

235th Edition August-September 2007

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TARA TATTLER

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Autumn

Hopefully your antenna projects are complete and the outdoor equipment is prepared for the cooler months ahead. Traditionally autumn is the time when hams slow their outdoor activities and spend more time indoors and on the air. (Unless, of course, your favorite outdoor activity involves snow in which case I'm inserting a shameless plug for the Lafayette Ski Club which has two great trips going to Colorado this year.)

Hope everyone had an opportunity to attend this year's hamfest. We had a good turnout and the weather was nearly perfect. And, speaking of hamfests, the club has **two free tickets** to the **2007 Kalamazoo Hamfest** on Sunday October 14th in Michigan. If you are planning to attend this event contact me (**WB9BRX**) to obtain the tickets - first contact will receive them. Another hamfest coming up is Ft. Wayne Nov 17-18. This event attracts many local hams because of it's large size. It's an opportunity to get that radio that you passed up at Dayton but,

Meeting Information:

Business Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm Program Meeting: 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30 Location: Tippecanoe Chapter of American Red Cross 111 S. 7th St., Lafayette, IN 47901

with the weather closing in, seems like a better now.

Minutes of the TARA Business Meeting August 14, 2007 by Alex Younts, KC9CYK subbing for Ben Cotton, KC9FYX

Members in attendance:

Alex Younts, KC9CYK Pedro Castillo, WB9RVN Curtis Sherwin, WB9SWD Major Sherwin, N9ZFG Jeff Stewart, KF9UP Joe Rogers, KM9V Bruce Stewart, N9GKE Tom Kuespert, K9KF Tim Gardner, N9LF Bob Lusby, K9FOH John Parker, AB9LE

The meeting was called to order at 19:30, local time, by **N9GKE**.

The minutes of the July 2007 meeting were read. **K9FOH** moved to accept the minutes as corrected, and **N9ZFG** seconded, motion passed.

The July Treasurer's report shows income of \$575.89 and (Continued on page 2)

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COMING EVENTS

| Dates | Days | Time | Event | | |
|-----------|------|----------|---|--|--|
| 26 Sep 07 | Wed | 7:30 PM | Program Meeting - Nothing Scheduled | | |
| 6 Oct 07 | Sat | 11:00 AM | Siren Test! | | |
| 9 Oct 07 | Tue | 7:30 PM | Business Meeting | | |
| 14 Oct 07 | Sun | 8AM-1PM | Kalamazoo Hamfest - 2 complimentary tickets available | | |
| 24 Oct 07 | Wed | 7:30 PM | Program Meeting | | |
| 3 Nov 07 | Sat | 11:00 AM | Siren Test! | | |
| 13 Nov 07 | Tue | 7:30 PM | Business Meeting | | |
| 28 Nov 07 | Wed | 7:30 PM | Program Meeting | | |
| 1 Dec 07 | Sat | 11:00 AM | Siren Test! | | |
| 11 Dec 07 | Tue | 7:30 PM | Business Meeting | | |
| 26 Dec 07 | Wed | 7:30 PM | No Program Meeting - HAPPY HOLIDAYS!! | | |
| 5 Jan 08 | Sat | 11:00 AM | Siren Test! | | |
| 8 Jan 08 | Tue | 7:30 PM | Business Meeting | | |
| 23 Jan 08 | Wed | tba | Program Meeting - New Year Banquet | | |
| 2 Feb 08 | Sat | 11:00 AM | Siren Test! | | |
| 12 Feb 08 | Tue | 7:30 PM | Business Meeting | | |
| 27 Feb 08 | Wed | 7:30 PM | Program Meeting | | |

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expenses of \$299.98 with a closing balance of \$9,490.03. **N9FOH** moved to accept the Treasurer's report, and **N9ZFG** seconded, motion passed.

Old Business

In Hamfest news: **K9FOH** had new tickets printed and sent out tickets to various clubs and organizations. The testing session will be Sunday at noon, organized by **KF9UP**. **N9LF** ordered prizes which will be given away at the end of the Hamfest or sent to their respective winners. The club will have manned table to sell outdated club equipment and member gear, run by **N9LF**.

KF9UP has completed making and setting up new tables and desks in the shack. Everyone should come to the next meeting to see the new furniture.

N9LF has secured the club space in the garage for storage.

KF9UP brought up selling our old antennas in preparations for one day buying new ones when we secure a new tower. **K9FOH** made a motion to sell the 2m and 440 verticals. **KM9V** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

The Red Cross contacted the club about help removing the tower from the old Red Cross building. **N9LF** made a mo-

tion to reimburse the Red Cross the \$300 for the removal service. **WB9SWD** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

N9GKE is going to have new signs made for the club to replace our old, worn out wooden signs, and donate the new signs to the club.

The outside door triggers an alarm after a door is held open for more than sixty seconds. Everyone with a key must be sure to mind this time limit and not set off the alarm. It will signal the police!

Motion to adjourn was made by **N9LF** and seconded by **WB9SWD**.

Meeting adjourned at 20:15, local time.

Minutes of the TARA Business Meeting September 11, 2007 by Ben Cotton, KC9FYX

19:30 - meeting called to order by N9GKE

Members in attendance: (13)

Ben Cotton KC9FYX Dave Dull WB9BRX John Parker AB9LE Curtis Sherwin WB9SWD Cheryl Parker K9HER Tom Kuespert K9KF Ernest Clark KB9SKI Major Sherwin N9ZFG Tim Gardner N9LF Stephen Parker WR9A

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R. Bruce Stewart N9GKE Joe Rogers KM9V Jeff Stewart KF9UP

KC9FYX read the minutes from the August business meeting. No corrections. **K9HER** moved to accept minutes, **WR9A** seconded. Minutes accepted by unanimous vote.

AB9LE gave the Treasurer's report: Income: \$1210.29 Expenses: \$972.10 Ending assets: \$9728.45. **WB9SWD** moved to accept, **N9ZFG** seconded. Report is accepted unanimously.

Old business:

AB9LE presents preliminary numbers from 2007 Hamfest. 208 tickets sold. Net income: \$405. Final numbers to be presented at October meeting.

WB9BRX reports that the bike ride organizers were happy.

N9GKE presented the new banners. They should be rolled with the lettering on the outside.

New business:

Club mail is currently being forwarded to AB9LE.

The Red Cross wants to know how many key cards are needed. Keys cost \$15 each to produce. **N9LF** moved to pay the Red Cross for 10 keys. **WB9BRX** seconds. Approved by unanimous vote.

WB9BRX moved to purchase a sign with the club logo. **N9LF** seconded. The motion was tabled pending a design proposal.

N9LF will investigate getting new shirts. Results to be presented at October meeting.

Mark Huntsinger petitioned for membership. KM9V moves to accept. AB9LE seconds. Membership granted unanimously.

20:03 – **N9LF** moved to adjourn, **WB9BRX** seconds. Meeting adjourned by unanimous vote.

Hams at the Indiana Veterans' Home

Special thanks to **KF9UP**, **N9GKE**, **N9LF**, **K9FOH**, and **K9WX** for providing VE testing and helping raise an antenna for the home's new ham station. There are at least two licensed hams at the home now and thanks to **Rene Weber's** donation of some of his late wife's equipment, the station has a solid state HF rig and an 80m-10m dipole. **Jack Bressler KA9TJB**, an IVH employee, has been instrumental in securing room and making the project possible.

Some assistance is still needed maintain and help with technical questions. If you would like to help out contact Jack (**KA9TJB**) or me (**WB9BRX**)

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this project!

Treasurer's Report

by John Parker, AB9LE

Tippecanoe Amateur Radio Association Treasurer's Report

August 1, 2007 through August 31, 2007

| Receip | ts: | | | |
|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| | | | \$0.00 | |
| | | | 0.00 | |
| | Sale of VHF amp | | 0.00 | |
| | Interest on savings account | | 0.24 | |
| | Interest on 08/23/08 CD | | 0.00 | |
| | Interest on 10/22/07 CD | | 0.00 | |
| | | Total Receipts: | \$0.24 | |
| Disbur | sements: | | | |
| | Bob Lusby, K9FOH, Hamfest ticket | | \$291.92 | check this |
| | Red Cross, donation, tower remova | d | 300.00 | |
| | | Total Disbursements: | \$591.92 | |
| | I | Net Receipts Increase (Decrease): | (\$591.68) | |
| Accour | it Transfers | | | |
| | Savings to Checking, Hamfest oper | ning cash | \$400.00 | |
| CDs | | | | |
| CDS | 7 Month, 5.05%, Matures 10/22/07 | \$4,840.22 | | |
| | 13 Month, 5.2%, Matures 08/23/08 | \$2,766.88 | | |
| Summa | 0.0 | | | |
| Summe | Beginning value of CDs | | \$7.607.10 | |
| | Beginning Checking Account | | 534.19 | |
| | Beginning Savings Account | | 1138.48 | |
| | Beginning Cash on Hand | | 0.00 | |
| | | Beginning Assets: | \$9,279.77 | |
| | Ending value of CDs | | \$7,607.10 | |
| | Ending Checkbook Balance | | -57.73 | |
| | Ending Savings Account | | 738.72 | |
| | Ending Cash on Hand | | 0.00 | |
| | | Ending Assets: | \$8,288.09 | |
| | | let Increase (Decrease) in Assets: | (\$991.68) | |
| | | Out of Balance: | \$400.00 | |
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John Parker - AB9LE

Tippecanoe Amateur Radio Association Treasurer's Report August 1, 2007 through August 31, 2007

| Receipts: Tak Ryuzoji, KC9AMT, dues 2006-7 Charlie Williams, NWJUM, dues 2007 James Canarecci, WA9TGO, dues 2008 Hamfest receipts Sale of VHF amp Interest on savings account Interest on 08/23/08 CD Interest on 10/22/07 CD | \$20.00 10.00 1170.00 1170.00 0.00 0.29 0.00 0.00 |
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| Total Receipts: | \$1,210.29 |
| Disbursements: PayPal discount fee Bob Lusby, K9FOH, hamfest ticket expenses Red Cross, LAF Chapter, donation for tower removal expenses | \$0.88 291.22 300.00 |
| Tim Gardner, N9LF, hamfest prize expense | 380.00 |
| Total Disbursements: | \$972.10 |
| Net Receipts Increase (Decrease): | \$238.19 |
| Account Transfers Savings to Checking, Hamfest opening cash | \$400.00 |
| CDs 7 Month, 5.05%, Matures 10/22/07 \$4,840.22 13 Month, 5.2%, Matures 08/23/08 \$2,766.88 | |
| Summary: Beginning value of CDs Beginning Checking Account Beginning Savings Account Beginning Cash on Hand | \$7,607.10 744.21 1138.95 0.00 |
| Beginning Assets: | \$9,490.26 |
| Ending value of CDs Ending Checkbook Balance Ending Savings Account Ending Cash on Hand | \$7,607.10 172.11 1949.24 0.00 |
| Ending Assets: | \$9,728.45 |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Assets: | \$238.19 |

Increase (Decrease) In Assets: \$2.38.19 Out of Balance: \$0.00

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | 1 Charles Bressler WB9SJW Gerald Heydt | 2 SHELDON BENTLY JACK HERTEL W9HHN WM HURLY KA9NYW ANNA RUMBLE | 3 | STETR | 5 | G Siren Test 11:00 am |
| CLERGY APPRECIATION DAY | KF9CT JACKFREEMAN KB9NP DONALD HALSEMA | ATATEL N ILATIO | 10 | | NGVLW CHARLES WILLIAMS | 13 |
| 14 charles Long | 15 | 16 WZ9K LON AHLEN N9RRJ WE3NDY KERSSEMAKERS KC9WH JIM COSAND | 17 | WZ9K LON AHLEN N9RRJ WE3NDY KERSSEMAKERS KC9WH JIM COSAND | 19 | 20 |
| ELVIS JAILHOUSS ROCK PREMIERED 1957 | 22 | 23 | AMATELN RADIO | N97MO DONA SMITH | 26 MIKE MCDONALD | 27 |
| Gateway Arch St. Louis Completed 1965 | 29 Mike McDonald | 30 FRANK TIDEBACK | 31 | Thu. 7:3 | N9LF N9GKE N9ZND | |