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## NEXT MEETING

WHEN: FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1977

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

WHERE: C.W.A. LOCAL 7400  
1920 South 44th Street  
Omaha, Nebraska

PROGRAM: STOLEN AMATEUR RADIO EQUIPMENT,  
Laws on Search and Seizure,  
You and Their Civil Rights

Judge Fred Montag, Municipal Judge of the City of Omaha, will discuss laws affecting the rights of individuals, your stolen equipment and admissible evidence to a court of law to prosecute and recover your stolen equipment.

Remember our two meter beaver, (YL) Marcela?  
Interesting? Ha? You bet ya! CUL 73's

Ed Eichler, WBØBCB

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November 17, 1976

Heathkit Electronic Center  
 9207 Maple Street  
 Omaha, Nebraska 68134

Attn: Joe McIlwain, Jr.

Dear Joe:

On behalf of the membership of the Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club, Inc., I wish to express our deep appreciation for the beautiful plaque you presented to us in behalf of the Heath Company.

Our participation in providing communications during the May 6th, 1975 Omaha tornado, was simply fulfillment of our primary reason for existence. As outlined by the Federal Communications Commission, Public Service is our first priority. To receive an award for it is most gratifying.

We hope that you will allow us to display this award in your Omaha store, so that it may be shared by the over 200 amateur operators who participated in this disaster.

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**Deadline for February issue is January 21st**

New member initiation fee . . . . . \$1.00  
 Quarterly for balance of year:  
 Regular member . . . . . \$2.00  
 Regular member and XYL . . . . . 2.45  
 Student member . . . . . 1.00

Thank you again for this great honor. We shall not forget your kindness.

Cordially,  
 Thomas L. Thiessen  
 Secretary  
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**MEMBER NEWS**

William L. (Bill) Gravell, WBØTWE, has upgraded his ticket to the Advanced Class as of December 1976. Congratulations, Bill!

Belated congratulations to Maldon B. (Mal) Crabill on his change in call from WNØPYQ to WBØPYQ!  
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**NEBRASKA CHAPTER QCWA**

The Nebraska Chapter QCWA elected the following for 1977. Pres. WØJDJ; Vice-Pres. WØUS; Secy. WØFQB; Treas. WØVYX; and Directors, WØCSE, WØGEQ, WØGHM, WØJUJ, and WØMW. Total membership 63.

Secy. WØFQB  
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## ANNUAL MEETING AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

By Ed Eichler, WBØBCB

The annual Club meeting and Christmas party were held separately this year. Approximately 85 members were present at the business meeting December 10th at the Red Cross Chapter House. The membership was informed of committee activities for the last twelve months, the present and projections for 1977. A new president, vice president and four members for the executive council were elected to the Board of Directors for the coming year of 1977 in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation.

The Christmas Party was held December 19th at the Holiday Inn. Many families were present. Santa Claus made a last minute stop in Omaha to visit with the kids. Coffee, punch and cookies were served. Just about all participated in the gift exchange and Club prizes. Year end eyeballs and best 73's echoed the holiday spirit.

The annual meeting and Christmas party should echo our spirit. Many activities were realized in this year of 1976 in the area of public service and education. People were involved, interested in moving amateur radio from the radio shack to the public arena, and it was fun!! 1977 will bring new challenges to the Club. As we wish prosperity in 1977 to all, prosperity will come to amateur radio and the Ak-Sar-Ben Amateur Radio Club if you involve yourself to the purpose of AMATEUR RADIO.

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## RECENT CONTRIBUTORS

### Ham Hum Postage

Frank W. Cooper, W3NV  
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### Repeater 22/82

David L. Daniel, WAØSVO  
Chester L. Doll, KØPTG  
William A. Leatherwood, WAØZUR  
Robert C. Lockwood, WAØDHU  
Charles A. Michel, KØQVL

### Repeater 34/94

Scott Allen, WBØSJE  
John A. Cook, KØWVF  
Chester L. Doll, KØPTG  
John W. Ferrel, WØYDV  
Donald H. Filbert, KØAJO  
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Charles B. Wolfmeyer, WØKH

### Repeater 40/00

Scott Allen, WBØSJE  
Jerry W. Buscher, WBØSLF  
Robert H. Neben, K9KAW

Many thanks to all!

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## DECEMBER BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Someone said to me the other day, "How come we never hear about what goes on at the Board meetings?" Well now, I thought about that for awhile, and I said to myself, "Yeah, it would be a good idea to have someone write up a summary every month and get it in Ham Hum. I wonder who we can get to do that?" Eventually in my wisdom it dawned on me that the Club Secretary is the only logical choice, as he keeps the minutes of the meetings. OK guys, I'll give it a shot, and I promise to try and get in a few lines every month.

The December Board meeting was held on the 14th at the Red Cross Chapter House. In the absence of WBØBCB, the meeting was conducted by Treasurer and President-elect Bob Conley, WBØLYU. The following Board members were present: WBØLYU, WBØDXA, KØKES, WAØGEH, WBØCMC, WBØMSN, and KØPQR. In addition, the following newly elected Board members, who will take office on January 1, 1977, were present: WBØQGV, WBØJPN, and WBØGQT. The first order of business was the election of a Treasurer and Secretary for 1977. Jim Wilson, WBØJPN, was unanimously elected as Treasurer. Tom Thiessen, KØPQR, was elected (make that railroaded) as Secretary for another year.

President-elect Conley announced that the following Committee Chairmen appointments have been made: KØDKM has been appointed Chairman of the 1977 Field Day Committee; WBØDXA has been appointed Chair-

man for the 1977 annual Club Auction; WBØDXA has also been appointed Chairman of the 1977 Emergency Communications Committee, and will have the responsibility for the planning and set-up of the Amateur Radio facilities in the new Douglas County Emergency Operations Center. Anyone who has an interest in participating in this project should contact Mike, as he will need all the help he can get.

The Board then handled several financial details, including the authorization of payment for the regular monthly bills, and the allocation of funds for the 1976 Christmas Party, which we hope you all attended. It was announced that the January Board meeting will be devoted to discussion of the moving of the 34-94 repeater transmitter, and the financing required. As you all know by now, the Red Cross will be moving out of its present building sometime during 1977, and that the repeater will have to find a new home. This is something that all repeater users should start thinking about now, not a few weeks before it needs to be done. If anyone has any specific comments or suggestions, they should contact either a member of the repeater committee or one of the Board members before the next Board meeting, which is scheduled for January 18th.

That's all for this month. I hope everyone has recovered from New Year's Eve in time to make the January Club meeting.

Tom, KØPQR  
Club Secretary

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## 1977 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

President	Robert A. Conley, WBØLYU	(1977-78)
Vice President	James R. Peterson, WBØQGV	(1977)
Past President	Edward C. Eichler, WBØBCB	(1977)

### Executive Council

Lloyd L. Burks, WBØNGD	(1977-78)
John Gebuhr, WBØCMC	(1977)
Martin John Griffin, WAØGEH	(1977)
LeRoy Hilt, WBØMSN	(1977)
Jon J. Penner, WBØGQT	(1977-78)
Donald F. Taute, WBØPGS	(1977-78)

Secretary	Thomas L. Thiessen, KØPQR	(1977)
Treasurer	James B. Wilson, Sr., WBØJPN	(1977-78)

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## PAST PRESIDENTS OF THE CLUB

1945	Nels Peter Nelson, W7RCF (Ex-WØYDC)	1961	John A. Droescher, KØKWB
1946	John F. Leeder, WØUFD	1962	Royal M. Enders, KØLYO
1947	Arthur R. Gaeth, WØFQB	1963	Joseph F. Berounsky, KØQDB
1948	Herbert D. Curry, WØQXR	1964	Louis A. Cutler, WØVLI
1949	Elmer N. Stein, Ex-WØAVM	*1965	Edmond E. Donze, WØYEV
1950	Dr. Leon Becker, W6AID (Ex-WØBBX)	1966	Byron J. Smith, Sr., WAØICK
1951	Earle E. Olson, WØJKE	1967	Ervan D. Heinz, WAØEEM
1952	John W. Orr, WØPHW	1968	Robert C. Lockwood, WAØDHU
1953	Rev. R. J. Strange, WØQHG	1969	Royce E. Johnson, WAØKIL
1954	Frank W. Cooper, W3NV (Ex-WØIOS)	1970	Harold E. McClenahan, Jr., WAØDGA
1955	Arthur E. Stadler, W9KHD (Ex-WØQMD)	1971	James C. Droege, WØYCP
1956	Dick L. Eilers, WØYZV	1972	Edward F. Askew, WAØRDZ
1957	Curtis D. Hicks, KØAMM	1973	Russell A. Minks, WAØVEE
*1958	Edward Gutmann, WØCQX	1974	Vernard Riportella, WBØGAJ
1959	David A. Hollander, W6COJ (Ex-WØCJW)	1974-75	Marion Wilczynski, WBØBMV
1960	Max N. McKinney, WØYVV	1976	Edward C. Eichler, WBØBCB

\*Deceased

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## ANYONE YOU KNOW?

Somewhere in the greater metropolitan area there are 24 people sitting on the edge of their chairs, biting their nails, watching the mailbox, waiting for their ham licenses.

The final session of the fall novice class was completed on December 14th. The class started with an initial attendance of 51 on the first night and leveled off in the thirties at the Naval

January 1977

Reserve Center, 30th and Laurel, 24 potential hams have passed the novice code test and taken the written examination as a direct result of this class and are now anxiously waiting for their licenses. Good luck!

Charlie Rodgers, WØQQN

P.S. First license arrived in 5-1/2 weeks - WBØYOD, Bob Smith.

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## MEMBER NEWS

### New Calls

Robert R. Chereck, Sr. — WBØTVD

Theodore J. Ciurej — WBØUEB

### Call Changes

John M. Crawford — from WA4BOU

to WBØSHQ

Thomas L. Mulick — from WNØKFZ

to WBØTMI

Donald Sudduth — from WNØKXF

to WBØYAM

Lewis J. Tourek — from WØPIZ

to WØST

Congratulations to all!

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### SILENT KEY

Dr. John L. Gedgoud, KØGJO

1402 Thomas Drive

Bellevue, Nebraska 68005

December 31, 1976

## FORMER MEMBER NEWS

12/14/1976

Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club:

Season's Greetings to all you bank there in the COLD! Wish I could d in for an eyeball!

Enclosed is a long overdue check to help on the postage for HAM HUM which I appreciate and enjoy.

73,

John C. Ebright, WA7NXP

(Ex-WAØQGZ)

2606 SW 116th, Seattle, WA

98146

P.S. Seattle is hosting NW ARRL Convention in July '77.

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## HAM HUM SWAP

FOR SALE: Lots of goodies: Johnson Matchbox, Model "B" Slicer, BC-221 frequency meter, mobile speakers, etc.  
WØNZ, Mark L. McGowan, 5544 Mason St.,  
Omaha, NE 68106; phone 551-8603

WANTED: If anyone has a copy of a 1959 issue of the Radio Amateur Callbook and is willing to let me look at it for a couple of hours, please call Doug Wehring at 221-4562 (7:30-4:15 weekdays).  
Douglas S. Wehring, Box 368, Treynor, Iowa 51575

FOR SALE: Ten Tec KR-20A electronic keyer, used only one week, in original box with full warranty - \$50.00.  
Motorola 60 watt FM transceiver, easily goes on 2 meters 3 channel, needs outboard power supply - \$30.00.  
Joe Nanos, KØKES; phone 339-7865 after 5 PM

FOR SALE: New Kenwood TS520, factory sealed carton,  
OR \$580.00; also new Kenwood TV502, 2 meter transverted,  
TRADE: in factory sealed carton, \$190.00.  
WBØPAY, Jerry Gunsolley, 711 East 21st,  
South Sioux City, NE 68776;  
phone (402) 494-1507 or 494-4232. Will deliver to Omaha

FOR SALE: Tempo/fmv2; AC power supply with built in speaker;  
Ringo Ranger antenna; mobile whip; touch tone pad; and 35 ft.  
coax. Priced to sell.  
Jack Prall, WØODL; phone Plattsmouth 296-4521

FOR SALE: Galaxie III transceiver, matching VFO. matching speaker - asking \$200.00.  
Scott Evers, WBØWUT; phone 292-4141

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## 2 METER SSB NET

2 Meter sidebanders now have a weekly net in operation. The net is called every Tuesday evening at 7:00 A.M. Upper sideband is used on 145.100 MHz. Net control station is WØNGG, Chuck, in Lincoln, NE.

The net is sanctioned by the Texas SWOT group. Horizontal polarization

is needed if you want to hear the "DX." Check-ins have already included stations from the Des Moines, IA area to the east, and Hastings, NE to the west. All stations with sideband capability are invited to participate.

Tom, KØPQR  
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