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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER By Dave Fullmer, N7RRZ



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THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S CORNER By Farrell Garr, KC7CWX

V O T E ! ! ! a

HAM PROFILES By Boyd Humphries, W7MOY

Candidates for Club Officers - 1998

Farrell Garr KC7CWX (For President)

Licensed for about 3 years, born in Millville, but gave in to smell of sauerkraut and turkey and now resides in Providence. A spell at USU, then one in the army, then several years in law enforcement in Cache County, now employed at Thiokol. In the midst of all this activity he paused, took a breath, married his sweetheart Dee and have 6 children. Presently serving as Vicepresident.

Tyler Griffiths N7UWX (For President)

Licensed for about 6 years. A Logan native, served on BARC board, active on 2 meters, & 70 Cm. Works at Schriebers with a few other Hams. HAM & CHEESE, sounds like a good menu. Likes camping, hunting, & BARC activities. Also involved in covert activities to get spouse involved in radio. Try a bribe Tyler.

Dean Stevens N7WDY (For Vice-president)

Licensed since 9, Born in Oakley, not sure which state, since there are Oakleys in CA, DEL, ID, IL, IA, KS, MI, MS, NC, SC, we assume it must be Utah. A great scouter, works for Mountain Fuel Supply Co. for last 17 yrs. BARC Pres. for several years, also board. Spouse Tammy had to get her ticket also to keep Dean honest in his "Tales from the Cache woods".

Don Rawlinson WA7VNQ (For Vice-president)

Licensed for 24 years, call him OM, born in Heber City. He and spouse Lois have 4 boys, 2 girls and 12 ½ Grandchildren. Past BARC VP, President, and currently serving on board. VP of WIMU, Utah Hamfest 93,94, enjoys camping, model building, photography, & subtle persuasion to get the good frau involved in this crazy hobby. Employed at Campbell Scientific. (Rumors have it that they may be considering shifting to Providence, what a hold that stuff must have on people.)

Julie Dabb KC7RPP (For Secretary)

Probably one of the youngest in the valley to get bitten by the Amateur bug, at age 13. Licensed for a couple of years. Presently enrolled at Mt. Logan middle school, involved in BARC activities, and in high gear. Involved in the school science club, astronomy, viola, and liking people. What a great future in store, down the road a bit she can look back at the early years of Ham Radio BG, (before Geritol).

Beanie Lofthouse KJ7LQ (For Secretary)

Licensed about 8 years. She and spouse Jim call Paradise their home, an enviable statement from anyone's point of view. Active on 2 meters and HF as well. BARC VP in 91, year on board, WIMU in 92, volunteer examiner, Utah hamfest 93-94, field day committee. If it weren't for her, you gents would have had to survive on beans. She got her license to keep track of Jim.

Travis Roberts KC7HHK (For Treasurer)

Licensed since '92. Born in Jerome Idaho, where he served as the local club coordinator for the Magic Valley group. Presently serving as BARC treasurer. Active on 2 meters, packet, CW, & satellite. Has had some interesting contacts with MIR and our Russian counterparts. Enrolled at USU in Computer Science & Business Information Systems. Also employed at Campbell Scientific along with about 22 other Hams. Now tell me honestly Travis, do you really get anything done down there under those adverse circumstances?

Jeff Tingey KF7ZX (For Treasurer)

Licensed about 10 years, extra class. Married with 2 children, likes fly tying, fishing, hunting and Mt. Biking, and of course Ham Radio. Past President of BARC and has been involved in many of the club activities. Born in Brigham City. Both he and Clint J., KB7ZOZ, attended Box Elder High, of which neither would comment, however it appears both graduated Magna Cum Loud.

Khalil Godfrey WA7SHW (For Board Member)

Been in Ham radio since 68, has an advanced license, been a member of the club since its inception. Born in Clarkston, raised in Smithfield, both he and his spouse attended Sky View High School, she graduating from USU. He is presently employed at Schriebers, they have 4 children, likes fishing, hunting, softball, & baseball, what, no snooker!!!!!!! One facet of living in Clarkston in the shadow of Gun Sight peak, is that the sun comes up at 4 am, however it also sets at or before that time in the PM. The winters are something different out there. Only he and Sy ever came out of their burrows to cast a shadow.

Clinton Jeppsen KB7ZOZ (For Board Member)

Licensed for four years, past President of BARC. Born in Mantua and attended Box Elder Schools although we can't hold that against him, since he is now a died in the wool Sauerkrauter with a domicile, spouse, and trailer in Providence where he has existed for the last 30 years. After High School, Clint spent a hitch in the Air Force, then worked in law enforcement in the area for 20 years. Between he and his good spouse they claim 10 children & 34 Grand kids. He favors camping, mowing the lawn, and Ham Radio of course. If anyone has their nose bent out of shape for one reason or another, he'll fix you up.

Russ Tarbet N7QAE (For Board Member)

Has been licensed for 7 years, has advanced license, and is always seeking more know how in the hobby. He and his spouse LaNae are Smithfield natives. He spent the last 16 years operating a machine shop, and prior to that, worked for Jack Parsons Construction Co. It's rumored that Russ and his wife have consumed more Chicken and Curry over 120 degrees F. than any other person in the valley, any takers? He claims a modest Ham shack but has been known to spew corona from the top of his Butternut vertical-----right Russ?

Stan Wellard N7UXC (For Board Member)

Licensed for 5 years with an advanced license. Born in Pocatello as was his wife, but the lure of the big city lights led them to SLC and finally to Logan, where he has been involved with some exciting space projects for SDL for the past 18 years. He has been in the club for the past 5 years or so, has 5 children, two of which are licensed. Not certain if he had to bribe them with a complimentary HT or not. Hobbies are reading, electronic construction, and an interesting study of weather phenomena. Asked whether El Nino posed a significant threat, he deferred until he had consulted with the Old Farmers Almanac.

BALANCE

AS MANY OF THE YOU WHO HAVE KNOWN ME FOR SOME TIME ARE AWARE, I RECENTLY WENT THROUGH A PERIOD OF ESSENTIALLY NO AMATEUR RADIO ACTIVITY AND INVOLVEMENT. MANY OF YOU ALSO REALIZE THAT THIS IS NOT NECESSARILY AN UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE IN THE LIFE OF A HAM. SOMETHING OF REAL VALUE TO ME WAS LEARNED BY MY DOING THIS AND I WANT TO SHARE A CONCEPT WITH YOU.

SEVERAL YEARS AGO, WHEN I WAS IN A PERIOD OF TIME OF EXTRA HEAVY CLUB ACTIVITY, I WAS LEAVING THE HOUSE FOR MY THIRD MEETING IN THAT WEEK IN JULY ON A HAM RELATED PROJECT. MY WIFE STOPPED ME AND ASKED IF I REMEMBERED WHAT THAT DAY WAS. IT WAS ONLY THEN THAT I REMEMBERED THAT ONE OF MY SONS WAS HAVING A BIRTHDAY ON THAT DAY! IT HIT ME PRETTY HARD THAT I HAD LET THIS HOBBY, FOR BETTER OR WORSE, PRETTY MUCH TAKE OVER MY LIFE. I DON'T NEED TO GO INTO FURTHER DETAIL ABOUT WHAT WAS CAUSING THIS CONDITION.

AT THAT POINT IN TIME I REALIZED THAT, LIKE ANYONE WHO IS "HOOKED" ON A SUBSTANCE OR ACTIVITY, THAT THE BEST WAS TO GO "COLD TURKEY" FOR A SHORT TIME AND SEE IF I COULD IMPROVE THE BALANCE IN MY LIFE.

THIS IS THE CONCEPT I LEARNED: FIRST AND FOREMOST WE ALL NEED TO REMEMBER THAT AMATEUR RADIO IS A HOBBY AND NOT AN OCCUPATION, OR EVEN AN AVOCATION. THERE ARE THOSE WHO MAKE THEIR LIVING SUPPORTING THE HOBBY BY RETAIL SALES, SERVICE, AND ETC. BUT FOR MOST OF US IT IS STILL A HOBBY.

THE 2-METER RADIO STAYED IN THE CAR, I PUT AWAY MY HF STATION (SUNSPOTS WERE DROPPING FAST SO THAT WASN'T TOO GREAT A LOSS), AND I ONLY OCCASIONALLY USED THE 2 METER RIG FOR CONTACTS, MAINLY TO CONTACT FAMILY MEMBERS WHEN I WAS CAMPING OR TRAVELING. I DID RETAIN MY MEMBERSHIP IN THE BRIDGERLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, EXCEPT FOR I YEAR.

THE POINT TO BE MADE FROM ALL THIS IS THAT WE CAN ENJOY THE HOBBY WITHOUT ITS TAKING OVER OUR LIFE AND CAUSING AN IMBALANCE IN OUR PRIORITIES OF WORK, FAMILY, CHURCH, AND OTHER ENJOYABLE ACTIVITIES THAT ADD VARIETY TO OUR LIVES. THE KEY, I FEEL, IS TO REMEMBER THAT AMATEUR RADIO IS A HOBBY WITH GREAT POTENTIAL FOR DOING GOOD FOR OTHERS IN EMERGENCIES BUT SHOULD BE USED PRIMARILY FOR OUR PERIODIC ENJOYMENT, WHATEVER PHASE OF THE HOBBY HOLDS OUR INTEREST.

THE BEST EXAMPLE OF THIS BALANCE I HAVE EVER KNOWN IS CLAYTON CLARK, AC70, SILENT KEY. I WILL ALWAYS CONSIDER HIM A VERY SPECIAL FRIEND AND SEE HIM AS A PERSON WHO WAS ABLE TO PUT THE HOBBY OF AMATEUR RADIO IN ITS PROPER PERSPECTIVE WITH THE REST OF HIS LIFE. CERTAINLY THERE ARE MANY OF YOU OUT THERE WHO ALSO DO THIS WELL. I FEEL CONFIDENT THAT ALL OF YOU WHO WERE WELL ACQUAINTED WITH CLAYTON AND HIS OTHER ACTIVITIES WILL CONCUR WITH MY ASSESSMENT. IN THE FUTURE, I HOPE THAT, IN SOME SMALL WAY, SOMEONE MAY BE ABLE TO PAY A SIMILAR TRIBUTE TO ME...AND TO YOU.

73 TO ALL, DON RAWLINSON WATVNQ

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NOTICE OF ELECTIONS

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN WHEN WE ELECT NEW OFFICERS FOR THE CLUB TO SERVE IN 1998. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS LIST WILL BE RE-PRINTED IN THE NOVEMBER 1997 NEWSLETTER WITH A SMALL INFORMATIONAL SKETCH OF EACH CANDIDATE. ALSO INCLUDED IN THE NOVEMBER 1997 NEWSLETTER WILL BE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR THOSE MEMBERS WHO CANNOT ATTEND TO VOTE IN PERSON. ONLY CLUB MEMBERS MAY VOTE. VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CLUB MEETING ON 13 NOVEMBER 1997 SO PLEASE BE ON TIME. NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM THE FLOOR. TO AVOID EMBARRASSMENT, YOU SHOULD SEEK THE PERSON'S PERMISSION TO BE NOMINATED BEFORE DOING SO.

CANDIDATES FOR 1998 OFFICERS & BOARD OF THE BRIDGERLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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FARRELL GARR, KC7CWX

TYLER GRIFFITHS, N7UWX

FOR VICE PRESIDENT:

DON RAWLINSON, WATVNO

DEAN STEVENS, N7WDY

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JULIE DABB, KC7RPP

FOR TREASURER:

TRAVIS ROBERTS, KC7HHK

JEFF TINGEY, KF7ZX

(ELECT TWO FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST):

FOR BOARD MEMBER:

KHALIL GODFREY, WA7SHW

(WILL ELECT 2)

CLINT JEPPESEN, KB7ZOZ

RUSS TARBET, KJ7UP STAN WELLARD, N7UXC

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

BOYD HUMPHRIES,

W7MOY

DON RAWLINSON,

WA7VNQ

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

ANNOUNCEMENTS & **UPCOMING EVENTS**

THE 13 NOVEMBER 97 CLUB MEETING IS THE ELECTION MEETING. BE THINKING ABOUT NOMINATIONS AND SUCH. DON'T FORGET TO ASK THE NOMINEE PERMISSION TO NOMINATE THEM. ANYONE INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR OFFICE SHOULD CONTACT THE ELECTION COMMITTEE (BOYD HUMPHRIES OR DON RAWLINSON).

BARC CHRISTMAS PARTY:

December 11 at Juniper Inn, Hyde Park, 6:30 P.M..

Menu choice: Juniper Steak

Turkey Steak Fried Chicken

Cost: \$10.10

Tip and cost of door prizes are included.

RSVP ASAP to Club Secretary: Tammy Stevens

753-2644

FOR SALE OR TRADE & ITEMS WANTED

SEND ALL ITEMS FOR SALE OR TRADE AND WANTED TO:

> CLASSIFIED SECTION C/O OHM TOWN NEWS

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NOTE: YOU MUST PROVIDE YOUR NAME, CALL SIGN. AND TELEPHONE NUMBER BEFORE YOUR ENTRY CAN BE LISTED. ITEMS MUST BE HAM RELATED. PLEASE ADVISE WHEN ITEMS ARE SOLD OR TRADED. Q

LOCAL NET SCHEDULES & CLUB MEETINGS

SUN: 9:00PM CACHE VALLEY EARN

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TUE: B:OOPM SL VALLEY SWAP NET VHF SWAP NET 8:00PM

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9:00PM B.A.R.C. NET

146.72 -

B.A.R.C. MEETING AT HYDE PARK CITY OFFICE BUILDING BASEMENT ON THE 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT

7:30PM.

Suggested content list for

- Emergency Radio Tool-kits -

The following list has been compiled and is being distributed by the BARC ECC as a guide for preparing an "emergency radio tool-kit," or "grab-n-go kit" for use in emergency communications. Having all of your supplies in one convenient location will increase your ability to help in a communications emergency. Please keep in mind that this is only a suggested list, so add and subtract items as you wish to better suite your needs.

- O Radio
- O Standard power supplies (NiCD/NiMH)
- O The "Front Page" Frequency assignment list for Cache County cities and nets via VHF Packet, VHF Voice, HF Voice/CW O Antennas
- O Radio Operations Quick Reference Guide List of common and uncommon operations for your particular radio, such as programming memories, PL tones, etc.
- ARRL Radiogram Messaging Pads The NTS (National Traffic System) will be used in Cache Valley as a formal and standardized way to pass traffic to and from EOC to EOC.
- O ARRL Radiogram Messaging Instructions Instruction cards are available for reference in case you happen to forget what a certain part of the form is for, or when using ARRL Numbered Radiograms as a sort of "numbered short-hand" the number sheets will be very useful.
- O Extra Paper

You never know when you may run out of Radiogram Messaging Forms or may need to take other notes.

O Pens/Pencils

Be sure to include more than one, pencils break and pens dry up. Pens are probably the best choice here, since it may be hard to find the time to sharpen a pencil.

O Extra Battery/Other Power Source

Suggestions:

NiCD/NiMH

Dry Cells (Alkaline) Car/Deep Cycle Battery

Generator

Suggestions:

Twin-lead J-Pole

Hot Rod Rubber duck

O First Aid Kit

You should be prepared to help in any way possible.

O 72-Hour Supplies

Supplies for yourself during emergency such as food, water, clothing, contact lens solutions, medications, and any other special supplies you may need.

O Other:

- THANKS TO JODY REESE

Bridgerland Amateur Radio Club Emergency Communications Committee Cache Valley Emergency Amateur Radio Network September 1997

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