

Tuesday January 9. 2001

Final nominations from the floor and Election in January

Mark date on your calendar for the Banquet

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President N9GKE Bruce Stewart
 Vice-Pres W9TN Steve Van Frank
 Secretary W9YE Bob Martin
 Treasurer N9ZFG Major Sherwin
 Director WB9SWD Curtis Sherwin
 Hamfest WB9BRX David Dull
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COMING EVENTS

- 9JAN01 TUE 1930 Business Meeting, Election Night
- 14JAN01 SUN 0800-1500 24th Annual South Bend Hamfest & Computer Expo,
Elkhart County Fairgrounds, Goshen, New Location,
Free Parking, Talk-in 145.290-, \$5.00
We received some free tickets to
this hamfest in early December, and
just before Christmas received
enough brochures to include one
with every 'Tattler'. We now
understand that this event has been
cancelled for this year.
A THANK YOU to WN9NBT for this
last minute update.
- 24JAN01 WED 1900 Program Meeting, Banquet, @ MCL
Note the change in time!
- 28JAN01 SUN 0800-1300 Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs' Midwinter
Hamfest, Chicago Motor Speedway, 3301 South Laramie,
Cicero, IL, flea market tables, commercial booths, VE
Exams on site, free parking, Talk-in 145.390, \$7.00
- 13FEB01 TUE 1930 Business Meeting
- 24FEB01 SAT 0700-1300 Chicago time, LPARC Cabin Fever Hamfest, La Porte
Civic Auditorium, 1001 Ridge Street, La Porte, IN
Talk-in 146.52 and 146.61(-) PL 131.8, \$5.00
- 28FEB01 WED 1930 Program Meeting
- 13MAR01 TUE 1930 Business Meeting
- 18MAR01 SUN Toledo Mobile Radio Assoc. Hamfest, Maumee, OH A/ARRL
- 28MAR01 WED 1930 Program Meeting
- 10APR01 TUE 1930 Business Meeting
- 25APR01 WED 1930 Program Meeting
- 8MAY01 TUE 1930 Business Meeting
- 18MAY01 }
19MAY01 }-- Dayton Hamvention (The Ham Event)
20MAY01 }
- 23MAY01 WED 1930 Program Meeting, Field Day Auction
- 12JUN01 TUE 1930 Business Meeting
- 10JUN01 SUN Six Meter Club of Chicago Hamfest, Wheaton, IL A/ARRL
- 27JUN01 WED 1930 Program Meeting
- 7JUL00 SAT Indianapolis Hamfest Association Hamfest A/ARRL
- 8JUL01 SUN Kankakee Area Radio Society, Peotone, IL A/ARRL

TARA BUSINESS MTG 12-12-00

Called to order at 7:32 pm by Pres. Bruce Stewart.
Minutes were read by Secty Bob Martin and approved with 3 corrections. Treasurer's report was passed out to the members. Our balance is \$10,815.17.

Steve Van Frank asks that all club equipment and papers to be returned to him by Jan. 9 for his inventory. Ed Delp says he is cleaning out his old equipment and is willing to donate some of it to the club if we want it.

All of this year's officers volunteered to serve for another year. Their services were gratefully accepted by the club so no election was held.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bob Finch has restored an old Johnson "Speed X" bug and will return it to the club. Jack Freeman says that he can get a box made for it to keep it in good condition. We have been given 2 tickets for the South Bend Hamfest on Jan 14. They were given to Tim Gardner as he plans to attend. Club dues are now due (\$6.00). Please pay Major Sherwin. The Pres. Is requesting volunteers to help give the education programs for next year. Please contact Bruce Stewart if you have any good ideas for programs.

Meeting was closed. Gus Vavrus' name was drawn in the drawing but he was not present to receive it so it went unclaimed.

The membership is reminded that our annual dinner is at MCL, Jan. 24, at 7.00 pm. The dinner is in lieu of a regular second meeting in January.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Martin, Sect'y

Attendance List for 12-12-00

Major Sherwin, Bob Finch, Jim Haynes, Curtis Sherwin, Jack Freeman, Steve Van Frank, Pedro Castillo, Tim Gardner, Jeff Stewart, Ed Delp, Jeff Stewart, Steve Belter, Bob Martin.

Hi, Van. Please put something like the note below in the next newsletter. Thanks.

73,
steve

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CLUB EQUIPMENT INVENTORY IN PROGRESS

The Vice President is in the process of doing an inventory of all club equipment. If you have borrowed any club equipment, PLEASE RETURN IT to the club station as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Van Frank at w9tn@arrl.net or 448-6262.

TIPPECANOE AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

Treasurer's Report
November 1, 2000 through November 30, 2000

<u>Income Received:</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Treasurar of Tippecanoe Co - Hamfest deposit refund	11/4/00	\$275.00
Club keys for 3 members	11/6/00	\$6.00
Interest on CD	11/8/00	\$86.14
Interest on Savings	11/30/00	\$4.99
Total Income:		\$372.13

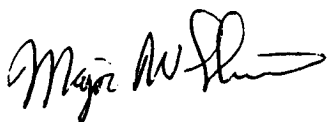
Disbursements:

Total Disbursements: \$0.00

Summary:

Beginning Checking Account Balance	11/1/00	\$346.32
Beginning Savings Account Balance	11/1/00	\$3,061.97
Beginning Value of CD (Issued 11/08/95, APR 4.20%)	11/1/00	\$7,032.75
Beginning Cash on Hand	11/1/00	\$2.00
Beginning Assets:		\$10,443.04
Ending Checking Account Balance	11/30/00	\$621.32
Ending Savings Account Balance	11/30/00	\$3,066.96
Current Value of CD (Matures 2/8/01)	11/30/00	\$7,118.89
Ending Cash on Hand	11/30/00	\$8.00
Ending Assets:		\$10,815.17

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Treasurer's Note


Major W. Sherwin N9ZFG
Treasurer

Forget the Hasty, unkind word;
Forget the slander you have heard;
Forget the quarrel and the cause;
Forget the whole affair, because,
Forgetting is the only way.
Forget the storm of yesterday.
Forget the knocker, & the squeak
Forget the bad day of the week.
Forget you're not a millionaire;
Forget the grey streaks in your hair;
Forget to even get the blues-
**But don't forget
To Pay Your Dues!**

Dues
Expire
December
31st

I first met Sue & Don about 1956 when I was teaching at Waldron. He was certainly a leading pioneer in SSTV. At the time he worked at the Naval Avionics facility in the eastern part of Indianapolis, I believe this facility no longer exists (in Indianapolis). /K9KRE

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* Sue Miller, W9YL, SK: ARRL Life Member Sue Miller, W9YL, of Waldron, Indiana, died November 10, reportedly after suffering a heart attack. She was 78. Sue Miller was the xyl of well-known SSTVer Don Miller, W9NTP, operator of Wyman Research Incorporated. Services were November 13.--Chuck Crist, W9IH

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Although I do not remember Jeff, KA9TGX, being a member of T. A. R. A., he was certainly helpful to a lot of our members. I met him in 1987 when he still lived in Lafayette. He certainly did very well for himself over the years. It saddens a lot of us that things have worked out the way they have. The article reprinted is from the Lafayette Journal-Courier, reprinted here is case you missed it.

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P o s t a g e

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* QSL postage to remain at 20 cents: While first-class domestic postage in the US will increase to 34 cents starting January 7, 2001, the cost of mailing a postcard--such as a QSL card--within the US will remain at 20 cents. The governors of the US Postal Service this week announced that the price of a first-class letter will rise to 34 cents, but the cost of each additional first-class ounce will decrease from 22 cents to 21 cents. The new 34 cent letter-rate stamps go on sale December 15. International mailing rates also will rise January 7. An airmail postcard (QSL) will cost 50 cents if bound for Canada or Mexico and 70 cents to anywhere else in the world. For other mail, the basic unit rate has been raised to one ounce--60 cents/ounce for Canada and Mexico; 80 cents elsewhere in the world, meaning users actually will be able to mail more for less. The complete rate schedule is available on the USPS Web Site. <http://www.usps.gov/news/2001rate.htm> .--USPS news release

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* More on postal rates for DXers: The cost of an international Reply Coupon (IRC) will increase from \$1.05 to \$1.75 on January 7. A one-ounce letter sent via air mail to anywhere in the world (except Canada and Mexico) will cost 80 cents. A two-ounce air mail letter will cost anywhere from \$1.55 to \$1.70, depending on where it's going. The complete rate schedule is available on the USPS Web site, <http://www.usps.gov/news/2001rate.htm>.

Dennis Egan, NB1B, via Bernie McClenny, W3UR

■ TIME OF LOSS: My family and I would like to express our gratitude to all the relatives, friends and neighbors for the flowers, cards, charitable donations and love that expressed their sympathy over the loss of my husband, Jeff Kerssemakers. The 911 operator and the Otterbein Fire Department emergency medical technicians were absolutely wonderful with the way they handled a very stressful situation, and we want you to know how much you are appreciated. Thanks also to the Tippecanoe Emergency Ambulance EMTs. We also want to thank Dr. Pennington, Dr. Chang, all the staff at the Oncology Institute, and all the wonderful nurses and staff at Home Hospital for the professional yet compassionate care he received. We are also thankful the amateur ham radio operators who served as bearers and their wives and others for the food they prepared for us. Thank you Jim for the heartwarming eulogy, Soller-Baker Funeral Homes for helping us through a difficult time, and Father Dan Gartland for everything you did for us. All the tremendous support, kindness and prayers for all of us during his illness and after his death will always be remembered.

Wendy Kerssemakers & family, West Lafayette

The Federal Communications Commission

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==>FCC SEEKS TO REQUIRE FCC REGISTRATION NUMBER

The FCC has proposed requiring that everyone it does business with obtain and use an FCC Registration Number--or FRN. Many amateurs registered with the Universal Licensing System already have been assigned a 10-digit FRN by the Commission Registration System--or CORES. The FCC has not made FRN use mandatory, however. The FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (MD Docket 00-205) December 1.

The FCC says requiring individuals and entities to obtain an FRN will help it to better track and manage the collection of fees. The FCC proposes requiring that FRNs be provided with any filings that require payment of a fee, such as the vanity fee for amateurs.

The FCC is proposing to reject filings requiring an FRN that do not include the number. The Commission said its proposed rules "would make the use of the FRN mandatory in certain circumstances so that anyone not yet assigned an FRN or who has not yet obtained one must obtain one."

An individual does not have to hold an FCC license to obtain an FRN. The FCC says the information collected by CORES includes the "entity name and type," Taxpayer Identification Number or TIN--typically a Social Security Number for an individual, contact address and e-mail address. CORES information is not made public.

Comments on the FCC rulemaking notice are due 30 days from the date of publication in The Federal Register. Reply comments are due by 45 days from the date of publication.

The FCC began implementing CORES earlier this year. CORES registration eventually will replace Universal Licensing System, or ULS, registration. The FRN will co-exist with the Licensee ID Number issued by the ULS, an FCC spokesperson said this week.

More information on CORES is available on the FCC Web site, <http://www.fcc.gov> (click on the CORES registration link).

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* Susan Ness gets recess FCC appointment: Calling the position "vital to the daily operation of the FCC," the White House this week announced the recess appointment of Susan Ness as a member of the FCC. Ness has served on the FCC since 1994 and has been the senior member of the Commission since November 1997. She also was the FCC's senior representative at the 1995, 1997 and 2000 World Radiocommunication Conferences. Her nomination for another term has been held up in the Senate. With Congress adjourned, Clinton was able to make the recess appointment, avoiding the possibility of a tie on pending FCC issues, including the AOL-Time Warner merger. The reappointment gives the FCC a Democratic majority for the next few months until President-Elect George W. Bush either nominates Ness for another term or names a replacement.