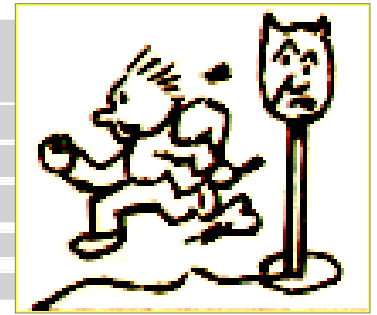




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## Christmas/ Hannukah Party



### Upcoming Events

December 14th - 6:30 PM  
Edgebrook Field House

Wheaton Hamfest -  
Sunday  
January 22nd, 2005  
DuPage Expo Center  
4050 E Main St  
St. Charles IL 60174  
Plenty of FREE parking  
VE testing on-site  
Talk-in on 145.390 -  
For full details call:  
630.604.0157

e-mail:  
info@wheatonhamfest.org  
or e-mail  
tables@wheatonhamfest.  
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### SRO Dues & CFAR Contributions

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708.457.0966

Well, here we are again. It is time to  
celebrate the holiday season with the  
SRO family.

Our famous punch will be served  
promptly at 6:30 PM and the great food  
from Brown's Chicken between 6:45  
and 7 PM.

The menu will include chicken, beef,  
mostaccioli, polish sausage, cole slaw,  
macaroni, beans, ham, carrot and  
chocolate cakes.

To defray the cost of the food, we will  
be asking for \$5.00 from each adult  
with those 12 and under free. This will  
help.

# Foxhunt Report

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by Mike WA9FTS



December 2005 CFAR Foxhunt

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Charlie KB9DIM started the hunters off with a good signal to the NW. Since Charlie had the antenna horizontal, more reflections and false readings were experienced by the hunters. The key to getting to the fox was from the south as he was surrounded by a chain-link fence with a tall tower close to his Jeep. The location was on the west side of Addison just west of Swift Rd and north of Army Trail Rd. Tom N9CBA came in the right way and scored for the win. Greg N9SA climbed over the fence for 2nd. Chuck KA9KZO and the team of Paul N9LXF & I arrived about the same time. Charlie decided to give 3rd to Chuck for verbally seeing him but I refused to finish since I could not find a way in and would not be able to climb to fence - a guess old-age has hit me. We met at Baker's Square for the munch and Don W9RA joined us. Results:

Tom N9CBA provided a good signal at the start and the hounds were off to the SW. Paul and I went south to North Ave. and then on 294 and gott off at 88. We almost made the right moves as we got off at Highland/Main but went west on Butterfield. I got a west and a north reading. The north one was correct. We came back from Park Ave. and north to the Chiropractic College. We then circled around and came in from the north to Southland Park were Don K9VGJ (in his new car) and Tom were parked in the parking lot. Greg and Charlie were already there. So the hunt was over and we went to Buena Beef at Roosevelt and Main. Don W9RA joined us. Results:

1. Greg N9SA
2. Charlie KB9DIM, Alexis
3. Mike WA9FTS & Paul N9LXF

1. Tom N9CBA
  2. Greg N9SA
  3. Chuck KA9KZO
- DNF Mike WA9FTS & Paul N9LXF

# Birthdays



The CFAR 2m foxhunt is held every 1st Saturday at the shopping center at the corner of Mannheim and Grand. The hunt starts shortly after 8:00 PM

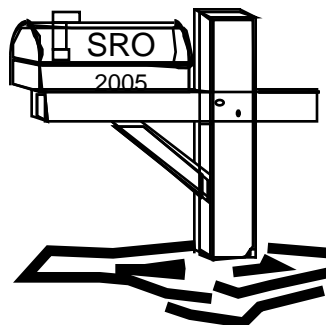
WA9BST	Dave Lieb	Dec 8th
W9EVT	George Ulm	Dec 4th
WA9FPT	Jim McLaughlin	Dec 25th
KB9FXL	Jean Pressel	Dec 23rd
N9GF	August Fiebig Jr	Jan 22nd
K9IQF	Jon Tammen	Dec 6th
W9JUV	Joe Schroeder	Jan 13th
N9LUI	Mike Berkowitz	Dec 12th
N9TAJ	Orville Wattles	Jan 4th

## Meeting Attendance



November - Regular Meeting  
November 9th, 2005

Mike WA9EVF	Mike WA9FTS
Jean KC9FXL	Jim KB9SXA
Jim AA9DT	Fay N9FA

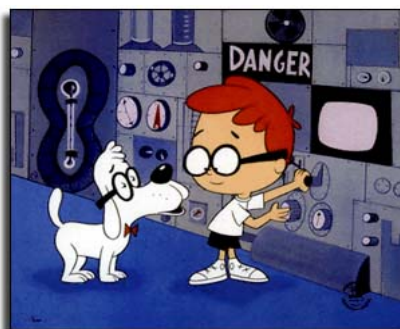


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# Meeting Minutes

by Jim AA9DT



**SRO Meeting Notes, Napkin Scribblings and Coffee Stains for November 9, 2005**  
By Jim Hawes, AA9DT

## NOVEMBER MEETING.

Jean KB9FXL and I stride into Edgebrook Field House. What time is it? Jean doesn't know. A glance at the old wrist sundial produces an error message. Hmm. Nope, I didn't forget to wind the thing. Oh, yeah. It's dark out. Must be night. Of course: It's a sundial. No light means no time, at least until morning. Either that, or we're at the right place at the right time. From the looks of anticipation on your faces, the meeting must be about to start. Or maybe they smell the cookies that Jean brought. What do you think, Jean?

We set the food out for the grumbling stomachs of wild animals. Grrrr. Here, have a biscuit! I tilt back my sombrero and turn to Jean. "Well, Jean," I say, "That's another successful ham meeting. Once again, we've tamed the wild beasts!"

Jean smiles at me. "Yes, compadre, Our work here is done."

"Lucky me," I reply. "I'm working for the Man. You know, the Man man. Never mind. It's an expression. Anyway, he starts mighty early." Jean nods. She works for the Man, too. Well, actually, it's a guy with the same name. But the deal's the same. So we can employ a vague, colloquial expression from an old Roy Orbison song.

Ah, but though our horses await (a hundred or so of 'em), the two Mikes forestall our departure. Apparently not enough members are here tonight. Jean and I look around and notice two points:

(1) Mike Brost WA9FTS is thumping on the club constitution. By the way, his constitution is just fine. Thanks for asking. The constitution defines a "meeting" as a gathering of a certain number of folks. I don't recall the number. All I know is that we have to add. The rules don't permit multiplication.

(2) Not too many of you members are present. President Mike Leibovitz WA9EVF won't let us count spiders, ghosts or empty chairs.

Because Jean and I desire to cooperate in solving this problem, we sign onto Mike Brost's brilliant plan: Maybe we can have a meeting as Jean and I proceed to the door. As we approach Fay Jacobson N9FA, the honorable Brother Mike Leibovitz calls the raccoons to order.

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# Treasurer's Report

by Mike WA9FTS



Starting Balance - Jan 1st, 2005	\$862.15
Income	\$529.00
Auction	\$4.00
Membership Dues	\$525.00
Expenses	\$537.17
Annual Report	\$5.00
Insurance	\$162.50
Mike Shy Postage	\$129.74
Mike Shy Printing	\$128.91
Meeting Refreshments	\$24.08
Memorial - W9BUB	\$87.75
<b>Balance as of Dec 5th, 2005</b>	<b>\$853.17</b>

**TREASURER'S REPORT.** Mike Brost claims that we have money. Update: At the board meeting last week, Mike mentions that we're now spending more than we're taking in. Apparently the club is now participating in the national debt. Hey guys! Buy American! Where were you at the last auction? By the way, we took in a jumbo \$4 US. Mike would have laundered the money, but the Laundromat waned another quarter. Well, you know the story: Not enough hams means not enough dollars. I've said it before, but here's the long and short: Again, Brost's Principles of Ham Radio Math apply. Remember, you can add, but you can't multiply. See, that goes for dollars as well as meetings.

At this point, Jean and I are ready to turn the corner. As we head for the door, the meeting adjourns.

"Adios, ham-type amigos!" We holler in unison.

## SRO Dues and CFAR Contributions for 2006

Inside is the yearly form for money for SRO & CFAR. This year we are asking for \$20 for CFAR but a \$5.00 discount for those who contribute to both SRO & CFAR. Attendance at SRO meetings is down and the Board on Nov 30 decided to have only 5 meetings in the year - Jan 11, Apr 12, Jul 12, Oct 11 and Dec 13 (Holiday party). An auction or two will be included in the above dates. We need people to attend and ideas for programs. Another change is to send Mike Shy electronically (PDF) to as many members and contributors as possible. The mechanisms are in place. Mike Shy can be sent out much more quickly and in living color. Those who need to have it sent via mail will get it that way - also in color. With postage going up and cost of printing, we can save money. These changes are needed to control expenses while having meetings and a timely newsletter along with the CFAR/TOOFAR repeaters on the air.

**SRO Officers**

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Mike Leibovitz - WA9EVF  
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Jean Pressel - KB9FXL  
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Treasurer  
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**Regular Meeting Place**

SRO meets at the Edgebrook Field House at 6100 N. Central Ave. Chicago IL 60646 on the second Wednesday of each month at 8 PM **unless otherwise indicated in Mike Shy.**

**Standing Committees**

Membership - K9JQ  
Program - Open  
Meeting Refresh. - AA9DT  
Foxhunting - WA9FTS  
Repeater - K9IQF  
Field Day - Open  
Education - WA9EVF  
Mike Shy - WA9FTS  
Picnic - WA9FTS  
Dinner/Play - Open for 2005  
Christmas/Chanukkah Party - WA9EVF

**SRO Repeaters**

	In	Out
CFAR (107.2) PL	147.75	147.15
TOOFAR	223.26	224.86

**Repeater Personnel**

Trustee - K9JQ  
CFAR Chairman - K9IQF  
CFAR Treasurer - WA9FTS  
Site Maintenance  
K9IQF, W9RA & W9BEA  
Control Operators  
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K9IQF & TBD  
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WA9AEK

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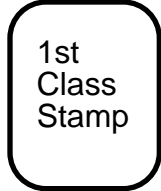
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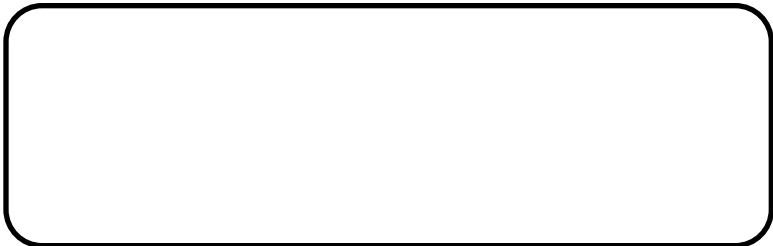


# Christmas/Hannukah Party

## Dec 14th - Field House 6:30 PM

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