

July 2017

#### **BOARD MEETING JULY 11TH**

Our next board meeting will be July 11th 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.

#### **MEMBER MEETING JULY 25TH**

We will have our regular member meeting on July 25th with our usual business meeting followed by another interesting program. The program this month is a video on the "The Dayton Codebreakers".

You may recall that we have had a program on the German Enigma code machine and the English effort at Bletchley Park to break the code. It recently came to my attention that the US had a similar program and this video will explore the history of that effort. It turns out that the principle person in this effort, Joseph Desch was a ham, W8ANP.

We will have refreshments as usual with coffee and water provided by the club and some cookies provided by members with July birthdays.

#### NOTE FROM THE PREZ, RYC, KDØZWM

Two interesting articles recently appeared in the news. The first regarding the giant concrete arrow in Cottage Grove. It was published July 1, 2017 in the Pioneer Press.

The second was in a UK publication "The Northern Echo reports 14-year-old Madeleine got her amateur radio license after a radio club gave a talk to a Girl Guide The first one we've disgroup." cussed. The latter is why reaching out to new students is necessary.

#### ARES NEWS - JOHN REGAN, KAØHYR

ARES will be participating in the Radio-logical Emergency Preparedness (REP) drill in July with Washington County Emergency Management. Participants are needed. Hands on training will be held on July 20 and the drill will be held on July

#### The Digital Corner

Digital Net follows SEMARC net on Wed pm. Go to <u>www.w1hkj.com</u> 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 QSY to 144.950. Mode is BPSK125. Other modes possible. Sign up with NØUC for net bulletins & help.

## "THE SEMARC TELEGRAPH"

27 from 5 to 9 pm. Please sign up with John Regan (KA0HYR) at jeregan@mnmicro.net.

The Simulated Emergency Test (SET) will be held one of the last two Saturdays in September. All ARES members are encouraged to attend.

The Metro District ARES Net (former Hospital Compact Net) is held every first Thursday of the month on the Hennepin County Repeater (146.700, PL 127.3). After this net we will try some Fldigi communications, so join us if you can. Please check in either representing one of our hospitals, or at the end under 'general check-ins'.

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

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

#### SEMARC SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

When we heard about the recent Michaela Finley graduation, we sent an email to Caleb Boe, our first scholarship recipient. His response is enclosed as a supplement to this newsletter.

#### VE SESSION REPORT

The June 17th VE Session had 2 candi-dates, One for Tech and one for General upgrade. Both passed and accepted the free membership offer.

The next VE session will be July 22nd.

#### FIELD DAY EVENT JUNE 24-25

Field day was very good at the St. Paul Ski Club location in Maplewood. Nice shelter and high location for antennas. Report will be release next month.

#### **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 is on vacation until September.

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### SEMARC NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

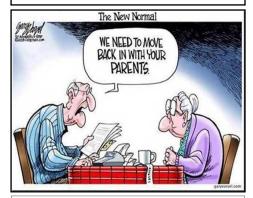
If you have some material for the newsletter you should contact Skip before the first of the month. Please call him at 651 -260-4330 to offer suggestions or to add content.

Have a topic for a program? Please con-tact Skip and we will work it in.

#### For Sale

Astron RS-20M Linear metered power supply 13.8 volt, 16A cont. Perfect cond. New \$137 for sale now at \$70. Hustler 144/440 base vertical: G6-270 is 102" tall with over 6dB gain. 1-piece fiberglass construction survives 100 MPH. New cost is \$199. Sale only \$100.

Frank N1UW@arrl.net or 612-644-9174



#### Planning Calendar

- Jul 11 (T) Board Meeting Jul 8 - (S) Tail Gate Hamfest Jul 22 - (S) VE Session Jul 25 - (T) Member Meeting Aug 8 - (T) Board Meeting Aug 19 - (S) VE Session Aug 29 - (T) Member Meeting

#### **SEMARC VE Sessions**

VE exam sessions are held every 3rd Saturday. The next VE session is July 22. 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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