

Smoke Signals

Newsletter of Fullerton Radio Club

December 2014

President's Message

Well, this is it. My last President's Message before I hand the baton off to Albert on Friday at the Annual Christmas Dinner. I hope to see you all there for the dinner, raffle and installation of new officers. It has been an honor to serve as the President of the Fullerton Radio Club these past two years.

Moving right along, Gene tells us that the Fullerton Tennis Tournament will be held over the January 31/February 1 weekend this year. As most of you know the first Saturday of the tournament is the heavy day as far as radio operators go so please mark that day on your calendars and get your gear ready.

Rich has a speaker ready to go for January and this is his Swan Song. Rich will be stepping down as VP after three very successful years in the hot seat. I want to thank him for his contributions to our club and for volunteering to continue as a Member at Large on the FRC Board.

There will be a change in the way we line up our speakers in the future. The membership will be asked to take a month and then line up the speaker for that month. Henceforth the VP will administer the speakers list but the member for the month is responsible for getting the speakers bio to Paul and following up to make sure the speaker is going to show up at the predinner (optional) and at the FRC Meeting. The member is welcome to be the speaker for the month that he/she has signed up for. The member is also responsible to arrange for any change in the schedule that may be necessary and communicate that to the VP. It is our hope that this change will broaden the scope of our speakers topics and also to take a little of the heat out of the VP's area of responsibility. We will be sending a sign-up sheet around at the dinner so please step up and let's get our new year off on the right note.

See you at the dinner,

73, Bill KZ3G

Holiday Dinner Meeting

REMEMBER; Friday (December 12) is our annual holiday dinner meeting, with officer installation and raffle. As an incentive to attend, you may be interested to know that the raffle grand prize will be a Wouxun 2M/440 Dual Band Radio w/USB Programming Cable. There will be lots of other goodies including a 2M Alinco radio, and items for the non-ham. Where? Marie Callender's Restaurant; Yorba Linda Boulevard at Kraemer. If you don't have reservations for dinner you can still come for the raffle.

Public Service:

It's that Time of the Year Again, Public Service Event Time. Fullerton Jr. Tennis Tournament is on Jan. 31, to Feb. 1, 2015. We are looking for Amateur Radio Operators to [help with this event. If you can help out, please sent me an E-mail w/Your Name, E-mail address, Phone #, and Days you can work to: KB6CMO@ARR.net. Thank You, Gene Thorpe

Next Board Meeting:

FRC Board Meeting

Open to all Club members

Marie Callender's Restaurant 126 Yorba Linda Blvd., Placentia First Wednesday of each month.

> Next Board Meeting January 7, 2015

QSO and dinner; 7:00 PM

Meeting: 7:30 PM

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Show -and-Tell

Bring something of interest to the meeting to show and share your story. Something old, new, or just of interest to hams.

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December 5, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

The December 2014 Board meeting was called to order at 7:38 PM by President Bill Preston KZ3G. Other members present were: Vice President, Richard Belansky KG6UDD, Treasurer, Gene Thorpe KB6CMO, Secretary Linda Endsley KJ6IHB, Directors Paul Broden K6MHD, Larry McDavid W6FUB and Mike LeFevre WD6AQH.

Minutes from the November Board meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Checking Account, \$2,758.85. Savings Account, \$3,073.39.

Membership renewals are being received.

Old Business:

Christmas dinner will be the 2nd Friday in December – 12/12. There will be raffle prizes.

Bob Reitzel will be recognized at the dinner for Repeater Trustee and Life Member.

New Business:

\$56.00 for the club PO Box for 2015 to be paid.

Thanks to Richard Belansky for his service on the Board.

The tennis tournament will be January 30 and February 1.

Speaker at the January general meeting will be Walter Clark. The topic will be on XBee Programming, Wiring and Use.

The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, January 7.

The meeting was closed at 8:25 PM

Submitted by Linda Endsley, KJ6IHB