



Anoka County Radio Club and Emergency Services

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Newsletter

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President's Corner

Howdy all!

In the lane the Snow, Rain, Sleet and all are falling - what a way to start the fall season! Only in Minnesota – Eh? With that prime understatement being true, here's just a quick note to say how proud I am of everything that all our members have accomplished this year!

You all have made it an interesting and fun year. I can honestly say I am proud to be a member of this group and would be proud to say you all are my friends and associates. I know that I do not always come across with a lot of tact and dignity but you must also realize that I was brought up to tell it like it is - so if I may have said something that doesn't sit right, or if I'm giving someone a hard time, please remember that I usually only do that with people I really care about and or consider to be my friends.

Here is an "Atta-person" and "Great Job" to all our members - we wouldn't be the club we are without all of you!

There are a few other things that I'd like to mention. First, the SantaNet. We have been invited to run the SantaNet again this year. It will be the 19th year that we have been involved! We need your help if you can work on Christmas Eve for a few hours. Please let Shawn Rung or myself know by e-Mail ASAP! Second, we are asking for RSVP's to the Christmas party. Please get a hold of Shawn Rung to let him know you are going to attend. Third, Hams Against Hunger. We, as always, will be accepting food donations them anytime of the year - just give myself or any of the board members a call, or bring your donations to any meeting. Fourth, club elections are coming up soon, so think about who you might like to see in a board position. Remember - everyone who is a member does have a say in what happens! Your thoughts and ideas are always welcomed, respected and considered.

See you all at the meetings and may God help you with those hard to reach contacts.

Bob KB0GIP

SantaNet

Attention Members! We are in need of at least 10 more hams for this event to be held. **We need people to commit to helping at this event before the November General meeting on November 6th.**

The SantaNet is a radio net that the ACRC hosts on Thursday, December 24th, Christmas Eve, starting at 3:00 p.m. for the children that are in the local hospitals (Mercy and Unity). We use our repeater with a "link" to the north pole to allow the children to talk with Santa. After all the children in the hospitals get a chance to contact Santa, the net will be opened to anyone on the repeater.

We are in need of at least 4 hams for each hospital and net control. Please consider helping us put a smile on the faces of these children. You can email Shawn Rung at k0smr@arrl.net or Bob Cordell at kb0gip@juno.net. Thank you!

ACRC Excellence Award - Nominations Needed



Who, in your opinion, is the most active member in our club? Who, do you feel, goes above and beyond being a member? Here's your chance to have them recognized! The ACRC will be giving out an Excellence Award to the member that the club determines has been the one to show extraordinary effort to the club. Please respond to the email for nominations or send in the ballot included in this newsletter by November 15th to have your vote counted. We will tally the votes and the winner will be presented a certificate and a gift at the Christmas Party!

Hams for Hunger

We are accepting food donations to benefit the local food shelves. You can bring any non-perishable food items to our meetings and events, or give them to any board member. Thank you for helping out the less fortunate in our community - your donations are sincerely appreciated!



ACRC Christmas Party



The Anoka County Radio Club will host our annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 5th, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. The doors will open 5:30 p.m. for social hour and dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. All members and family are invited to join us for a night of fun and food as we review the past year and look forward to 2010.

There will be tiered-pricing again this year. The price will be: \$25.00 for individuals, \$45 for couples and \$60 per family.

Payments will be accepted by any board member or at the door. We will be collecting food donations for Hams Against Hunger at this event, as well as the White Elephant gift exchange! There will be door prizes and desserts too!

Please RSVP to Shawn Rung K0SMR by November 15th at k0smr@arrl.net so we have time to get everything ready!

If you have any questions or would like to help out with the event, please contact Shawn Rung K0SMR at k0smr@arrl.net. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Raffle at the General Meetings

We start having a donated-prize raffle at the General Meetings. For one dollar per ticket, you may purchase a ticket for the chance to win a donated item. Most of the items will be a grab-bag style item - the identity of the items will not be known until the winner opens them (the value of the item will be worth more than a dollar).



Nominations for the Upcoming Club Election



Please think about which club members you would like to nominate for the following positions: President, Vice President, Secretary and Board Member at Large. These positions are up for vote in the upcoming election at our February General Meeting on February 5, 2010. Nominations will be accepted from the January Board Meeting (January 8, 2010) until the time of the election. The more nominees we have, the more interesting the election!

Morse Code to Phonetic Puzzle

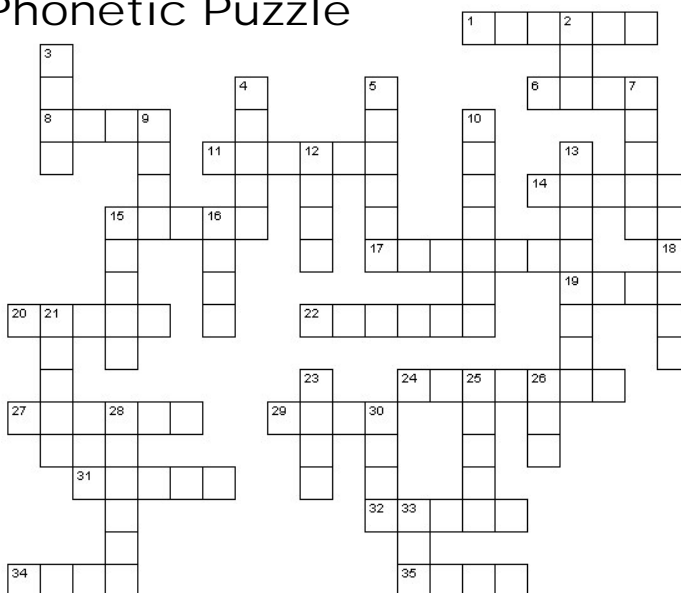
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ACRC Board Members

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Our Repeaters

Anoka County Radio Club sponsored repeaters:

146.670 / 146.070 with a 114.8 PL Tone
224.940 / 223.340 with a 100.0 PL Tone

For more details on our club's repeaters, visit our website at: <http://www.anokaradio.org/repeaters>.

Our Homepage

You can check out our homepage on the web at:
<http://www.anokaradio.org>.

Becoming A Member

Ready to join the Anoka County Radio Club? Becoming a member is easy! Just download a membership form from our website at: <http://www.anokaradio.org/membership>, fill it out and either mail it to us or bring it to any of the club meetings. Forms are also available at those meetings. Some of the common membership options are:

Membership	Annual Cost
Individual	\$25
Senior	\$15
Family	\$35
New Ham	Free for one year *

* See more membership details on our website.

Send the form and payment to:

Anoka County Radio Club and Emergency Services
PO Box 982
Anoka MN 55303

Calendar Of Events

November 2009

ACRC Net
Every Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. on the 146.670 Repeater (114.8 PL Tone).

General Meeting
Friday, November 6th at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex.

Anoka County ARES Net
The second and fourth Wednesday of each month after the ACRC Net (about 7:30 p.m.) on the 146.670 Repeater (114.8 PL Tone). See the Anoka-ARES website for more details.

VE Testing
Saturday, November 14th at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

Anoka County ARES Meeting
Monday, November 16th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. More info is on the website – www.anoka-ares.org.

ACRC Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are welcome to attend.

December 2009

ACRC Christmas Party
Saturday, December 5th starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. *Please RSVP by November 15.*

VE Testing
Saturday, December 12th at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

Anoka County ARES Meeting
Monday, December 21st from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Location and more info is on the website – www.anoka-ares.org.

ACRC Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Happy Thanksgiving,
Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year!



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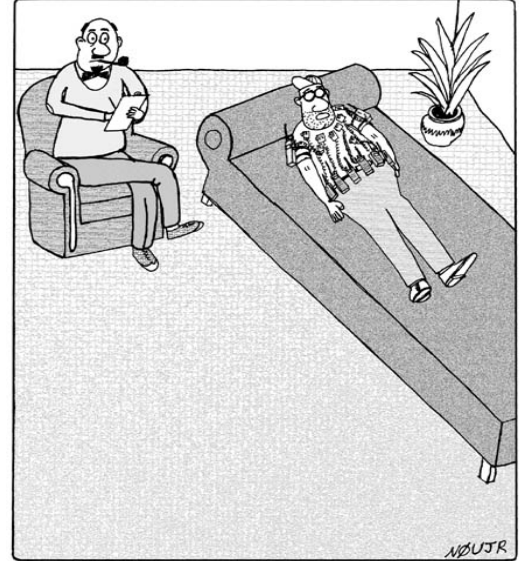
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