

W8UKQ Named 2005 Ham Of The Year

The identity of the 2005 Ham of the Year was finally revealed at the January meeting when the plaque was presented to Dave Glass, W8UKQ. Dave was not able to attend the annual Christmas party this year so we were not told who won the award. There were several members absent, so no one knew for sure.

Dave has the distinction of being the only club member to ever receive the award twice. Dave was Ham of the Year in 1999. There was no write up in the Newsletter at that time because there was no

Newsletter that year until June.

Dave served the AARC as club secretary for nine and a half years until poor health forced him to resign last April. He missed several meetings after that because of the treatments he had to take, but he has been a regular at the meetings again, lately. Before his health problems, he almost never missed a meeting. He did most or all of the Club's paperwork and attended almost all of our events. He was also secretary for the Quarter Century Wireless Association for a number of years.



Dave Glass, W8UKQ receives the Ham of the Year Plaque from 2004 recipient. Picture stolen from K3GP

AARC Has New Meeting Room

The February Meeting of the AARC will be in the New Hospital building in the back of the cafeteria or Café, as they are calling it.

Bob, K8RLS reports that after you enter the hospital's front entrance on State St. and enter the lobby, you should make a left turn and walk all the way to the back of the Café. We hope to see everyone there.

Bob also reminds us of two upcoming Hamfests—Winterfest in Lorain on Feb. 5th, see <http://www>.

NOARS.net and Mansfield Mid Winter Hamfest and Computer Show, Mansfield, OH on Feb. 12th. See <http://www.iarc.ws>. Mansfield is usually one of the best Hamfests of the year. Great Lakes Division Director Jim Weaver, K8JE plans to attend so this is your chance to give him your thoughts.

K8OMO reports that we will be able to move the repeater to the new hospital building. He will probably be looking for help when the time comes.

De Olde Meeting Announcement

The next meeting of the Alliance ARC will be on Wednesday, February 1st, in the cafeteria of the Alliance Community Hospital. Our meetings begin at 7:30 PM, and are an excellent opportunity for eyeball QSO's. Directions can be found on the K8LTG Repeater (145.370) See you there!

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Meetings

The Alliance Amateur Radio Club meets on the First Wednesday of every month, in the cafeteria of the Alliance Community Hospital. Talk-in is on 145.37 @. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. Visitors are always welcome.

Nets

Thursday is our "net night," with the following nets on tap:

Ten meters

CW @ 8PM on 28.400 MHz
SSB @ 8:30PM on 28.400 MHz

2 meters

9 PM on 145.37 MHz

Internet

If you'd like to check us out on the web, our E-mail address is:

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Our club home page is:

<http://www.w8lky.org>

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January Minutes

ALLIANCE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

January 5, 2006

The regular meeting of the Alliance Amateur Radio Club was held at the Alliance Community Hospital on January 5, 2006 at 7:30 PM with club president Robert Steele, K8RLS, presiding. There were 20 members and 2 guests present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by introductions. The club again welcomed guests Michael Shaffer, N8RQU, of Carrollton and Miriam Sanor, wife of Frank, WA8WHP.

The December minutes were published in the newsletter. A correction was made in that it was incorrectly reported that Mary Ann had spoken to the musician regarding entertainment for the Christmas party. It was actually Gladys, KB8GIA who had made the contact. The minutes were approved on a motion by Howard, K8DXR and seconded by Jim, N8XTJ.

Mary Ann, KB8IVS, gave the treasurer's report. The report was accepted on a motion from Smitty, KC8TJQ and seconded by Dave, W8UKQ.

Old business:

Having tabulated the votes, George, K3GP presented the Ham of the Year award to Dave Glass, W8UKQ.

President Bob reported that he had formally requested a meeting location in the new hospital. The request was sent to Connie Jones who handles such arrangements. The request was submitted in mid-December but as of this meeting, no reply had been received.

He further noted that the ham repeater antenna removal from the old hospital is planned for the second week of February. A new location for the antennas and repeater has not yet been determined.

Don, K8OMO reported that the Homeland Security Hospital Net had only two more weeks left to run from its present location in the old hospital building. Notification that required cabling had been run for it in the new building has still not been received. Don stated that the operation may run from his home until provisions are made in the new hospital. He noted that last week's net operation yielded 17 check-ins.

Joe, KC8TAC noted that he had heard of no relocation plans for

the fire and police repeaters from the old hospital either.

Bob stated that no further information or communications had been received regarding the alleged TVI complaint from last month.

New business:

President Bob reported that:

--The Club's state certification renewal for a non-profit organization had been received.

--The HPRAC swap meet is January 15 in Hazel Park, Michigan

--Ham University offered to send a free copy of "Ham University" with a CD and manual if the club would display the HU banner on its' web site.

--QSL.net is asking for money.

--The 20/9 Club won the state newsletter contest.

--January 8 is Kid's Day as well as the day that postal rates go up.

--The Tusco hamfest is scheduled for January 29.

Larry, KE8VE asked that if anyone is supposed to be receiving the newsletter via email but is not getting it, please let him know so that his list can be updated.

As there was no further new business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Don Kingan, AB8KV, Secretary.

THE WAYBACK MACHINE

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by **Bill Continelli, W2XOY**

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World War II started on September 1, 1939, when Germany invaded Poland. By May, 1940, Germany had conquered much of Europe, and had her sights on Britain. Although the United States was officially neutral, it was obvious that our sympathies were with the Allies. In addition, it was clear to a few perceptive Americans that we would be drawn into the conflict.

Amateur Radio Operators, like most Americans, began to gear up for War. On June 4, 1940, the FCC issued Order #72, which prohibited amateurs from engaging in foreign communications, or from establishing contact with any or all points outside the continental U.S. and its possessions. The FCC was quite serious about this--they revoked the licenses of several hams who had contact with foreign stations. The "How's DX" column was jokingly referred to as "Where's DX"--so many foreign hams, including our neighbors in Canada, had been off the air since September, 1939.

Throughout 1940 and 1941, the face of amateur radio changed with the darkening war cloud. The War Department sent out a questionnaire to all hams to obtain data on equipment, experience, physical fitness, and availability for service. Columns devoted to the military began to appear, such as "Army-Amateur Radio System Activities", which included the schedule of station WAR on 4025 and 6990 kc. Other columns were "Naval Communication Reserve Notes"; "In the Services", which listed amateurs now in military service; and "USA Calling", which published requests from the Navy, Marines, Army, Army Air Corps, Signal Corps, Merchant Marine, and even the FBI for amateurs proficient as radio operators, electronic specialists, electrical engineers and Communications Officers. In the summer of 1940, the British used the "USA Calling" column to issue an urgent

appeal for radio servicemen and amateurs for their Civilian Technical Corps. Up to 25,000 Americans were requested by the British.

Foreign espionage invaded the ham bands in 1940. The FBI, in a successful bid to capture several foreign agents in the U.S., operated a counter-espionage station in the 20 meter band. Using a phony amateur call, the FBI passed over 500 messages to various spies before arresting them.

Amateurs were members of the Defense Communication Board, which met every week to prepare for a military emergency.

Amateurs also made their own preparations for a national emergency. QST ran several editorials urging hams to improve their cw skills. Many articles appeared on "emergency" equipment, such as vibrator power supplies (to supply the B+ voltage for tubes), battery operated radios, and mobile stations. The 2 1/2 meter band (112-116 mc) was chosen as the primary "Civil Defense" band, and every issue of QST had another 2 1/2 meter construction project, including a few "Walkie-Talkies". Civil Defense coordination and participation was urged.

On July 22, 1941 the FCC, in response to the National Emergency, announced that the 3650 to 3950 kc portion of 80 meters would be withdrawn from amateur use and reassigned to the military for use in an Aircraft Pilot Training program. Amateurs were given a few months to vacate the band, and preparations were made to move popular 80 meter nets to 160. But before the reassignment was completed in December 1941, Pearl Harbor was attacked.

On December 8, 1941, the FCC issued Order Number 87, which read in part:

Whereas a state of War exists between the United States and the Imperial Japanese government, and the withdrawal from private use of all amateur frequencies is required for the purpose of National Defense; IT IS ORDERED, that except as may hereafter be specifi-

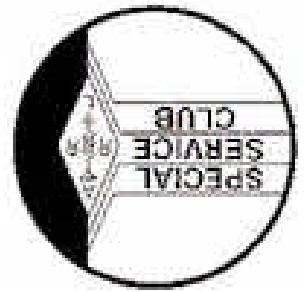
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February 2006

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The cardiologist's diet: If it tastes good, spit it out.- Unknown



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cally authorized by the Commission, no person shall engage in any amateur radio operation...and all frequencies heretofore allocated to amateur radio stations under Part 12 of the Rules and Regulations ARE HEREBY WITHDRAWN. All amateur licensees are hereby notified that the Commission has ordered the immediate suspension of all amateur radio operation in the continental U.S., its territories and possessions.

However, the FCC left a small loophole for amateur operation during the war. Amateurs would be allowed to operate for the purpose of National Defense, upon application of a Federal, State, or local official.

In our next installment, we will look at some amateur operations during WWII. Some will surprise you.



While sailing from North Carolina to the island of Antigua in the West Indies, a small bird flew on to Larry's boat. He held out his finger and it landed there. He said they were about 500 miles from land. The bird closed its eyes and appeared to go to sleep. After about half an hour, the bird opened its eyes and flew away.

Listen for Larry, N8EWV on 20 meters around 14.300