September 1995

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as of Wednesday the 20th.

the program was still undecided.

It could be something about packet and Internet Gateway or it could be something else.

I presume we will find out come the 27th.

K9KRE lost \$36.00 at the last meeting Are you going to lose \$42.00 at the next meeting?

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President KF9UP Jeff Stewart Vice-Pres W7YE Bob Martin Secretary KF9WX Tim Gennett Treasurer KF9CT Jack Freeman Director K9LYA Jim Collison

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COMING EVENTS

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Interment Rites for W9ASX, at Knox
23SEP95 SAT
                 Contact WA9HKK for further details (& Car Pool)
23SEP95 SAT 0800 Hamfest, Grayslake, IL, Chicago FM Club
24SEP95 SUN 0800 Hamfest, Grayslake, IL, at Lake County Fairgrounds
                 seminars, VE Session, Talk-in 146.76, $6.00
27SEP95 WED 0730 TARA Program Meeting, see page 1
30SEP95 SAT 0800 North Central Indiana Hamfest, sponsored by Miami County
                 ARC and Cass County ARC, Miami County Fairgrounds,
                 1-1/2 mile North of Peru on Business 31, VE session.
                 Talk-in 147.345 & 147.18, $5.00 ($1.00 rebate with
                 current ARRL Membership card.)
                 ARRL National Exam Day, Tests being given at W9REG
30SEP95 SAT
                 at 1300.
 70CT94 SAT
                 Feast of the Hunter's Moon || We will be helping with
                Feast of the Hunter's Moon || traffic, contact KF9UP
 80CT94 SUN
                                            !! to volunteer your help
 80CT95 SUN
                Lebanon Hamfest
 800T95 SUN 1300 VE Testing by KA9DSA, at the Danville, Il club's
                 "A" frame, bring Photo ID, Original license & copy to
                 go with 610 (AA9JE of Paris, IL will hold exams on
                months tests are not held at "A" frame.)
100CT95 TUE 0730 TARA Business Meeting
150CT95 SUN 0800 13th Annual Kalamazoo Hamfest, Kalamazoon County Fair
                 Grounds, 54 campsites with electric, free parking,
                    Talk-in 147.040 repeater, $4.00
210CT95 SAT
                 ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET)
220CT95 SUN
                 ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET)
250CT95 WED 0730 TARA Program Meeting
290CT95 SUN 0800 Boone & Clinton County ARC Hamfest, Boone County 4-H
                Fairgrounds, Flea Market, dealers, tailgating,
                VE Session, Refreshments, Free Parking, Talk-in 147.105
                and 443.150. $3.00
                W9ASX's Auction Sale
 4NOV95 SAT
 4NOV95 SAT
                Hamfest, Brazil, Indiana
14NOV95 TUE 0730 TARA Business Meeting
18NOV95 SAT 0900 Indiana State Convention, Fort Wayne, Indiana
19NOV95 SUN 0900 Indiana State Convention, Fort Wayne, Indiana
                Forums, Meetings, over 6800 attended in 1994.
                Ladies Activities, Talk-in 28/99, $5.00
22NOV95 WED 0730 TARA Program Meeting, only 8 days after Tuesday meeting
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                 "A" frame, bring Photo ID, Original license & copy to
                go with 610 (AA9JE of Paris, IL will hold exams on
                months tests are not held at "A" frame.)
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11MAY96 SAT
                4-H/FFA Ag Judging (Forestry, Horse & Pony)
BJUN96 SAT
                4-H/FFA Ag Judging (Poultry/Livestock/Dairy)
18AUG96 SUN
                LAFAYETTE HAMFEST
                ALWAYS 3RD SUNDAY IN AUGUST
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TARA Business Meeting September 12, 1995

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Stewart, KF9UP at 7:32pm.

A new ham, Tony Hardesty, KB9LKD, was introduced to the Club.

The minutes from last month were reviewed. Bob Finch stated that he was no longer the sole ARRL Technical Specialist in the area as another has just moved into the area. Otherwise, the minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter.

Jack Freeman, KF9CT, read the treasurer's report. Present balance in all accounts, \$13319.67. Jack also read an accounting of the Hamfest — 1995 profit \$839.95.

Old Business:

Bruce Stewart, N9GKE, was congratulated on a job well done and thanked for all the work he put into the Hamfest this year. Bruce said there were 698 attendees and listened to various suggestions on how we might improve attendance next year.

A reminder was made that a Red Cross Exercise is scheduled for Saturday, September 16th, from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Those that can help were asked to contact N9GKE.

W7YE reminded everyone that Saturday, September 30th, another VE test session will be held in conjunction with National VE Test Day. Testing will start at 1:60pm.

New Business:

The Club has a generator at Charlie Lewis' house and he would like to have it taken away. Some volunteers were recruited to move it to Jack Freeman's shop (temporarily) while a decision is made about what to do with it.

Tony Hardesty and Ken Warren, AD4OS, (the other Technical Specialist) were nominated and accepted to membership.

We have been asked to help with parking and Traffic at the Feast of the Hunters' Moon again this year, October 7th and 8th. Steve Wettschurack, Director of Tippecanoe County Emergency Management was in attendance to discuss the traffic arrangements for the Feast.

J.B. VanSickle, K9KRE, lost out on \$36 this month when his name was selected in the drawing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Martin - W7YE

Two scientists had worked all week on some long and complicated formulas. The results equaled zero. One of the scientists grabbed the papers that had been used, rolled them up and ground them to bits in the pencil sharpener. While bits of paper were flying all over the room, a group of angry janitors appeared on the scene and started yelling at the scientists. All at once there was a big explosion.

This goes to prove that when there is a critical mass at ground zero there will be an explosion.

HAMFEST BREAKDOWN	1500.00 FROM SAVINGS A	550.00 TIPP.CTY FEES 41.20 POST CARDS	50	225.00 R&L ELECT -	\$ 2760.30	\$2792.00 HAMFEST DAY RECEIPTS \$ 275.00 TIPP CTY DEPOSIT REBATE \$ 67.60 CONCESSION PROFIT \$ 15.65 SMALL PRIZE REBATE \$ 450.00 REBATE FROM CHECKING DEP FROM 1500.00	\$3600.25		\$3600.25 INCOME - \$2760.30 COST = \$ 839.95	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED JACK D. FREEMAN TREASURER KF9CT 9/12/95	little girl' said comfor her son, there, she d it. She doe that hurts." She was b of the room little girl Rush-ing bac said, "What "She kno		ran when eam 0 his l relea jirl': omfort she does ts." vas ba room jirl know Bot	interpolations in the standard	their sisteman in the sisteman	the and ter she and ter she and ter ean now out the eshe
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At one time, some members of T. A. R. A. considering operating a SPECIAL EVENTS station, were considering this location.

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The Story of "Radioville"-----by Alan, WSK

According to a letter I received from W9HXO in Portage, there is some activity happening aimed toward publicizing and promoting a "town that never was" called Radioville.

Radioville is located right here in Northwest Indiana. It is on US421 in Pulaski County, south of San Pierre, and north of Medaryville. The town is listed on maps distributed by the State of Indiana, because there was a plat map of the proposed town filed in 1932 by the develop-The town is bordered by the game preserve, a bowling alley, an antique dealer and some modular homes, and north else much is there except the lots for the homes that were never built. Apparently, around the year this town was proposed, the whole idea of "radios' was very popular. There was the "radio flyer" toy wagons promoted at the Chicago World's Fair in 1933, and cowboy actor Gene Autry released a new movie labeled "radio ranch". Such radio shows as Jack Benny, Fibber McGee and Molly and the Morris B. Sach's Amateur Hour were big radio shows originating from Chicago. I bet it's hard for anyone younger than 50 to imagine setting in front of a radio and enjoying it, but that is the way it was!

This apparently caused a family named Loughlin to plan and file the plans for the town of Radioville, and one of the family members started to sell some of those lots to people in Chicago who wanted to try their hand at living in the clean county air! There are 354 lots in this "town that never was", and since most of them fell into default on the property taxes, many people lost money on this venture.

Perhaps one of the possible reasons this place was named "Radioville" was because only a few years earlier, in 1927, a local farmer claimed to be able to stand between some trees in his front yard and listen to radio stations. Other explanations are also given, such as the fact that the original owner once owned a company that produced batteries, and may have had a liking for the radios in which many of this batteries were used.

Besides Gus in Portage, there are apparently several other area Hams who think that they would like to make Radioville the location of some sort of special ham activity. It you would like to join them, you can contact Gus Flassig, Jr., W9HXO, at 75 Hillcrest, O. D. 210, in Portage, IN, 46368. Gus is also on 145.070 on packet, and be best reached by using GLNet, and sending him a packet at via WB9AOU after connecting to Valpo. (C W9HXO @ Valpo v WB9AOU).

Much of this information comes via the nostalgia Digest, Box 421, Morton Grove, IL, 60053. If you are interested in such radio nostalgia, try asking for a sample issue!

I am told that the LaPorte District of the Indiana Department of Transportation is going to install roadsigns identifying Radioville later this month (June 1995), so if you decide to drive down US421 to try and locate the town, it may be more easy to identify!

If you are really adventurous, maybe your will want to buy one of the lots, and put your ham antenna up in the perfect location! I am given to understand that the lots do not have any covenants against Ham Antennas, and if enough people decide to move in, they may elect a town council and install municipal water! De WA9GKA

Your a ham if... by John, 1886/15

l- when you're at a restaurant and
the waitress asks you if you would
l;like a refill of your drink and
you say, "Q-AS-AL".

2- when your overhear two secretaries from your department talking about you in the ladies' because the vents are connected to the men's room and you approach one of them and say, "I couldn't help but overhear your 'traffic'." 3- you're doing your day job as a DJ of a 100,000 watt FM commercial radio station and at the top of the hour you say something along line's of "The best music of yesterday and tomorrow, Cincinnati." KB8GYS

4- you get into auto accidents while looking to see what kinds of antennas people have on top of their houses.

5- your XYL, who is still 130 lb. and tremendously attractive come to you in a hot pink, topless teddy and starts nibbling on your shoulder and you tell her to hang on for a minute because you're just about to make that contact with East Molohavnia.

6- when you club's repeater and the TV station that you work for are in the same building and are damaged by a hurricane and you go up and fix the repeater **BEFORE** you fix the television station.

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In a discussion concerning the use Internet and cellular taking over from Amateur Radio in emergencies-- -the following appeared one of the local papers. XXXXXXXX Emergency has announced, "rather than having to rely on telephones, for instance, where lines are at risk in bad weather, we are encouraging the wider use of fax machines." Name of city withheld

IRC Selects New Officers

The Indiana Repeater Council elected new officers during its July meeting in conjunction with the Indianapolis Hamfest. All three offices have been filled by members of the Cass County Amateur Radio Club.

Filling the role of IRC Chairman is Bill Wells, WA8HSU. Vice-Chairman will be Steve Wilson, WB9SHY. Ed Norris, K9PSR, was voted to the Secretary/Treasurer position.

The previous slate of officers had served for the past eight years. to help complete transition, old and new officers will meet soon in Logansport to discuss pendina problems and possible solutions currently facing the Council.

The Indiana Repeater Council is the agency which oversees the coordination of all repeater operations in Indiana. It serves as the point of contact for the FCC and the ARRL concerning questions of repeater coordination and operation. The frequency coordinators function under the auspices of the IRC.

HEARD ON THE PARTY LINE

The toughest thing about humility: you can't brag about it.

Unhappy ham gossiper: live secret, dead rig.

Sandwich spread: what you get from eating between meals.

The human brain is a wonderful thing. It starts working in the morning and doesn't stop until you get to the ham license examiner. de CQ de W9MJL

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New Members, Etc.

False alarms by Sean Driscoll, WA2RCB

I accidentally discovered a new game you can play with your 2-meter HT or mobile radio. It seems the new made-in-China auto alarms are poorly shielded. At a flea market, when I started talking to a friend on the repeater, alarms in three parked, unoccupied cars went off. All were within 100 feet of me.

I quickly said 73 and quit transmitting, but the sirens and yelping noises continued for five more minutes. An hour later, as I was leaving----and just to make sure it was the radio---I gave the repeater a three-second 50-watt "kerchunk." Sure enough, alarms in two nearby cars went off. I smiled all the way home.

Don't you just love that cheap, foreign-made junk?

HEARD ON THE PARTY LINE

Hamming and politics have much in common: Everyone shoots from the lip.

Life is made up of eating, sleeping, working, waiting for stoplights---and interruptions.

Sure hope they don't raise the standard of living any more; can't afford it now.

Mrs. Revere: "I don't care who's coming, Paul. I need the horse tonight.

The darkest hour: just before you're overdrawn.

Some Dxers are egoists, but there's a bright side. They don't talk about other people. Don Matheson WB6YYL 4325 Wea Ridge Road 477-1680 Lafayette, Indiana 47905

Mike Budzynski KB9KNR 3750 North 250 West West Lafayette, Indiana 47906

Jeanette Scwartz (No Further Information)

Ken Warren AD40S 12399 Spear Trail 219-936-5483 Culver, Indiana 46511

Tony Hardesty KB9LKD 1029 North 18th Street Lafayette, Indiana 47904 Tx Nr at work 463-43

Changes in calls
Tim Easterday
from N9ZNQ to KG9CK

HEARD ON THE PARTY LINE

Great ham optimist: "CQ Tulare, South Dakota ... CQ Tulare, South Dakota ... "

Things daring at twenty are foolish at forty, insane at eighty----years, not meters.

After a visit from the FCC: "Look Ma, no bands."

Memory is what tells an old ham he had a sked yesterday.

Income tax: a fine for reckless thriving.

Greater love hath no man than he who giveth up his frequency during a DX opening.

Hear about the ham who got two calls because he was schizophrenic?

President's Column

I want to thank everyone who helped with the Hamfest this year. A special thanks to Bruce, N9GKE, for all the work he did pulling everything together, his wife, Kathy, for taking care of the concessions, Tom, K9KF, for scheduling the gate personel, and Glenn, N9MIH, for handling the flea market area. It was awfully hot, but I hope everyone had a good time.

If you'd like to get more involved with the planning, advertising, etc. for next year, contact Bruce. I'm sure he'd appreciate the help with any aspect of the Hamfest.

Now, the Feast of the Hunters' Moon, October 7th and 8th, will soon be upon us. We will be helping Emergency Management with traffic control again this year. If we have enough help this year, I'd like to try a couple different things. So, if you can help, let me know which day and what times as soon as you can. If you can only work an hour or two, that's OK — it will give someone a chance to take a break, relax, get something to eat, check out the Feast, etc. And remember, admitance to the Feast is a fringe benefit to those who help.

Finally, someone once asked how the Club was divided with respect to license class so I ran my list through the on-line callbook server:

0	Novice	18	General
26	Tech		Advanced
20	Tech Plus	14	Extra

Well, it's a short one this time, too much to do.



Business Meeting – Sept 12							
K9AHX KF9CT WB9CZC N9GKE WD9JLN KB9LKD N9NWO WA9TGO N9XPZ WB9YPG	John Ott Jack Freeman Dave Azpell Bruce Stewart Charles Bressler Tony Hardesty Greg Dean Jim Canarecci Sam Brummett	W9BZF N6CXB WD6DSJ KE9IT K9KF WA9LYC WB9SWD KF9UP W7YE	Gus Vavrus Bob Finch Jon Wiggins Dave Roberts Tom Kuespert Jim Davis Curtis Sherwin Jeff Stewart Bob Martin				
N9ZFJ	Mike Osborn Deb Stewart	WB6YYL 79-600	Don Matheson Steve Wettschurack				

Feast of the Hunters' Moon

On October 7th and 8th, we'll be helping with traffic at the Feast. If you can help, please contact Jeff Stewart, KF9UP, 474-6528.

Traffic will again be running one—way, west to east on South River Road from 350 West to 300 West; north on 300 West to Division Road; east on Division Road to 350 West and south on 350 West back to South River Road (see map insert). Cars will be directed to the left lane on South River Road to allow the buses to use the right lane to drop off their passengers.

Emergency Management has a video tape on directing traffic which has some valuable information. I'll mention some of the things I think everyone should keep in mind to make this a safe weekend.

It's important that you can be seen while directing traffic. There should be orange vests available for everyone who is helping. This should make you more visible and help you stand out from the pedestrian traffic. Please pick up a vest before taking an assignment.

Now, they should be able to see you — but don't assume that they will. Don't turn your back on traffic. Obtain eye contact whenever possible and give clear directions. Direct traffic for the dumbest person you can imagine and don't think that they'll do what you tell them.

Finally, be sure to let the person in charge know when you arrive at your position and again when you leave your position. Keep your communications short and to the point.

Let me know if you have any questions and when you'll be able to help.

