

# SCCARA-GRAM

Santa Clara County Amateur Radio Association

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## President's Prose

Another Field Day has come and gone and I think everyone who showed up had a good time. We were missing many of our regulars this year, mostly because they had other commitments. This was my tenth consecutive year with SCCARA at Field Day and I think this year we had the smallest crowd since I've been coming to the event.

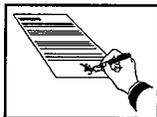
On the positive side, the weather was absolutely beautiful on Friday and Saturday. Sunday was a bit warm when we were tearing everything down. We operated out in the open this year so we were thankful for the nice weather. The food was excellent this year thanks to the efforts of Barbara KD6QEI and Wally KA6YMD. Band conditions were pretty good this year and we made about ten percent more CW contacts than we did last year. We were running QRP again this year so we should have a pretty good score when we total everything up. Many thanks to Harold KK6ZE who ran the show this year and to everyone else who pitched in.

I'm happy to report that Bob Keller KB6OHO is out of the hospital and on the road to recovery. We missed Bob at Field Day this year but look forward to seeing him at future club events.

At the June 27<sup>th</sup> board meeting it was decided that we will have a club picnic this year. The date is August 21 (Sunday) at 10:00 AM. The club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, soft drinks, plates, etc. Everyone attending is asked to bring a side dish or desert of some kind. The location will be the Mary Gomez Park in Santa Clara. You should find directions elsewhere in this issue and also in next month's SCCARA-GRAM.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the club meeting on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

73 for now de Doug WN6U



## July Meeting

Bob Wilson, N6TV, our July speaker, won the Pacific Division High Power CW category in the 1993 ARRL Sweepstakes, was fifth on the west coast multi-operator

## Calendar

- 7/9 Electronic flea market at Foothill
- 7/11 SCCARA General Meeting
- 7/25 SCCARA Board Meeting--(San Jose Red Cross, 7:00p, all are welcome)
- 8/8 SCCARA General Meeting
- 8/13 Electronic flea market at Foothill
- 8/21 SCCARA Picnic

### Next General Meeting

- Day:** Monday, July 11, 1994
- Time:** 7:30 PM
- Place:** United Way Building
- Agenda:** Bob Wilson, N6TV, will talk about contesting.

The United Way Building, 1922 The Alameda, San Jose, (about one mile South West from the San Jose Air Port). From I-880: take the Alameda turn-off going South for ½ block then turn left on McKendrie. From the South: go North on the Alameda, ½ block past Hedding turn right on McKendrie. Immediately turn right into the parking lot just behind the small church on the corner. The entrance is up the steps at the South East corner of the building. There is wheelchair access at another door at the North East corner, but for security reasons, only one door is open at a time--someone will have to notify the guard if you need wheelchair access. Also, try not to be too late--the doors may be closed with nobody around to let you in.

**NEW LOCATION!** The San Jose Red Cross: South-West corner of North 1<sup>st</sup> St. and Plumeria Dr., San Jose. Plumeria is North of Trimble and South of Montague Expressway. From the South on I-880, take the 1<sup>st</sup> Street exit, go North. From the North on I-880, take the Montague (Trimble) exit, go West to Trimble then turn right (North) on 1<sup>st</sup>. From the South on US-101, take the Trimble (De La Cruz) exit going North, then turn left (North) on 1<sup>st</sup>. From the North on US-101, take the Montague exit going North/West, then turn right (South) on 1<sup>st</sup>.

The main entrance faces Plumeria, go straight in past the front desk. The radio room is in back of the conference room on the left just past the rest-rooms. **Board meetings are open to all.**

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**SCCARA REPEATERS**

SCCARA currently owns and operates two repeaters under the call W6UU:

2 meter:	146.385 +	PL 114.8 (none for basic use)
70 cm:	442.425 +	PL 107.2

Phone patch capability is available with a small subscription fee. The two meter repeater is located in the Mt. Hamilton foothills, Alum Rock area. The 70 cm repeater is located at the Alexian Brothers Hospital, North of 280 and 101.

**SCCARA NETS**

On our 2-meter repeater: Mondays at 7:30 PM, (not the second monday--it's our meeting night). Net control: Joe WA6DXP.

On 10 meters, 28.385 MHz USB, Thursdays at 8:00 PM. Net control: Wally KA6YMD. Wally usually conducts the ten meter net from the SCCARA club station: W6UW, located at the San Jose Red Cross (N. 1<sup>st</sup> and Plumeria).

Visitors welcome to join in on the SCCARA nets.

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

SCCARA HOTLINE:	249-6909
ARRL CLASS HOTLINE:	971-1424
ARRL LICENSE (VEC) HOTLINE:	984-8353

phone category in the 1993 ARRL Sweepstakes, and set a new sixth call area record for the CQ WPX contest CW category in the 1993 category. He will talk to us about contesting at our July meeting.

73, Don KC6WMM

# Meeting Minutes

## Santa Clara County Amateur Radio Association General Membership Meeting, June 13, 1994

7:31 P.M. Doug, WN6U, called the meeting to order. Self introductions followed as is our custom.

Harold, KK6ZE, our Field Day Chairman is our speaker and his topic is Field Day. We will be at Mt. Madonna County Park, where we have had Field Day for the last few years. We will be operating 3A, QRP, and the rigs will run on batteries. Harold explained the point system. There are points assigned for various methods of contacts, for example: there are extra points for QRP, Packet relay of messages, and various other things that will get us extra points.

Barbara Britten, KD6QEI, discussed the preparation of the meals.

There will be a caravan from Don's, KC6WMM, house to the park. It will leave at about noon.

**Business Meeting:**

Health and Welfare, Ed, WD6CHD, gave the report.

Mike, KB6LCJ, gave the treasures report.

Keith, KN6K, repeater committee report.

Gary, WB6YRU, Flea Market report. Motion made to give up the locker and quit going to the Flea Market on a regular basis and only go on special occasions or limit it to a few times a year. There was a discussion of the motion and its pros and cons. Motion made to table the above motion until next month. The motion to table passed.

Gary, WB6YRU, asked for comments on the size of the print used in the newsletter.

Lou, WA6VJY, seeks help for the SVECS July 9 flea market.

Don, KK6MX, has been working on a 2.4GHz ATV repeater. He needs a 2.4GHz transmit antenna for the repeater.

8:53 P.M. Meeting adjourned.

73, Lloyd KD6FJI, Secretary

# Moved and Seconded

## June Board Meeting



This meeting occurred the day after field day, most of us were still in the process of recovering... ☺

The board voted to produce a thank you certificate to be presented to Wally KA6YMD and Barbara KD6QEI for their food preparation efforts during field day.

The board decided to have another SCCARA picnic this summer (details elsewhere in this newsletter).

Most of this meeting dealt with the problem of attracting and keeping new members. The suggestions included: Revive and expand the ELMER list/program; have *technical open-house* sessions at the club station where people could come with problems, questions, or their rigs (we could have a soldering iron, test equipment and two or three knowledgeable HAMS there); talk one or two knowledgeable people into writing some kind of *hints* column for the newsletter (on a regular basis); do more activities that would appeal to new amateurs (small events, not like field day). If anyone has any other ideas, please let us know. Keep in mind: more than just good ideas are needed, members need to step forward to make these things happen. If you'd like to do something or participate in some activity, mention it to Doug WN6U, bring it up at the next general meeting, or stop by the next board meeting.

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## Flea Market

Despite the fact that we didn't have anything of much value at the June flea market, we still made \$135.70. Thanks go to Harold KK6ZE who helped transport and sell.

At the last general meeting, I was delighted to hear a fair amount of discussion regarding our flea market effort. There were a number of ideas, most were variations on the ones put forth in last month's column. A few people felt some kind of rotating shift would help prevent any one person from having to put in too many hours--the problem is that there are not enough volunteers to rotate.

Finally, a motion was made to cancel the flea market effort, except for special occasions, and stop renting that big locker. The motion was later tabled until the July meeting to give more members a chance to vote (June was a sparsely attended meeting).

One person later asked me if I received any compensation for my efforts (gas/travel reimbursement, etc.). Perhaps many of you assumed something like this too. Well, for the record: I swear that, to the best of my knowledge, no reimbursements or payments of any kind have come out of the flea market revenues (except as listed below). In fact, I even chipped in a few bucks myself for a couple items.

The following is a complete account of ALL the

"undocumented" expenditures paid from the flea market proceeds: 1) The seller's entrance fee (\$10 per vehicle that transported stuff), 2) Parking fee (\$1 per vehicle that transported stuff), and 3) Refreshments offered to those who helped transport or sell (coffee, doughnut, hot-dog, soda... usually \$5 or less per person). For example: if two people transported our goodies, this "overhead" expense usually comes to around \$30.

Most of you know about the "documented" expense of the storage locker: \$45 per month (every month). We have a booth at six flea markets per year (there are seven, but we don't have a booth when we host), so the total average expense per event is typically \$120. (If I'm alone, it's more like \$105; if there are three people, \$135.)

The reported amount of what we make at each flea market includes these "undocumented" expenses, but NOT the locker rent. So, to get a more accurate picture of what we keep, reduce the reported amount by \$90. (The June flea market increased our repeater fund by \$45.)

If you have any feelings on this subject, please come to the next meeting or get word to myself or our president Doug WN6U.

73, Gary WB6YRU

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## SCCARA PICNIC

Please join us for the SCCARA picnic this August 21<sup>th</sup> starting at 10 AM. It will be at the same location as last time: the Mary Gomez park in Santa Clara, North-West corner of Forbes and San Tomas (there is parking at the West side of the park, enter via Bucher). Give a call on our repeater (146.385+) if you need navigational guidance.

This picnic will be pot-luck, so bring your favorite dish. The club will provide hot-dogs, hamburgers, soft-drinks, and utensils. If you have any questions, please contact Don K6PBQ.

See ya there! Gary, WB6YRU

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## Field Day on the USS Alabama

I spent the last week or so on a training assignment in Mobile, Alabama. While there, I talked with many hams on VHF and found them to be a friendly bunch.

They have some nicely linked repeaters and likely have more "tactical" use than we do since they have lots of violent weather. Their weekly check-ins are interesting, they take them by repeater. A typical check-in would be net control asking for all persons checking in on WA4AIZ and

when done, he would then ask for check-ins from the next linked repeater. Some are permanently linked.

The local club was able to wangle a deal with the overseers of the battleship USS Alabama to allow them to do Field Day from there. They ran 5A class. One of the members worked for a cable company and supplied hardline plus the expertise to permanently install it. Plans are to use it in future years plus there are possibilities for having a permanent station. They are actively looking for people familiar with the radios and antenna systems on the ship.

They set up two CW stations, one phone station, and one VHF/satellite station in the ward room located on the main deck. Two more stations were situated in the radio room located two decks down. They eventually moved out of it since it got very hot. The ward room on the other hand was air conditioned.

They had volunteers "coming out of the woodwork." Members could bring their families out plus a lunch was served on Saturday. The bands were pretty good. They had severe problems with foreign broadcasts on 40 meters rendering the band almost useless. They had one 10-15-20 beam, several verticals and dipoles everywhere. Someone had to do some real acrobatics to get them up.

It was a great experience and the hams there are really lucky having such a nice field day site.

73, Mike KB6LCJ

The vee antenna outperformed anything else we've run on HF, and has done so for several years. Bandwidth was excellent, too - did not require tuning except when changing bands.

73, Mac, w1fym @ w1edh.ct

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Date: 27 Jul 93 18:58  
From: N6JLH  
To: HUMOR@N0ARY  
Subject: HOTEL SOAP HUMOR  
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Attached is some correspondence which actually occurred between a London hotel's staff and one of its guests. The London hotel involved submitted this to the Sunday Times. No name was mentioned.

What To Do With All Those "Free" Soaps When Travelling:

Dear Maid,  
Please do not leave any more of those little bars of soap in my bathroom since I have brought my own bath-sized Dial. Please remove the six unopened little bars from the shelf under the medicine chest and another three in the shower soap dish. They are in my way.  
Thank you,

S. Berman

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Dear Room 635,  
I am not your regular maid. She will be back tomorrow, Thursday, from her day off. I took the 3 hotel soaps out of the shower soap dish as you requested. The 6 bars on your shelf I took out of your way and put on top of your Kleenex dispenser in case you should change your mind. This leaves only the 3 bars I left today which my instructions from the management is to leave 3 soaps daily. I hope this is satisfactory.

Kathy, Relief Maid

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Dear Maid -- I hope you are my regular maid. Apparently Kathy did not tell you about my note to her concerning the little bars of soap. When I got back to my room this evening I found you had added 3 little Camays to the shelf under my medicine cabinet. I am going to be here in the hotel for two weeks and have brought my own bath-size Dial so I won't need those 6 little Camays which are on the shelf. They are in my way when shaving, brushing teeth, etc. Please remove them.

S. Berman

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Dear Mr. Berman,  
My day off was last Wed. so the relief maid left 3 hotel soaps which we are instructed by the management. I took the 6 soaps which were in your way on the shelf and put them in the soap dish where your Dial was. I put the Dial in the medicine cabinet for your convenience. I didn't

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## Packet Pieces

### Downloaded from the packet network:

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Date: 28 Jun 94 10:28  
From: W1EDH@W1EDH  
To: ANTEN@ALLUS  
Subject: Field Day antenna Comparison  
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We ran 5 watts on Field Day with two HF antennas. A delta loop about 180 feet/leg, fed at high point, facing West, angled about 45 degrees to horiz., over dry/ledge earth, with bottom leg about 10 feet above ground: Performance was better than a much higher dipole, but nowhere near as good as a terminated vee described below.

Vee antenna, #24 enameled wire, 270 feet/leg, about 120 degrees included angle, terminated at far end to ground rod with 500 ohm resistor; feed-point by extending wire down from support line, fed with Johnson matchbox. Faced west, looking at the delta loop. Excellent performer 80 through 15 meters; if we could hear 'em, we could work 'em on the first or second try. Whole antenna averaged 15 feet above ground.

remove the 3 complimentary soaps which are always placed inside the medicine cabinet for all new check-ins and which you did not object to when you checked in last Monday. Please let me know if I can of further assistance.  
Your regular maid, Dotty

Dear Mr. Berman,  
The assistant manager, Mr. Kensedder, informed me this A.M. that you called him last evening and said you were unhappy with your maid service. I have assigned a new girl to your room. I hope you will accept my apologies for any past inconvenience. If you have any future complaints please contact me so I can give it my personal attention. Call extension 1108 between 8AM and 5PM. Thank you.  
Elaine Carmen, Housekeeper

Dear Miss Carmen,  
It is impossible to contact you by phone since I leave the hotel for business at 745 AM and don't get back before 530 or 6PM. That's the reason I called Mr. Kensedder last night. You were already off duty. I only asked Mr. Kensedder if he could do anything about those little bars of soap. The new maid you assigned me must have thought I was a new check-in today, since she left another 3 bars of hotel soap in my medicine cabinet along with her regular delivery of 3 bars on the bath-room shelf. In just 5 days here I have accumulated 24 little bars of soap. Why are you doing this to me?  
S. Berman

Dear Mr. Berman,  
Your maid, Kathy, has been instructed to stop delivering soap to your room and remove the extra soaps. If I can be of further assistance, please call extension 1108 between 8AM and 5PM. Thank you,  
Elaine Carmen, Housekeeper

Dear Mr. Kensedder,  
My bath-size Dial is missing. Every bar of soap was taken from my room including my own bath-size Dial. I came in late last night and had to call the bellhop to bring me 4 little Cashmere Bouquets.  
S. Berman

Dear Mr. Berman,  
I have informed our housekeeper, Elaine Carmen, of your soap problem. I cannot understand why there was no soap in your room since our maids are instructed to leave 3 bars of soap each time they service a room. The situation will be rectified immediately. Please accept my apologies for the inconvenience.  
Martin L. Kensedder, Assistant Manager

Dear Mrs. Carmen,  
Who the h\*\*\* left 54 little bars of Camay in my room? I came in last night and found 54 little bars of soap. I don't want 54 little bars of Camay. I want my one d\*\*\* bar of bath-size Dial. Do you realize I have 54 bars of soap in

here. All I want is my bath size Dial. Please give me back my bath-size Dial.

S. Berman

Dear Mr. Berman,  
You complained of too much soap in your room so I had them removed. Then you complained to Mr. Kensedder that all your soap was missing so I personally returned them. The 24 Camays which had been taken and the 3 Camays you are supposed to receive daily (sic). I don't know anything about the 4 Cashmere Bouquets. Obviously your maid, Kathy, did not know I had returned your soaps so she also brought 24 Camays plus the 3 daily Camays. I don't know where you got the idea this hotel issues bath-size Dial. I was able to locate some bath-size Ivory which I left in your room.

Elaine Carmen, Housekeeper

Dear Mrs. Carmen,  
Just a short note to bring you up-to-date on my latest soap inventory. As of today I possess:  
- On shelf under medicine cabinet - 18 Camay in 4 stacks of 4 and 1 stack of 2.  
- On Kleenex dispenser - 11 Camay in 2 stacks of 4 and 1 stack of 3.  
- On bedroom dresser - 1 stack of 3 Cashmere Bouquet, 1 stack of 4 hotel-size Ivory, and 8 Camay in 2 stacks of 4.  
- Inside medicine cabinet - 14 Camay in 3 stacks of 4 and 1 stack of 2.  
- In shower soap dish - 6 Camay, very moist.  
- On northeast corner of tub - 1 Cashmere Bouquet, slightly used.  
- On northwest corner of tub - 6 Camays in 2 stacks of 3.  
Please ask Kathy when she services my room to make sure the stacks are neatly piled and dusted. Also, please advise her that stacks of more than 4 have a tendency to tip. May I suggest that my bedroom window sill is not in use and will make an excellent spot for future soap deliveries. One more item, I have purchased another bar of bath-sized Dial which I am keeping in the hotel vault in order to avoid further misunderstandings.  
S. Berman

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Date: 25 Apr 94 02:01  
From: KC4RLC@KF4OJ  
To: HUMOR@ALLUS  
Subject: RAYMOND WAS OUT OF TOWN  
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Raymond was out of town and his wife, a high-school teacher, had to contend with a balky furnace... Fortunately, a 24-hour repairman arrived that evening and worked until early morning hours.  
The next day Raymond's wife, Olga, very tired, was

late for school. She hastily scrawled an explanation for the vice-principal and rushed to her class. Five minutes later the vice principal burst into her classroom, laughing, and asked if she would like to reword her note. Olga had written: "Husband out of town... No heat... Up all night with repairman... Totally exhausted!"

From the Happy Club, 73 de Pedro,  
KC4RLC @ KF4OJ.#ARCFL.FL.USA.NA

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Keep smiling! ☺ 73, Gary WB6YRU

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## **ARRL Pacific Division Update**

### **July 1994**

#### **Update on Effort to Save 13 cm Band:**

By the deadline of May 11, the ARRL and several members filed Comments on the NTIA plan. Each cited current activity on the band plus plans and commitments made which would be destroyed if the plan were adopted. Thanks to each of you who helped by writing!

To recap, NTIA has made it very clear that their overwhelming concern was to free up 50 MHz of the Federal Government primary spectrum allocation immediately and to minimize the conversion costs involved for the Federal Government, regardless of costs or problems caused to non-Federal Government entities. All other problems are to be resolved by FCC. These problems include sharing agreements with all other services, interference caused by the proposed reallocation to all parties, costs already spent by non-Federal Government services, to name only a few of the problems.

On April 27, the FCC issued a Notice of Inquiry, Docket 94-32, with a Comment deadline date of June 15, 1994, concerning the NTIA proposal for the immediate release of frequencies. This docket asks questions dealing with proposed new usage, issues of compatibility with existing Amateur Radio Service, etc. The ARRL has filed Comments; others including NARCC and SCRRBA (The Southern California Repeater and Remote Base Assn.) have also filed. The Reply Comment deadline is June 30, 1994.

ARRL still needs more hard documentation of current activity by ATV and any other operations at 2.3 GHz. There are a list of questions as a guideline for documentation and a four page NTIA report available from me. Just ask!

The Comments on the NTIA proposal can be obtained via the NTIA BBS at (202) 482-1199 or on Internet by telnet to ntiabbs.ntia.doc.gov. Look for the menu items

under "200 MHz Report" which itself is under "Public Notices / Comments" on the main menu. The FCC Docket 94-32 can be obtained from ARRL or from me and is also available from the NTIA BBS in the "200 MHz. Report" section. Call me or Vice Director Maxwell for further details (see page 8 of any QST).

Please send an original and four copies of your Comments on the FCC Docket to Secretary, FCC, Washington DC 20554 and another copy to Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, EVP, ARRL HQ, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111-1494. Remember the deadline for Comments is June 15. The deadline for Reply Comments is June 30.

Be assured that ARRL has several actions underway to try to turn this situation around, but ALL depend on your documentation of current 2.3 GHz activity and plans.

One more piece of information on auction matters: pre-auction activities for Interactive Video Data Services (IVDS) and narrow band Personal Communication Services (PCS) which has been in the media the last few weeks apparently refer to the previously authorized auction plans for the 218 - 219 MHz band and below 902 MHz and above 930 MHz. The PCS and IVDS auction activity is planned to start on July 25. This action apparently does not directly involve the 13 cm band proposal by NTIA.

#### **Vanity "Preferred" Call signs:**

At the ARRL National Convention, a FCC official indicated that the vanity call implementation should occur by the end of the year. The basic outline of the ARRL Comments filed on FCC Docket 93-305 by the April 21 deadline is contained in the June 1994 Update.

#### **Congressional Legislative Report:**

HJR 199 has 238 co-sponsors in the House for a majority of members. There are no new co-sponsors from the Pacific Division. With a majority we can now plan to bring up the resolution for consideration. The identical resolution in the Senate (SJR 90) now has 45 co-sponsors. We need 4 more for a majority in the Senate. In the Pacific Division, we still need to convince 11 California Congressmen (Hamburg, Herger, Matsui, Pelosi, Dellums, Pombo, Lantos, Eshoo, Condit, Dooley, Thomas), California Senators Feinstein and Boxer, Nevada Congressman Bilbray, Nevada Senators Reid and Bryan, to become co-sponsors. Hawaii is 100%! HR 2623 (Amateur Radio Volunteer Protection Act) has 75 co-sponsors in the House (the sole co-sponsor from the Pacific Division is Ron Dellums from the CA 9th District) - not yet introduced in the Senate. Keep writing letters to your congressional delegation with copies to Steve Mansfield, Legislative Mgr. in ARRL HQ so he can use them when visiting your congressional delegation in Washington. Steve met with key Congressional members June 8 - 10 to lay out the strategy for introduction of HJR 199 and SJR 90. More details as they develop.

## Antenna Ordinances:

Rusty Epps, W6OAT, continues to lead a Pacific Division-wide effort to develop a database of antenna ordinances and related materials. Rusty reports that data is coming in from all parts of the Division -- thanks! Send all the material to Charles K. (Rusty) Epps, W6OAT, 651 Handley Trail, Redwood City, CA 94062.

## FCC Has Full Staff of Commissioners:

With two recent additions, the FCC has finally been brought to the full complement of five Commissioners. The views on Amateur Radio of the two new members are unknown. The last two appointees, who have been confirmed by the Senate, are: Susan Paula Ness, age 45, resident of Bethesda, MD; Attorney, Democrat. She was active in the Clinton campaign. Prior to that she worked in the media lending division at American Security Bank, reportedly administering loans for cable and broadcast TV, small telephone, cellular telephone and paging companies. Rachele Blossom Chong, age 34, resident of San Francisco. Attorney, Republican. She was a partner in the San Francisco office of the Graham & James law firm and primarily represented cellular telephone clients. She is the first Asian-American FCC commissioner.

## Pacific Division Hams become Fellows of the Radio Club of America:

There were five persons elected to Fellows of the Radio Club of America from the Pacific Division, of which four are hams. The Radio Club of America is the oldest organized club of its kind in the World. The four hams are John S. Powell WB6SDS, Lee Wical KH6BZF, George Badger W6TC, and Stan Kaisel K6UD. Congratulations to all!

## ARRL Letter free to Affiliated Clubs:

For details on a one year subscription, write to Jim Cain, ARRL Letter editor at ARRL HQ.

## Scholarships and Awards:

There are many scholarships covering a wide range of situations available to licensed Amateurs. The ARRL Foundation, The Dayton Amateur Radio Association, The Foundation for Amateur Radio, to name only a few, will be announcing their dates for applications for their 1994 scholarships. Watch QST and other amateur radio publications for details.

The Pacific Division and ARRL each give many awards for outstanding service. Included are awards to clubs (by sizes), Ham of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, Ham Recruiter of the Year, and Certificates of Merit. These

awards will be made at Pacificon94. Please give serious thought to nominations. Drop me a note for the details.

## Coming Events:

- Livermore Swap Meet - 1st Sunday of each month at Las Positas College in Livermore, CA, 7AM to Noon, all year. Talk in 147.045 from west, 145.35 from the east. Contact Noel Anklam, KC6QZK, (510) 447-3857 eves.
- Foothill Swap Meet - 2nd Saturday, through September. Foothill College, Los Altos, CA.
- Reno Hamfest - Aug. 13, at former Stead AFB 10 miles north of Reno on Highway 395 North. Sponsored by SNARS. Contact Bob Davis, KG7IY, 3775 Sleepy Hollow Dr., Reno NV 89502, (702) 856-2826 or (702) 329-2833.
- Southwestern Division Convention, Aug. 26 - 28, 1994, San Diego Town & Country Hotel/Convention Center (800) 772-8527. For further information call W6GIC (619) 278-4284.
- 1st National Hamfest, Oct. 7 - 9, Costerisan Lake, Bakersfield, CA Contact KCCVARC, P. O. Box 473, Bakersfield CA 93302.
- Pacificon94, Hilton Hotel at Concord CA, Oct. 21 - 23, 1994. For more information contact Lauren Styles, WA6CIE, 1910 Sunshine Dr. Concord CA 94520, or call the MDARC/Pacificon Hotline at (510) 932-6125.

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## Newsletter Notes

Most of the people I talked to about the font size in this newsletter seemed to think 10 point would be just fine; so, starting with this issue, we'll give it a try. Let me know what you think.

A Plea for Mercy... The newsletter MUST go in the mail a week before the meeting. The deadline (last Monday of the month) allows enough time to produce the newsletter and get it mailed without having to rush. It's getting more common for articles to come in days late. I really hate to omit important articles, so I end up re-working things and rushing. C'mon guys, PLEASE don't make this a bigger job than it needs to be.

73, Gary WB6YRU, editor

**S.C.C.A.R.A. Membership Form for 1994**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: E A G T+ T N

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Licensed since (yr): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ New member: Yes No A.R.R.L. Member: Yes No

For family memberships (at the same address), please list other name(s) and call(s):

Annual membership dues are payable at the first of the year and expire the following December 31. New members joining on or after July 1, pay half the annual membership dues.

Annual Membership dues: Individual \$15 Family \$20 Student (under 18) \$5 .....  
Renewing? Please help update our database: What year did you first join? \_\_\_\_\_

Send the SCCARA-GRAM by first class mail for \$3.50 extra .....

I want \_\_\_\_\_ SCCARA badges @ \$3.00 each. Badge name & call: \_\_\_\_\_ ....

Please send the repeater Auto-Dial codes (no charge, circle one): Yes No

Please send the repeater Autopatch codes \$10.00 (\$15 if family membership).....  
A COPY OF YOUR LICENSE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL REPEATER CODES

TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Give this completed form (or copy) with payment to the treasurer at any meeting or mail to:

SCCARA membership P.O. Box 6 San Jose CA 95103-0006

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