



# THEODORE ROOSEVELT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I'm looking forward to Saturday morning (September 22) as I participate with the crew to winterize the Killdeer repeater. It will be a new experience for me, and it will be exciting to learn something new. This comment is not to take anything away from Stan Kittelson's (WDØDAJ) presentation on reading schematics following the last meeting! Thanks Stan, for another job well done. Jim Fahy, NØSJ, fortunately will have an evening away from volleyball and will present "Good Operating Procedures" following our October 1 meeting.

We are anticipating another Show and Tell Day at the Prairie Hills Mall, Saturday, October 20. This has historically been a good day to recruit new Hams. Come and help man the equipment if you are available.

Condolences to Evelyn (Richard) Wehner, KCØHKR, as she grieves the loss of her brother. See you at the next meeting, October 1.

Good hamming,

73, Bernie Krebs KCØRRJ

## UPCOMING EVENTS

October 1

TRARC meeting @ LEC, 7 pm

October 6

Hamfest at Grand Forks

October 20

"Show and Tell" at Prairie Hills Mall

## TEST SESSIONS

If you are in need of a test session, contact either Bill Bosch/KØUB or Emil Wieglanda/NØDK. Bill is associated with ARRL VEC and Emil is with W5YI. They will let you know when the next test session will be held.

**Bill: 701-483-3869**

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## OFFICE HOLDERS OF TRARC

*President* Bernie Krebs/KCØRRJ

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**Theodore Roosevelt Amateur Radio Club**  
Meeting Minutes  
September 10, 2007

Minutes submitted by Laurie, KC0NHW, Secretary/Treasurer.

Bernie, KC0RRJ, President called the meeting to order.

Introductions of members and guests followed.

Minutes of last meeting were approved on a motion by Emil, N0DK and seconded by Larry, KD0BDL. Motion carried.

Laurie, KC0NHW, gave treasurer's report. Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Evelyn, KC0HKR and seconded by Emil, N0DK. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

- A. Repeaters – A workday has been scheduled to winterize (check the guy wires, batteries, heater, etc..) the 64 repeater site. Anyone who would like to participate should meet in the LEC parking lot Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:45AM.
- B. Equipment – We have received the new equipment that Bill, K0UB ordered from Burghardt. They are as follows. Two 706 Radios, three noise canceling speakers, and two auto tuners. We now have a 430 radio, and a 130. The market value for them is \$100 for the 430 and \$150 for the 130. There is also an extra Yaesu radio in the backroom of the LEC. General discussion was made and decision to keep the old equipment on hand at this time.
- C. ARRL – Bill, K0UB had some information on ARRL members. There are 152,000 members. From January to July 30<sup>th</sup> the membership has doubled from 2006 to 2007. North Dakota has 1605 hams. There are 220 in our zip code.
- D. Trap Club – Discussion was made to pay \$75.00 for the use of the trap club for Field Day and the picnic. Motion to approve made by Bill, K0UB and seconded by Laurie, KC0NHW. Motion carried.

**New Business**

- A. Field Day – Dave, K0HKY Field Day Coordinator, announced the Field Day awards. John, KD0AZY was given an award for just receiving his license on Field Day and making contacts. Damien Cowley grandson of John, KD0AZY was given an award for making contacts. Melissa Sheppard, KD0AAK for her assistance in getting information out to the public. Glenn, WD0DAI and Bill, K0UB for the most contacts.
- B. Cargo Trailer – Stan, WD0DAJ mentioned that it is hard to see the turn signal lights on the trailer. Suggestions were made to add turn signals higher, change the marker lights to turn signals or add a LED light strip.
- C. Handi-Ham Camp – Larry, KD0BDL attended the camp in August. He said he really enjoyed it. He said he learned some operating skills. He was able to talk to people around the world. The call sign they used at the camp is W0EQO. It was their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Winner of the meeting drawing is Melissa, KD0AAK. Congratulations!

Motion to adjourn made by Bill, K0UB and seconded by Emil, N0DK. Meeting adjourned.

### MARGARET'S CORNER

September is a quiet month as far as Ham activities are concerned. Many are getting in those last days of camping while the weather is nice. It really has been excellent for outdoor activities. Yards are being prepared for the winter and gardens are all but a memory. The leaves are quickly turning colors and starting to look gorgeous. We are hoping for plentiful rain to keep things healthy through the winter. Tomatoes and cucumbers have been plentiful but I haven't seen the dreaded zucchini putting in an appearance yet.

We had a pleasant surprise on August 30th when John and Bonnie Stiles and daughter Jody stopped by to have lunch with us at Arbys. They were on their way to Medora to take in the musical. Maybe we'll get to see more of them now that they are residents of Bismarck. The next day we had a nice visit with Tom VE9TJR who happened to be in the area during coffee time. He drives a semi and was quite an interesting fellow. It made the time go quickly.

Next comes Show and Tell at the mall. This year is sailing by too fast. Enjoy the summer and the beautiful colors.

73, Margaret KB7ITR

### BIRTHDAYS FOR OCTOBER

Duane	Splichal	KBØIXX	10/4
John	Bjorness	KDØAZY	10/5
Margaret	Wieglanda	KB7ITR	10/6
Randy	Jilek	N7EEE	10/12
Paula	Scheeler	KCØFKL	10/14
Dean	Williams	KIØLL	10/14
Mick	Lewton	KCØRLF	10/15
Curtis	Kittelson	KCØHSR	10/16
Mark	Tollefson	WØZCM	10/17

*The best thing about the future is that it only comes one day at a time.*

*-Abraham Lincoln-*

### NORTH DAKOTA: SM, Kent Olson, KAØLDG

Fall is upon us, cooler weather, raking leaves, and back to school for the kids. It's also time to get those last minute antenna projects completed before the cold winter snow and winds start blowing.

Welcome to the ND Radio Association. Recently this new club formed in the Minot area, and is open to all.

Larry, KIØW, the section's SEC spent time in tornado damaged Northfield. He reported of massive destruction throughout the small community. Communications never broke down so ham radio was not needed, but thanks to all who volunteered their services for that possibility. I know we will hear more as first responders reflect on the event, and how things can be improved.

Bismarck hams continued work on the 85 machine, and there are no plans at present to get a Pillsbury connection re-established; path analysis says it is a no-go.

No winner in the "Top Gun" club for Field Day yet. I'm still waiting on the official results from the League.

Upcoming hamfests: Grand Forks - October 6th.

#### **Section's web site:**

<http://home.earthlink.net/~qtjpf16/>

Looking for a new net manager - please let me know if you are interested.

HF NM KØJIM net reports for August:  
Weather Net: 27/654/4. Data Net: 31/672/16.  
Goose River Net: 4/34/1.

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