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BOARD MEETING FEBRUARY 13TH

Our first board meeting of 2017 will moved from Tuesday to Monday to avoid meeting on Valentine's Day. We will be meeting at the Cottage Grove Perkins at 6:00pm just this once. Ryc will set the tone for 2017 with his suggested priorities and objectives.

Any member may attend of course.

REGULAR MEETING IS FEBRUARY 28TH

Our regular member meeting for February is the 28th at the usual time and place at Zion Lutheran Church starting at 7:00 pm.

Our program is Mike Ostlund talking about AERO and its importance in training radio operations. Please read the additional program supplement for more details on program and presenter.

As usual, we have a short business meeting and then our program. Refreshments will be furnished by any members having a birthday in February. The club will furnish water and coffee

NOTE FROM THE PREZ, RYC, KDØZWM

SEMARC has a long tradition of support for the hobby and our communities. As we begin this new year we are already moving forward with the City of Cottage Grove, SPARK classes and special events. I hope that we can also focus on bringing new members on board. I challenge each of you to bring a friend or acquaintance to one of our meetings!

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ARES NEWS - JOHN REGAN, KAØHYR

Washington County ARES Nets take a break until February 15th. SEMARC Wednesday night 2m Net still takes check ins for ARES in the first part of the net.

3 items:

1. March ARES Meeting will be at CG City Hall. This is a change away from Woodwinds as previously reported.

2. Subscribe to the ARRL ARES-E-Letter on line at www.arrl.org. Read up on what other ARES groups are doing to pro-

vide community service during emergencies or disasters.

3. Skywarn training sponsored by area clubs will be Feb. 25 by SARA and May 6 by SEMARC. Details on times forth coming. Check club web sites. Keep your certification current.

ARES Resources:
semarc.org
mnwashcoares.org
minnesotaares.org
aresmn.org

VE SESSION REPORT

The January 21st VE Session had 2 candidates, One for Tech and one for general upgrade. Both passed and tried the next level but without success.

Both were offered a SEMARC membership.

The next VE session will be February 18th.

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 remnants of one of these close by.

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.

CLUB ENROLLMENT FORM TIME

You will find the 2017 club membership form enclosed with this newsletter. If you have not filled one out and returned with your dues, please do so now. Bring to a meeting or mail it in.

Remember, our non-profit status requires clean and accurate records so that is why we do this every year.

REMEMBER THE SEMARC NETS

We have 3 nets on Wednesday evenings and you are welcome to join in the fun.

A slow speed Morse code net is at 1900 hours 28.110. The 2 meter FM net is 2000 hours on the repeater 146.985.

The digital net will begin following the regular net on the repeater and then QSY to a simplex frequency.

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

- Feb 13 - (M) First Board Meeting of 2017
- Feb 18 - (S) VE Session
- Feb 18 - (S) St Cloud Hamfest
- Feb 28 - (T) Member Meeting
- Mar 14 - (T) Board Meeting
- Mar 18 - (S) VE Session
- Mar 25 - (S) Buffalo Hamfest
- Mar 28 - (T) Member Meeting
- Apr 11 - (T) Board Meeting

SEMARC VE Sessions

VE exam sessions are held every 3rd Saturday. The next VE session is February 18. 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 also posted on the webpage. No testing in December.

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