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ARMS Christian
Fellowship Group



Fall 2019

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From The Presidents Desk

Hello to all ARMS members from western Montana.

As I write this it is snowing outside and is a bit chilly with a north wind blowing. I trust all of you are doing well and the Lord is actively working in and through you in your part of the country.

A generous donation has been made in honor of the memory of one of our ARMS brothers, Francis, WØQCB. (His widow, Maxine, now uses the call and is also a Member.) I believe it reflects the heart of God working in His body for His glory.

We continue to look for someone to step up and take the position of Friday Net Control Station for our 20 meter net. I would appreciate it

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ARMS Christian Fellowship Section Nets

(Local time: Frequency in MHz)

Eastern.....	Mon 0700	3.907
	Sat, 0900	3.907
Southeast.....	Sat, 0900	3.899.5
Midwest.....	Sat, 0700	3.905.5
South Central	No net at the present	
Central.....	Thu, 2000	Not fixed
Rocky Mountain..	No net at the present	
Southwest.....	Sat 0945	7.233
Northwest.....	Thurs, 0730	3.965
20-Meter.....	Mon-Sat, 1000 ET	14.3075
	0900 CT	
	0800 MT	
	0700 PT	

20 Meter Net Control Stations

Monday.....Mike, K7PTL, Stevensville, MT

Tuesday.....Jerry, K1GUP, Carmel, ME

Wednesday.....Frank, AG0M, Cherokee, IA

Thursday.....Denis, WD4ACH, Knoxville, TN

Friday.....Open

Saturday.....Frank, AG0M, Cherokee, IA &
Dean, K0TVJ, Mesa, AZ

RELAYS ARE NEEDED AND ENCOURAGED

(We still need a regular Net Control for Fridays. This can be one person, or two people to provide good coverage.)

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth. (Acts 1:8)

A lot of work left to do!

- **6,739** of the 16,314 total ethnic people groups in the world **are still Unreached**.
- **Only (4%)** of the 420,000 foreign missionaries **are working among the Unreached** world
- Only **1%** of the money given to foreign missions goes for work among **Unreached** people groups.

We, as Christians, being committed to following the directives of Jesus Christ must be involved in Reaching the Unreached!

Galatians 6:10

Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

I John: 7

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.



Southeast Section Report Denis Parker, WD4ACH



Greeting in the Name Above all names, The Lord Jesus Christ,

We are looking forward Lord willing to our annual get-together at the Dalton, Georgia Hamfest on Feb 21 & 22, 2020.

I am planning to ask La Quinta Inn again for special pricing as we did last 2 years,

We will have our Dinner again at one of the local Restaurants, if possible, and Breakfast at the motel before head off to the Hamfest.

Brother Dave Gillespie will do our Friday night Bible study as he has done over the years at our get-togethers. We are looking forward to that.

Please pray for our friend to the ARMS Net, Janice Marable who is not a ham but has attended a lot of our get-togethers.

Janice's husband Tommy went to be with the Lord after a courageous fight with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

Its good to have Ron Durie, WB4OOA, Ray Rising, K4LWJ, Richard Dyer, KM4THH and Cecil Parsons, WD4DNE to check in to our net very regularly. We have been having 10-12 check ins most Saturdays.

If anyone has questions about our get-together please email me at; wd4ach@juno.com

I pray all will be able to come. Looking forward to see you.

Looking for Jesus Christ, Titus 2:13

Brother Denis—WD4ACH

From the President **Continued from page 1**

we could care for that soon as it requires us to operate in a "Free Flight" mode whereby each individual makes contact with whomever he hears the air at the moment. With no net control we have a very loose radio net and some people are lost in the process.

Mary and I enjoyed our annual trip to Glacier National Park for the world's longest running hamfest in July. The weather was ideal and we are already looking forward to next year's event.

I am making the appeal for each of you to please submit a bio and a photo of yourself or of you and your spouse to Lew, N0CXY so he can include them on the ARMS web site. We have started a collection and we would like to see that section grow. Wouldn't it be nice to know what your fellow ARMS brothers and sisters look like? Email: l.c.orcutt@juno.com

A big "Thank You!" to all who are contributing to the ARMS fellowship mission, both "off line" and on the air by checking in regularly and helping with relays. Conditions necessitate relay help each morning. HF radio operation has always depended upon relays but it is especially true during this long period of poor conditions in the trough of this solar cycle.

One last note: You know Mary and I have "PTL" call signs. One of our twin grandsons, Josiah, in Illinois is now the owner of K0PTL.

May the Lord richly bless you all and I look forward to hearing you ON THE AIR.

73 / 99

Mike—K7PTL

And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

(Hebrews 10:24-25)



Larry Hodge—W2PT

A Tribute



Our Christian brother Lawrence "Larry" Hodge (W2PT) became a new and valued member of the "Arms Glory Net" on Sunday, September 29th 2019. I can only imagine the joyful welcome in heaven that Larry has received by those many ARMS individuals who are already there! The QRN, QRM, and QSB will give way to "perfect contacts" and a never-ending "eyeball QSO" with the "ultimate ARMS President", Jesus Christ!

Larry grew up in the village of Ames, New York near Canajoharie. He was a graduate of Houghton College and Asbury Theological Seminary. Larry was a longtime pastor of numerous churches in the Binghamton, New York area and was a Chief Engineer for a number of radio for nearly 30 years.

Larry's God-given technical expertise & broadcasting skills reached far beyond New York! He made several radio missions trips to Haiti, Bolivia, Colombia, and some Caribbean countries, as well. He was often asked to help "troubleshoot" technical problems and set up radio stations in Central New York and Northern Pennsylvania.

Larry was loved and respected by his colleagues, fellow broadcasters, and ARMS members. He was quick to help and stayed to make sure you were not left alone until things were working properly. At all hours of the day and night including holidays and in all kinds of weather he was called on to keep his radio stations on the air and operating as they should be. He was constantly helping fellow "hams" (including myself) with their equipment issues and he did it for free!

Larry and his "XYL" Patsy hosted many memorable ARMS picnics over the years. Their humor, laughter, and hospitality made everyone feel welcome!

Larry was the Conklin Youth Commissioner for several years and umpired hundreds of softball and baseball games in the spring and summer months. He loved to watch his two sons Tom and Tim play football and baseball and his daughter Debbie star for the Susquehanna Valley championship softball teams and then at the University of Albany. When Debbie's teams traveled to places like California and Florida, he was there to offer support. He loved his family and was proud of them!

I met Larry at Houghton College in 1963. He introduced me to Patsy's sister Sandy at their 1971 wedding. At the time I didn't realize that Sandy and I would be married 4 years later! My Heavenly Father, earthly father, and Larry had other "ideas!" They gave me some good advice which, after 44 years of marriage, I'm glad I followed!

As I write this, many memories flood my mind! I fondly recall our many on air QSO's, marathon sessions of Rook ("Wesleyan Poker") with Houghton College buddies, the kindness showed to me by his parents Merle and Alice Hodge when I visited their home, and the Houghton House League Basketball Team ("The 73's") that we were a part of. We didn't win many games but we had "tons of fun!"

Perhaps the best memory of Larry I will cherish is his help and encouragement when I was seriously ill with cancer in late 2006 and early 2007. Though Larry was terminally ill, he again encouraged me this past summer when I had a prolonged illness and stuck with me as I slowly recovered with encouraging "telephone QSO's!"

During Larry's final week of life, he continued to share Christ's love with those who visited him in the hospital including his doctors and nurses. Larry was unashamed of Christ's Gospel, was a good and faithful servant of Jesus and lived a life that yielded a harvest of souls for God's Kingdom! My words fail but Christ's words say it all: "Well done, Larry Hodge, good and faithful servant!" 73's, 88's, 99's

"Will" Hutchinson—WA20JN



Canadian Section Report

It is with praise for our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ that I once again submit the following report:

With communications on HF being bad most of the time, it is very encouraging to see the faithful, about, two dozen making every effort to regularly check in to one of our ARMS nets.

Here in the Pacific Northwest we rely heavily on being relayed in to net control, coupled with copying via an SDR.

I am pleased to have my neighbor & brother-in-the Lord, Ed, VE7BQM joining us from time to time. (Please check out Ed's QRZ page for his Bio with pictures)

Thanks to my regular contact Frank, AGØM for your encouraging words to Ed...this means a lot when you're operating from a Care facility.

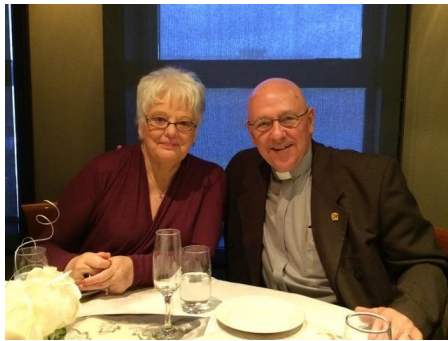
Another new contact for my report is quite possibly very familiar to many, Don, VA7IQ. We have connected on email and hope to squeeze in an eyeball at the completion of his overseas radio project.

It was with excitement that I worked Joe, VY2JC on the 14,307.5 net...DIRECT ! a few days ago. Great to have you back on Joe. Added to this line of reporting, it's been quite awhile since Harold, KI5KF has been able to be heard in Southern British Colombia

My work as Chaplain has kept be very busy over the past quarter and I thank all who offered up prayer as I worked with a terminally ill Veteran. I'm sorry to report that we lost Ron during this battle on earth but through the process he accepted God's grace of eternal life. I officiated at his celebration of life & spreading of ashes. His disabled wife, Valerie (physically & visually), has relocated to Ontario to be taken care of by her daughter.

In closing, I continue my daily walk and the tranquility of Como Lake, as time permits.

73/99 Roland, VA7RA



Eastern Section Report John S. Babbitt—K2GQG

The big news here is that the long-time ARMS member, Larry, W2PT is now rejoicing with the Lord! He was involved in ARMS for over 50 years.

While he will be missed by all, we remember Paul's words to the Philippians: "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

See the more complete story of his life and ministry on page 4, written by "Will" Hutchinson, WA20JN.

Charles Cox—K7AQ



Congratulations to Charlie (K7AQ) Cox and his wife Emily on celebrating their 80th wedding anniversary back on March 22. Emily celebrated her 98th birthday the day. Charlie is a mere 101!

Charlie has been retired for over 50 years, and They now live in Glendale, Arizona and in no able to get on the air. The couple has one son and one daughter, six grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

Charles is "President Emeritus" of ARMS, with his activity going back to the very early days of ARMS. We all wish God's best to them both and thank them for their many years of ministry.



Midwestern Section Report

Tom—AAØLF

But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; They will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. Isaiah 40:31

This year the Midwest ARMS get-together was held in Alexandria, Minnesota. We met for dinner in a local restaurant on Friday evening, Sept. 20

The business meeting was held 20th at the Quality Inn & Suites, starting at 7 PM. After the meeting, Craig, KCØYHU, gave a very informative talk on DMR radios and provided a demonstration contacting a DX station with only a handheld radio.

Saturday, September 21, 2019 the group visited the Runestone Museum in Alexandria. It houses the “Kensington Stone”, a rune stone left by Norse explorers around 1360 or so.

ARMS members and family members in attendance were, l. to r, Kiyanna Andrews,

Kirsten Andrews & Rich, WBØAKV, Pam Wahlin & Bruce, KØGE, Midwest Director Tom Hauskins, AAØLF, Midwest Secretary, Roger Stubbe, WØZMU, Deb Hauskins, Joyce Stubbe, Barb Rose, KDØNEZ & Midwest Assistant Director KCØYHU, Craig Rose. Everyone had a great time.

The Midwest Section set up an ARMS table at the West Liberty Hamfest on October 6th, 2019. The table was very active this time with many attendees stopping by the table to get flyers and information about ARMS. A couple of people indicated they would be sending in membership applications. The next hamfest is scheduled for November 3rd at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Davenport, IA.

I am looking forward to showing the ham community that ARMS is still out there witnessing for our Lord Jesus Christ.

While we have a “Midwest Net” on Saturday mornings, feel free to check in, even if you aren’t living in our section.

Tom Hauskins, AAØLF



Rocky Mountain Section Report

James Fisher—NQ7L

May Jesus Christ be Praised. We experienced our first real snow today Wed Oct 9. We had a mostly warm summer and fall. I continue to teach Bible at an Assisted Living Center and am in a Greek Reading Group and a Hebrew Reading Group along with going to Church and Sunday School.

In March my wife and I went to the Dayton Wyoming ham fest. It was nicely attended with about 50 hams. A lot of equipment was for sale so it was a lively fest. I bought nothing myself, but did give away a few things.

This summer a ham friend from Wyoming hosted a gathering of about 60 hams at his ranch. We met a lot of hams we had talked to over the air but had never met. I gave away a good amount of stuff. In September we went to an Archeological Site, also in Wyoming where another group of 50 hams had gathered. A few things were for sale and a few new faces were met. On the way home we went over the Bighorn Mountains. That was a beautiful drive.

In early Oct we drove to Missoula Montana and had dinner with Mike and Mary Rafferty, our ARMS President and his wife. A great time and it was good to see them. The next morning we went to a ham fest in Stevensville Montana, where 30 hams had a good amount of equipment for sale and I did make one purchase.

Mike and I are the only two ARMS members in Montana and, I believe, the surrounding states. Even we are a far distance apart (a 5 hour drive from Billings to Missoula). Traveling is not as easy now as it was a few years ago. Looking forward to the Beam with Roger as Editor.

God's best to all,

James Fisher (NQ7L), along with Rhonda and Sam, our Golden Retriever.

ARMS News Updates

ARMS is in need of a Net Manager. This is someone who assures there is a net control for the 20 meter net in the mornings and is able to check into this net often enough to be current on its activity.

It shouldn't take a lot of time, just an interest in seeing things go well. If you are interested, please contact the ARMS President **Mike—K7PTL**

E-Mail: k7ptl.radio@gmail.com

ARMS Membership now stands at:

Emeritus	1
Missionary	11
Other Active	110
TOTAL	122

AMATEUR RADIO MISSIONARY SERVICE

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Financial Report

June 1, 2019 to October 31, 2019

Opening Balance Jun 1-2019 \$ 4,138.38

Income

Dues	\$	238.00	
Gifts	\$	101.00	
Tracts and Pins	\$	7.00	
In Memory of	\$	1,006.40	
Total Income	\$	1,352.40	

Expenses

Office Supplies	\$0.00	
Postage & Delivery	\$11.48	
Printing &	\$0.00	
Total Operating	\$	11.48

Closing Balance October 31, 2019 \$ 5,502.26



Northwest Section Report

Chuck—N7AAG

Summer activities have come and gone and we are entering the Fall and soon winter months here in the Northwest. Twenty meters and propagation have not been “kind” to ARMS members, but we are thankful for skeds kept and Nets operating across the country.

Our Thursday morning 80m Net is attended by several from the NW and provides good fellowship and opportunity to share prayer needs.

Stan, KD6WZA, Happy Camp California, has been able to check in several times. As I write he and Virginia are visiting family in the Tacoma area.

Bob, WA7BYD in Grants Pass, Oregon, is no longer “radioactive,” but we stay in touch by text messaging.

Still sending out a gangbuster’s signal from Port Angeles WA are Dave, W7PTL and Sharon. KA7DAC. They divide their time between Washington and Arizona.

John, K7BXF, from Gleeed, Washington, and wife, Vi, are RVing at Lake Wenatchee State Park. He checked into the NW Net this morning as K7BXF/6 using a mobile whip.

Peter, KG7MVH, Harrah Washington, is the busy pastor of the Harrah Grace Brethren Church, but finds time for enjoying experimenting with tiny rigs and low power QRP contacts.

Ken, AL7AX, Spokane Washington, is no longer “radioactive,” but he and Darlene keep active in their local church and other activities.

The “Bitterroot Valley Runner,” Mike, K7PTL and Mary, K3PTL enjoy their home and family near Stevensville Montana. They also split their time between Montana and Arizona. Big news in their “hamming world” was twin grandsons receiving their ham tickets. Josiah is K0PTL, carrying on the “PTL” tradition.

His brother, Joshua, is WA7ZOO, his great grand Dad’s former call. The boys Dad’s call is N0PHD and their Mom’s, KB3DXY.

We’ve welcomed a returning ARMS member in Leaburg Oregon, Gene, K6YIS. Gene has been off the air for some time, but recently fired up his rig and has been joining us on 80m.

A recent e-mail from Wayne , VA7VF, with their trailer parked at the Triple Camp in Ontario. They plan to leave the end of October and head for Loja, Ecuador until April 1st of next year. He is in hopes to help to get an SW TX back on the air for a Christian station in Peru and getting on the 20m Net from SA.

As for me, Chuck, N7AAG Sunnyside Washington, my voice restricts my hamming, but I do make the effort each Thursday to touch base with my NW ham brothers and sisters on 80m. My days are full of continuing ministry with our GBC church family.

I close with this meaningful quote from C.S. Lewis, whose life reflected his belief that a person is “never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream.”

73/99

Chuck— N7AAG

A Note from the Secretary/Treasurer

ARMS membership runs from June 1 of one year to May 31 of the following year.

If you haven’t renewed, be sure to do so. Our By-laws state that if a member gets three years behind in dues payment, he is moved to “inactive” status. We really don’t want that to happen!

If you don’t know where you stand, contact me.

Roger—WØZMU

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Webmaster Report

Psalm 106:1-3 KJV

Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endures for ever. Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD? who can shew forth all his praise? Blessed are they that keep judgment, and he that doeth righteousness at all times.

My wife has had a bad year and that has left me with much more to do but things are going well and just have to deal with this getting older stuff. Much of the yard work has got ahead of me but just keep reminding myself it is just stuff and when I am gone it has no meaning at all.

There are some improvements and changes to the ARMS web site and hope they are all serving our Lord in our mission here on Earth to defend and spread His Word throughout the land and live according to it.

The new Chat Room that is much better than the old one, easier to use, with no ads and clutter. We are increasing the capacity of participants to 15 at one time (at a cost of \$99.00 per year) If we need space for more than that, the cost goes up by quite a bit. Please let us know what your think.

A “Verse Of The Day” page has been added, sharing the verses of the check-in stations for the month. Also the “Links” page has added an assortment/collection of pictures of members so we are able to recognize members and see who we are talking to if we don't know them.

The “Glory Net” page has 3 entries added this year! Check the page for members I may have missed and let me know the dates that are missing or incorrect Our “Prayer Request” page has not had much traffic this year so that is good news, in a way. I pray that we have not just slowed up or missed those that need prayers.

Please check and let me know of corrections and additions that might be needed.

Lew Orcutt — NØCXV

Missions Reports

Central Asia

Pray for the ministries of several organizations working in Central Asia. In many areas, conventional mission work is not allowed.

Creative methods need to be used and media becomes even more important. People are responding to the Gospel, and radio has become an important tool for discipleship.

Pray that God's love shows through those working to reach the several language groups in the area.

South Asia

Reach Beyond Australia and Reach Beyond New Zealand, along with its international partner Gospel Youth Mission, , are collaborating to develop a new internet radio ministry to the people of Pakistan. Launched in mid-October, this Urdu language radio station broadcasts the message of Jesus Christ to the people of Pakistan directly to their mobiles phones, computers and smart TVs. Sachai Radio is an app-based radio station which utilizes a cloud-based server and station infrastructure. Its format is like a traditional radio station, but available anywhere on the Internet.

Urdu is the national language of Pakistan, also spoken in parts of India, Bangladesh, Nepal and the Middle East. In Pakistan alone, there are 100 million Urdu speakers. Sachai Radio's programs originate in Pakistan but stream from New Zealand. Pakistan's Gospel Youth Mission is especially known for its sports evangelism programs and also reach out through children's Sunday school programs, live drama, village video screenings, and a Bible literacy correspondence program.

“Cloud and app-based radio is making it possible to spread the Gospel to areas that are culturally and politically difficult to access.” said Bob Arend, Reach Beyond's New Zealand Director.

Pray for this new joint initiative to share the Gospel with those who need to hear.



Membership renewal

(Membership runs from June 1 to May 31 of the following year)

☐ Regular or Associate member (only one fee per household) \$10.00

☐ Missionary or Associate missionary (full time missionaries are fee exempted).....\$0.00

(Associate missionary members are not licensed amateurs)

☐ ARMS tract, "Your Best Contact" (\$3.00 per one hundred for postage)..... \$ _____

☐ ARMS lapel pin (\$3.00 each) \$ _____

☐ Additional contribution to help with the work of ARMS..... \$ _____

☐ Please remove my name from the ARMS membership Total \$ _____

Name(s) _____ Call(s) _____

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E-mail _____ Telephone () _____

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Roger Stubbe - WØZMU

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