

## ARIZONA SECTION NEWS

February 2007

On a personal note, my father, had been suffering from cancer. He had gone thru several surgeries to remove the cancer, including one just before Thanksgiving and one just after Christmas. Dad did not recover from the last surgery and passed away on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Dad wasn't a ham but he was my greatest supporter. I remember, he was always mystified at my antennas that had graced his house. When I moved to Tucson, I removed all the antennas or so I thought. Years later, dad called, he said I had forgotten an antenna. I thought and thought and I could not remember what I had forgotten. I had taken down the verticals, the towers, the beams, and the dipoles. Turns out, as they were re-roofing his house, they found wire, lots of wire under the shingles. I had wrapped the house with several large spools of bell wire for a low frequency antenna. I think I had wrapped the house at least 10 times and this was a large ranch home. I guess the workmen were tripping on all of this wire that came loose when they replaced the shingles. I can still hear dad tell a friend about that funny day with all the wire lying around his house from his sons forgotten ham radio antenna.

### FCC RULE CHANGES

On February 23<sup>rd</sup> the Morse code requirement will be history. I know all the VEC's are gearing up for testing. For VE test sessions in Arizona: <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/examsearch.phtml>

### ARIZONA EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS PRESERVATION ACT HB 2595

This bill incorporates the Federal Communications Commission preemption known as PRB1 that requires local communities to make "reasonable accommodation" for Amateur Radio antennas and structures. It further applies that "reasonable accommodation" to HOA's. This bill also calls for no "special charge" on Arizona Ham Radio license plates. Your help is vital to this bill passing. Please contact your senator and representative now and ask them to support and co-sponsor HB 2595. <http://www.azleg.gov/legtext/48leg/1r/bills/hb2595p.pdf> Go to [www.az-arrl.org](http://www.az-arrl.org) for sample language to include in your emails and phone calls. Each district in Arizona has two House Representatives and one Senator. Your district can be found by calling your local County Elections department. The Arizona Legislature House Membership Roster can be found at: <http://www.azleg.state.az.us/memberRoster.asp?Body=H> The Arizona Legislature Senate Membership Roster is at: <http://www.azleg.state.az.us/MemberRoster.asp?Body=S&SortBy=1> Our thanks to Dan Brown, NA7DB, Mayor, City of Page, 928-614-0306, [dan@kxaz.com](mailto:dan@kxaz.com) for putting this together.

### ARIZONA LICENSE PLATES

The new amateur radio plate is not available yet. We are hoping that it becomes available very shortly. Watch the MVD website <http://www.azdot.gov/mvd/vehicle/mvdplate.asp>

### SILENT KEYS

Hillard Kolzak, WA9OAC, Sun City West passed away on Dec 6, 2006.

Jim Palmer, AB7AR, Tucson passed away Jan 5, 2007.

Sharon Gould, KA7SEG, Lake Havasu City passed away Jan 8, 2007.

## NEW HAMS

The following Arizona hams just received their FCC license, Congratulations!

Lloyd Shaw AD7KM, Joseph Gaylor KE7JXO, Paul Hancock KE7JXP, Larry Purchase KE7JXQ, Charles Nelson KE7JXU, Brandon Lorenz KE7JXV, John Wood KE7JYP, Joseph Jette KE7JYQ, Robert Brooks KE7JYS, Kevin Peck KE7JYT, Glenn Tooley KE7JYU, Gregory Ansel KE7JYV, Mary Branson KE7JYW, Samuel Fuller KE7JYX, Robert Sliwinski KE7JYY, Brian Mcvickers KE7JYZ, Cary Ansel KE7JZA, Geoff Allen KE7JZB, Tim Lubbering KE7JZC, Julian Flores KE7JZD, Catherine Cameron KE7JZE, Mark Towsley KE7JZF, Nanette Towsley KE7JZG, Pamela Lynn KE7JZH, Ronald Schowe KE7KAC, Joel Rich KE7KAL, Preston Hunting KE7KAM, Carlos Challa Espinosa KE7KAN, Jack Wesely KE7KBC, Roberto Ramirez KE7KBD, Jose Amorin KE7KBR, Janel Deppe KE7KBS, Jonathan Massey KE7KBT, Maureen Maloney KE7KCJ, Barbara Taylor KE7KCQ, Dora McGowan KE7KCR, Delores Gross KE7KCS, Linda Cadell KE7KCT, Edward Lord KE7KCU, Charles Branson KE7KCV, James Powell KE7KCX, Sara Lang KE7KCY, John Dunn KE7KFQ

## HAMFESTS

February 5, 2007 Annual Ham Radio Equipment Auction sponsored by the West Valley Amateur Radio Club <http://www.qsl.net/wvarc> Talk-In: 147.300 MHz, +600 offset (PL 162.2) Contact: Ken Solheim, WN7DRX [hamauction2007@cox.net](mailto:hamauction2007@cox.net) St. Clements of Rome Social Hall 15800 North Del Webb Blvd. Sun City, AZ

February 16-18, 2007 YUMA HAM EXPO sponsored by the Yuma Amateur Radio Hamfest Organization. <http://www.yumahamexpo.com> Talk-In: 146.840 (-) PL 88.5 Hz Contact: Hal Johnson, WB6SLA at [wb6sla@juno.com](mailto:wb6sla@juno.com) Yuma County Fairgrounds 2520 East 32nd Street.

March 10, 2007 Springfest sponsored by ARCA & Scottsdale ARC. <http://members.cox.net/sarc2007> Talk-In: 147.18 (no tone) Contact: Ed Nickerson, WU7S at [sarc2007@cox.net](mailto:sarc2007@cox.net) Scottsdale Community College 9000 East Chaparral Road Scottsdale.

April 14, 2007 Arizona Amateur Radio Club Swapmeet. Contact Bob Hodges, K7JTT. The south parking lot of DeVry located at Dunlap and about 21st Avenue in NW Phoenix.

May 5, 2007 Cochise Amateur Radio Association hamfest in Sierra Vista, AZ

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about ARRL. If your club or group has an activity or event that would be of interest to other hams throughout our section please email me with the specifics.

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