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SEMARC ANNUAL MEETING & BANQUET

Our event will be held at Green Mill in Hastings on January 8, 2019. Price will again be \$17.00 per person. If you haven't sent in your RSVP please do so now.

SEMARC BREAKFAST

We will gather this month on the same day as VE testing, January 19 for breakfast at The North Pole Restaurant in Newport at 7:30 am. No reservations- just show up for a good breakfast and great company. We will be in the back room.

NO OTHER MEETINGS IN JANUARY

NOTE FROM THE PREZ, RYC KDØZWM

It's with great enthusiasm that I look forward to our 30th year as a club. To celebrate our continued involvement I encourage all of our members to look for ways that you can use your talents to enhance our activities and provide support. I've been honored to be your president for the last two years and look forward to this year. 73's Ryc.

2019 ELECTION SLATE APPROVED

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

President	Ryc Lyden	KDØZWM
V President	Dave Larson	KE0HAL
Treasurer	Dick Roberts	NØUC
Secretary	Skip Jackson	KSØJ
Board (19)	Dan Franz	WBØGUP
Trustee	Dave Schultz	KBØSED
Board (20)	Joe Hibberd	W3QLC
Board (20)	Dave Blume	KDØIRF

The new officers will be installed at the annual meeting, January 8th.

ARES NEWS - JOHN REGAN, KAØHYR

Washington ARES had 37 members throughout the year. Washington County ARES obtained registration number 163MN01 from the ARRL, had an all member meeting in March, a REP Drill in June, and the Simulated Emergency Test (SET) in September. ARES members also tested and worked on Amateur Radios at Washington County EOC with COMML Nate. These events covered over 240 hours for

The Digital Corner

Digital Net follows SEMARC net on Wed pm. Go to www.w1hki.com for software & help.

Fldigi v. 3.23.09 Flmsg v. 2.0.17
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.

the year. In addition, there were 12 ARES Nets, 62 SEMARC Nets with ARES check-ins, and over 17 VHF FL Digi nets recorded by the EC for the year (missed some of them). There were 11 training topics covered by the ARES nets. And, Wash Co ARES members participated in 12 Metro District ARES Nets (formerly the Hospital Compact Net). ARES members also participated in the CW nets, HF PICO nets, HF FL Digi nets, Fusion, and DMR nets. Thanks all ARES members for their support of ARES and Amateur Radio.

Stay in touch with the ARES website and have a great new year.
John KAØHYR

VE SESSION REPORT

The next VE session will be January 19th. There was no examination in December.

ROOKIE ROUNDUP-WHAT FUN!

I just finished another Rookie Roundup - CW on December 16th. What fun! This is a six hour contest for newcomers (licensed three years or less) and is held three times a year. One session each for SSB, CW and RTTY. Participants exchange call signs, names, year licensed and state.

Only rookies can submit scores for the contest. It's a great opportunity for veteran operators to work new hams and share in the fun and excitement of the contest. This session, despite poor propagation, I worked six rookies in three states and one Canadian province.

The next Roundup is scheduled for April 14, 2019 and will be on SSB. Put it on your schedule and be open to working newcomers or having them operate from your station. Might be a good event to incorporate into the SPARK activities of SEMARC.

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SPECIAL OPERATING EVENTS 2019

We have had some suggestions for special operating events for 2019 including another event about the USS Ward. May 7th is the date for the event at the Capitol. We're also considering a NASA special event in July to commemorate the first human landing on the moon.

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 Dave Larson KE0HAL before the first of the month at daveanddanita@usfamily.net or call him at 612-437-9288.

Have a topic for a program? Please contact Skip and we can work it in. We're always looking for new ideas.

FEBRUARY MEETING

Chris Peterson, K9EQ, will do a presentation on Yaesu Fusion. Our newest repeater on 147.18 has Fusion capability so this is very pertinent. Date is February 26.

IDEA FROM DAVE BLUME

Have you ever struck up a conversation with a family member or co-worker about Amateur Radio only to have them left wondering "What's this all about?" I know we make some outreach to the public on our Special Event stations and Field Day events - but I would like to suggest we have something a bit more unique. How about in a month such as April or May - we have a "Bring a friend to SEMARC Day"? At this special and unique meeting we would have a brief business meeting - but then some radio demonstrations (simplex and repeater) and information regarding VE testing. Something hands on and educational. If something like this interests you, please let me know and we can collaborate on creating this at some point in time.

Planning Calendar

- Jan 8 - (T) Annual meeting and dinner
- Jan 19 - (S) SEMARC Breakfast
- Jan 19 - (S) VE Session
- Feb 12 - (T) First Board Meeting of 2018
- Feb 16 - (S) VE Session
- Feb 26 - (T) Member Meeting

SEMARC VE Sessions

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