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### BOARD MEETING JUNE 13TH

Our next board meeting will be June 13th at the Cottage Grove Perkins as we did last month. Time will be 7:00 pm This is our usual planning meeting as we continue to develop the strategy and tactics for 2017.

We usually have board members and committee chairs present but any member may attend of course.

### NO REGULAR MEETING IN JUNE

We skip the regular meeting in June as we have field day the previous weekend.

If an emergency meeting is required, we will send out a special notice.

### NOTE FROM THE PREZ, RYC, KDØZWM

As the warm weather continues we can look forward to Field Day and our Special Event station. Another thing we'd like to start is a quarterly 'social' gathering. In August, you can look forward to a 'fox hunt'. Other events will begin showing up in our calendar. By September we should have a good idea of our club's official 'Mission Statement' along with specific goals to meet them. Committees are charged with deciding on their own 'mission statement' in support of the clubs, along with their own goals. It's not too early to think of serving on the board of directors. We will be losing Dick Roberts as treasurer. He'll still be in the club but will be stepping down. Skip will be stepping down as secretary but will stay on as mentor for one year. These positions are mandatory for our 501(c) (3). Without people stepping up... we are not in compliance. Please don't let that happen. Looking forward to several events during this coming year and to work with you. 73 Ryc KDØZWM

### ARES NEWS - JOHN REGAN, KAØHYR

We are planning a Go-Kit picnic again this year on June 10. See our website.

MNWASHCOARES.org which is our Washington County ARES web site.

MINNESOTAARES.org which is the state level ARES web site.

### The Digital Corner

Digital Net follows SEMARC net on Wed pm.  
Go to [www.w1hkj.com](http://www.w1hkj.com) for software & help.

Fldigi v. 3.23.09 Flmsg v. 2.0.17  
Flamp v. 2.2.03 Flwrap v. 1.3.4

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

### SEMARC SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

John Regan has contacted all schools in our plan and there are no applicants for 2017. Thanks to John for his work.

This means that Richard Marsh is free to apply for a second year if he chooses.

One other very nice thing to report. Michaela Finley who received our scholarship or 2 years has graduated.

Michaela graduated from Crown College on Saturday, May 13, 2017. She graduated *Magna Cum Laude* with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology with a minor in Chemistry. She achieved a GPA of 3.86 for her college career and made the Dean's List each semester. In addition, she did all this in 3 years. Look for her at field day.

### VE SESSION REPORT

The May 20th VE Session had 3 candidates, Two for Tech and one for General upgrade. All passed and one accepted the free membership offer.

The next VE session will be June 17th.

### FIELD DAY EVENT JUNE 24-25

Our field day will held at the St. Paul Ski club site near I494 and Carver Ave. Dave Blume is committee chair. Goal is to operate category 2A and schedule operators and loggers for best possible results. Less setup and take down and more operating. Contact Dave.

### SPECIAL OPERATING EVENT 2017

We have decided the special operating event for 2017 will commemorate the early air mail flight services use of beacons and markers common in the 1920's. Location is in Mounds Park.

We have secured a special callsign WØA and the date is September 9, 2017.

### 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 QSX to a simplex frequency. Please use the Fldigi versions listed in the digital corner. The digital net will be on vacation some this summer so ask the NCS during the voice net.

### 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.

### Your Ad Here

I spent half an hour trying to talk with them, wanting to learn about their culture



until the bartender cut me off and told me they were patio umbrellas.

### Planning Calendar

Jun 13 - (T) Board Meeting  
Jun 17 - (S) VE Session  
Jun 23-24 - (S,S) Field Day  
Jun 27 - (T) No Member Meeting  
Jul 11 - (T) Board Meeting  
Jul 22 - (S) VE Session  
Jul 25 - (T) Member Meeting  
Aug 8 - (T) Board Meeting  
Aug 19 - (S) VE Session

### SEMARC VE Sessions

VE exam sessions are held every 3rd Saturday. The next VE session is June 17. 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.

### South East Metro Amateur Radio Club

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