 5: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n4FnHBITnTw&index=6&list=PL148kCvXk8pBjG-JOhIIU6rWzLyA2O2a>

Rebels Podcast, April 3: <http://rebelspodcast.com>

Canto Bight may be the Dubrovnik site's name: <http://makingstarwars.net/2017/04/the-name-of-the-dubrovnik-planet-from-star-wars-the-last-jedi/>

The Resistance Broadcast # 62, April 3: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/04/the-resistance-broadcast-episode-62-ill-take-the-celebration-special-please.html>

Jedi Journal, April 1: <https://player.fm/series/jedi-journals-star-wars-literature-podcast/jedi-journals-april-2017>

Underworld, March 31: <https://player.fm/series/the-star-wars-underworld-podcast/the-swu-podcast-live-310317>

Weekly Buzz: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/03/star-wars-weekly-buzz-hayden-christensen-to-attend-celebration-orlando-full-schedule-of-the-event-and-more.html>

Rogue One is out on DVD.

Collider Jedi Council, March 30: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=axnTbrTSfjw&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=20>

Live from Lothal, March 30: <https://player.fm/series/the-star-wars-underworld-podcast/live-from-lothal-zero-hour>

SW Show, March 29: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Akw5ZODAMOs&index=7&list=PL148kCvXk8pBjG-JOhIIU6rWzLyA2O2an>

Rebels Podcast, March 28: <http://rebelspodcast.com>

Justin Theroux may be in SW8: <http://screenrant.com/star-wars-8-last-jedi-justin-theroux-cameo/>

The Resistance Broadcast # 61, March 28: <https://www.starwarsnewsnet.com/2017/03/the-resistance-broadcast-episode-61-caution-celebration-ahead.html>

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Resistance Radio, March 26: <http://resistanceradio.net>

Collider Jedi Council, March 25: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D72 - RPkV8k&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=21](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D72-RPkV8k&list=PLayt6616IBcnqEWU6U0D8I95SUiqVU3DR&index=21)



Summit 2017

The Kingdom of Callaway

I could tell you all about Summit in my words but I missed a lot working the plan. The video crew ended up being the almost everything crew. I would like to really thank the following persons:

Coordinator & Complaint Host: Khane Williams

Video Crew: Jeff Allen Jr & Tony Favron

Room Set Up & Technicians: Jeff Allen Jr & Tony Favron

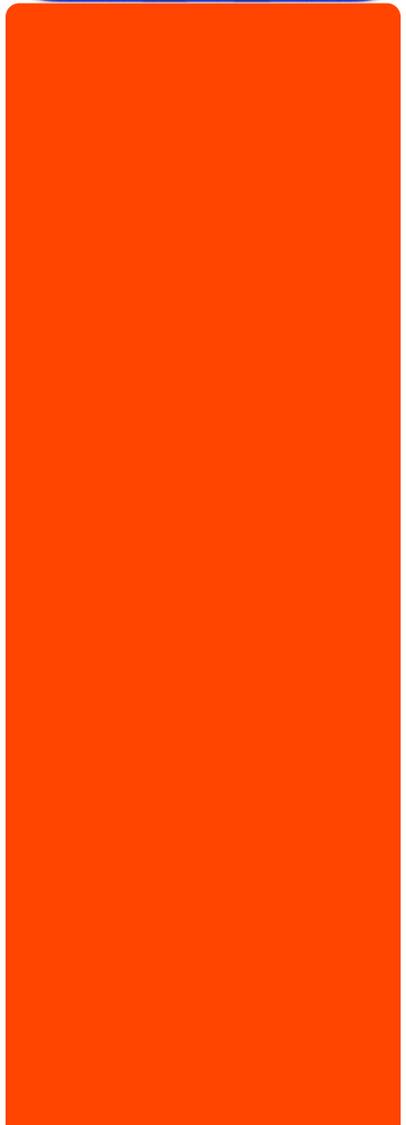
Linda Sneed: Awesome Decoration Queen

Araina Foley: Check In & Administration

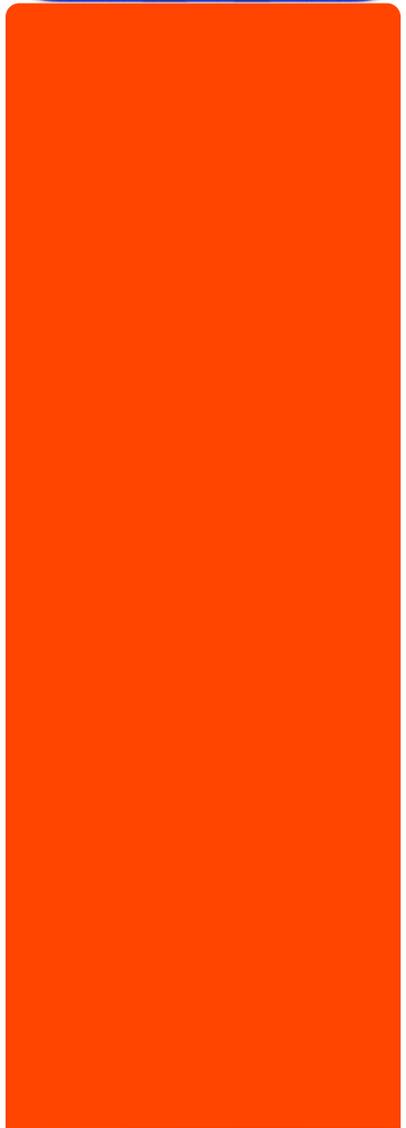
To see Summit go to the video at: <http://r12summit2017.org/video.html>

Here are the photos I had of the occasion. Hopefully others will get added as well.



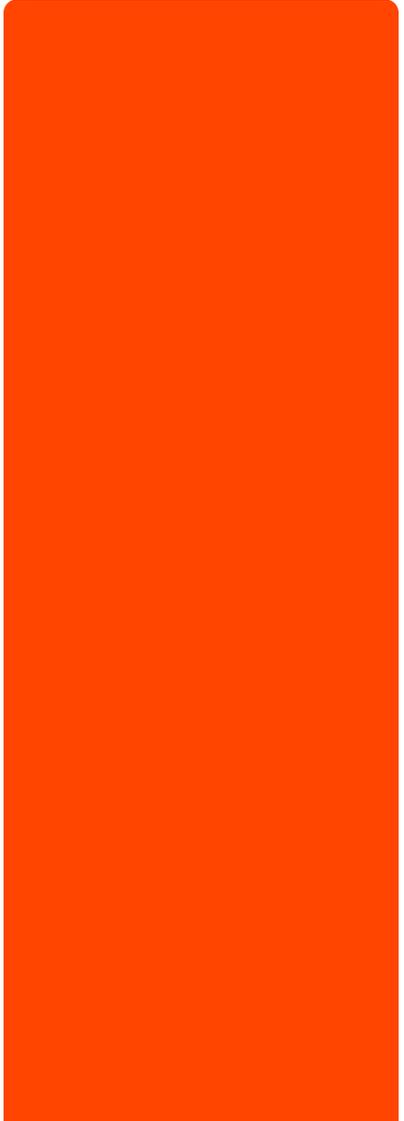






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Mid America Convention List – March 2017 Update

May 2017

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| 5-7 | Des Moines, IA | Demicon |
| | https://demicon.org/demicon28/ | |
| 5-7 | Dallas, TX | WhoFest 4 |
| | https://www.whofestdfw.org | |
| 12-14 | St Charles, MO | Anime STL |
| | http://animestl.net | |
| 13-14 | Virginia Beach, VA | Tidewater ComicCon |
| | http://tidewatercomicon.com | |
| 26-28 | Kansas City, MO | ConQuest 48 |
| | http://www.conquestkc.org | |

June 2017

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| 3-4 | Nashville, TN | Walker Stalker |
| | http://walkerstalkercon.com/nashville/ | |
| 9-11 | Kansas City, MO | Sausomecon |
| | http://sausomecon.com | |
| 9-11 | Rosemont, IL | Once Upon A Time |
| | http://www.creationent.com/cal/ouat_chicago.html | |
| 15-18 | Jefferson City, MO | CosPlayCon |
| | https://cosplacon-mo.squarespace.com | |
| 16-18 | Washington DC | AwesomeCon |
| | http://awesome-con.com | |
| 23-25 | Knoxville, TN | Fanboy Expo |
| | http://fanboyexpo.com | |





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June 2017 (cont.)

23-25 Las Vegas, NV Amazing LV ComicCon
<https://www.amazingcomiccon.com/amazing-las-vegas>

30-2 Indianapolis, IN InConJunction
<http://www.inconjunction.org>

July 2017

7-9 Indianapolis, IN Indy PopCon
<https://indypopcon.com>

7-9 Hunt Valley, MD Shore Leave
<https://www.shore-leave.com>

8-9 Morristown, NJ Garden State Comic Fest
<http://www.gardenstatecomicfest.com>

14-16 Tulsa, OK Tokyo in Tulsa
<http://tokyointulsa.com>

20-23 San Diego, CA Comic Con
<http://www.comic-con.org/ccj>

21-23 Williamsburg, VA Scares That Care
<http://scaresthatcareweekend.com>

21-23 St Paul, MN Diversicon 25
<http://www.diversicon.org>

28-30 Collinsville, IL NatsuCon
<http://natsucon.org>

29-30 Frederick, MD StarQuest
<http://www.starquestconvention.com>

August 2017

2-6 Las Vegas, NV CreationCon
http://www.creationent.com/cal/st_lasvegas.html





Conventions Continued August 2017 (Cont.)

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| 4-6 | Itasca, IL | MuseCon 7 |
| | http://www.musecon.org | |
| 11-13 | Washington DC | Octagon 2017 |
| | https://dc.otakon.com | |
| 17-20 | Indianapolis, IN | Gen Con |
| | http://www.gencon.com | |
| 18-19 | Dover, DE | Dover Comic Con |
| | https://www.cityofdover.com/Comic-Con/ | |
| 24-27 | Chicago, IL | Wizard World Comic Con |
| | http://wizardworld.com/index.php/home-chicago | |

September 2017

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| 15-17 | Rosemont, IL | Continuing Voyage Tour |
| | http://creationent.com/calendar.htm#convoychi | |
| 29-1 | Collinsville, IL | Archon |
| | http://www.archonstl.org | |
| 29-1 | Parsippany, NJ | Continuing Voyage Tour |
| | http://creationent.com/calendar.htm#convoyssf | |
| 29-1 | Hunt Valley, MD | Monster-Mania Con |
| | http://monstermania.net | |

October 2017

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| 20-22 | Whippany, NJ | Once Upon A Time |
| | http://www.creationent.com/cal/ouat_nj.html | |





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November 2017

- 3-5 Los Angeles, CA Once Upon A Time
http://www.creationent.com/cal/ouat_burbank.html
- 10-12 Kansas City, MO Comic Con
<http://www.kansascity-comiccon.com>
- 12 Springfield, IL Comic Con
<http://www.epguides.com/comics/schedule.shtml>

