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General Meeting on the 11th

December and time once again for Elections!

Christmas, Hanukkah and the First day of Winter too...



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- Sunday Morning Net Schedules**
- **2 Meter/ 70cm Net**..... at 0930L on W3QV repeater
 - **10-on-10 Net** at 1000L 28.393 MHz USB (±QRM)
 - **75 meter Net** at 1020L 3.993 MHz LSB
 - **ARES** at 2100L on the W3QV repeater

All visitors are welcome!
 The club meets at 7:00 PM on the *second* non-holiday Wednesday each month except July and August at Giant Supermarket, 315 York Rd, Willow Grove, PA
 Maps and directions are available at www.phil-mont.org.

License Examinations are held on the fourth **non-holiday Thursday** each month at **Community Ambulance Association, 1414 E. Butler Pike, Ambler PA 19002**
 Registration begins at 7:00 P.M. Applicants should contact Jim McCloskey NS3K at 215-275-2979 or jmccloskey@msn.com for the latest information.

Club Stations W3QV/R: The Jim Spencer Memorial Repeater System
 Ridge & Port Royal Avenues, Philadelphia, PA **Trustee: W3RM**
 147.03 MHz + PL 91.5 Hz 444.80 MHz + PL 186.2 Hz C4FM Fusion digital
 Reach us on EchoLink through W3QV-R AllStar Node 41624
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W3EM: Field Day/special event station Trustee: N3QV

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The Prez Sez ...



Hello Phil-Mont

Happy Thanksgiving Phil-Mont. Hopefully everyone had a great Thanksgiving and were able to spend some time with your families.

Old timer's night was at our last meeting. A picture of all those who attended is down below. This year was the first year that we were without some of our most senior members Al W3STW and Same K3GBA both who are now SK's.

We were joined by 2 special guest at the meeting Janet and Marco the daughter and Grandson of Sam K3GBA. They were they to help us honor Sam with a Scholarship in his name.

It is also that time of the year again for **ELECTION of OFFICERS** and board members. Jim NS3K is the Chairman of the Nominating Committee. Elections will be held at our Annual meeting which is the December meeting. Nominations from the floor were closed at the November meeting so please come out and vote at the December meeting. The list of candidates can be found on the club website www.phil-mont.org along with a wealth of other club information.

Coming up in January will be our Annual Auction. This is always a fun event. Check your shack for boat anchors and other items you don't need and bring them to the auction. Let our actioner sell your wares and you will be helping Phil-Mont in the process. Just a reminder the auction **WILL NOT** be at the GIANT in Willow Grove. We will

continue to hold our auction at the Roxboro Memorial Hospital Wolcoff Auditorium 5800 Ridge Ave, Phila PA as we have done so for many many years. The Date is **TUESDAY** January 7, 2020.

The New Repeater is up and running and now with All Star and Echo Link and it sounds really good. A **BIG THANK YOU** to Doug WA3DSP for all of his hard work in making this happen along with the head of our Tech Committee Bill W3AOK.

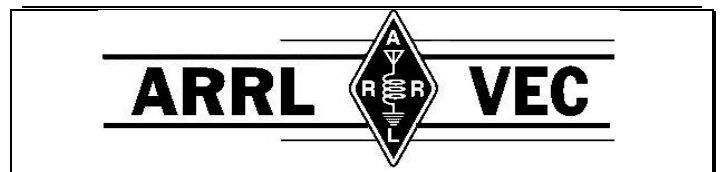
As you are reading this this will also be my last Prez Sez article that you will have to endure as a new president will be at the helm in the New Year. I would like to thank you all for allowing me the honor to be your President for the FIFTH time and I look forward to serving in the new administration.

If anyone has any suggestions for a speaker or would like to speak at one of our meetings please let any of the club officers or board members know. Your input is vital and we welcome all suggestions.

The Yahoo Group is now at Groups .IO. This is a good way to share ideas amongst the membership. Sal NC3U is the moderator the group. For more info and to join the group contact Sal. Thank you for your support.

See you all at the next meeting.

73, Greg WA3GM



There's a Saturday morning session on the 7th and the Thursday evening session is On the 26th this month.

As always, many thanks to our VE team!

Phil-Mont Birthdays & Tidbytes

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Eric Marano - N3QV
- 02 Patricia Katz - (XYL N3OWM)
Carolyn Errigo - (XYL WB3EQW)
- 08 Jules Stein - KB3AFH
- 09 Barbara Bennett - (XYL NJ3Z)
- 10 David Spangler - W3DSS
- 16 James Day - WA3QED
- 19 Larry Stevenson - K3HWE
- 20 Harvey Kolodner - WA3GTL
- 21 Rick Spencer - N3FD
- 24 Richard DeVirgiliis – ND3B
- 25 Jim McCloskey - NS3K
- 30 Adam Huffnagle - K3JCP

MEMBERSHIP STATS

- At press time P.M.R.C. has:
- 118 FULL PAID MEMBERS
 - 10 FAMILY MEMBERS
 - 2 YOUTH MEMBERS
 - 2 HONORARY MEMBER
 - 1 Pending

Pending New Member
 Stephen Getson KY8O
 Palmyra, NJ
 Extra

From The Secretary
Board Meeting 11/6/2019

In Attendance:
AJ3DI, WA3DSP, K3RON, WB3DZZ, KB2ERL,
NC3U, KBV3IV, W3AFV

Called to order by AJ3DI at 7:05 PM

Reading of the minutes from the September meeting
waived

Treasurer’s Report – WB3DZZ

Will provide separate totals for General Funds
 versus Scholarship Fund going forward
 Motion to approve treasurer’s Report made,
 seconded and approved

Repeater Report – WA3DSP
 Showed new Controller – EchoLink, AllStar and
 Repeater control
 Report of random static on the repeater Tuesday
 night. All agreed to monitor the repeater and report
 times static is heard
 Consensus that there is no need to re-equip or re-
 activate the remote inputs at this time
 Motion to buy the Henry Amp and all required
 accessories, not to exceed \$1,000, made, seconded
 and approved
 Discussion on need for backup repeater and amp
 tabled

New Business

Motion to donate \$100 to WRDV made, seconded
and approved

Moving Yahoo group to Groups.io – NC3U
 Sal has new group set up, and will do a mass import
 of all current Yahoo members
 K3RON suggested posting polls on subjects of
 interest to the club, and will provide the first one to
 Sal
 Sal and Jim, AJ3DI will be the group moderators

Old Timers Night

Janet and Marco invited to the meeting for
 presentation of scholarship in Sam’s name
 WA3DSP will do a presentation on his recent
 restoration of a radio
 Sal will donate a Drake 2B to the club to be the
 50/50 prize that night
 All scholarship winners will be announced

Auction Fest – KB3IV

Room tentatively scheduled for Jan 7th from 6 – 9
PM. Waiting on confirmation from the hospital

Fresenio Kidney Care

KB3IV was contacted for our assistance with their
disaster contingency plan. Will forward request to
Dick Stewart, ARES DEC

Meeting Adjourned at 8:14 PM

General Meeting 11/13/2019

Called to order by AJ3DI at 7:15 PM

Moment of Silence for members that went SK this year

Treasurer's Report – WB3DZZ

Everything good

Dues Invoices will go out soon

Pay dues by check or PayPal

KC3ECE – can we get a confirmation when we pay by PayPal?

New Members – KB3IV

KC3NVS James Walston

KY8O Stephen Getson

Guests – KB3IV

Janet Smith, daughter of Sam Smith K3GBA SK

Marco Smith, grandson of Sam Smith K3GBA SK

One more, whose name and call sign I did not catch

2020 Scholarships in honor of:

Jack Haring

Bryan Hoch

Al Tribble

Den Report

No DEN next week due to Limerick Drill

VE Report – NS3K

Thursday 11/21 at 7 PM

Saturday 12/7 at 9 AM

Nominations of Officers and Board Members for 2020 – NS3K

Nominations closed

Voting at December General Meeting

New Business

January Meeting is the AuctionFest – KB3IV

Roxboro Memorial Hospital on January 7th

Winter Field Day – NC3U

Will be held January 25th at the Lower Providence Gun Club

K3RON: Do we want to do any club sponsored contesting? Tabled until December meeting

Recognition of Veterans – WU3I

Recognition of long-time licensed club members – WU3I

Moving Yahoo group to Groups.io – NC3U

Doug, WA3DSP presentation

History of club

Radio Restoration

New Repeater equipment

Two presentations of member's old radios

50 / 50 Winners

W3WXC Cash

KC3FFX Drake D2 Radio

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 PM

***Chuck Farrell* W3AFV**

November at Phil-Mont

Don't forget the ARES net on Sunday nights and the Digital net on Tuesday nights.

- Sun 1 W3AFV
- Sat 7 Pearl Harbor Day
Morning VE session
- Sun 8 K3XS
- Wed 11 General Meeting & Elections
- Sun 15 KB3IV
- Sat 21 Winter Solstice
- Sun 22 WU3I
Hanukkah
- Wed 26 Christmas
- Thur 26 Evening VE Session
- Sun 29 N3QV

For Sale

1/8" (290#) & 3/16" (380#) Dark Olive Drab Braided Cord · 100% Polyester/Dacron Knit Braided. Nice stuff! Tough and long lasting · UV Resistant and Low Stretch Proudly Made in the U.S.A.! Contact Steve WU3I at wu3i@arrl.net or 215-605-6074

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