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SHORT SKIP

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HAM OF THE YEAR 2001 TIM HAYES KF7XY



Photo Courtesy Ken Hopper KF7KH

Rich Piggott WB2LKU presenting the WVARC Ham of the year award 2001 to Tim Hayes KF7XY at the Ladies Night Out Banquet on Friday November 23rd. Tim is trustee of the WVARC repeaters KC7KLC and W7JHQ. He is also chairman of the Repeater Maintenance Committee, a former Vice-President and member of the Board of Directors. His personal interests include the Amateur Missionary Service, and the Society of Broadcast Engineers. He is married to Diana, and they have two daughters, Natalie and Hannah. Tim is employed as broadcast engineer for KPHO-TV channel 5. Congratulations TIM.

JANUARY WVARC CALENDAR,

Monday	Jan 7	Monthly meeting, St Clement Social Hall, SC, 7PM
Saturday	Jan 5	VE Exam DeVry Tech 7:45 to 10:00AM
Saturday	Jan 12	Club Breakfast Tivoli Gardens SC, 8AM
Wednesdays		2 meter Newsline Net, 147.30 MHz, 6.45PM
Thursdays		Brunch, Coco's, 98 th Avenue & Bell Road, 9AM
Daily		Call-in Net 147.30 MHz, 9AM

PROGRAM FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

January	7	ARRL Video Tape YOUR HEADQUARTERS AT WORK	ARRL Administration
		Headquarters at Newington	22 minutes Change in program.
February	4	The Club Annual Auction	Articles for sale welcomed
March	4	Jerry McManus KA7G	New Ham Products

DID YOU

RENEW your membership in the WVARC for year 2002. The 2002 roster of club members will close on February 4th, 2002. The 2002 Roster Production Committee will begin production of the Roster immediately thereafter. Members whose renewals have not been received by the closing date will not be listed in the printed edition. Late renewals and new members will be listed in the Web edition. Application forms are available at club meetings, or may be downloaded from the Club's web site. Changes to your address, call sign, or other items can be submitted on the interactive form, or mailed to the Club's P.O. Box 1573, Sun City, Az 85372, or handed in at a Club Meeting.

Our **NOMINEE FOR SECRETARY** for the year 2002 has had to withdraw for health reasons. Your help in obtaining a Secretary is urgently needed, please volunteer. Call Bill Roberts KD7JMN at 623-214-2665

THE PASSING PARADE. In the Silent Key section of the December issue of QST, the passing of Lou Tristao KG6VY was noted. Lou owned Tristao Tower Company in Visalia, Ca. He later sold out to Bob Ferraro K6RJ, owner of Ham Radio Outlet, and the name changed to US Tower. US Tower has subsequently been sold.

CLUB OWNED ITEMS need a storage facility. Call Joe Valentino KC7DLU 623-979-6374

FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM PAST PRESIDENT RON RASMUSSEN K6OP

A **NEW YEAR** is arriving, and a new team is on deck to run the Club. Its been a lot of fun the past two years as President, but only because I had a great support team to help. My sincere thanks to all of them. Keep in mind it is everyone's job to keep our Club alive. Whether it's volunteering to hold office, working on a committee, or helping others, it's the members who make the Club run. Clubs all over America are having a hard time today since most Americans found out that the computer age meant working longer and harder, leaner and meaner. Fortunately we retirees have the time and skills to enjoy life and keep our Club alive. I urge you to play your part, volunteer! **RON K6OP**

CONTESTS

None announced for January.

Next announced, ARRL DX CW February 16 and 17, 2002.

January might be a good time to work on your DXCC.

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/cont>

CLUB MEMBERSHIP NEWS

NEW MEMBERS

Pauline Deerhake	WB2PPS	17226 N 130 Ave	Sun City West	85375-5026
John Frost	W8PHG	14518 W Windcrest Dr	Sun City West	85375-5948
Jack Horner	KA6SPY	8302 W Marco Polo Rd	Peoria	85382-8806
Paul Kummel	M7MYS	12407 Nugget Ct	Sun City West	85375-3312
Rick Le Fevers	KC8LXU	3049 Rose Garden Lane	Phoenix	85027-3128
Don Munden	KA7AAD	10022 W Pleasant Valley Rd	Sun City	85351-1227

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

LICENSE UPGRADES EARNED

Michael Johnson	KW7V	Amateur Extra	Previous call-sign	KD7GSR
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LICENSES EXPIRING

Ed Gross	KF8CG	Jan 2002
Norma Buell	FB7NYD	Jan 2002
Harold Van Dyke	KD2PH	Feb 2002
Hillard Kolzak	WB9AOC	Feb 2002
Andre Marcoux	KB5NWZ	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

ADDRESS CHANGE

John Vandewater	KD7EBR	6332 W Greenbriar Dr	Glendale	85308-3610
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LICENSE EXAMS

HAM RADIO LICENSE EXAMS AT De Vry January 5th, 2002. Register 7:45AM; 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 December 1st.

4 Candidates were served. License classes earned; 1 upgrade to AE, 2 Technician.

Administering VEs:

Rich Piggott	WB2LKU	Liason			
Edward Beyer	WU7A	Joe Brian	AB7VY	Jeff Johnson	KJ7LO
Stan Keifer	N7QB	Jack Richards	WA9TV	Yoshi Saro	K7YS

The VE team has scheduled examinations at De Vry in 2002 on 1/5, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6, 5/4, 6/1.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT CONGRATULATIONS TO

Shirley Moyer KC7DHZ on making General Class. Tim Hayes KF7XY on being named Ham of the Year for 2001. Bill Roberts KD7JNN President, Augie Allen KB0RUL Vice President, and Ted Walker KJ7V treasurer, all taking office on January 1st 2002. We wish you all the best in leading the Club.

ARRL SOUTHWEST DIVISION ELECTION RESULTS

San Diego Section Manager and train operator TUCK MILLER NZ6T, of National City, California defeated electrical engineer Edward J 'Ned' Stearns AA7A of Scottsdale, Az by 2485 votes to 2208 for the office of Vice-Director. Miller gains the Vice-Director position being vacated by Art Goddard W6XD who ran unopposed for Director upon the retirement of Fred Heyn WA6WZO who had held the office of Director since 1984. ARRL News.

There was a good turn-out for the Christmas Party on December 3rd. Attendance of 83, with plenty of cookies and drinks. A surprise guest was Fred Heyn WA6WZO and his XYL.

If dogs think they are human ---- then cats think they are God. (Submitted by WJ7Q)

The FCC HAS ANNOUNCED that its Universal Licensing System, (ULS) now can be accessed using either Internet Explorer 5.5-6.0 or Netscape Navigator 4.5, 4.51, 4.61, 4.7, and 4.75. Until now, the ULS has supported only Netscape. The FCC says applicants may now use Internet Explorer to file applications and for all other ULS purposes. ARRL Letter 11/30

FCC ANNOUNCES HOMELAND SECURITY POLICY COUNCIL. The Council's missions are to assist the Commission in evaluating and strengthening measures for protecting US communications services, to assist the Commission in ensuring rapid restoration of communications and facilities disrupted or threatened by actions against our Nation's Homeland Security, and to ensure that public safety, health and defense personnel have effective communications available to them to assist the public as needed.

AARP Letter 11/30

WANTED

Mobil Antenna – such as Texas Bug Catcher – or similar. Tom WB7CFD 623-393-5835

ZENITH SOLID STATE TRANSOCEANIC RADIO model similar to the 7000 or thereabout, with RF and BFO control, in working mint condition. Name your price, and call Lee Crissman AB7HW 480-483-6584 Ab7hw@home.com Lee and Scotty the wonder Guide Dog!

FOR SALE

TOSHIBA PCX1100U Cable modum, almost new. Used a few months on cox.com. Includes network adapter 10/100 USB. Asking \$155.00 Paul 'Bud' Holmes W7JQ, 17835 W Ciub Vista Dr, Surprise Az 85374-2909 623-975-1173

ESTATE SALE for Chuck & Ruth Stone. KENWOOD TS430S with antenna tuner. KENWOOD PS430 power supply. Both for \$625.00 or best offer.

Contact: Mit Thompson K9CCX 9822 W Pebble Beach Dr, Sun City 623-974--5618

EDITORS NOTE

I hope to make a regular part of the SHORT SKIP a report of the discussions held at the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors, and a monthly message from the President.

From the Board Meeting held on Thursday December 13th. Arrangements were made for the transfer of Bank and other records to the new officers, and necessary signatures. There was discussion of the Clubs Legal Fund, monies raised for the purpose of protecting antenna rights, and a fund to sponsor a scholarship of a ham student. The President noted that neither of these funds were presently being used, and suggested that the new Board review both funds. The Treasurer noted that current dues are insufficient to finance the various activities of the club, and that a small increase in dues may be in order.