ARIZONA PRB-1 HB2721

Rep McLain told me that earlier today House Bill 2721 passed out of the House today on a 55-4 vote (with 1 absent), so it will be transmitted to the Senate shortly. She had spoken with the lobbyist for the association of HOAs and he told her that while they are not thrilled by the bill, they will not oppose it -- that's a big help in getting it through the Senate.

I am working with Senator Bee to get this bill heard in the Senate.

Dan Brown NA7DB who is one of the major drivers behind this bill suffered a major setback with his health. Dan was in the hospital for surgery in January when he suffered a stroke and then got pneumonia. Dan is recovering and he should be going home sometime later this week. Dan, we wish you a speedy recovery.

YOUTH AND SCOUTING

Radio-Active Amateur Radio Club of Mohave High School is now K7MHS. The Teacher in charge of the Club is Carolyn Krick KA9APT. Carolyn just passed her extra exam. Congratulations Carolyn.

Many young hams are getting their licenses lately. Congratulations. I am learning about Amateur Radio RF Direction finding and I will be building some antennas for an upcoming Summer Cub Scout Camp at Camp Lawton starting on the Memorial Day weekend. Jim Fagan KE7IDC Assistant Section Manager (ASM) Youth and Scouting ke7idc@arrl.net

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

Congratulations to Bill Hosking W7JSW who is the new Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator. We also have a new DEC for Navajo County Ted Vawter AD1N. Just after he was approved for the position, Navajo County was called in to help the fight with their mud slides. Welcome to the team Ted.

The 24 Hours in the Old Pueblo bike race was held this month in Southern Arizona. Hams contributed 886 volunteer hours with a total of 38 "official" volunteers. Congratulations to the Catalina Radio Club for contributing 228 hours with 12 volunteers.

Please go to: www.az-arrl.org/secure to register for Arizona ARES! www.az-arrl.org/secure or contact Rick Aldom W7STS SEC Arizona

STATE CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL

TD Kennard N7ISR was just appointed by Governor Napolitano to serve on the State Citizen Corps Council. This council is under the Arizona Department of Homeland Security. The State Citizen Corps is the resource coordinating body of all statewide local Citizen Corps Groups, which includes CERT, Fire Corps, Medical Reserve Corps, USA On-Watch and Volunteers in Police (VIP). One of TD's goals is to promote a better understanding of the good work accomplished by our Arizona Amateur Radio Community and the readiness of radio volunteers to assist with emergency communications. Congratulations TD.

ARRL TEACHER INSTITUTE SCHEDULED FOR TUCSON

One of the six 2008 ARRL Teacher Institutes will be held at Pueblo Magnet High School in Tucson on June 25-28. The Institutes are designed for teachers from pre-school to post graduate levels for the purpose of bringing amateur radio and wireless technologies into the classroom. ARRL pays for travel, room, meals and also provides equipment and additional support to participants. Additional information can be found at http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/ti.html

There are five seats open on a first-come, first-served basis. Please help us spread the word as we would like to include as many Arizona teachers as possible. Interested teachers can call Miguel Enriquez KD7RPP at 520-409-3572 or Mark Spencer, WA8SME ETP Coordinator mspencer@arrl.org

SILENT KEYS

Charlie Justinak W7GBI passed away on Feb 12, 2008. He was a retired U.S. Air Force Lt. Colonel with 28 years of service and served in WW II, Korea, and Vietnam. First licensed in 1936, he was a member of ARRL, CADXA and OOTC, Charlie was active in the MARS leadership after WWII and later became well known for his accomplishments in the fields of microwave and EME, having worked hundreds of different stations via the moon from 432 MHz to 5760 MHz.

NEW HAMS

The following Arizona hams just received their FCC license, Congratulations! Herman Strelow KE7QXH, Angelo Andreula KE7RDK, James Collister KE7RDI, Brad Ruetschi KE7RDG, Richard Chee KE7RDL, John Porvaznik KE7RDJ, David Schaeffer KE7RDH, Peter Daliere KE7RDM, Eric Goldman KE7RDF, Samuel White KE7QXI, Christopher Wolff KE7RDE, John Wallace KE7QVC, Glenn Hamblin KE7QVA, Sydney Degon KE7QQY, Vincent Rizzi KE7QQW, Chirelle Weaver KE7QQV, Vincent Rizzi KE7QQX, Robert Weaver KE7QQZ, William Bouchard KE7RBD, Randy Hill KE7QYE, Justin Stueckler KE7QWN and Mary Sharon Tueller KE7QYG.

HAMFESTS/CONVENTIONS/SPECIAL MEETINGS

Yuma HamExpo was on February 15-17, 2008 and many hams from all over North America showed up including the International Order of Krazies (IOOK). Check out their website at www.iook.org

March 8, 2008 SpringFest hosted by the Scottsdale Amateur Radio Club, Scottsdale Community College, Chaparral & Hwy 101, Scottsdale, AZ, ARCA Meeting - 11:00 AM

March 8, 2008 Tucson Ham Radio Spring Picnic at Christopher Columbus Park. More info can be found at www.tucsonhampicnic.com

April 12, 2008, AARC Hamfest, hosted by the Arizona Amateur Radio Club, DeVry University, Dunlap, Rd, Phoenix, AZ http://www.w7io.org

May 3, 2008, CARA Hamfest, hosted by the Cochise Amateur Radio Association, Club Site, Moson Rd, Sierra Vista, AZ ARCA Meeting - 11:00 AM http://www.k7rdg.org

May 31, 2008 Prescott Hamfest Hosted by the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club Granite Mountain Middle School, 1800 Williamson Valley Rd, Prescott, AZ www.w7yrc.org

June 7, 2008 Kachina Amateur Radio Club Hamfest Hosted by the Kachina Amateur Radio Club Show Low Intermediate School, 500 N Old Linden Rd, Show Low, AZ Contact: Richard Gurk, KE7EDP ke7edp@cableone.net

July 18-20, 2008 ARCA/Williams Hamfest hosted by the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona Williams Rodeo Grounds, 800 Rodeo Rd, Williams, AZ www.arca-az.org

September 6, 2008 Mohave Professional Amateur Radio Group will be having its 1st Annual Hamfest in Kingman Arizona. They are working on finalizing the site location which should be secured by the end of March. They will be providing Free Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Soda and Water to all who attend.

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 matecf@gmail.com.

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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