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\*\*\*Paul Gerbracht, W3QPP, retired from 3<sup>rd</sup> district Director position after 18 years service to OOTC. Paul nominated Henry "Hank" Shultz, WI3U, and he has accepted the position to take office Jan 1. 2011 PAGE 3 VOL. 48 NUMBER 1 SPARK-GAP TIMES JANUARY 2011

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NOMINATION RECEIVED FOR HENRY SCHULTZ, WI3U, FOR DIRECTOR OF 3RD DISTRICT. ODD NUMBER DIRECTORS SERVE 2 YEARS STARTING IN ODD YEARS

1 CT. MA. ME. NH. RI. VT

3 DC. DE. MD. PA

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- 7 AK, AZ, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

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9 IL, IN, WI

JOE SCHROEDER, W9JUV, #2967 THE NOMINATION AND ENDORSEMENT PERIOD IS NOW OPEN FOR DIRECTORS IN DISTRICT 2, 4, 6, 8 AND 0, TO SERVE 2012 & 2013. CANDIDATES THAT LIVE IN YOUR DISTRICT SHOULD BE WILLING TO SERVE. SEND TO: SECRETARY ootc@me.com or 3191 DARVANY DR. DALLAS. TX 75220-1611.

EVEN NUMBER DISTRICT DIRECTORS SERVE 2 YEARS STARTING IN EVEN YEARS

2 NJ-NY.

- 4 AL-FL-GA-KY-NC-SC-TN-VA-PUERTO RICO.
- 6 CA-HI.
- 8 MI-OH-WV.
- 0 CO-IA-KS-MN-MO-NE-ND-SD.

### OOTC ON THE AIR MEETINGS

EUROPEAN CHAPTER #5 CALL DLOOTC SSB 7:30 CE(S)T 3624 kHz, Tue, NCS DJ5ND, Willi Kreibohm SK,

temporary NCS Guenter Pesch DJ2XB. SSB 11:00 CE(S)T 7090 kHz, Tue, NCS DJ2XB, Guenter Pesch. CW 17:30 UTC 3576,5 kHz, Tue, NCS DL1MEB, Karl Maerz.

CE(S)T = Central European (Summer) Time = UTC + 1(2).

U. S. A. Chapter #1 – New Orleans LA – No Report Chapter #2 (CA): Tuesday, 1600 local 3917kHz. NCS W6HV, Troy Wideman.

AZ Chapter: Tuesday, 1600 local, 3913 kHz. NCS W7LGB, Lyle Brow

N.East Chapter: Thursday, 1330 local, 7230 kHz. NCS K2VNM, Robert Kerns.

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Send U.S. Check, U.S. currency to: OOTC 3191 Darvany Dr., Dallas, TX 75220-1611 (credit cards not accepted)

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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We lost one of our most senior members, Alfred William Herbert Chandler, VK3LC, at the young age of 105 on Sept. 1, 2010. Alf was a very prolific contributor to the world of wireless and his biography provides ample testimony. The loss of Alf will be a loss to the entire world of wireless. Read about Alf at http://mdrc.org.au/. See Alf's photo on page 13 this issue.

OOTC is a truly great organization with many members, like Alf, of enormous talent and experience. But like so many clubs in these too busy and poor economic times, the need for volunteers and funds is becoming critical. The cost of printing, and especially mailing, the Spark-Gap Times is rising and, unfortunately, the income to support this publication has not increased proportionately. Our OOTC Executive Secretary, Bert, W5JNK and his wife, Nadine, W5ZUT, contribute countless hours to the maintenance of organizational records and the preparation of the SGT. There is only a small stipend provided and this is used to maintain the equipment and supplies to run the organization.

The scholarship program for the past two years has enjoyed a \$1000 check to deserving candidates. However, with the very low interest rates this past year it is unlikely that the amount will be anywhere near the prior years unless members contribute.

Please consider ways in which you could help OOTC continue as a viable club. I suggest you consider first donating your time; possibly as a division director or submitting articles and recruiting new members. Also, see if you could possibly help defray the budget deficit currently being experienced.

OOTC makes every effort to keep the yearly sustaining fee as low as possible. Please help by switching from mailed SGT to receiving the issues via email.

I wish all a very happy and prosperous New Year!

#### PAUL GERBRACHT, W3QPP, #2850, RETIRES AS DISTRICT 3 DIRECTOR

Paul Gerbracht, W3QPP, OOTC #2850, has recently retired as Director District 3. Paul's longtime dedicated service to the OOTC is recognized with the heartfelt thanks of us all. His work as director helped many amateurs to become members of OOTC. Paul served as District Director 18 years, 1993 through 2010. OOTC extends a heartfelt "Thank You" to Paul! Well done!

73, Troy, W6HV

#### **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

ANY member who recruits two new members can receive a choice of one year paid dues or an OOTC DVD that includes OOTC publications from 1961, member information, etc. (PDF format) Recruit one new member - receive a OOTC sew-on patch.

#### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

IN ORDER TO HELP RECOVER FROM INCREASED PRINTING, MAILING COSTS AND TO BALANCE THE BUDGET, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011 SPARK-GAP TIMES WILL BE ISSUED 3 TIMES A YEAR, JANUARY, MAY & SEPTEMBER. DUES INCREASED \$4 A YEAR (US=\$16) AND \$6 A YEAR (INTERNATIONAL=\$18). "LIFETIME" FEES ARE INCREASED. SEE PAGE 24. PLEASE CONSIDER RECEIVING SPARK-GAP TIMES BY EMAIL PDF.

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#### NEW MEMBER CLARENCE W. "BILL" WENZEL, W9ILM, #4574

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#### NEW MEMBER WILLIAM C, "CURT" PHILLIPS, W4CP, #4575

Born October 23, 1954 Smithfield, NC. WN4LHI-1968, WB4LHI, KD4YU. Major life work - Energy Conservation Engineering – Instrumentation – Automation – Mechanical Engineer. Hobbies, other than radio, computers, reading, music, movies, sports, general technology interests. Miscellaneous – occasionally involved in broadcasting. w4cp@arrl.net

#### NEW MEMBER JEFFREY D. ANGUS, WA6FWI, #4576

Born October 17, 1953, Los Angeles, CA. Spouse Robin, 3 children. jangus@suddenlink.net

#### NEW MEMBER EDWARD W R H DEYOUNG, VK4AN, #4577

Born September 18, 1941, Boston, MA. Spouse Mina, VK4BMD. USAF, HARNG 1958 to 1966 A2C and 1972 to 1974 Corp. American and Australian citizen. Have 15 year old son (late starter!) who is VK4FRAJ/3D2B. Migrated to VK in 1974. Currently Awards Manager for Wireless Institute of Australia. First call KN5COU-1955. Other calls 3D2A 3D2EE 3D2XX/R 5W1AF C21XX FW8DY K5COU K6CAA KH6GLU KP6AP KX6BK VI0ANT VK3ND VK4LX VK4EET VK5XE VK6CR VK8XX VR3DY VS5AA 2ND OP AT9N1MM 9M6AB CR9AH VI9NI 2SAB XV1A VU2JS 8Q7AJ WB6GPJ. vk4an@wia.org.au

#### VICTOR MADERA, KP4PQ, #3733 - Picture Pg 12

Amateur radio since 1950. Founder member of the Puerto Rico Amateur Radio League (PRARL). ARRL Section Manager for the Puerto Rico Section during 1999-2000-2002-2003-2004-2005-2006. State Gov. Liaison. Author of the Spanish Study Guides and Exams for the Technician, General and Amateur Extra Class license. Responsible for the Spanish versions of Elements 2-3 and 4 tests offered by the ARRL/VEC. Author of the history of Ham Radio in Puerto Rico – 1900-2005-(KP4 in 100x 35). ARRL/VEC Laison for Puerto Rico. Retired Electrical Engineer. Member Radio Club of America (RCA), American Radio Relay League (Life Member), Old Timers Club (OTC), Old Old Timers Club (OOTC). vmmadera@prtc.net Visit www.prarl.org Wife Ruth, KP4ENJ, 3 children

#### NEW MEMBER JOHN T. "JACK" BUCKLEY, W1AKN, #4578 - Picture Pg 12

Born June 18, 1946 Quincy, MA. 4 children. U.S. Navy 1964-1970 Electronics Technician. Heard about OOTC from N1EA, #4439. W1AKN first held by my grandfather Ed Hartell OOTC #0854. He started me in early 50's building my own power supply, Rcvr and Xmtr. I copied a lot of CW on 80 meters until finally getting novice ticket in late 1953.

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Information Systems degree Wentworth. Presenty Senior Network Administrator Partners Healthcare Information systems. I teach Morse code and conduct a slow code practice net on Genesis ARC repeater 146.685 located in Plymouth, MA in addition to assisting the education officer at Genesis ARS. I also serve as VE and instruct level 1 and level 2 classes at GARS.

Currently taking Incident Command System courses through FEMA (NPD) In preparation for ARES volunteer work. After a 40+year lapse I returned to amateur radio in 2009. I passed level 1 and 2 exams in one exam session and returned 3 weeks later to pass level 3 extra class.

Member of SKCC, FISTS, ARRL, QRZ, Genesis ARC, 4PMers Net, NEMA/ARES/Skywarn, ARRL V.E. & amateur radio instructor as needed. w1akn@arrl.net

#### NEW MEMBER FRANK C. KOLLINS, WA9CWX, #4579 – Picture Pg 12

Born November 27, 1948, Oak Park, IL. WN9CWX-1962. This great hobby has been my passion for over four decades! I really do enjoy using different rigs, and usually keep the old ones operating even when I get a new one! Where I am seated in the photo(Pg.12), is in front of my "rag chew" position where I can usually be found on 40 CW or 2 meter FM simplex. I usually listen around 7036 early in evening. To your right is my "DX chasing" position, with three Yaesu rigs, amps, tuners, antenna switches and rotor control. The desk and shelves were all custom made for the gear. It is twelve feet long, 100% Oak, and all hand made. The small table in front of me has a completely reconditioned Drake C line, and a recently added B line not in the picture. It is on rollers, so is easy to reposition.

HF Station consists of 3 FT1000Ds, a Yaesu FT-ONE, FT847, FT897, Drake TR7, R7, TS930, Drake C-line, B Line, and the Elecraft K-1 and IC-703 QRP rigs. Amplifiers are a Henry 2K4, a Henry 2KD-5, and a SB221. Tuners consist of two Dentrons and the MFJ-989C. In addition, I also have a "Boat Anchor" desk off to the side, with homebrew 6146 and 807 transmitters, an Eico VFO, and a homebrew 'HBR' RX for 20 and 40, also a KT 200 and a completely restored HQ-129X receiver. Other than occasionally 3885 AM, I seldom work voice. Therefore, you can see several keys, including Vibroplex bugs, paddles, and straight keys. I do not normally keep any microphones connected to HF rigs! (95% of my HF operating is on CW.) A Rigblaster, Hal 6800, and Info Tech M 600 take care of PSK and RTTY on HF.

The VHF/UHF station is an IC821, TS790A, IC37A, FT4700, Mirage amps for 440 and 2 meters, and a 400 Watt TE Systems amp for 2 meters. There are two packet stations. One for the DX cluster and one for local QSOs. SWL activity is handled by a JRC-545 fed by an FRT-7700 tuner. An IC-R7100, and IC-R7000, SDU Pan adapter, Bearcat scanners, and video converter round out the VHF monitoring.

The antenna farm consists of 3 towers. A 92 ft Rohn 25, a 64 ft Rohn 45, and a Universal 60 ft. self-supporting tower. HF antennas include a 5-band, 2 element quad; 40-80 dipoles; phased 40 meter verticals; and a 400 ft center-fed Zep.

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For VHF/UHF there is a 21 ft dual-band Diamond fed with 7/8" hard line; phased 2 meter beams; phased 440 beams; phased verticals for 2 meters; and various other scanner and side-mounted verticals. There are a total of 14 ground rods, several copper pipes driven in the ground, and over two thousand feet of radials !

I have been a ham 45+ years and, other than college, have been active the whole time. In addition to my ham ticket, to achieve a long time personal goal, I passed my 2nd class telegraph commercial ticket in May of 2010. I am a chiropractor in full-time practice (www.kollinschiroonline.com) and live with my lovely wife Carol who is also a ham. We enjoy day trips and visiting other hams and casinos. Another one of my interests is metaphysics and I have been a guest speaker at several conferences across the country over the last ten years. I hope to hear you on the bands and thank you for taking the time to read this. **phr8nk@aol.com** 

#### NEW MEMBER STEPHEN R. "STEVE" SOZANSKI, WA1HHK, #4580

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#### Nikola Tesla, Forgotten American Scientist

John W. Wagner, W8AHB, #2645 Picture page 12

In the history of man there have been scores of discoveries and inventions, many of which served to advance the human condition in some large or small way. But only three such inventions were pivotal, thus opening the door for others to follow.

The wheel was the first great invention --created by an unknown inventor 5000 years ago, and is still an indispensable part of our mechanized world. The movable type printing press -- invented in 1450 by Johann Gutenberg was second, making possible the exchange of ideas through books to the masses, thus triggering the First Industrial Revolution. The rise of electric power in the 19<sup>th</sup> century was third – it triggered a Second Industrial Revolution of unprecedented progress still continuing today.

Electricity did not come into being from the efforts of just one man; its history dates back some 2,600 years. Many men added to its understanding, each building upon the discoveries of others. But in the end it was only one man, the American scientist, Nikola Tesla, who put together the accumulated knowledge of all the others and made electricity the servant of man. It is Tesla's polyphase AC current that powers the world, and it is Tesla's radio that allows the world to communicate by invisible electromagnetic waves.

These two seemingly impossible 'breakthrough' inventions in the latter part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century launched the world into a whirlwind of technological progress, heretofore never seen in the history of mankind.

Ever since Tesla's childhood when first seeing a photograph of Niagara Falls, his fondest desire was to become an American citizen and harness the energy of the mighty Niagara. After immigrating to America in 1884, he fulfilled that dream.

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Tesla secured US patents for his 'rotating magnetic field' invention in 1888, and used it to harness the energy of the falls in 1896, thus ushering in an era of unprecedented human progress. Power from his generators was first sent to Buffalo, NY, then down to New York City. Today his high voltage transmission towers, dotting the countryside worldwide, serve as monuments to his genius, their wires delivering power to everyone, and his AC motors provide the muscle to do the work of the world.

But this is not the end of the story. Not being satisfied to rest on his laurels, Tesla began experimenting on frequencies much higher than his 60 cycles of alternating current. He had learned that Heinrich Hertz, a German scientist, had successfully transmitted an electromagnetic wave wirelessly a distance of three feet in 1888. This discovery fascinated Tesla greatly -- if the wave could somehow be transmitted over a much greater distance, he believed it offered a great improvement for the telegraph and telephone by eliminating the need for interconnecting wires.

Again, in typical Tesla fashion, he worked feverishly on his high frequency experiments. In 1891, he invented what is still called a Tesla coil. It contains three elements absolutely fundamental to all radios today. Two years later, Tesla made the breakthrough discovery of his 'four-tuned circuits' invention for which he received US patents #645,576 and 649,621 -- and radio was born!

America identifies Thomas Edison as the 'King of Electricity' -- even naming power companies in his honor, regardless of the fact that he made no scientific contributions to alternating current or even direct current power. His invention of the light bulb, powered by direct current, a technology invented by others and in use for many years prior to his light bulb invention, created the mistaken belief by the public that he was also the 'Father of Electricity', a belief that persists today.

Guglielmo Marconi, an Italian, transmitted a wireless message across the Atlantic Ocean in 1901. News of his wireless feat spread quickly throughout the world, resulting in the media going wild with excitement and proclaiming him as the inventor of radio. Marconi's radio patent using two-tuned circuits was incapable of long distance radio communication – he had used Tesla's four-tuned circuit patents for his transatlantic transmission.

Tesla filed a lawsuit for patent infringement, but lacked sufficient money to fight the case to an early conclusion. It was not until June 21, 1943, (Case No. 369), and six months after Tesla died, that the US Supreme Court struck down Marconi's failed 'two-tuned circuits' patent and proclaimed Nikola Tesla as the real inventor of radio.

Today the world still celebrates Marconi for this invention, perhaps because in 1909 the Nobel Committee awarded him the Nobel Prize in Physics.

Regrettably, Tesla's work – although undisputed – is not celebrated in the scientific, academic, and popular community. His name and inventions are never cited in schoolbooks, and he is little more than a footnote in scientific journals.

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Encyclopedias list extensive accounts celebrating Thomas Edison's work, yet Tesla's entry is noticeably brief and incomplete.

The Smithsonian Institution's website, while acknowledging but not necessarily celebrating Tesla's invention of the AC motor, is reluctant to acknowledge and celebrate the principal and obvious result of that invention: 'AC power'. (The AC generator in reverse is an AC motor.) Further, Tesla's name and his work are omitted in the Smithsonian's two major books: <u>The Smithsonian Book of Invention</u>, and <u>The Smithsonian Visual Timeline of Inventions</u>.

Instead, the Smithsonian chooses to celebrate the invention of the light bulb as being the catalyst for a 'Second Industrial Revolution'. Their website and publication, "Lighting a Revolution" is testimony to this belief.

On January 7, 1943, Nikola Tesla died in a New York hotel room – alone, poverty stricken, and all but forgotten.

Today, the world is awakening to Tesla's greatness and the earthshaking scientific inventions he showered upon the world. His name is now elevated to stand alongside only fourteen other immortals in electrical science – names such as Volta, Watt, Ampere, Ohm, Faraday, and Hertz. A unit of electrical/magnetic measurement is named in Tesla's honor; the 'Tesla' (T) is the unit of 'magnetic flux density' and is used in MRI machines throughout the world. But the real evidence of his work in electric power and radio is everywhere around us and affecting every part of our daily lives -- in our homes, factories, schools, all telling us that TESLA WAS HERE!

Bronze sculptures of Tesla's bust were donated to Physics and Electrical Engineering Departments at Harvard, Yale, Princeton, MIT, Caltech, Michigan, Michigan State, Wisconsin, Purdue, Illinois, Maryland, Johns Hopkins, Cornell, Pennsylvania, Penn State, Georgia Tech, Duke, Carnegie Mellon, and Columbia University – entirely through the efforts of schoolchildren in Michigan. The Henry Ford Museum and the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History refused a bust of Tesla, choosing instead to pay tribute to Thomas Edison for the invention of the light bulb.

I was first licensed as W8AHB in 1946, and still hold that call sign. Regrettably, ARRL and the amateur radio community as a whole have chosen not to celebrate Tesla to the extent that I know his memory deserves. Articles I have submitted to ARRL for publication in QST were refused, as was one such article submitted to the Antique Wireless Association for publication in their journal. Fortunately, another magazine accepted the articles and they were subsequently published.

When we sold our promotional Tesla T-shirts to fund our campaign of donating bronze busts of Tesla to 19 major universities, fewer than five radio amateurs in the entire country supported our efforts. This is not a very commendable performance for scientifically minded radio amateurs whose chosen hobby depends so much on the scientific contributions of Nikola Tesla. Most radio amateurs, I've found, still choose to celebrate Guglielmo Marconi as their chief

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PLEASE REPORT ANY "SILENT KEYS". CALLS MAY HAVE BEEN REISSUED.

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DOB	1 <sup>ST</sup> WIRELE	SS		REPORT FROM	
DUNCAN KREAMER "I	DUNK"	1782	W1GAY		10/9/2010
JUNE 6, 1918	W2JMG-19	36		W9KNO #4030 & W	/2JJM #3374
"Dunk" served as	Vice Presid	ent OOT	C 1987–1990	and President OC	OTC 2004-2005.
ALFRED W. H. CHAND	LER (	0881	VK3LC		9/1/2010
JUNE 1, 1905	A3WH-192	6		http://mdrc.org.au	
ROBERT & BENSON		474			0/24/2010

ROBERT G. BENSON 4474 W9CZA 0/24/2010 COMMERCIAL- 1942 W6WDN-1946 **MRS. DARLENE BENSON** AUGUST 15, 1932

Letter from Mrs. Benson, "Please accept this donation in honor of my husband, Benny, who passed away October 24, 2010. He loved your booklet and I promised him I would send you this before he passed away. He was a devoted ham operator since he was about 14 years old. He really loved his ham friends and looked forward to see them field day. That was his great weekend with his buddies. He was a great man and deeply loved by his family." Darlene Benson.

#### OOTC NEW MEMBERS Since the October 2010 issue (Pages 5 - 6 - 7)

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THE NEXT NEW MEMBER COULD BE ONE YOU SPONSORED.

#### FROM DAVE PRESTEL, W8AJR, FOUNDATION FOR AMATEUR RADIO, F.A.R SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, AUGUST 29, 2010.

#### TO MEMBERS OF THE OLD OLD TIMERS CLUB

"This year's OOTC ARC Scholarship was awarded to Ryan P. Dunn, KC0ZVT. 12209 Westgate, Overland Park, KS 66213. We have asked Ryan to write to you to thank you for his award. Thank you for your kind generosity in sponsoring this scholarship!

Ryan is 17 years old and intends to attend the University of Kansas to major in electrical engineering. He holds a Technician class license and enjoys kit building, contesting and public service events."

#### PAGE 11 VOL. 48 NUMBER 1 ALL OOTC OFFICERS JANUARY 2011

Notice: Call letters shown were calls they used, subject to reissue since then. **PRESIDENT TREASURER(continued)** 

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1950-1952	GEORGE	STERLIN	IG *	*W1AE
1953-1955	IRVING VE	ERMILYA		*W1ZE
1956-1958	WATSON	GREENE	Ξ	W1CPI
1959-1963	EARL CLIN	VE SR	***	N4PPZ
1964-1967	BERT OSE	BORNE		W4MF
1968-1969	RAYMONE	) F GUY		W4AZ
1970-1976	ANDREW	SHAFER	2	W8TE
1977-1978	FRED ELS	ER	W6FB	/KH6CZ
1979-1984	RAY MEYE	ERS		W6MLZ
1985-1986	LEWIS SIE	K		K4NE
1987-1990	L. F. HEITI	HECKER		W5EJ
1991-1992	DUNCAN I	<b>KREAME</b>	R(SK)	W1GAY
1993	HARRY GA	ARTSMA	N	W6ATC
1994-2004	LELAND S	MITH (sk	-in-office)	W5KL
2004-2005	DUNCAN I	KREAME	R	W1GAY
2006- <b>NOИ</b>	TROY WI	DEMAN		W6HV
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1947-1952	ROLAND BOU	RNE	****W1ANA
1953-1958	CHARLES ELLS	WOR	TH*****W1TU
1959-1961	LAWRENCE D	UNN	W2CLA/W2LP
1962-1964	MERRILL BEA	М	K2BX
1965-1967	' PERLEY B DU	NN	W6WPF
1968	FRED ELSER		W6FB/KH6CZ
1969	EDWARD RAS	ER	W2ZI
Assistan	t BERT GAMBL	Ε	W5ZC
1970-1971	WILLIAM GOU	LD II	I K2NP
1972-1976	FRED ELSER		W6FB/KH6CZ
1977-1979	GEORGE ELD	RED	W9SG
1980-1984	LEWIS SIEK		K4NE
1985-1986	6 HOBART JOHI	1OS/	N W3AC
1987-1990	DUNCAN KRE	AME	R W1GAY
1991-2005	6 HARRISON M	DOR	E W2JQS
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1953-1958 EARL CLINE SR	***W4PPZ
1959-1964 EARL WILLIAMS	W2EG
1965-1966 EUNICE THOMPSON	W1MPP
1967-1968 T. FRANK SMITH	W5VA
1969 BERT GAMBLE	W5ZC
1970-1976 RAY MEYERS	W6MLZ
Assistant LEE MANN	K6KP
1977-1978 RAY MEYERS	W6MLZ
1979-1986 A. J. GIRONDA	W2JE
1987-1991 BERT AYERS	W6CL
1992-1993 WESLEY RANDLES	W4COW

This report compiled from the best records found.

1993-2008 LEE KNIRKO W9MOL 2008-NOW JOSEPH WEHNER W8KNO **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY** 1947-1953 HUBERT INGALLS(founder)W1NQ 1954-1956 FRED MULLER (SK-in-office) W4ZL \*\*\*W4PPZ 1956-1957 EARL CLINE SR **RICHARD KLEINBERGER W2AEC** 1958 1959-1964 EARL WILLIAMS W2EG 1965-1967 EUNICE THOMPSON \*\*\*\*\*\*W1MPP 1968 T. FRANK SMITH W5VA 1969 BERT GAMBLE W5ZC 1970-1978 RAY MEYERS W6MLZ 1979-1986 A. J. GIRONDA W2JE 1987-1988 BERT AYERS W6CL 1989-1990 WESLEY RANDLES W4COW 1991-1993 TED HEITHECKER (SK-in-office) W5EJ 1994-2007 MILBERT WELLS W5JNK 2008 WILLIAM CARTER W6AJ 2009-**NOW** MILBERT WELLS W5JNK

\* **W1ZE** Operator at old "CC", the Marconi station at South Wellfleet, Cape Cod, MA.

\*\* **W1AE** FCC Commissioner during his term as OOTC President.

\*\*\* **W4PPZ** Originator of OOTC newsletter Blabbermouth, later renamed Spark-Gap Times.

\*\*\*\* **W1ANA** designed OOTC certificate still used today. He was top executive at Maxim Silencer Co. and close associate of Hiram Percy Maxim, the founder of ARRL.

\*\*\*\*\* **W1TU** One of the three wireless operators who handled all the traffic on the Titanic sinking while he was with the Canadian Marconi Company in Newfoundland. Also received a Presidential commendation for the handling of radio traffic on the NC-4 transatlantic flight. He sponsored Marconi's daughter as the Old Old Timers Club first honorary member.

\*\*\*\*\*\* **W1MPP** The first woman broadcaster in the United States, and no doubt the world.

**#0026 K2AE Henry Broughton** made radio contact across the stage, assistant to Nikola Tesla, the Chicago Worlds Fair, 1893.

If better Info known, advise editor ootc@me.com

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FRANK KOLLINS, WA9CWX, #4579 Pg 6-7



John Wagner, W8AHB, #2645 Pg. 7-9, 14.

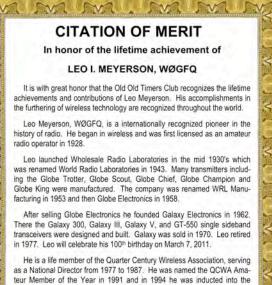
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#### Joe Schroeder, W9JUV, OOTC Vice President & District 9 Director says:

Our efforts from our club station in Curacao, PJ2T, netted a new all time weekend high for the station in contacts during the CQ WW SSB Contest 10-30/31:

Over 14,000 contacts and a clear win (second year in a row) for us in the Multi-Op/Multi-Xmtr class.

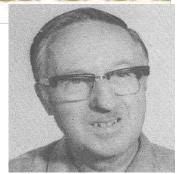
Ran four stations with nine ops, and (obviously) we really hummed all weekend. Third time I've been there for this contest, and second win... WOW! Joe w9juv@comcast.net



as a National Director from 1977 to 1987. He was named the QCWA Amateur Member of the Year in 1991 and in 1994 he was inducted into the QCWA Hall of Fame. He is also a life member of the American Radio Relay League, Society of Wireless Pioneers, International Mission Radio Association and the Old Old Timers Club where he has served OOTC 21 years as Director of the 10th District. In 1980 Leo was elected a fellow of the Radio Club of America.

W6HV President OOTC August 30, 2010





FROM THE OOTC "BLUE BOOK" "Alf Chandler, ex- VK3WH, A4EH, OA3WH, VK3WH. Born June 1, 1905. First two-way

contact 1926. Occup: retired. Hardware salesman prior to WW2, was in Royal Australian Airforce WW2. Then had own business as hardware specialist. Associated with Australian Broadcast, starting as Radio Technlcian 1964-1966. Member WIA, Moorabin & District R.C., Circulation manager "Amateur Radio magazine." Early rig, MOPA with 201's, super regen receiver."

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benefactor. Further, in the more than fifty years that I have been actively involved in teaching in public schools, I have never seen Nikola Tesla's name cited in any science or history book, yet Thomas Edison and Guglielmo Marconi's names are given extensive coverage. This is as unacceptable as liberalism and political correctness; it is simply not the American way.

Since 2006, when the democrats won the majority in congress, and our economy began its tailspin downward, so did our T-shirt sales campaign -- to the point that we had to abandon it.

Realizing that not a single children's book of Nikola Tesla's childhood experiences existed, I have now written two such books. All proceeds of sales (as was with our T-shirts when we sold them) will be devoted to donating additional bronze busts to major universities and celebrating Tesla's memory to students. I dare say, most members of OOTC and QCWA have grandchildren. I would like to see every member in these groups take advantage of the opportunity I am providing by giving their grandchildren copies of my two books. Better still, I would like to see this idea spread to the entire radio amateur community. Doing so would be a good first step in correcting the corrupted educational program that has taken over our school systems for many years -- and this is only the tip of the iceberg.

Ever since I realized that radio amateurs had no supportive enthusiasm for their chief benefactor in electrical science (Tesla), I have also lost enthusiasm for my lifelong hobby, which had always been quite passionate. It is my hope that you and all members of OOTC -- if not the entire amateur radio community -- will seize upon this golden opportunity to bring to fore a new and more enlightened membership, with the ultimate goal of spreading this enlightenment throughout the many school systems in the country, and bring to an end the virtual worshiping of Thomas Edison and Guglielmo Marconi who were more entrepreneurial than creative in electrical science.

If the Amateur Radio community starts lending their support to my efforts in correcting electrical history, perhaps I will again take a more supportive interest in Amateur Radio.

For the complete story of the author's quest to introduce Tesla to the academic community and to purchase the only two books available telling the captivating story of Tesla's childhood experiences, go to the website http://www.ntesla.org

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"I would like to have news from all districts. Write articles such as you find interesting. Let me repeat again, again and again that this is your publication and your club.

Your officers would like to serve you as you would like. To do this however it is necessary that ALL members take as active a part as possible.

Ye Olde copy boy cannot thank you enough for the fine cooperation received from many of our members. If the others would also take an active part, it would add to their enjoyment. Let's make 1962 the best year in our history. E.E.C. Sr."

#### YES

Earl E. Cline Sr. W4PPZ, was OOTC President when he penned the above for the February 1, 1962 "BLABBER MOUTH".

OOTC had 318 members on February 1, 1962. Our next new member will be #4581.

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ZONE 1 2 3 4 5 #0304 SK #0104 SK #0121 SK 1967 MCAULEY W1K HERLAND W2MDE ARMSTRONG W5RIH #0038 SK RASER <u>W2ZI</u> #0067 SK #0627 SK #0228 SK ROGERS W1DFS 1968 APPLEBY W3AX HAMMOND W5BN #0067 SK #0320 SK #0627 SK #0228 SK 1969 ROGERS W1DFS APPLEBY W3AX GUY W4AZ HAMMOND W5BN #0067 SK ROGERS W1DFS #0190 SK GOULD K2NP #0228 SK APPLEBY W3AX #0320 SK GUY W4AZ #0627 SK HAMMOND W5BN 1970 #0067 SK #0190 SK #0320 SK #0771 SK #0228 SK 1971 ROGERS W1DFS GOULD K2NP APPLEBY W3AX GUY W4AZ GAMBLE W5ZC #0067 SK #0190 SK #0454 SK #0320 SK #0771 SK GAMBLE W5ZC ROGERS W1DFS ROBINSON W4QR GUY W4AZ 1972 GOULD K2NP #0067 Sk #0454 SK #0190 SK #0320 SK #0806 SK ROBERTSON W5OB #0806 SK 1973 ROGERS W1DFS #0166 SK GOULD K2NP **ROBINSON W4QR** GUY W4AZ #0454 SK #0190 SK #0320 SK 1974 MCKEE JR W1KC GOULD K2NP ROBINSON W4QR GUY W4AZ ROBERTSON W50E #1347 SK #0190 SK #1724 SK #0320 SK #0806 SK ROBERTSON W50B JOHNSON W3AC 1975 WILLS W1DJ GOULD K2NP GUY W4A7 #1347 SK #1724 SK #0806 SK #0190 SK #1268 SK 1976 WILLS W1DJ GOULD K2NP JOHNSON W3AC SIECK K4NE ROBERTSON W50B #1347 SK #0190 SK #1724 SK #1268 SK #0806 SK GOULD K2NP JOHNSON W3AC ROBERTSON W50E 1977 WILLS W1D SIECK K4NE #1347 SK #0038 SK #1268 SK #0806 SK #1724 SK ROBERTSON W50B JOHNSON W3AC 1978 WILLS W1D. RASER W2Z SIFCK K4NF #0806 SK #1347 SK #0038 SK #1724 SK #1268 SK 1979 WILLS W1DJ RASER W2ZI JOHNSON W3AC ROBERTSON W50B SIECK K4NE #1347 SK #0038 SK #1724 SK #0806 SK ROBERTSON W5OB #1518 SK JOHNSON W3AC 1980 WILLS W1DJ RASER W27I ENBERGER \ #1347 SK #0038 SK #1724 SK #0806 SK #1518 SK WILLS W1DJ RASER W2ZI JOHNSON W3AC ROBERTSON W50B 1981 STOLZENBERGER WB4 #1347 SK #1427 SK #1724 SK #1338 SK #0806 SK 1982 WILLS W1DJ JOHNSON W3AC ROBERTSON W50B AKRE W4ZZZ KORF K2IC #1724 SK #1338 SK #0806 SK #1347 SK #1427 SK JOHNSON W3AC ROBERTSON W5OB 1983 WILLS W1D. KORF K2IC **AKRF W4777** #1347 SK #0806 SK #1427 SK #1724 SK #1338 SK WILLS W1DJ JOHNSON W3AC AKRE W4ZZZ ROBERTSON W5OB 1984 KORF K2IC #1347 SK #1427 SK #1338 SK #0806 SK ROBERTSON W50B 1985 WILLS W1DJ KORF K2IC **AKRF W4777** #2436 #1347 SK #1427 SK #0806 SK #1338 SK DORIAN W3JPT ROBERTSON W50B 1986 WILLS W1DJ KORF K2IC AKRE W4ZZZ #1347 SK #1427 SK #2436 #1338 Sk #0806 SK WILLS W1DJ DORIAN W3JPT AKRE W4ZZZ ROBERTSON W50B 1987 KORF K2IC #1347 SK #1427 SK #2436 #1338 SK #0806 SK DORIAN W3JPT ROBERTSON W50B 1988 WILLS W1D. KORF K2IC AKRE W4ZZZ #1347 SK #1427 SK #2436 #1750 SK 1989 WILLS W1DJ DORIAN W3JPT KORF K2IC BOOKWALTER W4NW #1427 SK #2436 DORIAN W3JPT #1214 SK #1347 SK #1750 SK 1990 WILLS W1DJ KORF K2IC BOOKWALTER W4NWI SMITH W5KI #0977 SK #2367 SK #1530 SK #1214 SK #1750 SK WARNER W1HRC GIRONDA W2JI GLEASON W3KW KWALTER W4 SMITH W5KL 1991 #2367 SK #0977 SK #1530 SK #1214 SK #1750 SK GIRONDA W2JE GLEASON W3KW 1992 WARNER W1HRQ SMITH W5K BOOKWAI TER W4N #1782 SK #0977 SK #1214 SK #2850 #1750 SK 1993 KREAMER W1GAY GIRONDA W2JI GERBRACHT W3QPP SMITH W5K OKWALTER W4 #1782 SK #1866 SK #2850 #1214 SK #1750 SK 1994 KREAMER W1GAY WINTER W2AUF GERBRACHT W3 SMITH W5KL BOOKWALTER W4 #1782 SK #1866 SK #2850 #1214 SK #1750 SK GERBRACHT W3QPP 1995 KREAMER W1GAY #1782 SK WINTER W2AUF KWALTER W4 SMITH W5K #1866 SK #2850 #1214 SK #1750 SK 1996 KREAMER W1GAY WINTER W2AUF GERBRACHT W3QPP SMITH W5K BOOKWALTER W4 #2850 #1782 SK #1866 Sk #1750 SK #1214 SK KREAMER W1GAY WINTER W2AUF GERBRACHT W3QPP 1997 SMITH W5KL BOOKWAI TER WANW

The calls these members used at that time are subject to reissue since then.

PAGE19 1998	#1782 SK KREAMER W1GAY	#1866 SK WINTER W2AUF	#2850 GERBRACHT W3OPP	#1750 SK BOOKWALTER W4NWE	#1214 SK SMITH W5KL
1550	#3027	#1866 SK	#2850		#1214 SK
1999	BARDFIELD W1UQ	WINTER W2AUF	GERBRACHT W30PP	#1750 SK BOOKWALTER W4NWF	SMITH W5KL
1555	#3027	#1866 SK	#2850	#2125 SK	#3211 SK
2000	BARDFIELD W1UQ	WINTER W2AUF	GERBRACHT W30PP	RANDLES W4COW	FLOYD W5DXR
2000	#3027	#2451	#2850	#2125 SK	#3211 SK
2001	BARDFIELD W1UQ	MOZLEY W2BCH	GERBRACHT W30PP	RANDLES W4COW	FLOYD W5DXR
2001	#3027	#2995 SK	#2850	#2125 SK	#3211 SK
2002	BARDFIELD W1UQ	MULBERG W2MJP	GERBRACHT W30PP	RANDLES W4COW	FLOYD W5DXR
LUUL	#3027	#2995 SK	#2850	#2125 SK	#3409
2003	BARDFIELD W1UQ	MULBERG W2MJP	GERBRACHT W30PP	RANDLES W4COW	STANTON W5LBU
2000	#3027	#2995 SK	#2850	#3428 SK	#3409
2004	BARDFIELD W1UQ	MULBERG W2MJP	GERBRACHT W3QPP	KNIGHT W4ZJY	STANTON W5LBU
	#3027	#2995 SK	#2850	#3428 SK	#3409
2005	BARDFIELD W1UQ	MULBERG W2MJP	GERBRACHT W3QPP	KNIGHT W4ZJY	STANTON W5LBU
	#3027	#2995 SK	#2850	#3428 SK	#3409
2006	BARDFIELD W1UQ	MULBERG W2MJP	GERBRACHT W3QPP	KNIGHT W4ZJY	STANTON W5LBU
	#3027	#2995 SK	#2850	#3428 SK	#3409
2007	BARDFIELD W1UQ	MULBERG W2MJP	GERBRACHT W3QPP	KNIGHT W4ZJY	STANTON W5LBU
	#3027	#2995 SK	#2850	#3428 SK	#3409
2008	BARDFIELD W1UQ	MULBERG W2MJP	GERBRACHT W3QPP	KNIGHT W4ZJY	STANTON W5LBU
	#3027	#2995 MULBERG W2MJP SK	#2850	#3428 KNIGHT W47.IY SK	#3409
2009	BARDFIELD W1UQ	#4094 LEVY W2LAP	GERBRACHT W3QPP	#4524 TRAYES WN3USA	STANTON W5LBU
	#3027	#4094	#2850	#4524	#3409
2010	BARDFIELD W1UQ	LEVY W2LAP	GERBRACHT W3QPP	TRAYES WN3USA	STANTON W5LBU
	#3027	#4094	#2717	#4524	#3409
2011	BARDFIELD W1UQ	LEVY W2LAP	SCHULTZ WI3U	TRAYES WN3USA	STANTON W5LBU
	#3027	#4094	#2717	#4524	#3409
2012	BARDFIELD W1UQ	LEVY W2LAP	SCHULTZ WI3U	TRAYES WN3USA	STANTON W5LBU

2012	BARBINEED WING		CONCETE MICO	HATEO MICOON	CHATTON HOLDO
ZONE	6	7	8	9	0
1967	#0188 SK MEYERS W6MLZ		#0381 SK BAUMGARDNER W8BF		
1968		#0595 SK LINVILLE W7DH	#0179 SK SHAFER W8TE	#0572 SK ELDRED W9SG	#0724 SK WYLIE WA0APB
1969	#0229 SK	#0595 SK	#0179 SK	#0572 SK	#0724 SK
	MAYES W6AX	LINVILLE W7DH	SHAFER W8TE	ELDRED W9SG	WYLIE WA0APB
1970	#0703 SK	#0595 SK	#0179 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	LINVILLE W7DH	SHAFER W8TE	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN K0MOA
1971	#0703 SK	#0478 SK	#0179 SK	#1088 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	MIDDLETON W7ZC	SHAFER W8TE	HINDS W9WR	FREEMAN K0MOA
1972	#0194 SK	#0478 SK	#0179 SK	#1088 SK	#0170 SK
	ELSER W6FB	MIDDLETON W7ZC	SHAFER W8TE	HINDS W9WR	FREEMAN K0MOA
1973	#0194 SK	#0478 SK	#0179 SK	#1088 SK	#0170 SK
	ELSER W6FB	MIDDLETON W7ZC	SHAFER W8TE	HINDS W9WR	FREEMAN K0MOA
1974	#0703 SK	#0478 SK	#0179 SK	#1088 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	MIDDLETON W7ZC	SHAFER W8TE	HINDS W9WR	FREEMAN K0MOA
1975	#0703 SK	#1122 SK	#0179 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	STANLEY W7DKB	SHAFER W8TE	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN K0MOA
1976	#0703 SK	#1122 SK	#0179 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	STANLEY W7DKB	SHAFER W8TE	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN KOMOA
1977	#0703 SK	#1122 SK	#0444 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	STANLEY W7DKB	BIDDLE K8UZ	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN K0MOA
1978	#0703 SK	#1122 SK	#0754 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	STANLEY W7DKB	GIBBS W8AQ	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN K0MOA
1979	#0703 SK	#1122 SK	#0754 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	STANLEY W7DKB	GIBBS W8AQ	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN K0MOA
1980	#0703 SK	#1122 SK	#0754 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	HOLLY W6DRV	STANLEY W7DKB	GIBBS W8AQ	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN K0MOA
1981	#1206 SK	#1122 SK	#0754 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	CABANILLAS W6IL	STANLEY W7DKB	GIBBS W8AQ	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN K0MOA
1982	#1206 SK	#1122 SK	#2306 SK	#0572 SK	#0170 SK
	CABANILLAS W6IL	STANLEY W7DKB	MILLS W8SA	ELDRED W9SG	FREEMAN K0MOA
1983	#1206 SK	#1122 SK	#2306 SK	#0572 SK	#1162 SK
	CABANILLAS W6IL	STANLEY W7DKB	MILLS W8SA	ELDRED W9SG	ANDERSON KONL
1984	#1559	#1122 SK	#1399 SK	#0572 SK	#1162 SK
	GARTSMAN W6ATC	STANLEY W7DKB	HOFFER W8CWY	ELDRED W9SG	ANDERSON KONL
1985	#1559	#1122 SK	#1399	#0572 SK	#1162 SK
	GARTSMAN W6ATC	STANLEY W7DKB	HOFFER W8CWY	ELDRED W9SG	ANDERSON KONL
1986	#1559	#1122 SK	#1399 SK	#0572 SK	#1162 SK
	GARTSMAN W6ATC	STANLEY W7DKB	HOFFER W8CWY	ELDRED W9SG	ANDERSON KONL
1987	#1559	#1122 SK	#1399 SK	#0572 SK	#1162 SK
	GARTSMAN W6ATC	STANLEY W7DKB	HOFFER W8CWY	ELDRED W9SG	ANDERSON KONL
1988	#1559	#1122 SK	#1399 SK HOFFER W8CWY	#0572 SK ELDRED W9SG	#1162 SK ANDERSON KONL
	GARTSMAN W6ATC #1559	STANLEY W7DKB #1122 SK	#1399 SK	#0572 SK	#1162
1989	GARTSMAN W6ATC	#1122 STANLEY W7DKB	HOFFER W8CWY	ELDRED W9SG	ANDERSON KONL
	#1559	#1122 STANLEY W7DKB SK	#1399 SK	#0572 SK	#1162 ANDERSON KONL SK
1990	GARTSMAN W6ATC #1559	#2288 TIPPETT W7LVB SK #2288 SK	HOFFER W8CWY #1399 SK	ELDRED W9SG	#0707 MEYERSON W0GFQ #0707
1991	GARTSMAN W6ATC #1559	TIPPETT W7LVB	HOFFER W8CWY #1399 SK	#2914	MEYERSON W0GFQ #0707
1992	GARTSMAN W6ATC #1559	#2586 SK	HOFFER W8CWY #1399 SK	KNIRKO W9MOL #2223 SK	MEYERSON W0GFQ #0707
1993	GARTSMAN W6ATC	TRENT KL7DG	HOFFER W8CWY	ERICKSON KA9DYS	MEYERSON W0GFQ
	#2667 SK	#2586 SK	#1399 SK	#2914	#0707
1994	JOHNSON W6NKE	TRENT KL7DG	HOFFER W8CWY	KNIRKO W9MOL	MEYERSON W0GFQ

PAGE20	#2667 SK	#2586 SK	#1399 SK	#2914	#0707
1995	JOHNSON W6NKE	TRENT KL7DG	HOFFER W8CWY	KNIRKO W9MOL	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2667 SK	#2586 SK	#1952 SK	#2914	#0707
1996	JOHNSON W6NKE	TRENT KL7DG	HAYMOND W8CCN	KNIRKO W9MOL	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2667 SK	#2586 SK	#1952 SK	#2914	#0707
1997	JOHNSON W6NKE	TRENT KL7DG	HAYMOND W8CCN	KNIRKO W9MOL	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2667 SK	#2586 SK	#1952 SK	#2914	#0707
1998	JOHNSON W6NKE	TRENT KL7DG	HAYMOND W8CCN	KNIRKO W9MOL	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2667 SK		#1952 SK	#2320	#0707
1999	JOHNSON W6NKE		HAYMOND W8CCN	WEBB W9IPO	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2667 SK	#3434	#1952 SK	#2320	#0707
2000	JOHNSON W6NKE	HELLWIG WA7PVC	HAYMOND W8CCN	WEBB W9IPO	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2667 SK	#3434	#1952 SK	#3859 SK	#0707
2001	JOHNSON W6NKE	HELLWIG WA7PVC	HAYMOND W8CCN	KOWOLS W9BUB	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2667 SK	#3434	#1952 SK	#3859 SK	#0707
2002	JOHNSON W6NKE KE	HELLWIG WA7PVC	HAYMOND W8CCN	KOWOLS W9BUB	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2852	#3628	#1952 SK	#3859 SK	#0707
2003	WIDEMAN W6HV	PISKUR K7FP	HAYMOND W8CCN	KOWOLS W9BUB	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2852	#3628	#4030	#3859 SK	#0707
2004	WIDEMAN W6HV	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	KOWOLS W9BUB	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2852	#3628	#4030	#3859 SK	#0707
2005	WIDEMAN W6HV	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	KOWOLS W9BUB	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2852	#3628	#4030	#2967	#0707
2006	WIDEMAN W6HV	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	SCHROEDER W9JUV	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#2852	#3628	#4030	#2967	#0707
2007	WIDEMAN W6HV	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	SCHROEDER W9JUV	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#3867	#3628	#4030	#2967	#0707
2008	PATTERSON W6RYX	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	SCHROEDER W9JUV	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#4444	#3628	#4030	#2967	#0707
2009	WICAL KH6BZF	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	SCHROEDER W9JUV	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#4444	#3628	#4030	#2967	#0707
2010	WICAL KH6BZF	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	SCHROEDER W9JUV	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#4444	#3628	#4030	#2967	#0707
2011	WICAL KH6BZF	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	SCHROEDER W9JUV	MEYERSON WOGFO
	#4444	#3628	#4030	#2967	#0707
2012	WICAL KH6BZF	PISKUR K7FP	WEHNER W8KNO	SCHROEDER W9JUV	MEYERSON WOGFO

# The Rules Say...

John B. Johnston, W3BE

#### Which Digital Codes Are OK?

#### Q. Which digital codes are authorized for our ham bands?

**A.** Section 309 authorizes Baudot, AMTOR, ASCII and any other technique whose technical characteristics have been documented publicly, such as CLOVER, G-TOR, or PacTOR, for the purpose of facilitating communications. In the 33 cm and shorter wavelength bands, your station may transmit an RTTY or data emission using an unspecified digital code, except to a station in a country with which the United States does not have an agreement permitting the code to be used. RTTY and data emissions using unspecified digital codes must not be transmitted for the purpose of obscuring the meaning of any communication.

#### Q. Can a digitized voice signal be transmitted compliantly as data?

**A.** Only where the transmitted signal otherwise qualifies as a data emission type, which may be impractical. It would have to comply with the standards for a data emission type as defined in Section 97.3(c)(2) - Telemetry, telecommand and computer communications emissions having:

(i) designators with A, C, D, F, G, H, J or R as the first symbol, 1 as the second symbol, and D as the third symbol;

(ii) emission J2D; and

(iii) emissions A1C, F1C, F2C, J2C, and J3C having an occupied bandwidth of 500 Hz or less when transmitted on an amateur service frequency below 30 MHz. Only a digital code of a type specifically authorized in Part 97 may be transmitted.

In Section 2.201, the system of designating emission, modulation, and transmission characteristics is codified. It explains the three symbols used to

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describe the basic characteristics of radio waves. The first symbol describes the type of modulation of the main carrier.

The second symbol describes the nature of signal(s) modulating the main carrier. The third symbol describes the type of information to be transmitted which, for telephony (voice), is the letter E. Under *Data*, only third symbols D (data, telemetry, telecommand) and C (facsimile) are listed, while symbol E is not.

# Q. Does "technical characteristics" mean the modulation type, baud rate, and maybe bandwidth or do they also include the typically proprietary code for the digital signal?

**A.** They should include all of the information necessary to enable listeners, most importantly our Amateur Auxiliary Official Observers, to decode your station's transmitted communication so as to comprehend its content. They must be sufficiently complete so as not to run afoul of Section 97.113(a)(4): No station shall transmit messages encoded for the purpose of obscuring their meaning.

#### Q. What is "documented publicly?"

A. The FCC does not specify or limit what can be considered "documented" publicly," providing us with a lot of flexibility not available to other radio services. In the context of Section 97.309, it is a document available to anyone, such as those listed therein: ITU-T Recommendation F.1; ITU-R Recommendations M.476-5 and M.625-3; and ITU-T Recommendation T.50. It also means documentation from other publicly available sources – for example: technical society proceedings, published scholarly widely available papers, and ITU documents. technical journals or trade association documents. This flexibility allows us to incorporate new techniques, such as Olivia, Hellschriber, BPSK63, JT65, etc. into our intercommunication capabilities without having to obtain a rule amendment.

# Q. Wouldn't it be better for the technical characteristics to be spelled out in the rules?

**A.** Only provided you are willing to sweat out going through another rulemaking cycle every time a new digital code comes along.

*W3BE-O-GRAM:* We are probably better off that the term *technical characteristics* is undefined in Part 97. It might be so rigid as to limit our ability to incorporate new techniques and technology.

**BE Informed!** Have a question about the amateur service rules? Visit http://www.w3BEInformed.org; and e-mail john@johnston.net.

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WHITE WITH RED LETTERING

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BADGE WITH PLASTIC POCKET CLIP (\$10.50)\_\_\_\_\_

BADGE WITH MAGNETIC BARS (\$9.50)\_\_\_\_\_ (NO HOLES IN SHIRT OR BLOUSE)

BADGE WITH BOLO CLIP AND TIE (\$9.50) CHOOSE TIE COLOR BLACK\_\_\_\_RED\_\_\_BLUE\_\_\_BROWN\_\_\_\_ (If you do not choose, black tie will be ordered)

PRINT YOUR CALL LETTERS

#### PRINT HOW YOU WANT YOUR NAME TO APPEAR

PRINT WHAT YOU WANT HERE, CITY & STATE, OR ? (If you want nothing here, say "nothing here") PAGE 23 VOL. 48 NUMBER 1 SPARK-GAP TIMES JANUARY 2011

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Name
Present call Address
PHONEE-mail
1st 2-way HAM wireless(Year) Nickname/Handle
My first amateur call was Other calls
If not HAM, first 2-way wireless Commercial Radio() Military Radio()
CB()Year Describe it
Date of BirthBirthplace

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New domestic member \$26. \$10 Initiation + \$16 1 year sustaining fee. International member \$28. \$10 initiation + \$18 1 year sustaining fee. LIFETIME \$10 initiation plus: Under age 75 \$250., 75 to 79 \$200., 80 to 84 \$150., 85 to 89 \$100., 90 to 94 \$50., 95 or over FREE, send application.. Funds must be acceptable at a U.S. Bank.

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OOTC wishes to have extended information about each member, activities and background. The information becomes a permanent and important part of your record as a member of OOTC, making it possible for us to write of your life work and experiences. We would appreciate a photograph, B&W or color. Send a biography and/or any story suitable for publication in Spark Gap Times on separate sheet(s) of paper. Unless you advise otherwise, filing this application gives us permission to publish your membership in Spark Gap Times.

First name of spouse	CALL?	# children
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I am sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_\_ or Secretary will sponsor.

Your Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Last 4 digits your Social Security #\_\_\_\_\_(Helps for SK identification)