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Regular monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM local time at the Salem Presbyterian Church (corner of Mozart & Higbee) behind the Harrison-Boudinot White Castle, in Westwood-Cheviot. Visitors are ALWAYS welcome!

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(kyoo fi ver) Q: A scale of amateur radio signal readability progressing from 1 (unreadable) to 5 (perfectly readable). "You're Q5" = "Your signal is perfectly readable." (*ARRL Handbook*, 52d ed. 1975)

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From the President...

We made it back from Albuquerque -- what a great time we had! We surely represented the club well. The IARU Region II championships sure were tough and in New Mexico, but Dick, Bob, Matthew, Emily and I had a great time. Each of us managed to bring back some medals -- please visit www.homingin.com for more information.

Thanks to all the members who have volunteered or just shown up for any of the functions we have had. The club picnic was hot but still fun -- water balloons sure helped!

Now that fall is approaching, please remember the operating events coming up. Please check you calendar. The next meeting will be a good one -- please attend!

Thanks to one and all for your membership and support!

73, *Brian K4BR1*

Next meeting

The next club meeting of the OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society will feature Joe Davidson KB8SBN to talk about his radio business and our 146.67 North Remote site. That club meeting will take place Tuesday, September 6, 2005 (starting at 7:30 P.M.) at the Salem Presbyterian Church, located at the corner of Mozart and Higbee in Westwood.

To get to the meeting from downtown Cincinnati, go north west on Glenway Ave. to Boudinot Ave. (approximately 4 miles; at Walt Sweeney Ford on right). Turn slight right on to Boudinot. After approximately 1 1/2 miles turn left on to Mozart (before the White Castle). The church is on the right. Please enter the building through the doors beneath the front steps.

Visitors always welcome!

73, *Dale KC8H2S*

Amateur Radio Classes
Technician thru Extra
subject to enrollment
& 5 wpm Morse code
Sponsored by Oh-Ky-In ARS
Starts Thursday, Sept 22 at 7 PM
Classes run for 8 weeks, every Thursday evening
at
Salem Presbyterian Church
Corner Mozart & Higbee
Behind Harrison-Boudinot White Castle
Exams at same location on Saturday, Nov 12
More info? Contact Carol Hugentober WA8YL
513=661-5323 or [wa8yl@juno.com]
Info also at club website, *www.ohkyin.org*

Minutes of members' meeting, Tuesday, August 2, 2005

Vice President Dale KC8HQ5 called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance and self-introductions. (President Brian K4BRI and the ARDF crew were in Albuquerque at the national ARDF contest.) There were 19 present.

There were no guests, however Thomas NG8A and Veronica N8FYC McGill have rejoined after years away. No health and welfare announcements either.

There was also no program, due to Rick KD4PYR being stuck late at work.

Business meeting started right away.

Split the pot tickets are for sale. Thanks to Bruce N8BV for handling hospitality.

Mike KC8YOM mentioned there were numerous new faces at the Hamfest exams. One lady asked Brian K4BRI if he was involved in ham radio; he replied "Somewhat."

Otto AA8KK moved to accept the minutes of last meeting as published in the *Q-Fiver*. Nathan KA3MTT seconded, motion carried.

No report from Ken N8ASV for membership, but with the McGills rejoining there should be at least 144-145 members.

No treasurer's report either in the absence of Rick KD4PYR.

Silent Keys: Bruce N8BV has 2 estate sales going presently. A great deal of gear sold at the Hamfest. What's left will be forwarded to the web page and the *Q-Fiver*.

Technical committee, in Brian K4BRI's absence: The north remote is not now working.

Bruce N8BV reported Hamfest attendance at 453.

Ev KC8JR announced there will be an education committee meeting August 18 at Carol WA8YL's, when they will pick the starting date for classes.

No fox report with all foxes and most hounds absent.

Nathan KA3MTT reported for Field Day that QSOs were down and more operators would have been welcome. The club scored higher anyway, with 200 bonus points for



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youth activity and non-traditional mode. Nathan said he hopes we can be first in 3A in Ohio again and looks forward to next year.

The annual picnic will be Saturday, August 20 at noon at Mitchell Memorial Forest. The club will provide meat and soda, members please bring a side dish or a dessert. The picnic will be on the rise left of the restroom block.

Library: Jim KC8PRY announced that with Otto AA8KK's help as church contact, it may finally be possible to store at least some of the books here at the meeting site.

Tech Talk: Bruce N8BV announced 35 check-ins last week. Dale KC8HQ5 will be NCS tomorrow.

Web site: Dale KC8HQ5 has not quite finished the new menu yet but hopes to have it done this week.

There will be some more frames, it should be more navigable and user friendly. He will also put up info on the golf tournament.

Speaking of which, Nathan KA3MTT announced that the gold tourney will be September 18 at Lassing Pointe golf course. About 10 have expressed interest so far. Mrs. Ciufu will do an Italian lunch for participants afterward. First tee time will be 8:30 AM, play 18 holes. A friend of Lynn WD8JAW's would like to play; he and Nathan will discuss. Rand McNally or Yahoo maps provide good directions there.

Old business: none.

New business: Bruce N8BV would very much like to sell Glenn W8KGN's mobile rigs quickly. Estate sales have reached over \$800. The mobile rigs will go to eBay if not sold at this meeting. Dale KC8HQ5 added that the club will have its own eBay account by tomorrow, with the mobile rigs to be the first items. It's to be called Oh-Ky-In-K8SCH, rather than items being pushed through Dale's account.

Attendance award would have been won by Jim N8INP had he been present. The sum will be \$50 next month. It really can pay to come to meetings!

Ev KC8JR won \$8.50 in split-the-pot.

Two members present said they have a lot of trouble receiving the electronic *Q-Fiver*. Susie N8CGM will

move them back to hard copies.

Don W8UZ moved to adjourn at 8:44 PM, motion seconded and carried.

Respectfully submitted, *Susie Scott N8CQM*, Recording Secretary

==>FCC ISSUES REVISED FORM 605, OBSOLETES PREVIOUS EDITIONS

A revised FCC Form 605, "Quick-Form Application for Authorization in the Ship, Aircraft, Amateur, Restricted and Commercial Operator, and General Mobile Radio Services," has gone into effect. The new form **must** be used for all receipts as of July 18.

"Applicants can avoid filing outdated editions by submitting their applications through the Universal Licensing System (ULS) <<http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/>>, given that changes to the paper forms will be incorporated into the system automatically," the FCC said. The new Form 605 is available online from the FCC Web site <<http://www.fcc.gov/Forms/Form605/605.html>>.

The revised form includes a new Question 13 (subsequent questions have been appropriately renumbered) that will affect amateurs applying for an administrative update (AU) to reflect a change in licensee name. Question 13 now asks: "If the licensee name is being updated, is the update a result from the sale (or transfer of control) of the license(s) to another party and for which proper Commission approval has not been received or proper notification not provided?" Amateur Radio Service applicants should always answer "no" to Question 13.

Not answering the question--which has nothing to do with the Amateur Radio Service--could result in dismissal of an application.

For additional information or assistance, visit the FCC Help and Support Web page

<<http://esupport.fcc.gov/index.htm>>. This change does not affect the NCVEC Form 605 that VECs and VE teams use.

--*The ARRL Letter, Vol 24 #27, July 15, 2005*

GOLF!

There's still plenty of time to sign up for the 1st Annual OH-KY-IN Golf Outing. We will be playing at Lassing Pointe Golf Course in Union, KY on Sunday, September 18. The first tee-time will be at 8:30 AM. Please send me an e-mail or call me if you are interested in playing. I have heard from 10 people so far, meaning 2.5 foursomes. I would like to have at least 5 foursomes or so. If we don't have enough to make 5, it's not a problem at the course; but the more the merrier! You may also sign up on the Oh-Ky-In web site, www.ohkyin.org.

Lassing Pointe is a beautiful course with some big yardage to it. I hope to hear from more members soon! My wife Nicole just decided this evening (July 27) that she will cook a big Italian luncheon for everyone after the outing. Homemade sauce, stuffed shells or manicotti, garlic bread, salad, the works!!! That will be immediately after at my house in Burlington.

Please feel free to call me or e-mail me with any questions.

73, *Nathan K3MTT* [ka3mtt@arrl.net] 859=760-9262

Elections will take place for Director and Vice Director in the Great Lakes Division soon. ARRL members may expect their ballots to arrive the last of September or first of October. See also "**Ohio Section September 2005.**"

DX Extras

September 2005

Remember when 10 meters and the other bands were alive with S9 signals? It was just a few years ago! I am afraid it will be some time until we can hear that again, but there are still some good DX to be worked if you just give a listen.

Between this writing and last a potential operation from North Korea was posted. Tentative operation dates were Aug. 20 to 23 by Dave KA2HTV. I plan to be listening and will let you know if it actually took place. Just another reason to check DX bulletins. For more info on this operation check www.amsatnet.com/p5a.html

K7C Kure - Scheduled for September. Expedition leader KK6EK has created a web interface called DXA that will allow DXers to view the current status and activities of the DXpedition in near real time including logged calls. This may greatly reduce the need for operations to get that second contact and reduce the change of getting the dreaded "not in log" card. Check the site at www.cordell.org/htdocs/KURE/KURE_pages/KURE_DXA.HTML

Just down the road:

A52SZ - Bhutan - October 3 to 10

FR/G - Glorioso - Oct-Nov http://glorieuses2005.free.fr/index_frame.html

VK9CC - Cocos Keeling - Nov 7 to 21

VK9XG - Christman Island - Oct. 24 to Nov. 7

Not much else to report at present so CU next month.

73, *Bob WA6EZU*

IARU Region 2 ARDF Championships

Outnumbered nearly two to one, OH-KY-IN made a strong showing against the west coast, California group, at the 3rd IARU Region 2 ARDF Championships held in Albuquerque, New Mexico the week of August 1st through August 6th. Participating in four of the nine available categories, D19, M21, M40 and M50, ten of the available 24 medals for 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, on both VHF and HF, found a home with an OH-KY-IN member.

In addition to Region 2 participants, visitors from Kazakhstan, Australia, and the Czech Republic added an international flavor to the event. Additional "Overall" medals were awarded to those placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd among all competitors in a given class.

Both the VHF and HF events were held in separate parts of the Cibola National Forest at an elevation of around 7,500 ft. Course lengths ranged from 7 KM for the VHF competition to a 10 KM mountain course for HF. The most heated competition came from the M50 group with seven entrants competing for three medals. The M21 group was close behind with six entries.

Full results are available at <http://mywebpages.comcast.net/ardf-usa/results.html>

OH-KY-IN Region 2 Results:

D19 - Emily DeYoung	VHF - Gold	HF - Gold
M21 - Matt Robbins	VHF - Silver	HF - Bronze
M40 - Brian DeYoung	VHF - Silver	HF - Silver
M50 - Dick Arnett	VHF - Bronze	HF - Silver
M50 - Bob Frey	VHF - Gold	HF - Bronze

73, *Bob WA6EJV*

Contests

September 2005

3-6 All-Asian DX Contest, Phone; IARU Region 1 Field Day, SSB; DARC (Germany) 10-Meter Digital Contest; MI QRP Labor Day CW Sprint; Russian RTTY WW Contest

10-16 YLRL Howdy Days, CW & SSB; NA Sprint, CW; WAE DX Contest, SSB; ARRL Sep VHF QSO Party; Second-Class Operators Club (SOC) Marathon Sprint, CW; AK QSO Party, all modes; TN QSO Party, CW & Phone

16-18 Get Your Feet Wet Weekend, CW, (but don't touch the high voltage!); ARRL 10 GHz and Up Contest; NA Sprint, SSB; Scandinavian Activity Contest, CW; WA State Salmon Run, CW & SSB; SC QSO Party, all modes; Mediterranean Islands Contest, CW & SSB; QCWA Fall QSO Party, all modes; QRP Afield, all modes

24-26 ARRL EME Contest; *CQ* Worldwide RTTY DX Contest; Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB; TX QSO Party, all modes; AL QSO Party, CW & Phone; Classic Exchange, AM & SSB; Tesla Cup, CW & SSB

Welcome into the Fall contest season. Something for everyone --but Second Class Operators Club?? For more information see *QST*, *CQ*, or www.arrl.org

73, *Dan K74AV*

Hamfests &c.

September 2005

10 ARRL KY State Convention sponsored by Gr Louisville Hamfest Assn at Paroquet Springs Conference Ctr, 395 Paroquet Springs Dr. 15 mi S of Louisville, exit 117 off I-65, watch for signs. Public 8 AM-3 PM. Hamfest/Computer Show, indoor fleas, limited tailgating, major exhibitors, commercial vendors, ARRL forum, ARES forums, 3960 group meeting, MARS meeting, VE sessions, free overnight camping Friday (no hookups), free parking, refreshments. Talk-in: 146.7. \$5 advance, \$6 gate, under 13 free. Info: Stu Kratz WX4ME, 502=640-0326, [wx4me@arrl.net], www.critterbob.com/glha

10 Spencer IN Hamfest sponsored by Owen Co ARA & Bloomington ARC at Owen Co Fairgrounds, 300 S East St; SR 46 to East St, S to Fairgrounds. 7 AM-2 PM. Fleas, tailgating, forums, VE sessions (register at 1 PM, test at 2 PM), refreshments. Talk-in: 146.985. \$3 gate. Info: John Maassen K9FK, 812=336-

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2311, [k9fk@arrl.net], www.bloomingtonradio.org/hamfest

11 Findlay OH 63d Annual Hamfest sponsored by Findlay Radio Club at Hancock Co Fairgrounds, 1017 E Sandusky St; S side of Sandusky St (SR 568), ¾ mi E of Main St. Hamfest, fleas, commercial vendors, forums, free parking. Talk-in: 147.15, 444.15. \$5 gate. Info: Bill Kelsey N8ET, 419=423-5643, [kanga@bright.net], www.findlayradioclub.org

18 Cincinnati OH Hamfest sponsored by Gr Cincinnati ARA at Scarlet Oaks CDC, 3254 E Kemper Rd. 8 AM-4 PM. Fleas, commercial dealers, ham radio & computer equipment & parts, forums, ARRL officials, hidden transmitter hunt, VE sessions (9 AM, all licence classes), free parking, refreshments. Advance \$5 at R&L & Debco, \$6 gate. Talk-in: 145.37, 146.88. Info: Stan Cohen W8QDQ, 513=531-1011, [stanco49@aol.com], www.gcara.org

25 Berea OH Hamfest sponsored by Hamfest Assn of Cleveland at Cuyahoga Co Fairgrounds, 164 Eastland Rd. 1-1/2 mi W of I-71 & Bagley Rd exit 235, go ½ mi S on Eastland Rd to gate. Hamfest/Computer Show, fleas, ARRL forum, VE sessions (Lenny Orzech KX8X, 330=273-7397), card checking, refreshments. Talk-in: 146.73 (110.9 Hz). \$6 gate. Info: Wm Beckman N8LXY 1=800=CLE-FEST, [info@hac.org]. www.hac.org

VE exam opportunities

1st Saturday each month: Cincinnati (Hartwell), CRA, at Hartwell Pres. Church. Registration 8:30am; walk-in only! All licenses classes. Dale Pritchett, KC8HJL at 513=769 0789

2nd Saturday each month: Hamilton (Butler Co.), Butler Co, VHF Association at Joint Vocational School Communications Center, 3603 Hamilton-Middletown Rd, (RT4). Registration 8:30am; walk-ins OK. All Classes. Ted Wilson, K8TCR 513=868-7012 Talk-in 146.97

2nd Monday each month: Kentucky (Edgewood) NKARA, at Turkeyfoot Middle School, 3230 Turkeyfoot Rd. Registration 6:00pm. Follow the signs. Pre-registration preferred, walk-ins accepted. John Meyers, NB4K,(859=472-6690. Talk-in 147.255

In all cases, tests require two IDs (preferably one with photo). Bring with you the original, as well as photocopy of current license and CSCEs. \$14 is present ARRL/VEC exam fee, exact currency appreciated.

See also **Hamfests &c.** for more VE exams.

==>FALL LAUNCH VIEWED FOR "SUITSAT" AS ARISS-US DELIVERS HARDWARE

The Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) US Team has delivered its hardware contribution to the "SuitSat" project to NASA's Johnson Space Center (JSC), where the ARISS-US Team had performed safety tests. If all goes according to plan, the ISS crew will deploy SuitSat--a surplus Russian Orlan spacesuit equipped with Amateur Radio gear, a DVD of school artwork and other experiments--this fall during a spacewalk. ARISS International Chair Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, said this week that NASA is in the process of shipping the ARISS-US hardware to Russia, where it will undergo final tests and certification and integration with ARISS-Russia's SuitSat gear. SuitSat will fly to the ISS aboard a Progress supply rocket in August or September.

"On behalf of the ARISS International team, I want to congratulate the SuitSat hardware development team for their 'can do' spirit and ability to deliver the SuitSat hardware on such a very challenging schedule," Bauer said. He pointed out that NASA only gave the okay on May 10 for the ARISS-US team to go forward with the

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SuitSat project.

"In the four short weeks since that letter was signed," Bauer said, "the US project team, has designed, built and tested a simple--yet fully featured--system that we hope will inspire hams and students around the world."

Bauer says SuitSat will beam down special messages and an SSTV image from within the Orlan spacesuit as it floats in space. "The SuitSat radio system will allow hams and students to track the suit and decode special international messages, spacesuit telemetry and a pre-programmed Slow Scan TV image through its specially built digital voice messaging system and Amateur Radio transmitter," he said this week. The ARISS-US Team expressed its appreciation to Kenwood for its donation of—and assistance with--the radios that are embedded in the SuitSat system.

The brainchild of the ARISS-Russia team headed by Sergei Samburov, RV3DR--SuitSat will have transmit-only capability operating from the suit's battery power. The concept came in for extensive discussion during the joint AMSAT Symposium/ARISS International Partner meeting last October. "Since October the SuitSat design concept matured and evolved due to the challenging development time constraints," Bauer said.

On the ARISS-Russia side, SuitSat is being led by Project Manager A. P. Alexandrov and Deputy Project Manager A. Poleshuk. Satellite veteran Lou McFadin, W5DID, is heading up the hardware development for the ARISS-US Team. The SuitSat project has generated interest from several schools, which have contributed audio greetings in English, French, Spanish, German, Japanese and Russian for transmission from SuitSat. Students at a NASA Explorer School, Eastern Middle School in Silver Spring, Maryland, supplied the voice message for the US English contribution, Bauer said.

The ARISS-Russia team is building a launch container and has assembled systems consisting a transmitter, digi-talker assembly, control box, dummy load, antenna cable and control cable. SuitSat's call sign, RS0RS, and voice greetings--along with educational materials solicited from schools--have been burned into memory. Among other things, SuitSat will carry voice greetings to commemorate the 175th anniversary of Russia's Bauman Moscow State Technical University.

The SuitSat project already is attracting attention within the non-Amateur Radio world. ARRL Field and Educational Services Manager Rosalie White, K1STO--who's ARISS-International Secretary-Treasurer--already has fielded questions from a reporter for *NewScientist.com*, and news stories have surfaced on *Space.com* and on Greensboro, North Carolina, TV station WFMY.

Once deployed, SuitSat is expected to orbit the planet for several weeks before burning up when it enters Earth's atmosphere. A second Orlan space suit is expected to become available for possible deployment as a temporary satellite in 2007.

-- *The ARRL Letter*, Vol. 24 #24, June 17, 2005

Ohio Section, September News

SM: Joe Phillips, K8QOE, Fairfield, (to contact me, see *QST* page 16 or on the Web at *www.iarc.ws*; ASM-NE: Bob Winston, W2THU, Cleveland; ASM-NW: Ron Griffin, N8AEH, Findlay; ASM-Central: Bill Carpenter, AA8EY, Westerville; ASM-SW: John Haungs, W8STX, Cincinnati; ASM-SE: Connie Hamilton, N8IO, Marietta; SEC: John Chapman, WB8INY, Gahanna; ACC: Joanne Solak, KJ3O, Mantua; TC: Tom Holmes, N8ZM, Tipp City; PIC: Scott Yonally, N8SY, Mansfield; OOC: Rick Swain, KK8O, Galion; SGL: Reuben Meeks, W8GUC, Vandalia.

SEPTEMBER EDITION - This is the month of our Annual Ohio Section Conference. It is Saturday September 17 beginning at 9 a.m. For the sixth time in seven years, the Ohio EMA facility in Northwest Columbus (Governor's War Room) with its great conference room is available to us. The address is 2855 West Dublin-Granville Road (State Route 161).

Beside the conferences on homeland security, new state cell phone laws affecting ham radio, the latest on BPL and a parade of emergency vans from various counties, the conference features awards for best ham radio newsletters and announcing the annual Allan Severson, AB8K, (SK) Memorial recipient. Not to forget the PIZZA LUNCH is the social event of the Ohio Section each and every year. If you have an item of interest you would like to present at the conference OR you have an idea for a Conference topic you

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would like us to cover ---- call the Section Manager, K8QOE, immediately at 513-874-0006 and see if your idea/presentation can be fitted it.

For security reasons, the Ohio EMA officials usually keep the front door locked while we are in the conference. Being on time will prevent any difficulties of getting in. We start at 9 a.m.

Finally, yes we are well aware of the fact that The Ohio State University is playing a home game. Most often the conference is during a game day with the Buckeyes. For those first timers - we are underway in the Ohio EMA Headquarters BEFORE the football traffic starts and we wrap up the day while the game is in progress BEFORE the post game traffic snarl.

Joe Phillips K820E, Ohio Section Manager

FINAL WORD FOR OHIO SECTION ARRL MEMBERS

Between September 30th and October 2nd, all Ohio ARRL members will receive a ballot from ARRL Headquarters. It is the Great Lakes Division Director and Vice-Director election ballot which occurs every three years in Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky. There will be multiple candidates for both offices this year. Participate in the election. Get informed about all candidates. Read the ballot statement. Mark your ballot and return it to Newington in a timely fashion. The Division Director is one of 15 Division Directors across the United States who form the Board of Directors for the League. The Vice Director sits behind the Director at Board meetings and votes when the Director is unavailable.

You get many benefits from League membership. Casting an informed ballot once every three years is your League responsibility.

OHIO SECTION SEPTEMBER HAMFESTS: Sunday (11) Findlay ARC; Hancock County; For more information, E-mail [kanga@bright.net]; Sunday (18) GCARA at Cincinnati Scarlet Oaks Campus: For more information, E-mail; [stanco49@aol.com]; and Sunday (25) Hamfest Assn. of Cleveland; Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds; For more information, E-mail: [info@hac.org].

Much-edited Weaver's words

CONGRATULATIONS GREAT LAKES DIVISION SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Each year, the ARRL's Foundation for Amateur Radio (FAR) awards many scholarships to deserving people in the Amateur Radio world. Many of these scholarships are underwritten to maintain the memory of people who have or do care very much for hamming and wish to help preserve this great service.

Individuals, clubs and trusts often provide the funds for the scholarships.

This year, four amateurs from the Great Lakes Division were honored as scholarship recipients. I would like to extend Vice Director Dick Mondro's and my personal congratulations to those from all members of our Division to the following scholarship winners:

QCWA Ralph Hasslinger (W2CVF) Charter member Scholarship:

STEPHEN SCIARINI, KC8IDJ, DOVER, OH.

Young Ladies' Radio League Mary Lou Brown (NM7N) Memorial Scholarship:

THERESE G. LONG, KC8PEZ, IMLAY CITY, MI.

10-10 International Net Scholarship:

JOSHUA J. LONG, N8CFS, IMLAY CITY, MI.

Robert E., True Memorial Scholarship (Mrs. Shirley True Banning, Sponsor):

DEAN PARMITER, K8IHT, ROSSVILLE, OH.

Fifty four scholarships were awarded this year. The amount of the scholarships ranged from \$1,000 to \$2,000 each.

I wish the recipients well in their continuing scholastic and social endeavors. With people of their quality and the support of their communities, I believe the winners will make much progress toward creating a more mature and responsible society.

Congratulations!

THE ARRL ENHANCED OUTREACH-TO-AMATEURS PROGRAM

One of the projects I mentioned in one of these newsletters quite some time ago was to make members and non-members fully aware of the great value ARRL brings to Amateur Radio. I linked this objective to ensuring that each time someone contacts HQ, the manner in which they are received immediately tells them they and their comments, favorable or unfavorable, are valuable. Every member who contacts HQ should clearly be given the understanding that this is their organization and they are a valued component of it. I've dubbed this combination of projects The ARRL Enhanced Outreach-to-amateurs program. I'd like to share with you some of the progress that has been made in this program.

Although I initiated each of the projects, I do not take credit for their results. The results are from combined work by all Directors and our HQ staff members. Some of the more significant steps taken are:

- The Board ensured that our new COO has strong skills in managing and coordinating personnel. Under the new COO, HQ staff received training in skills needed to respond appropriately to questions, suggestions and complaints of members and other amateurs. Firm improvement is noticeable in this important staff-to-member interface as well as in cooperation between the departments at HQ.

- When the Dayton Hamvention(r) committee asked me to attempt to arrange for them to host to a 2005 ARRL National, the idea sounded good for the Hamvention as well as for ARRL. The motion I introduced to the Board to move the Convention timing from 2006 (typical cycle) to 2005 and to bring it to the Great Lakes Division was approved. The Convention brought the Hamvention as well as ARRL greater visibility than would otherwise have been possible this year. This doubtlessly was the best ARRL National held during recent years.

- ARRL presence at major hamfests and similar shows has been improved thanks to the decision to hold a 2005 National at Dayton. For the first time, ARRL presence at the 2005 Hamvention included an ARRL Expo area that showcased many League-conducted programs that benefit members. The result was a greater realization by many hams of the value of ARRL. This realization was evidenced in numerous comments made by visitors to Expo as well as in a doubling (to nearly 900 as I recall off hand) in memberships purchased this year vs. previous years.

This was possible because the Board followed through on my recommendation to "sell" the value of the League, by the cooperation and hard work of the ad hoc National Convention Committee, and by the tremendous cooperation of the Hamvention Committee (Chaired by Gary DesCombes, N8EMO). The lessons derived from Expo 2005 will be applied to appearances of ARRL at other major hamfests and shows.

- The ARRL Grassroots Lobbying program I introduced is growing to the stage at which it soon will be able to undertake tasks that heretofore would have been impossible for us. The inherent value of this program has been demonstrated clearly by members of the GLD to the Board of Directors which adopted the program.

There is more that is being done to strengthen the appeal of ARRL to amateurs, to improve the League's user-friendly character and to promote Amateur Radio. Development in such added areas will be described as further progress occurs. We are making substantial progress. I think the above will give you an idea of some of the progress we've made over a short period of time.

73, GL, *Jim Weaver K8JE*

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W8KGN estate sale

If you'd like any of these items please contact Bruce Vanselow N8BV at 513=251-1555or [n8bv@juno.com] These and items of Mike KR8F may be seen on the Oh-Ky-In web site, www.ohkyin.org.

#	Item	Description	Price
1	Johnson Viking Matchbox #250-23	w/papers	\$75.00
2	Triplett DC Ammeter P612		\$5.00
3	Ramsey Subcarrier Decoder		\$10.00
4	CP55 Multimedia Speakers	computer speakers	\$5.00
5	Triplett Solid State VOM Model 310 FET	w/box w/man	\$10.00
6	Blonder Tounge FM Stereo Booster		\$5.00
7	Weston Microamperes DC Meter	0-150	\$5.00
8	Weston Model 506 DC	Volts 0-7	\$5.00
9	Triplett DC Amperes Model 327 (?)	0-10	\$5.00
10	Triplett DC Milliamperes 0-250 Model 321 T	in metal box w/posts	\$8.00
11	Model 742 Volts AC Meter	in metal box	\$5.00
12	Triplett AC Amperes Probe Model 10	w/carry case	\$10.00
13	Assorted Micro Switches & Relays		Make Offer
14	Kenwood TS 440 S HF Rig	w/voice w/desk mic	SOLD
15	Yaesu FT 2400 H 2m mobile	w/box w/man like new	SOLD
16	Kenwood TH 25 AT	2m HT	SOLD
17	Koss Headphones	w/man w/box	\$15.00
18	MFJ 1026 Deluxe Noise & Interference Canceler	w/box w/man like new	\$95.00
19	CW Key	mounted on silver plate	\$8.00
20	Lambda/Veeco Regulated Power Supply	0-7vdc .55a	\$20.00
21	Ideal Voltage Tester	51-005 w/carry pouch	\$10.00
22	Simpson VOM Model 260	w/carry case (shakes)	\$20.00
23	Homebrew Power Supply	w/meter	\$5.00
24	Sanwa Multitester U-50D	w/man w/carry case w/probes	\$10.00
25	Stadco Adjust-a-Volt PA 375	0-140 volts	\$10.00
26	ATC Headphones MX200		\$5.00
27	Homebrew Coax Switch		\$3.00
28	Astron RS 35A	35a power supply	SOLD
29	Heathkit Reflected Power & SWR Bridge	Model AM2 w/man	\$15.00
30	Simpson AC Amperes RMS Meter	in metal box w/switch	\$5.00
31	Kurz Kasch Electronics Logic Probe	in case NEW	Make Offer
32	Kurz Kasch Electronics Logic Probe	in case	Make Offer
33	Model 300 Logic Probe	NEW	Make Offer
34	Cramer Elapsed Time Indicator	Type 635/636 NEW	Make Offer
35	Veeder-Root 115ac Counter	NEW	\$5.00
36	Powerstat Variable Autotransformer		\$15.00
37	Triplett DC Milliamperes Model 312	0-1 NEW	Make Offer
38	Phaotron Round Meter	Rigidized NEW	\$10.00

What's coming in September

Fri Sept 2	7:30 PM	Amateur Radio Public Service Corps picnic, location unknown
Mon Sept 5		LABOUR DAY Fly your flag, please
Tue Sept 6	7:30 PM	Club meeting at Salem Presbyterian Church, Mozart & Higbee Joe Davidson KB8SBN, Radio's Plus and our 146.67 North Remote site
Wed Sept 7	9 PM	Tech Talk, NCS Carol WA8YL
Sat Sept 10	10 AM	Monthly fox hunt; hounds start at Mt Storm Park. Talk-in to start 146.67
Tue Sept 13	7:30 PM	Technical Committee meeting, location TBA
Wed Sept 14	9 PM	Tech Talk, NCS Dale KC8HQ5
Fri Sept 16	7:30 PM	Queen City Emergency Net, Red Cross HQ, 820 Sycamore St
Sat Sept 17		Amateur Radio Public Awareness Day
Mon Sept 19	7:30 PM	Robotics Group, Brian K4BRI's
Wed Sept 21	9 PM	Tech Talk, NCS Dennis KB8ROA
Thu Sept 22	7 PM	Code & theory classes begin at Salem Presbyterian Church, Mozart & Higbee behind the Harrison-Boudinot White Castle
Tue Sept 27	7:30 PM	Board meeting at Carol WA8YL's
Wed Sept 28	9 PM	Tech Talk, NCS Brian K4BRI
Tue Oct 4	7:30 PM	Club meeting at Salem Presbyterian Church, Mozart & Higbee ARRL night: Joe Phillips K8QOE or Jim Weaver K8JE, with any luck at all

==>NEXT ISS "SPACE TOURIST" GETS AMATEUR RADIO TICKET

The next "space tourist" to visit the International Space Station is, once again, an Amateur Radio licensee. The FCC issued the call sign KC2ONX to Greg Olsen of Princeton, New Jersey, on August 16. Thanks to three volunteer examiners from the 10-70 Repeater Association in Northern New Jersey, Olsen--who held a ham ticket many years ago--was able to take and pass his Technician examination during a brief vacation window in his busy pre-flight training schedule. VE team member (and ARRL Hudson Division Vice Director) Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF, says extra-heavy summertime traffic slowed the team's journey to Princeton, and the August 12 exam session almost didn't happen.

"Dr. Olsen suggested that due to the volume of traffic we were in, that we move the location of the meeting," she said, recounting a desperate cell phone conversation with Olsen as the traffic jam tightened further. With cell coverage crashing, however, the team members, traveling in two vehicles, regrouped via a local ham radio repeater, arranged to meet Olsen at a Princeton hotel that was closer, and announced the location change to comply with FCC regulations. The test would take place in the hotel's lobby.

Birmingham reports that Olsen zipped through the examination in about 10 minutes. Set to head to the ISS October 1, Olsen has indicated he'd like to conduct some Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) school group contacts from NA1SS while he's there. Having his ham radio license was the first step in making that happen. The ARRL VEC orchestrated the last-minute examination session for Olsen. The day Olsen took his test was his last in the US until after his space mission. He took off the next day for Russia to undergo further cosmonaut training for his approximately 10-day ISS visit, which is being arranged with the Federal Space Agency of the Russian Federation (FSA) by Space Adventures. Like

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Oh-Ky-In 2005 Committee Appointments

Technical Committee Brian DeYoung K4BRI	QCEN Representative Peter J. Feichtner III KC8BZM
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Education Chair Ev Giglio KC8JR	Volunteer Examiners Brian DeYoung K4BRI, Chair
PIO Bruce Vanselow N8BV	Repeater Control Ops Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV
<i>Q-Fiver</i> Susie Scott N8CGM, Editor	Librarian James E Keely KC8PRY
Special Publications Jo Haltermon KD4PYS	Hamfest Phil Smith KG8AP, Coordinator
John M Hugentober Sr Memorial CW	Slow Scan TV Net Mgr Harry Davis WA8LOJ
Proficiency Award	Fox Hunters Co-Chairs Dick Arnett WB4SUV
Brian DeYoung K4BRI, Chair	Bob Frey WA6EZV
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KC8BZM	John W Hughes AI4DA

more Tourist

Dennis Tito and Mark Shuttleworth before him, Olsen is believed to have paid in the vicinity of \$20 million for the privilege of being the third civilian "space explorer," as Space Adventures called Olsen in late July when it announced his pending voyage of a lifetime.

Olsen, who's co-founder and chairman of the board of Sensors Unlimited Inc in Princeton, said he's looking forward to finalizing the remote sensing and astronomy research projects he plans to conduct while in space. (big snip) -- *The ARRL Letter*, Vol 24 #32, Aug 19, 2005

News of members and students in recent classes

New and returning members

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Music off the airwaves

Queen City Sweet Adelines, Susie N8CGM's chorus, recently competed in the Buckeye Invitational in Columbus OH. Didn't win anything but they did get the #2 entertainment score in the mid-size chorus division, #4 overall in mid-size and #9 overall out of 17. In the Buckeye, the entertainment score is the most important! (Sweet Adelines Intl recently re-sized choruses so that now mid-size is 30-60 members.)

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