

U.S.S. Onizuka Membership Handbook

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A word to the new cadet

Well, let me be one of the first to welcome you aboard. This handbook was prepared with you in mind, simplifying the "legalese" of our bylaws into a format more easily understandable. For those of you that prefer reading legal texts in your off hours, the by-laws, as approved by the membership, are in the back.

I originally founded this club eight years ago, as a place where sci-fi fans could share their interests, whether that was attending conventions, general socializing, character role playing, gaming, or anything else our imaginations could come up with. We science fiction fans have great imaginations, and just like our muscles we need to exercise them from time to time.

So here you are, ready to get started on your adventure. Well, snap to it and let's figure out how this club works!

Captain Chris Brownlee
Chief Engineer & Resident Kangaroo

Name and Purpose

The U55 Onizuka, registry number NCC-71815 (Galaxy class), is the Chico, California-based chapter of *Starfleet: The International Star Trek Fan Association*, a not-for-profit club ran by fans. She was named after Elison Onizuka, a NASA mission specialist who perished on board the space shuttle Challenger, STS-51L, which exploded after launch on January 28, 1986. This club became a full chapter of Starfleet in 1993.

Types of Membership

There are five different membership types aboard:

1. Associate - The least active type of membership, for one who wants to just belong to the group and get the newsletter. They also have the right to vote in club decisions.

2. Active (two types) -

3. Local - In addition to the benefits above, gets assigned a club rank and position, performs requested club duties and is eligible for promotion through the enlisted ranks based upon club involvement.

4. International - Same as local above, plus promotion through

commissioned officer rank of Commander (via Starfleet Academy], appointment to any club leadership positions, ability to run for club elected offices, and other entitlements due members of Starfleet: The International Star Trek Fan Association.

5. Family membership - Within the categories above, is offered for an additional amount of dues, to pay for the additional membership packet costs. Each family will receive one newsletter per month.

6. Honorary - a special membership of one year (renewable] given to noteworthy personalities. Approved by a vote of the general membership, this class has no voting rights.

More Membership Stuff

To join the crew of the Onizuka, a potential member need only obtain an application, complete it and pay the appropriate dues. There is no limit on membership number in the club, and membership can only be lost by failure to pay your dues, or disciplinary action (*I have never seen anyone lose their membership this way, and hope I never do*). This only applies to the local Onizuka membership, your membership in Starfleet is run by their rules (see Starfleet handbook]

DUES (boo...hiss...]

Yes, the ferengi want their cut, but at least they'll accept dollars this time and not gold-pressed latinum. Dues for the US5 Onizuka are:

- a. \$ 15.00 for an individual,
- b. \$ 20.00 for a family

and are payable annually, due July 1st. They include 12 monthly issues of the Onizuka Haiku. voting rights at monthly business meetings, and a new or renewing membership packet. Members may also hold fictional rank based upon their service to the club (see Personas & Promotions]

Membership in Starfleet International is also strongly encouraged, and is required for promotion to officer ranks and holding elected or appointed positions (other than committee chair). Payment and applications are to be submitted to the Records Officer.

Being an Officer...

There are three elected positions on the US5 Onizuka, and they are as follows:

- c. Commanding Officer - This is the president of the club. His/her duties are:
 - i. Submitting monthly reports to Starfleer,
 - ii. Promoting rhe club and Starfleet,
 - iii. Leading Business and Command Council meetings.
 - iv. Making sure rhe decisions of rhe membership or rhe Command Council are carried out.
- d. Executive Officer - The vice president, he/she is responsible for the following:
 - i. Taking over, either temporarily or permanently, if the president can not do their job,

- ii. Recruiting and retention of club members,
 - iii. Other duties assigned by the president, the Command Council, or the membership.
- e. Records Officer - A combination secretary and treasurer to the club, his/her duties are:
- i. Record the meeting minutes, to publish in the club newsletter,
 - ii. Keep the membership records,
 - iii. Keep the club archives,
 - iv. Cares for the club's petty cash and checking account,
 - v. Reports finances at club's business meeting and in Haiku.
 - vi. Other duties as assigned.

The elected officers must be members of Starfleet International and have graduated Starfleet Academy's *Officer Training School*. Commanding and Executive officers must also complete the Academy's *Officer Command College*.

In addition to the elected offices, the Commanding Officer appoints several other positions, including:

- f. Chief of Operations (Ops]
- g. Chief of Communications
- h. Chief Science Officer
- i. Chief Medical Officer
- j. Chief of Security
- k. Chief Engineer
- l. Newsletter Editor
- m. Ship's Librarian
- n. Quartermaster
- o. Chief of Cadet Training

The divisions, and their heads, are responsible for the following:

- p. Command shall be responsible for overseeing the overall activities of the ship. This division shall consist of only the elected officers.
- q. Operations shall be responsible for establishing & maintaining contacts in the community, and shall provide, when needed, administrative assistants to Command division personnel.
- r. Sciences shall be responsible for coordinating the ship's computer users, keeping up to date on issues concerning sciences (other than Medicine] of interest to the crew, and providing speakers and presentations of a science nature for club programs.
- s. Communications shall be responsible for production of the club's newsletter, the *Onizuka Communique'*, any club fanzine work, and distribution of information concerning the Onizuka to public media outlets.
- t. Engineering shall be responsible for forming car pools to club events, and designing and construction of props & sets for public and convention use.
- u. Medicine shall be responsible for keeping up to date on issues concerning medicine of interest to the crew, and providing speakers and presentations of a medical nature for club programs.

- v. Security shall be responsible for maintaining order at ship meetings and events, providing manpower for major club projects, and coordinating ship recruitment efforts.
- w. Ship's Services shall be responsible for assisting crew members on costuming, maintaining the non-liquid assets of the ship, coordinating meeting sights, field trips, and parties of the ship. and providing meeting refreshments to the crew when requested.
- x. Cadet Training shall be responsible for coordinating the efforts of our cadet crew members, organizing activities and trips of interest to its members, and providing assistance to other divisions as needed.

Chain of Command:

The Chain of Command for persona /story-telling purposes shall be as follows:

<u>Division:</u>	<u>Representative:</u>
Command	Commanding Officer
Operations	Chief of Operations
Sciences	Science Officer
Communications	Communications Officer
Engineering	Chief Engineer
Security	Chief of Security
Medicine	Chief Medical Officer
Ship's Services	Ship's Quartermaster

Promotions & Personals

For those interested in the promotional fast-track, the best way to get your stripes is to run for office! Those that become Commanding Officer will hold the rank of Captain, Executive Officers will be Commanders, and Records Officers will be called Lt Commander. These offices must be held for one year (12 months] for the rank to become permanent, so if you're appointed mid-term you must run for that office the following June to complete the minimum time (I would hope that more than the minimum would be carried out, though.)

XO & RO will be promoted by the ship's promotion board, but the CO is awarded the rank of Captain through Starfleet channels.

Officer ranks can only advance one grade per six months, and enlisted ranks only three grades per six month promotion period. Promotion periods are July to December and January to June. Promotions will be made at the December and June business meetings.

Fictitious rank shall be available to all Active club members. Honorary and Associate members do not hold rank aboard the Onizuka.

The system of promotions in the enlisted and commissioned ranks is designed to encourage the active participation of our members in both club and community events Such promotions are earned and are a reward for service to the club and community. These ranks are strictly fictional and are only a reflection of your participation and involvement with the club.

To become a commissioned officer a member must first join STARFLEET. The

International Star Trek Fan Association, and complete STARFLEET Academy's *Officer Training School (OTS)* Upon completion the rank of Ensign shall be granted to the member. No other means of attaining commissioned rank is permissible.

Commissioned officers need to complete STARFLEET Academy's *Officer Command College (OCC)* or acquire ninety (90) points for each promotion in rank beyond Ensign. Thirty (30) points are required from each of the three (3) categories outlined below Promotion beyond the rank of Commander may only be granted by STARFLEET

Enlisted crewpersons are those who have not completed OTS. Enlisted crewpersons need forty-five (45) points for each promotion in rank. Fifteen (15) points are required from each of the three categories outlined below.

All members may begin advancing through the ranks upon entry into the club

Promotions are based upon participation by the member in three different areas

Meeting attendance: Points may be earned by attending Command Council meetings, Regular General Business meetings, Social meetings, and any other special meetings called by the club

Club participation: Points may be earned by being a member of a committee, making submissions to the Newsletter, making donations to the Ship's Library or club fundraisers, recruitment of new members, or completing STARFLEET Academy courses

Community service: Points may earned by submitting to the Records officer proof of donating blood; recycling materials; grocery receipts that may be redeemed by schools for equipment, supplies, etc...., volunteering time at other community service organizations such as. hospitals, libraries, ARC, etc ; or participation in events which the club endorses. Other means are acceptable upon review by Command Council.

PROMOTION POINT VALUE CHART

Activity: Point Value:

Meeting Attendance (Council, Business, Social]	2 points/meeting
Committee Membership	5 points/meeting
Voluntary Newsletter submission (not reports/ads]	5 points/submission
Donations to Club Fundraisers	3 points/donation
Blood Donations	5 points/pints
Recycling	1 point/dollar
Grocery Receipts	1 point/10 dollars
Community Service Volunteer	2 points/Hour
Recruiting Members	5 points/member
Starfleet Academy [not including OT5/OCC]	20 points/course
Missed six month report	-5 points
Missed committee chair report	-2 points

RANK CLASSIFICATION

Rank	Abbr.	"Promotion to" requirements
Crewperson	Crpn.	None

Enlisted second class	Ensc.	45 points
Enlisted first class	Enfc.	90 points
Petty Officer third class	P03	135 points
Petty Officer second class	P02	180 points
Petty Officer first class	POI	225 points
Chief Petty Officer	CPO	270 points
Master Chief Petty Officer	MCPO	315 points
Ensign	Ens.	Completion of OT5
Lieutenant junior grade	Lt.(jg]	90 points + OT5
Lieutenant	Lt.	180 points + OT5
Lieutenant Commander	Lt. Cmdr.	270 points + OT5
Commander	Cmdr.	360 points + OT5
Captain and above	Cpt.+	Assigned by 5starfleet EC

Proxy Card Sample

I _____, authorize the bearer of this card permission to represent my interests in any votes held concerning club business at any official meeting of the USS Onizuka. [reserve the right to recall this authorization at any time by notifying the bearer or Records Officer.

Proxy Cards:

Proxy Cards are for the benefit of those members of ours who, because of distance or time conflicts, can't normally attend our business meetings. Just like shareholders sign their proxies to members of a corporation's Board of Directors, or a friend who will be able to attend the meeting, so our proxy cards will work the same way.

Although attendance is strongly encouraged at meetings and result in promotion points, a member can assure their interest is being represented by sending their proxy with another member, or their department head. Proxy attendance is counted in whether a quorum is present, but DOES NOT EARN PROMOTION POINTS.

Proxy votes are not permanent, and can be rescinded at any time by the member issuing the proxy.

Proxies cannot be used by elected officers to meet the minimum officer quorum requirements.

Cadets:

Those members under the age of 15 shall have the title "CADET" before their fictitious rank aboard ship. Promotion requirement shall be the same as non-cadet members. Cadets shall not be eligible for division head or elected officer positions. All other club activity shall be open to cadets.

Six Month Reports:

Twice a year [minimum], the club would like to hear from our division heads and what is going on in their part of the ship. For this reason, we ask that reports are submitted every six months. Whether they be factual or fictitious doesn't matter, we just want to be sure there is a warm body and not a corpse leading your part of the crew!

Reports shall be published in the newsletter, so make them good!!! They are to be turned over to the CO by the 15th of the months listed below:

Engineering	January & July
Cadet Training	February & August
Operations	March & September
Sciences	April
Medical	October
Security	May & November
Communications	June
Ship's Services	December

Biographical Data

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National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Houston, Texas 77058

NAME: Ellison S. Onizuka (Lieutenant Colonel, USAF] NASA Astronaut
(Deceased]

PERSONAL DATA:

Born June 24, 1946, in Kealahou, Kona, Hawaii. Died January 28, 1986. He is survived by his wife, Lorna, and two daughters. He enjoyed running, hunting, fishing, and indoor/outdoor sports.

EDUCATION:

Graduated from Konawaena High School, Kealahou, Hawaii, in 1964; received bachelor and master of science degrees in Aerospace Engineering in June and December 1969, respectively, from the University of Colorado.

ORGANIZATIONS:

Member of the Society of Flight Test Engineers, the Air Force Association, the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Iau Beta Pi, Sigma Tau, and the Triangle Fraternity.

SPECIAL HONORS:

Presented the Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Air Force Organizational Excellence Award, and National Defense Service Medal.

EXPERIENCE:

Onizuka entered on active duty with the United States Air Force in January 1970 after receiving his commission at the University of Colorado through the 4-year ROTC program as a distinguished military graduate. As an aerospace flight test engineer with the Sacramento Air Logistics Center at McClellan Air Force Base, California, he participated in flight test programs and systems safety engineering for the F-84, F-100, F-105, F-111, EC-121T, T-33, T-39, T-28, and A-1 aircraft. He attended the USAF Test Pilot School from August 1974 to July 1975, receiving formal academic and flying instruction in performance, stability and control, and systems flight testing of aircraft. In July 1975, he was

assigned to the Air Force Flight Test Center at Edwards Air Force Base, California, serving on the USAF Test Pilot School staff initially as squadron [light test engineer and later as chief of the engineering support section in the training resources branch. His duties involved instruction of USAF Test Pilot School curriculum courses and management of all flight test modifications to general support fleet aircraft (A-7, A-37, I-38, F-4, T-33, and NKC-135) used by the test pilot school and the flight test center. He has logged more than 1,700 hours flying time.

NASA EXPERIENCE:

Selected as an astronaut candidate by NASA in January 1978, The completed a 1-year training and evaluation period in August 1979. He subsequently worked on orbiter test and checkout teams and launch support crews at the Kennedy Space Center for STS-1 and STS-2. He worked on software test and checkout crew at the Shuttle Avionics and Integration Laboratory (5AIL), and has supported numerous other technical assignments ranging from astronaut crew equipment/orbiter crew compartment coordinator to systems and payload development.

He first flew as a mission specialist on STS 51-C, the first Space Shuttle Department of Defense mission, which launched from Kennedy Space Center, Florida on January 24, 1985. He was accompanied by Captain Thomas K. Mattingly (spacecraft commander), Colonel Loren I Shriver [pilot], fellow mission specialist. Colonel James F. Buchli, and Lieutenant Colonel Gary E. Payton (DOD payload specialist). During the mission Onizuka was responsible for the primary payload activities, which included the deployment of a modified Inertial Upper Stage (IUS). STS 51-C Discovery completed 48 orbits of the Earth before landing at Kennedy Space Center, Florida, on January 27, 1985. With the completion of this flight he logged a total of 74 hours in space.

Lieutenant Colonel Onizuka was a mission specialist on STS 51-L which was launched from the Kennedy Space Center, Florida, at 11:38:00 EST on January 28, 1986. The crew on board the Orbiter Challenger included the spacecraft commander, Mr. F.R. Scobee, the pilot. Commander MJ Smith (USN), fellow mission specialists. Dr. R.E. McNair, and Dr. JA Resnik, as well as two civilian payload specialists, Mr. G.B. Jarvis and Mrs. S. C. McAuliffe. The STS 51-L crew died on January 28, 1986 when Challenger exploded 11 min. 13 sec. after launch.

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Persona Sheet

Real Life (Mundane) Data --

Name: _____
Address: _____
City, ST, Zip Code: _____
Starfleet Membership (SFC) Number: _____ E-mail: _____
Personal Web Page: _____
IRC/IM identities: _____

Persona Data --

Name: _____
Species/Race: _____
Rank: _____
Ship/Station Assignment & Position: _____

Physical Description --

Height: _____ Weight: _____ Hair/Fur... Colors: _____

Eye Color: _____ Distinguishing Marks: _____

Birthdate/Birthplace: _____

Gender: _____ Marital Status: _____

Parents & Siblings: _____

Awards & Cominations: _____

Previous Postings: _____

Personal Quote: _____

Persona History & Background: _____

