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MAXIMILLIAN IS 8!!

U.S.S. Maximillian celebrates it's 8th Anniversary with a look ahead.

On May 13th, 2000, the U.S.S. Maximillian celebrated it's 8th Anniversary. At such a prestigious time in our history, we must not forget that despite how far we've come in the last few years, we will always have a long way to go before everything is perfect. Therefore, what better time than this issue to take a look at what we have in store

for us in the coming years.

For starters, we have the end of Voyager and the starting of a new series, whatever the Powers that be decide it to be, and throughout the last few months, we have seen campaigns grow to let the Trek communities voices be heard, and this can only point to a

brighter future for every Trek Organization, working together for a common goal.

We have a new Captain, and she will undoubtedly lead us to greater and grander prospects throughout everything we know and everything we do not yet know.

We have been the

first to breach the 'final frontier' of the Internet with www.maximillian.org, boldly going where no website has gone before, and that has helped P.R. and knowledge of us to exceed anyone's greatest expectations.

At this time when we celebrate our past, I celebrate the futures we embark on starting now. Live long and Prosper.

The Max at Marcon

May 26, 27, 28

Friday May 26

The U.S.S. Maximillian begins Marcon at 4pm in the main hallway and will stay there until 8 o'clock that night. At the table we will be running Chris Stephenson's new video: "A View at Fandom", featuring looks behind the scenes at Fandom in the Columbus area, including the recent Excelsior campaign rally and music videos with music by

Queen, Jerry Goldsmith, and James Horner. We will also be running our famous raffle, this year's featuring an autographed picture of William Shatner.

Away from the table, we have our own Matt Morris, Terry McPherson, and Chris Stephenson in a panel about "Star Trek Inconsistencies" at 7:00 pm in the Union B room.

Other Panels that night in-

clude Klingon Astronomy at 11:00pm and our Manny Medina in "B5'S Divided Loyalties" at 8:00pm.

There is the annual Friday Night Dance at 9pm in the ballroom, and at 12am the "Rocky Horror Picture Show" will show in the movie room.

Saturday May 27th

The fun begins early on Saturday, as the Maximil-

lian table opens at 12pm, and will stay open until 8pm that night. Today we will be playing more of the "View at Fandom" Video, as well as our Anniversary Video, and special interviews with the crew of the U.S.S. Maximillian.

Elsewhere, the U.S.S. Maximillian participates in several panels. Manny Medina will be in the "Your Defin-

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The U.S.S. Maximillian meets on the second saturday of every month at 5pm at the Whetstone branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library, on High St.

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ing Moment" Panel at 10am. Matt Morris, Sidley Howard, Debbie Oulette, and Terry McPherson participate in the "Fandom in Galaxy Quest" Panel at 1pm. Later on that night the Star Trek Collectibles panel takes place at 8:00 pm featuring Matt Morris, Terry McPherson, Debbie Oulette, and Sidley Howard. Finally, at 10:00 that night, Chris Stephenson and Doug Foulk will participate in the S.S.D. Palpatine's "Phantom Menace: What worked and what didn't?". Other Panels of note during the day include the "Starfleet Marines" at 9:00pm and the Star Trek Family Fued at 2:00pm.

The Masquerade takes place at 9pm, and the annual Saturday night dance takes place at 11pm.

Sunday May 28th

The wrap up begins on Sunday but it isn't over yet. The Max Table opens at 12pm again and closes down for good at 4pm. Today we show the View at Fandom and the Excelsior campaign Rally.

In the Panel field, The Maximillian has the first panel of the morning at 10am with the "Women in Sci-fi", featuring Sidley Howard, Debbie Oulette, and Chris Stephenson (Himself not a female). Next at 11 is Manny Medina with "Crusade: What might have been?"

Join today!

The U.S.S. Maximillian would like to invite you to join our crew as we boldly go beyond the final frontier. We are an Independent fan club in the Columbus area that is dedicated to the principles brought to us in Gene Roddenberry's original vision. If you would like more information please see one of our representatives at the table.

WE OFFER

A monthly newsletter delivered straight to you from the presses.

A chance to make new friends.

An extensive members section, featuring a newsletter archive, pictures from our events, an exclusive novel, and more updated daily on our website: www.maximillian.org

Special events every month. For example, in June, we have a Kings Island trip, a movie opening (Titan A.E.), and an 'olympics' consisting of many different fun events.

A monthly meeting with activities.

The chance to create your own persona, earn rank and promotion points just by participating in events.
and much more...

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Alpha Quadrant

3 Days after the launch of the Maximillian

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The Object moved through space silently and quickly, at speeds approaching Warp 8, and it had kept that speed for upwards of two weeks now, with no variation in course. It appeared that wherever it was heading, it had locked in the most efficient plan, and it was intent on keeping to it. Already it had destroyed the Observatory, and very soon it would encounter an asteroid field. Trailing it closely was a bizarre mix of the Alpha Quadrant's inhabitants. Three Klingon Bird of Preys, A Romulan Warbird, A Gorn ship...all had linked up with the invader recently in the past few days, and they knew that they could not keep the constant speed that the object did, lest they be destroyed by their own lack of foresight. In a way, the heads of the ships felt, it was fortunate that the object would soon reach populated sectors of the Quadrant, then reinforcements could be given.

The Commander of the lead Klingon vessel sat waiting in his chair, impatiently. He itched to fire weapons, to do something rather than just to sit here and wait. As the Observatory was a Federation outpost, the ruling was to let the 'feddies' handle it, but Ambassador Worf, briefed on the information, had recommended some form of 'escort' for the object, while the course was plotted out by experts and computers. The reasons for the Gorn and Romulans were yet unknown, possibly a result of an itchy trigger finger feeling throughout the Quadrant. After the Borg, Dominion, and Borg again and again, (Ed. Note: Best of Both Worlds, DS9, First Contact, Star Trek: Armada) Everyone was at their wits end, each expecting another threat to their own respective sovereignty's in the Alpha Quadrant. And everyone wanted the threat to be eliminated as quick as possible.

He sighed when he thought about the Maximillian coming. His ship, his proud ship, needed NO rescue and NO protector! It could've been worse, he supposed, it could have been the Enterprise. Last thing they needed was a lot of negotiation and talk.

On the Romulan ship, all was silent, waiting for the next move of the object. The Gorn ship was no different. After hearing how easily the Observatory was defeated, and with the fact that this ship was a stranger to this galaxy, possibly this universe if you let your mind run wild enough, no-one, not even the Klingons, were eager to make the first counter-strike. The Klingon Commander let a smile creep across his face as he pondered this. Yes...better to let the Federation take the first losses, and he and his proud ship, the K'Pak, would swoop in and save their pathetic race. It was a bit easier to be patient now, although the warrior inside him screamed for vengeance for the dozen or so Representatives of the Klingon Empire at the Observatory.

They continued to follow the ship by eyesight only, for sensors could still not detect the vessel moving so fast in front of them. It was a stroke of luck that it did not fear them...or did it not detect them as well? It's