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**WINNING COUPLE ANNOUNCED IN
THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE'S STAR TREK WEDDING GIVEAWAY**
Lucky pair to wed this summer inside STAR TREK: THE EXHIBITION

PHILADELPHIA, July 22, 2009 – The Franklin Institute has announced the winning couple, as chosen by the public, who will get married on the bridge of the U.S.S. Enterprise inside STAR TREK: THE EXHIBITION this summer! The couple with the highest number of online public votes is **Brad Siegel** and **Kate Erwin** from Lyman, ME (*Hometowns are Denville, NJ and Phoenixville, PA*).

Online voting was held July 10 – July 20 with over 25,000 votes cast in the ten day period. Brad and Kate received the highest number of combined public and celebrity votes and will now go on to plan their dream wedding on the bridge of the U.S.S. Enterprise inside STAR TREK: THE EXHIBITION.

Brad and Kate met almost three years ago at a *Star Trek* convention in Chicago and last March got engaged on stage at a *Star Trek* convention in New Jersey. The couple was ecstatic when they learned of the opportunity to marry on the bridge of the U.S.S. Enterprise at The Franklin Institute. “*Nothing would make us happier than to be able to pledge our lives to each other in the Star Trek universe, among our family, friends, and fellow Star Trek fans,*” the couple stated in their contest entry. See their complete story and photo [here](#).

Prior to opening up the vote to the general public, a team of expert judges, including *Star Trek's* own George Takei were to asked to rate the contestants on the following criteria: dedication to *Star Trek*, creativity of entry, and overall photo. The panel of judges included WMMR's Preston & Steve, 6ABC's Matt O'Donnell, and leaders of the local fan club *U.S.S. Sovereign*.

The Franklin Institute is partnering with WMMR-FM to give away the *Star Trek* wedding. The wedding package includes: exclusive use of STAR TREK: THE EXHIBITION for the ceremony, a private space inside The Franklin Institute for a four-hour reception, a wedding cake and champagne provided by Frog Commissary Catering, and two nights' accommodations provided by The Independent Hotel in Center City Philadelphia.

Produced by Premier Exhibitions, Inc. and licensed from CBS Consumer Products, STAR TREK: THE EXHIBITION is a 12,500 square foot interactive exhibition containing the world's most comprehensive collection of authentic *Star Trek* ships, costumes and props from over 40 years of

Star Trek. Making its East Coast debut at The Franklin Institute, the Exhibition runs through September 20, 2009.

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