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Old I & M Spy Run Tower Comes Down



The old I & M tower at Spy Run and State St. was taken down during the week of Oct. 1-8. Most of it was dismantled on Saturday, Oct. 1 and it is supposed to be finished by Oct. 8. According to Ken, KB9YKU they used impact wrenches rather than a cutting torch. This was the tower that previously supported the antennas for the 146.76, 146.91, and 444.875 repeaters that have recently been transferred to another I & M tower on North Clinton. St.



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President's Corner



Don't forget that the October General Meeting is the elections meeting for the Fort Wayne Radio Club. We have a good start at a slate of candidates but there is still time for some more volunteers. It would be great to see some more new faces running for the positions. So far we have:

- President: Jim Moehring, KB9WWM
- Vice President: Woody Woodbury, KC9CGN
- Secretary: Al Burke, WB9SSE
- Treasurer: Bob Streecher, W8ST
- Communications: Terry Bowman, K9FMX; Steve Nardin, WB9ZIY
- Newsletter: Vic Guess, WB9UZA
- General Board (2): Chad Beach, W9GGA; Carole Burke, WB9RUS; Chris Fisher, N8YGO; Gary Stebbins, KC9GGV; Larry Temenoff, KB9OS

In addition to the regular board positions, we are also electing a new Station Trustee this year. There is no term limit to the Trustee position. This is on the ballot this year because Lynn Hyndman would like to resign after around 35 years of faithful service to the club. We cannot thank Lynn enough for his service to the club. Currently running for Station Trustee we have: Carole Burke, WB9RUS; Chad Beach, W9GGA; Clint Stedje, KB9LOF.

And in addition to all of that we also have some changes to the Constitution and By-Laws on the ballot this year. The largest constitution change is Article III Section 5 discussing the Treasurer duties. It changes from

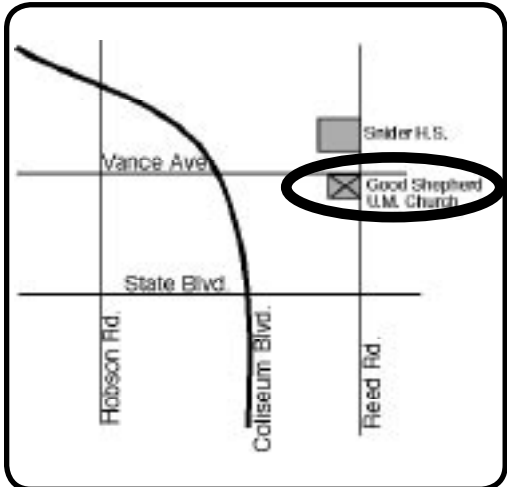
"The Treasurer shall have charge of all dues and other monies paid the Club and shall deposit same in the name of the Club. He shall pay all bills, obtaining a receipt for same. He shall give a financial report at each monthly meeting, giving an account of monies received and spent during

the last month. In the event he is unable to attend any meeting of the Club, he shall solicit a substitute to act in his behalf" to

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**Oct. Meeting:
Fri, Oct. 21, 7:00 PM
Elections for 2006
Officers; also APRS**



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may be an elected or appointed position, and is not a member of the Executive Committee by virtue of this position alone."

And we are going to re-try a presentation on APRS for the October program. We ran out of time last month but I believe that we can get it all in this month. That is all Friday October 21, 2005 at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church at 7:00 PM. See you there.

Tom / N9TB

Fort Wayne Radio Club Minutes 16 September 2005

The September 2005 meeting of the Fort Wayne Radio Club was held at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church on 16 September 2005 with President Tom Baker as the host. There were about 20 persons present.

OLD BUSINESS:

The July meeting minutes were read and there were no corrections.

Treasurer Bob Streeter gave the Treasurer's report. As of 16 September, 2005 the FWRC had realized an income of \$3,679.58 and expenses of \$4,550.79 for the year. This represents a deficit of some \$871.21 for the year to date, the majority of it the result of expenses associated with the repeater move. Cash on hand was \$126.00 and we had a total of \$5,371.93 in Checking/Savings. So far we have about broken even on the chicken sale.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tom Baker noted that the club would provide communications support for the Heart Association Walk-a-Thon Saturday, 17 September at IPFW. The Walk-a-Thon will occur between 09:00 and 10:30 and will consist of one and three mile loops for the participants. Tom stated that he needed about 12 volunteers total.

Tom stated that in addition to the election of club officers during the upcoming elections in October, we will also have the position of club trustee on the ballot. Our current trustee Lynn Hyndman has served as trustee for about the last 25 years and is now spending about half the year in Florida. Hence he has asked to retire from the position.

Tom also noted that there would be proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws on the ballot. Tom described the proposed changes and passed a copy of the proposed revised documents out at the meeting. The proposed changes will again be described at the October meeting prior to the vote.



Nominations were opened for various positions. The following persons agreed to run for club positions:

President – Jim Moehring, KB9WWM
 Vice President – Woody Woodbury, KC9CGN
 Communications Manager – Steve Nardin, WB9ZIY,
 Terry Bowman, KC9FMX
 Secretary – Al Burke, WB9SSE
 Treasurer – Bob Streeter, W8ST
 Editor – Vic Guess, WB9UZA
 Trustee – Carole Burke, WB9RUS (Note, at the August Board meeting, Phil Hooper, AB9IZ, Clint Stedge, KB9LOF and Chad Beach, W9GGA also had agreed to run for the position of Trustee).
 Board of Directors – two positions, Garry Stebbins, KC9GGV, Larry Temenoff, KB9OS, Chris Fisher, N8YGO, Carole Burke, WB9RUS, and Chad Beach, W9GGA.

Nominations will be reopened during the October meeting prior to the vote.

Following the close of nominations the 50-50 raffle was held. The pot of \$26.00 was split between Craig Hall, KV4EE and the club treasury.

As the Business meeting consumed considerable time, there was not enough left to present the planned program, a demonstration by Tom Baker of APRS software and hardware. It will be presented at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
 Al Burke, WB9SSE

**“Get Involved: the
 world is run by those
 who show up”**

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President's Message



It is October and that means Fall is here and the Hamfest is about a month away. If you worked at the hamfest last year, you should be hearing from your area manager about working again this year. If you know who your manager was and want to work the same time slot, contact him/her. If you are new to the area or ham radio and want to help, contact the Hamfest Chairman, Jim Boyer, KB9IH. His phone number and email address is on the AC-ARTS banner page of the newsletter. It takes a lot of people to put on Indiana's largest and best Hamfest.

Time to bring out the soapbox about proper etiquette (this means your conduct) on the repeater. Remember that other people besides the person you are talking to are hearing you. There are other Hams on the repeater, and maybe small children. There are also many non-hams, like the media and public services who may be listening, especially during severe weather. Remember to follow the proper procedures during the IMO Net. You want to set a good example for the new Hams that are listening. Some of the conversations that I have heard on the repeater, do not belong on the repeater. The non-hams that are listening may look on us as a bunch of clowns, and no better than CB'ers. This is not the image that we want the public to have of us. We want the public to see us as a resource for communications in an emergency. So as they say, remember to engage BRAIN, before putting MOUTH in gear.

The program last month was Fort Wayne on the air. It was a history of Radio/TV in our city. It was interesting and entertaining. So for this month's program we will have Fort Wayne On the Air- Take Two. It is a follow-up to the first program. It takes up where the other one left off. They talk about the days when com-

October Program

The program for October is *Fort Wayne On the Air - Take Two*. It is the second installment of the history of Radio and TV broadcasting in Fort Wayne. It was produced by WFWA TV39. WFWA is the local PBS station. Learn about the early days of broadcasting when TV commercials were done live. It is hosted by former Radio and TV personalities who were part of those days. Last month we saw Part 1, and it was funny. Take Two promises more of the same.

We will also have nominations for 2006 Officers and Managers

73, Vic, KA9LTV

Meeting Schedule

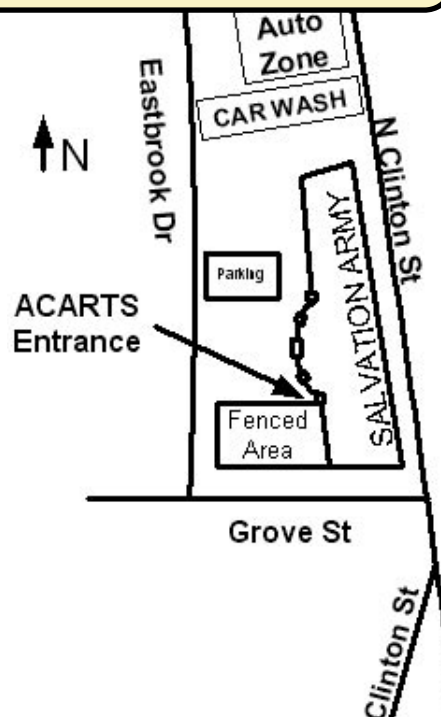
Meeting Location: Salvation Army Center, 2901 N. Clinton St. (see map)

October General Meeting:

Oct. 18, 7:30 PM. Program: *Fort Wayne On the Air - Take Two*. Also nominations for 2006 Officers & Managers

Next Board Meeting: 7:30 PM 11/8/05

All members are encouraged to attend.



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September 2005 ACARTS Board Meeting Minutes

The ACARTS Business meeting was started at 1935 hrs by Vic.

Jim: stated that while looking at the club listing on ARRL website, it still has not been revised. He will update the list on ARRL. Jim mentioned that he's also looking into radio advertising for the upcoming Hamfest and other ways to advertise it. He has the parking passes for the Hamfest. Jim also talked about maybe the club sending out free tickets for the Hamfest to the area High Schools. Those tickets would be exempt from winning major prizes at the Hamfest.

Steven: The search for a new home for the 147.255 continues. He has some new points of contacts and is attempting to make contact with them. The 146.880 and the 443.800 are up and running fine. Have noticed some interference and is attempting to locate it. Steven also asked if when a new home is located for the repeaters, what does the club want to run from there, how to realine the equipment?

The meeting was adjourned at 2026 hrs.

Robin

September 2005 ACARTS General Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Vic, KA9LTV.

Vic asked if anyone had any ideas for the October meeting program.

Howard, N9ADS, stated that the Hamfest table reservations were coming in.

Jim, KB9IH, said that he was working on the Hamfest manager packages.

After refreshments, an interesting video, "Fort Wayne on the Air" that depicted the history of radio and television was shown.

Submitted by Dave Lindquist, W9LKH

ACARTS Pres. Msg. - cont'd

mercials were done live, and sometimes things did not go right. It is hosted by former Fort Wayne Radio/TV personalities. If you want a lot of laughs, and find out about the early days of broadcasting, do not miss this meeting.

Now another installment of Computer Man. Two days before this article was due for the newsletter, my computer took a dump on me. The CPU fan quit, but did not shut the computer off like it was supposed to. I replaced the fan, but the computer kept shutting down after a few seconds. So that meant that my CPU was probably toast, or that my motherboard was fried. If I just replaced one, I could damage the other. The other issue was that they do not make that speed of processor anymore. So I had to get a new AMD motherboard. I got a AMD 2600 processor to put on it. The new board also required new memory. The old one used DIMM's, while the new board uses DDR memory. I had a spare case, so I put the new board in it. I transferred all the hardware from the old case to the new one. You would think that it would work when you powered it up, but NO it did not. It came up in safe mode, and I had a hard time getting it out to a normal boot up. The display screen came up in 600x480, and the setup would not let me change it. The Windows system would not recognize the CR-ROM, so that I could load in the drivers that came with the motherboard. After a couple of hours of playing around with it, I was finally able to load the drivers, and get the computer back to normal. I also had to reinstall my network drivers so I could get back on the internet. After not being on for about three days, there was 72 messages in my inbox. So remember, if you at some future date want a computer with more power, and you decide to use your current hardware, you may have some problems. Well, that is all I have for this month, see you at the meeting.

73,
Vic, KA9LTV



Amateur Radio Antenna "CC&R Bill" Reintroduced In Congress



from *The ARRL Letter* – New York Congressman Steve Israel has reintroduced legislation that could make it easier for radio amateurs living in communities with deed covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs) to erect suitable antennas. Arkansas Congressman Mike Ross, WD5DVR, signed aboard as an original cosponsor of the "Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Consistency Act" (HR 3876). ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, attended Israel's public announcement of the bill September 19 on Long Island.

"Unfortunately if all new housing developments contain deed restrictions forbidding outside antennas there will probably come a time when there will not be enough ham radio operators to help their neighbors and countrymen," said Fallon. He believes Israel's bill will help to ensure that Amateur Radio will continue to be able to provide emergency communication should a disaster occur.

Fallon, who heads up the League's grassroots lobbying initiative, noted the bill's introduction comes in the immediate aftermath of positive media coverage of Amateur Radio's response to the Hurricane Katrina disaster. He was on hand for Israel's public announcement, which took place at the home of ARRL New York City-Long Island Emergency Coordinator Tom Carrubba, KA2D.

The one-sentence measure is identical to the text of the CC&R bill that has been introduced in the last two sessions of Congress: "For purposes of the Federal Communications Commission's regulation relating to station antenna structures in the Amateur Radio Service (47 CFR 97.15), any private land use rules applicable to such structures shall be treated as a state or local regulation and shall be subject to the same requirements and limitations as a state or local regulation." The measure would put private land-use regulations, such as homeowners' association rules, on the same legal plane as state or local zoning regulations under the FCC's PRB-1 limited federal preemption. PRB-1 now applies only to states and municipalities.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, this week encouraged League members to write their elected representative and ask that they cosponsor and support the bill, especially given two hurricane emergencies in short order.

"Amateur Radio is certainly a part of this nation's communications infrastructure," Haynie said. "What we're asking for is just a fair shake so we can put up antennas and help our fellow citizens." While the League has ramped up its efforts to educate members of Congress about Amateur Radio, Haynie said lawmakers respond best to individual members.

HR 3876 has been assigned to the House Energy and Commerce Committee. Information about the bill and a sample letter to use when contacting your representative are available on the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/govrelations/hr3876/>>.

In his formal announcement this week, Israel said that "often unsung" Amateur Radio volunteers were instrumental in helping residents in the hardest hit areas in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, including saving stranded flood victims in Louisiana and Mississippi.

"State and local governments, as well as disaster relief agencies, could not possibly afford to replace the services that radio amateurs dependably provide for free," said a statement from Israel's office. "However, the hundreds of thousands of Amateur Radio licensees face burdensome regulations that make it extremely difficult to provide their public services."

Amateur Radio Vanity Processing Falls Victim To Hurricanes

from *The ARRL Letter* – The FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) has suspended the processing of Amateur Radio vanity call sign applications. A WTB staff member, speaking to ARRL on background, said the FCC halted vanity processing on or about September 23 after realizing that filing and regulatory deadline extensions for hurricane-affected licensees in certain states could adversely impact the vanity system. The WTB staffer pointed out that the filing extensions announced this month also apply to Amateur Radio's two-year "grace period."



"Because these extensions apply to the grace period, it could affect vanity processing," the WTB staffer told ARRL. "We stopped processing when it came clear that some call signs could be affected." No decision has been made on when vanity processing will resume.

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Pennsylvania Utility Cites Unfavorable Economics In Ending BPL Trial



from *The ARRL Letter* – PPL Broadband announced this week that it's terminating its broadband over power line (BPL) experiment in Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley. According to media reports, the company is citing the high cost of a full-scale BPL rollout and competition from cable and DSL

service in the region as the reasons for the shutdown. Approximately 300 households participating in the trial were said to be paying \$40 a month for the high-speed Internet service. Although Amateur Radio stations in some of PPL Broadband's service area reported BPL interference, the company did not cite it as a factor in its decision to drop out of the BPL race.

"Several local amateurs reported interference to their home stations," said ARRL Laboratory Manager Ed Hare, W1RFI, who visited the Lehigh Valley several times to take BPL system emission measurements. "While this was resolved in whole or in part by PPL, in one case the interference was 'fixed' by turning off BPL completely to the street in front of the amateur reporting the interference." Even so, Hare says, the amateur continued to experience moderate interference from other parts of the system.

PPL claimed it had no BPL equipment operating on the spectrum the complaint targeted. During a visit a few weeks later, however, Hare said he was able to quickly pinpoint the source "on the band PPL claimed it wasn't using" about a half mile away from the ham's location, although PPL was never able to completely resolve the case.

Hare reports the BPL system was creating S9 noise on entire ham bands within a "rather large" deployment area. "Had this system continued to build out, additional reports of interference from mobile and fixed amateur operation would have been inevitable," he predicted.

ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, said he wasn't surprised to learn of PPL's decision to get out of BPL. "It bears out what knowledgeable economists have been saying about BPL's prospects for some time," he said. "PPL has considerable excess fiber capacity and was trying to leverage that investment by offering broadband service to consumers via BPL. If they couldn't make it pay, it's doubtful anyone else can."

The Allentown company first offered BPL Internet service in Whitehall Township and Emmaus, later expanding to parts of Bethlehem, Upper Macungie Township, Hanover Township and Northampton County. In its formal comments in the FCC BPL proceeding, the ARRL cited measurements taken at one site within the BPL test system in Emmaus that "exceeded FCC Part 15 limits by up to 20 dB or more."

An October 4 article in Allentown's *The Morning Call* newspaper quoted PPL spokesman Jim Santanasto as saying that the utility couldn't charge enough in the face of stiff cable and DSL competition and that its pool of potential customers was too small. "The economies of scale wouldn't work," the paper quoted Santanasto as saying.

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On September 1, the FCC extended until October 31 all filing and regulatory deadlines falling between August 29 and October 30 for licensees in Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana affected by Hurricane Katrina. On September 24, it extended until November 21 all filing and regulatory deadlines falling between September 20 and November 20 for licensees in Louisiana and Texas affected by Hurricane Rita.

The WTB staff member emphasized that the FCC intended the deadline extensions to apply only to licensees who have been directly impacted by the storms. "These are not statewide extensions," the staffer said.

Under Part 97, Amateur Radio licensees have two years from the date of license expiration to renew their tickets without having to retest or risk losing their call signs to a vanity applicant. The staffer confirmed that WTB had disabled the "auto-termination" feature of the Universal Licensing System (ULS) so that it will not automatically cancel licenses that have not been renewed by the end of the grace period.

"We can't assume based on address who might be affected," the staff member explained, "so we're not auto-terminating anything at this point."

In the meantime, the FCC is encouraging radio amateurs to continue filing vanity applications as they normally would. "Everything will be held in queue," the WTB staff member said.--thanks to Dean Gibson, AE7Q, for alerting ARRL to this situation



ARRL Announces 2005 Toy Drive For Hurricane Victims

from *The ARRL Letter* – In the wake of unprecedented hurricane devastation in the Gulf Coast region, the ARRL has announced it will again sponsor a toy drive to brighten the holidays for youngsters left homeless or displaced as a result of the storms. Country singer and ARRL member Patty Loveless,

KD4WUJ, has agreed to serve as honorary chairperson for the 2005 toy drive. ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, is urging the Amateur Radio community to pitch in.

“Last year, hams from all over the country brought smiles to children during the holidays,” Haynie said. “We made a lot of friends, and we did a lot of good. No one expected that we would need to do it again so soon, but the recent hurricanes’ destruction changed the plans of a lot of people.”

Last year, individual radio amateurs and clubs across the US joined together to collect new toys for youngsters affected by a series of four hurricanes in Florida. ARRL Media and Public Relations Manager Allen Pitts, W1AGP, says the 2004 effort was a success beyond anyone’s wildest dreams, and there was no question in his mind about doing another toy drive for the latest hurricane victims.

“Not only can it be done, it really must be done. It is simply the right thing to do,” he said. “We are asking hams from all over the country to begin gathering new toys for shipment

to Memphis, Tennessee. ARRL Delta Division Vice Director Henry Leggette, WD4Q, has secured a receiving warehouse and is recruiting ham volunteers there.”

Ham radio clubs and individual amateurs should send new, unwrapped toys for boys and girls aged 1 to 14 to ARRL Toy Drive, 1775 Moriah Woods Blvd--Suite 12, Memphis, TN 38117-7125. Plan mailings and shipments to arrive prior to Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 24, for distribution over the holidays.

“Just as we did last year, we are asking the donors to please put a QSL card into the box with the toy,” Pitts added. Non-hams are encouraged to join this effort too.

“Early in December, we will divide the toys among the various agencies and states that need help the most at that point in time,” Pitts explained. “We are making these arrangements so that we can maximize the areas receiving aid while maintaining the unique identity that this is the Amateur Radio Community’s response.”

Pitts says he’s heard from many Amateur Radio clubs that are already gathering toys together. “Please check with your local club and see if they are planning a mass shipment,” he urged. “If not, perhaps you can help organize one for your area.”

Monetary donations to purchase new toys for special age groups and to help cover operational expenses also are welcome. Those wishing to donate money instead of toys can send a check to ARRL Toy Drive, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

Fort Wayne Hamfest and Computer Expo Indiana State A.R.R.L. Convention November 19 - 20, 2005, Fort Wayne, Indiana

The 33rd Annual Fort Wayne Hamfest & Computer Expo and Indiana State A.R.R.L. Convention, sponsored by the Allen County Amateur Radio Technical Society (AC-ARTS), will be held at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum at the corner of Indiana 930 (Coliseum Blvd) and Parnell Ave. Open to the public 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. EST on Saturday and 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M. EST on Sunday. Vendor setup is Friday evening and Saturday morning. Admission is only \$5.00 (good for both days) at the door only. Parking is \$3.00. There are over 1000 commercial and flea market tables (152,000 sq. ft.), all under one roof, containing both new and used radio, computer, and general electronics items. Vendors include several International ham equipment manufacturers. Activities will include many forums and meetings, and VE testing on Saturday. Talk-in on 146.88(-). For more information leave a message on the answering machine at (260) 450?4869 and you will be contacted. You can also send an SASE to AC-ARTS / Fort Wayne Hamfest, P.O. Box 10342, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46851-0342, or visit our World Wide Web site at <http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com>.

Test Points

13-Oct-2005
 Sponsor: GOSHEN ARC
 Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: PAUL F COREY
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 VEC: ARRL/VEC
 Location: GREENCROFT RETIREMENT CENTER
 HOMAN BUILDING
 GREENCROFT BLVD
 GOSHEN, IN 46525



19-Nov-2004
 Sponsor: FORT WAYNE VE TEAM
 Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
 Contact: Tom Baker
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 Email: n9tb@arrl.net
 VEC: W5YI VEC
 Location: ALLEN COUNTY WAR MEMORIAL
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 4000 PARNELL AVENUE
 FORT WAYNE, IN 46802

26-Nov-2005
 Sponsor: W5YI-VEC -- WHITLEY COUNTY ARC
 Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
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 VEC: W5YI VEC
 Location: PEABODY LIBRARY
 1160 E STATE ROAD 205
 COLUMBIA CITY, IN 46725

26-Nov-2005
 Sponsor: UNSPONSORED
 Time: 2:00 PM (No walk-ins)
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 VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: VAN WERT COUNTY EMA
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28-Jan-2006
 Sponsor: W5YI-VEC -- WHITLEY COUNTY ARC
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Cape Verde D4B Contest Station Now QRT

from *The ARRL Letter* – Cape Verde D4B contest station now QRT: AI Teimurazov, D4B/4L5A (photo), announced in late September the closing of the D4B contest station on Monte Verde, Mindelo, Cape Verde Islands. “I have achieved, and in some cases exceeded, all my goals that I set out to do from D4,” Teimurazov said in a farewell statement. “I am proud and honoured to have played an active part in the ham radio contest community for the past few years.” Additional information and photos are on the D4B Contest Station Web site <<http://www.qsl.net/d44tt/pictures.html>>.

2005 Foxhunt Schedule

Nov 6 – 1:30 PM
 Dec. – none

All foxhunts start at off track betting parking lot, Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.

Carl, N9NRO



Regional Hamfests

Date	Location	Contact Phone	URL or E-mail
22 Oct 2005	Holland, MI	616-399-9309	http://superswap.hollandarc.org/2005/
19-20 Nov 2005	Fort Wayne, IN	260-489-6700	http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com
26 Nov 2005	Evansville, IN	812-333-4116	http://w9ear.org/hamfest.htm
18 Dec 2005	Lowell, MI	616-897-7659	http://www.argyl.org

For more complete information go to <http://www.acarts.com/hamfests.htm> or <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html#listing>



For Sale & Wanted

For Sale:

- 1) Midland LMR-055C converted six meter transceiver.
- 2) Cherokee AH-50 five channel, six meter handheld transceiver.
- 3) MFJ-9406 SB&CW transceiver

with mike and CW module.

- 4) Cushcraft A-503 six meter three element antenna
- 5) Unimetrics Ultracom two meter crystal control transceiver

Anyone wanting more info can contact me at the places listed below.

Robert E Hilton
 contact N9SJV on 146.520
 n9sjv@wmconnect.com (put "Swap&Shop" in the subject), 260-489-5821 (no long distance calls returned)

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For Sale from KA9FFT Estate:

- Icom IC2AT-\$50
- Icom micro 2AT-\$50
- Icom IC4AT-\$50
- Icom micro 4AT-\$50
- Realistic HTX100 10 meters SSB/CW-\$85
- Genave GTX600 6 meters-\$35
- Heathkit Commanche MR1-\$50
- Heathkit Cheyene MT1-\$50
- Heathkit HW-8-\$100
- Heathkit Twoer-\$35
- Heathkit Sixer-\$25
- MFJ-422 Keyer/Paddle-\$50
- Icom 720-\$300
- Pyramid PS21KX Power Supply-\$50

Contact N9ADS at n9ads@juno.com or 747-5252

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Items from Bill Trulock's estate will be sold at auction that will be held on 10-22-2005 at Bill's house by Wiegmann Auctioneers.
<http://www.wiegmannauctioneers.com/auction102205.htm>

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For Sale:

- SGC QMS7 mobile auto antenna tuner with 7 foot whip.

- SGC 2020 ADSP transceiver (see <http://www.sgeworld.com> for details)
 - Standard 6m-144/440 MHz mobile transceiver with 3-band auto antenna
- Dave Feustel N9MYI
 dfeustel(at)mindspring.com
 1-260-458-9248

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For Sale:

- VHF Power Amp, TPL Model PA3-1DE, 8-15 W in, 80-120 W out, \$70
- Delta Mark Ten Capacitive Discharge Ignition, new, in the box, \$20. These systems are for use with older autos to give a hotter spark and prolong the life of the points.
- Collector's Item: Norelco Continental 450 cassette recorder. Needs new belt. \$5. This was one of the very first cassette recorders marketed.

Contact Vic Guess, WB9UZA, 260-485-7472,
 wb9uza(at)arrl.net

ARMAD News

Hello Everyone:

ARMAD will once again be running a special event station at Golden Corral Military Appreciation Monday. This year the date is November 14, 2005 from 1700 - 2000 hrs. We have received emails from several large cities that they will be setting up at Golden Corrals for the event. This year promises to be a great time of fun, and public service. If you want to come out and operate or be a part of the ham radio group please contact n9knj, n9hra, kc9ezp, or kb9ibw via email or on the air. We will decide on operation locations depending on the number of ham radio operators we have. All area amateur's are welcome to the event. This is a good public service, and a great way to expose our hobby. ARMAD continues to grow, and our webpage as of this printing has over 10,700 hits. The webpage has been up for 51 weeks today. We continue to have Ham Radio Clubs, Military Support Groups, and Troops ask about how they can help ARMAD continue. Let's work together to gain new amateur's, and keep our hobby in the public media.



Thank you for all of your help, and hard work. 73;

The ARMAD Group
 KB9IBW / Emery

Membership Application for FWRC - and/or - ACARTS

Name: _____ Call sign: _____ License class: _____

Street address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ ZIP : _____-4_____ Phone #: (_____) _____-_____ Unlisted? Yes

Email address: _____ ARRL Member? Yes

(ARRL membership helps your club maintain affiliation.)

May we list your name, call & email address in our membership roster and on our club web site? Yes No

Both clubs now offer this newsletter as a downloadable (Adobe Acrobat) PDF file, in lieu of a paper copy sent through the mail. For FWRC a mailed paper newsletter is a \$6.00/yr. premium.

How would you like your newsletter delivered? by snail mail download from web site.

Fort Wayne Radio Club Dues

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Regular membership | <input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00 / year |
| Family membership ¹ | <input type="checkbox"/> \$21.00 / year |
| Student membership ² | <input type="checkbox"/> \$6.00 / year |
| Associate membership ³ | <input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00 / year |
| Mailed newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> \$6.00 / year |

(Memberships for Jul - Dec are 1/2 the stated amounts.)

A.C.A.R.T.S. Dues

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|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Regular membership | <input type="checkbox"/> \$12.00 / year |
| Additional family members ¹ | <input type="checkbox"/> \$6.00 / year |
| Student membership ² | <input type="checkbox"/> \$6.00 / year |
| Associate membership ³ | <input type="checkbox"/> \$6.00 / year |

(New Regular memberships are \$1/month)

1. Please list all names and calls on an attached sheet.
2. K-12 or full time student

3. unlicensed member
4. 9 digit ZIP code required for US bulk mail

Please attach a check (number _____) for the appropriate amount and bring to a club meeting or mail to:

Fort Wayne Radio Club
PO Box 15127
Fort Wayne, IN 46885

A.C.A.R.T.S.
PO Box 10342
Fort Wayne, IN 46851

For dual membership, fill out both sides and send 2 checks to either club. **Payment by check is strongly encouraged!**

ACARTS Voice Repeaters

- 146.880 (-) General use / Skywarn priority
- 147.255 (+) General use / Autopatch priority*
- 443.800 (+) General use

(All repeaters have autopatch, but 88 has only speed dial emergency #'s.)

ACARTS Digital Repeaters (digipeaters)

- 144.390 (s) APRS - wide

Fort Wayne Radio Club Repeaters

- Voice: 146.76 (-) General use
- 146.94 (-) General use with autopatch
- 146.91 (-) General use
- 444.875 (+) General use
- ATV: 439.25 In, 910.250 Out, 144.340 Audio & control

Area Traffic Nets

(please submit any changes or corrections to the editor)

- IMO:** meets nightly at 6:30 p.m. (2330 UTC) on 146.88
- Auburn:** meets Mon., Tue., Wed., Thur., Fri., & Sat. at 6 p.m. (2300 UTC) on 147.36(+)

- 21 Repeater Group:** meets each Wednesday at 9 p.m. (0200 UTC) on 147.150

Help and Swap Net: Mondays @ 8:30 p.m. 146.94(-)

Miscellaneous Nets

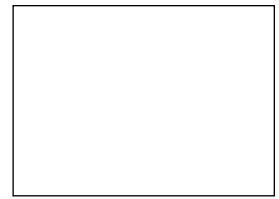
Huntington ARES: Saturday at 8:00 p.m. (0100 UTC) on 146.685

Whitley Co. / ARES: Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. (0015 UTC) on 145.270 (Note 131.8 PL disabled for all nets)

Whitley Co. Sunday: Sundays at 7:45 p.m. (0045 UTC) on 444.550 +. (The 146.460 simplex crossbanding from both nets has been dropped.)

160 Meter "No-Name" Net: Sunday and Wednesday nights at 8:00 PM Indiana time (0100 UTC). On 1966 kHz. Everyone welcome!

Allen County HamNews
 PO BOX 10342
 FORT WAYNE, IN 46851



TO:



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Activities Calendar



Date	Time	Event	Place
10/18/05	7:30 PM	ACARTS General Meeting	Salvation Army Center
10/21/05	7:00 PM	FWRC Meeting	GSUMC
10/28/05		deadline for Nov. ACHN items	
11/1/05	7:00 PM	FWRC Board Meeting	GSUMC
11/6/05	1:30 PM	Foxhunt off track betting parking lot,	Washington Ctr. & Lima Rds.
11/8/05	7:30 PM	ACARTS Board Meeting	Salvation Army Center
11/11/05	7:00 PM	FWRC Meeting	GSUMC
11/15/05	7:30 PM	ACARTS General Meeting	Salvation Army Center
11/19-20/05		Fort Wayne Hamfest	Memorial Coliseum
11/25/05		deadline for Dec. ACHN items	
11/29/05	7:00 PM	FWRC Board Meeting	GSUMC
12/6/05	7:30 PM	ACARTS Board Meeting	Salvation Army Center
12/9/05	6:30 PM	FWRC Christmas Party	GSUMC
12/13/05	6:30 PM	ACARTS Christmas Party	Salvation Army Center