

ARRL ARIZONA SECTION NEWS July 2008

ARCA WILLIAMS HAMFEST/ARRL STATE CONVENTION

July 18-19, 2008 ARCA/Williams Hamfest hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona will be at the Williams Rodeo Grounds, 800 Rodeo Rd, Williams, AZ. In attendance will be several vendors including ICOM, thank you Pat. In attendance from the ARRL HQ will be speaker, author and editor Ward Silver N0AX. We are trying to get some of Ward's books (Hands-On Radio, Ham Radio for Dummies) to sell. Ward will also be available to sign his books as well. Arizona ScQRPion's will have some kits to sell at the swapmeet on Friday and they will have a QRP program on Saturday <http://www.azscqrpions.org> There will be speakers, swapmeet, vendors, friends, fun, door prizes, food including the popular BBQ dinner on Saturday and of course the train ride to the Grand Canyon on Sunday. Check it out at www.arca-az.org Talk-In - 146.78 - (91.5 PI) See you there.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Is it me, or is everyone getting busy this time of year. It feels like I don't have a spare moment anymore...some say a sign of old age....hope not my calendar is way too full.

The Arizona ARES database is chugging along nicely. We have more than 450 members state wide who have signed up. Almost 20 of them however haven't taken the time to give us the information which will make the system truly useful should we be called in on short notice for a disaster. The database has 3 main pages which are used to collect much needed information. The registration page has information on how to contact you, where you live, what county you are in...etc. The equipment page tells the emergency coordinator what kinds of equipment you can bring if needed. This section is intended to be broad brush strokes, I don't need to know if you have an Icom or a Kenwood, just that you have one. Lastly, and equally important, the training section captures some important study and skills. Have you taken ICS-100/700 because most EOCs won't let you help out without them. Checking the boxes allows the emergency coordinator to search for specific skills or equipment quickly and efficiently. If you haven't logged in lately, log in today, check and see if you have selected a county on the registration page, or have added capabilities since you signed up. Save the registration page, and we'll know you've reviewed your data. Rick Aldom W7STS Section Emergency Coordinator Arizona natecf@gmail.com

SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION CONVENTION 2008

The Southwestern Division Convention is just around the corner. We just learned that the ARRL is sending Mark Spencer to the convention. Mark is an excellent teacher and captivating speaker. Speaking of presentations, we have a full slate for you including the Director of the Arizona Department of Emergency Management Mr. Lou Trammell. We have speakers covering most areas of the hobby from the introductory level to technical presentations. There will be a display of EMCOMM vehicles from around the area (including Colorado) many vendors. If you are coming in from out of town, the Marriott has extended us very nice pricing, but the number of rooms at that level are limited so don't wait until the last minute. www.azhamcom.org Rick Aldom W7STS. natecf@gmail.com

SILENT KEYS

Dick Campbell N7TUF passed away in June. Dick was involved with the MS150 and a couple of other events in the mid 90's. His sons are Dennis KA7VAB and Dick K7TJZ.

Jack McAlister, KE7FMD, passed away in June. Jack had been hospitalized for an extended period due to a long illness and a series of strokes. Jack was a member of YARC

NEW HAMS

The following Arizona hams just received their FCC license, Congratulations!
Laura Mills KE7TZR, Fred Holmes KE7TXN, Jeremiah Woods KE7TVC, Anthony Lowman KE7TXP, John Murphy KE7UGN, Michelle Lowman KE7TXO, Roger Zollinger KE7TZQ, Takenori Osada KE7UGO, Ernest Miller KE7UGL, Collin Ethington KE7TZV, Ryan Keller KE7TZU, Jeffrey Johnson KE7TZS, Kimberly Sappington KE7TZT, Jennifer Verstreken KE7UGM, Devin Cenatiempo KE7TZP, Ian Mccollum KE7TXS, Stefano Cervini KE7UBU, Luciano Bonitta KE7UBT, Bridget Bietz Palmer KE7TXR, Eric York KE7UGK, Ian Valentine KE7TYZ, Jonathan Krafft KE7TXQ, Joseph Oravec KE7TYP, Clifford Sage KE7TYQ, Michael Lavallee KE7TXZ, Roberto Medina KE7TXT, Randall Federico KE7TYA, Deborah Griffin KE7TXX, George Melnick KE7TXV, George Fauber KE7TXY, Roberto Gil KE7TXU, Stefanie Mellott KE7TXW, Ryan Gebhart KE7TZA, Victor Walco KE7TYM, Andrew Moore KE7TYL, Sean Sobel KE7TWO, Logan Crabtree KE7TWQ, Christina Gonzales KE7TWP, Noah Hogue KE7TWR, Hunter Lienau KE7TWW, Shelby Monroe KE7TYK, Eric Chavarria KE7TYN, Richard Roda KE7TYO, Douglas Harvey KE7TZM, William Miller KE7TZW

HAMFESTS/CONVENTIONS/SPECIAL MEETINGS

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September 6, 2008 Mohave Professional Amateur Radio Group will be having its 1st Annual Hamfest in Kingman Arizona.

September 12-14, 2008 ARRL Southwestern Division Convention Mesa AZ Come check us out at www.AzHamCom.org Mesa Convention Center Rick Aldom W7STS 2008 SWD Chair natecf@gmail.com.

October 18 2008 Old Pueblo Hamfest Kino Sports Park Tucson AZ

October 19, 2008 Tucson Ham Radio Picnic at Reid Park at 12 noon www.tucsonhampicnic.com

December 2008 Superstition Hamfest, Mesa 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.

73, Tom Fagan K7DF

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