

WA4IWL NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



President's Message

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Our family had a wonderful Christmas and hope yours did too. I again want to thank Martin, N4FA, for arranging the nice banquet EARS had for our December meeting. I also want to thank my fellow EARS officers for another year well done. For those of you who were unable to make it to the banquet, Nicole and I shared our news that we are expecting the delivery of a little bundle of joy around July 4. We are very excited. I hope to see many of you in the New Year at our January meeting. Please remember to update your information for the EARS directory and send in your dues for 2010.

73,
Matthew Henry, KE4VEM

SECRETARY'S REPORT



The EARS December meeting was in the form of a Christmas party, which was held at the Rotonda Golf and Country Club Restaurant on December 13, 2009. The party started at 6:00 pm for a social hour, and dinner was served at 7:00 pm.

The menu consisted of the following, and the cost was \$22.00 per each.

Appetizers: Cocoanut Shrimp
 Cheese and Crackers
 Stuffed Mushrooms

Entrée: Choice of: Prime Rib
 Chicken Piccata
 Stuffed Grouper

Dessert: Cheesecake
 Tea and Coffee

The service and food were excellent, especially the cheesecake, and enjoyed by all. It was a very nice party. A special thanks to Marty, N4FA for his work making all the arrangements for the party, and to Vic, K4VHX for handling the reservations. There were 24 in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

One item of business was conducted at the party; the nomination of officers for 2010. The following members were nominated:

President	Matthew Henry – KE4VEM
Vice President	Tom Hawes – WA3PRC
Treasurer	Mike Daly – K4MWD

Secretary Gene Reilly-KI4FJJ
 Trustees Vic Emmelkamp-K4VHX
 Marty Horowitz-N4FA,
 Ken Anderson-W4JQT
 Don Spencer-WA4IWL (Emeritus)

Election of officers will be held at the January 2010 meeting.

Ken Anderson-W4JQT
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT



Checking, Savings, and Money Market Accounts				
Account Name	Account Number	Filed Balance**	Available Balance**	Action
Bank of America	****	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	Link to...
		Total:	\$2,400.00	

Certificate of Deposit Accounts					
Account Name	Account Number	Rate	Expiration Date	Balance	Action
Bank of America	****	0.00%	1/1/2010	\$2,782.78	Link to...
				Total:	\$2,782.78

Editors Note: Each month I will try to have an operator profile for you and thanks to those of you who have already submitted your profiles. I have about a half a dozen in my file so far. Keep sending them in.

EARS OPERATOR PROFILE

A chance to get to know your fellow EARS members better.



OPERATOR PROFILE

Name Dennis Babcock

Call Sign K4NF

Previous Call Sign(s) WB9QPK, NT9K

What year and state/country did you obtain your Amateur Radio license?

1974, Indiana

Equipment - current/previous/favorite

Current: Icom 2m; Previous: Many, 160-2M CW, SSB, FM;

Favorite: Icom IC756, Henry 5K, Convert SB200 to 6M, 6ele 6M Quad

Where did your interest in Amateur Radio come from (job, family, friend)

Electronics in High School

Are any other family members radio operators

Two brothers, Father who is deceased and wife Linda who is deceased

Did you ever use Amateur Radio in any job that you held

Operated a part time business in Amateur Radio sales & service

What band/rig/country was your very first radio contact

10 meter, Kenwood TS520

Most interesting/favorite radio contact

Regular contact with missionary in New Zealand

My dad him living summers 75 miles away and winters 1,000 miles in FL.

Do you operate CW, Voice, Packet, etc

Voice only now. Sold equipment and antenna farm to sell house

Do you enjoy local radio contacts, DX, emergency communications, etc

Local for friends & DX to meet others far away and see how they live

Any/Other information you would like to share

Hope to do more Amateur Radio after moving :-)

Local Happenings:

VE Exam Sessions: The exams are given at 10:00 A.M. the 2nd Saturday of each month in the conference room of the Venice public library, 300 South Nokomis Avenue, Venice, FL. The exam cost is \$15.00. Contact Jack Sproat-W4JS, w4js@juno.com, 475-1929.

RACES: Communications Training Nets are held on the last Wednesday and Thursday of each month. The Wednesday night Emergency Communications Information Net begins at 8 p.m. on 146.745. On Thursday the West County Englewood EOC will conduct their Tactical Net beginning at 9:30 a.m. on 146.865. On Thursday morning at 10 a.m. the Charlotte County EOC will call a tactical net for all RACES members on 146.745.

QCWA Chapter 53 Meeting: 11:30 A.M., 1st Wednesday of each month at Denny's on Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota, October through May, and the Panda Pavilion in Venice June through September.

Snowbird Net: Net is twice daily; first on 14.293 MHz at 10:00AM and on 7.233+- MHz at 7:00 P.M.

Connecticut Connection Net: Net is twice daily at 8:00 A.M. on 14.343+- MHz and at 6:40 P.M. on 7.184+- MHz.

Two Meter Nets

EARS	146.550	- Wednesday	7:30pm
NPARC	147.120	Tuesday	8:00 p.m.
CARS	146.745	- Daily	8:30 a.m.
TARC	146.580	- Tuesday	7:30 p.m.
TARC	146.805	- Thursday	7:30 p.m.
PRRA	146.255	- Sunday	8:00 p.m.
NICE	146.430	- Daily	8:30 p.m.

Weekly Area Amateur Breakfasts:

- Tuesday, 7 A.M. at Denny's in Englewood
- Tuesday, 8 A.M. at Good Times in Englewood
- Tuesday, 7:45 A.M. at Peach's in Venice
- Friday, 7:45 A.M. at Peach's in Venice

Christmas Party Pictures.



LOCAL AREA HAMFEST- JANUARY

FT. MYERS January 16th

TAMPA January 23rd

ARCADIA January 30th

You can go to the ARRL web site below for details regarding these hamfest.

<http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html#listing>



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