

**2003
Miss
Klingon
Beauty
Pageant**



From left to right, Master of Ceremonies Eric Watts with (hopefully in correct name order) Contestants: TarNa' (Shu-Shu Sanders), Q'sin (Cindy Rennick), Lady K'dessa L'bardi tai Mack-M'rel-Martok (Joanna Lombardi), Lt. Commander Dejinaera vestai-Veska (Arilyn Starling), Senior Ambassador Kita' sutai-Juriss (Rita Howard), Ma'Jon of the Clan IpaQ (Marjan Peltier), Captain Khetara epetai-Lorensith (Christine Evans-Arriaga), and an unknown Classic Klingon female.



Above left, Captain Korath (Vaughn Armstrong) bestows the victory ribbon to Ma'Jon of the Clan IpaQ.



Above right, Chancellor Martok (J. G. Hertzler) bestows the flowers in true Klingon fashion.



Captain Hikaru Sulu (George Takei), ever the gentleman, kisses Ma'Jon's hand.



Such a display of affection causes this Klingon female to try a nibble of her own!



Congratulations to Ma'Jon of House IpaQ, winner of the 2003 Miss Klingon Beauty Pageant!!!



Above, a group picture of the winner of the Miss Klingon Beauty Pageant and her court! At right Ma'Jon begins her duties as 2003 Miss Klingon!

10 Forward



K'Jo K'Jo of the IKV Fek'lyr's Fury with unknown Feddies at Ten Forward.



Hugh the Borg prepares to assimilate everyone in Ten Forward!



From left to right, unknown Vulcan-Bajoran officer, a Romulan (Ta'laan aka Brian Holloway), Seven of Nine, Kes, and Robert Bailey of the STIF.

STIF Fundraiser for Hospice of Burke County

October 18 -- Valdese, NC

Death Touch Squadron (at invitation of Star Trek Independent Fleet)

The joint activity with the Star Trek Independent Fleet on October 18th was a success . . . as far as the STIF's effort was concerned. They raised \$202 for Hospice of Burke County. Unfortunately, one of the Klingon shuttles suffered a warp core breach and we were 4 hours late getting to the event. But most armored up and had a good time. A birthday cake was provided for Lt. Gorrath tai (and others were honored as well for their birthdays later that month) who's birthday was the next day. Lt. Karrtush was presented the banner honoring *IKV Executioner* as the Ship of the Quadrant for 2003. *Qapla'!!!*



Attendees included members from all ships of the Death Touch Squadron. From the *IKV Blood Moon*, Lt. Gorrath (CO), Lt. K'Mar tai, Cadet Lt. Valkyrie, Cadet L. Lt. T'Bal, and Cadet L. Lt. Gornie. From the *IKV Executioner*, Lt. Karrtush Degar vestai-Septaric (CO), L. Captain Dracos, L. Lt. Seven of Nine, and Cadet Lt. K'Terror. From the *IKV Raging Wolf*, Cmdr. Keela sutai-Septaric (CO) and Lt. Ka'Rowe vestai-Septaric. Glory and honor to all of these Warriors!



Seven of Nine attempts to assimilate Karrtush while Ka'Rowe looks on, knowing Karrtush needs no assistance.



Realizing that it is better to serve WITH the Klingons, Seven of Nine joins ranks. Ka'Rowe keeps a close watch on her just the same.

Lions Club Carnival

October 25, 2003

IKV Raging Wolf (at invitation of Star Trek Independent Fleet)

On October 25th, members of the *IKV Raging Wolf* The joint activity with the STIFs on October 25th went well. Attending Warriors were from the *IKV Raging Wolf*. They were Lt. Cmdr. Kehlyr Muad'dib vestai-Atratties-Septaric, Lt. Ka'Rowe vestai-Septaric and Cmdr. Keela sutai-Septaric. A cloaked attendance by Lt. Katkith vestai (who had just gotten off from work) was noted. It was rumored that Katkith had earlier handled the

large snake at the Science Center where he is employed, a task worthy of a Klingon. There were a couple of recruitment nibbles, so we will see. Other than that it was a success.



Above right Kehlyr, Keela, Ka'Rowe and Gowron

At left, STIF members Eddie Williams, Robert Bailey, Tim Benfield, and Billy Ray Carswell. KAGsters Ka'Rowe and Kehlyr talk to Billy Ray about upcoming activities.



SAA Costume Contest

October 28, 2003 -- Statesville, NC

IKV Raging Wolf

Ever driven for an Auto Auction? Well, try doing driving and parking all sizes of cars, trucks and SUVs for 6 1/2 hours in full Klingon makeup and armor! Keela was in a costume contest at the Statesville Auto Auction and had to do so. Although she did not win the contest, she got a lot of comments on her outfit. She's shown here with her trainer, Roy.

SNEAK PREVIEW

Beach Bash

November 7-9 -- Myrtle Beach, SC

Cha'ouw Empire and House K'iRK

Fat Friday Battle

October 31, 2003 -- Morganton, NC

Death Touch Squadron

The Fat Friday Home Game at Freedom High School in Morganton, NC on October 31st was a blast. Klingons attending in armor were Lt. Ka'Lib tai and Lt. Ka'Shara tai of the *IKV Executioner* (their niece and nephew, Jessica and Josh, were also in attendance), and Lt. Katkith vestai (cloaked because there was no time for him to don his armor which was in the shuttle) and Cmdr. Keela sutai-Septaric of the *IKV Raging Wolf*. The game looked like Freedom had it until the last minute and a half and then in a surprising upset, East Burke won. The Warriors attempted to eat a meal afterwards, but the late hour and lack of dining room accessibility prohibited. So a human rain-check was called and all went their separate ways.



These are most of the Klingon attendees at Beach Bash 2003 preparing to invade Planet Hollywood! Tune in next issue for the full report!

PREPARATION FOR BATTLE!!!

Dark Star Quadrant Ship Meetings & Contact Information

IKAV Black Talon (Marine)

(Charlotte, NC)

DRY DOCKED, please contact Cmdr. Keela sutai-Septaric at keela_vestai@bellsouth.net if you're interested in playing Klingon in the Charlotte area

IKV Blood Claw (Navy)

(York, SC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. Cmdr. R'likay sutai-Septaric, CO, at captrlikie@msn.com

IKV Blood Moon (Navy) (Member of Death Touch Squadron)

(Gastonia, NC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. Gorrath tai, CO, at gorrth35@aol.com

IKV Dark Krystal (Navy)

(Lynchburg, VA)

For meeting information, contact Ensign Gangus, CO, at SELENT22@hotmail.com

IKV Demonlance (Navy)

(Charleston, SC)

For meeting information, contact Cmdr. Skal sutai-Mack, CO, c/o Cecil Mack, 3125 Terry Drive, Charleston, SC 29405

ICV Dragon's Blood (Cha'ouw Empire / Demon Fleet)

(Fayetteville, NC)

For meeting information, contact Captain Jorf, CO, at agothicklingon@aol.com

IKV Eclipse (Navy)

(Harrisonburg, VA)

For meeting information, contact Lt. K'Rush tai-Marrill, CO, at gurpsgm@vaix.net

IKV Executioner (Navy) (Member of Death Touch Squadron)

(Hickory, NC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. Karrtush Degar vestai-Septaric, CO, at badassklington@yahoo.com

Website: www.geocities.com/katkith/ikvexecutioner

IKV Glory Hunter (Navy / Demon Fleet)

(Durham, NC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. Cmdr. Komat vestai-Septaric, CO, at septaric_1@yahoo.com

Website: <http://www.geocities.com/septaric/glory.htm>

IKV Gre'thor (Navy)

(Bowie, MD)

For meeting information, contact Ensign Jor'gha HaQ of House bortaS, CO, at

jorghahaq@comcast.net or ikvgrethor@comcast.net or UBAH@comcast.net

Website: <http://mywebpages.comcast.net/IKVGrethor/IKVGrethor.htm>

IKAV Khitomer's Vengeance (Marine)

(Columbia, SC)

For meeting information, contact Marine Lt. K'Tarr tai, CO, at ktarr@phulesgold.com

KPV Krimson Fury (Demon Fleet)

(Pineville, NC)

Second Saturday of the month. For more information contact: Lt. Q'lorta vestai-Do'Urden, XO, at

lcaudill@carolina.rr.com House Website: www.angelfire.com/sc/HouseDoUrden/

IKV Mah'less Heart (Navy) (Member of Mahless Fire Squadron)

(Newport, NC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. loD' Batlh tai, XO, at sytok@pamlico.net

IKV MhaLeS's Star (formerly *IKV Firestorm*, Navy) (Member of Mahless Fire Squadron)

(Havelock, NC)

1st Sunday of every month, 2:00 P.M., location TBA

For more information, contact Lt. Cmdr. Qamtin vestai-Dok'Marr, CO, at mahless_star@yahoo.com

IKV Mahless Storm (Navy) (Member of Mahless Fire Squadron)

(Havelock, NC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. Cmdr. Qamtin vestai-Dok'Marr, CO, at mahless_star@yahoo.com

IKV Raging Wolf (Navy)

(Boone, NC)

For meeting information, contact Cmdr. Keela sutai-Septaric, Acting CO, at keelavestai@yahoo.com

IKV Shadow Dragon (Navy)

(Danville, VA)

For meeting information, contact Ensign K'Drac, CO, at kevingarrison@adelphia.net

IKV Shadowrider (Navy)

(Spartanburg, SC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. Cmdr. Gortok vestai-DevnoH, CO, at gortok_@hotmail.com

IKV Stonedagger (Navy)

(Greer, SC)

Every first Sunday of the month at 15000 (3 P.M.. Earth time) at "The Open Book" barring events, cons, etc. (Meeting in conjunction with the *USS Carolina*)

For further information, contact Lt. Cmdr. K'Targ vestai-DevnoH, CO, at ktarg@hotmail.com

IKV Stormbringer (Navy)

(Greensboro, NC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. Cmdr. K'Trava sutai-Septaric, CO, at klngonkty@aol.com

Website: <http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Vault/2774/>

IKV Stormwalker (Navy / Demon Fleet)

(Germantown, MD)

For meeting information, contact Ensign Krimhurg, CO, at jgajarsa@yahoo.com

Website: www.geocities.com/krimhurg/stormwalker/

KPV Valkyrie's Talon (Demon Fleet)

(North Charleston, SC)

For meeting information, contact Lt. Zahr Drahk' vestai-Martok, CO, at Dmorgana7@aol.com

ONE FINAL REFLECTION!!!!

From the Editor

Nuq'neh, Warriors of the Dark Star Quadrant!

Ship COs are encouraged to share DARK MATTERS, the Dark Star Quadrant newsletter, with their crews. Pass along the address, so that they too may read and share in the information. In turn, Ship COs and ALL Warriors are encouraged to share their news with the Quadrant! I would like to receive articles and photographs on anything related to Klingons. Don't forget we Klingons are interested in the scientific advances of this planet in addition to articles on your glorious deeds in service to the Empire.

The deadline for the next issue of DARK MATTERS is December 15th, 2003. Submissions for the December issue may be sent to: *keelavestai@yahoo.com* or they may be snail mailed to:

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Special thanks to **Andy Fairbanks**, Joseph Milanese, Karen Moore and Michael Witty. If we missed anyone, please accept our apologies.

The Last Word

THANKS, CRACKED!!!! It ws a blast to meet you at Heroes Con 2002!!!!



Even female Klingons love CRACKED:

Leila McMichael of the Lenoir, NC-based Klingon Assault Group members is caught sampling our latest edition!

QAPLÁ!