

IN-NEWSLETTER

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Covers the period January 21 – January 27, 2017

Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Events

2018 ARRL South Carolina State Convention (Charleston Hamfest and Computer Show) February 3 @ North Charleston

2018 ARRL Florida State Convention (Hamcation) February 8 – 11 @ Orlando, FL

2018 Southwestern Division Convention February 16 – 17 @ Yuma, AZ

ARRL Audio News

Please listen to the latest edition of the *ARRL Audio News Podcast*, dated January 26, 2018: https://www.blubrry.com/arrlaudionews/30888326/arrl-audio-news-january-26-2018/

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

Barry Shelley and Diane Middleton conducted the monthly business review meetings with managers.

Carla Pereira uploaded board and committee reports from the January board meeting to the ARRL website.

Communications

Reported by David Isgur

There was some follow-up work for the Communications team after the ARRL annual Board of Directors meeting. David helped with editing articles about the meeting for the ARRL News web site and Michelle selected and edited pictures from the meeting and committee sessions to accompany the articles.

David began working with the newly-assigned Board liaison to its Public Relations committee on finding a new chairman for the Committee, as current chair Scott Westerman resigned from the Committee to focus on duties at Michigan State University.

ARRL's News website and social media accounts promoted Hudson Division Director Mike Lisenco's testimony before a U.S. Senate Commerce Committee about ham radio's efforts to correct a false missile alert message in Hawaii. He also testified on amateur radio's support of disaster relief efforts and our ongoing work to pass the Radio Parity Act.

David was able to connect with the producer of a new digital news unit at NBC News called "Left Field." The unit had been interviewing ham radio operators in Hawaii for a story on emergency communications programs. We were able to provide information and assistance on the story, which should be posted online in a couple of weeks.

We encourage people to visit http://www.arrl.org/media-hits which has links to the latest news stories that feature positive messages about amateur radio. Among the stories added to this page in January are: several stories that covered local groups' Winter Field Day activities; a ham radio operator in Canada connecting with a satellite that NASA had thought was "dead;" and students in the Schofield (South Carolina) Middle School's amateur radio club placing first in national ham radio competitions against much larger schools.

Top Social Media Posts:

LinkedIn: #ARRL staff Alli McLellan, Michelle Patnode, Jen Glifort, and Caroline Kenney traveled to NYC to view "Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story" at the IFC theater. Check out the review video on ARRL's YouTube channel: https://lnkd.in/d9tbgBe Also, be sure to read the article in the February edition of #QST. The movie will be playing across the country throughout the Spring. Check out a list of viewing locations here: https://ll.nkd.in/dq5-Fha #ARRL #HamRadio #WomenInHistory #WomenInventors [Photo courtesy of Zeitgeist Films]

Facebook: The WW1USA series of on-air special events has been commemorating the centennial of World War I since 2014. Indoor and outdoor events are held at the National World War I Museum and Memorial in Kansas City, Missouri, through the cooperation of several local ham clubs and organizations, as well as manufacturers and vendors. Learn more in "WW1USA: A Series of Truly Special Events," by Randal R. Schulze, KDØHKD, in the February issue of QST. Listen for WW1USA's special event on January 27 and 28, which commemorates President Woodrow Wilson's "Fourteen Points" speech.

Twitter: Thanks for sharing! @oilologist https://twitter.com/oilologist/status/954788812340842496

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Development

Reported by Lauren Clarke, KB1YDD

We are pleased to welcome Steven D. Katz, WB2WIK, of the Southwestern Division into the Maxim Society.

The ARRL Foundation has unanimously approved The Joel R. Miller (W7PDX) and Martha C. Miller STEM Scholarship, an endowed scholarship established through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Miller.

The ARRL Foundation's Annual Meeting has been postponed until next Tuesday evening, February 6, 2018.

The ARRL Foundation scholarship program closed its application period at midnight on January 31.

Lab

Reported by Joe Carcia, NJ1Q

W1AW

Thank you to the eleven members of the Warren County (NY) Radio Club, W2WCR (http://w2wcr.org/) who operated W1AW for the full 24 hours in the 2018 Winter Field Day (WFD) (https://www.winterfieldday.com/). Despite the somewhat tepid band conditions, they made 1,413 contacts, on 160 to 2 meters, using CW, SSB, AM (on 160 meters), PSK31, and MSK144 (on 6 meters), for an initial claimed score of 32,382. This includes one (1) satellite contact made on Satellite XW-2A.

Special thanks to Steve Ewald, WV1X, for covering the 11 PM to 6 AM shift Saturday night.

Joe worked the early afternoon/night shifts on Monday to Wednesday for the vacationing Scott Gee. (Thanks to Steve Ewald, WV1X, and Dan Wall, W1ZFG, for covering the morning shifts these days.) Joe processed regular QSL card requests. He also processed some 2014 Centennial card requests. He prepared the station for the weekend's WFD activities, as well as hosting the WCARC members at W1AW.

Scott worked on fast and slow code practice texts for the later part of the week. He processed two paper and eleven electronic VUCC applications for a total of 243 credits.

Membership

Reported by Diane Petrilli, KB1RNF

The league ended January with 158,905 members – 231 members *ahead* of year-to-date goal. We'd forecast a loss of 396 members but actually lost only 165.

A last-minute e-mail to lapsed members brought in 135 members. The next monthly membership mailing is set to mail on February 16. The first membership recruitment letter to new hams is testing the Quickstart Guide vs. spare copies

Radiosport

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	2 weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 business days
2018 DXCC Applications	849
2018 WAS Applications	210
2018 VUCC Applications	72
2018 WPX Applications	89

Hamfest/Member Contact/ARRL Representative/Meetings/Vacations

Steve Capodicasa	02/05	PTO
· · ·	02/12	PTO
Joe Carcia	05/25	PTO
"	07/02 - 07/06	PTO
"	07/13	PTO
"	07/20	PTO
"	07/27	PTO
"	08/03 - 08/10	PTO
"	08/24	PTO
66	08/31	PTO
66	10/05	PTO
"	10/08	PTO
"	11/30	PTO
66	12/07	PTO
Steve Ford	02/14	PTO
Scott Gee	04/16 - 04/19	PTO
"	05/17 - 05/19	PTO
66	08/16 - 08/17	PTO
66	09/10 - 09/14	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	02/07 - 02/12	ARRL Florida State Convention, Orlando HamCation
Diane Middleton	02/20 - 02/23	PTO
Diane Petrilli	02/08 - 02/12	ARRL Florida State Convention, Orlando HamCation
Barry Shelley	02/19 - 02/23	PTO
66	05/22 - 05/31	PTO

Please remember—pictures are always welcome!

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