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**SONGS OF THE SEASON**

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ARRANGED BY NATHAN COBAUGH





**The MaX-Files**CAPT Chris Stephenson  
Commanding Officer

Good day, this newsletter is brought to you by Lisa! It's good to have a few people on staff that can do the newsletters if I'm unable/unwilling/sleepy.

This month has been fun, had a full and packed time, we had our meeting at Starbase Columbus, a new record for a non-food meeting at 23. Got a new member, Ed from the Fishnet Mafia. They put on the Rocky Horror Picture show every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:30 at the Studio 35 on Indianola. We saw the launch of Mike's Galactica fan group, the Battlestar Leviathan! We went to Olive Garden where I was embarrassed but we had another big turnout for our monthly meals so all is well. And then Me, Lisa, Richard, and Charles all went to see Robin and go to the Harry Potter Yule Ball! Yay!

This month is a few things. Our party of course, Eragon, another get-together at the Casa de Critch and Lisa, New Years Eve party, another Marcon Meeting, and...I think that's it. And then next month I'm a Commodore!

That'll do it for this month, till next time, make mine MAX!  
-Capt Chris Stephenson

**November Meeting Minutes**LT Overload Soong-Maddox  
Chief of Operations—Records Officer

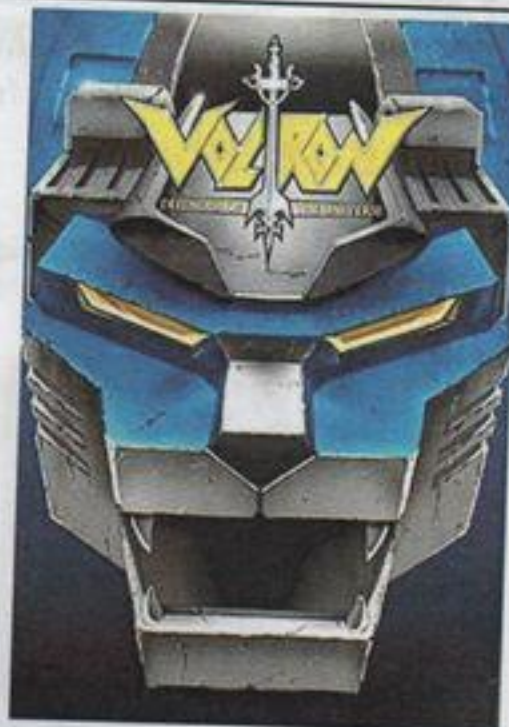
Presenting the uberamped edition of the Maximilian, November 11 2006, now showing at theatre near you....or the next best thing, Starbase Columbus!

For once, the meeting actually started at 5:15!! (Enjoy it while it lasts folks!) The Max snacks are flowing, unless you're Overload and Skrit who just snitch Critch's. So enjoy!

Crew and guests were introduced! Ralph, Kathy and Isa (Ambassador to the Max!) attended, as did Ed, and Sal who is the Columbus' new member in addition to securing his role as Vice Commander of Starfleet.

So that said, we start with Captain Critch, claims he is an idiot. Ah leadership! :D This time it's because

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**Voltron Review**CMDR Nathan Cabaugh  
Chief of Security

This has been a long time in coming. Long before the Power Rangers and all those shows, there was the show that made cartoons utilize the power of joining individual characters into one MEGA character. Voltron - Defender of the Universe. It has taken many years for this beloved classic to come into DVD for one main reason. The original prints did not exist. Every image and sound was rebuilt from ground zero from two different Japanese series. Color corrections were used and every frame had to be reconstructed using video footage. AnimeWorks did a tremendous job on this and the clean images are the proof.

The Green Lion, Blue Lion, Yellow Lion, Black Lion, and the Red Lion make up the five lions that transform into Voltron, but they can only do so with the interlocking keys that are needed. Voltron battles the evil forces of Zarkon, Haggar the witch, and Prince Lotar (Zarkon's son).

Join Keith, Lance, Sven, Hunk, and Pidge as they work with Princess Alura to restore freedom to the galaxy.

15 episodes are included on this set, and as if that doesn't appeal to your wallet this will. Special features include the ORIGINAL pilot, the Voltron trilogy, interviews with the staff, the clean-up process and the making of the DVD's, and a full episode synopses with the original air dates from Sep 10, 1984

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## Security Report Continued

CMDR Nathan Cabaugh  
Chief of Security

- Track 1: Adeste Fideles (O Come All Ye Faithful)
- Track 2: Angels We Have Heard on High
- Track 3: Deck the Halls
- Track 4: God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen
- Track 5: Hark, The Herald Angels Sing
- Track 6: It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
- Track 7: Joy To The World
- Track 8: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel
- Track 9: O Little Town of Bethlehem
- Track 10: O Tannenbaum (O Christmas Tree)
- Track 11: Silent Night, Holy Night
- Track 12: (BONUS) Maximillian Theme (demo version)

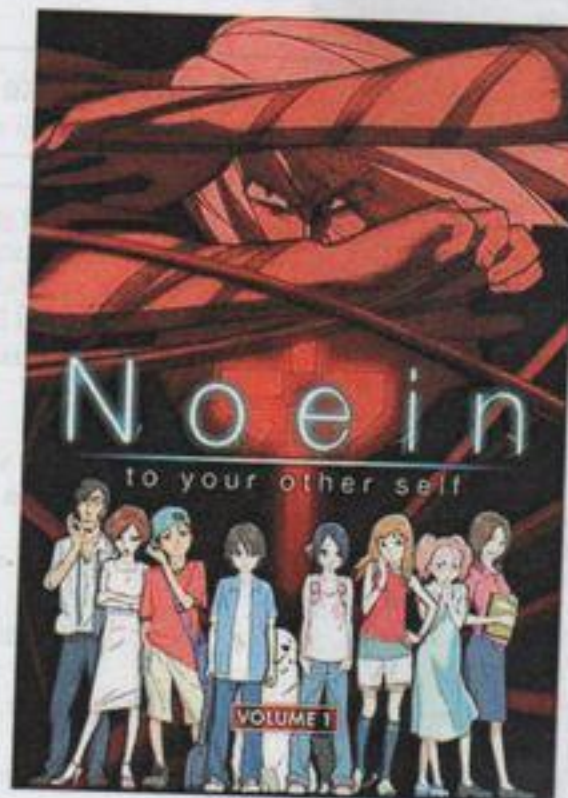
All songs that are recorded are straight audio captures, no audio tweaking or what have you. This would be equivalent to you sitting down in front, and I, playing the keyboard. I still have yet to learn how to do audio engineering, but I will be as I get more practice at doing this. I actually banged my head against the computer every time, because I would go back and re-record, until I had it note for note from beginning to end. Granted, the old fashioned way of recording may be out of date, but it still works.

Thankfully, a CD is finally released with 4 additional tracks. The 12 Days of Christmas, The First Noel, Good King Wenceslas, and We Three Kings of Orient Are. The released CD is complete with jewel case and artwork. I utilized a service that allows up and coming artists to release their CD's with the UPC code and the whole bundle. More details to be provided at the meeting.

I am working on a second CD which I hope to have completed by Marcon, hopefully. My official target is now to release at least one CD per year if not more. The next project (music) is to record classical music. Given the fact that my primary musical skill is on the piano, I will be working on getting some Beethoven, Mozart, etc. recorded.

I am not sure if I will manage to get the December edition of the MMA done on time, so I completed a spin off of the classic, 'Twas the night before... that is to be included in this newsletter. Just a little side note on the MMA: yes, Kelvok will be featured in the comic strip.

Hope everyone has a good holiday!



## Noein Review

CMDR Nathan Cabaugh  
Chief of Security

### Cast

Director Kazuki Akane from the Escaflowne and Geneshaft series is probably the only name that jumps out of the cast on this one. But he brings to life a tale woven in timespace.

### Plot

A girl is discovered to have the ability to see what is going on from one alternate reality and this reality. Those from the alternate reality are coming to discover what power she has and how to stop her from destroying their reality.

### Summary

For those of you who love quantum physics and Manga here is a new show released on DVD that is totally mind boggling. The lead, Haruka, is an observer. Kind of like The Watcher in the What If comics. Haruka has no idea what is going on, and yet people from an alternate reality are visiting this reality to either destroy or protect Haruka, who may or may not have the power to bring balance to the alternate reality which is fading. The plot is very complex and weaves in and out of one reality to the other, lots of characters are involved in making this. In short, this is one of the best original sci-fi Manga's I have seen.

The alternate reality is in the future and is called La'cryma where warriors are sent to destroy the Dragon Torque (Haruka). Apparently Noein is from another timespace and is the main antagonist and has converged every possible alternate reality to this one. Why? Watch and find out!

Volume 1 is now on sale, Volume 2 is now on pre-order. Definitely a show worth getting into for sci-fi anime enthusiasts.



## SF Quotes Make TV's Top 100

<http://www.scifi.com/scifiwire>



Cable network TV Land announced its list of the 100 greatest TV quotes and catchphrases of the past 60 years, featuring recognizable lines from popular science-fiction series from Star Trek to The X-Files. The selections will be counted down in a weeklong series of specials beginning Monday, Dec. 11, at 10 p.m. ET/PT. Guest stars include Batman's Adam West and Burt Ward, who discuss the origins of their classically cheesy exclamations, and William Shatner, whose opening narration from the original Star Trek series made the top 20.

The 100 Greatest TV Quotes and Catchphrases gives viewers a look inside the origins of some of pop culture's most remembered and repeated catchphrases, the network said in a press release. An alphabetical list of quotes from SF series follows. Their ranks will be revealed on Dec. 6.

- "Danger, Will Robinson!" from *Lost in Space*
- "De plane! De plane!" from *Fantasy Island*
- "Don't make me angry ..." from *The Incredible Hulk*
- "Holy [blank], Batman!" from *Batman*
- "Live long and prosper," from *Star Trek*
- "Resistance is futile," from *Star Trek: The Next Generation*
- "Space, the final frontier ..." from *Star Trek*
- "The truth is out there," from *The X-Files*

## Astronomy Picture of the Month

LT Lisa Lombardi

Counselor

<http://antwrp.gsfc.nasa.gov/>



In myth, Atlas holds up the heavens, but in this stunning view a mountain appears to serve as the southern night sky pivots around a snowy peak. Recorded during a climbing expedition at an altitude above 19,000 feet (temperature -18 degrees C), the picture places the South Celestial Pole over the Andes mountain Ojos del Salado. Topping out at over 22,000 feet, the Ojos del Salado is a stratovolcano, the highest active volcano on planet Earth. The time exposure lasted an hour and a half, recording the graceful arcing star trails along with the rising Milky Way (left) and setting Magellanic clouds.



# JANUARY 2007

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## Thoughts for the Season Continued

Commander John Chubb  
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It seems like there's a lot of that going around lately. And respect for the elders has become a thing of the past.

A real pity too, because I would have really been in a state if it wasn't for my grandmother during my parent's divorce.

Oh well, Merry Christmas to all.



## SKRITISMS

CMDR Nathan Cobaugh  
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(singing) It's beginning to look a lot like... that time of year again. 'Twas the month before the new year, when all through the ship, not a creature was stirring not even a 'Bit. The warp drive had been aligned with the utmost care, and the Captain had just finished wrestling a bear (in the holodeck, of course).

The crew had begun to get some r+r, imagining they were exploring the galactic arm. The Captain on bridge, and Blobbin in a bucket? When the long range sensors suddenly sounded an alert, Skrit immediately called up the tactical display, input some commands and put the ship on yellow alert. The searchlights came on to illuminate the incoming target, when, to the amazement of Databit, Overload, and Critch, they beheld a sight they could not forget.

A shuttlecraft from a Constellation class starship, and eight little robotic droids in the form of reindeer, who knew who was piloting such a derelict, but it moved with catlike reflexes. No one could guess who it could be, more elusive than an Orion space pirate it was, when the comm came to life on hailing frequencies, "Now D'Sher, now D'ncer! Now P'Cer and V'Zen. Watch out for that comet! Not Q-pid again! on, Teb, ON! To the shuttlebay! Initiate docking procedures! Engage! Engage!"

Critch motioned for the shuttlebay doors to be opened, and shields to be lowered, Critch trusted his instincts that the vessel was harmless, considering that Skrit had verified no weapons had been detected. So into the shuttlebay the vessel flew, along with the eight robotic reindeer. And then, within the time of a Galactic standard week, (one hour later), the crew heard the feet of the robotic reindeer echoing throughout the entire ship. Critch stood outside the vessel gesturing the Vulcan greeting as the

shuttle door opened. Down the ramp he came with a resounding thud. He was completely covered in amabassadorial robes from top to bottom, some wear and tear obviously showing from skirmishes he had been in. A rather large sack he had flung on his back, and he looked like a smuggler after just getting caught.

His eyes were shifty, his dimples slightly off, his cheekbones were showing, his nose redder than a phaser on overload. His lips began to curl, and his beard was whiter than the white screen of death. A cigar he repeatedly puffed, and the smoke billowed like fog. His face was rather large and he appeared to be out of shape given his stout figure, for when he coughed, his whole body shook. He was a rather large fellow, full of mirth.

Some snickering and some looks were exchanged from the command staff, when he glanced at them with a puzzled look, they knew that he was rather harmless. Quiet he was, never saying a word and sprinted throughout the ship doing his thing. In a fraction of time he had managed to go to every crewmember's quarters and left everyone with a gift. Only Critch, Overload, and Databit managed to note the time it took. But he had returned to the shuttlebay and wagging his fingers haphazardly in the Vulcan greeting he climbed back into his shuttle. He nodded his head to the command staff as if to say, "Thanks!" and alerted the droid reindeer. The shuttle's door closed and away they all went.

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## Does water STILL flow on Mars?

By JULIE WHELDON, Science Correspondent  
<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/>

Does water still flow on Mars? These dramatic new photos seem to indicate yes.

Striking new images of the Red Planet have raised hopes life could be found on Mars after all.



Scientists say they have photographic evidence that suggests liquid water may have been on the planet as little as five years ago.

Experts last night said Mars now appears more active than previously thought and the latest study shows why it is vital to continue to search for life on our planetary neighbour.

The first images of Mars' surface were taken in the 1960s and they suggested it was a dusty, cratered world rather like our Moon.

Now a new set of photographs has suggested that liquid water may have flowed on the planet a mere five years ago.

The discovery resulted from images taken by the Mars Global Surveyor which first recorded gullies and trenches that could have been made by fast-flowing water coursing down cliffs and crater walls.

Scientists in the USA decided to retake images of the gullies to search for any sign of recent activity.

Two of those originally photographed in 1999 and 2001 then photographed again in 2004 and 2005 showed changes consistent with water having flowed down the side of the crater. The discovery was made by scientists at the San Diego-based Malin Space Systems which operated a camera aboard the spacecraft.

Writing in the journal *Science*, the researchers led by Michael Malin said the properties and settings of the deposits in the gullies are consistent with water flow.

Expert Bruce Jakosky, of the University of Colorado at

Boulder, said the study "underscores the importance of searching for life on Mars, either present or past.

"It's one more reason to think that life could be there," he added.

However Oded Aharonson of the California Institute of Technology urged caution over the findings.

He said the interpretation of the images as water activity was 'compelling' but only one explanation.

Until now the question of liquid water has mainly focused on ancient Mars and on the Martian north pole, where water ice has been detected.

Water along with a stable source of heat is essential for life to emerge.

Mars formed more than 4.5 billion years ago and scientists generally believe it went through an early wet and warm era that ended after 1.5 billion to 2.5 billion years, leaving the planet extremely dry and cold.

Water cannot remain a liquid for long because of sub-zero surface temperatures and low atmospheric pressure that would turn water into ice or gas.

But some studies have pointed to the possibility of liquid water flowing briefly on the surface through a possible underground water source that periodically shoots up.





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## Star Trek: Maximillian Strength In Darkness CONTINUED

Written by Chris Stephenson — Past stories available at [www.maximillian.org](http://www.maximillian.org)

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"Which would put it as having left right around the time Shinzon started to rise in power." T'Kill sighed, and tossed the padd on the table. "This is the last thing we need right now. Communications with the new Romulan Government aren't going well."

Critch raised an eyebrow. "That's not what the news says."

"You know as well as I do that the news doesn't always have the whole story." T'Kill shook his head. "There's a power struggle down there. Shinzon still lives in the minds of a lot of people. There's rumors about Tomalok. There's rumors about Sela. Hell half of Romulus thinks that Shinzon's Viceroy is still running around somewhere. It's madness. And it's spreading." T'Kill's voice grew more aggravated with each passing moment.

"Spreading?"

"You saw the weaponry on Bajor. That wasn't the only disruptor that's popped up on a planet where it shouldn't have been. There's rumblings that the Maquis are going to start up again. This is going to turn both quadrants into a powder keg."

T'Kill stood up slowly, and walked to the window, assessing the stars from his window. "We cannot allow that to happen, we have to put out these brush fires before they become galactic incidents."

Critch didn't like where this was going. After getting in range, he had ordered the *Maximillian* to give a full scan of the Romulan Warbird. It was essentially defenseless, with only minimum shields raised to protect from the standard radiation and random meteorites that would come from a journey through space. Twenty-five Remans, of various body-type, were detected, with minimal life-signs, suggesting a type of long-term hibernation. Their mission was unknown, but T'Purr had quickly worked out that they would eventually reach their destination: The planet Andoria. Critch stood next to him at the window. "What are you proposing?"

"Shinzon's agents have been proven to be typically Reman."

"Most of his agents, you mean." Critch

interrupted, but T'Kill ignored it.

"It couldn't be clearer that these are soldiers of Shinzon. We found them, we have to deal with them."

"And what do you mean by that?"

T'Kill sighed, sure this was just the beginning of one of many arguments he would have with the new Captain. "I'm not sure how much of this crew realizes it, Captain, but we are at war. War with an enemy that could be in any faction at any time, and be of any one of a dozen races allied with the Romulans. And at the forefront is a race that most people didn't even know existed until Shinzon."

"Come on, Admiral, you know that not every Reman is evil. Wasn't there one hanging out with the *Titan* for a while?" (*Titan: The Red King*)

"Be that as it may, the facts are what they are. These are undoubtedly Shinzon's people. The Warbird should be blown out of the stars."

"Ok, ok, so they're evil maniacal Dracula-looking bastards. What sense does it make to send one tiny Warbird out to Andoria. What can one ship, even if it can cloak, do?"

"So you're saying we should let them go?" T'Kill looked at Critch, surprised.

"Not at all. What I'm saying is that even in war, shooting someone when their back is turned is a hell of a cowardly thing to do. And they haven't shown any signs of aggression. Lets let them prove it."

"What are you proposing, Captain?" T'Kill said, annoyed.

"Little bit of spying never hurt anyone, Admiral. Lets go meet the neighbors, wake them up, see what they think of us."

"I imagine even if they weren't on Shinzon's side, they would still see us as a threat."

"Not if we don't appear to be..." Critch reached up with one hand, and pinched one of his ears. "If Federation doctors can make humans and Bajorans look like Klingons, I'm sure transforming us into Romulans would be no sweat."

"Infiltration?"

"Why not? Let them think their golden boy won, and we fly the fleet of Shinzon. Because we don't know how many other ships are out there, invisible.

Maybe the cloak failed on this one, and instead of a small brush fire, we can stop a bonfire."

"They'd still notice a *Sovereign* class ship..."

"Little bits of fakery here and there, borrow a few holo-emitters from Skrit, and voila! *Scimitar* vessel, at your service!"

"You sound almost...excited about this."

"Can you blame me? I thought all I'd be doing is chasing comets around, but instead we've got an interstellar war to avert!"

"Captain, this is a serious matter. Infiltration is a long-practiced skill, it takes years to master..."

"As you haven't let me forget, Admiral, I was created for subterfuge. The fact that I'm here right now is because I was intended to be a glorified spy. So let me be a spy for you. Instead of taking the easy way out and looking the other way when we lose a few planets, lets get to the bottom of this. Then, we can blow them up." Critch inwardly grimaced as he used the 'spy' lie to T'Kill, but if it worked...

"...Fine, Captain. I'll allow it. On two conditions."

Critch drew himself up. "Yes sir!"

"One, if this goes wrong, never question or even offer an opposing comment to my orders ever again. This is your chance to prove me wrong, something I don't allow many to do, and I have no idea why I'm allowing you to do it."

"Gotcha."

"And two...My name is Admiral T'Kill to you. I allow many different kinds of insubordination under my watch on this ship. But if you call me Turock one more time, Captain, you will be chasing comets for the rest of your career, do we have an understanding?"

Critch fought the urge to roll his eyes, and agreed. They saluted, and Critch retreated from T'Kill's ready room, as the Admiral returned to his

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### November Meeting Minutes Continued

*LT Overload Soong-Maddox  
Chief of Operations—Records Officer*

he didn't pay the website charges in time and the site went down. But it's since been paid up and now it works again! The Newsletter took MINUTES to do! Horrors!! But the newsletter had submissions by everyone including a new Mighty Max, a new Articles of the Federation installment, and a new article by our spanking new Medical Officer. There is new art by Lisa, a pic of Uranus \*snerk\* and an article about invisible cloaks.

First officer report. And CJ actually has something! A position report no less! Erica will be heading up RPing, and new additions like Godzilla, Rodan, and A Time to Suck have been added to the library! Several new members have joined, and we have their money! Transporter and auxiliary are still available for grabs so come and get 'em!

Now it's Overload time!!!! Next weekend is Midwest Furfest! I have two pieces of art in the art show, and I'm going to be one of the new judges on the new Paw-

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### Voltron Review Continued

*CMDR Nathan Cobaugh  
Chief of Security*

all the way through Oct 3, 1984 for the first 15 episodes.

The list price is 39.95 for this set, but you can get it at Best Buy for 24.99 or even cheaper online. This is the Blue Lion edition. The Yellow Lion edition, Vol. 2 comes out on the 12th of December. You can pre-order online and guarantee that you get a copy before Xmas.

I have to admit, I grew up on this show, it was one of my favorites along with Thundercats and Transformers. Watching it again after all these years brings back memories. And since Anime-Works did such a wonderful job restoring this and not even with the original footage, that I swear you cannot tell the difference. I am totally blown away with the quality. As if that was not enough the sound quality is available in 5.1 Digital surround sound. This is a definite must-have for those who love original cartoon classics like Transformers and Thundercats. Be sure to ask for this for Xmas.



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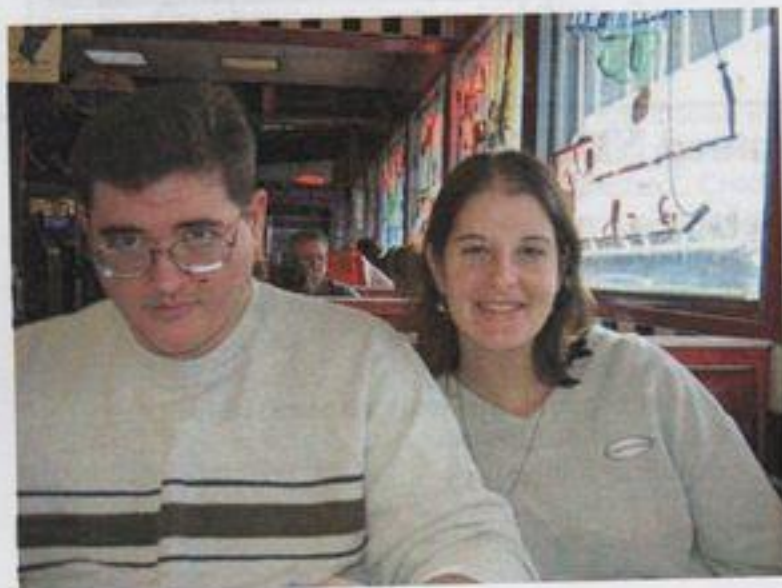
TV Guide reported that Star Trek veteran George Takei has been cast as the father of the Trek-obsessed Hiro in NBC's hit superhero series Heroes. "It was one of those lightning-bolt ideas," series creator Tim Kring told TV Guide.

Takei, who played Mr. Sulu in the original Trek TV show and subsequent films, will play dad to the breakout time-bending character played by Masi Oka. "This is absolutely brilliant!" Oka told the magazine. "I just hope I get to say, 'Dad! Sulu is my hero, not you!'"

The Nov. 27 issue of TV Guide will have details of Takei's appearance. Heroes airs Mondays at 9 p.m. ET/PT.



Getting A Piece O' Da Action at Kathy's Mystery Dinner



After-meeting dinner at Friendly's.



## Star Trek: Maximillian Strength In Darkness CONTINUED

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chair, and looked over the Warbird's schematics on the padd one more time, and hoped he wasn't making a mistake taking Blobbin's suggestion to go easier on the android.

Almost as if by command, as Critch left the quarters, Blobbin appeared. The silver mercury-being glided into the room effortlessly as T'Kill leaned back, raising his eyebrows. "Now what?"

"Is that any way to greet your favorite Errsedorian?" He gave a winning smile.

T'Kill sighed. "You're the only Errsedorian in the quadrant."

"Which means I'm your favorite. What was all that about?"

"Your android decided not to blow something up for a change."

"He's not my android, he was Rob's android. And that's...bad?"

"The Remans, Blobbin."

"So? Let him have his fun. What's the worst that can happen?"

T'Kill sighed angrily. "Nothing, just planetary destruction."

"See, nothing serious. Relax, Turock. It's his first spin around the block. If things go bad, we'll take the keys away from him. You know he's gonna be on his own eventually."

Turock threw his hands up. "Why does everyone think this is a game?"

"Who says it's not?" Blobbin rolled himself up, and began to bounce as a ball. Turock sighed.

"If this goes wrong, it's going to go bad for him...and then I'm coming after you."

Blobbin grimaced, and bounced out of

the room.

"Not so rough!" Skrit snapped.

"This isn't exactly easy, so quiet!"

Jaydin snapped back, as she ran the device over his ear. The ear was slowly forming a point at the top. "I still have one left to go and then you're done." Skrit sighed. Jaydin shook her head. "It's a lot harder

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with the others, all I have to do with you is change your holomitter a bit."

"It's still like getting my head caught in a rice-picker." He muttered, but put up with it.

The away team consisted of him, Critch, Admiral T'Kill, and Kelvok. T'Kill wanted to go along to keep an eye on things, and since he was already physically a Romulan no makeup was required, although there was a slight tweaking in case they knew of him by reputation and sight. Kelvok, being Vulcan, only needed a littler more. The hard part was Critch, requiring a lot of makeup. Fortunately for him, it was a simple process to stretch and file down his ears to form a point, since he turned off his pain receptors and figured that the nanobots would repair the damage in time. Not too soon, he hoped.

The hard part was acting as a Romulan team. While T'Kill and Kelvok knew almost everything about Romulans that there was to know, Critch and Skrit required a little more teaching. Despite his heritage and abilities, Critch still learned at a normal pace, since there was no way for Federation technology to link with Marconian, at least not yet. So for them it was a long road, condensed into a week. And when it was done, Skrit swore that the only thing he got out of it was to 'act more emotional'.

He was finding it a bit difficult to maintain his form than usual,

since at least half of his emitters were being redeployed on the exterior of the *Maximillian*. When the process, overseen by Lieutenant Squirrelly, was complete, the ship would be visually indistinguishable from an actual *Scimitar* warship. As far as scans, that was trickier. Once the emitters were deployed, Squirrelly and his engineering team would transfer over to changing the frequencies and instruments of the *Maximillian* to more accurately portray what a *Scimitar* would. It was all very touch and go, and time-consuming.

Finally, Critch and the away team stood on the bridge of the *Maximillian*, assessing the work. Far more emitters were needed, and more power. Cables were strung everywhere throughout the bridge, and Critch assessed them.

"Not exactly what I had in mind, but I'll take it if it works."

T'Purr frowned. "You know we're going to be pretty defenseless if things hit the fan."

"Then lets make sure they don't do that." T'Kill spoke directly to Critch, who shrugged it off.

"We're all professionals here." He turned to Skrit. "You sure you can hold up under one emitter? I know long term isn't your thing..."

"Doing ok so far. Jaydin seeing us off?"

"She's down in sickbay, probably preparing for things to hit the fan." Critch smirked at

T'Kill, who gave him a dark look.

A green light came up on a rear station, and Kelvok looked over his shoulder at the team. "Everything is ready, Captain."

"Then lets go. Hit the lights!"

The lights dimmed, but to a casual observer nothing changed on the bridge of the ship. From the exterior, however, things were much different, the *Maximillian* had seemed to flicker a bit, and then in waves the great ship turned into an even larger one. Within a minute, the *Sovereign* was a *Scimitar*.

Critch read a readout, and grinned. "Phase two!" He yelled. Every station on the ship flickered out, as though rebooting. The lights went completely out, and then back on. But the lighting was completely different. The normal soft white was replaced with a greenish tint, and where there were statistics about the normal workings there were now schematics of a *Scimitar* class ship.

Overload grinned. "Woot!" Critch grinned with her, and Skrit looked lost in thought.

"What should we name her?"

"New ship, new name. Hmm..."

"Call her the mistake." T'Kill said quietly.

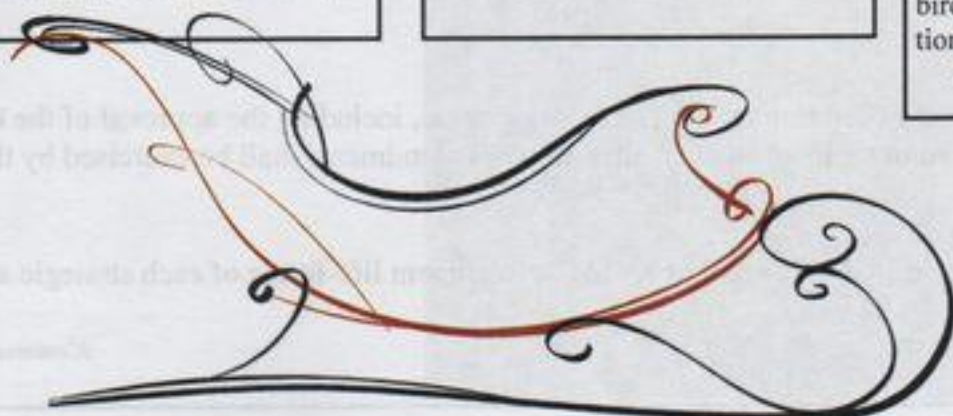
"Even better. The 'Rehllai'"

T'Kill and Kelvok's eyebrows both went up as Critch walked towards the turbolift doors. Skrit followed quickly. "Wait, what's that mean?"

Critch smiled as he entered the turbolift. "To Explode."

Four Starfleet crewmembers transported from the *Rehllai*. Four Romulans materialized on the Romulan Warbird *Llaih III*. Translated into Federation standard, it simply reads:

*The Third Death.*





**Articles of the Federation Continued**

LT Todd McDaniel  
Chief of Communications

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2. It will be a matter for subsequent agreement as to which regions in the foregoing categories will be brought under the trusteeship system and upon what terms;

**Article 78**

The trusteeship system shall not apply to regions which have become members of the United Federation of Planets, relationship among which shall be based on the respect for the principle sovereign equality;

**Article 79**

The terms of trusteeship for each region to be placed under the trusteeship system, including any alteration or amendment, shall be agreed upon by the social systems directly concerned, including the mandatory power in the case of regions held under mandate by a member of the United Federation, and shall be approved as provided for in articles 83 and 85;

**Article 80**

1. Except as may be agreed upon in individual trusteeship agreements, made under articles 77, 79, and 81, placing each region under the trusteeship system, and until such agreements have been concluded, nothing in this chapter shall be construed in or of itself to alter in any manner the rights whatsoever of any social systems or any intelligent life-forms or the terms of existing agreements to which members of the United Federation may respectively be parties;
2. Paragraph 1 of this article shall not be interpreted as giving grounds for delay or postponement of the negotiation and conclusion of agreements for placing mandated and other regions under the trusteeship system as provided for in article 77;

**Article 81**

The trusteeship agreement shall in each case include the terms under which the region will be administered and designate the authority which will be exercising the administration of the trust region. Such authority hereinafter call the administering authority, may be one or more social systems of the United Federation itself;

**Article 82**

There may be designated, in the trusteeship agreement, a strategic area or areas which may include part or all of the trust region to which the agreement applies, without prejudice to any special agreement or agreements made under article 43;

**Article 83**

1. All functions of the United Federation relating to strategic areas, including the approval of the terms of the trusteeship agreements and of their subsequent alteration or amendment, shall be exercised by the Federation Council.
2. The basic principles set forth in article 76 shall apply to the intelligent life-forms of each strategic area;

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3. The Federation Council shall, subject to the provisions of the trusteeship agreements and without prejudice to security considerations, avail itself of the assistance of the trusteeship council to perform those functions of the United Federation under the trusteeship system relation to political, economic, social, and educational matters in the strategic areas;

**Article 84**

It shall be the duty of the administering authority to ensure that the trust region shall play its part in the maintenance of interplanetary peace and security. To this end the administering authority may make use of volunteer forces, facilities, and assistance from the trust region in carrying out the obligations towards the federation council undertaken in the regard y the administering authority, as well as for the local defense and the maintenance of law and order within the trust region;

**Article 85**

1. The functions of the United Federation with regard to trusteeship agreements for all regions not designated as strategic, including the approval of the terms of the trusteeship agreements and their alteration or amendment, shall be exercised by the supreme assembly;
2. The trusteeship council, operating under the authority of the supreme assembly, shall assist the supreme assembly in carrying out these functions.



The Yule Tobe





**THE MIGHTY MAX  
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The group gets up close and personal with each other at the November meeting held at Starbase Columbus.





## Star Trek: Maximillian Strength In Darkness

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Star Trek: Maximillian  
Season 1, Episode 5  
**Strength in Darkness**

*The following story takes place in the year 2381, four years after the events in BEYOND THE FINAL FRONTIER. Captain Kelvok has stepped down from the Captaincy, and Critch Starblade has assumed command of the Starship Maximillian. He has passed his first test, an elaborate holodeck simulation. Fresh out of the simulation, his crew discovers a degrading signal from a Reman ship, far away from Reman space...*

### Chapter 2

Admiral T'Kill appraised Captain Starblade, the android's uniform showing a few wrinkles as he stood. He stared for a moment, almost as if he was attempting to make Critch uncomfortable, and then returned to reading the hastily prepared padd in front of him.

"Twenty-Five, you say?"

"Yes, Sir. On a ship built for forty. A few pods have failed, this ship has been moving for about five years."

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### Pursers Report

LCDR Susan Moran  
Chief of Science—Pursur

#### Membership Renewals for the month of December

##### Up for Renewal within the next three months (December, January, February):

Catherine Biro (2/07)  
CJ Biro (2/07)  
Danielle Biro (2/07)  
Rachael Biro (2/07)  
Paul Dunn (2/07)  
Sarah Moran (2/07)  
Susan Moran (2/07)  
Erica Stanley (1/07)  
Mike Stanley (1/07)

##### Past Due:

Brandy Jackson (11/06)  
Mykayla Jackson (11/06)  
Randy Jackson (11/06)  
Tyesha Jackson (11/06)  
Elijah Johnson (11/06)  
Kevin Johnson (11/06)  
Elizabeth Sartori (11/06)

## November Meeting Minutes Continued

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pet Idol performance! I'm a panelist in the puppet department as well, and have a few skits in teh Variety show that I'm going to be in. Busy? Oh yes. Anyway, the Drawing of Doom is progressing, and I will draw YOU ALL!!! Finally, there is a Furple scheduled after the meeting. I'll bring the whipped cream. Be there!

Speaking of which, Treasurer T'Purr gives her reports. Treasury is on good shape at \$972 total! A new roster has also been formed and will be given out! The roster is a detailed list of everyone's addresses, email and contact info! A must have for any Max member!

Now we move on to Skrit, the security officer! Skrit-web has been updated with the entirety of the Mighty Max Adventures archives! If anyone wants any past pics, a CD ROM can be formed, though the media section Horror movie marathon was only 14 hours long and not as well attended. Skrit's Christmas music CD will be released and given out at the Christmas party/meeting. Voting will be next month for putting ad space for the Max for the Sci-Fi movie marathon, and how much space to get: a quarter page or half page. Also, check [Horrorfestonline.com](http://Horrorfestonline.com) to see info on a viewing at AMC theatres of graphic horror flicks!

So then we go down to Engineering and see Squirrelly, who doesn't make sense, but he makes dollars. But he'll be editing and taking pics for the new membership cards. You have been warned.

Counselour Lisa moved in with Critch, and she is trying to finish the pic for the Max novel cover. But CJ will help her with her elderly computer so the pic will get done in no time.

Wing Commander (among half the other titles on the ship) Charlie went to the Chiller Theatre Expo with Robin and her mom. (NOT a con!! It's an EXPO! RAR!) He got to meet many actors from horror movies and sitcoms and Trek. Charlie likes cleavage too, or so says Skrit. so ALWAYS says Skrit. \*eyes Skrit\* He's working on a new calander. Charlie is. Not Skrit.

And now Mike graces us with his steel chair, and his Medical Officer position! He is forming a new Battlestar Galactica club, and is looking for new members. Meetings will be on the first meeting of the month.

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## November Meeting Minutes Continued!

LT Overload Soong-Maddox  
Chief of Operations—Records Officer

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Strategic Operations (Erica) is starting up new RPing at the Guardtower. GMs are being sought, and ideas will be given as far as what games to play. Times and dates will be discussed.

Armoury Chubb Time! (Think Naked Time, only not.) John quit his job yesterday, but he has another temp firm lined up, and will be working late nights. His house is still undergoing renovation.

And now we go to ADMIRALTY:  
Blobbin (cos Matt and Elaine aren't here. BoNote to self: Matt would make good violin strings): The deadline for collecting moolah for the group Marcon rate is the December meeting. Include your badge name, email address, and mailing address. Price is \$25. DUNN forget! (HA!) Make cheques payable to the USS Maximillian. And his Intelligence report states that the Columbus and Max will merge into a giant nacelle of dewm. Rar. Also, we have a Mirror Universe ship in California and we joined Starfleet. But no.

Guests:  
First off, Starfleet Sal: Suggests we all join Starfleet and make Isa CS. Can we say hellyya?  
Isa: Got nuttin. Or so she says. I know she has stuff. Like a cat and CaPi and a new apartment and THAT kinda stuff.  
Ralph and Kathy: Columbus is now a flagship of Starfleet!  
Kathy is a Ferengi now, and reminds us that there is a "Whodunit" party tomorrow night at her house. Charge is \$20, and

the game is "Chicago Caper". Many thanks go out to the Max for the support of the Columbus. Ed (Fishnet Mafia): The Rocky Horror Picture Show shows at Studio 35. Show is at 11:30 every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month. Dress up, fishnet and corsets abound! Check on the web for more details at <http://columbusrockylive.org>.

And if the .org doesn't stand for Orgasm, Kathy ain't going! LET IT BE KNOWN!!!!

Melinda states that the new trek Magazine will be featured bi-monthly! And tonight there is a 15% discount. How we love Teh StarBase! \*heart\*

### Old Business:

Committee reports -  
\*Homefront is taking membership card pics after the meeting.  
\*Movie committee - Last meeting developed characters and ideas. 13 people showed up. Next meeting is maybe next Sunday.  
\*Story committee - New Chapter of "Strength and Darkness" is in the Newsletter. Beyond the Final Frontier is still being worked on as far as publishing.  
City BBQ dinner was a success! Todd did a good job of organizing and spreading the word.

### New Business:

Mike and Cindy Walter's house got flooded and money is being collected to help with the damage.  
Next dinner is at Olive Garden on Rt. 161 at 7:30 on Monday November 27.

Possible Movie and dinner night

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### DECEMBER

9—Holiday Party  
15—Camelot Meeting and Eragon viewing  
16—Columbus Meeting  
31—New Years Eve Party/Housewarming and Fortress of Critch and Lisatude

### JANUARY

13—Meeting

**Candidate still  
needed for the  
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# MIGHTY MAX Adventures

by **Skrit**

**THIS MONTH:**

'twas the night before...

After the last month, I realized as former Captain, that we need to make sure that everyone knows who the wing commander is.



You have to understand Kelvok, I asked Skrit to include more exploding planets, and apparently in the past year there has only been one exploding planet in the entire series. Honestly, I would like to see some more action going on, but apparently there isn't a special effects department on this ship, so we have to figure out something.



I was Captain of this ship before Critch, and I know we have something we can throw in here that can make it more festive.



Coming soon to a viewscreen near you!

Now wait, just a darn minute, that is not very festive, although it is interesting to see... when did we get the letter box edition?



Actually Critch, I was watching Voltron during the down time, but here is something I managed to acquire from my last away mission. I went to see the holiday lights display. I will put it up on the viewscreen.



A rhino at the Columbus Zoo!

Happy Holidays from the USS Maximillion and stay tuned for another exciting adventure next month.

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## November Meeting Minutes Continued!

for Aragon on December 8. Recruiting drive prior to the movie. New Years Eve party at Critch's place!!! You all have been warned! Announcement of Isa and Overload's dual effort to make a joint banner for both the Columbus and the Max.

So that said, can we wrap this up? I got discounts to take advantage of, partying to do at Starbase, and Friendly's to eat at!

I'm a busy android, and that was this month's meeting!



## Security Report

CMDR Nathan Cobaugh  
Chief of Security

Yay!

The holiday season is here! Woot Woot! The really cool thing I got to do this season is the Columbus Zoo's holiday lights display.

It is totally awesome! The lights will be displayed all the way up to January 1, so if you are interested in seeing the lights, this would be the right time to see them. Yes, you do have to pay to get in, and for parking. But it is worth it! All the money goes to the Zoo and they have finally finished putting up their new ASIA QUEST exhibit. Most of the animals are inside this time of year, and you don't really get to see all of them, but the Siberian tiger is beautiful. And so many other animals that came in from Asia. I can't recall all of them, but all of the exhibits are open, so if you like the manatees, or the reptile house, or what have you, they are open

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## Articles of the Federation

LT Todd McDaniel  
Chief of Communications

### Chapter XII Interplanetary Trusteeship System

#### Article 75

The United Federation shall establish under its authority an interplanetary trusteeship system for the administration and supervision of such regions as may be placed thereunder by subsequent individual agreements. These regions are hereinafter referred to as trust regions.

#### Article 76

The bas objectives of the trusteeship system, in accordance with the purposes and principles of the United Federation as laid down in these articles of Federation shall be:

- A) To further interplanetary peace and security;
- B) To promote the political, economic, social, and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the trust regions, and their progressive development towards self-government or independence as may be appropriate to the particular circumstances of each region and its intelligent life-forms concerned, and as may be provided by the terms of the trusteeship agreement;
- C) To encourage respect for intelligent life-form rights and for fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to culture, sex, language, or religion, and to encourage recognition of the inter-dependence of the intelligent life forms of the galaxy;
- D) To ensure equal treatment in social, economic, and commercial matters for all members of the United Federation and their nationals, and also equal treatment for the latter in the administration of justice, without prejudice to the adjustment of the foregoing objections and subject to the provisions of Article 80;

#### Article 77

1. The trusteeship system shall apply to such regions in the following categories as may be placed thereunder by means of trusteeship agreements;

- A) Regions now held under mandate;
- B) Regions which may be detached from alien social systems as a result of interplanetary war; and
- C) Regions voluntarily placed under the trusteeship system by social systems responsible for their administration;

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# YULE BALL



## Yule Ball Report

LT Lisa Lombardi  
Counselor

On Friday night, myself, Critch, Charles, and Richard headed down to Philadelphia in anticipation of the Yule Ball being held on Saturday. The trip took about 9 hours and we got to Robin's house at about 5 AM. For those who don't read the books or watch the movies, the Yule Ball, in the Harry Potter universe, is a formal Christmas dance held at Harry's school during his fourth year. Yule Balls are held around the world by various HP fandom groups, but the Philly event was one of the largest of 2006. About 700 people attended, most in fancy dress or cosplay.

Of course, the huge draw of the show was the entertainment. Including the dinner beforehand, 6 wizard rock bands performed that night: Harry and the Potters, Draco and the Malfoys, the Whomping Willows, the Hungarian Horntails, A Lightening Bolt Scar, and Uncle Monsterface—a muggle band with a few songs about Harry Potter and a great stagemash regardless. I was in the front row for most of the night, but I did break away long enough to get some autographs and meet some of the wizard rockers that had performed, and

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Bottom row photos by  
Grace K





### Yule Ball Continued

LT Lisa Lombardi  
Counselor

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even some that weren't performing but who showed up as fans.

Robin joined us for the Ball and put us up (and put up with us) for the night. She also introduced us to the wonders of Wawa, which you have to experience for yourself, as well as Nifty Fifty's. And though we got lost and drove down nearly every street in Philadelphia, we somehow missed the one leading past Independence Hall which is the one I wanted...then it was a 10 hour car ride home with body aching from dancing, but one of the best nights of my life behind me.

For a more complete account, see my LiveJournal in the coming days. A full set of pictures will also be on the website soon.



Ron and Hermione photo  
By Grace K.



**Security Report Continued**

CMDR Nathan Cabaugh  
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throughout. The Zoo is open until 9 pm for the holiday lights and special viewing glasses are sold. The glasses they sell for viewing the lights add a 3d effect and the lenses have special powers! The effect is very simple, they add images and/or text to the lights. For example, one set of glasses adds a star effect, another the word Jingle and an image of bells that swing back and forth. Another enhances the lights into a kaliedoscope of visual imagery. Not to be used in conjunction with heavy medications of course, or you may experience disorientation. So if you like the animals and you want to support and protect the wildlife of our planet, visit the Columbus Zoo!

Sadly, I forgot to take my camera with me to the Zoo, so I do not have any pictures to provide. I am going again, and hopefully, I can get some pictures before the newsletter is printed on Saturday the 2nd. So if there are no zoo pictures in this newsletter this month, I will nag at the newsletter editor to make sure they get it in on the next month's edition.

Included with this month's newsletter is a CD of holiday music. 11 tracks of pure holiday spirit! And as if that was not enough there is a bonus track with the Maximillian's theme song at the very end. There is a disclaimer that I should add though. The theme song is just piano and strings. Sorry, no full orchestral soundtrack like you would hear at the movies. I do not have the capability to do that just yet. A quick rundown of the tracks on the CD:

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**Thoughts for the Season**

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Well, December is coming up, and by the time this article is read December will already be here. And for many that means Christmas time.

And for others that will be the time to spend money many of us don't have, and we have to be creative with our financing.

I guess a lot of thoughts run through people's minds about what Christmas should be. For some Christmas is a time for giving, sharing with family (provided they can stop arguing for 5 minutes), as well as joy, peace and good will to all.

And yet I find myself thinking about an old Peanuts strip in which Sally is writing about what Christmas is to her.

In a strip Sally writes that for her Christmas is a time for getting. And no matter what Charlie Brown says to her about Christmas being the time of giving Sally continues to believe what she writes adding 'Christmas is about getting all you can get while the getting is good'. And when Charlie tries to convince her one more time that Christmas is about giving she rolls her eyes and says "like wow."

Nice to know she's got her priorities straight, right?

As for what Christmas means to me? Well that's something of a complicated answer. For many Christmases that is the season where my relatives have the biggest arguments. It seems like a holiday season doesn't go by where we aren't yelling at one another.

I suppose it goes back to when I was 12, and my father was going to divorce my mother. He promised he wouldn't leave until Christmas was over, but he wound up doing so anyway. I loved my father, as he was nice to me. And it hurt me to hear hurtful things said about him as he was being labelled as a villain in people's eyes.

Since then everyone in my family had walked on eggshells around the Christmas season. And it looks like this one will be no different. Oh well, maybe with a roll of the dice I can come up with a lucky number and have a merry Christmas instead.

Also to conclude, I have been reading DC's weekly comic 52, and week 29 was a very interesting story to me. Essentially it looked as if the Justice Society was being pushed aside by the arrogant team of kids sponsored by Lex Luthor called 'Infinity Inc.' One of them had taken the name of the deceased hero called 'Jade'.

But Infinity Inc. had no intention of honoring what came before. They openly stated that they were looking to do the jobs of their predecessors better than what came before. Essentially giving the older generation a figurative slap in the face.