



IN-NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming In-Person Meetings and Events:

Administrative & Finance Committee Meeting
April 14 @ ARRL HQ, Newington, CT

***Delaware State Convention (Delmarva
Amateur Radio & Electronics EXPO)***
April 21 @ Georgetown, DE

Executive Committee Meeting
April 21 @ Windsor, CT

Great Lakes Division (Hamvention)
May 18 – 20 @ Xenia, OH

HAM RADIO Friedrichshafen
June 1 – 3 @ Friedrichshafen, Germany

SEA-PAC (Northwestern Division Convention)
June 1 – 3 @ Seaside, OR

HAM-COM 2018
June 8 – 10 @ Plano, TX

Chief Executive Office

Reported by Carla Pereira, KC1HSX

Barry Shelley and Diane Middleton completed the monthly departmental plan reviews with managers.

Barry met with the auditors from the firm Cohn Reznick, who were here all of last week for their annual review.

Carla Pereira uploaded the last year-and-a-half's worth of IN-Newsletters to the ODV section of the ARRL website.

Communications

Reported by David Isgur

Announcement plans were finalized for the April 2 launch of Logbook of the World support of CQ magazine's Worked All Zones (WAZ) award program. This included a press release for the ARRL News website and posts on our social media feeds (particularly Twitter, Facebook, and Logbook's Facebook page), as well as the Logbook Yahoo Users group. We received a lot of positive response and even got a request from an individual who wanted to translate the press release into Japanese for posting on news web sites there.

David wrote an article for the ARRL Letter to highlight the 2018 goals of the Public Relations Committee and to also note the changes in the leadership of the Committee. Sid Caesar, NH7C, is the new chair of

the committee, replacing Scott Westerman, W9WSW. Bill Morine, N2COP, vice director of the Roanoke Division, returns to the Committee as Board Liaison.

David worked on preparing promotional materials for Field Day 2018. He also connected with officials at the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) about preparations for publicizing World Amateur Radio Day (which is on April 18)

Michelle Patnode posted links to NASA's livestream of a spacewalk by astronauts at the International Space Station (to install communication antennas and replace a camera assembly) on ARRL's Facebook and Twitter feeds. She also posted links to the livestream from the National Hurricane Center's 2018 National Hurricane Conference featuring a talk by Rob Macedo, KD1CY, on ARRL's Facebook and Instagram feeds as well as the ARRI_ARES Twitter feed. These events proved to be very popular with our followers.

Media Mentions:

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

- from Nebraska, a story about weather spotter training being offered which highlighted the role of ham radio in that effort
- from Kansas, a feature story in a daily newspaper about the community service efforts of a local amateur radio club

Top Social Media Posts:

Facebook: The National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has named Kenneth Graham, WX4KEG, to head the National Hurricane Center (NHC) in Miami. Preparations at the NHC continue ahead of the 2018 hurricane season, which begins on June 1. Graham will pick up the reins from Deputy/Acting Director Ed Rappaport on April 1.

<http://www.arrl.org/news/kenneth-graham-wx4keg-tapped-as-next-national-hurricane-center-director>

Twitter: Rob Macedo, KD1CY, speaking at the 2018 National Hurricane Conference in Orlando, Florida.

<https://twitter.com/arrl/status/978646375452889090/photo/1>

Instagram: #Repost @kay_craigie with @get_repost . . . @ARRL, here's a #hamradiopuppies #nationalpuppyday woof from Ditzzy Dawg, canine companion of N3KN and N3AO.



Field Services

Reported by Steve Ewald, WV1X

Leona reports that an SM nomination petition was received for the following for the term beginning October 1, 2018:

- Charles I Motes, Jr., K1DFS – Connecticut section
- Scott Yonally, N8SY – Ohio section

She also reports that there will be two upcoming Section Manager elections in Indiana and Northern Florida with two candidates each for the term beginning July 1, 2018.

Leona has collected the statements, pictures and prepared the statements and ballot cards for printing. With the help of mailroom staff, they were sent to ARRL members of both sections on Thursday, March 29, 2018.

Leona has also been updating the field service database with new field appointments and been in contact with the new SM's John Mark Robertson, K5JMR of Louisiana, and Paul Gilbert, KE5ZW of South Texas. She has ordered their badges and sent them related supplies as new Section Managers effective April 1, 2018.

Lab

Reported by Bob Allison, WB1GCM

W1AW

JK Antennas (<https://jkantennas.com/>) has offered to donate to W1AW their 2-element, full-band, 40 meter yagi (<https://jkantennas.com/jk402t.html>). This antenna will replace the current Cushcraft XM-240 that is used for the scheduled 40-meter transmissions. In addition, JK Antennas has also offered to donate to W1HQ their 5-band (20-10 meters) Force 12 antenna (<https://jkantennas.com/xr5.html>). Assuming these antennas are received in time, they will be replaced later in the month of April.

Joe updated the web code practice files and their archives. He created the texts for the April W1AW Qualifying Runs. Joe processed three Qualifying Run certificates and one endorsement. He also processed regular QSL card requests.

Scott worked on slow and fast code practice texts for the week. He processed five electronic and four paper VUCC applications for a total of 383 credits.

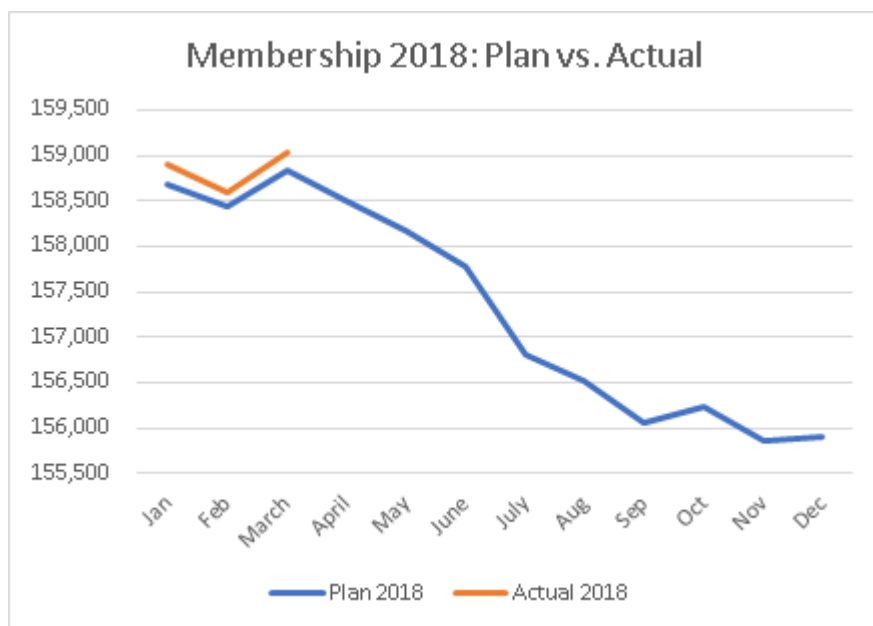
Membership

Diane Petrilli, KB1RNF

March ended with 159,034 members – 200 members ahead of year-to-date goal. A gain of 399 members was forecast for the month and we gained 438 members. See the graph below to see how actuals are tracking with forecast.

The monthly goal was achieved by sending multiple, and an unusually high amount of, e-mails throughout the month. We gained 602 members via e-mail campaigns – a record since December 2015 when we closed on 170,528 members.

The on-time renewal rate was 68.39% vs. 70.57% last March.



Radiosport

Reported by Norm Fusaro, W3IZ

Paper/Fieldcheck Processing Time	2 – 3 weeks
Logbook Processing Time	1 – 2 business days
2018 DXCC Applications	3,286
2018 WAS Applications	846
2018 VUCC Applications	174
2018 WPX Applications	254
2018 WAZ Applications	3

Hamfest/Member Contact/ARRL Representative/Meetings/Vacations

Leona Adams	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	04/17	PTO
“	05/17 – 05/20	2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH
Shelly Bloom	05/03 – 05/04	PTO
Margie Bourgoin	05/17 – 05/20	2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH
Steve Capodicasa	04/09	PTO
“	04/23	PTO
“	09/17 – 09/21	PTO
Joe Carcia	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
“	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	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
Jackie Ferreira	04/09 – 04/10	
“	05/17 – 05/20	2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH
“	06/16 – 04/20	PTO
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
Norm Fusaro	04/20 – 04/22	International DX Convention, Visalia, CA
“	05/17 – 05/18	PTO
“	05/29 – 06/04	HAM RADIO, Friedrichshafen, Germany
“	06/05 – 06/06	PTO
Regina Galuppi	05/16 – 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
Dan Henderson	04/09 – 04/16	PTO
“	04/21	Executive Committee Meeting, Windsor, CT
“	05/16 – 05/20	2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH
“	05/29 – 06/01	PTO
“	08/09 – 08/10	PTO
Bob Inderbitzen	04/09	PTO
“	05/17 – 05/20	2018 Great Lakes Division (Hamvention), Xenia, OH
“	08/13 – 08/20	PTO
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	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

Becky Schoenfeld	04/11 – 04/13	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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