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The President's Shack

I want to thank everyone that came to the January meeting. The weather was something else. For the ones that could not make it, here are a few things we discussed.

We have a new advertisement sponsor, Danny Bubp Attorney at Law.

Weather spotters class at the old Vocational School, March 11, 2003, 6:30 PM.

We decided to do the Covered Bridge special event this year. The dates are not decided as of yet, but it will probably be in June at the covered bridge on 136.

We are going to do communications for the Wilson Memorial Rededication on June 14. Be at the Old Wayside Inn at 10:00. The Parade starts at 11:00

We are going to do a Bicentennial Special Event from Adams Lake on August 10, 2003. The time will be from 1:00 to 5:00 with a covered dish picnic to follow. This would be a good time to get in some HF operating.

I have down loaded the W1AW schedule for 2003 if anyone needs it.

If I have left anything out, Jerry will have more in the newsletter. We should have a fun spring and summer. See you there.

73 Ed KE8FK

**NEXT MEETING
TUESDAY – 7:00 PM
FEBRUARY 11, 2003**

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DeForest A.R.C. Birthdays & SPECIAL EVENTS

February

4 Charmaine R. Burnes
5 KB8PPR Mark Mershon
11 DeForest meeting 7:00 PM
17 KC8LMJ Matt Sheeley
18 N8ZDL Bob McFarland
22 KB8WGV Martha W. King
29 KB8YLP Howard Seymour

March

8 KB8NSJ Larry Bennington
11 N8XGR Tory B. Peterson
11 DeForest meeting 7:00 PM
16 N8XGM Tony L. Kimmerly
19 KC8DDY Lyle Lambert
21 KC8HFX Robert J. Kemphues

March

21 KF8RC Lucius Merrill Jr.
22 KB8YKM Imogene Seymour
22 KC8LIA Karen Lambert
27 KC8OVO Bill Cox

DeForest Amateur Radio Club membership

A membership in the DeForest Amateur Radio Club is your ticket to excitement and fun. From special events, community service, meetings, dinners and picnics to a week-end-long Field Day, the DeForest Amateur Radio Club offers a world of ham-radio activities. We teach skills, run special events such as Ohio Bicentennial and the Ohio Covered Bridge, assist the Adams County EMA with communications backup — and have a great time together enjoying all that our hobby offers.

Renew your membership or become a new member. You can join as an individual or a family, and we offer special rates for grade school and high school students. We even offer a free membership to full time active, military Adams County hams.

Benefits of Membership

Your membership includes a subscription to our monthly newsletter, use of the member-owned repeater and emergency autopatch. A

FULL member is permitted use of the autopatch for additional calls.

Our club would be great for you if:

- You want to learn about ham radio without spending large amounts of money while learning.
- You would like to meet some of the nicest people in the area. You want to learn (or teach) more about ham radio.
- You want to learn how to communicate in an emergency.
- You want to learn how to set up an emergency-powered ham station. You just want to have fun.

Our club is a member of the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) and we follow the principles of the ARRL in the operation of our club. We make extensive use of the ARRL tools to guide club members in their ham radio hobby. We are affiliated with the Amateur Radio Emergency Service, and the National Traffic System, both a part of the ARRL.

When you visit our club meeting, we will give you additional information to help you make a decision as to whether you wish to apply for membership. You are cordially invited to our next club meeting, February 11th, at 7:00 PM in West Union, Ohio. We meet in the ABCAP Senior Nutrition Center, across from the front steps of the Adams County Courthouse.

Section Manager's Column

Joe Phillips, K8QOE,
Ohio Section Manager

Section News (Ohio Section) for February, 2003 edition for Ohio Section Web Sites

SM: Joe Phillips, K8QOE, Fairfield, (to contact me, see QST page 12); ASM-NE: Bob Winston, W2THU, Cleveland; ASM-NW: Ron Griffin, N8AEH,

Findlay; ASM-Central: Bill Carpenter, AA8EY, Westerville; ASM-SW: John Haungs, W8STX, Cincinnati; ASM-SE: Connie Hamilton, N8IO, Marietta; SEC: Larry Rain, WD8IHP, Mansfield; STM: Jack Wagoner, WB8FSV, Hilliard; ACC: Brenda Krukowski, KB8IUP, Toledo; TC: Tom Holmes. N8ZM, Tipp City; PIC: Scott Yonally, N8SY, Mansfield; OOC: Alan Cook, N7CEU, Newark; SGL: Reuben Meeks, W8GUC, Vandalia.

...**SECTION NEWS:** The Maumee Hamfest (Toledo) will be March 16 at the Lucas County Recreation Center as always. It was late getting on the ARRL Calendar. But remember this month hamfest at Mansfield with a Saturday night ARRL Banquet. For more details log onto <http://www.maser.org/>

...The Great Lakes Division Convention (Michigan , Kentucky , Ohio) in September at Findlay , Ohio , the day before the Hamfest, is beginning to take shape. Beside Jim Haynie, W5JBP, ARRL National president as main banquet speaker, the conference will have sessions on FCC/OO Cleanup of Frequencies, Ham Radio clubs, Direction Finding Radio and a day-long class toward achieving Emergency Certification. Other details are still being finalized....

...Ohio club information - Congrats to the following officers for 2003 for the Grant ARC: President: Bill Cox, KC8OVO, Vice President: Kaye King, KC8CZC, Secretary: Jerry Silman, KB8PVY also for the Massillon ARC officers: President: Richard Ross, KA8ZQH, Vice President: Jim Farris, WA8GXM, Secretary: Linda Finley, K8MOO, Treasurer: Ann Ballinger N8GAF and also Findlay RC officers: President: Bill Kelsey, N8ET, Vice President: Mike Yammine, KB8CMS, Secretary: Dean Calvin, N8RMF and Treasurer: Ron Griffin, N8AEH. More club officers next month.

...Welcome to the following clubs who have become affiliated with ARRL again: Grant Amateur Radio Club and Indian Hills Radio Club.

...OHIO SECT CONGRATS: (A) To Jack Sovik, KB8WPZ, Youngstown, for being part of the popular ham radio RAIN report and for being named Ham of the Year for Mahoning Valley ARA (Youngstown); (B) To Sam Eberling, KC8ETZ, as Alliance ARC Ham of the Year; (C) To Ohio Newsletter editors who are using the Sec-

tion News at a rate beyond my wildest dreams after only one month; and (D) To "Spirit of '76 and '88" newsletter of Lake Erie ARA (Cleveland) for listing all writers who contributed to the newsletter the past year. Good recruiting tool for newsletter participation.

...FEBRUARY OHIO HAMFESTS: (2) Northern Ohio ARS in Lorain . Info? Write electro7@apk.net (9) IARC-MASER in Mansfield , Banquet the night before at 6 p.m. Info? See <http://www.maser.org/> (23) Cuyahoga Falls ARC in Cuyahoga Falls . Info? See <http://www.cfarc.org/>

...Now for the December Traffic Reports.

N8IXF 473, N8IO 352,
N8BV 303, WD8KFN 273,
N7CEU 199, KD8HB 174,
N8TNV 144, N8DD, 143,
W8STX 114, N8OD 109,
KX8B 109, KB8SBK 103,
W8QIW 98, W8PBX 93,
WB8HHZ 79, KA8CXG 78,
KA8FCC 77, WA8EYQ 74,
W8RPS 71, WA8SSI 70,
KA8VWE 64, NS8C 62,
N8IBR 60, WB8SIQ 57,
N8CW 51, NY8V 37, KD9K 37,
W7RG 33, K3RC 31, N8EX 32,
KI8IM 30, K8PJ 28,
KC8KYP 26, WB8PMG 26,
KC4IYD 24, N8WLE 24,
KC8HTP 23, K8QX 18,
KC8TKB 18, N8GOB 9,
WB8FSV 4, K8JE 4,
WD8IHP 3, K8QIP 1.
Late November Traffic:
K8JE 4

de Joe, K8QOE

DARC Meeting January 14, 2003

The January meeting of the DeForest ARC was called to order by President KE8FK following the Pledge of Allegiance. Barb Lock N8HIA motioned that the Secretary's minutes be approved as printed in the newsletter. The motion was seconded by Pat Ellis KC8LVE and passed without objection. KC8LVE presented the Treasurer's report stating that the current balance is \$1,114.07 with inflows of \$866.81 and outflows of \$247.26. She added that the Christmas dinner catering arrangements worked out well with the club splitting the cost of the meal and each attendee paying a small

portion. N8HIA motioned to accept the Treasurer's report; Kim Paquette N8YWX seconded the motion. Motion passed.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jerry Paquette WB8IOW reported that he has not contacted all of the previous newsletter advertisers but will work on that very soon.

Net Control operators are needed to assist with running the weekly net. The following stations have volunteered for NCS so far: KE8FK – January, KB8OMG – February, N8YWX – September, KC8LVE – November, N8HIA – December. Anyone who would like to try running a net should contact WB8IOW.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

KE8FK announced that 2003 dues are due. WB8IOW will send out reminder envelopes again this year for those members who have not yet renewed. N8YWX reported that some members think the dues are not due until the end of February because that is the cut off date to pay to preserve voting rights. She suggested that something be put in the newsletter and announced on nets to advise that dues are due the first of the year. WB8IOW stated that there were announcements in the newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS

KE8FK reminded those in attendance that the date has already been set for the Bicentennial special event on August 10, 2003. The event will be held again at Adams Lake State Park on the North side and will be from 1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. A covered dish picnic will follow. KC8LVE announced that the DeForest ARC previously purchased a numbered, limited edition Bicentennial ceramic barn. WB8IOW motioned that those DeForest ARC members attending the special event would have their names placed in a drawing for a chance to win the bicentennial barn. Bill Mangus N8SND seconded the motion; motion carried.

The annual Weather Spotter Class will be held on March 11, 2003 at the Ohio Valley Vocational School beginning at 6:30 P.M. WB8IOW announced that the cafeteria is already reserved and that the training is open

to the public. N8YWX will contact our Public Information Officer WB4ZKO so that an article can be put in the paper.

KE8FK presented more details on the parade that will be held on June 14th as part of the Wilson Memorial rededication. The parade is scheduled to begin at 11:00 A.M., but Hams will be needed an hour or two prior to the start. It is not known how many Hams will be needed to help, but coordinators of the parade expect tremendous community participation, so anyone who might be available for a few hours on June 14th should contact KE8FK to let him know.

ARES

N8YWX reported that she received a new Ohio Section Emergency Response Plan that contains some minor changes from previous years.

NEW BUSINESS

KE8FK stated that the coordinator of this year's covered bridge special event had contacted him. No date has been set as of yet, but KE8FK will act as liaison and will keep the club advised. Those in attendance expressed willingness to participate again this year.

WB8IOW announced that Field Day would be held on June 28th and 29th. He stated that the Paquette field is available if that is what the club wishes to do. It will be discussed and decided at the February meeting.

The DeForest ARC will again be needed to assist with communications for the July 4th Lions Club parade. Mark your calendars!

KC8LVE motioned for adjournment; N8HIA seconded. With no objection, meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M. Despite freezing temperatures and snowy weather, the following were in attendance: KE8FK, N8HIA, KC8BWJ, N8SND, KC8LVE, WB8IOW, and N8YWX.

AMATEUR RADIO NEWS RELEASE

The Foundation for Amateur Radio, Inc., a non-profit organization with headquarters in Washington, D.C., plans to administer fifty-eight (58)

scholarships for the academic year 2003-2004 to assist licensed Radio Amateurs. The Foundation, composed of over seventy-five local area Amateur Radio Clubs, fully funds seven of these scholarships with the income from grants and its annual hamfest. The remaining fifty-one (51) are administered by the Foundation without cost to the various donors.

Licensed Radio Amateurs may compete for these awards if they plan to pursue a full-time course of studies beyond high school and are enrolled in or have been accepted for enrollment at an accredited university, college, or technical school. The awards range from \$500 to \$2500 with preference given in some cases to residents of specified geographical areas or the pursuit of certain study programs. Clubs, especially those in Delaware, Florida, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Virginia, and Wisconsin, are encouraged to announce these opportunities at their meetings, in their club newsletters, during training classes, on their nets, and on their world wide web home pages.

Additional information and an application form may be requested by letter or QSL card, postmarked prior to April 30, 2003 from:

FAR Scholarships
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FEBRUARY 11, 2003 - 7:00 PM
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ACROSS FROM THE FRONT STEPS OF THE
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WEST UNION, OHIO

DeFOREST AMATEUR RADIO CLUB - PO BOX 73 – WEST UNION, OH 45693

Membership Application

(additional members can sign up on bottom of this page)

ANYONE WITH A DESIRE IN AMATEUR RADIO, LICENSED OR NOT, IS ELIGIBLE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE DeFOREST AMATEUR RADIO CLUB; HOWEVER, ONLY LICENSED AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS CAN BE A FULL MEMBER.

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Is your home phone unlisted? () YES () NO

If yes, and another club member requests your number should we give it out? () YES () NO

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Send newsletter via U.S. mail () OR E-mail () in ASCII format () or PDF format ()

() FULL MEMBERSHIP - \$15 (including full autopatch privileges)
(A FULL MEMBER MUST BE A LICENSED HAM OPERATOR)

() ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP - \$5 (does not include use of autopatch)

() STUDENT MEMBERSHIP - \$5 (Full member privileges, if licensed Amateur Radio operator)

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Please complete and return with payment to the club at the address shown above or bring to the next club meeting.
Call Ed at 544-2585, Jerry or Kim at 544-3763, or Pat at 549-1089 for application help (all 937 area code)

THANK YOU IF YOU HAVE ALREADY RENEWED YOUR 2003 MEMBERSHIP!

Visit us on-line at <http://www.qsl.net/k8ge>