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NEXT MEETING

WHEN: May 10, 1985

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

WHERE: Heartland Chapter American Red Cross 3838 Dewey Omaha, NE

PROGRAM: Bob Knudson, Public Affairs Director, Omaha World Herald "Communications And The First Amendment As It Relates To Freedom Of Speech Within The Context Of The Constitution."

PREZ SEZ

For those of you who missed last month's meeting I am sorry to report that our repeater chairman John Gebuhr has resigned. John has served the club as repeater chairman for many years and has faithfully kept 34/94 on line for the use of all. John cited personal reasons for his resignation. We all owe John our thanks for the many years he has held this post. Hopefully, his personal-time demands will lessen and we will be able to call on John again in the future to serve as repeater chairman.

I am pleased to announce that two fine club members have volunteered to take responsibility for the club's repeaters. They are Jay Nichols, KB8TR and Jim Peterson, WBØQGV. Jay will head up the technical committee and Jim will chair the user committee. Anyone wishing to serve on one of these committees should contact one of the Repeater Chairmen.

Don't forget the Auction is coming up this month. It will be held on May 19, at the Radial Social Hall, 1516 NW Radial Hiway. Food and soft drinks will be available.

Field Day is just around the corner, it will be held on June 22-23, 1985. Scott Persson is this year's Chairman.

Sandy, NØCLQ, is arranging for another River Belle Cruise up the Missouri on August 23, 1985 at 7:00 P.M. Cost per person is \$10.00 and will include a 3-hour cruise up and down the river, live band and potluck dinner. There are only 100 seats available so send your Check in pronto to assure a seat. Make checks payable to Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club and mail them to Sandy Hamilton, 4805 No. 107th St., Omaha, NE, 68134. Details on what to bring to the potluck dinner will be announced in the July Ham-Hum. Those members who also belong to the Lincoln Club, pass the word around about the cruise. It would be a lot of fun if we had members from both clubs attend, sort of a river hamvention.

CU at the meeting Dave — NØCLW

THE FIRST HAMS SAYS:

"Did you get your Ham-Hum yet?"

Second Ham:

"Yes, I did. It came yesterday. Did you get yours?"

First Ham:

"No!"

Second Ham:

"If you got last month's Ham-Hum and not this month's Ham-Hum...and your dues are not paid, you will have to remember the meeting date so you can come and pay your dues to get back on the mailing list."

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING April 10, 1985, Red Cross Building 3838 Dewey, Omaha, Nebraska

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 by the President, Dave Hamilton, NØCLW.

The President reported that the Repeater Committee Chairman, John Gebuhr, WBØCMC, resigned after many years as Repeater Committee Chairman. John cited other personal commitments as the reason. Jim Peterson, WBØQGV, as Repeater Users Chairman and Jay Nichols, KB8TR, as Repeater Technical Chairman were then appointed by the President. These Chairmen are looking for some help on these committees, so if you would like to serve on either of these committees, please contact either Jim or Jay.

Other appointments were made as follows:

Vern Wirka, WBØGQM — Public Relations Walter Brown, KAØDMB — Courtesy Committee Chairman Jim Faulkenberry, N5DZZ — Auction Chairman Greg Zimmerman, NØBTN — Picnic/Xmas Party Chairman Jim Peterson, WBØQGV — Program Chairman Chuck Rush, NØAZ — Membership & Equipment Chairman Jay Nichols, KB8TR — Education & Testing Chairman Scott Persson, WBØQPP — Field Day Chairman Sam Kaplan, WDØBVH — Treasurer Virgil Wamsat, KBØBW — Secretary Jim Sanford, NØAIH — Convention Chairman Mitch Gagne, NØAZF — ARES Chairman Dick Eilers, WØYZV — Publications Chairman Ellen Morrissey, WBØHWF — Life Membership Chairman

Treasurer's Report was approved as read and bills were approved to be paid.

It was moved and seconded that Dave Hamilton, NØCLW, and Sandra Hamilton, NØCLQ, be accepted as Charter Life Members. (Paid in Full).

The Budget for 1985 was presented to the Board and was accepted after minor adjustments.

The Convention Report was given by Jim, NØAIH. The pre-registration forms are at the printers. There will be VE testing at 10AM, Sept. 8 at the Convention at the Holiday Inn at 72nd and Grover.

We are planning another River Cruise this year toward the middle or end of July.

Respectfully Submitted Virgil Wamsat, KBØBW Secretary

1985 BUDGET

PROJECTED INCOME:

Dues	\$2300
Donations	\$ 400
Miscellaneous	\$ 995
Auction	\$1050
Interest	\$ 550
Advertising	\$ 400
Return—Convention Trip Payt	\$1400
Refund—Convention Start Fund	\$2000
TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME	\$9095

PROJECTED EXPENSES:

Auction\$	650
wards\$	
Christmas Party\$	
ield Day\$	350
	700
Repeater\$	250
J.W. Bell (2 months)\$	45
Postage & Stationery \$1	
Picnic\$	
IAM HUM Printing\$1	
Guarantee Hawaii Trip \$1	
Alloc. Convention Funds \$2	000
A.R.E.S\$	
quipment\$	200
TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES \$9	095

Financial Committee: Sam Kaplan Jim Peterson Walt Brown

LETTERS

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I was very pleased to receive a 'get-well' card from the club and thank you all for your good wishes.

Have been home a week now and getting ready for the next marathon (10 ft.) HI!

Alan McMillan, WØJJK

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MAY PROGRAM

Bob Knudson, Public Affairs Director for the Omaha World Herald, will provide our program for May. The title of the presentation is "Communications And The First Amendment As It Relates To Freedom Of Speech Within The Context Of The Constitution." There will be ample time for questions and answers following the presentation. This being the centennial year for the World Herld and Bob being the Director of Public Affairs, it is assumed he will tell us a little about the paper. Also, it's time we renew our appreciation for our local daily as we now find the replacement precut and fitting the bottom of the bird cage and the garbage bags which prevents our using, such as newspaper for lining the cans. Suggest that we find the real value of the paper, particularly to get more news than the 15 or 20 minutes sandwiched between commercials. It provides an addition on those days when all the news seems bad. You'll find a mix of good and bad in the World Herald.

(From the Omaha World-Herald)

PROFESSOR TO LECTURE ON MEDICAL HISTORY

Dr. Edward A. Holyoke, professor emeritus at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, will discuss the history of medicine in Nebraska and the history of the medical center April 14.

His lecture, sponsored by the Douglas County Historical Society, will be the fourth in the Dr. C. C. Criss and Mabel Criss Memorial Foundation Lectures.

The public lecture will be at 2 p.m. in Building 10 on the Fort Omaha campus of Metro Community College.

Dr. Holyoke joined the N.U. faculty in 1932 and was chairman of the anatomy department from 1960-1973.

(LETTERS — Continued from page 5)

Dear Hams in Omaha:

Although I am not a member of your radio club, I do enjoy receiving monthly copies of HAM HUM because I enjoy reading about so many ham friends I have in Omaha and about activities of your club.

Enclosed is check for \$5.00 which will help cover postage and printing of HAM HUM, a copy of which I get monthly.

Okay?

73, Ivan A. Cidlik, WØWVE 5811 Sunrise Rd. Lincoln, Nebr. 68510

P.S. Incidentally, come April 27, next week, I will have been a ham 49 years. Still have copy of first license and my first call was W9WVE

RADIO OPERATORS NEEDED

The following are Public Service Events needing 2 meter communications.

May 17-18 Nebraska State Track Meet

This event will go for 2 days with approximately 6 operators needed on each shift (2 shifts per day). You of course can work the event all day if you wish. You'll need a 2 meter Hand Held and possibly a spare battery pack.

Contact: Greg Zimmerman, NØBTN, H-895-5219, W-896-2015

May 27 Memorial Day Run

9 A.M. at Boystown.

There will be a 1 mile and 5 mile run. The event is sponsored by St. Joseph Service League Center for Abused Handicapped Children. Need 4 operators.

Contact: Steve Noranf, WBØUNF - 498-1477.

June 29-30 MS 150 Mile Bike Tour

This is an overnight event.

Need 4 operators w/mobile radio and mag mount ant.

You will travel to Brownville, NE in the Red Cross Communications Van, camp overnight, then transfer to "SAG" vehicles and accompany the riders back to Bellevue. A party will be held at the Bellevue Queen after the ride.

Contact: Mitch, NØAZF, 633-5040

or

Paul, WDØHRG, 331-8508

July 14 Bellevue Soap Box Derby

Galvin Road at Burger King, 7:30 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Need 10 operators, with Hand Helds and extra batteries, on duty at any one time. Will schedule shifts if desired.

Contact: Ray Fink, WDØGIL, 294-2180 days.

De NØAZF NØBTN In the past several months, I have noticed a marked increase (and regular use by certain individuals) of obscene and indecent language on the various 2M, 220 and 440 frequencies in the Omaha and Fremont areas.

Even though I, or those who have used such language, may find nothing wrong with it, many people do and more importantly the F.C.C. does, enough so that there is a rule against it:

97.119 Obscenity, indecency, profanity. No licensed radio operator or other person shall transmit communications containing obscene, indecent or profane words, language or meaning.

The infractions of the above rule seem confined mainly to about a dozen individuals, most of whom read Ham-Hum and are club members, and even board members who should know better. On behalf of our fellow amateurs who are offended by this language, let's clean up our act and pay more attention to what we say. Should I continue to hear it, I will be in touch via an OO postcard.

John WBØCMC

1985 COMMITTEES

VERN WIRKAPUBLIC RELATIONS
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MITCH GAGNEARES COMMITTEE
CHARLES MICHELCLUB BADGES

ROSTER CORRECTION

(Phone number) Maurice Costello — 493-0133

(Note to you, the 1983 Roster carried the incorrect one and therefore was carried forward. I wish the members would inform us when there is a change or correction!!)

Ed Note: This was sent to me – I forward it to you – look at Roster now. Are you listed correctly?

DONATIONS HAM-HUM POSTAGE

Ivan A. Cidlik, WØWVE David Hollander, W6COJ

A SEEDY STORY

To concede our neighbor's grass is greener Drives me nearly wacky— Despite seeding, feeding, weeding, pleading, Ours resembles khaki!

-Rosemarie Williamson (de Logic --Central Nebraska ARC)

THE DAY OF RECKONING

It is no news that our repeater fund has been on the decline all season. First, it did seem right and proper that we seize the opportunity to acquire a new, higher tower at a price that even we could afford. It was then guite logically decided to take advantage of the telephone facilities at the new tower site and buy an auto patch, even though it would strain our budget a wee it. Real tragedy came when some unspeakably gross person shot up our equipment at the repeater site. At that time some of the more brash among us, argueing in the name of public service and citing the upcoming tornado season, insisted on a quick repair job, even though it meant dipping into funds that were earmarked for the Steakfry at the Springs. Some of the more fluent of the brash among us even declared that WE personally loan a few spondooliks to the club if need be. Well. guys, in about thirty days it will be time to "put our money where our mouths were!" In anticipation of this day of reckoning the Dunbars have cut down to only four meals a day and I am secretly squirreling away a few pennies from our hardearned grocery money each week. (I have put together \$8.79 already).

L.D.D.

P. S. I haven't had a Dunbar Special for so long that I've forgotten the recipe!

L.D.D.

(de Logic — Central Nebraska ARC)

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AMATEUR RADIO EQUIPMENT ESTATE OF ED HOFMANN - WDØHBY

VHF EQUIPMENT

- 1. ICOM IC-551D 100 watt 6 Meter SSB Transceiver
- 2. MIRAGE B1016 Amplifier 160 watt 2 Meter Amplifier w/Preamp
- 3. SWAN MK VI Linear Amplifier 6 Meter 2 KW SSB
- HEATHKIT HW-2036 10 watt 2 Meter FM Transceiver
- 5. BEARCAT 5 8 Channel Crystal Scanner
- 6. BEARCAT 101 16 Channel Scanner
- 7. BIRD 43 Wattmeter w/3 Slugs
- 8. BIRD 4362 250 watt VHF Wattmeter
- 9. ICOM IC-4AT 450 Mhz HT
- 10. HENRY S-30 2 Meter mobile 30 watt Amplifier
- 11. DRAKE TR-33C 2 Meter Crystal Portable Transceiver
- 12. ASTRON RS-35M AMP Power Supply
- 13. DSI C-1200 1.2 Ghz Frequency Counter 14. TEMPO S2 220 Mhz HT

HF EQUIPMENT

- 1. KENWOOD TS-180S SSB Transceiver
- 2. KENWOOD VFO-180 VFO for the TS-180S
- 3. KENWOOD SP-180 matching Speaker
- 4. KENWOOD PS-30 Power Supply
- 5. KENWOOD AT-180 Antenna Tuner
- 6. DSS-8500 Frequency Counter/Clock
- 7. TENTEC KR-20A Keyer
- DT-600 BTTY TU Terminal Unit w/AFSK and cables

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. ROHN 25 Tower (60 FT.) w/top section and rotor plate - house mounting bracket and misc guy wire, turn buckles and some hardware
- TELREX 6M1136 11 element 6 Meter Beam
- HYGAIN 14 element 2 Meter Beam
- 4. 220 Mhz Beam MAP kit
- 5. HYGAIN 2 element 6 Meter Halo
- MAP Discone VHF/UHF Discone
- 7. 2304 Microwave Antennas w/ some assorted receivers and p.s.
- 8. LARSEN 2 Meter Mobile Antenna
- 9. HUSTLER HF Mobile Antenna (not complete, please inquire)
- 10. Assorted hardline and coax in various lengths (60 ave. each)
- 11. CB radios and assorted antennas
- 12. CDE HAM M Antenna Rotator and Tailtwister Control Box

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Please address all inquiries to ...

Frank Wolczak, WAØIWF 3120 'U' Street Omaha, NE 68107

Phone: 731-3072 (home) 978-5130 (work)

HAM HUM SWAP

NO CHARGE FOR HAM RADIO ADS (NON-COMMERCIAL) SUBJECT TO SPACE LIMITATION. MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO P.O. BOX 291. SEE COPY DEADLINE PAGE 2.

FOR SALE: HUSTLER CG-144 2 Meter Colinear Gain Antenna. 5.2 db Gain. AND MKR-2 Radial Kit for Mast Mounting. \$30.

Call Tim, KAØQDX, Lincoln, afternoons and evenings, or 76 and 94 Nets. Phone: 483-6183.

- PS: I would also like to know the cost of a Club Name Tag and Shirt and procedure for ordering one.
- Ed. Note: See Duke Humphrey, WDØEWH, for these items.
- FOR SALE: Kenwood TS-130S Mirage B-108 2 Meter Amplifier Cushcraft 11 Element 2 Meter Beam Heathkit Keyer SA-5016 with AC Supply Tempo S-1 Carrying Holster

Robert Snodgrass, KØAFD 1731 North 10th Street Nebraska City, Nebr. 68410 Telephone: 402-873-6901

TO GIVE AWAY:

Low Freq. Recv., 15 KC to 600 KC, Navy surplus with home brew AC Power Supply; pick up only, as it is quite heavy.

Lawrence Hiltner, WAØQCI P.O. Box 331 3454 33 Ave. Columbus, Nebr 68601 Phone: 564-8657 (after 5 PM)

WANTED TO BUY:

JY: Surplus Butternut Vertical Antenna, if some amateur should have one he no longer wants or uses.

> E. A. Stenberg, KØORM Box 4D, R 2 Madison, NE 68748 Phone: 402-454-2423

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LARSEN ANTENNAS TAKE ON SHUTTLE COMMUNICATIONS



"The operation was an unqualified success!", so said ARRL's general Manager Dave Summer, KIZZ reviewing the recent amateur radio operation of Owen Garriott, W5LFL, from the orbiting Space Shuttle Columbia. And so it was also for Carl J. Henniger, KA7GHR, who made his successful contact on an afternoon shuttle pass over Portland, Oregon.

"I did it with my mobile rig sitting in front of my garage with 45 watts of power feeding into a Larsen Külrod Antenna", Carl said. "I was sure thrilled 'cause I was competing with the moon bounce boys with their yagis and big antenna arrays."

KA7GHR also uses a Larsen Kulduckie portable antenna on his handheld rig and monitored the space shuttle with that transceiver though he didn't try a contact. "It was just as good as you ever hear somebody talk on two meters", Carl concluded.

