



IN-NEWSLETTER

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Covers the period March 11 – March 17, 2018

Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Events:

West Virginia Section Convention

March 24 @ Charleston, WV

Great Lakes Division (Hamvention)

May 18 – 20 @ Xenia, OH

Administrative & Finance Committee Meeting

April 14 @ ARRL HQ, Newington, CT

HAM RADIO Friedrichshafen

June 1 – 3 @ Friedrichshafen, Germany

***Delaware State Convention (Delmarva
Amateur Radio & Electronics EXPO)***

April 21 @ Georgetown, DE

SEA-PAC (Northwestern Division Convention)

June 1 – 3 @ Seaside, OR

Executive Committee Meeting

April 21 @ Windsor, CT

HAM-COM 2018

June 8 – 10 @ Plano, TX

Audio News Podcast

Please listen to the latest edition of the *ARRL Audio News Podcast*, dated March 16, 2018:

<https://www.blubrry.com/arrlaudionews/32390578/arrl-audio-news-march-16-2018?sbe=1>

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

Barry Shelley and a small group of managers have begun interviewing candidates for the Lifelong Learning Manager position.

Carla Pereira completed pricing negotiations with the Marriott Windsor for the July Board Meeting. Advanced preparations for the meeting have begun.

Dan Henderson continues preparations for April's Executive Committee meeting to be held at the Marriott Windsor.

Communications

Reported by David Isgur

David Isgur worked with Dan Henderson, and Chris Imlay, on talking points to explain the reasoning behind ARRL's submission of a petition to the FCC to provide enhanced HF privileges to Technician

class licensees. The finished product was included in the ARRL Letter and sent to officers, directors, vice directors and section managers.

David provided assistance to Mike Corey, in putting out a call for volunteers to mentor and teach the EC001 course. The article was posted to the ARRL News web site and on the ARRL feeds on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn.

David also helped edit and distribute messages about the beginning of beta-testing on the ARES Connect volunteer management and reporting system.

Michelle gathered material from a number of sources, including members of the ARRL Lab and of QST, to post items to our social media feeds in celebration of National Pi Day on March 14 (3/14). Michelle also worked with folks from the ARRL Lab, Marketing/Customer Service, and VEC department to make a video to celebrate National Pi Day. Steve Ford, Zak Lau, and Joe Carcia participated in #NationalPiDay by sending content for social media. The posts can be found on ARRL's Facebook and Instagram.

Michelle also worked with Sue Fagan, KB1OKW, and Jackie Ferreira, Ferreira, KB1PWB, to update the presentation on the monitor in the lobby of ARRL Headquarters, and she was at W1AW to take photos of the members of the Warren County (NY) Radio Club working the station.

Media Mentions:

Among the new news links posted to the [Media Hits web site](#) are:

- a feature story from Minnesota about the Big Brother “Volunteer of the Year,” who bonded with his Little Brother over amateur radio
- a story produced by a Missouri television station about an emergency communications training program
- a story and photo gallery in the Cedar Rapids Gazette (Iowa) about the founder of Rockwell Collins that focused on his work on communications

Top Social Media Posts:

Facebook: In the true spirit of ham radio ingenuity, this vertical antenna for 2 meters is made from PVC pipe and a couple of coat hangers. Frequent QST contributor John Portune, W6NBC, offers construction details in “An Ultra-Simple 2-Meter Antenna.” Check it out in the April 2018 issue. John Portune, W6NBC, walks you through the build of “An Ultra-Simple 2-Meter Antenna” in the April 2018 issue of #QST.

Twitter: #ARRL #HamRadio Just When You Thought It Was Safe: Chinese Over-the-Horizon Radar Appears on 40 Meters - The International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 (IARU-R1) Monitoring System (IARUMS) reports that one of China's over-the-horizon radar (OTHR) inst... <http://ow.ly/Jlfs50gP6Eo>

Instagram: In the true spirit of ham radio ingenuity, this vertical antenna for 2 meters is made from PVC pipe and a couple of coat hangers. Frequent QST contributor John Portune, W6NBC, offers construction details in “An Ultra-Simple 2-Meter Antenna.” Check it out in the April 2018 issue. John Portune, W6NBC, walks you through the build of “An Ultra-Simple 2-Meter Antenna” in the April 2018 issue of #QST.

Development

Reported by Lauren Clarke, KB1YDD

ARRL has received a \$25,000 gift through a member's IRA (he also donated this same amount last year). This contribution is designated toward Historic Preservation.

ARRL has received \$19,941 through the estate of Robert Sanford, W1FIS, (SK) of the Southeastern Division. This bequest is unrestricted.

A Save The Date email was recently emailed to donors to let them know the 18th Annual Donor Recognition Reception will be May 17, 2018 at America's Packard Museum in Dayton, Ohio. This year's guest speakers will be American Red Cross – Hurricane Maria response volunteers Valerie Hotzfeld, NV9L, and Andy Anderson, KEØAYJ.

Field Services

Reported by Steve Ewald, WV1X

ARES

Amateur Radio Emergency Service February 2018 National Report

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| Sections Reporting this Month | 48/71 – AR, AZ, CT, DE, EMA, ENY, IA, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA, MDC, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, ND, NFL, NLI, NNJ, NNY, NM, NTX, NV, OH, OR, PAC, PR, RI, SD, SFL, SNJ, STX, SV, TN, UT, VA, VI, WCF, WI, WPA, WTX, WV, WWA, WY |
| Total Number of ARES Members reporting this month | 23,043 |
| Active ARES Nets this Month | 3,102 |
| Active ARES Nets this Month with NTS Liaison | 697 |
| ARES Training and Exercise Events | 3,239 events – 45,177 person hours |
| ARES Public Service Events | 331 events – 9,065 person hours |
| ARES Emergency Events | 140 events – 2,678 person hours |
| SKYWARN / Severe Weather Events | 146 events - 1,342 person hours |
| Total Events and Hours | 3,356 events – 58,262 person hours |
| Total Volunteer Value this Month | \$823,824.68 |
| Average Value of a Single Volunteer this Month | \$36.45 |
| Significant National Level Events | None |
| HQ Emergency Response Team Activations | None |
| W1AW Emergency Activations | None |
| Ham Aid Deployments | None |
| National Media Hits | 6 |
| National Partner Meetings | None |
| Field Services Staff Training Hours | 4 |

Radiosport

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

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| Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time | 2 – 3 weeks |
| Logbook Processing Time | 1 – 2 business days |
| 2018 DXCC Applications | 2,775 |
| 2018 WAS Applications | 741 |
| 2018 VUCC Applications | 158 |
| 2018 WPX Applications | 212 |

Sales and Marketing

Reported by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R

Yvette Vinci reports that she completed a handful of tasks supporting Life Membership administration, including an order for 30 personalized plaques for newly elected Life Members.

Jackie Ferreira reports that we're now shipping the [ARRL DXCC List 2018](#).

Reminder: Board members who are interested in volunteering as part of the ARRL team at Hamvention should complete our online registration before March 31, so we can meet the deadline for our hotel room block. The online registration form will help us organize room reservations, badges, apparel and staffing for the event. Even if your plans are not entirely committed, please complete the form with your tentative information so we can develop counts for hotel bookings. Register online at <http://www.arrl.org/hamvention-2018-arrl-team-registration>.

ARRL materials were assembled to help support Contest University Dayton – which will be held Thursday, May 17, preceding Hamvention. We included sample copies of *NCJ* to help promote subscriptions among these active contesters.

Bob Inderbitzen drafted a story summarizing [ARRL exhibits, activities, and presentations](#) for 2018 Hamvention. Thanks to Rick Lindquist for editing and publishing the piece.

Hamfest/Member Contact/ARRL Representative/Meetings/Vacations

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| Leona Adams | 03/23 | PTO |
| “ | 04/13 | PTO |
| “ | 04/19 – 04/20 | PTO |
| Bob Allison | 04/20 – 04/22 | Delaware State Convention, Georgetown, DE |
| “ | 05/10 – 05/14 | PTO |
| “ | 05/16 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Ken Bailey | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Margie Bourgoin | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Joe Garcia | 04/06 | PTO |
| “ | 04/11 | PTO |
| “ | 05/16 | PTO |
| “ | 05/25 | PTO |
| “ | 07/02 – 07/06 | PTO |
| “ | 07/13 | PTO |
| “ | 07/20 | PTO |
| “ | 07/27 | PTO |

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| “ | 08/03 – 08/10 | PTO |
| “ | 08/24 | PTO |
| “ | 08/31 | PTO |
| “ | 10/05 | PTO |
| “ | 10/08 | PTO |
| “ | 11/30 | PTO |
| “ | 12/07 | PTO |
| Mike Corey | 03/24 – 03/27 | National Hurricane Conference, Orlando, FL |
| “ | 04/13 | PTO |
| “ | 04/23 | PTO |
| “ | 05/07 – 05/10 | National VOAD Conference, Providence, RI |
| “ | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| “ | 07/13 – 07/14 | Indiana Section Convention, Indianapolis, IN |
| Lauren Clarke | 05/16 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Steve Ford | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| “ | 05/21 – 05/23 | PTO |
| “ | 06/08 – 06/10 | HAM-COM 2018, Plano, TX |
| Steve Ewald | 03/23 – 03/24 | West Virginia Section Convention, Charleston |
| “ | 03/26 – 04/03 | PTO |
| Jackie Ferreira | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Scott Gee | 04/16 – 04/19 | PTO |
| “ | 05/17 – 05/19 | PTO |
| “ | 08/16 – 08/17 | PTO |
| “ | 09/10 – 09/14 | PTO |
| Regina Galuppi | 05/16 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Dan Henderson | 05/16 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Bob Inderbitzen | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Dave Isgur | 05/16 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Sabrina Jackson | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Bart Jahnke | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Kim McNeil | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Diane Middleton | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| Michelle Patnode | 04/04 – 04/06 | Half days (8a – 12p) |
| “ | 05/16 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| “ | 05/29 – 05/30 | PTO |
| “ | 08/02 | Half day (8a – 12p) |
| “ | 08/31 | Half day (8a – 12p) |
| Diane Petrilli | 05/31 – 06/04 | SEA-PAC, Seaside, OR |
| “ | 06/20 – 07/02 | PTO |
| “ | 08/03 – 08/20 | PTO |
| Andy Shefrin | 03/23 – 03/26 | PTO |
| Barry Shelley | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |
| “ | 05/22 – 06/01 | PTO |
| Yvette Vinci | 05/17 – 05/20 | 2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH |

Please remember—pictures are always welcome!

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