



# West Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc

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## SHORT SKIP

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### DECEMBER WVARC CALENDAR

Monday	Dec 3	Monthly meeting, St Clement Social Hall, SC, 7PM
Saturday	Dec 1	VE Exam DeVry Tech 7:45 to 10:00AM
Saturday	Dec 8	Club Breakfast Tivoli Gardens SC, 8AM
Wednesdays		2 meter Newslines Net, 147.30 MHz, 6.45PM
Thursdays		Brunch, Coco's, 98 <sup>th</sup> Avenue & Bell Road, 9AM
Daily		Call-in Net 147.30 MHz, 9AM

### PROGRAM FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

December 3	Elections
	Seasons Holiday Party
8	Breakfast at Tivoli Gardens 8:00 AM
January 7	John Laue KD7LMG Subject ATRS
February 4	The Club Annual Auction Articles for sale welcomed
March 4	Jerry McManus KA7G New Ham Products

### MAKE IT A GOOD ONE

The December meeting is not only election night, but also our traditional Christmas party. If at all possible please bring two dozen cookies to contribute....preferably grandma's favorite homemade recipe, to help make our party a success.

**CONTESTS**

**CQ WORLD WIDE DX CW**      **November 24-25**      **All Bands**      **1.8 thru 28 MHz**  
 except WARC bands

Due to security concerns, CQ Communications Inc is asking all participants in the CQ sponsored amateur radio contests to submit their logs electronically via e-mail per instructions in the rules. See <http://www.cqww.com>

For a trove of Amateur Radio contesting resources and information go to:<http://www.ng3k.com/contest/>

**F.C.C.STOPS ACCEPTING FILINGS ENCLOSED IN ENVELOPES**

The FCC has announced that, effective immediately, hand or messenger-delivered filings enclosed in envelopes will not be accepted at FCC Headquarters until further notice. The Commission is encouraging everyone to file electronically or via fax whenever possible.

A Public Notice said that starting Monday, October 22, the FCC will accept originals and copies of official filings addressed to the Commission's Secretary "held together with rubber bands or fasteners" only at its Capitol Heights facility. The FCC was accepting no hand-delivered or messenger -delivered filings, in envelopes or otherwise, before October 22. Filing deadlines for paper and electronic filings were extended in light of the new procedures.

The FCC said the changes were necessary "as a precautionary measure".

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**NOMINEES FOR OFFICERS FOR YEAR 2002**

President	Bill Roberts	KD7JMN	Director	David Cain	AC7S
Vice President	Augie Allen	KB0RUL	Director	Rich Haworth	W7MDQ
Secretary	John Laue	KD7LMG			
Treasurer	Ted Walker	KJ7V			

We are deeply grateful to these nominees, it means that the Club will continue to exist in 2002. The WVARC is an Incorporated Club, and the State of Arizona requires a full slate of officers each year. Every member should be prepared to take the responsibility of being an officer. Without officers, the Club will fold.

**TIME TO RENEW**

**YEAR 2002 DUES COLLECTION BEGINS**

Dues collection for 2002 has begun. A membership application and renewal form is enclosed. A membership application and renewal form is enclosed. Please return with your \$10 payment at a club meeting. Or mail to P O Box 1573, Sun City, Az 85372.

## CLUB MEMBERSHIP NEWS

## NEW MEMBERS

Russell E Warren	W7JUS	17818 N 134 Avenue	Sun City West,	Az 85375-4921
Gene Cardelli	WB7FJM	18408 W 95 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	Sun City	Az 85373-1717
Andre Marcoux	KB5NWZ	13806 W Young Street	Surprise	Az 85374-7025
Marty Schwerin	KG6BDO	19758 N Desert Song Way	Youngtown	Az 85374-2032
Tom Engbring	WB7CFD	5102 N 128 <sup>th</sup> Drive	Litchfield Park	Az 85341-4111
Bill Wannamaker	WA6JIN	1202 El Paso Drive	Norco	Ca 92860-3853

Note: Welcome back to the WVARC Roster, Bill Wannamaker. Bill moved from Sun City West to California in 2000. He has rejoined the Club for 2002 although he still lives in 6 land.

Consult Web version of Roster for phone numbers and e-mail addresses.

LICENSE UPGRADES EARNED                      Bill Pfingstan KD7LNX                      Amateur Extra

## LICENSES EXPIRING SOON

Andre Marcoux	KB5NWZ	Feb 2001
Ed Gross	KF8CG	Jan 2002
Norma Buell	KB7NYD	Jan 2002
Harold Van Dyke	KD2PH	Feb 2002
Harolk Kolzak	WB9OAC	Feb 2002

MEMBERSHIP IN WEST VALLEY ARC is open to anyone with an interest in Amateur Radio. One \$10 annual fee includes all family hams at same address; only one SHORT SKIP mailed to each address

## LICENSE EXAMS

HAM RADIO LICENSE EXAMS AT De Vry December 1st, 2001. Register 8AM; all tests must be completed by 9:45 AM. Bring; Photo I/D, copy of appropriate licenses or CSCE's, Social Security number or FCC license I/D number, and correct amount of fee, \$10.00. The fee covers one test in all desired exam elements. A second \$10.00 charge will be made for a repeat test in any element.

RESULTS of the VE SESSION at DE VRY on OCTOBER 6<sup>th</sup>.

11 Candidates were served. License classes earned; Technician 4; General 3; Extra 2  
Exam element passed rate: Code 100% Element 2 (Technician) 93%, General 100%  
Element 4 Extra 100%

## Administering VEs:

Rich Piggott	WB2LKU	Liason			
Edward Beyer	WU7A	Joe Bryan	AB7VY	Bill Gadbois	KC7JRY
Bill Kuchinski	KB7MDX	David Morill	N7TWT	Jack Richards	WA9TV
Yoshi Sano	K7YS	Harold Van Dyke	KD2PH	Glenn Wade	N7JWF
Dwight Yard	KB7KON				

**PROUD TO BE A HAM**

New York Ground Zero, Washington DC The Pentagon, South Florida, the Caribbean, Boswell & Del Webb Hositals, Red Cross Shelter, Salvation Army Soup Kitchens, Hams are present, rendering assistance, and communications, helping make the lot of distressed people a little easier. A VERY WORTHWHILE CAUSE. Be prepared to help.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

Short Skip wishes all our members Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas. May you know the happiness joy, and peace of this Blessed season. We also wish you a happy and prosperous New Year, may 2002 be a very good year for you.

**FOR SALE**

KENWOOD 450S/AT in excellent condition \$550.00 Fred L Jones W7MCP 623 584 6100 SCW

1 120 VOLT LINE FILTER by Drake	\$8.00	Two light duty rotators	\$5.00 & \$7.00
3-amp 12V power supply	\$10.00	Heathkit power supply w/extra oil	\$8.00
Several tapes for improving code speed		each	\$5.00
George Hands KE7DH	Ghands668@cs.com	623-974-3361	

GATEWAY 2000 Computer 80386/25 Desktop & NEC Monitor Contains two hard drives  
 #1 loaded with DOS & Windows 3.1 #2 loaded with OS2 operating system 3 1/2 & 5 1/4 floppy drives  
 Gateway 2000 users guide.  
 Minimum acceptable bid \$50.00 Tom NY7S 623-975-0031

**SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS**

Our member Glenn Wade N7JWF has rebuilt and repaired rotators and controllers for hams with parts he has scrounged but now his scrap pile has dwindled to no more spare parts for rotators and controllers. I am trying to help Glenn rebuild that pile and would appreciate calls from any member who has old rotators and/or controllers they would like to donate to a good cause. If you will call me at 623-974-3361. I will pick them up and deliver them to Glenn's scrap pile where they will make a ham happy some day.  
 George Hands Ghands668@cs.com KE7DH Sun City

**EDITORS NOTE** Short Skip invites notes or articles re upcoming events, technical articles, reports on events, personal experiences and any matters of interest to hams. They will be greatly appreciated, and quite likely edited. Send them to [shortskip@yahoo.com](mailto:shortskip@yahoo.com), [sidneybstarlink@juno.com](mailto:sidneybstarlink@juno.com), or to the Club PO Box 1573, Sun City. If mailing, please call me at 623-388-9946 to ensure timely pick-up.

**WHAT IS LOVE** Some eight year olds.

Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt, then he wears it every day. Noelle  
 Love is when a girl puts on perfume and a boy puts on cologne, and they go out and smell each other. Kari  
 If you want to learn to love better, start with a friend that you hate. Nikka  
 Love is when Mommy gives Daddy the best piece of chicken. Elaine  
 Love is when you go out to eat and give somebody most of your French fries without making them give you any of theirs. Chrissy