**Ye** Ed will attempt to save the January *Q-Fiver* as originally created into OpenOffice, which **may** permit *DX Spots* to be brought in without destruction of its interactivity. The hard-copy version should experience no changes.







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Regular monthly meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM local time at the St. Bernard Recreation Hall, 120 Washington Ave. (corner Washington & Tower Aves) in St. Bernard, just east of Vine St. Visitors are ALWAYS welcome!

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(kyoo fye 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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### Welcome to 2011

I hope everyone had a happy and joyous holiday season. Now that we have the holidays behind us, it's time to hunker down and wait out Old Man Winter.

Let me begin this month by extending a heartfelt THANK YOU to Nathan Ciufo and Jim Baird. Both have just finished their terms serving on the club's Board of Directors. Both have done outstanding jobs and have made great contributions of time and service to our club. We look forward to having them continue to help in the months to come.

Along with that, let me welcome Russ Hines and Jerry Shipp to the Board. Also, welcome to Fred Schneider, who will serve as our Treasurer.

We have a lot of great things to be done in the new year. The help of each member will be needed to achieve our goals. What **are** our goals, you may ask? Simply to be the best general interest radio group in the region! As I look over the list of our members, there is hardly a facet of our hobby that I *cannot* find an expert in. As we approach 2011, let's all make a concerted effort to reach out and lend a helping hand to all area amateurs and continue to be the best in class.

73, and hope to hear you on the repeaters!

Gazy KB8MYC

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# **Next meeting**

The first club meeting of 2011 will take place on Tuesday, January 4 at 7:30 PM at the St. Bernard Recreation Hall, 120 Washington Ave. (corner Washington & Tower Aves) in St. Bernard, just east of Vine St. Rod Villari, who attended Oh-Ky-In classes & passed his license exam, will talk about digital scanners

73, Bzian KC879n

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# Club meeting minutes for Tuesday, December 7, 2010

President Gary KB8MYC called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM @ St. Bernard Municipal Building (Rec. Center) followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Approximately 35 in attendance.

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Guests: Greg KJ4ZKE

Proceeded to self introductions.

Health and Wellfare: George KC8YJ passed away on Saturday, December 4. Jim W8JRB's father-in-law

passed away recently as well.

Meeting program(s): Elections for 2010 OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society and Pizza, which was there by

9 PM.

Our slate for 2011: For:

President: Gary Coffey KB8MYC Vice-President: Brian Fulmer KC8FJN Corresponding Secretary: Phil Smith KG8AP Recording Secretary: Dale Vanselow KC8HQS

Treasurer: Fred Schneider K9OHE

Director: Bruce N8BV, Jim W8JRB, Russ WB8ZCC, Jerry KB8UBG

Ballots were handed out to club members. Elections were closed after about 10 minutes.

Results:

President: Gary Coffey KB8MYC Vice-President: Brian Fulmer KC8FJN Corresponding Secretary: Phil Smith KG8AP Recording Secretary: Dale Vanselow KC8HOS

Treasurer: Fred Schneider K9OHE

Directors: Bruce N8BV, Russ WB8ZCC, Jerry KB8UBG

Gary KB8MYC asked for corrections to the meeting minutes of the November 2010 club meeting. Correction: Under corrections for the minutes last month, it should read October instead of November.

Eric KC8NMP moved to accept as corrected. Jim W8JRB seconded. Treasurer: Acting Treasurer Gary KB8MYC had a report available.

Audit Committee: Any volunteers?

Membership: Nathan KA3MTT reported 103 for 2010. Applications are available for 2011. Renew your

ARRL membership thru us too! You can find them on the website at http://renew.ohkyin.org.

Equipment manager: Brian KC8FJN reported he's working on keeping the list current.

Education Committee: 1 Day Tech & General classes went well. 9 or 10 passed in the exam.

Technical Committee: All three Vertex repeaters are repaired. Everything is working smoothly, knock on wood.

Old Business: Sweepstakes: Santa Barbara was the last section to get. A clean sweep was had again! Thanks to those who volunteered.

New Business:

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We need some volunteers for the Awards Committee. Any volunteers???

The attendance prize winner was Eric KD8MEM who was present and won \$5. The attendance prize will be \$5 for January 2011.

Harry WA8LOJ mentioned the Thanksgiving Day Parade. Dale KC8HQS added it went well. Very rainy! Harry WA8LOJ made a motion to adjourn, Ted WB8VNV seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM. Respectfully submitted, *Dale KC8HQS* 

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#### ARRL Members please read ...

...the article in the January 2011 *QST*, "The Last CQ – A Survivor's Guide", starts on page 70. This will provide you some idea of what Bruce N8BV has gone thru dealing with the various estates, especially that of Ray Lamb W8LKX (SK) lately. —Ye Ed

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# Radio's Plus Joe Davidson KB8SBN 11641 Colthar Drive Bethel OH 45106-9669 513=752-9570

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Ham Congressman "Tweets" in Morse Code from WorldRadio Dec 16, 2010

That's how Rep. Greg Walden (R-OR) -- who also happens to be W7EQI -- tweeted the news to his "followers" today that he had been named Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Communications and Technology. Among other things, the subcommittee's responsibilities include oversight of the FCC.

In a follow-up Twitter message, Walden explained that "The last tweet was Morse code! Just the ham radio operator in me having fun. It says I'll chair the communications and tech subcommittee." Walden is one of two ham radio operators in Congress. The other is Rep. Mike Ross, WD5DVR (D-AR).

The full text of Walden's Twitter message, for those who are not Morse-conversant, is:

"Will chair comm and tech sub 73s w7eqi"

Walden is also chair of the House Republican Leadership Committee and the Republican Majority Transition Committee, which is overseeing the transfer of power in the House of Representatives from the Democratic Party to the Republican Party as a result of last month's elections.

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Beginning Wednesday evening, January 12, the **DIAL RADIO CLUB** will offer a **twelve-week class** to prepare a candidate for examination in Amateur Extra Class, amateur radio operator license.

Meeting on the Middletown Campus of Miami University, this class will meet in Verity Lodge on Wednesday evenings, 6-9 PM

Theory instruction will begin January 12 and conclude April 6, excluding the evening of February 23. An ARRL/VEC examination session will be scheduled at the conclusion of the class on the evening of April 13. Although there is no charge for the instructional portion of this class, students should be prepared to purchase a license training manual and supplies (approximately \$20-25) for use in class.

Class enrollment will be limited to 20 students. For registration and/or additional information, please contact Beverley Taylor N8GGE, by phone [513=423-3165] or e-mail <taylorba@muohio.edu>.

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"Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint." - Mark Twain

**The following operations are now approved for DXCC credit:** Equatorial Guinea, 3C9B, 2010 operation; Annobon, 3C0C, 2010 operation; Tunisia, 3V0A and 3V9A, 2010 operations; Democratic Republic of the Congo, 9Q/DK3MO, operations commencing in 2007 to current dates; Tunisia, TS7TI and TS8P, including their /p operations, 2010 operations; and Tunisia, TS9A, 2009 operation. *--ARLD051 DX news*, Dec 9, 2010

**Also:** Temotu Province, H40HP, 2009 operation and Saudi Arabia, 7Z1HB, 2007 to present. If you had any of these or the above operations rejected in recent applications, send an email to <dxcc@arrl.org> to have your record updated. --ARLD052 DX news, Dec 16, 2010

DX bulletins made possible with information provided by NC1L, *The Daily DX, QRZ DX, The Weekly DX*, the *OPDX Bulletin*, *DXNL*, "Contest Corral" from *QST*, the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

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DX Spots - January 2011									
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesda	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
Note: Listings that are high-lighted in yellow are hyperlinks to the dxpedition's website.						1 T88KO- Palau thru 1-2 H44DA- Solomon Isl thru 1-6			
2 ZF2PG- Cayman Isl thru 1-9	3	4 8Q7FF- Maldives thru 1-9	5 3B8- Mauritius thru 1-10	6 DX0DX- Spratly Isl thru 1-24	7 VK9N- Norfolk Isl thru 1-21	8 6W7SK- Senegal thru 1-21			
9	10 P40CG-Aruba thru 1-24 V31-Belize thru 1-18	11 3B9- Rodriguez Is thru 1-20	12	13	VK9XA- Christmas Is thru 1-20	15			
16 FK-New Caledonia thru 1-26	17 5R8PR- Madagascar thru 1-25	18 V31-Belize thru 1-26	19	20	21 T88RX-Palau thru 1-26  3B8—Mauri- tius thru 2-21	22			
30	31	25	26	27 YJ8HP- Vanuatu thru 2-2 VP8O-S. Orkney Is thru 2-8	28	29			

- 1-2 ARRL Straight-Key Night; New Years Snowball Contest, SSB & CW; SARTG New Year RTTY Contest; AGCW Happy New Year Contest, CW; Original QRP Contest, CW; Kid's Day, SSB
- 4 ARS Spartan Sprint, CW
- 7-9 NS Weekly Sprint, CW; 070 PSKFest; Hunting Lions In the Air, all modes; WW Messenger Cities, SSB & CW; 50 MI QRP Club Jan QRP Contest, CW; North American

QSO Party; EUCW 160 Meter Contest; DARC 10 Meter Contest, SSB & CW; Midwinter QSO Party, SSB & CW

- 12 CWops Mini-CWT Test; Linc Cundall Memorial CW Contest
- 15-17 LZ Open Contest, CW; GInternational United Teenager Contest, SSB & CW; UK DX RTTY Contest; HA DX Contest, SSB & CW Feld-Hell Gridloc Sprint, RTTY; North American QSO Party, SSB
- 20 NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint, CW; Locust QSO Party, CW
- 22-23 YLISSB QSO Party; BARTG RTTY Sprint; ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes
- 28-30 *CQ* WW 160 Meter Contest, CW; REF French Contest, CW; UBA Contest, SSB; Winter Field Day, all modes; WAB Top Band Phone Contest; Classic Exchange, CW Keep warm in your shack with some hot contesting. For more information see *QST*, *CQ*, or *www.arrl.org*

73, **Dan KJ4AV** 

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# Oh-Ky-In Fantasy Football 2010 season-end reports

Congratulations Brad N8QQ, for becoming (once again) the regular-season OH-KY-IN FFL champion. Now it's on to the play-offs!

73, Russ GM, ZCC Wailing Gophers

In a very narrow finish this week, we had 2 players eliminated from the hunt for the "Super Bowl" of our Fantasy Football League. Brad and Team N8QQ was beat by K4BRI and the Flying Electrons with a score of 74-68. I was beat by WB8ZCC and the Wailing Gophers with a score of 85-82. So the final comes down to Brian K4BRI and Russ WB8ZCC in this week's final championship game. I'll play Brad N8QQ for 3rd place. Thanks to everyone who has played this season, and I'll pass along the championship info after "The Big Dance."

73, Nathan KA3M77 reporting on Dec 21

Brian K4BRI and the Flying Electrons won this year's Fantasy Football League "Super Bowl" Tue eve, Dec. 28. Thanks to all who took part this year; it's hoped there can be a 2011 season for the Oh-Ky-In FFI.

Now back to real life; go Steelers!

73, Nathan KA3MTT



This T may be ordered

from Cafe Press. - Ye Ed

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# ARLB030 New Rules Governing Vanity, Club Station Call Signs to Take Effect February 14

On Wednesday, December 15, new rules affecting vanity and club station call signs within the Amateur Radio Service were published in the *Federal Register*. They can be found in PDF format at,

http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-31349.pdf. These new rules will go into effect on February 14, 2011. Thirteen months ago, the FCC announced its intention of modifying Part 97 as it applies to the vanity call sign system and club station call signs, aligning the rules to prior Commission decisions. Last month, the Commission released a Report and Order (R&O), outlining its decision. Along with the changes to the call sign rules, the FCC made "certain minor, non-substantive amendments" to portions of Part 97.

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#### **Tech Committee report**

I hope everyone had a great holiday.

All three repeaters continue to perform fairly well, with the known issues well in hand. Implementation of a technical bulletin (field mod) continues on the Vertex repeaters (146.625 and 146.925), which, it is hoped, may solve a noise/desense issue on the .925 machine.

I think our repeater trustee, N8BV, is getting comfortable with the new Arcom controller, so look for it to appear on 146.67 in the near future. This needs to happen before we install any remote receivers for this repeater. I should remind you that the Arcom controller's "repeater voice" sounds different, so it may require some time to get use to it. But you can hear it now on 146.625, please let us know how you like it (or not). ;-)

Bruce is also making progress (at this writer's urging) toward a better method of playing the weekly Amateur Radio *Newsline* bulletin during the Wednesday night TechTalk Net (9 PM on 146.67). Stay tuned.

We've had net check-ins and signal reports on 146.67 from as far away as Xenia and Vandalia, Ohio. .67 rocks! Finally, let's not forget that we're fortunate to be able to field (3) 2m repeaters at (3) decent sites, and contribute in this way to our local amateur community. Please use them.

Good things continue to happen!

73. Russ WB82CC

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#### Ohio Section Notes for January, 2010

Hi everyone!

Just a quick note here from my desk, that 2011 is already becoming a busy year for the Ohio Section Cabinet. Many Hamfests are getting on the schedule, and clubs are starting to fill their meetings with

programs, speakers, and LOTS of projects. This is all good news to hear!

I'm hoping this e-mail gets out to everyone before the Christmas Holiday. Either way, I hope the Holiday Season brings everyone safe travels to our families, and you have some time to play on the air!

Remember too, that many Hams will be travelling across our state. Please take some time to monitor local repeaters, and the National Calling Frequencies to help our fellow Hams in times of need!

73, Frank Piper KI8GW Ohio Section Manager

Now here's some notes from our new Ohio Section **Affiliated Club Coordinator**, E. Mike McCardel KC8YLD: Seasons Greetings to everyone.

The past month has been a whirl wind of activity. I'm learning under fire and have hit the deck running. Page 8 The Q Fivez, Oh Ky In ARS, January 2011

Already we have begun processing several renewal and new applications for Affiliated Clubs and Special Service Clubs. Remember to check your listing online and verify your club's information is up to date.

Also many clubs have begun to plan programming for the coming year. It is great to read the newsletters and see what everyone is planning. One of the trends I am seeing is more technical agendas tied in with social gatherings. More clubs seem to be making plans for more activities that involve getting together to operate, build, foxhunt and swap stories and ideas. This is *exactly* what we need to stimulate involvement. Let's set a goal this year that each club spends more time on their programs and less time in their business meeting. In fact ask yourselves, do we *have* to have a business meeting every month? Maybe meet once once in a while just to **do** something. Also remember that everyone doesn't have to be available all the time. Get out of meeting mode. Set a day and place for a weekly or monthly breakfast or "Wendy's Wednesdays." Encourage drop ins enjoy each other company and talk shop. I intend to hit several Hamfest in January and February and beyond; I hope to run into as many fellow hams and club officers as can make these events.

I've been pondering what it takes to get our youth involved and was motivated, by all things, a Barbie com-mercial entitled "Adventures of Chopper Chick". It begins with a little girl in a ballerina outfit, then goes to a girl playing the piano and then to an older woman painting.

The theme of the commercial is "If you dream it... You can be it." The bottom line and punchline for my point is where the commercial ends. It goes on to portray a woman donning a Firefighters uniform and one

inspecting a helicopter. The last scene you see and the one that gets embedded in your head. It is a young woman flying a helicopter, you hear the distinctly chopper sounds in the background. My grand-daughters love ballerinas and princesses, but when they see **this** commercial they immediately become helicopter pilots. What's the lesson here? Kids love technology, they want to play firefighter, heli-pilot, RADIO! They want to be like us. We could have done radio a great service by buying our grand children, children, nieces and nephews a Morse code key and oscillator for Christmas. Or better yet, get a kit and build it with them. Time with us is precious to our children and they will imitate us in all they share with us. So for **this** year's

birthdays, the children on my list will be getting a piece of my time and a Morse code key.

Happy Holidays, 73, E Mike McCazdel KC8YLD

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#### ARLX008 NCVEC Releases New General Class Question Pool Dec 7, 2010

The Question Pool Committee (QPC) of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) released the new General class (Element 3) question pool on Tuesday, December 7. This new question pool -- including graphics and diagrams -- will become effective for all General class examina-tions administered on or after July 1, 2011; it will remain valid until June 30, 2015. The current General question pool that became effective July 1, 2007 and will expire June 30, 2011. The new General pool contains 457 questions, from which 35 are selected for an Element 3 examination. The current Technician class question pool that was effective July 1, 2010 is valid through June 30, 2014. The current Amateur Extra class pool that was effective July 1, 2008 is valid until June 30, 2012.

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# From the Section Emergency Coordinator, Jack Sovik KB8WPZ posted Dec 22, 2010

I have been asked more than a few times about the new EMComm classes that have been coming from The League. Here is some info about those classes.

The revised Basic Emergency Communications Course, EC-001, will probably be introduced in the first half of 2011. There have been a lot of questions about the new course and the transition phase. Here is some important information about offering EC-001 field courses and exams during the transition.

There are several important steps in the transition phase. First is the release of the new online course which should occur in February 2011. Next, the new student manual will need to be prepared. The third and

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final step is to release new field exams after the dust has settled on all of the new course content. So you may wonder if field classes can still be offered during this transition. The answer is yes, but there are some things to keep in mind. Field courses may be offered during the transition, but you may have to use the material from the older version of EC-001. You may still use the earlier course material to prepare for the exam until the new course material is released. The information in the older course will need to be supplemented by the updates in the new course to prepare you for the new version of the field exam. Even though the older material may be used for teaching the course because this core of the instruction is still valid, the current field exam from the earlier version of EC-001 cannot be used after December 31. The EmComm education team at HQ has made it a priority to get the new exam released as soon as possible.

During this transition period, copies of the Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course Level 1 book will still be available through the ARRL Publications Department. If you will use the earlier material

you will need to address the new content at some later date. Since this course is best instructed over several meetings this will provide an opportunity for an additional session that will cover the new material. In addition to two FEMA courses that will be a prerequisite for completion of the new course, the new content topics addressed in the course are listed below.

ICS-100 (IS-100.b) (Introduction to the Incident Command System)

IS -700 (National Incident Management System)

New Topics:

- A. FCC Rule regarding Employment and Drills, the change to Part 97.113
- B. Severe Weather Nets
- C. The ARES PIO
- D. Large Disasters
- E. Introduction to the National Traffic System
- 73, Jack Sovik KB8WP2 Section EC

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Scholarship information & an application form for **2011 Foundation for Amateur Radio grants** may be applied for by letter or QSL card sent to

The Foundation for Amateur Radio Inc.

Attn: Dave Prestel W8AJR, Scholarship Chair

PO Box 911

Columbia MD 21044-0911

Deadline for obtaining application is March 30, 2011

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#### Restructuring: New LF ham band may be requested at WRC 2012

ITU Region 3 will likely back a proposal to create a new, low frequency ham radio allocation near 500 Kilohertz. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, is in the newsroom for *Amateur Radio Newsline Report #1741* with more:

The Asia Pacific Telecommunity or APT is currently hosting a gathering of the region's telecommunications administrations. This is one of a series of meetings intended to develop common positions for all of Region 3 prior to the World Radiocommunication Conference to be held in Geneva in early 2012.

Of particular interest to the amateur community is Agenda Item 1.23. It seeks an allocation of about 15 kHz in parts of the band 415 from 525.6 kHz to the amateur service on a secondary basis. The International Amateur Radio Union Region 3 has representatives as observers at these preparatory meetings. While this particular meeting is not expected to adopt final positions, it is an important step in the process leading to

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any decisions that will be finalized at WRC 2012 in relation to any new Low Frequency Amateur Service band. (For those unaware, the Asia Pacific Telecommunity is the regional telecommunication organization that covers all types of electromagnetic communications in ITU Region 3.)

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# Ham radio in print: Off The Grid News recommends ham radio

Ham radio is featured in the current issue of the e-zine *Off The Grid News*. According to an op-ed article, by David M Hill, Sr. W4DMH, people often ask him what the best option is for off-grid communication is.

Hill responds by saying that to him, there is only one answer to this question that makes sense to him. That being what he calls the wonderful world of amateur radio or ham radio.

Hill goes on to note that ham radio is the only legal form of two-way radio that you can get involved in that will provide you with all levels of communication ability. He says that no other radio service can provide all of this to you, and it's very simple to get involved in ham radio today.

This very charming and informative article can be read by taking your web browser to tinyurl.com/hamfun (Via e-mail)

Preceding 2 stories appeared in Amateur Radio Newsline Report #1741 for Dec 24, 2010.

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### Technical topics and information

From the online *QST* "Way-back machine" of searchable archives, Brad AA1IP contributed this outstanding example of the ham's proclivity for reuse in the July 1965 issue. "Try using the lid from a toothpaste tube as an attractive knob. Select a rubber grommet with an outside diameter that will fit tightly inside the toothpaste lid and at the same time will fit tightly over the control shaft, so that the combination will not slip. There are many styles, shapes and colors of toothpaste lids available." Brad wonders if that would still work on equipment containing a cavity magnetron. Arnie CO2KK chimed in with the observation that the wheels from broken toy cars and trucks also make great controls!

ARRL Contest Update for 11-10-2010, A. Ward Silver NOAX, Ed, reprinted by permission

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#### Hamfests & c.

#### January 2011

- 15th Annual Sunday Creek AR Federation Hamfest at Tri-County Vocational School, 15676 SR 691, Nelsonville OH. 8 AM-2 PM. Talk-in: 147.15. Dealers, fleas, handicapped access, refreshments, tailgating, VE exams at 12N. \$6. Info: Jeramy Duncan KC8QDQ, 740=767-2554, <jeramy duncan30@yahoo.com>
- 21st Annual Tusco ARC Hamfest at Wallick Auction House, 965 N Wooster Ave, Strasburg OH. 8 AM. Dealers, fleas, handicapped access,, refreshments, tailgating. Talk-in: 146.73 (71.9 Hz) \$5. Info: Kyle Quillen KD8HDJ, 330=204-0944, hamfest@tuscoarc.org, www.tuscoarc.org

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#### Riley Hollingsworth's 10 Personal Suggestions for Amateur Radio Operators

Picked up from DARA RF Carrier, January 2011

Riley Hollingsworth, Special Counsel in the FCC's Enforcement Bureau when he retired 2 years ago (Jan 2008) had the following advice for Ham Radio operators:

- 1. Be proud of what you have & let your feelings be known. Let the public know what youy are, what Amateur Radio is, & why it's valuable. Let your feelings be known to Congress, to the FCC, to the media, to your states & to emergency agencies. Sprint does. AT&T does. Motorola does.
- 2. Operate as if the whole world is listening. It is!]
  - 3. Take nothing for granted. Bill Gates can't, & you can't either.

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- 4. You're at a crossroads. An old Chinese philosopher (or my grandmother I can never remember which!) said, "Be careful what you wish for. You may get it." Seize the moment, & make this your finest hour. Ham radio has been at a crossroads before & has thrived. Continue that tradition.
- Make sure that, on your watch, Amateur Radio never becomes obsolete.
- 6. Teach the new licensees all you know. We've needed numbers for a long time. Respect this wonderful legacy known as Amateur Radio that our mentors & Elmers gave us. Every time you key the mike or hit the key, think about what a legacy you were given & your duty to pass it on.
- 7. Enjoy ham radio. Celebrate it. But realize it comes with responsibility. Every gift of lasting value always does.
- 8. Stay away from arrogant, negative operators who know all the answers. They just haven't thought of all the questions. Encourage them to take their anger & hate to the Internet. Every minute they are on the Internet is a minute they aren't on Amateur radio.
- 9. Never allow Amateur Radio to become the audio version of The Jerry Springer Show
- 10. You may not always agree with the League, & that's fine. But I'm standing here before you tonight talking about enforcement because they never gave up. Take care of the one voice you have. You must never doubt that a small group of dedicated people can change the world. They just did.

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#### VE exam opportunities pls see also Hamfests &c.

1st Sat each month: Cincinnati-Hartwell OH, sponsored by GCARA, at Hartwell Presbyterian Church. Register 8:30 AM; walk-ins only! All licence classes. Info: Dale Pritchett KC8HJL, 513=769-0789.

2d Mon each month: Edgewood KY, sponsored by NKARA, at Hilltop Church of Christ, 5300 Taylor Mill Rd, Taylor Mill KY 41015. Park in back, pls enter thru basement. Pre-registration preferred, walk-ins accepted as space permits. Info: Lyle Hamilton AB8SH, 513=315-4032. Talk-in 147.22

**2d Thu each month except March & December**: Milford OH, sponsored by Milford ARC at Faith Church, 5910 Price Rd. Register 6 PM. Walk-ins OK. No exam fees at Milford; they use Laurel. Info: Barb Steward KA8AXY, 513=625-8651, <wsteward@fuse.net>

**2d Sat odd months except July:** Hamilton (Butler Co), Butler Co VHF Assn at D Russell Lee Joint Vocational School Communications Ctr, 3603 Hamilton-Middletown Rd (Rt 4). Registration 8:30 AM, exams at 9 AM; walk-ins OK. All licence classes. Info: Ted Wilson K8TCR, 513=868-7012, <twk8tcr@fuse.net>. Talkin 146.97

**In all cases,** tests require 2 IDs (preferably at least one with photo). Bring with you the original, as well as photocopies, of current licence & CSCEs. \$15 is current ARRL/VEC exam fee where applicable; exact change, check or money order appreciated.

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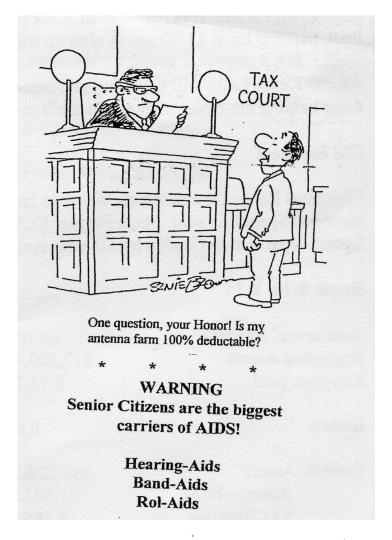
#### February meeting notice!

Our February club meeting will be a tour of the Hamilton County Emergency Management Operations Center. This center is state of the art and is one of the best equipped centers in the country. Our host for this tour will be Ed Frambes K8EAF, who is the Emergency Planning Coordinator for Hamilton County.

Our meeting will be held at the EOC that evening and we will meet there at 7:30 PM sharp. The address of the facility is 2000 Radcliff Drive Cincinnati, Ohio 45204. We will send out driving directions as the meeting draws closer. If anyone need assistance with directions or getting a ride to the facility please contact me and I will try to help out.

73, Gazy KB8MYC

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Got these from Sterling-Rock Falls IL Electron a loooooong time ago! - Ye Ed

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# What's coming in January 2011

Wed Dec 29 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 rptr, NCS Rick KD4PYR

Fri Dec 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE Sat Jan 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY

Tue Jan 4 7:30 PM Club Meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, St Bernard Program: Rod Villari, student/new licensee, on digital

scanners

Wed Jan 5 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 rptr, need NCS pls!!

Fri Jan 7 8:00 PM Amateur Radio Public Svc Corps, Hamilton Co Communications Ofc

Conference Rm, 2377 Civic Ctr Dr – pls park in Bd of Educ lot

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Sat Jan 8 10:00 AM Monthly Oh-Ky-In fox hunt, hounds gather at Mt Storm Park; talk-in to start on 146.67 rptr

Tue Jan 11 7:00 PM Technical Committee meeting if needed, location TBA

Wed Jan 12 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 rptr, NCS Dennis KB8ROA

Wed Jan 19 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 rptr, NCS Brian K4BRI

Fri Jan 21 8:00 PM Queen City Emergency Net, **new** Red Cross HQ, 2111 Dana Av, Evanston

Tue Jan 25 7:30 PM Board of Directors meeting, location varies

Wed Jan 26 9:00 PM Tech Talk on 146.67 rptr, NCS Brian KC8JFN

Tue Feb 1 7:30 PM **Club Meeting/Tour** at Hamilton Co Emergency Mgmt Ops Ctr, 2004 Radcliff Dr., Cincinnati 45204. Ed Frambes K8EAF will host/guide the tour.

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#### News of members, members' kin and students in recent classes

#### George Schneider KC8YJ known as 'Mr. Ambassador'

Loss of eyesight didn't stop his many activities

By Elaine Trumpey for *Cincinnati Enquirer, Lives Remembered*, Tue Dec 7, 2010, page B5 NORWOOD—George W. Schneider was known to fellow ham radio operators as Mr. Ambassador," a nickname conferred on him because he was so welcoming, said Sally Dobson, one of his 3 daughters. Others knew him as George, or by his official call letters, KC8YJ (mistyped in *Enq* as KCBYJ).

Mr. Schneider, 74, died Saturday at his home in Norwood. He had been under the care of Hospice of Cincinnati for multiple health issues since Thanksgiving.

Mr. Schneider was born at home in an apartment building in Norwood that he and his wife Lois later bought as a rental property. He grew up in Oakley, graduated from St Cecilia School and attended Purcell High School before serving in the Air Force in the 1950s. He worked as a welder at Ford Motor Co. plants in Fairfax and Sharonville after leaving the service.

He bought several gas stations in Orlando, Fla. In the 1970s, but returned home to Cincinnati when his vision began to fail, said a son, Victor Schneider.

Being blind never stopped him from living lift to the fullest, his son said. He **George KC8YJ, SK** helped his children deliver the *Cincinnati Post and Times-Star* in their

neighborhood, led Cub Scout Pack 12 as a Webelos leader and helped 2 sons achieve the rank of Eagle Scout.

He also continued to make repairs to the family car despite his vision impairment. One time, Mr. Schneider was changing the starter when an unknowing neighbor offered him a flashlight, Victor Schneider said. "My father politely said 'nope' with a chuckle – not willing to let his blindness stop him." "My father had an uncanny mechanical ability and a common-sense approach to life," Dobson said. "He definitely was the patriarch of our family," she said. "There was his way – and the wrong way." Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Lois; sons George A., Timothy and Victor Schneider, all of Norwood; daughters Susan McFall Of Blue Ash, Sally Dobson of Union, SC and Peggy Hehman of Silver Grove, Ky; a brother, Tony Schneider of Belmont, Mich.; a sister, Mary Alice Craycraft of New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; and 17 grandchildren.

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#### **OH-KY-IN 2011 Committee Appointments**

Technical Committee Russ Hines WB8ZCC, Chair Volunteer Examiners Brian DeYoung K4BRI, Chair Membership Nathan Ciufo KA3MTT, Chair Education Gary Coffey KB8MYC, Chair PIO Bruce Vanselow N8BV O-Fiver Editor Susie Scott N8CGM Historian Dale Vanselow KC8HQS Fox Hunters Chair Dick Arnett WB4SUV DXpedition Coordinator Eric Neiheisel N8YC WebMeister Dale Vanselow KC8HOS Tech Talk Net Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV Fundraising Chair Bruce Vanselow N8BV TVI/RFI Chair Dick Arnett WB4SUV

ARPSC Representative Peter J Feichtner III KC8BZM OCEN Representative Peter J Feichtner III KC8BZM WARN Representative Peter J Feichtner III KC8BZM Repeater Control Ops Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV Librarian open Field Day Chair Eric Neiheisel N8YC Special Publications Jo Haltermon KD4PYS Equipment Mgr Brian Fulmer KC8FJN [n8yc@arrl.net] 513=598-1659 Silent Key Chair Bruce Vanselow N8BV K8SCH QSL Mgr Gerry Weimer KD8ASL Kenneth E. Wolf N8WYC Life Members John W. Hughes AI4DA  $\texttt{D}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}^{\bullet,00} = \texttt{M}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}^{\bullet,00} = \texttt{M}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}_{00,,00} \texttt{D} \texttt{M}_{00,00} = \texttt{M}_{00,00} \texttt{M}_{00,00} = \texttt{M}_{00,00} \texttt{M}_{00,00} = \texttt{M}$ 

Visitation was 4-7 PM Wednesday at Naegele, Kleb & Ihlendorf Funeral Home, 3900 Montgomery Rd, Norwood. Mass of Christian Burial was 11 AM Thursday at Holy Trinity Church, 2420 Drex Ave in Norwood, with visitation at the church beginning at 10 AM Thursday.

Memorials can be made to Troop 9, Boy Scouts of America, 2201 Cleaney Ave, Cincinnati OH 45212 or to Conlon-Plogman Scholarship Fund (Firefighters), 4725 Montgomery Rd, Cincinnati OH 45212. Permission to reprint was granted by the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Eric Neiheisel N8YC's father Earl Neiheisel passed away on December 12th after a long illness. He was 84 years old. Anyone who is familiar with the Cheviot area has seen his music studio on Glenmore Ave, where it has been a fixture for many years. Mr. Neiheisel was also the father of Sonja M (Ray) Tinker, grandfather of 5, great-grandfather of 2. Visitation was at the Gump Holt Funeral Home, 3440 Glenmore Ave. on Thursday December 16th from 5-8 pm. Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Martin of Tours Church, also in Cheviot at 10 am on Friday December 17th. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Cincinnati, PO Box 633597 (45263-3567). Copy provided by Dennis Fox KB8ROA to reflector, also Cincinnati Enquirer

Congratulations to Marji Garrett on her first callsign KJ4ZKC (until she picks a vanity call!) & Jerry Shipp (formerly KB8UBG) on his new call. He is now W1SCR.73, ..... Bzuce N8BV

Volunteers are badly needed for **the audit committee!** We need three people to serve. This is a very important audit since we have a new treasurer, Fred K9OHE, taking over. Thanks! 73, Gazy KB8 MYC

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#### Those passing the Nov 13 VE exams are.....

Michael Herman Rodrick Villari Adam Colwell John Landrum Charles Carter Greg Turner Alan Turner James Spurlock Marji Garrett Robert Withers Charles Bishop Michael Bricker John Shipp 73, Bzian K4BRI, VE Chair

> Copy deadline for February 2011 Q Fiver is Wednesday, January 19 Feb mtg is Tue Feb 1!

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