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#### NEXT MEETING

The third Tuesday of the month September 16, 2003 in or near Room G 84 of the Engineering Science Building, 7:30 PM

#### **ELECTIONS OPEN**

Nominations for President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer will open at the September meeting with elections being held in October.

#### VE SESSION Sunday, September 14, 2003

Registration 12:30 PM Exams begin 1:00 PM Fairmont West High School Freshman Building 7th St Fairmont.

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### Tower Work done on W8MWA

Work on the antenna for the repeater has been almost completed. There is only the attachment of a connector on the end of the coax at the repeater itself. It was hoped that the connector could have been found at one of the area hamfests but it has not materialized.



Here we see the antenna (the long white stick) in the basket ready to go up the tower.



Look at the basket in position to mount the antenna. There are three men in the basket. What a view from the top



On the way down. The job is done. It took just a little over one and a half hours. The repeater was off the air about an hour.



WV Chapter #30 WV Chapter #97

## WHAT YEAR WERE YOU FIRST LICENSED?

Some of the Old Folks in WV Ham Radio met at Jackson's Mill and are attempting to reactivate the West Virginia QCWA Chapters. Northern WV had Chapter #30 and the Charleston-Huntington area had Chapter #97.

These two Chapters have been dormant since about 1999.

On Saturday, September 20, some of the interested members from around the state are going to meet at Larry's Steak House at the Flatwood Exit (Exit 67) of I-79 for lunch and a general get-together.

If you are a current member of QCWA or are interested, you are welcome to attend.

Requirements for membership:

- Licensed originally 1978 or earlier.
  (Continuous licensing not required.)
- Annual dues paid to the National QCWA (\$20/year)
- □ Chapter dues (to be determined)

Membership in the local chapter is not a requirement, but allows contact for local activities.

If you're interested but cannot attend on the 20<sup>th</sup>, contact Dave Mays W8UI, <u>dmays@wirefire.com</u> and check out the QCWA Web Site at <u>http://www.qcwa.org/</u>

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