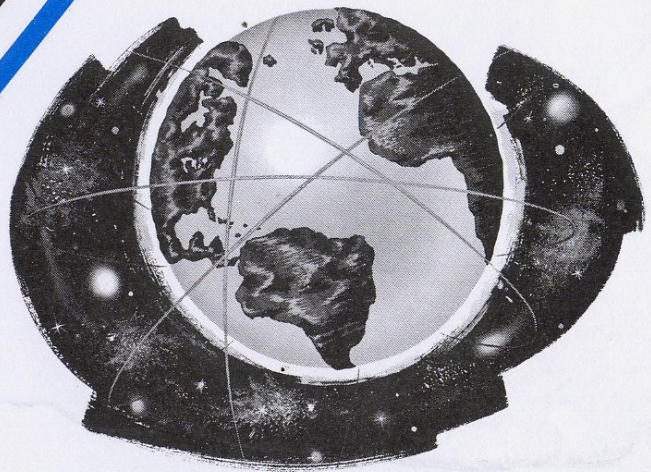




# THE Q-FIVE

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**Our 53d Year of Service to Cincinnati in Amateur Radio.**  
 A Special Service Club of the American Radio Relay League  
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146.670 (-) Clifton 146.925 (-) Colerain Twp. 146.625 (-) Withamsville  
 PL tone of 123 Hz required for access  
 APRS: K8SCH-10 Edgewood WIDE, on 144.39

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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. Please come in the doors at street level, facing the high school. Visitors ALWAYS welcome!

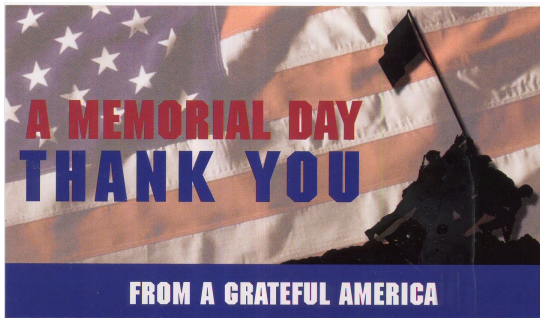
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*The Q-FIVER* is **now** mailed and e-mailed, it's hoped, **7 days before the club meeting**. Normal copy deadline is the weekend before that. Please send submissions for *The Q-FIVER* (including notice of upgrades & call sign changes) to Ye Ed Susie N8CGM. These may be:

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### **April Showers Brought May Flowers**

Spring has finally sprung! Time to get outside, get the yard cleaned up and make any antenna repairs that Old Man Winter might have caused. For me, it was finally getting my new beam in the air (thanks to K4BRI & KC8FJN for their invaluable help). It has just been nice to open the windows and let some fresh air in.

Thanks to Duffy WB8NUT for an excellent meeting program on digital modes. If you have not yet tried digital, you should. With the computers most of us have in the shack these days, these modes are very simple and relatively inexpensive to do. Most software needed is available for free. We always talk about getting youth interested in our hobby, digital modes may well be one of the best ways.

The foundation of Amateur Radio is public service. Our May program will feature just that. We will have a presentation on the Hamilton County Board of Health POD system. Amateur radio plays a vital role in this program. Several of our club members are active in the service. Please attend and learn how vital our role is!

With warm weather here, several club events are right around the corner. Be sure to listen to the repeater messages and check the Club's web page often for the latest. Also, be sure to use our repeaters. Make an effort to get on the repeater on throw your call out. Hear someone calling? Be sure to answer back and strike up a good QSO, you'll be surprised how often others will join in. Hope to see you soon!

73 *Gazy KB8MYC*

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### **Next meeting**

For our monthly meeting on May 7, Dave Nutini from the Hamilton County Board of Health will explain what "P.O.D.S" are, why you can't have THESE pods for dinner, and how they might save your life in an emergency.

OH-KY-IN meets at the St. Bernard Municipal Building (Rec. Hall) at 120 Washington Ave. in St. Bernard (corner of Washington & Tower), on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30PM. Go in through the doors that face the high school on Washington. For more information, please click [HERE](#).

Visitors are ALWAYS welcome! WE'LL SEE YOU THERE!

73 *Russ WB8ZCC*

## **Minutes of OH-KY-IN Members' Meeting, April 2, 2013**

The April 2, 2013 meeting of the OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society was called to order at 7:38PM on Tuesday April 2, 2013, by President Gary Coffey KB8MYC, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and self-introductions. There were no new licenses or upgrades, no health and welfare information, and nothing for the brag session.

There was a motion and second to approve the Minutes of the last two Members' Meetings as printed in the *Q-Fiver*. The motion passed unanimously.

Gary KB8MYC announced that there are currently 84 members.

Treasurer Brian DeYoung K4BRI presented the Treasurer's Report. He will add information about the VE Fund to future Reports. The Report was filed for audit.

The Tech Committee met on Tuesday March 19 at the site of the 146.67 repeater. After some clean up, the receiving pre-amp was removed after it was determined to be the cause of receiving issues, followed by some work on installing battery backup. Additional work will be done at this site.

Bob Gulley AK3Q stepped up to organize Spring Licensing Classes for Technician and General Class Licenses. They will be held the first, second, fourth and fifth Thursdays of May, followed by examinations on June 1. An Extra Class License class will be included in the Fall classes.

Fox hunts resume on Saturday April 13 promptly at 10:00AM; meet in Mt. Storm Park.

Tech Talk is going as usual.

There was no Old Business.

New Business began with Jim WD8NMT reporting on his experience with Delhi Township, which wanted him to remove his tower, which was not permitted when built. Jim contacted Harry KM4CS and followed his advice, which included giving the Township Attorney a copy of the FCC regs. The Township dropped its action.

Dale KC8HQ5 told of a "Pow Wow" in Hamilton on the evening of April 18.

Bruce N8BV announced that Red, White and Blue Ash is on for July 1. Jerry W1SCR reported that the St. Bernard event will be held on July 4, complete with an operating amateur radio station. Volunteers will be needed for each event.

There was a good report on QCEN activities and of use of their 442.27 repeater (PL 123).

Duffy WB8NUT gave an interesting program on select digital modes and related matters, including DSTAR and digital voice modes.

After Split the Pot and the Random Number Drawing, the meeting adjourned at 8:44PM.

Respectfully submitted, *Fred Schneider K9OHE*, Secretary

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## **Minutes of OH-KY-IN Board Meeting, March 26, 2013**

The meeting opened at 7:00PM by President Gary Coffey KB8MYC. All board members were present, except Fred Schneider K9OHE.

The Minutes of the February Board meeting were presented, two corrections were noted. Jerry Shipp W1SCR noted his name was misspelled under old business and that the correct amount of the expenditure for copying was \$27.18. Minutes were approved as amended, motion by Brian K4BRI, second by Russ WB9ZCC.

## **Membership Report**

Membership was reported to be at 84. Two renewals were received after the email reminder. Motion was made by Bruce N8BV, seconded by Jerry W1SCR, to proceed with sending postcards to those on the 2 year non-renewal list. The cost of the cards is not to exceed \$50.00 Gary KB8MYC will take care of sending the cards.

*These Minutes continued on page 8. -Ye Ed*

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April **Brunch Bunch** was held Saturday, April 13 at 1PM, at City Barbeque in Bridgetown, 6475 Glenway Avenue, 45211. No picture was taken.

For the May Brunch Bunch we'll be at the Chili Time Restaurant located at 4727 Vine Street in St. Bernard on Saturday, May 11. As usual, we'll gather at 1PM.

For a look at the menu as well as directions to Chili Time and more, go to: [www.chilitime.net](http://www.chilitime.net)

Having the Brunch Bunch in St. Bernard again gives those who attend the opportunity to help set up and then operate the **K8SCH Special Event Station** that will operate from the St. Bernard Community Block Party, just across the street at Vine Street Park, on that same day.

The Brunch Bunch meets the second Saturday of each month at 1PM at a restaurant to be determined each month. If you have a favorite restaurant that you think would be good place for the Brunch Bunch to meet, please let me know.

Hope to see you at Chili Time on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

73, ..... *Bruce N8BV*

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That's right, folks - the monthly **Oh-Ky-In Foxhunt** is back, as of April! Our monthly foxhunt is held on the 2d Saturday of each month, start time is 10 AM. Setup usually occurs at least 30 minutes prior to the hunt start – at 10:00:01 we are **gone!** We begin at Mt. Storm Park in Clifton. Come out & see how we set up, look at our equipment, ride along if you like, or give it a try yourself. It is surprisingly easy to get started, & we will help anyone who wants to get into it. We will monitor the 146.67 repeater before the hunt if anyone needs directions or any other info. See you there!

73 - *Brian K4BRJ*

CINCINNATI **Delta Kings** Barbershop Chorus  
67th Annual Extravaganza  
**A VERY CIVIL WAR**  
An Original Musical Comedy by Bruce Newhall  
Saturday, June 15th, 2013 at 2pm and 8pm  
at Deer Park High School  
8351 Plainfield Road  
Admission: Adults \$15.00 - Children \$5.00  
1-888-796-8555 • [www.deltakings.org](http://www.deltakings.org)  
SPECIAL GUESTS: 2012 International Seniors Champions, RUSTY PIPES

Brad WD9HDZ still sings, Bob W8JSO has retired from chorus. That's 67<sup>th</sup> Annual --

#### **Public Service: Chinese Amateurs Assist in China**

**Earthquake's Aftermath** On the morning of Sat, April 20, a powerful earthquake measuring 7.0 on the Richter scale struck Ya'an City in China's Sichuan province. The epicenter was near Lushan County. As of Wed, April 24, almost 200 people had been killed and more than 11,000 people injured. Radio amateurs in Sichuan Province took immed action. *More ft pg 7*

### **Radio's Plus**

**Joe Davidson KB8SBN**

**11641 Colthar Drive**

**Bethel OH 45106-9669**

**513 = 752-9570**

## DX Spots – May 2013 de Nathan KA3MTT

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue  | Wed   | Thu   | Fri  | Sat  |
|---|--|--|---|---|--|--|
|   |  |  | 1<br>A35UD – Tonga<br>thru 5-7<br>- - -<br><a href="#">5T1FOC – Mauritania thru 5-31</a>                              | 2<br>KH0 – Mariana Isl thru 5-5<br> | 3<br>ES1 – South Cook Isl thru 5-31<br>- - -<br>SU8N – Egypt thru 5-19<br>- - -<br><a href="#">VK9NT- Norfolk thru 5-13</a>          | 4<br>V31RD – Belize thru 5-18<br> |
| 5<br>A35JP – Tonga thru 5-22<br> | 6  | 7<br><a href="#">C91GR – Mozambique thru 5-11</a><br> | 8<br>KH0 – Mariana Isl thru 5-12<br> | 9<br>VP2E – Anguilla thru 5-16<br>  | 10   | 11<br>TO12PF – Reunion thru 5-12<br>- - -<br>CT9 – Madeira thru 5-20   |
| 12  | 13<br>8Q - Maldives thru 5-26<br>- - -<br>6V7S – Senegal thru 5-10 | 14   | 15<br><b>No new DXCC approvals in past month --</b>   | 16<br><b>Oh well.</b><br><i>Ye Ed</i>   | 17   | 18   |
| 19  | 20   | 21   | 22  | 23  | 24<br><a href="#">MJ – Jersey thru 5-30</a><br> | 25   |
| 26  | 27   | 28   | 29  | 30  | 31   |  |

For the 3d time in the world, **The Day of YLs** will be held on 18 and 19 May 2013. This weekend is intended to gather on the air all amateur radio women around the world and, of course, all OMs are invited to participate. A world wide meeting that you cannot/ought not miss. Please do participate! For more information, please see <http://www.eurao.org/en/node/472>

I Info from *Robert Nemitz K9SA7*

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**Please check expiration date on your Amateur License!**

Tho there's a 2 year grace period for renewals (remains in effect) , you may no longer operate if your license has expired.

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## Contests

May 2013

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| 3-5   | 10-10 Spring CW Contest; Microwave Spring Sprint; 7 <sup>th</sup> Area QSO Party; IN QSO Party; Radio Club of America QSO Party; ARI International DX contest; New England QSO Party; 2 GHz and up Contest; Worked All Britain LF Phone (160m-40m)                |
| 7     | ARS Spartan Sprint, CW; OK1WC Memorial contest, CW & SSB  |
| 8     | CWops Mini-CWT  |
| 9     | NAQCC Monthly QRP Sprint  |
| 11-12 | Armed Forces Communications Test; CQ-M International DX contest; Portuguese Navy Day, SSB & CW; NV Mustang Roundup, all modes; Alessandro Volta RTTY DX Contest; FISTS Spring Sprint, CW; 50 MHz Spring Sprint; EUCW Fraternizing CW Party; Worldwide EME Contest |
| 18-19 | 3d Annual Day of YLs, pls see under <i>DX Spots</i> pg 6  |
| 18-20 | Worldwide EME Contest; EU PSK DX Contest; Baltic Contest; Portuguese Navy Day, Digital; His Majesty, the King of Spain, Contest, CW; Feld-Hell Hamvention Sprint, digital; Run for the Bacon, CW  |
| 25-27 | CQ WW WPX, CW; QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint, CW; MI QRP Memorial Day CW sprint   |

Spring - Antenna work and contests to try them out! For more information: please see *QST*, *CQ*, or

<http://www.arrl.org/contests/>

73, *Dan KJ4AV*

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Hi Folks!

The next round of **classes for Technician and General class licensing** will be in May:

Starting Date May 2, 2013 Ending Date May 30, 2013 Time 7-9PM Thursdays

Class Level Technician and General, 4 sessions, pre-registration required

Exam fee of \$15 at time of exam

No pre-study required Exam June 1 9AM

Tech class: faculty varied, General Class: Brian K4BRI

Sponsored by OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society

Books Required (to be purchased by student): *Technician Class: Ham Radio License Manual*, 2d edition

-Technician (\*\*make sure to get the 2d edition!\*\*), *General Class: General Class License Manual*, 7<sup>th</sup> edition

Both available at ARRL, R&L Electronics, Amazon or other online sources

- 5 week session with 4 classes (note: no class on May 16) Thursdays, 7-9PM

-Homework and study required between classes!

-Exam June 1 9AM at St. Bernard City Bldg, 110 Washington Ave, St. Bernard (Cincinnati Area)

OH 45217 Contact email: [classes@ohkyin.org](mailto:classes@ohkyin.org)

For further questions feel free to contact me!

73 *Robert AK3Q* @ak3q.com

=*China Earthquake* pg 5 Liu Hu BD8AAA & BA8DX led a team to the disaster area to provide emergency communication services.

*Ye Ed*: At least this was allowed! Pls read more in *ARRL Ltr* 4-25-13, reprint OK given

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### **Treasury Report**

Treasurer report by Brian K4BRI. All banking has been changed over to Brian K4BRI, Fred K9OHE has been removed from the account. The final phone bill for .925 has been received. Bruce N8BV requested that future Treasurer's reports contain a breakdown of accounts, such as VE fund. Brian K4BRI will take care of this.

Discussion was held regarding the debit card, which was received for our checking account. Consensus was that the card should be held by the Treasurer and used for authorized expenses as needed. Any motion authorizing a purchase should include, if applicable, the authorization to use the card.

### **Committee Reports**

Technical – Work meeting was held at the .67 site on 3/16. Those in attendance were Russ WB8ZCC, Bruce N8BV, Brian FulmerKC8FJN, Fred K9OHE, Jerry W1SCR, & Dennis McGrath KD8ILY. A bad preamp at the site was determined to be the issue with noise, it has been removed. Russ WB8ZCC will replace the Vertex with the Motorola for improved sensitivity and place the Arcomm controller back in service. If this does not improve sensitivity we will look at replacing the preamp. Work is beginning, on a fast track, to reapply for a UHF frequency pair.

Education – Classes coming soon. Robert Gulley AK3Q has volunteered to assist with education projects.

### **Meeting Program**

Duffy WB8NUT will do a digital mode presentation. Meeting programs are covered through August. Russ WB8ZCC will send out an updated schedule

### **Old Business**

Jerry W1SCR reported the St. Bernard Block Party will be on 5/11. We will do an event station / display once again.

Gary KB8MYC reported the LCD projector is in. Final cost was \$249.00 Brian K4BRI has the receipt and will reimburse him for the expense

Russ WB8ZCC asked about updates to the website. He will continue work on the ARRL renewal buttons.

### **New Business**

Bruce N8BV reported he has received the paperwork for us to work at Red White & Blue Ash on 7/4. He completed the form and returned it to the vendor requesting we work one beer booth, as usual. Also, Bruce N8BV has received a QSL card from November Sweeps.

Jerry W1SCR reported we will once again work a booth at the St. Bernard 4<sup>th</sup> of July event.

Russ WB8ZCC brought up that he & Duffy WB8NUT are beginning work on a homebrew UHF DStar repeater. No club funds will be spent; however, they may seek a home for it. Russ WB8ZCC also continues to work on internet for the .67 site.

No other business was presented; motion by Brian K4BRI, second by Paul KD8JDF to adjourn at 8:45PM.

Minutes by *Gazy Coffey KB8MYC*, President and Secretary Pro Tem

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**Ohio Section News for April 21, 2013** no room for 100%, pls see <http://www.arrl-ohio.org> for rest

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- Public Info Coordinator Notes – 2013 Ohio Section Newsletter Contest

- Inside the Web - Special Event Stations in Ohio

- From the Desk of the Section Manager

### **Anthony Luscre K8ZT Appointed ASM Educational Outreach**

Please welcome Anthony Luscre K8ZT of Stow, Ohio as Assistant Section Manager (ASM), Educational Outreach.

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Anthony will work with ASM E Mike McCardel KC8YLD for the newly formed Educational & Youth Outreach program for the ARRL Ohio Section.

Anthony is Director of Technology for Mogadore Local Schools ([www.mogadore.net](http://www.mogadore.net)). He is involved in Technology Integration in Classroom, Technology Curriculum Development and Technology Support.

He is a frequent speaker at a variety of Educational Technology Conferences, including -eTech Ohio Technology Conference, FETC (Florida Educational Tech Conf.) & numerous regional conferences.

Anthony has been involved in both Computer Technology (first as private consultant & for past 17 years with school districts) & Medical Technology (with a previous career as a Medical Technologist working in Clinical Microbiology). In 1990s his first ventures into computers with Packet Radio, Nodes & Mailbox Systems and computer logging later turned into a new career in computer technology.

Originally licensed as a Novice in 1981 as KA8NRC, along with wife Linda KA8ODP, Anthony now holds an Extra Class license. He is an ARRL Life Member & a member & past officer of the Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club. He is also a member of QRP-ARCI, G-QRP & Flying Pigs QRP Clubs.

He has been an active club member, taking part in public service events & serving in a variety of club offices (VP, President, Education Committee & Field Day Chair). He has presented programs on QRP, Con-testing, DXing & Go-Boxes & Portable Operations at many local & regional radio clubs. He also has been active as a writer for a number of Amateur Radio newsletters & magazines including previous ARRL Web-site QRP columns, New Products Editor at *CQ Magazine* & a column in the *QRP Quarterly*. He manages & provides contact for a number of websites including a general interest Ham Radio site at [www.k8zt.com](http://www.k8zt.com), along with a School District Site & a Digital Literacy & Technology Skills site [www.SearchFindKnow.com](http://www.SearchFindKnow.com).

Snip 8< ... Anthony provided us with the following on his vision for serving in his new appointment--

"As an educator involved at the classroom, district, regional & state levels I plan to interact with a large number of educators interested in STEM at Ohio schools. My experience with the ARRL Education & Technology Program (ETP) Teachers Academy TI-1 (Teachers Wireless Institute) & TI-2 (Space in the Classroom) will allow me to leverage these resources to make information from them available to larger numbers of educators throughout the state of Ohio. I also hope to encourage additional Ohio teachers to apply to these programs (which are still accepting applications for this summer-- <http://www.arrl.org/news/applications-for-teachers-institute-etp-grants-due-in-may>). Last year I was able to receive an ETP grant to provide equipment for our school's budding radio club & hope to help other Ohio educators in this endeavor.

I am very familiar & active in a number of educator resource sites & can "inject" Amateur Radio based STEM lessons into these general resource sites. I will establish an online community to support Ohio Educators interested in Amateur Radio in the Classroom utilizing Edmodo or other educational community services, where teachers can interact, find &/or upload lesson plans & ideas, setup class-to-class relationships across different districts. I feel that my interactions with a number of radio clubs will allow me to pair up interested teachers with local clubs as resources. I feel confident in speaking the language of educators while providing the message of Amateur Radio.

Please feel free to contact me for any assistance in these areas at <[k8zt@arrl.net](mailto:k8zt@arrl.net)>"

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### **Ohio ARES updates** (as compiled from W8DEC's "Ohio SEC Notes & Stuff")

The ARES Forum at Dayton Hamvention is confirmed for Sunday, May 19, 2013 at 10:30AM in Room 3. I have two open seats on the EMCOMM Panel. Currently, I have Eastern Massachusetts SEC Rob Macedo KD1CY and ARRL Emergency Preparedness Asst Ken Bailey K1FUG. If you're interested in being on the EMCOMM Panel for the ARES Forum at Dayton Hamvention, please contact me directly at [w8dec@arrl.net](mailto:w8dec@arrl.net).

The All Ohio ARES Conference has been confirmed for Saturday, Nov 9, 2013 at the Ohio Fire Academy

in Reynoldsburg, OH. Please make note of the date change. Conference planning is still underway. Please consider this announcement as a second call for speakers and presenters. Anyone interested in presenting at the conference is asked to please contact me at [w8dec@arrl.net](mailto:w8dec@arrl.net) with your presentation topic. I have received one topic so far and it definitely fits the bill. This conference is open to all past, present, & future amateur radio volunteers. Last year, there were 105 participants in attendance. There was an emcomm vehicle display, license examination, & one of the largest go-box displays I've ever seen! If you're working on a go-box or communications trailer, please make November 9 your target date for debut!

Plans are underway to activate the Ohio Digital Emergency Net (OHDEN) for Field Day this year. One of the purposes of activation is to help move Field Day NTS Messages for the Section Manager or Section Emergency Coordinator (FD Rule 7.3.5). OHDEN Manager Gary NJ8BB tells me he actively seeks Net Control Stations. Anyone interested in being a Net Control Station for OHDEN on Field Day is asked to contact Gary NJ8BB at [<nj8bb@ohden.org>](mailto:nj8bb@ohden.org).

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### Notes from the Section Traffic Mgr

First things first, I want to congratulate Dick N8CJS who this month has been elected the new net manager for the Ohio Single Sideband Net. Dick steps up from assistant manager to take a leadership role for one of the premier traffic nets in the National Traffic System. Please wish him well & support him & the OSSBN, so we can continue to make the Ohio section a proud part of the National Traffic System. Generate some traffic by sending Dick a congratulatory radiogram. I also want to thank Don WB8SIQ as the outgoing net manager for his years of service to the OSSBN.

OSSBN meets three times a day 365 days a year on 3972.5 kHz & has never ever been overloaded or unable to handle the quantity of traffic brought to the net. This net is always on the top of the scoring for the annual SET exercise. The OSSBN along with the Buckeye CW nets move traffic in & out of all corners of the state of Ohio, & its members are prominent supporters of the regional Eighth Region net & liaison to the Eastern area net. The four Ohio digital relay stations are all members of the OSSBN. Many OSSBN members are also ARES members in their own areas.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank George WB8HHZ for his support of the National Traffic System. George has been a longtime member of the Ohio ARRL cabinet, an ARES member, a District Emergency Coordinator in Northwest Ohio & a retired firefighter. George has informed us that he will move to Florida shortly to live & will continue his ham radio operation from there.

Don't forget that the Dayton Hamvention is next month & that the Great Lakes ARRL Convention is planned for the Columbus hamfest in August. More detail on the Great Lakes Convention as they become available.

Last month I wrote about tornados because it was the start of the severe weather season. But if you are caught in a severe weather situation or major disaster will you be ready to protect yourself, your family & help your neighbors survive? This month I would like to give some suggestions for you to accomplish all three of these situations & still be able to respond with your radio to the relief effort if needed. (read rest on Section website pls - *Ye Ed*)

Snip8<...

73, *David Maynard WA3EZN* Ohio Section Traffic Manager <[wa3ezn@arrl.net](mailto:wa3ezn@arrl.net)>

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### Affiliated Club News -- The Ham Radio Bucket List

I am sure we all are aware of what a "Bucket List" is. Popularized by a movie "The Bucket List" starring Morgan Freeman & Jack Nicholson, two people who were told they had limited time left on earth embarked on an adventure to fulfill their dreams, before they kicked-the-bucket.

I was recently inspired by a post to the AMSAT-BB list by Les Rayburn N1LF. He recalled his meager &

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poor beginnings in ham radio 40 years ago, barely affording his simple station. He went on to state "My Elmer used to let me borrow his copy of *QST* & I'd dream about all the great adventures that I'd have "someday" in ham radio. Being a child of the Space Age, key articles among them were anything related to the New Frontier.

"EME (Moonbounce), Meteor Scatter, & satellites all seemed like the stuff of science fiction---& I longed to experience them all. But they were exotic, & required equipment far beyond my reach. I resolved to accomplish them all someday & added them to a sort of ham radio "bucket list" that I hoped to accomplish before my ham career was over."

Well 5 years ago he checked off the first of this list after working meteor scatter with the aid of WSJT soft-ware. More recently he made his first satellite QSO with Art K4YYL on FO-29, a Japanese amateur satellite.

This hit home with me because working the ISS was one of the reasons I got my ticket 10 years ago. It only took me 8 years to get around to building & working a satellite ground station. I still haven't talked directly with someone on the ISS but I have bounced packets through it & have made other satellite QSOs. What finally got me started was a demo by an 18 year old student who convinced me, I could do it.

All this got me to thinking, what might be on other folks' Ham Radio Bucket Lists & how can we help each other achieve the challenges on them. This has the makings of a great club project written all over it. It might also lead to common knowledge, expertise & confidence to turn new accomplishments into educational tools that can be shared as "look what I just did" moments.

This all leads us to this month's club challenge. What if club members shared their bucket lists with each other & worked together to make them happen, or perhaps, making up a club bucket list & start chipping away at it. Regardless, the challenge is to get together share information, learn & do something new and exciting. I wonder how much Helium I need to carry a Raspberry Pi with a camera to a height of 100,000'.

I would be really interested on hearing back from anyone who takes up this challenge.

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Until next time get out of meeting mode!

73, *E Mike McCatzdel KC8YLD* ARRL Asst Section Mgr - Education & Youth Outreach, ARRL Ohio Section Affiliated Club Coordinator (interim) <[kc8yld@arrl.net](mailto:kc8yld@arrl.net)>

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**State Govt Liaison Notes – Homeowner's Assns & Antenna Restrictions, despite PRB-1**; pls see on website, highly complicated snip 8<...

(Legal stuff: The following is not intended as, and should not be construed as legal advice. If you have a question concerning planned community regulation, you are encouraged to consult with legal counsel.)

73, *Nicholas Pittnez, K8NAP* ARRL Ohio State Government Liaison <[k8nap@arrl.net](mailto:k8nap@arrl.net)>

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**Public Info Coordinator Report**

It is time again for the Annual ARRL Ohio Section Amateur Radio Newsletter Contest. This contest has become very popular & there have been obvious improvements to the newsletters over the years. This was the objective of then Ohio Section Public Information Coordinator (Joe Phillips K8QOE, SK) when he created it back in 1992..."

First place winner of this year's contest will be submitted to the Great Lakes Convention Newsletter Contest, to represent the Ohio Section. And now, the official rules: *listed on website* ... snip 8<...

... in conclusion, know who are writing to, get your release the attention it deserves, & know who the con-tact person is for your event and use them for their expertise. As always if you have any questions or disa-gree with me PLEASE contact me.

73, *Jack Sovik KB8WPZ* ARRL Ohio Section Public Information Coordinator <[kb8wpz@arrl.net](mailto:kb8wpz@arrl.net)>

## Inside the Web



*N8SY & KI8GW above in new OH Section shirts, at Cuyahoga Falls Fest. Barbershoppers often say when forming new quartet, “Get Shirts & Socks!”*

*Please read what precedes on Section website ...*

Snip8< ... Now for the Final.. Microsoft’s latest operating system “Windows 8” was reported recently by PC World as not selling so good in the business world. It seems that businesses aren’t all that cracked up over the idea of the touch screen for its users. I have to say, I think Microsoft needs to completely re-think this program & look for something that is more down to earth & realistic.

Have you noticed a gallery of pictures from recent hamfests posted on the website lately? I’ve been trying to get all the pictures taken from folks from each of these events & getting them posted on the website for all to see. Right now there are pictures from the Cuyahoga Falls hamfest posted. There’s one picture in particular that you’ll want to see (shown here) that’s of Frank and me in our new green Ohio Section shirts. Why green you ask? That’s to honor Joe Phillips K8QOE (SK). For those who don’t remember, Joe used to wear this very dated polyester green jacket to every event. It was so 70s... So, to honor Joe’s memory we now have green Ohio Section shirts that the Cabinet will wear to events like these. Oh, speaking of new things... Have you noticed the new Ohio Section logo on the website? (see also above) Take a look, if you are a true Ohioan, you’ll appreciate it.

That’s going to do it for this month...

73, *Scott Yonally N8SY* ARRL Assistant Section Manager / Webmaster <n8sy@n8sy.com>

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Great Big Snip – please read rest on Section website 8<....  
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### Special Event Stations in Ohio Section

05/03/2013 -- 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Battles of Fort Meigs in 1813

May 3-May 5, 1400Z-2200Z, W8FO, Toledo, OH. Northwest Ohio Chapter 142; QCWA Toledo OH. 14.225 7.245 3.965 .. QSL. Kurt Meyers, W8IQ, 3680 Schneider Rd, Toledo OH 43614.

05/04/2013 -- Commemorating 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Dudley’s Massacre during War of 1812

May 4, 1500Z-2100Z, W8H, Maumee, OH. Toledo Mobile Radio Association. 14.270 7.270; 7.075 PSK 31. QSL. Toledo Mobile Radio Association, PO Box 9673, Toledo OH 43697. [www.tmrahmradio.org](http://www.tmrahmradio.org)

05/04/2013 -- Hopalong Cassidy -- May 4, 1400Z-2200Z, W8VP, Cambridge, OH. Cambridge Amateur Radio Assn. 14.260 7.235. Certificate & QSL. Cambridge Amateur Radio Assn, PO Box 1804, Cambridge OH 43725. William Boyd *a.k.a.*

Hopalong Cassidy, local hero. 5<sup>th</sup> Special Event in CARA's year-long 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. QSL. Certificate available for anyone who works ALL 12 of CARA's monthly Special Events of 2013. [www.w8vp.org](http://www.w8vp.org)

05/16/2013 -- Feld Hell Club Dayton Hamvention Special Event. May 16-May 18, 1420Z-1420Z, W8H, Dayton OH. Feld Hell Club. 14.063 7.077. QSL. Joe Miller, 6928 Forest Park Ct, Troy, MI 48098.

[www.feldhellclub.org](http://www.feldhellclub.org)

**Upcoming Hamfests/Conventions** – please see **Hamfests &c. May-June 2013** which follows Frank KI8GW

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## From the Section Manager's Desk ...

April has been a roller coaster of emotions. My thoughts & prayers go out to John Lehman K8PJ on the sudden death of his only son, who was murdered while working at a McDonald's in Akron. Later reports indicate they caught the suspect, & we find that John's son's selfless act might have saved many lives.

The events during the Boston Marathon this past week have stirred many emotions. From an Amateur Radio volunteer standpoint, we must now understand why we need to stay on top of ICS training. One never knows when a Marathon, Bike Tour, 5K Run will turn into an Incident Command scenario. I encourage all ARES leaders & volunteers to take advantage of this free training from FEMA.

On the brighter side of this past month, I have been making the Hamfest scene around Ohio. We had ARRL tables at the Cuyahoga Falls ARC Hamfest, & just this past weekend in Jackson County for the Jackson ARC Hamfest. Both Hamfests were great events, & I enjoyed visiting & speaking with everyone who came by (& I got some neat buys at both events!). Next weekend I'll be in Athens, along with several other members of the Ohio Section Cabinet. Stop by & spend some time with us!

This is the last Section News before the Dayton Hamvention. It's amazing how time is flying by. Once again the Ohio Section will host a booth in the ARRL Expo area. Please stop by & visit us!

Until next time, be safe my friends...

73, *Frank Pipetz K9BGW* ARRL Ohio Section Manager <ki8gw@arrl.org>

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## Hamfests &c.

May-June 2013

11 Louisa KY Hamfest sponsored by by Big Sandy ARC at First Baptist Church Family Life Ctr, 301 W Pike St. 8AM-2PM. Fleas, handicapped access, refreshments, tailgating. \$5. Talk-in: 147.39 (127.3 Hz) Info: Tom Lykins K4LID, 606=638-4735, [k4lid@panix.com](mailto:k4lid@panix.com), [www.bsarc.org](http://www.bsarc.org)

17-19 Dayton HamVention sponsored by Dayton ARA at Hara Arena, 1001 Shiloh Springs Rd, Trotwood OH. Fri 8AM-6PM, Sat 8AM-5PM, Sun 8AM-1PM. Dealers, acres of fleas, handicapped access, QSL card checking, refreshments, seminars, tailgating, VE exams\*. *Every amateur should go at least once!—QST.* Awards, operating station, "ARRL Expo" area, bookstore, project building booth, ARRL Youth activities. Advance \$20 (DebcO & R&L have traditionally had advance tickets), door \$25, valid all 3 days. Talk-in: 146.94, 442.1. Info: Charles Kaiser KD8JZR, 937=276-6930, [info@hamvention.org](mailto:info@hamvention.org), [www.hamvention.org](http://www.hamvention.org)

\*All classes of Amateur license exams will be given at Hara Arena on Fri May 17, 12N-6PM & Sat May 18, 9:30AM-12N & 1:30PM-5 PM. Exams to be given on a first-come, first-served basis. No pre-registration is available, unless special testing accommodation is required (large print exams available at regular test sessions). If you need your exam read to you or you cannot climb a flight of steps, please email [exams@hamvention.org](mailto:exams@hamvention.org) to advise them how they can accommodate you & which session you wish to attend. **There is no fee for these exams. Each applicant must have:**

- 1) Original current amateur radio license (to show VE team & copy for file, if any).
- 2) Original & copy of any CSCE or other paperwork which to be submitted for credit.
- 3) Government issued photo ID (i.e. driver's license or passport)

Application process requires either Social Security Number (SSN) or FCC Registration Number (FRN). If you have had any correspondence with the FCC in the past few years, they may have already issued you a FRN. The FRN has been printed on amateur licenses issued in recent years. If you have other FCC licenses, you may have a FRN from that. If you don't have a FRN & prefer not to give out your SSN, or don't have a SSN, please visit the FCC website at <http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls>

Jn 1 Princeton KY Hamfest at Princeton Fire Training Ctr, 2001 Hwy 62 W. 8AM-1PM. Dealers, fleas, handicapped access, refreshments, tailgating, ARRL VE exams; register 8:30AM, exams all classes 9AM. \$5. Talk-in: 145.23 (179.9 Hz) Info: Mike Taylor N4MHT, 270=365-7777, [n4mht@mchsi.com](mailto:n4mht@mchsi.com), [www.w4kbl.org](http://www.w4kbl.org)

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Tedrow OH Hamfest at Roth Family Park, 101 Hill Ave, sponsored by Fulton Co ARC. 8AM-1PM. Fleas, tailgating, VE exams. \$3. Talk-in: 147.195. Info: Lindsay Infante K8LI, 419=346-8261, [lindsayinf@yahoo.com](mailto:lindsayinf@yahoo.com), [k8bxq.org](http://k8bxq.org)

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### VE exam opportunities

**Wed May 1:** Verity Lodge Miami University-Middletown, Middletown, OH sponsored by DIAL ARC. Registry opens 6PM, to be completed by 7PM; exams begin 6:30PM. No fee. Talk-in on W8BLV/R 146.61 (-600) 77 Hz PL.

**1st Sat each month:** Cincinnati-Hartwell OH at Hartwell Presbyterian Church. Register 8:30 AM; walk-ins only! ARRL exams, so fee's payable. All license classes. Info: Dale Pritchett KC8HJL, 513=769-0789, [kc8hjl@arrl.net](mailto:kc8hjl@arrl.net)

**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; precedes regular club meeting. No exam fee; Milford uses Laurel. Info: Barb Steward KA8AXY, 513=625-8651, [blzsteward@yahoo.com](mailto:blzsteward@yahoo.com)

Please see also **Hamfests &c.** above for requirements for all.

Sat Jun 1: Centennial Hall in St Bernard OH City Bldg, 110 E Washington St, sponsored by Oh-Ky-In. 9 AM. ARRL exam so \$15 fee. Info: Brian deYoung K4BRI, 859=635-3095, [k4bri@fuse.net](mailto:k4bri@fuse.net) / [k4bri@arrl.net](mailto:k4bri@arrl.net)

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### What's coming in May 2013

- Tue Apr 30 7:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting, Centennial Hall, St Bernard; May *Q-Fiver* distribution begins
- Wed May 1 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Robert AK3Q
- Thu May 2 7-9PM Tech & General Theory Classes, St Bernard City Bldg, pls see pg 7
- Fri May 3 8:00PM Amateur Radio Public Svc Corps, Hamilton Co Communications Ofc Conference Rm, 2377 Civic Ctr Dr – pls park in Bd of Educ lot
- Tue May 7 7:30PM Club meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, StBernard Program: Dave Nutini on Hamilton County Board of Health POD system
- Wed May 8 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Brian K4BRI
- Thu May 9 7-9PM Tech & General Theory Classes, St Bernard City Bldg, see pg 7
- Sat May 11 10:00 AM Monthly Oh-Ky-In fox hunts hounds gather at Mt Storm Park; talk-in to start on 146.67 rpt
- 1:00PM Oh-Ky-In Brunch Bunch at Chili Time, 4727 Vine St, StBernard 45217
- Much of day – St Bernard Community Day Block Party

## "Blast from the Past"

Saturday May 11, 2013 @ Vine Street Park

4pm - 11:30pm

Rides, games, food entertainment and

**THE RUSTY GRISWOLDS**

7:30pm to 11:30pm

**St. Bernard Soap Box Derby @ Tower Ave.**

May 11, 2013

**OH-KY-IN will operate a "Special Event" station from the Craft Building in the Park. Bring the family down, play radio and stay for the concert.**

## OH-KY-IN 2013 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 Jerry Shipp W1SCR

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Fox Hunters Chair Dick Arnett WB4SUV

DXpedition Coordinator Eric Neiheisel N8YC

WebGeezer Russ Hines WB8ZCC

Tech Talk Net Mgr Bruce Vanselow N8BV

Fundraising Chair Bruce Vanselow N8BV

Life Members Kenneth E. Wolf N8WYC

Karl R Kaucher KJ4KWR

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Wed May 15 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, NCS Brian K4BRI

Thu May 16 7-9PM Tech & General Theory Classes, St Bernard City Bldg, see pg 7

Fri May 17- Sun May 19 **Dayton Hamvention<sup>R</sup>** pls see **Hamfests &c.** pg 13 **no K8SCH flea mkt space**

Fri May 17 8:00PM Queen City Emergency Net, Red Cross HQ, 2111 Dana Av, Evanston

Tue May 21 7:00PM Technical Committee meeting if needed, location TBD

Wed May 22 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, Dennis KB8ROA

June *Q-Fiver* copy deadline

Thu May 23 7-9PM Tech & General Theory Classes, St Bernard City Bldg, see pg 7

Mon May 27 Memorial Day observed

Tue May 28 7:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting, Centennial Hall, St Bernard; June *Q-Fiver* distribution begins

Wed May 29 9:00PM Tech Talk on 146.67 repeater, Brian KC8FJN

Thu May 30 7-9PM Tech & General Theory Classes, St Bernard City Bldg, see pg 7

Sat Jun 1 9:00 AM VE exams, Centennial Hall, St Bernard City Bldg

Tue Jun 4 7:30PM Club meeting at St Bernard Recr Hall, 120 E Washington, StBernard  
Program: TBA

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## SK Member News & Gear Availability

Gary KB8MYC mentioned in the note that there were memorials made in memory of my father Dick WD8JAV. I'll request the names of those who contributed to acknowledge, with thanks.

BTW, I'm climbing up & pulling the antennas off the roof this weekend (Apr 27-28). If there is a use for them, someone can pick them up if wanted. They'll be down & in the backyard this week-end. (I had forgotten them until I started looking at the place to prep for sale.) Thanks for your help.

*Doug Betzheger* in e-mail to *Ye Ed*:

Bruce N8BV is most logical suspect to handle queries re disposition of these antennae, as this is in one of his job descriptions. Those who wish can get address & arrange with Bruce to collect.

*Copy deadline for June QFiver is Wednesday, May 22*

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April **Brunch Bunch** was held Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 1PM, at City Barbeque in Bridgetown, 6475 Glenway Avenue, 45211. No picture was taken.

For the May Brunch Bunch we'll be at the Chili Time Restaurant located at 4727 Vine Street in St. Bernard on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. As usual, we'll gather at 1PM.

For a look at the menu as well as directions to Chili Time and more, go to: [www.chilitime.net](http://www.chilitime.net)

Having the Brunch Bunch in St. Bernard again gives those who attend the opportunity to help set up and then operate the **K8SCH Special Event Station** that will operate from the St. Bernard Community Block Party, just across the street at Vine Street Park, on that same day.

The Brunch Bunch meets the second Saturday of each month at 1PM at a restaurant to be determined each month. If you have a favorite restaurant that you think would be good place for the Brunch Bunch to meet, please let me know.

Hope to see you at Chili Time on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

73, ..... *Bzuce N8BV*