Briefings

Star Trek

Memorable Quotes

I really didn't have to work, shall we say, with Star Trek. It was a natural. When I opened my mouth, there was Scotty. It's like I tell people what you see in Scotty is 99% James Doohan and 1% accent.

– James Doohan

"Mister Spock, the women on your planet are logical. That's the only planet in the galaxy that can make that claim."

Jean-Luc Picard, TNG: "Yesterday's Enterprise"

Intelligence Report

by Lt. Cmdr. Solik

For the Fans

If you were lucky enough to go to the Fan Expo in Vancouver last week, then you might've seen this in person. Marina Sirtis and Michael Dorn were on stage together, talking about *TNG*. One of the hot topics of discussion was how the show was initially received from diehard fans of the original *Star Trek*. To see what the on-screen lovers had to say about that, and more, you'll just have to read the article!

Check it out:

http://www.treknews.net/2012/04/25/michael-dorn-marina-sirtis-fan-expo-report/

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Pushing Trekkies

Bryan Fuller, known for his work on *Pushing Daises* and *Heroes*, has stated that he is trying to bring *Star Trek* back to television by 2014. He's been talking with Bryan Singer (known for directing most of the *X-Men* films, and making a cameo appearance in *Star Trek Nemesis*) on a new series, but don't believe they'll have anything concrete until the next Abrams movie is released. Both Singer and Fuller are fans, so let's keep our fingers crossed.

See what they have to say:

• http://www.startrek.com/article/microsoft-closes-in-on-universal-translator

Eye-Phones and More

Google has announced a new project, codenamed "Project Glass", which is eyewear that functions like a smartphone, allowing the wearer to make calls, send text messages, get maps and directions, and even post to Google+ (Google's social networking service). At first, you may be

skeptical, arguing "How can they do this, if people are already distracted by their phones, and then this thing will be right in front of their eyes?" Well, the interface is transparent, and most functions take up very little space within your scope of vision.

In addition to this, Google invites Android users to try out the Google Goggles app. It allows you to take pictures and can search the Internet or save information based on what's in the image. If you get a picture of a business card, it can save the contact information to your phone, and you could snap a shot of a quote and it will search the Internet for that.

This is related to *Star Trek* because Geordi La Forge's VISOR not only granted him sight, but also gave him information based on what he was looking at, like having a tricorder covering your eyes, but with limited functions.

Read on:

 http://www.treknews.net/2012/04/22/google-goggles-project-glass-star-trektechnology/

Just Teasing

As reported last June, a new video game based on the Abrams-verse has been in the works, meant to fill in the gap between the first film, and the sequel that's currently still in production. The game's developer, Digital Extremes, has just released a new trailer for the game, which look pretty awesome!

Check it out:

http://www.treknews.net/2012/04/18/watch-teaser-trailer-star-trek-video-game/

A New Experience

For ten years, *Star Trek: The Experience* graced Las Vegas with a unique encounter for fans of all ages. Now, it looks like we've got a suitable replacement. A full-scale replica of the refit *Enterprise* is headed for Las Vegas. There aren't too many details yet, but looking at the images, it's going to be a real ... something. Just really stands out. Other than "Spectacular!", I'm not sure how else to describe it!

Oh, the lengths we go:

http://www.treknews.net/2012/04/09/starship-enterprise-attraction-las-vegas/

Doctor Tinkerer

Last year, Qualcomm and the X-Prize Foundation announced the contest to design a working medical scanning device, based on the tricorder from *Star Trek*. Doctor Peter Jansen, a graduate of McMaster University in Ontario, has talked about his entry, and what he expects to work on after it's done.

"I'm a doctor, not a tricorder!"

 http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/04/13/star-trek-tricorder-science-fiction-devicespock_n_1424740.html?icid=maing-grid10|htmlws-main-bb|dl9|sec3_lnk3%26pLid %3D152401

Planet of the Red Plants

Some new shots of the next film was been released by On Location Vacations, a news site that features celebrities, filming locations and events. Looks like Abrams let his guard down.

Check out the scenery:

• http://trekmovie.com/2012/04/27/more-star-trek-sequel-set-shots-emerge/

The Un-Retireable

Leonard Nimoy, who's announced his retirement and re-retirement several times, has HINTED that he may appear in the next film. When asked if he would return, he replied, "We're talking."

We'll see!

• http://trekmovie.com/2012/04/27/did-leonard-nimoy-hint-he-may-appear-in-star-trek-sequel/

Watching at Warp Speed

This one is mainly just for fun, but as the image in the article suggests, this could make even Spock's head spin. YouTube user Twilight1138 has compiled a video of 56 separate episodes of *Star Trek*, with audio. The voices mostly just sound like a bunch of static, but you can make out the brass fanfare and some of the beeps and other electronic sounds.

Don't know which one to keep my eyes on:

• http://www.treknews.net/2012/04/26/56-episodes-of-star-trek-at-once-video/

Event Calendar

(upcoming Star Trek and Star Trek related conventions)

Oct. 18, 2011-May 28, 2012 – Star Trek: The Exhibition – Saint Louis, Missouri, USA May 4-6, 2012 – Official Star Trek Convention – Crowne Plaza Cherry Hill, Cherry Hill, Pennsylvania, USA June 9-10, 2012 – Official Star Trek Convention – Gaylord Opryland Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee, USA August 9-12 – Official Star Trek Convention – Rio Suites Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA October 19-21, 2012 – Destination Star Trek London – ExCeL London, London, England

For details on official Star Trek conventions, visit <u>www.creationent.com</u>.

