

## IN-Newsletter

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Covers the period December 24 - December 30, 2016

## **Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Events**

Logbook Study Committee

January 18, 2017 @ HQ, Newington, CT

New Director and Vice Director Orientation January 18, 2017 @ HQ, Newington, CT

Administration & Finance Committee Meeting January 19, 2017 @ HQ, Newington, CT

Programs & Services Committee Meeting
January 19, 2017 @ W1AW, Newington, CT

Annual Board Meeting
January 20 – 21, 2017 @ Windsor, CT

Southeastern Division Convention, February 9 – 13, 2017 @ Orlando, FL

*Hamvention 2017*May 19 – 21, 2017 @ Xenia, OH

## **Chief Executive Office**

Reported by Tom Gallagher, NY2RF

Planning and preparations continue for the January 2017 Annual Board Meeting.

#### **Development**

Reported by Lauren Clarke, KB1YDD

The Gift Agreement between ARRL and Edward L. Snyder, MD, W1YSM, a doctor with Yale-New Haven Hospital in New Haven, CT, has been finalized and is in the process of being signed. Dr. Snyder met Tom Gallagher at Boxboro at an Amateur Radio Collegiate event. Through this Gift Agreement, Dr.

Snyder is gifting \$100,000 to ARRL to establish the W1YSM Snyder Family Collegiate Amateur Radio Endowment Fund. Proceeds from this fund will support the ARRL Collegiate Amateur Radio Initiative.

Development had a very strong end of year, exceeding goals for the Education & Technology Fund, the Legislative Issues Advocacy Fund, and Diamond Club. Actual numbers will be reported next week.

Lauren Clarke continues to work closely with the Development/Marketing AIS Team to develop the future database to ensure it meets all the needs of Development.

#### **Education Services**

Reported by Lisa Kustosik, KA1UFZ

Teacher Registration	Instructor Registration	Graduation Kit Requests	License Class Listings
4	15	0	24

We continue to reply to inquiries about issues with the instructor registration and feedback system. IT staff are working on the problem.

## Education & Technology Program

Debra worked on developing the resource list for the 2017 Teachers Institute, revising copy for the brochure and writing an article about 2017 plans for the March issue of *QST*.

### ARISS Contacts

A telebridge contact with students at the Scuola Secondaria di Primo Grado "Niccolò Pisano" in Marina di Pisa, Italy, was successful on December 15. Two direct contacts between French astronaut Thomas Pesquet and schools in Saint Sylvestre and Saint-Amand-les-Eaux, France were successful December 21 and December 31.

#### **Field Services**

Reported by Dave Patton, NN1N

Thank you to the mailroom staff for sending out the Section Manager election ballot mailing to members in the Arizona, Kentucky, Iowa, and North Texas ARRL sections. ARRL members in these sections will have until Friday, February 17, to return their ballots to Headquarters. Ballot counting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20.

The Field Organization branch continued to receive and review 2016 section-related expense reports from around the country in advance of the receipt deadline.

#### W1AW

Joe processed one Qualifying Run certificate and two endorsements. He processed regular QSL card requests and created the January 2017 W1AW Qualifying Run texts. He also constructed seven new coaxial patch cables to be used with the antenna patch-panel's high-power band pass filters.

Scott worked on slow and fast code practice texts for the upcoming week. He also processed VUCC certificates and endorsements. Scott electronically archived the 2016 bulletins, and prepared the bulletin generation program (for 2017).

## **Membership**

Reported by Diane Petrilli, KB1RNF

After a 25% dues increase (the first in 15 years), we have come in remarkably close to membership forecast. We ended December with 164,070 members -- 252 members ahead of the year-end goal. The annual membership loss was 3.79%; slightly less than the 4.0% loss forecast. We had a net loss of 6,458 members; 6,710 was forecast.

Below is a comparison of acquisitions for this year vs. last year. Field-based recruitment is down to 3%.

	2016	2015
Direct Mail - 120 days	23%	24%
E-mailings	9%	11%
Web site	27%	26%
Field-based Recruitment	3%	4%
Renewal notices	11%	10%
Phone	5%	5%
New Ham Mailings	13%	11%
All other sources	10%	9%

## Radiosport

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

#### DXCC

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	3 Weeks (only processing 2016)
Logbook Processing Time	Only processing 2016 apps

## <u>Hamfest/Member Contact/ARRL Representative/Meetings/Vacations</u>

Lauren Clarke	01/19	PIO
Steve Ford	01/24	PTO
Tom Gallagher	01/19 - 01/21	ARRL Annual Board Meeting, Windsor, CT
"	02/10 - 02/12	Southeastern Division Convention, Orlando, FL
Scott Gee	02/20 - 02/24	PTO
Perry Green		Medical Leave
Dan Henderson	12/05 - 01/09	Medical Leave
"	01/19 - 01/21	ARRL Annual Board Meeting, Windsor, CT
Bart Jahnke	02/09 - 02/12	Southeastern Division Convention, Orlando, FL
Gail Iannone	10/07 - 02/05	Sick Leave
Bob Inderbitzen	02/09 - 02/13	Southeastern Division Convention, Orlando, FL
Debra Johnson	01/27	PTO

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ARRL Annual Board Meeting, Windsor, CT Carla Pereira 01/18 - 01/21ARRL Annual Board Meeting, Windsor, CT Barry Shelley 01/19 - 01/21

# Sincerely Compiled by, Carla Pereira, Assistant to CEO