

## August SMARC Meeting

Location: District 5, Prince Georges County Police Station  
6707 Groveton Drive, Clinton, MD 20735

Date: October 9, 2009

Time: General Meeting - 7:00 PM  
Board Meeting - if necessary

Talk-in: VHF Repeater - 147.150 - PL114.8  
(click for map)

## From the Presidents Shack

Hi Gang!

It's election time again! Choo Choo the election train is leaving the station and you are all invited. This month we nominate, November we elect and at the Holiday party we install the next bunch of happy campers in their new offices. The pay is great and the working hours can't be beat! So here is your chance to end my reign of terror and get the next guy or gal in office. So come early nominate anyone who is not there to defend themselves and let's get this train moving! Choo Choo chugga chugga chugga chugga choo choo!

Ken and I went up to the repeater and fired up the Forestville remote receiver. It is noisy right now and I am working on the problem. I have a few fixes to install so bear with me for a while. Ken rewired the audio connections to the voter and it really looks good and is very easy to work on now. This project is finally coming to an end. It has been a long time coming but it looks like it will be worth the wait.

Thanks to all of you who came out on a beautiful Friday last month and spent the day helping with the Heinze Golf Tournament. We helped the Red Cross with their big fund raiser with communications and some of us were making some pretty good Barbeque goodies. I would like to thank Allen and Mike Stevenson, Linda and Joey Curtis personally for all of the hard work they put in to make the dinner we prepared such a success. I was given the opportunity to cook for over 150

people at the event. This never would have happened if these folks did not help pull this off, one man could not do this alone. We made 70 pounds of roast beef, 50 chickens, 175 baked potatoes and about 35 pounds of green beans. Not too bad for a back yard BBQ. The attendees ate all of the roast beef and just a couple of chickens made it to sandwiches the next day. I have been checking around and I heard no complaints about the food and Southern Maryland Hospitals did not report a food poisoning outbreak! Ken KA3POX and Harry KB3HNQ manned the golf course and kept us in the loop with communications all day and made hourly BBQ checks. Our Go kits worked well and the Hambulance performed well. All of you did a fantastic job and I think we will be asked to do it again next year. THANK YOU, SMARC SHINED THAT DAY!!!!!!

I am sad to report that Richard Eshelman, Wk3I died the first week in September. He had a brief but intense illness. I don't have any more details about services or the internment. There has been some information about his gear and antennas you may have seen from Mike, W3MC. He still has some gear left, mostly antennas and small things. The radios were bought by a dealer and I don't have any information about when and where it will be sold. Richard was our treasurer for many years and he hosted the repeater when we lost the Cheltenham site. He was an electrician and had his business in Clinton for many years.

# SMARC

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# Sparks

*A Little  
Something For  
Everyone*



I am looking forward to seeing you at the meeting. This month we are at the District V police station. Next month I would like to move the meeting from the Red Cross HQ to the Red Cross annex in La Plata. We can tour the new building that houses our radio storage and vehicle maintenance spaces. This is a big building and we have an opportunity to use this for other projects, so come on out and help to plan on using it.

That is all I have right now.  
Vic WA3YUV

## Information

**Board Meeting:**  
As needed

**Membership Meeting:**  
Second Friday, 1900 hours  
**Repeaters: WA3YUV/R**  
VHF - 147.150 (PL 114.8)  
UHF - 443.600 (PL 103.5)

**2 Meter Net:**  
SMARC repeater  
Tuesday, 2000 hours

**10 Meter Net:**  
28.447 Mhz (+/- QRM)  
Thursday, 2000 hours

**Web Site:**  
<http://www.qsl.net/smarc>  
Webmaster - N3MPS

**Mailing Address:**  
P.O. Box 273  
Cheltenham, MD 20623



## American Red Cross

## Volunteers

We invite you to join us for dinner, Tuesday October 13, 2009  
6:30 p.m. Dress Business Casual  
ADF Bingo Hall 29770 Three Notch Rd  
Charlotte Hall, MD  
Help us celebrate you, the volunteers who make it all possible.  
RSVP 301 934 2066

## Hamfest Schedule

**October 25 (Sunday)**  
Mason-Dixon Hamfest  
Carroll County Amateur Radio Club  
Carroll County Agricultural Center  
Westminster, MD

