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September 12 - ARRL Great Lakes Convention - Findlay

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September 26 & 27 - Steam Thrashers show at the Black Fork Retreat
(location of field day) Contact Rob KD8AZQ

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October 2 - IARC Meeting - Election results for open board position.  
"Old Timers Night" Stories & club scrapbook CD viewing from our long time  
members. This used to be held in the 80's so we are bringing it back!!

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October 11 - Fall-N-Leaf Bike Tour - Contact Danny KB8STK

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October - Halloween Parade - Float & Candy Handout

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November 6 - IARC Meeting - Fox Hunting Video & talk

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December 4 - IARC Peel-N-Stick & Coney Night

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January 8 - IARC meeting - (*the first Friday is the 1st*)

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February 5 - IARC Meeting - Finalize Hamfest Details

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February 14 - Mid-Winter Hamfest & Valentines Day

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March 5 - IARC Meeting - Hamfest Results and " Fun Night"  
mini contests for the membership

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April 2 - IARC Meeting - New members night - (also a return to a past
activity from the 70's & 80's)

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May - Ham of the Year - No Regular Meeting



## V.E. Test Sessions

Test sessions are all within 100 miles of Mansfield.

Sessions in **RED** require pre-registration and will not accept walk-ins.

Sessions in **BLUE** request pre-registration but will accept walk-ins.

Sessions in **GREEN** are open to all and no pre-registration needed with walk-ins welcome.

Although these open sessions do not require you to pre-register it is still a good idea to call ahead so they know to expect you or they can let you know if there is any changes.

Information is from the ARRL web site and if you need more information visit [www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org)

**11-Jul-2009** **SUMMIT CO AMERICAN RED CROSS == 12 NOON (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact = BRUCE M FERRY == (330) 929-2766 == [HTTP://WWW.AK8B.US/VE](http://WWW.AK8B.US/VE)**

**Location: AMERICAN RED CROSS = 501 W MARKET ST = AKRON, OH 44303**

**11-Jul-2009** **TOLEDO MOBILE RADIO ASSOC == 8:30 AM (No walk-ins)**

**Contact: STEVEN L STALKER == (419)467-3734 == [KC8TVW@ARRL.NET](mailto:KC8TVW@ARRL.NET)**

**Location: MAUMEE FIRE STATION #2 450 W DUSSEL DR MAUMEE, OH 43537**

**11-Jul-2009** **CENTRAL OHIO ARES/W8LT == 9:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact: SCOTT A RYAN == (614)451-0113 == [AB8KN@COLUMBUS.RR.COM](mailto:AB8KN@COLUMBUS.RR.COM)**

**Location: OHIO STATE UNIV WEST CAMPUS PRESSEY HALL, ROOM 35  
PARK IN SMALL LOT WEST OF HALL  
1070 CARMACK RD COLUMBUS, OH 43210**

**12-Jul-2009** **CUYAHOGA ARS == 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact: GARY S DEWEY == (216)642-8705 == [GDEWEY@EN.COM](mailto:GDEWEY@EN.COM)**

**Location: TOWN HALL 6652 BRECKSVILLE RD (STATE ROUTE 21)  
INDEPENDENCE, OH 44131**

**18-Jul-2009** **INTER-CITY ARC == 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed) PRE-REGISTRATION**

**REQUIRED? Contact: RICHARD E FLETCHER == (419)886-2463 ==**

**[VKAFLETCH@AOL.COM](mailto:VKAFLETCH@AOL.COM)**

**Location: RICHLAND HEALTH DEPT (LOWER LEVEL) 555 LEXINGTON AVE  
MANSFIELD, OH 44907**

**19-Jul-2009** **LORAIN COUNTY ARA RED CROSS == 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact: CHARLES HALL == (216)453-3700 == [VE@W8HF.COM](mailto:VE@W8HF.COM)**

**Location: AMERICAN RED CROSS 2929 W RIVER RD N ELYRIA, OH 44035**

**21-Jul-2009 SANDUSKY RADIO EXP LEAGUE INC == 7:00 PM (No walk-ins)**

**Contact: LUTHER T GANTZ == (419)684-7864 == [N8HC@ARRL.NET](mailto:N8HC@ARRL.NET)**

**Location: SANDUSKY RADIO EXP LEAGUE INC 2909 W PERKINS AVE  
SANDUSKY, OH 44870**

**25-Jul-2009 WRECS == 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact: ROBERT C GAUSS == (330)562-3328 == [N8ZB@YAHOO.COM](mailto:N8ZB@YAHOO.COM)**

**Location: BENTLEYVILLE VILLAGE HALL/CHAGRIN FALLS = BASEMENT  
6253 CHAGRIN RIVER RD (CORNER SOLON RD & RIVER RD)  
BENTLEYVILLE, OH 44022**

**26-Jul-2009 WARREN ARA == 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed) REGISTRATION AT**

**6:30 PM! == Contact: WILLIAM H SHOWERS == (330)872-1929**

**Location: NEWTON FALLS COMMUNITY CENTER 52 E QUARRY ST  
NEWTON FALLS, OH 44444**

**01-Aug-2009 PORTAGE COUNTY ARS, INC === 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact: JAMES J AYLWARD == (330)297-7979 == [AYLWARDJIM@AOL.COM](mailto:AYLWARDJIM@AOL.COM)**

**Location: CENTER OF HOPE 1034 W MAIN ST  
RAVENNA, OH 44266**

**01-Aug-2009 LAKE COUNTY ARA === 12 NOON (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact: SCOTT FARNHAM == (440)256-0320**

**[SCOTTFARNHAM@ROADRUNNER.COM](mailto:SCOTTFARNHAM@ROADRUNNER.COM)**

**Location: KIRTLAND LIBRARY 9267 CHILLICOTHE RD ROUTE 306  
(1.7 MILES OFF I-90) KIRTLAND, OH 44094**

**02-Aug-2009 MARION ARC === 2:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact: RICHARD W CAREY == (740)528-2296 == [RWCAREY@GTE.NET](mailto:RWCAREY@GTE.NET)**

**Location: TV 39 1282 N MAIN ST MARION, OH**

**04-Aug-2009 PIONEER AR FELLOWSHIP === 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)**

**PRE-REGISTRATION PREFERRED = Contact: RONALD D LIEVING ==**

**(330)724-5981 Location: AKRON BAPTIST TEMPLE 2324 MANCHESTER RD  
AKRON, OH 44314**

**08-Aug-2009 TOLEDO MOBILE RADIO ASSOC == 8:30 AM (No walk-ins)**

**Contact: STEVEN L STALKER == (419)467-3734 == [KC8TVW@ARRL.NET](mailto:KC8TVW@ARRL.NET)**

**Location: MAUMEE FIRE STATION #2 450 W DUSSEL DR MAUMEE, OH 43537**

**08-Aug-2009 HUBER HEIGHTS ARC == 9:00AM (Walk-ins allowed)**

**Contact: JOHN W MARTINDILL == (937)307-0793 == [AB8NV@ARRL.NET](mailto:AB8NV@ARRL.NET)**  
**Location: HUBER HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY 6160 CHAMBERSBURG RD**  
**HUBER HEIGHTS, OH 45424**

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## DX & IOTA UPDATES

This week's bulletin was made possible with information provided by KF4VTT, NC1L, VE1RSM, QRZ DX, the OPDX Bulletin, DXNL, 425 DX News, The Daily DX, Contest Corral from QST and the ARRL Contest Calendar and WA7BNM web sites. Thanks to all.

**HUNGARY, HA.** Sanyi, HA0HV is QRV as HG400HV until the end of 2009. Activity is on all HF bands and 6 and 2 meters using CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL to home call.

**CANADA, VE.** Bob, VE1RSM is QRV as home call/VY1 from Whitehorse, Yukon Territory until August 17. Activity is on all HF bands, particularly 40, 30 and 20 meters, using CW and SSB during his evenings and weekends. QSL to home call.

**PHILIPPINES, DU.** Gerard, F2JD is QRV as DU1/G0SHN and is here for about five months. He plans to be active from various islands while here. QSL via F6AJA.

**NETHERLANDS, PA.** Members of VERON section 54 are QRV as PH100EL until July 12 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first flight of the aviation pioneer Charles count de Lambert. QSL via PD0PVQ.

**MICRONESIA, V6.** Yuki, JH1NBN is QRV from here while on a business trip. He is traveling and operating from three islands. He is currently active as V6P from Pohnpei until July 4, V6C from Chuuk Island from July 4 to 12, V6T from Kosrae and back to Pohnpei as V6P from July 21 to 25. He may also be active as V63AQ. Activity is on 80 to 6 meters in his spare time. QSL to home call.

**MADAGASCAR, 5R.** Wayne, W5KDJ will be QRV as 5R8KD from July 5 to 17. Activity will be on 160 to 6 meters using CW and RTTY. This includes an entry in the upcoming IARU contest. QSL to home call.

**EAST KIRIBATI, T32.** Tovia, T32TV has been QRV from Christmas Island, [IOTA OC-024](#), using SSB on 20 meters around 0600z. QSL via operator's instructions.

**CHAGOS ISLAND, VQ9.** Larry, VQ9LA has been QRV on 20 meters around 0240z. QSL to home call. *(not listed as an IOTA location) Joe was a level headed impressive manager. he could inspire almost any ham to go out and do great things in the name of ham radio and always personally recognized excellence in performance.*

**LIECHTENSTEIN, HB0.** Alain, F5LMJ, will be QRV from July 11 to 24. He plans to work

as HB0/F5LMJ/p in CW and digital modes during his evening and early morning hours. QSL via F5LMJ, bureau or LoTW.

**TIMOR-LESTE, 4W.** Chris, 4W6FR, is QRV as time permits. Look for him on 20 and 17 meters using PSK. Most of his activity takes place between 0900 and 1300z. QSL via VK4FW, direct or the OQRS at [www.odxg.org](http://www.odxg.org)

**TOGO, 5V.** Franco, I1FQH, will be active as 5V7PRF between July 22 and 30. This will be a very light DXpedition with activity on 80 through 10 meters using mostly CW and some SSB. QSL via I1FQH, LoTW, eQSL or the bureau.

**SOUTH KOREA, HL.** Jerry, N4EO, will be QRV as HL9EO from Yongsan Barracks through mid-September as his work duties permit. Look for him on 20 meters and higher with a concentration on CW and PSK. QSL direct to N4EO.

**ST. LUCIA, J6.** WB4WXE (V26HS), will be QRV as J6/WB4WXE from July 10 to 20. Look for him mostly on 6 meters running 350 watts into a 6 element beam. When there is no activity, or propagation on 50 MHz, he'll try 17 meters and possibly some other HF bands. QSL via WB4WXE.

**CROATIA, 9A.** Zik, VE3ZIK (DO7ZZ), will be active as 9A/VE3ZIK from Bilice between July 2 and August 3. Activity will be on the HF bands using CW, SSB and digital modes. **He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest from IOTA group EU-170.** QSL via DO7ZZ, direct or bureau.

**MOBILE TOUR, Europe.** Jurij, MM0DFV, started a 7000 km mobile tour on July 7. The route is: Scotland (MM0DFV/m), England (M0DFV/m), France F/MM0DFV/m), Belgium (ON/MM0DFV/m), Germany (DL/MM0DFV/m), Poland (SP/MM0DFV/m), Belarus (call sign yet unknown), Russia (call sign yet unknown), Kazakhstan, (call sign yet unknown). His emphasis will be on PSK. Separate QSLs for each location will be printed.

**ARUBA, P4.** Operators Bob, W3BTX (P49T) and Roy, W3TEF (P4/W3TEF) will activate P41USA over the anniversary date of the attacks on the USA on September 11, 2001. Look for activity on all bands between September 8 and 17, including the September VHF Contest. QSL via W3TEF.

**MALDIVES, 8Q7.** IK2AHG, Davide, is QRV through July 19 mostly on CW as 8Q7DI from Maayafushi Island, (AS-013). QSL via I8ACB. Pierre, 8Q7QQ, home call HB9QQ, is active until July 11. He looks for Sporadic E and EME contacts on 50183 kHz, JT65A mode (first period) at his moonrise and moonset. He is also active on 30, 17 and 12 meters. QSL to home call.

**ISLE OF MAN, MD.** A team of German ops will be QRV until July 13. Look for MD/DK1SG, MD/DG7SF, MD/DH1SBB, MD/DG1SBU, MD/DG3SHD, MD/DG5SBK, MD/DL1SPH, MD/DL8SAD, MD/DC5SAN and MD/DL6SBN to be QRV on 160 through 10

meters using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK. During the IARU Contest they will use special call MD9Y. The operators will be QRV on or near the usual IOTA frequencies. QSLs for MD9Y should go via GD3YUM. QSL all others via their home calls.

**INDONESIA, YC0.** Hotang, YC0IEM, will be active as YC0IEM/9 from Bali ([IOTA OC-022](#)) until July 27. QSL via IZ8CCW.

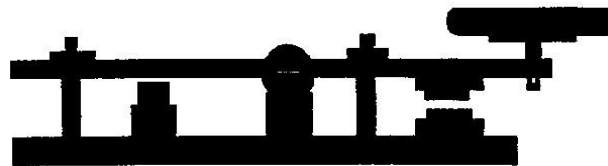
**CANADA, VE.** Gregg, VE3ZZ and Noel, VE2BR will be QRV from Prince Edward Island from July 15 to 27 using the VY2TT superstation and signing VE3ZZ/VY2 and VE2BR/VY2. **They will be active as VY2Z during the IOTA contest.** QSL to home calls, direct or via the bureau.

**MADEIRA ISLAND, CT3.** CT9/DK7TM, CT9/DB2TR, CT9/DL1CW, CT9/DL1SBF and CT9/DL3ZH will be active using CW, SSB and RTTY from July 10 to 15. They also plan to take part in the IARU HF World Championship. QSL cards should be sent via the bureau to their home calls.

**ST PIERRE AND MIQUELON, FP.** FP/K9OT and FP/KB9LIE will be QRV on 160 through 10 meters from July 10 to 18, using CW and SSB, including an entry in the IARU Contest. QSL to home calls via the bureau or LoTW.

**IOTA CORRECTION.** As reported in DX news ARLD024, Kharancy Island is not a new IOTA.

**OPERATION APPROVED FOR DXCC CREDIT.** The following operation is approved for DXCC credit: Saudi Arabia, HZ1EA. If you had this operation rejected in a recent submission, please send a note to dxcc (at) arrl.org to be placed on the list for an update.



**Silent Key**

**Joe Phillips K8QOE Ohio Section Mgr.  
1941 ~ 2009**

Joe Phillips, K8QOE, who served as ARRL Ohio Section Manager since 1998, passed away suddenly at his home on Saturday, June 20. He was 68.

Licensed in 1959 as KN9SYL, Phillips first joined the ARRL Field Organization as an Official Emergency Station (OES) in 1986. He became a Public Information Officer in 1989 and has served as an Official Observer (OO) since 1997. He was elected Ohio Section Manager in 1998.

A graduate of Youngstown University, Phillips had a career as a journalist and a teacher. He edited six separate ham radio newsletters in Cincinnati before becoming Newsletter Editor for the Ohio Area Repeater Council in 1984, a position he held for five years.

In 1986, Phillips organized the first Ohio Repeater Directory and in 1992, organized the Ohio Section Ham Radio Newsletter Contest. He authored a weekly ham radio newspaper column in the Sunday edition of the Cincinnati Enquirer called "Ham Call" and hosted a similarly named program for cable television in the Cincinnati area.

In 1994, Phillips was elected to the Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Hall of Fame, and in 1995, he was the recipient of the ARRL's McGan Silver Antenna Award. This award is given annually to a League member who demonstrates outstanding public relations success on behalf Amateur Radio at the local, state or national level.

Phillips was excited about having his photo on the cover of the May 2009 issue of QST featuring the annual Dayton Hamvention. "Throughout a 40-year friendship, Joe and I worked closely together on many occasions," said ARRL Great Lakes Division Director Jim Weaver, K8JE. "From his early days of supporting the county ARES/RACES unit and the Ohio Repeater Council, Joe has always provided energetic and effective leadership with a friendly, personal touch. The magnetism of his style of leadership drew the best from others who soon became solid friends, not mere associates."

ARRL Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, remembered Phillips fondly: "If you have been to Dayton you have met and laughed with Joe. He was the master of the Wouff Hong ceremony. His red jacket is the stuff of legend in Ohio. Joe was more than a Section Manager -- he really gave all of himself to ARRL for 20-plus years. With him dies the last paper newsletter sent to section membership. When I answered his phone calls, he announced his call with 'Here's your Ohio Nightmare.' He loved baseball, maybe more than I did. He was a good man, and he is really going to be missed."

*The above story is from the ARRL Special Bulletin 8 ARLX008 QST de W1AW The following are remembrances from local members;*

**From Scott Yonally N8SY**

In Memory of Joe Phillips, K8QOE..

Hi All,

Jay sent out a message a few days ago asking those of us who knew Joe to write up a short story about what we knew about Joe. Here's my story.

I'm not sure if any of you know that Joe and I go back quite a few years. In fact, we go clear back to 1992 when Joe was first appointed to be the new Public Information Coordinator for Ohio. My first contact with Joe was at the Ohio Section Conference. Back then they were being conducted by the Section Emergency Coordinator, Larry Solak, WD8MPV. This one was held in a park in Columbus in mid October. At that time these conferences were mostly for E.C.'s and the D.E.C.'s in the state to make sure that all of us were updated on the latest information. To maintain continuity throughout the state, all of the Section Cabinet was invited to not only attend, but to give a short overview of what they are up to as well. This way the entire state was updated on the latest information available from not only the section folks, but since this was an ARRL sanctioned event, usually the Great Lakes Director and Vice Director were there as well, and they also gave reports.

Well anyway, Joe was the newly appointed PIC and he had a wild idea of holding a newsletter contest some months prior to the Section Conference to see who in the state had the best newsletter. Joe felt that if he had a contest more folks would get involved and as he proved, there's no better way to get things buzzing than to have a contest for it. His true intent was to help improve the quality of all newsletters by setting the bar high for the newsletters to meet and to work very hard to exceed. The experiment worked, he got a lot of newsletters to enter and with that there was a lot of competition. Over the years it has been proven to have greatly improved the quality of the newsletters throughout the state. This concept has been expanded and we now have a Division Newsletter Contest as well. As I had said, he had invited every newsletter editor in the state to participate in this contest and yes, I was one of them. Now this is where the story really gets a little crazy. Never meeting Joe before I had no idea of who this guy really was, nor did I know of his ethnic background. All that I knew was that this guy had some kind of committee who judged a bunch of newsletters from around the state and that our newsletter (Airwaves) was one of them being judged. Well, to make a short story long, the SEC went through a number of the Ohio Cabinet members and their presentations, then just before lunch Larry introduced Joe. It was a real hoot, Joe walked in all decked out as Christopher Columbus! Yes, that's right, old Chris was doing the intros and presentations for the winning newsletters in our state. Now if you haven't seen Joe in the flesh before, just imagine this thin, short little guy in green tights and a fancy old world getup with the big feather in the hat and all. It was unbelievable! Now Joe being the good sport as he was, did all of this for just one thing, to emphasize the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Columbus' trip to the new world. Yes, he was just that crazy. You see Joe was Italian and he was very proud of that fact. He was also a nut on the Cleveland Indians, but that's a whole other story to tell. Well, as I said, he introduced all of the winning newsletters and no, Airwaves didn't win anything that year. After the conference I gave Joe a call on the telephone and just came out and asked what made the other newsletters better than ours. Joe, in his usual fashion didn't give me a direct answer on that, but he did send me a copy of the winning newsletter telling me to really look this newsletter over and compare it to ours. I quickly saw the differences and moved Airwaves onto the road for continual improvement and as each year went by, Airwaves got better and better. Yes, we did win second place one year, and for each year after we won at least Honorable Mention.

That's how Joe and I started. A few years later Joe was replaced as the PIC and he moved over to the Ohio Repeater Council where we crossed paths again. Since I was the President of the Repeater Club in Mansfield, I got all of the communications from the Council as well as I

attended most of the Council meetings. He had recognized me and I him and we started talking. You see Joe had higher expectations within the world of Amateur Radio. He wanted to run for the Section Manager's position. So he enlisted me and a few others from around the state to help him in his campaign. Joe won in a surprise victory. It was great; I had helped get someone I liked elected to a high post. I had never before been involved in politics but I had a lot of fun, and it was a lot of hard work as well.

A few years later, 1999 to be exact, there was an opening for the PIC's position. Well, I got a phone call from Joe wanting me to interview for it, I was honored. I did interview for it and subsequently I was appointed as the PIC. I served as Joe's PIC for almost 8 years when I finally stepped down to allow someone else to have the honor.

Even though that was several years ago, Joe and I kept in very good contact with each other via emails and phone calls. We always seemed to have something to discuss between us. Sometimes the phone calls would last several hours or more and we would discuss everything from how the Indians are doing in the conference, to the big newspapers shutting down their printed operations. He even gave his yearly take on the Oscar winners and who he thought would win before the awards presentations were done. He was our own Siskel and Ebert!

Several days before he died he enlisted me again on a special project that I'm working on right now. I hope to have it completed in a month or so and then I can release what it's about. But know this. Joe was bigger than life. There has been no other person that has represented the Ohio Section better. I can say that with all the conviction in my heart. I've have had the privilege of working with, and for many good people that have represented us over my many years as an Amateur, but none ever had the complete devotion and dedication for the betterment of ALL Amateurs in the Ohio Section, whether they were League members or not. He has set the standard for how a Section Manager should be.

Joe would end every phone conversation with just the simple salutation, 73... That never hit home more than the day I found out that Joe had passed away. I kept reflecting back to our conversation just a few days before, and I cried for I had lost a very dear and close friend.

73.. Joe, and may you rest in peace with God's Love and Grace!

**From Rick Swain KK80:**

Joe was a level headed impressive manager. he could inspire almost any ham to go out and do great things in the name of ham radio and always personally recognized excellence in performance. Joe was also an Ohio Air National Guard veteran serving in the grade of Chief Warrant Officer in the late Fifties through early Sixties.

**From Bonnie Rain N8XLU**

I will never forget Joe's kind words and support following Larry's untimely death. His favorite nickname for Larry was "the 800# gorilla" but that was okay with Larry. He, like Larry, was one of the lucky ones in that death came so fast without a lot of suffering. I know he will be missed by the entire Amateur family.

**From Dick Fletcher N8CJS**

I was at the OSSBN meeting in Columbus the day Joe K8QOE threw his hat in the ring to

campaign for that position . After the speech he made, anyone listening would be compelled to vote for him. Can't recall any promises he might have made but the way he presented himself was enough to impress me. Can't remember ever seeing him without a smile on his face. He certainly did a lot for ham radio in this part of the country. May his powder forever be dry and he rest in peace. 73 Joe.

**From Jay Bookwalter KC8GNL**

Joe always made time to talk over any problems anyone had concerning amateur radio. In fact his talking was something he was teased about quite often. At one of our League Night dinners, Jim Smith KA8WSE even gave him a 10 minute timer that flashed when the time was up. Joe said he still used it at home when on the air so he know when to ID on time. Not sure if he took it on the road though as he was still long winded when he wanted to be. Yes we will miss Joe a whole bunch.

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## **From Times Past**

### **A look back at some past IARC newsletters**

**By original editor Edwin Fensch W8SOU**  
**& current editor Jay Bookwalter KC8GNL**

This is a new column in which I have been working on bringing to all of you readers. With the finding of some past newsletters from the 70's I thought I would use some of these stories to show what our club did 30 years or so ago. In the 70's the newsletter was know as the "IRC News Bulletin and was done on one page of paper folded in half like a digest. Lots of interesting things back then and since I have enjoyed them I will bring highlights of these for you to also enjoy. Here is the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 1977.

### **January 1977**

January issue had the following. "Plans For Annual Gear Auction Progressing" Finalization for the annual hamfest & auction took place with Jack Weeks K8RT (then WB8RTY) asking for volunteers willing to work the event.

Jack was also in charge of the Novice classes of which his then present class had 35 who passed the code section. They still had to do the theory to get their licenses.

Harry Frietchen K8HF (then K8PJF) recieved word that Drake would offer a TR-4 & matching power supply for the hamfest door prize.

Arrangements were being finallized for a second repeater to be installed at WVNO's location.

Donations were received “in sufficient amounts” to assure the second machine.

Another column they used to have was “Where are They” in which members who were not seen at local IRC meetings were listed. The January issue had members looking for Oscar Frederickson K8AUX a former club president, Ralph Keil WA8MXZ, Harry Hire W8ZET & Jack Barr W8VTP.

In the 70's before what we now call ARES® Bob Miller K8RFM (then WB8GGR) was the AREC or amateur radio emergency coordinator. He had appointed Jim Odson WB8TBG, Lacey Shawver WB8FMW, Chuck Wood WB8KKN, & Dick Delong W8EMK as his assistants. He also said a SET was planned for January 29<sup>th</sup>. They also had a trailer which was as of the newsletter almost ready for use.

## **February 1977**

This issue had the front page showing the Mansfield Mid-Winter Hamfest/Auction being held on February 6<sup>th</sup> at the Fairgrounds from 8AM till 5PM with the auction being held at 2PM. Only Fairhaven hall was being used this year. They even had a special YL-XYL section at this hamfest.

It was made official that the name of the club be changed from Inter City Radio Club to what we know now as Inter City Amateur Radio Club. The word Amateur was added to differentiate us from the CB clubs in the area. Efforts were being made to make the distinction between ham operators and CB operators of which the public seemed to put us all as Cbers!

The “Where are they” column was looking for George Constance K8GSK, Jow Wojcik W8HTO, George York K8MFZ & Martin Bayer W8PBI. They did locate Ron Leger W8OIB who was then running a church in Georgia!

Irwin Mattes WB8SSR the VP at the time mentioned their new Novice class had 54 enrolled some as far away as Sunbury! How would we love to see that kind of turnout today.

Dan Leedy WB8NJC resigned as club treasurer and was replaced by Bob Mc Pherson W8EJX

## **March 1977**

The results were given in this issue on the hamfest/auction turnout. It was reported to be the biggest & most successful to date despite the blizzards that preceded this event. (*no not the famous 78 blizzard but the smaller ones the year before*) 1200 people attended with temps around the zero degree mark all day and snow piles which made parking a bit of a chore.

The week of January 28<sup>th</sup> had the “MASER” group working in emergency communications roles for most of Richland County law enforcement. Lucas even had a major power outage where hams were able to get messages in & out of the town. Some members were reported to have used their 4 wheel drive vehicles to help people in distress. (early angels in 4wds?)

Other counties also were active in relays of traffic. Wooster, Millersburg & even Sandusky all

were busy with that snow storm event.

Egon Loeckel W8TAJ came home from visiting his son in Las Vegas just in time for the snow storm. Talk about timing!!

A point of interest from CQ magazine was mentioned that the FCC had received over 750,000 new license applications in the first 2 months of 1977. Wonder what happened to all of them???

Well thats it for this month. I will give the next quarter of 1977 next time. In mentioning these older newsletters, if you know of any older issues from the 70's and before let me know. It would be nice to have them archived with our club's history scrapbook.

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## **New Section Manager Appointed in Ohio**

(Jul 8, 2009) -- Frank Piper, KI8GW, of Pickerington, has been appointed Section Manager of the ARRL Ohio Section. He will serve the balance of the term of Joe Phillips, K8QOE; Phillips [passed away](#) on June 20. According to the Rules and Regulations of the Field Organization, when a vacancy in the office of Section Manager occurs between elections, the position is filled by appointment. Membership and Volunteer Programs Manager Dave Patton, NN1N, in consultation with Great Lakes Division Director Jim Weaver, K8JE, made the appointment effective Tuesday, July 7. Piper has moved up the ranks in ARES® leadership positions by first serving as Emergency Coordinator from 2002-2003 and then as District Emergency Coordinator from 2003-2006. He was promoted to Section Emergency Coordinator, serving in that position until 2008. Piper has also served as an Official Emergency Station in the ARRL Field Organization since 1997. His term of appointment continues through September 30, 2010.

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## **From the IARC President**

Things are a Quiet for the time being. Just a few things going on club wise we will doing some parades this summer one is this weekend the july 11th at Shelby Bicycle Days, Shiloh's Firemens Ox Roast July 25th and the Richland County Fair is around the corner. So keep checking the Website for upcoming events and come out and join us.

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Danny KB8STK I.A.R.C. President

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## ARES®

**A.R.E.S.®** is little busy this Sunday July 12th will be holding a District **Simplex Net**. We will meet on 146.940 at 3pm. then we will be doing simplex on 146.460 to see if we can reach other District 6 Counties. So come and try to see if you can reach to Marion or Wayne County from home without a Repeater.

The **S.E.T.** for July is cancelled until October S.E.T. Time Will Keep you Updated.

On July 25th from 9am to noon will be the Summer **FOXHUNT** Meet at the Richland Mall Cinema Parking lot to begin the Hunt.

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Danny Bailey KB8STK  
Richland County Emergency Coordinator

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## Simplex Net

By Jay Bookwalter KC8GNL DEC for Dist 6 ARES®

Some wonder why we are doing this net which is part of our District 6 ARES SET project. Simplex may be a very important part of our emergency communications especially if repeaters are either down or overloaded with traffic. In the event of this type of emergency, being able to see who is able to contact different long distant counties may be important. This information will be kept on file in each county so that if something occurs each EC or AEC will be in better shape knowing who they can call on to deliver traffic via simplex.

This is a part of a bigger SET project which we hope to hold district wide in the next year or so. Lots of other parts of this exercise are in the works which the ECs and myself will be discussing at our district meetings in August & October. I hope all of you that have the time will try and check in and see how well your station covers our district 6 area. This area includes the counties of Ashland, Crawford, Knox, Marion, Medina, Morrow, Richland, Wayne, & Wyandot. We also include Holmes but there is no ARES® program active there at this time.

As I mention to my ECs ARES® is going to become important to lots of agencies we have worked with over the years. With the major budget cuts going on everywhere our services look better and better all the time as we are a free service. That means we do not add to the expenses of the agencies which are extremely tight these days. Being prepared is very important now and in the future because of the budget woes we are all seeing. So please when Danny and the

ARES® have exercises or meetings do your best to attend.