



# THE REPEATER



Warrensburg Area Amateur Radio Club, Inc

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## **The Christmas Party/Banquet was a success, thanks to everyone who participated.**

Donations included...time...but were not limited to, setting up chairs, tables, decorations, creating DVD's, and decorating boxes for the Angel Tree gifts and Food Pantry. Others donated time just by being there to enjoy the camaraderie of their fellow hams. Everyone who was there participated in a once in a lifetime experience. A special thank you goes to Gloria, KCØTPB and Sheri, KDØCAT for all of their assistance in pulling the banquet together. Also, thanks goes to Katie, WØKTE and Denise, NØPVZ for their help with the tickets and DVD presentation.

**T**hank you to all who brought food for the Food Pantry, Angel Tree gifts and money to purchase Angel Tree gifts. We collected \$34.00 for the Angel Tree and about a dozen children's gifts and a good-sized box of food. We will be collecting non-perishable food all year long for the Food Pantry so if you were not able to donate before the holidays you can still bring food to the meetings or any club activity. The Food Pantry has had a hard time keeping food on the shelves this year and I'm anticipating more of the same next year. The commercial on TV says, "Milk...it does a body good", but I say, "**Compassion does a body good!**" ...Body and Soul.

I believe that everyone had a wonderful time together and enjoyed the catered meal. The Johnson County Sheltered Work Shop Café did an absolutely fabulous job with the delicious meal. Even the presentation of the meal was beautiful. We had a wide variety of foods to choose from and the women were able to relax and enjoy being waited on and not having to cook or clean up. Two thumbs up for getting to have a night off!! 🍻🍻

We had our certificate of appreciations and our funny awards that we gave out as well as our "Dirty Santa" gift exchange. We sold tickets for the door prizes and the winners were: \$50 Walmart Gift Card - Gary, WAØBTM; \$50 Associated Radio Gift Certificate - Gail, N2ART; and \$150 Associated Radio Gift Certificate - Sheri, KDØCAT.

The club decided at this past meeting to go ahead and book the Work Shop Café again for next year's catered Christmas Banquet, which I have managed to book already for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of December 2009. Next year's banquet will be held at the Work Shop Café located at 607 N. Ridgeview Dr. on the east side of Warrensburg, next to Enersys. There is no extra cost in rental of their facility so the Club would actually save money and the facility is nice and cozy. They will provide round tables for us to sit at which will be a nice, personal touch.

***For everyone who was not able to attend this year's banquet, I'm hoping to see you at next year's...and for all who attended this year; I'm expecting to see you at next year's. ☺***

73's to all!

Gail Haye,  
N2ART

## WAARCI 2009 Officers

President KCØYEH Steve Sisco  
V.Pres. NO2CW MonteMontemarano  
Secretary KDØCAT Sheri Sisco  
Treasurer WØKTE Katie Pautz

### Monthly Meetings

WAARCI meetings are held the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 am. Current meeting place is the American Red Cross Building, 208 Emerson in Warrensburg.

### Membership Information

Membership dues - \$12.00 per year  
Family membership dues - \$18.00  
New Member dues are prorated for a partial year.  
Life Membership - \$250.00  
Family Life Membership - \$375.00  
Family membership includes all family members living in same household.

### Activities

**Repeaters 146.88 & 443.200 - Subaudible tone of 107.2 on both 2 meter net called each Sunday evening at 8:30 PM. Net control is traded among members. Net to be activated for weather watch.**

**Webb Page: [www.WAARCI.org](http://www.WAARCI.org)  
Now under re-construction.**

**Others: Field Day - Test Sessions - Hamfest - Fox Hunts - Park Clean-up/Picnic - Cemetery mowing and cleanup - Mowing at Tower site - Tables and Laminating at Hamfests. etc.**

## 2008 Officers Thanks for your Work and Dedication

President WBØTOM Tom Ilgenfritz  
Vice President KBØVZP Rick Ebbesen  
Secretary KCØLCX Tyler Graham  
Treasurer NØRP Ray Pautz

### Membership Year End 2008

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### New Calls Heard on Repeater

None reported

If you hear a new or different call on the repeater, take a moment to say hello and welcome them to the area. Note their call and pass it on to one of the board members and Katie, WØKTE. We'd like to acknowledge them in the next newsletter.

### ARRL VEC Information

Regular test sessions for the WARRCI are scheduled on the 2nd Saturday of the months of March, July, and November. Larry, W9XE, is the test session coordinator. He can be contacted on the repeater or by telephone 660 429-1816 or e-mail [larry@project777.net](mailto:larry@project777.net).

The fee for 2009 is \$14.00. Another test fee must be charged for each element that is retaken.

Advance registration is appreciated

### WALK-INS ARE WELCOME

Please arrive 30 minutes early for registration

## ARRL

Our club is an Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL) Special Service Club. To retain this affiliation, 51 percent of our members must have ARRL membership. ARRL membership currently is:

	One Year
Regular	\$39
65 & Over	34

Amateurs 21 years of age and under may qualify for special rates. Life Membership is also available. The secretary or treasurer should have applications and additional information.

ARRL Membership includes a subscription to QST, access to endless publications, etc.. The club retains \$15.00 for new ARRL memberships, (members who have not had ARRL membership in the past two years.)

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**THE REPEATER** is dedicated to serving the needs of the members of the WAARCI. Our staff welcomes input, opinion and information about activities related to the Club or Club members. **The paper is normally published prior to the club meeting of every other month.** Publication months are Feb. Apr. Jun. Aug. Oct. Dec. **Articles will be published on a space available basis. Submission does not guarantee publication. Opinions expressed in articles and letters are those of the author and may or may not reflect those of the WAARCI board and membership. The WAARCI board reserves the right to edit all copy.**

Issues will be distributed at club meetings and via e-mail. Hard copies will be mailed to those without an e-mail address or if requested. For more information feel free to contact any of the board members. Items can be mailed to the club post office box or contact Katie WØKTE. Via email address [rpautz@charter.net](mailto:rpautz@charter.net); telephone 660 747-5002; address 13 SE 125 Road, Warrensburg, MO 64093

# Hospital Exercise

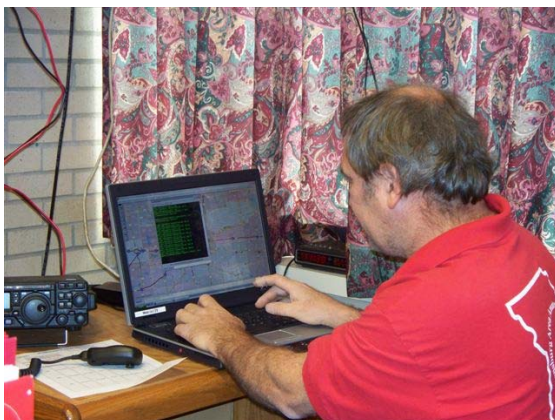
Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> amateur radio operators throughout district A manned their stations at local hospitals in Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas to test the equipment that was installed in all the hospitals last year as part of a homeland security grant to better prepare us for emergencies. This exercise tested the capabilities of the HF, VHF, UHF and digital modes. Using repeaters as well as simplex operations to determine who we can talk to direct should there be a problem with the local repeaters.

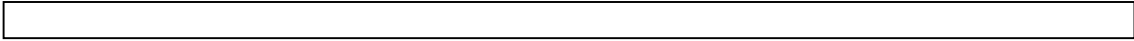
We had a few problems at the Western Missouri Medical Center some have been corrected and others will be corrected in the next few months. There were a lot of ideas presented in the after action meeting that was held December 13<sup>th</sup> to find out what worked and what didn't. Many of you may have heard a packet burst on the local repeater during and after the exercise. This was caused by a feature in the Yeasu FT-8800 radio that many were unfamiliar with. It is not like a Kenwood dual band that will allow you to operate packet on one side of the radio using the 6 pin din connector on the back of the radio and to use the other side for voice. I was being very careful to ensure that I would not cause the packet to be transmitted on the repeater by ensuring that the main band was on the voice side just like other radios I have used, but it turned out I was causing the interference by mistake. This radio can not be used for data and voice at the same time, one side can be used for data and the other side ends up being a high priced scanner. The packet is set by the program to transmit on the main band.

This is the purpose of these exercises so that we can become familiar with our equipment and procedures so we can operate more efficiently during a disaster. Due to several hospitals not having all of the equipment or antennas installed this exercise will be done again early next year. A training class is being scheduled for January 2009 for new operators at the hospital, if you are interested in helping in the class or the next exercise contact me at [kb0vzp@embarqmail.com](mailto:kb0vzp@embarqmail.com) or (660) 747-6869.



Radios and other equipment is stored in White cabinet in picture below.







## The Paul Revere Net Celebrating 34 Years -- January 25, 2009

WBØEJJ, Beryl Masters started this net at 00:00 Hrs. Sunday Morning, January 25, 1975.

**Sunday Morning, January 25, 2009** from 00:00 to 01:00 or later, the Paul Revere Net will Celebrate 34 Years!

The net was founded by WBØEJJ, Beryl; WØZXH, Manny; and NØGXO, Frank; on January 25, 1975. They were active on the 149.940/340 repeater and were having trouble sleeping at night. They started the net as a Rag Chew Net to discuss whatever they wanted to talk about. We know that some of the new amateurs may not remember any of this trio. All three were very active amateurs in the Kansas City area and some of us that have been licensed for some time remember them well.

**WBØEJJ Beryl Called the Net for About 26 Years on the 146.940 Rptr.**  
And is Rumored to be the longest running two meter net in the US.

**Beryl H. Masters WBØEJJ - 85 - April 5th 1919 - October 3rd 2004 - SK**

**If you would like to read More about Beryl, Click This Link to: QCWA Website**

This site also includes a picture. Beryl was blind, yet could direct people most any place in Kansas City. He also was a machinist -- A truly remarkable person. Many who have worked the MS150 for a few years will remember him as a Rest Stop operator.

WBØEJJ Retired From Net Control and turned over the net control duties to Dennis, NØUYN. NØUYN Called the Net for about 5 Years. When the Mid America F M Association Disbanded and Bob, WØAT Sold the 146.940 Rptr., NØUYN Moved the Net to the 146.970 Rptr. On Saturday December 16th 2006, NØUYN Announced He Would Retire from Net Control and turned over the net control to, WOØG Gene on April 21st. 2007 WOØG Moved the Net to the 147.270 Rptr.

We have been having a lot of hams checking into the Paul Revere Net about 15 to 27 every morning.

The Paul Revere Net runs from Saturday 12 Midnight (2400/0000) to 0100 Sunday Morning, on the WAØSMG 147.270 (-) Kansas City Repeater (no tone needed.)

Also there is Beryl's Breakfast every Saturday, 0700, Hy-Vee, 76th and State Line. This is an open affair -- any and all hams are welcome to engage in scintillating conversation.

Paul Revere Net - Website at <<http://www.wy0g.net>>.

Come join us; become part of the Paul Revere Net family.

73, Gene, WYØG  
Some notes added by K. Pautz

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SATURDAY JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>  
TO JOIN THE GROUP AT MIDNIGHT.

## WAARCI Sunday Evening Net Statistics for Total Year of 2008

There were 1,203 check-ins during the year of 2008 for Warrensburg Area Amateur Radio Club, Inc Sunday evening ARRL/ARES net. This averaged 28.2 check-ins per session. This was somewhat higher than the average in 2007. There were 122 different stations that checked in during the year. **One station KBØVZP, Rick was able to check-in each session.** Here are the top 10 stations with the most check-ins:

KBØVZP	Rick	52
WØKTE	Katie	50
KDØCAT	Sheri	48
KCØLCX	Tyler	47
WEØG	Keith	39
N2ART	Gail	38
KCØFDF	Dick	38
KØVET	John	37
WBØLND	Linda	36
WBØTOM	Tom	36

Several other stations were not with us for the complete year. Some, such as ACØKY, KCØYEH, KDØCRQ, KDØCYR, and NØRP had a very good record for the time they were with us.

Thanks everyone

There were 9 different net control operators during the year. Three of these operators were new or new to our net. We appreciate their help and encourage more to participate. We all need to be acquainted with the procedure in case of an emergency.

KDØCAT	Sheri	9
KCØLCX	Tyler	9
WEØG	Keith	8
KBØVZP	Rick	7
WØKTE	Katie	6

## Birthdays 2009

### January

3	WBØONM	Bill Harmon
10	NØUMP	Bill Schrock
14		Jesse Skaar
19	AAØXC	Colenan Wright

### February

4	KØUG	Bill Gardner
7	WØADQ	Britt Faaborg
15		Janis Rahala
28	KØVET	John Howard

Sorry I missed publishing birthdays the last part of 2008. Katie

We hope your Christmas was Joyous and Safe

May the Coming Year Bring You

New Joys  
New Blessings  
New Beginnings

**Dues Reminder:** WAARCI operates on an annual basis. **Your 2009 dues are payable NOW.** \$12.00 single membership or \$18.00 family membership. We are starting the year with 19 members which included the Life Members and others that have pre-paid their dues. **Bring yours to the meeting on January 10<sup>th</sup> or mail them to WAARCI; P.O. Box 1364; Warrensburg, MO 64093**

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Jan 4	Board Meeting
Jan 10	January Club Meeting
Feb 14	February Club Meeting
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