



West Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc

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SHORT SKIP

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Norman Fulmer, N7JAQ, SK

We regret to report that member Norman Fulmer, N7JAQ, became a Silent Key on January 2, 2003. A brief memorial service will be held on Saturday, February 22 at 11:00 A. M. at the Camino Del Sol Funeral Chapel, 13738 Camino Del Sol in Sun City West. We would like to extend our sympathy to Norman's wife, Gertrude, and the family.

Adam Frisch, W2AIN, SK

We regret to report that former member Adam Frisch, W2AIN, became a Silent Key on January 19, 2003. We would like to extend our sympathy to Adam's family.

WVARC CALENDAR

Saturday	Mar 1	VE Exams, DeVry	7:45 AM
Monday	Mar 3	Monthly Meeting	7 PM
		AM/COM "Clear Speech Speaker" by Jerry McManus KA7G	
Saturday	Mar 8	Club Breakfast	8 AM
Saturday	Apr 5	VE Exams, DeVry	7:45 AM
Monday	Apr 7	Monthly Meeting	7 PM
		Antique Radio Equipment Collection by Dick Stout KE7RD	
Saturday	Apr 12	Club Breakfast	8 AM
Wednesdays		2 meter Newslines Net	147.30 MHz 6:45 PM
Thursdays		Brunch, Coco's	98 th Avenue & Bell Road 8:15 AM
Daily		Call-in Net	147.30 MHz 9:00 AM

PERMANENT CHANGE OF LOCATION – CLUB MONTHLY MEETING

St. Clement of Rome Catholic Church Social Hall
 15800 Del Webb Blvd, Sun City

MARCH 3rd MEETING – AM/COM Clear Speech Speaker

Jerry Mc Manus, KA7G, Club member and owner of AM-COM Inc of Lakeside, Montana, will present his AM/COM "Clear-Speech Speaker" as well as many other ham related lines. Jerry will also discuss other new equipment and show us some of the latest hardware.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

April 7th Program— Dick Stout KE7RD, a club member, will make his collection of antique radio equipment available at his QTH after business meeting. Maps will be available at the meeting. If you haven't seen his collection, it is unbelievable-- from Russian tank radios to your first ham set, Grandpa's Atwater Kent, and Dad's old Zenith!! Don't miss it!

May 5th Program— Morgan Hoaglin, WW7B, of HRO will present "What's new in ham gear for 2003?". Since this will be after the Dayton convention he may have some recently announced new gear. His programs are always great---try to be there!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

All 2002 memberships have expired. Late renewals and joiners will appear only in the electronic edition of the Roster on the Internet. Send corrections or changes to your address, email address, phone number or call sign to the Club's post office box, or fill out the interactive form on the Club's web site, or hand them to the Treasurer at a meeting.

SID BODY'S HAM EQUIPMENT DONATED TO THE CLUB

As a lot of you know, Sid, KC7DHR, became a silent key last October. He was active in the Club as the editor of the Short Skip and also ran several of the nets. Annette, his wife, has recently donated his equipment to the Club with the understanding this equipment could be sold-- with the proceeds of the sale being given to the Club. We want to thank Annette for her generosity.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Ellis Day	W0QZG	10722 W Hibiscus Dr	Sun City
Rick Dill	N7KO	4424 Echo Ln	Glendale
Robert Howery	KC7MQV	145153 W Powderhorn Dr	Surprise
Dick Koch	WB7PGI	2220 W Poinsettia Dr	Phoenix
Gene Melton	AK9N	20019 W Camelback Rd	Litchfield Park
Carol Melton	AK7N	20019 W Camelback Rd	Litchfield Park
Alan Perysion	WD7TOM	2618 E Emelita Ave	Mesa
Patrick Regan	KD7TED	9845 N 103rd Dr	Sun City
William Shubin	KD7UGL	4916 W Lindner Dr	Glendale
Dave Stott	KB5QS	15343 W Echo Canyon Dr	Surprise
Kevin Wesolowski	KD7DFV	10874 W Salter Dr	Sun City
J. Don Guthrie	KA6DAA	13319 W Crown Ridge Dr	Sun City West
George Swank	K0AWK	17374 N 89th Ave	Peoria
Jody Swank	KG6NPK	17374 N 89th Ave	Peoria

Please consult the electronic edition of the Roster for phone numbers and email addresses.

CALL SIGN CHANGES

K7OSE Dan Price was W8OSE

LICENSES EXPIRING SOON

KF7XY	Tim Hayes	March	N7JWF	Glenn Wade	May
AC7GA	Bill Peoples	March	K17NF	Allan Fusler	May

FCC license renewals or modifications (non Vanity) can be filed directly with the FCC on line or by mail. This is a FREE FCC service. ARRL VEC will process for FREE applications from ARRL Members seeking an FCC license renewal (within the FCC's 90-day window before expiration, or up to 2 years after expiration) or address, systematic call sign or name changes. ARRL Members can send any Form 605 to: ARRL VEC, 225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111. Do not send to ARRL Vanity call sign requests. ARRL VEC will process for a

\$12 fee (2003 fee parallels the ARRL VEC exam fee for each calendar year) applications from non-ARRL Members. Non-ARRL Members can send any Form 605 with \$12 fee check or money order (payable to ARRL) to: ARRL VEC, 225 Main St, Newington CT 06111.

Russ Iverson, KJ7KN, Still In Care Center

Russ Iverson, KJ7KN, would like to hear from our members. He is in the Grandview Care Center, 14505 Granite Valley Drive, Sun City, 85375. His telephone number is 623-975-8253.

FCC LICENSE EXAMS

Next exam session at DeVry Saturday March 1. Exams start at 7:45 AM and all tests must be concluded by 9:45 AM. Check-in at the Library on the second floor, southeast corner of the School. Bring photo ID and the original operator license and CSCEs and photocopies of each if applicable. Exam fee is \$12 for all elements taken once. An additional fee applies for a retest of any element. Retest is at the option of the VEs. Pay fee by check to ARRL/VEC or exact amount in cash – Volunteer Examiners cannot make change.

The February 1 session at DeVry -- 11 candidates were examined

- 8 earned Technician licenses
- 2 earned General licenses
- 1 earned element credit

Administering VEs

Yoshi Sano K7YS Liaison
Ed Beyer WU7A
Bob Bianca KN7E
Joe Brian AB7VY
Joseph Cutitta W0SLI

David Morrill N7TWT
Robert Miner KA7NPQ
Shelly Newman AB7LQ
Richard Piggott WB2LKU
Dwight Yard KB7KON

PRESIDENT SAYS

Wow! Hope you were there. The auction commission put on another fabulous auction. I took a quick head count of 179 and I am sure there were a few who, in their rush of carrying in their sale items, did not sign. I want to thank the officers & board members for their help in setting up and cleaning up. We worked from 2:00 to 12:00 a.m. It was a long evening. See you at the March meeting. Be sure to wear your badges & sign in.

Stan Swartz K7PLO

CONTROL OPERATORS STILL NEEDED FOR THE WV MORNING CALL-IN NET

Additional Net Control Operators are needed for the net. If they are not found, this net may go the way of the Wednesday Night News Line. If you can help, please contact Lee Chrisman, AB7HW, at 480-483-6584.

NEW SHORT SKIP EDITOR

Starting with the next newsletter, Elzie Campbell, AA7TU, has agreed to become the Short Skip editor, replacing Sid Body, KC7DHR. Elzie has had a lot of experience in generating newsletters as he actively participated in preparing his Church's newsletters in Yuma.

Others on the team include Chuck Hilliker W7KIV, Sylvia Hilliker, Dan Pierson W6NTX, Dave Cain AC7CS and Rich Piggott WB2LKU.

When you see Elzie at the Thursday breakfasts, wish him the best of luck. He is there most of the time.

His e-mail address is aa7tu@earthlink.net

FOR SALE

The following equipment is for sale by Mrs. Charles Sauer, K9IHV SK. Sun City, 623-933-2548

- **40-FT. TOWER** with rotor and 2 lengths of coax, 3-element tri-band antenna, and 10-element 2 meter antenna, safety belt. You remove.

Submitted by Mit Thompson, K9CCX. He can answer questions. His number is 623-974-5618,

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The following equipment is for sale by Christopher Heiberg, N7IVA, Peoria, 602-751-8564.

- **Triasto** (US Tower) 4 section triangular 72' crank-up tower with mast. Includes cable guides and a work platform. Tower is down but buyer needs to move. \$400 OBO.
- **KLM** KT-34XA- 3 Element 20/15/10 Meter Beam. \$300.
- **Old** 2 Meter transmitter, balun, and other nic-nacs. Free

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The following equipment is for sale by Paul Holmes, SCW, 623-584-2749.

- **Gladding** Tornado By Pierce Simpson.. With Am-Fm-Mb Lw With Ac Adapter. At Least 35 Years Old.
- **ICOM** Communication Receiver, IC-R75 With CAL-And AC Adapter
- **Emf** Antenna, 5 Meters.
- Long Wire Antenna #278-758.
- Some Misc. Hardware.
- Two Books On Antennas.

Paul would like \$200.00 for all the above.

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Mrs. Annette Body donated the following equipment to the Club.

- **Yaesu** FT-5100 2m/440 transceiver with hand microphone and operating manual. \$245.
- **Yaesu** FT-890 160 thru 10 m transceiver with hand microphone and operating manual. \$580.

The above equipment is in excellent condition.

Submitted on behalf of the Club by Ralph Barr, W0DNO. His number is 623-582-8208,

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The following equipment is for sale by Ted Walker, KJ7V, 623-556-2492.

- **Factory** assembled AT-11 automatic antenna tuner by LDG, good for 160 thru 10, 100 watts, requires 12VDC, no indicating meters. Just like new. Includes manual. \$219.00 new....will take \$170.00.
- **Tubular** tower for sale. It is a little over 52' tall when extended, is in 3 sections keyed to prevent rotation between sections, a homebrew type (MA550) with raising fixture. Comes with 2 new winches in the boxes for installation. Weight is ~600#. For sale at \$350.00.

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WANTED

The **COURAGE HANDI-HAM SYSTEM** maintains an equipment loan program, and needs your donation of used Ham gear.

Volunteers at the Handi-Ham repair shop refurbish radios and other equipment and loan it out to members who are unable to afford the equipment. The Handi-Ham supply is now very low, and all donations will be greatly appreciated. Your donation is fully tax-deductible.

Call toll free 1-866-426-3442 or handiham@courage.org or www.handiham.org

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SERVICES

Towers and antennas removed by Bob Pistone, K1KIV, 623-546-3646.

Do you need to have a tower taken down or an antenna removed? If so, contact Bob, who works as an independent contractor and handy man. He is experienced in this type of work and will give you a quote to do the work at a reasonable price.

Information provided by Ron Rasmussen, K6OP, 623-546-5710

NOTE--Deadline for providing input to the next Short Skip is March 13th.