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BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 8TH

Our next board meeting is November 8, 2016. All board members and committee chairs should attend but all members are welcome.

Finalize election slate for January election for 2017 and discuss location for annual meeting.

Meeting at 7:00 pm at the Zion Lutheran Church. The second door on the east side should be open.

MEMBER MEETING NOVEMBER 29TH

We will have our next meeting and program on November 19, 2016. Program is still open at this time but a special announcement will be forthcoming. We will have our usual meeting and program with refreshments,

NOTE FROM THE PREZ, JEFF AAØIJ

It's getting cold out, I hope your antennas are ready for some Winter DXing!. DXHeat.com is a free online resource. It displays a very nice real-time DX Cluster, UTC Clock and propagation tools so you can see what bands are open.

I have it on my web browser tabs, along with QRZ, eQSL and PSKReporter on my shack computer, so they are always readily available when I am operating. 73

2017 ELECTION SLATE PROPOSED

This is what the slate of candidates looks like as approved by the general membership in October:

President	Ryc Lyden	KDØZWM
V President	Brain McInerney	NØBM
Treasurer	Dick Roberts	NØUC
Secretary	Skip Jackson	KSØJ
Board (18)	Pete Sigtermans	NØFKC
Board (18)	Dave Blume	KDØIRF
Trustee	Dave Schultz	KBØSED
Board (17)	Dan Franz	WBØGUP

Dan has one year left on his 2 year term. If there are no additions or challenges, this slate will be finalized by voice vote at the January annual meeting.

The Digital Corner

Digital Net follows SEMARC net on Wed pm. Go to www.w1hkj.com for software & help.

Fldigi v. 3.23.14 Flmsg v. 3.00.02
Flamp v. 2.1.03 Flwrap v. 1.3.4

Meet on 146.986 and QSY to 144.950. Mode is BPSK125. Other modes possible. Sign up with NØUC for net bulletins & help.

ARES NEWS - JOHN REGAN, KAØHYR

Washington County ARES successfully conducted its annual Simulated Emergency Test (SET) across September 22-24, 2016.

We now have an exercise with Mars coming up. Please see www.arrl.org/news Information on participating in the MARS Interoperability Exercise October 31 to November 1. Times and frequencies are listed. Let's be one or two of the 3007 U. S. counties able to communicate with the DOD for this exercise.

Washington County ARES is revising its web pages. You are asked to check the sites and make any suggestions for changes or additions to KAØHYR.

VE SESSION REPORT

The October VE Session had 2 candidates, One for Tech and one for general. Both passed and will be back for more.

We had two more successful candidates offered SEMARC membership. Both accepted.

The next VE session will be November 19th.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

We succeeded in getting a \$2300 addition to the scholarship fund with the disposal of the Closet Kilowatt donation.

DIGITAL NET VACATION OVER

The digital net restarted October 5th. All are welcome. See the digital corner over to the left. Some have reported having trouble downloading software from the new site. We will provide a disk to anyone wishing a safe way to load the software. Contact Dick or Skip.

SPECIAL OPERATING EVENT 2017

We have had some suggestions for a special operating event for 2017 including an event commemorating the early air mail flight services use of beacons and markers that were common in the 1920's.

There are the remnants of one of those monuments located in Cottage Grove.

Lets get the planning done and set up a special event in 2017 on either this topic or another.

Bring your ideas to a meeting and join in the fun.

SEMARC NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you have some material for the newsletter you should contact Skip before the first of the month. Please call him at 651-260-4330 to offer suggestions or to add content.

Have a topic for a program? Please contact Skip and we will work it in.



Planning Calendar

- Nov 08 - (T) Board Meeting
- Nov 19 - (S) VE Session
- Nov 29 - (T) Member Meeting
- Dec 13 - (T) Board Meeting
- Dec 17 - (S) NO VE SESSION THIS MONTH
- Jan 10 - (T) Annual meeting and dinner
- Jan 21 - (S) VE Session
- Feb 14 - (T) First Board Meeting of 2017

SEMARC VE Sessions

VE exam sessions are held every 3rd Saturday. The next VE session is November 19th. Exams are held at 9:00 am at Zion Lutheran Church. Call 651-769-0358 for information, to register or to arrange for special needs. Information is posted on the webpages also. No testing in December.

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