



# FEEDBACK



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## SEPTEMBER MEETING

The meeting for the month of September will be held at the Massillon Senior Center in Downtown Massillon on September 3, 2004 at 8:00 PM.

Hard to believe, but here it is September already and where did the summer go? We have not had a "real" summer. Sure it got hot for a few days, but mostly cool weather prevailed. Yes we had just perfect weather for Field Day but we have had a lot of rain and cool days ( below 75 degrees). School starts this month and that means we will be on the alert for school busses and children crossing streets to get to classes. Football season starts, leaves will begin to turn and the first thing you know , **MARC HAMFEST 2004** will be here!

We will begin to select committee chairmen at this meeting who will select people to help at the hamfest. Much work is to be done in a short time. If you have served in the past on a committee and wish to remain, please be at the meeting to volunteer your services.

## WEST STARK INFO NET

As you know, Jason Stoll, KC8LIN has been net control (almost exclusively) for the West Stark Info Net on 147.18 MHz for the past four years. He has single handily promoted this net and the Massillon Amateur Radio Club which we are eternally grateful. With the opening of School, Jason will be off to college and will not be available every Friday evening to conduct the net; as he announced last Friday ( Aug. 20) .He is effectively seeking a new net control to help with the duties. If you would like to volunteer your services to what has become one of the "best" nets on two meters, in NE Ohio please let Jason know and he will get you set up. I know it will be hard to fill his "shoes", but Jason has a career to prepare for!

We wish to take this opportunity to Thank Jason for his leadership and his allegiance to the club and to the Net, THANKS JASON!

## -- SHORT SKIP --

It's back to school days, a great time to hit the books and upgrade your ticket. Our ARRL has many helpful publications and upgrading has never been easier Bunkey. NO EXCUSES !

Also, when turning your clocks back remember to change the batteries in all your smoke detectors as well.

Another "Safety Tip from Short Skip !"

73 de WB80WM

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**MARC MINUTES**  
**August 6, 2004**

The Massillon Amateur Radio Club meeting was held at the Massillon Senior Center with 33 members and guests present.

MARC President Jim WA8GXM opened the meeting at 8:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was given and a round of introductions was made. He then asked to suspend reading the July minutes. They were accepted as stated in the FEEDBACK by John K8LBZ and second by Tim WB8HHP.

MARC Treasurer Anne N8GAF gave the financial report which was read and aproved by the membership present.

MARC Vice President, Joe WD8BGW gave the correspondence report. He highlighted some of the newsletters from other Amateur Radio Clubs. He also gave a list of upcoming area Hamfests and VE Sessions dates. There will be VE testing here at the Senior Center August 28th. Please contact WC8W for details. He also read a letter from Jeff Slattery, coordinator of the GOBA.bicycle ride last month. A donation has been made to MARC for their help in getting the bicyclist through Stark County safe. The helpers that day were Terry N8ATZ, Jim WA8GXM, Ed WA8DRT, Igor K8INN, Rodger KA8FTS, Helen KC8ZWG, Ralph K8HSQ, Larry KC8RKU, Don W8DEF and Linda K8MOO. Thanks to all for your help and a a very special thanks to Mr. Slattery!

MARC will be having another Safety Break October 8,9,10&11th. Again it will be North bound Interstate .77 below Strasburg. If you can help with this event contact Anne N8GAF.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Gary WC8W gave the Field Day results, as published in August *Feedback*.

Terry N8ATZ thanked those who helped with the Kick Off Parade. The MARC E-COM trailer was used with Jason KC8LIN and Ralph K8HSQ handling the Packet Station.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Terry N8ATZ said the Akron Marathon will be October 2,2004 if you can help with this event contact him.

Gary WC8W said Rich KA8ZQH was having some difficulties with the FEEDBACK calendars so Igor K8INN has offered to do it in the future. So if you see your name being omitted let Igor know so that it can be added.

Jim WA8GXM said a Wilburt mast has been offered to MARC for a good price. Jerry KF8EB made motion with Gene W8KXR second to purchase it. A vote was taken and passed.

There was no other business so the meeting ended at 8:45 P.M. with motion made by Byron KF8UN and second by Gary WC8W.

We welcomed a newly licensed member Steve Hall KD8ACF and reinstated 3 past members Diana AD8Q Juanita KC8CQC and Gene KC8EBO.

After refreshments Joe WD8BGW gave the evening program on Amateur and Police involved at Salt Lake City Olympics.

Congratulations goes to Tim WB8HHP for winning the 50-50 for \$10.00.

**Minutes by Linda K8MOO**  
**Secretary MARC**

### **PROGRAM NOTICE**

The program for the month of September will be Guest Speaker Mr. Rick Allatorre, the Stark County Emergency Operations manager. Mr. Allatorre has been rescheduled from a previous month as he had other priorities and could not make it to our meeting. A whole lot has happened in these past few months in the County and I am sure many of you will have questions for Mr. Allatorre. Mr. Allatorre has taken over the EOC just this past year and has done a remarkable job despite budget cuts and other problems. We look froward to hosting Mr. Allatorre

## ... Hamfest Plans In High Gear ...

**A**s we enter September its time to put hamfest plans into high gear. At this months meeting we must decide the major prize lineup so that general announcements can be prepared, our website updated and the final flyer finished. Tables and chairs have been ordered from Schraders Rental and will be delivered in time for our annual Saturday setup crew.

About 20 tables are spoken for already – club members who want tables, make sure you let me know so I can hold these for you. Very soon I will have the website updated so that hamfest vendors will be able to easily select the tables they want and see the entire table layout.

Ohio Section Manager Joe Phillips has contacted me in regards to again having a Saturday night Hamfest Banquet. We had the inaugural banquet last year and it was well attended. Both Joe and Great Lakes Director Jim Weaver – K8JE in attendance. Both hope to join us again this year for both the banquet and the hamfest and Joe has promoted both events in several past issues of the Ohio Section Journal and his monthly ARRL news column. At the direction of President Jim Farriss – WA8GXM I will tentatively reserve the rear banquet room of the Hometown Buffet in Belden Village for Saturday night October 30th for the second annual MARC Hamfest Banquet. Does anyone have any ideas on something special we can do this year in conjunction with the banquet ? Let me know.

Lastly are volunteers. The hamfest doesn't happen by itself. Lots of volunteers are needed to handle many different jobs, both big and small. Saturday morning table setup, table help on hamfest day, ticket sales, club table, security and generally being available to help us out all takes members. After Field Day this is the largest club participation event we are involved in and we need all of you !

## .... Akron Marathon Needs Volunteers ...

District Emergency Coordinator James Miller, K8EIO of Summit County announces volunteers are being sought to assist with the 2004 Akron Roadrunner Marathon.

This large scale community service event will take place on Saturday, October 2nd from about 6:00 am until approximately 4:00 pm. Operators will staff various checkpoints along the 26 mile route to monitor runner safety and provide logistical support to race officials. Some ARES experience is preferred however all volunteers are welcome.

Several members of the Stark County ARES assisted with last year's inaugural marathon and thoroughly enjoyed the event. A handheld radio is necessary although you may be asked to carry and use a commercial portable radio.

Questions and additional information can be obtained by con-

tacting Jim Miller at (330) 688 - 5761 or by email to [k8eio@sumco-ares.us](mailto:k8eio@sumco-ares.us). Those who wish to sign up can do so on the Summit County website.

## .. Pro Football Hall of Fame Festival Summary..

The week of August 1 – 7 was a busy one for many amateurs here in Stark County as we provided communications assistance for several events at the Pro Football Hall of Fame Festival. The Community Parade, Balloon Fest and finally the Hoover Grand Parade all benefited from amateur radio assistance.

Complete details of all the events are currently posted on the Stark County ARES website at [www.wd8aye.org](http://www.wd8aye.org). A special thank you goes out to the Massillon ARC. Of the 43 total volunteers used during Festival Week, 17 were MARC members. That's forty-two percent participation, very well done club members. The club also provided the use of our Emergency Communications Trailer for the Community Parade which served as communications center during the event. Emergency Coordinator Dave Beltz appreciated all the help from our club.

## .. Club Purchases Pneumatic Mast ..

The club gave approval at last months meeting to purchase a used pneumatic mast for installation in EComm 1, the clubs Emergency Communications Trailer. The mast was purchased from an area ham and came with numerous extra accessories. The mast was originally manufactured by the Will-Burt Company in Orrville and is in excellent condition. It is approximately 10 years old according to the serial number. The deal also included several accessories that would normally cost a great deal extra including the circular Ny-Coil which carries the cabling to the antennas, an air compressor with tank, a rotator and various connector plates used for installation. All in all it was a very good deal. We are currently working with Will-Burt to acquire some extra installation parts and mast lubricant before installation in the trailer. We hope to have the installation done in time to show it off at the hamfest.

Why did we want this mast when we already have the "Launcher" on the front hitch? Lets use Field Day as an example. The front mounted crank-up has been used to hold the Tri-Band antenna each year and it works well for this purpose. There are two drawbacks we face every year at this time. One is the number of helpers it takes to get it up in the air. At least 6 to 8 people are needed to raise it up with antenna's mounted. This is a guyed mast which means it take

a big footprint in order to accommodate the 12 guy ropes to keep it secure. This means a circle of about 50 feet in diameter to pound in the guy stakes. Fortunately the Field Day site is mostly grass which makes this possible.

What if we needed to raise the antenna in a crowded street or parking lot? No place for the guy ropes or soft grass to pound in stakes. In an emergency we have to depend on the roof mounted antennas. This is OK unless we need greater range or wanted to setup for low band operation.

It is for this reason and several others that we have been looking for a self supporting pneumatic mast for some time now. It will be a terrific addition to the trailer and allow us to raise up to about 100 pounds nearly 60 feet in the air within minutes with only a single person at the controls. Additional details will be available at the meeting.

**73's for now.  
Terry – N8ATZ**

### FCC NEWS



## FCC Emergency Communications Declaration Policy Prefers VHF-UHF

NEWINGTON, CT, Aug 13, 2004--The FCC has formalized its policy for issuing an emergency communications declaration (ECD) on Amateur Radio Service frequencies. The policy, which became effective August 2, states that ECDs will be issued for VHF or UHF repeaters--if the licensee consents--or on simplex channels in the 60-meter band. The FCC will not entertain requests to specifically sequester frequencies in other HF bands for emergency traffic only. Past emergency communications declarations--typically issued during weather-related emergencies--have put frequencies on 75 and 40 meters off limits to general use in an affected region. The practice has drawn complaints from members of the amateur community--especially from those well outside the affected region--and from emergency nets, which still experienced QRM.

"ECDs may only be issued after a disaster disrupts normal communication systems in a geographic area subject to FCC regulation," the FCC said, citing §97.401(b). Under its provisions, when a disaster disrupts normal telecommunications systems in a given area, the FCC may declare a temporary communication emergency that sets forth any special conditions and special rules stations must observe while it's in ef

fect. The policy clarifies that the FCC has authority to issue ECDs only for communication emergencies and not on the basis of anticipated emergencies.

The policy calls for VHF and UHF Amateur Service channels to receive preference for ECDs. Requests may indicate a specific repeater system, subject to permission from the repeater's licensee or trustee. On HF, the FCC says, an ECD may authorize the use of one or two 60-meter channels, which center on 5332, 5348, 5368, 5373 and 5405 kHz. "Use of these channels is subject to the requirements of §97.303(s)," the FCC said. One potential downside of the policy is the 50 W effective radiated power restriction on that band (see ARRL's Frequently Asked Questions regarding operation on 60 meters).

The FCC said frequencies in other Amateur Service bands--where emergency nets already have been established--may be used during emergencies under the provisions of §97.101(c). That rule section stipulates that Amateur Service control operators give priority to stations providing emergency communications "at all times and on all frequencies."

In announcing its policy, the FCC noted that amateurs have occasionally requested an ECD before an event, such as a hurricane or tropical storm, has occurred. "However," the Commission's policy points out, "transmissions prior to a disaster are already authorized by §97.401(a) and not subject to an ECD." Under §97.401(a), amateur stations may make transmissions "necessary to meet essential communication needs and facilitate relief actions" when normal telecommunication systems are overloaded, damaged or disrupted because a disaster has occurred or is likely to occur in an area where the Amateur Service is regulated by the FCC.

The FCC also has tightened up the requirements to request an ECD. Requests may come from an emergency management official responsible for emergency operations in the affected area and acting in an official capacity or from an Amateur Radio operator at the request of an emergency management official responsible for emergency operations in the affected area and acting in an official capacity. Among other information, requests must include the nature of the disaster, a description of the compromised telecommunication systems, the geographic area affected and the estimated length of time that normal telecommunication systems will remain out of service.

The FCC policy, Emergency Communications Declarations in the Amateur Radio Service, is available on the ARRL Web site.

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 From ARRL Headquarters  
 Newington CT April 12, 2004  
 To all radio amateurs

## ARLB010 FCC to Stop Accepting Pre-December 2003 Form 605

Effective with Monday, May 3, receipts, the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau will dismiss any applications filed on an FCC Form 605 issued earlier than December 2003. Form 605, Quick-Form Application for Authorization in the Ship, Aircraft, Amateur, Restricted and Commercial Operator, and General Mobile Radio Service, is the hard-copy version of the Amateur Service application. The change does not affect applicants filing on-line with the Universal Licensing System (ULS) at, <http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/>, said the FCC, which is encouraging on-line filing

ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, says the Form 605 announcement will affect the way ARRL has been making FCC Form 605 available. He says the League's widely distributed March 2001 Form 605 in a three-sheet ivory/buff-colored package with perforated pages will become obsolete for applications the FCC receives on or after May 3.

In the wake of the FCC's unexpected announcement, the ARRL is developing a replacement package that could require several more pages. It hopes to have it ready in time for Hamvention May 14-16.

The FCC has been accepting both older and current Form 605 applications that included a line (Item 9a) for a Taxpayer Identification Number, a Social Security number for an individual. The FCC would then issue the applicant an FCC Registration Number (FRN) without additional paperwork. All amateur applicants must have and use an FRN when filing an application such as Form 605 with the FCC. Applicants attending VEC test sessions can still supply a Social Security number, which will result in automatic Commission Registration System (CORES) registration.

All amateur applicants must have and use an FRN when filing an application such as Form 605 with the FCC. Under the system going into effect in May, applicants not yet registered in CORES and filing on paper will need to file FCC Form 160, CORES Registration to obtain a FCC Registration Number (FRN). After the FCC has issued an FRN, applicants also might want to file FCC Form 606 to associate the FRN with an individual's license record(s) and call sign(s). CORES registration data and FCC license data are maintained in separate FCC databases.

The completed Form 160 goes to a unique Washington, DC, FCC address to obtain the applicant's FRN. Once the FCC issues an FRN to the applicant, this number must be used when filing FCC Form 605, which

goes to the FCC's Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, office. The two forms may not be mailed to Gettysburg together. Applicants need to have obtained an FRN via Form 160 before they can file a Form 605.

ARRL recommends that all amateurs file an on-line or paper Form 606 to associate their FRN with their license record(s) and call sign(s) in the FCC license database. Jahnke says the easiest way is to do this electronically via the ULS, and the process now is fairly straight forward.

The current edition of Form 605, dated December 2003, is available on the FCC forms page, <http://wireless.fcc.gov/feesforms/index.html>.

For more information or assistance, contact the FCC Consumer Center, toll-free, 888-CALLFCC (888-225-5322) and select option 2, or via e-mail at, [fccmd@fcc.gov](mailto:fccmd@fcc.gov).

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## NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

### *Former Telegraphers to Gather at Steam Railroad Institute, Owosso, Michigan*

On **Saturday, October 16, 2004** telegraphers from throughout the United States and Canada will gather both in person as well as on-line via a nationwide telegraph circuit to formally dedicate the Steam Railroad Institutes newly constructed telegraph office and a national telegraph hub. The gathering will also recognize the contributions of the late John AceHolman through whose efforts much of the necessary historical equipment was preserved. This event will provide a rare glimpse into an earlier era as numerous telegraph operators will be on the wire exchanging telegrams and conversing in American Morse Code.

These proceedings will be retransmitted on 14,050 kHz (+/- 3 khz) between approximately 11-AM and 3-PM, EST (1600Z to 2000Z) by K8QMN, thereby providing radio amateurs throughout North America with a rare

opportunity to hear the American Morse Code being used by experienced telegraphers. This code, developed by Morse and Vail is the predecessor to the International Code currently utilized by radio amateurs. It was utilized exclusively by US and Canadian landlinetelegraph services until the 1980s.

The national telegraph hub, recently installed at the Institute, permits telegraph offices throughout North America to be linked together via the public switched telephone network, thereby replacing the former iron and copper telegraph cables that once extended into every town and village in the US and Canada. Utilizing this device, multiple telegraphers can communicate in round tablefashion in much the same manner as one might communicate in an Internet Chat room.

The hub system was designed and built by members of the Morse Telegraph Club, an association founded by former professional telegraphers to educate the public about the important role the telegraph industry played in the development of transportation, industry, commerce, government, and the media. Both former operators and the public are encouraged to attend this unique historical event.

For further information about the Morse Telegraph Club, please visit their web site at: [www.members.tripod.com/morse\\_telegraph\\_club](http://www.members.tripod.com/morse_telegraph_club). Further information on the Steam Railroad Institute may be found at: [www.mstrp.com](http://www.mstrp.com).

Those desiring a QSL card should send a standard business-size SASE to:

Morse Telegraph Club  
PO Box 457  
Allegan, MI. 49010

## WIN A NEW TEN-TEC

We Europeans are offering you a chance to win a BRAND NEW Ten-Tec Jupiter for FREE!

Yes, ALL of you have a chance in a lottery-like raffle to win a Jupiter. How does that work?

Easy: The Jupiter is being raffled off as the Grand Prize for this year's 50th anniversary running of the "Worked All Europe DX Contest". We're calling it the "WAEDC 2004 Super Bowl" You don't have to win the contest to win the Jupiter.

Indeed, the winner will be chosen in a lottery and to obtain a lottery ticket, all you have to do is achieve a minimum amount of points in the Worked All Europe DX Contest (which amounts to working about 100 European contacts in the 48 hour period - a piece of cake!). By the way, there are three WAE contests, (CW, SSB, and RTTY). It is possible to obtain one lot (ticket) per contest, or a maximum of 3 lots per person. The winner will be drawn subsequent to the running of the last contest.

Besides the Jupiter, there are tens of other prizes to be won. Please visit our web site for more details. For more info on how you might win the Jupiter or one of many other valuable prizes, please do the following:

- a.. go to [www.waedc.de](http://www.waedc.de)
- b.. click "English Language"
- c.. then click "Worked All Europe Super Bowl"
- d.. here you will find detailed information about our 50th Anniversary Super Bowl By the way, the Jupiter is being jointly sponsored by Ten-Tec (USA) and Appello GmbH (the German Ten-Tec distributor).

We wish all of you lots of fun this year in working us Europeans and hope you might win one of the many prizes.

We wish you all Gud Luk in the contest!

**Vy 73 de Rick, DJ0IP (NJ0IP)**

## LABOR DAY

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## OPERATING ACTIVITIES

### 2004 Jamboree on the Air

The JOTA , a 47 year tradition will be held on Saturday October 16 at 0001 and ends on Sunday October 17 at 2359 local time. Frequencies suggested are:

BAND	PHONE	CW
80 meters	3.740&3.940	3.590
40	7.270	7.030
20	14.290	14.070*
17	18.140	18.080
15	21.360	21.140
12	24.960	24.910
10	28.390	28.190

Go to [www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/#scout](http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/#scout) for more information.

\* 14170 is generally in use for PSK 31. You might consider operating a little lower.

### 2004 Simulated Emergency Test

The ARRL's SET will be held on October 2 and 3rd. It is a nationwide exercise to test your Emergency Operating Skills. Organizations such as Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), National Traffic System (NTS), Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES), and others will be called upon to act out their expertises. For more information log onto the ARRL Section's Web Page at [www.arrl.org/sections](http://www.arrl.org/sections)

For information on Special Events, Contests, and other operating events, please consult ARRL magazine, web site at: [www.arrl.org/operating](http://www.arrl.org/operating). There is just not enough room to list them all here.

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Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW

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**7Q, MALAWI.** Allen, G0IAS, reports to OPDX that, "The dulcet tones of **7Q7HB**, Harry, will once again be coming from Club Makokola, on the South West shores of Lake Malawi as from about the **12th August...** length of stay not known at this time... but at least **6 weeks.**" QSL ONLY DIRECT to G0IAS (NO BUREAU cards accepted). Return stamp/postage is needed (DO NOT bother about envelopes.... G0IAS will supply). Allan also informed OPDX that he is hoping to go down to Malawi before the year's end and be active as 7Q7RM.

**DXCC NEWS.** Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL DXCC Manager, informs OPDX of the following Somalia 6O/T5 operations: "Effective immediately, the ARRL DXCC Branch will accept QSLs for operation taking place in the **Somaliland** (northwestern Somalia) and **Puntland** (northeastern Somalia) autonomous areas as well as the southern and central areas of Somalia. Operations possessing written permission from any recognized authority that is acknowledged to be in control of a particular region will be accredited. These QSLs will count for the **Somali Democratic Republic** (Somalia). QSLs for past operations will be accepted where proper documentation has been submitted. This is subject to change based on future developments in Somalia."

**FK, NEW CALEDONIA.** Eleven operators/members from the Mitsubishi Electric Tokyo ARC (JM1YGG) will be active as **FK/JM1YGG** and **FK/homecall** between **September 16-19th**. Operators mentioned are: JA1BAB, JA1IWP, JA1RNO, JA1RTG, JR1KHM, JI1EOP, JJ1EWN, JK1EBA, JA3RAF, JR3OET, and JF3IPR. They plan to operate on 80-10 meters CW, SSB and FM. They are not sure about the digital mode at this time. QSL via JM1YGG, direct or by the bureau. The JM1YGG, Mitsubishi Electric Tokyo Amateur Radio Club's, address is: 2-1-1 Marunouchi, Tokyo, 100-8310 JAPAN.

## IN MEMORIAM

### Mr. Elvis V. Berger, June 21, 1912 - June 29, 2004

Mr. Elvis Berger, father of Club member Byron Berger, KF8UN passed away on June 29, 2004 at Hickory Point Nursing Home in Oskaloosa, Kansas. Mr. Berger served in the US Army during WWII and attained the rank of Sergeant. He received a Good Conduct medal and a American Defense Service ribbon.

Mr. Berger taught math and coached football & basketball at several schools in Kansas, including Central Junior High in Lawrence.

Survivors include his two sons, Byron (Ohio) Eric (Florida), two daughters, Alicia Phillips, of Independence Mo., and Beverly; one brother, and three sisters.

Internment with full military honors were on July 2, 2004 at the Oak Hill Cemetery, Lawrence, Kansas.

Memorials are suggested to be made to the VFW Post NO. 852. Our condolences goes to Byron and his Family.

## CLOSURE

After Life Member Paul Keller's (K8EJN) passing, the executor of his estate called to ask about his equipment and what to do with it.

Glenn Keller, a distant relative, was told that Paul's keyer, microphone, antenna tuner and power supply were OK, but that the Paragon transceiver, which was a very early model, had serious problems and needed repair. I had been one that did repairs to Paul's gear over many years, and had also worked on his Paragon a few years ago and had planned to work on it again, but Paul passed on prior to the work.

Glenn wanted to know what to expect from any sale and was given "hamfest" prices based on good working equipment. He asked about donating it to the Radio club and was told that Paul was a Life Member since 1957.

Nothing more was heard, but upon visiting Ebay a few days ago, there it was..... offered as a complete lot by someone in Louisville, and listed as being in perfect working order. The seller was Emailed and informed that the transceiver was not in good working order and needed repair.

The seller was the Activities Director at Hospitality House, the nursing home where Paul lived. To her credit, she immediately corrected the listing to reflect the true status of the transceiver during the last 24 hours of the auction.

The entire assembly sold for \$561, probably a little over it's value considering the repair costs if sent to TenTec, but at least the buyer knew what they were getting. For a good working transceiver, the total cost might have been upwards of \$850 or more.

The proceeds go to the Activity Department Fund at Hospitality

House (owned by Steve, W8SEC, a club member) and we think that this was a good and proper decision by the executor. May the remaining residents benefit in some small way from their former neighbor.

The Paul Keller, K8EJN story, and a chapter in MARC history, is now closed.....

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## VE EXAM - AUGUST SESSION

On August 28 the Canton & Massillon Amateur Radio Clubs held the session this time at the Massillon Senior Center. We had only four examinee's show up to take the exam. I am glad to report that all 4 were successful in their endeavor. Two participants passed the code requirement of 5 Words Per Minute, giving one a new General Class ticket and the other fellow a Tech Plus ticket. The other two fellows passed the written exam and left with a new Technician Class license. That of course gives us a 100% passing rate !

The next exam session will be held at the Emergency Operations Center in Canton on November 27th 2004. This will be our last session for the year.

## SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

As you will notice on the next page there is a new calendar in this edition of Feedback thanks to Igor K8INN. Igor has initiated some new ideas into the calendar and I am sure you will like the changes. If you have some changes you would like to see, please let Igor know at the meeting.

I would like to thank Rich Ross, KA8ZQH for his contribution in the past in making the calendar each month. I know it takes a lot of work to keep up on the "ever changing" world of Amateur Radio!

Field Day Revisited: Raising the antennas on the MARC ECOM Trailer





# September 2004

## W8NP Monthly Planner

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