

P R O G R A M M E E T I N G S

None scheduled for November or December

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December 10th meeting

A report from the nominating committee

January 14th meeting

ELECTION NIGHT

N9VLW lost \$6.00 at the November 12th meeting

2-----Drawing for \$18.00 December 10th-----0

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| TTTTT | AAA | RRRR | AAA | President | W9YE | Bob Martin |
| T | A A | R R | A A | Vice-Pres | WB9SWD | Curtis Sherwin |
| T | AAAAA | RRRR | AAAAA | Secretary | KF9WX | Tim Gennett |
| T | A A | R R | A A | Treasurer | WA9TGO | Jim Canarecci |
| T | A A | R R | A A | Director | KF9UP | Jeff Stewart |

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COMING EVENTS

- 10DEC96 TUE 1930 TARA BUSINESS MEETING, nominating committee report
- 12DEC96 THU 1900 VE Testing, HCARES-sponsored, City of Fishers Police Station, Contact John Deegan, KG6XT, @ 317-846-2979 evenings and reservation for exam. NO - Walk-ins
- 18DEC96 WED 1830 & 1930 VE Testing, Indianapolis Power and Light Bldg., 34th & Arlington Avenue, Indianapolis, Contact Tom Donaldson @ 317-326-3168 for your reservation for the exam. (This testing session is by appt. only)
- 25DEC96 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING, **Wanna Bet**
- 5JAN97 SUN 0800-1500 Michiana Valley Hamfest Assn. Hamfest, Century Center, US33 at Jefferson Street, Downtown South Bend, Talk-in 145.29 & 146.52, \$5.00
- 11JAN97 SAT 1300 VE Testing at W9REG
- 14JAN97 TUE 1930 TARA Business Meeting, ELECTION NIGHT, and in addition to the slate presented by the Nominating Committee, you are invited to nominate from the floor. {Please have your nominee present [and pre-agreed to accepting the nomination] or have a letter signed by him stating for which offices he will accept nomination. This will save a lot of embarrassment, and time.}
- 22JAN97 WED 1930 TARA Program Night, usually a banquet, open to all, TARA member or not, Ham or not, See the President's comments on Page 8. Make your plans now, and invite someone to come join us.
- 11FEB97 TUE 1930 TARA BUSINESS MEETING
- 26FEB97 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING
- 9MAR97 SUN Hamfest, Morgan County Repeater Assn., Indpls, IN A/ARRL
- 11MAR97 TUE 1930 TARA BUSINESS MEETING
- 26MAR97 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING
- 8APR97 TUE 1930 TARA BUSINESS MEETING
- 23APR97 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING
- 26APR97 SAT ARRL National Exam Day
- 27APR97 SUN ARRL National Exam Day
- 10MAY97 SAT 4-H/FFA Ag Judging (Forestry & Horse)
- 13MAY97 TUE 1930 TARA BUSINESS MEETING
- 16MAY97 }
- 17MAY97 }-- **Dayton Hamvention** (The Ham Event)
- 18MAY97 }
- 28MAY97 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING, Field Day Auction
- 7JUN97 SAT 4-H/FFA Ag Judging (Poultry/Livestock/Dairy)
- 10JUN97 TUE 1930 TARA BUSINESS MEETING
- 25JUN97 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING, Field Day Operations "Prep"
- 8JUL97 TUE 1930 TARA BUSINESS MEETING
- 12JUL97 SAT ARRL Central Division, Indianapolis, IN A/ARRL
- 13JUL97 SUN ARRL Central Division, Indianapolis, IN A/ARRL
- 23JUL97 WED 1930 TARA PROGRAM MEETING
- 9AUG97 SAT ARRL Hamfest, Porter County ARC, Valparaiso, IN A/ARRL

T.A.R.A. Business Meeting

Tuesday, 12 November, 1996

The meeting was called to order at 1930 hrs EST by president Bob Martin, W9YE. Those present included KF9WX, KF9UP, K9FOH, N9GKE, KB9JDE, KP9JDA, KB9LKD, KB9OQC, K9KRE, and WA9TGO.

Reports

Minutes from the October meeting were printed in the previous edition of the *Tattler*. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be accepted as printed. The motion passed.

Treasurer Jim Canarecci, WA9TGO, provided a summary of recent financial transactions. The club has a balance in all accounts of \$12,923.86. A complete report will be published in the next edition of the *Tattler*. It was moved and seconded that his report be accepted. The motion passed.

W9YE reported that Tom Keuspert, K9KF, was the chair of the nominating committee, being assisted by Jack Freeman, KF9CT. They will have a report at the next meeting.

Old Business

A discussion was held concerning the need for ongoing tower work. Mike Diener, KB9JDA, volunteered to climb the tower as necessary. W9YE will schedule a tower party. There was also a debate on whether the club should invest in satellite antennas and the priority of this work compared to the need for fully functional HF antennas. No conclusion was reached.

New Business

J. B. VanSickle, K9KRE, volunteered to compile a list of standing motions from the minutes of previous meetings. His offer was gratefully accepted.

Announcements

W9YE announced that he had changed call signs through the Vanity Call Sign Program. His old call was W7YE. He also announced the November and December program meetings, while not officially canceled, will not have any presentation due to the conflict with the holidays. The January program meeting will be the annual banquet, tentatively scheduled for January 22. The Country Buffet is a likely location.

Jeff Stewart, KF9UP, thanked those who had worked at the Feast of the Hunter's Moon. The sponsors of that event have made a \$500 donation to the club in appreciation of our efforts. There will be an additional public service opportunity on December 8 to help with the Greater Lafayette Christmas Parade. Meet at Emergency Management at 11:30 am. Should be done by 3:00 pm.

Bob Lusby, K9FOH, announced that he has been using 2 different 6 meter repeaters, one of which he can hit from his home. They are Noblesville (52.11 input, 53.11 output) and Kokomo (52.29 input, 53.29 output).

WA9TGO reminded all members that he is accepting dues for 1997.

The attendance drawing was held for the \$12.00 prize. Charlie Williams, N9VLW was drawn. As he was not in attendance the November drawing will be for \$18.00.

There being no other business it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2004 hrs EST.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Gennett, KF9WX, Secretary

TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION
 TREASURERS REPORT
 NOVEMBER 12, 1996

DUES RECEIVED:

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|------------------------|-------|------|---------|
| JOHN MARTIN KB9OJC | 96.97 | DUES | \$ 9.00 |
| BRENDA WILLIAMS NXXTL | 97 | DUES | \$ 6.00 |
| CHARLIE WILLIAMS NEVLW | 97 | DUES | \$ 3.00 |

OTHER INCOME RECEIVED:

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| INTEREST ON CD | AUG, SEPT, OCT | \$ 74.20 |
| TOTAL INCOME | | \$ 92.20 |

DISBURSEMENTS:

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| TATTLER PRINTING & POSTAGE | \$ 283.57 |
| MAY thru SEPT | \$ 26.25 |
| FLOWERS for ROGER AIRGOOD W9NSY | \$ 309.82 |
| TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS | |

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| STARTING CHECKING ACCT BAL 10/8/96 | \$ 719.80 |
| STARTING SAVINGS ACCT BAL 10/8/96 | \$ 6591.69 |
| CHECKING ACCT BAL 11/12/96 | \$ 427.98 |
| SAVINGS ACCT BAL 11/12/96 | \$ 6591.69 |
| CD NOTE #5146289 BAL 11/8/96 | \$ 5904.19 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 12923.86 |

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
 JIM CANARECCI W8TGO
 TREASURER

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C O M M E N T A R Y

Well, here goes. I hate to do this, as I would prefer some of you submit your ramblings to fill in these spaces. Before I forget, if any of you ever object to anything published in this newsletter, please feel free to bring it to me, and I will personally rip the offending article out of your copy for you. But in any case, keep me advised as to what you are wanting, and please submit material. I will even clean up your grammar and spelling, if you request. While on the subject, **SOMEONE NEEDS TO MAKE A CORRECTION TO THE NOVEMBER MINUTES** before we approve them at the next meeting. Tim does not make many mistakes, but I think he did in November.

A fellow Ham (and TARA member) had some problems a while back that I have been threatening to write about. He will go nameless, just say he has been a member of TARA for 25+ years, and is a member of the 'canine' corps, and enjoys remote control, much as I do, but I use it differently. When I started in the two-way radio game in 1956, if you had a Simpson 260, you could fix those radios. If you had a Bird 43 Wattmeter you were a First Class Service Station. But you used various other tools also, one of the handiest being a Ribber Mallet. You opened up the trunk of the vehicle (yes radios were mounted in the trunk back then, not enough room up front, and in many instances the transmitter was in a separate case from the receiver) and used the mallet for striking the receiver. If it started working, replace the Vibrator. ---Page 7

Check the notice below again. The times have been changed to give you an additional 3 or 4 hours at the DAYTON HAMVENTION

 ** DAYTON HAMVENTION **
 ** Members of TARA have **
 ** expressed an interest in **
 ** renting a bus for next years **
 ** DAYTON HAMVENTION. **
 ** This bus would leave **
 ** Lafayette at around 6 AM. **
 ** The bus would leave **
 ** the HAMVENTION for the **
 ** return to Lafayette at **
 ** around 5:00pm on Saturday. **
 ** If you are interested in **
 ** going we would need to **
 ** know as soon as possible. **
 ** Please contact **
 ** Steve Stambaugh **
 ** at 463-6218. **
 ** The cost would be \$20.00 **
 ** per person. **

If you check the November 1996 issue of QST, you will find the results of Field Day. In Class 2A:

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| Team Cramp | | | | 1st |
| W5NN(+N5WHA) | 3834 | 2 30 | 11772 | STX |
| Hoosier Contesters | | | | 23rd |
| WR9R | 1882 | 2 13 | 6422 | IN |
| Clinton Co ARC | | | | 103rd |
| W9PC | 1115 | 2 15 | 4132 | IN |
| Tippecanoe ARC | | | | 112th |
| W9REG(+WB9SWD) | 1092 | 2 40 | 3988 | IN |
| Michiana ARC Inc | | | | 130th |
| W9AB(+N9TJG) | 786 | 2 28 | 3720 | IN |
| Hendricks Co ARS | | | | 147th |
| AE9R(+KB9MWE) | 1015 | 2 24 | 3444 | IN |
| Morgan Co Rptr Assn/ARC | | | | 182nd |
| KB9NAA | 649 | 2 23 | 2978 | IN |
| Land of Lakes ARC | | | | 223rd |
| WG9K(+WD9DSN) | 691 | 2 60 | 2632 | IN |
| Old Post ARS | | | | 237th |
| W9EOC | 871 | 2 12 | 2476 | IN |
| Huntington Co ARS | | | | 239th |
| AA9IE | 529 | 2 14 | 2466 | IN |

W7YE is now W9YE

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CONGRATULATION!

Country music singer Patty Loveless, KD4WUJ, was named as the Country Music Association's Female Vocalist of the Year during the 30th annual CMA awards Oct. 4. Last year, she won the CMA's Album of the Year award. Loveless-whose real name is Patty L. Ramey--holds a Novice ticket. Here husband is record producer Emory Gordy Jr., W4WRO. The couple lives in Dallas, Georgia.

Followed by six more 'IN' clubs and then the lowest score:

Bohemian Radio Contest Team
 AD9PS 77 1 4 77 SFL

The first number is number of QSOs
 second number is power used
 2 = less than 150 Watts
 1 = more than 150 Watts
 third number is # of participants
 fourth number is total score

If you look again, you will notice that the name of our organization is listed incorrectly.

We appear to be an active group, check the number of participants.

W7YE is now W9YE. We don't know if that numerical increase is due to aging, or what, but make a note of it in your Membership List.

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CHRISTMAS PARADE

Members of T.A.R.A. were to assist in this parade again this year. We hope to know who they were in time for the next issue. We will note at this time that the December issue will be just before the January Tuesday meeting, since we do not expect much of a turn-out for the meeting on December 25th.

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B A N Q U E T

The annual banquet for Tippecanoe County Area Hams, and anyone else interested, is still scheduled for Wednesday, January 22nd. Details should be available for the January issue of the Tattler. Maybe we can have some entertainment this year?

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Life expectancy would grow by leaps and bounds if green vegetables smelled as good as frying bacon.

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E L E C T I O N

Tom Kuespert, K9KF is chairman of the Nominating Committee, with the assistance of Jack Freeman, KF9CT.

If you have not been contacted by them, give them a call if you are able to volunteer for service.

They should have a report at the December 10th meeting, with nominations from the floor still being accepted on the night of the election, January 14, 1997. Sure would be nice to have a choice of at least two candidates for each office. It's been a few years....

A letter from Tim French, KA9WDJ; was read. Tim made an offer to the BCARC to put a web page on the internet for them. He also offered to put our club newsletter online for other hams to read. A motion was made by Jerry, N9RAB and seconded by Steve, N9WNN to except Tim's offer. It was decided for Steve to write a letter to Tim letting him know our decision.

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A generation ago, most people who finished a day's work needed rest. Now they need exercise.

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Electronic processing:

The ARRL/VEC will process - - for members only - - an FCC Form 610 for a renewal, address change, name change or call sign change for electronic submission to the FCC. There is no charge. An original, signed Form 610 must be mailed or otherwise delivered to the ARRL/VEC. Fax is not acceptable. Any Question or transfers should be directed to the VEC at 860-594-0300. - - Bart Jahnke, W9JJ

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de CQ de W9MJL Nov 1996

In not to long a time you should be hearing AM broadcasting in the 1605-1705 band. Ok'd about 5 years ago and over 700 applications and the allowance of about 90 stations to relocate. The FCC is about ready to release the stations allowed this spectrum.

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A first-grader came home from school and cheerfully announced to his mother that his class had a substitute teacher that day. "And Mom," he said happily, "the only two rules we had to follow were 'sit down and shut up!'"

Irv's Christmas

On a Christmas Eve a few years back, Irv Weiman, W9GA, "...fired up a humongous Alpha amplifier and darn near burned down the entire grove in his back yard.

That event was the inspiration for Ray Larson, W0GHQ, who wrote the following:

"Twas the night before Christmas
and high in the air
A wire was hanging that hadn't
been there.

Two maples sustained it as though
they were cedars
While an oak in the middle
supported the feeders.

And Irv in his nightcap (and one in
his hand)
Had just settled down to tune up
the band.

He kicked in the final with a thrill
of delight,
Twiddled the dials and tuned
everything right.

His final plates glowed like the skin
of a cherry,
The arcing and sparking was ever
so merry.

His feedlines, they sparked and
crackled until
One of them shorted to the edge of
the sill!

To the tips of the branches a
fireball raced
As against the night sky eerie
fingers it traced.

Then the oak in its mantle of
new fallen snow
Burst into flame and made the
neighborhood glow.

And Santa exclaimed as he jingled
on by'
"Old Irv mistook Christmas for the
Fourth of July!"

Submitted to World Radio by Bob Dillon,
WB9LTN, Editor, Key Clicks

No squelching action and full volume,
not controllable by the volume control,
shorted 12AT7 1st audio & squelch tube.

Things were simple, and average repair
time was under 15 minutes. Now their
are fewer outages, but much longer
repair times. Sometimes I think the
total maintenance time per radio is
about the same, and where it was a
problem you had seen before in the 50's,
now in the 90's, it always something
different.

Then the solid state receivers came
along, followed shortly by transmitters.
Motorola's first attempt had 6 transis-
tors in the final, and 18, really 18,
transistors to protect those 6, sort of
creating a cascading effect. You had a
hard time getting the thing on, so you
could figure out where the problem was.
(NO SMOKE)

We once made a service call (Purdue
Veterinary Service) where the complaint
was that their radio did not work. For
some strange reason the Remote Console
sat backward on the desk, and the system
was shut down at night, and back on the
morning. They missed one night, or
morning, so after turning the console on
for them, I asked "What else is wrong?"

Which brings us to this, our TARA member
suffered lightning damage (again) and I
must say has a very understanding insur-
ance company. Among the devices not
working after the lightning strike was
his telephone answering machine. He
took it apart, did not find anything,
put it back together, filed his claim,
and went shopping, and shopping, and
shopping. This particular machine had a
feature he very much liked, but it seems
that model has been discontinued, and no
one has that feature. After many weeks,
one last desperate look inside. While
it was apart, he thought he would put
fresh batteries in it, to give it that
'little edge'. Walla, it works!!!!!!!!!!

So while things have gotten more compli-
cated, if that Ham Rig of yours does not
work, try turning the power on. K9KRE

Feast of the Hunters' Moon

Great weather made this year's Feast another big one. A tremendous crowd on Saturday made for plenty of traffic for everyone involved. Sunday's crowd was smaller, but there were still a lot of people. Everyone that helped did a great job. Thank you for volunteering your time. Your efforts were appreciated by the Feast Committee, Emergency Management, County Police, and countless individuals who didn't know what they were getting themselves into. Thanks, again.

Feast Help - Oct 12, 13

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| WB9CZC | Dave Azpell | KB9JDE | Tim Gardner |
| KB9KUQ | Jack Kueberth | K9LYA | Jim Collison |
| N9MNZ | Dave Reagan | KB9OGW | Jon Bessler |
| N9QAU | Greg Sullwold | WB9SWD | Curtis Sherwin |
| WA9TGO | Jim Canarecci | KA9TJB | Jack Bessler |
| KF9UP | Jeff Stewart | KF9WX | Tim Gennett |
| W7YE | Bob Martin | WB6YYL | Don Matheson |
| N9ZVM | Adam Rausch | | |

From the President's Desk:

I got my main computer working OK again (batteries drained) so can do my note easier this time.

It has been a pretty good year. I had copies of the FD QST report at the last meeting but forgot to hand them out. You have probably all seen our report anyway, it was more or less average. We didn't go out to win anything, just to have a good Emergency practice and have a social camp-out, etc..

The annual dinner is traditionally on the 4th Wed of January, on the usual eve for the program meeting. I have reserved the smaller dining area/room out at the "Country Buffet" on Rd 38 East. It is about 1/2 mile east of Sagamore. The time is 7:00 pm. It is quite a good place for such a meeting, as the price - \$7.65- includes all you can eat, including any or all 3 entrees. (chicken, beef, & ham) There is a salad bar and a desert bar with soft ice-cream (my weakness) with hot fudge chocolate topping! Another restaurant I checked into charged \$10.00 per person with all guests receiving the same dinner- no choice. I will try to have a short program and some small awards.

Please be thinking of who you want to elect for your new officers. The nominating committee report is due on the business meeting on Dec. 10. Your own nominations can be done then or even in Jan. when the election is held. Merry Xmas to all.

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Bob Martin, W9YE (new)

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DEATHS

Roger L. Airgood, 75

Roger L. Airgood, 75, of 1635 N. 12th died at 11:17 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, in St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center, after a brief illness. He had been hospitalized for the past two weeks.



Airgood

Born March 1, 1921, in Serbia, Ind., he grew up there and grad-

uated from Chester High School in North Manchester in 1939. He received a bachelor of science degree, an M.E. degree in 1949 and an M.S.I.E. degree in 1960 from Purdue University. He moved to the Lafayette area in 1956 from Wabash. He married Loretta Callegan on April 5, 1942, in St. Charles, Mo. She survives.

He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1939 and served until 1945 as a captain. He was a pilot of C47s and a member of the 79th Troop Carrier Squadron, which participated in the invasion of Normandy.

Since 1982, when he organized the members of his squadron, he had held yearly reunions across the country.

A professor at Purdue for 30 years, he retired in 1983 as professor emeritus of technical graphics. He also held various engineering positions with Pratt and Whitney Aircraft, Ford Motor Co., Sandia Corp. and Boeing Co.

He was a member of the United Church of Christ in Serbia, Tippecanoe County Amateur Radio Association, a life member of American Legion Post 11 and was active with the local Red Cross.

He was an avid rockhound and a member of the Tippecanoe Gem and Mineral Society.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Patricia Pavlick of Lafayette, Mrs. Lowell (Pamela Phillips) Beneker of West Lafayette and Mrs. Mark (Nancy) Mattox of Delphi; two brothers, George Airgood and Tom Airgood, and a sister, Gladys Airgood, all of North Manchester.