



## **IN-Newsletter**

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

### ***Hamvention 2017***

May 19 – 21 @ Xenia, OH

### ***HAM RADIO 2017***

July 14 – 16 @ Friedrichshafen, Germany

### ***Rocky Mountain Division Convention***

May 26 – 27 @ Cody, WY

### ***ARRL 2<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting***

July 21 – 22 @ Farmington, CT

### ***SEA-PAC 2017***

June 2 – 4 @ Seaside, OR

### ***PCC.11***

June 26 – 29 @ Orlando, FL

## **ARRL Audio News**

Below is a link to last week's edition of the ARRL Audio News podcast, dated May 5, 2017:

<https://www.blubrry.com/arrlaudionews/23558992/arrl-audio-news-may-12-2017?sbe=1>

## **Chief Executive Office**

Reported by Tom Gallagher, NY2RF

Tom Gallagher and Lauren Clarke attended The Grace Academy's annual benefit reception, The Power of Grace, at the Bushnell Theater in Hartford. They were invited by Headmaster Matt Fitzsimmons.

## **Field Services**

Reported by Dave Patton, NN1N

### **Field Organization**

Eastern Washington Section Manager Mark Tharp, KB7HDX, and South Texas Section Manager Lee Cooper, W5LHC, have been nominated to run for new terms of office in their respective sections. New terms of office begin October 1, and the nomination period remains open for those two sections (among others) until June 9.

The Field Organization Team has been editing material for July *QST*, and they are preparing to count Section Manager election ballots for Northern New Jersey and Utah on Tuesday, May 23.

## W1AW

On Monday 5/8, Matt Strelow, KC1XX, and Andrew Toth – both of XX Towers Inc. – were on hand to perform the Spring antenna and tower inspections for W1AW and W1HQ. Aside from a few cosmetic issues with W1AW, overall the station fared well. The Rohn 25 tower for W1HQ has an issue with one of its tower legs. A quick repair will be made to that tower shortly.

On Wednesday 5/10, Sophomore and Junior students from E.C Goodwin Technical State High School (New Britain, CT) paid a visit to W1AW and HQ. These are students enrolled in the Electronics Technology trade at the school. They visited certain areas of HQ, in particular the ARRL Laboratory. At W1AW, they were given a description of the station as well as the antennas. Each student had a simple worksheet that asked questions about ARRL and amateur radio in general. Joe Carcia assisted with answering these questions for all the students.

The landscapers removed the overgrown rhododendron plant that was located near the back door to the station. This was done in anticipation of the installation of a memorial bench. They also pruned pine tree branches that were intruding on the South tower, as well as a few flowering pear-tree branches that were resting on one of the Rohn 65 guy wires.

Scott worked on fast and slow code practice texts for the upcoming week. He also processed 7 electronic VUCC and 3 paper VUCC applications, and processed 413 VUCC credits between the two.

Joe updated the web code practice files and their archives. He repaired the MFJ remote antenna switch that is used in station W1HQ. Joe also participated in a teleconference call concerning the ARISS program.

## **Media & Public Relations**

Reported by Sean Kutzko, KX9X

Please join me in welcoming Michelle Patnode as a full-time employee of ARRL, as Media and Public Relations Assistant. Michelle joined us in October as a social media intern; she just graduated from CCSU with a degree in Communications and Public Relations.

Michelle will be focusing on ARRL's social media messaging, and video content creation, among other duties.

## **Radiosport**

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	2 – 3 Weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 Business Days
2017 DXCC Applications	4,683
2017 WAS Applications	559
2017 VUCC Applications	178
2017 WPX Applications	252

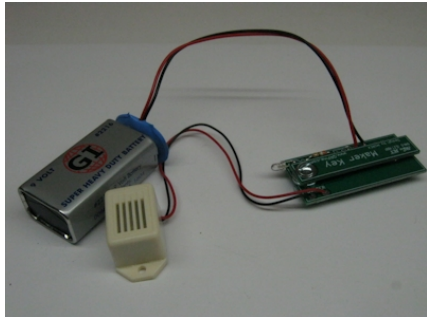
## **Sales and Marketing**

Reported by Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R

Jackie Ferreira reported that we received a \$2,174 donation from the AmazonSmile Foundation for Q1/2017 program activity. Total donations for 2016 were \$6,699; Y2015 \$4,724; Y2014 \$1,913. The foundation donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible AmazonSmile items to ARRL—from purchases made by members and friends who have selected American Radio Relay League (ARRL) as their charity of choice. More information is available at <http://www.arrl.org/Amazon>. We encourage member participation in AmazonSmile through e-mailings, ARRL's Facebook page, ARRL News, and e-newsletters.

Yvette Vinci prepared the bulk email notification for the June 2017 digital edition of *QST*, distributed to ARRL members on Wednesday, May 10. The distribution list included 117,615 members.

Dayton or bust! Jackie produced an email promoting membership and the big ARRL EXPO book store at Hamvention. It was distributed on Friday, May 12. Bob Inderbitzen led a pre-Hamvention meeting for our staff team, and he emailed final reminders and instructions to everyone traveling as part of ARRL's big team. He also organized training for those staff who will be responsible for conducting commerce for ARRL at the convention. Watch for photos taken at Hamvention on ARRL's [Facebook](#) page.



Bob Inderbitzen and Sean Kutzko organized display and exhibit materials for the ham radio booths being organized for Maker Faire Bay Area. The materials were received by volunteer David Witkowski, W6DTW. Included were “Morse code sender” kits, produced by Rex Harper, W1REX of QRPme. This same kit has been used successfully at other Maker Faires and with scouting groups. Maker Faire has extended a 20% off [ticket discount](#) to ARRL members attending the event (promoted in June *QST*).

## **Hamfest/Member Contact/ARRL Representative/Meetings/Vacations**

Leona Adams	05/26	PTO
“	06/26 – 06/30	PTO
Bob Allison	05/18 – 05/24	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
“	06/15 – 06/19	PTO
Margie Bourgoin	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Steve Capodicasa	06/04	PTO
Joe Garcia	05/26	PTO
“	06/09	PTO
“	06/16	PTO
“	07/05 – 07/07	PTO
“	07/14	PTO
“	07/21	PTO
“	07/28	PTO
“	08/04	PTO
“	08/07 – 08/11	PTO
“	08/25	PTO
“	10/09	PTO

Lauren Clarke	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Michael Corey	05/18 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Jon Faasen	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Steve Ford	05/19	PTO
“	05/26	PTO
Norm Fusaro	05/18 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH/12
“	05/18 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
“	06/01 – 06-04	SEA-PAC, Seaside, OR
“	06/26	PCC.II Meeting, Orlando, FL
Regina Galuppi	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Scott Gee	05/18 – 05/19	PTO
“	05/30 – 06/02	PTO
“	06/29 – 06/30	PTO
“	09/15 – 09/18	PTO
Jen Glifort	05/19	PTO
Perry Green	TBD	Medical Leave
Mike Gruber	05/18 – 05/24	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Ed Hare	05/17 – 05/22	QRP ARCI Four Days in May, Xenia, OH
Dan Henderson	05/30 – 06/02	PTO
“	06 28 – 06/30	PTO
“	07/19 – 07/23	PSC Committee and Board of Directors meetings, HQ
“	07/05	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	05/17 – 05/22	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
“	06/01 – 06/04	SEA-PAC, Seaside, OR
“	06/30 – 07/05	PTO
“	07/11 – 07/17	HAM RADIO, Friedrichshafen, Germany
“	07/18	PTO
“	08/21 – 08/25	PTO
Sabrina Jackson	05/18 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Caroline Kenney	05/19 – 05/22	Maker Faire Bay Area, San Mateo, CA
Sean Kutzko	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
“	05/25 – 05/30	Rocky Mountain Division Convention, Cody, WY
“	06/29 – 06/30	PTO
Kimberly McNeill	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Jodi Morin	05/22 – 05/23	PTO
Dave Patton	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Michael Scharr	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Becky Schoenfeld	05/18 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH
Barry Shelley	06/09	PTO
Jon Siverling	07/19 – 07/29	PTO
“	08/18 – 08/23	PTO
“	10/06	PTO
Yvette Vinci	05/17 – 05/21	Dayton Hamvention, Xenia, OH

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