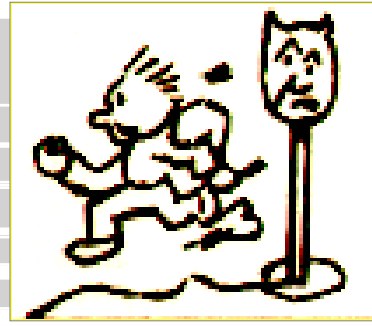




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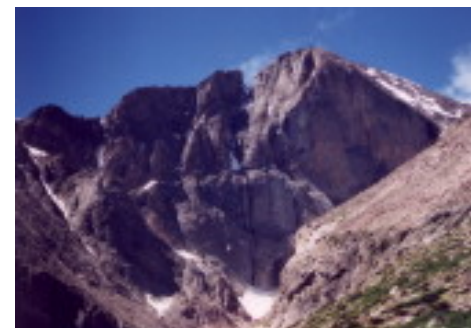
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### The wildlife of Rocky Mt National Park

Rocky Mountain Park and Estes Park are blessed with a display of wildlife that dazzles the minds of all who visit. This video contains a cross section of some of the park's most enchanting creatures captured on tape by award-winning videographer Nick Motte.

Witness the elk, bighorn, moose, the evasive mountain lion, and many of their neighbors. Watch for tips on viewing from local experts, and learn about animal behavior and habitat.

This production is guaranteed to entertain and enlighten all wildlife enthusiasts.





# Meeting Minutes

by Mike WA9FTS

There was no official meeting and Jim & Jean dropped off the refreshments and left. Therefore, there were no minutes but don't be surprised if Jim creates some improbable minutes anyway.



## SRO Meeting Notes, Malapropisms & Malarkey for October 12, 2005

By Jim Hawes, AA9DT

**OCTOBER MEETING.** The clock strikes somewhere around eight, before striking the floor. Ah! The clarion call to either gather around the big table, or eat lots of cookies! In the absence of Mike the Magnificent WA9EVF, Backup Mike WA9FTS opens tonight's meeting. In fact, the meeting turns out to be a one-man, one-Mike show.

Jean and I appear briefly to deliver refreshments, and then we split. Sorry, ham-type chums. Maybe we'll catch you next time. Anyway, since I'm not actually here tonight, these notes tend to be speculative. But just think: Through the glories of modern printing technology, I can participate virtually. You'll hardly notice any difference in the tangents I forge off on. Why, this one time...

**OFFICIALLY NOT OFFICIAL.** According to Mike Brost WA9FTS, this get-together doesn't qualify as an "official meeting." I don't know one meeting from another. I guess that what Mike means is this: The SRO constitution

requires attendance by a certain number of club officer-type raccoons. Maybe that's another rule that we need to adjust. A little more latitude would help me to continue serving you. As a contractor, I never know when or where my next contract might occur. A contract can easily consume my free time. Then my next SRO visit awaits the end of my contract.

Business responsibilities require other officers to miss meetings, too. For example, they keep flying Don W9RA to the Togolese Republic. My wife Jean KB9FXL receives 2 am calls about repairs to Tasmanian earth stations. Then sometimes, a hurricane blows down a coconut oil processing plant in Babelthuap, Palau. Or something like that. Those calls wake me up, too, folks. At that hour, I may be a little foggy on the details.

**TREASURER'S REPORT.** Mike WA9FTS brought three checks for other officers to countersign. We club officers need to handle the checks at the November meeting. The bad news is that Mike had to float the club a short-term loan. The good news is that the club didn't spend any money. Thanks and sorry, Mike.

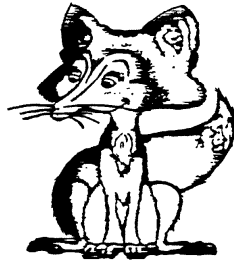
**AUCTION (NOT).** Tonight, we planned an auction. You might have seen that on the marquee. On auctions, despite the low turnout, the club rules don't pose any conflict. The difficulty occurs when one guy tries to play both auctioneer and cashier. Backup Mike is a very capable guy. Yet even his capabilities can't pull off both jobs. So much for our October auction.

Anyway, Mike sells a few items, including pieces from Gil's and Morrie's estates. Thanks, buyers, for bringing money and stepping up to the table. Mike's sales total a sump-pumptuous \$25. Ka-ching. After Mike wraps up these deals, everyone bugs out. Mike closes the Edgebrook Field House at about 9 pm.

Questions for Mike: Did anyone bid on Carol's house? Does it come with a skyhook? Jim Quinn K9JQ: What's the ham radio discount on a place like that? Tonight, the house would be a hard sell. Mike can't exactly show off the place. With the van chock full of auction tsatskes, the house just wouldn't fit. Mike tried to balance the place across the back seat. The chimney kept getting stuck on the dome light.

**ANNUAL PARTY.** Don't forget, SRO and CFAR members! You're all invited to the Hanukkah and Christmas party! Be there on Wednesday, December 14. The cover charge is \$5 per person. Such a deal! For half a sawbuck, you can fill up your plate. And go back for seconds. And drag back for thirds. One caution: The chicken crust sets up after about a half hour. Backup Mike brings the Utility, All-Purpose, Holiday Mystery Punch to help restore digestive processes. It's purely medicinal! With any luck, the plumbing should work by New Year's Day.

# Foxhunt Report



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The November hunt will occur after press time and will be included in the December issue. Charlie KB9DIM and Alexis are the fox.

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

# Treasurer's Report



by Mike WA9FTS

Starting Balance - Jan 1st, 2005	\$862.15
Income	\$529.00
Auction	\$4.00
Membership Dues	\$525.00
Expenses	\$529.58
Annual Report	\$5.00
Insurance	\$162.50
Mike Shy Postage	\$129.74
Mike Shy Printing	\$120.51
Meeting Refreshments	\$24.08
Memorial - W9BUB	\$87.75
Balance as of Nov 9th, 2005	\$861.57

## Meeting Attendance



October - Regular "Unofficial" Meeting  
October 12th, 2005

Mike WA9FTS  
Jim K9JQ  
Steve K9VO  
Jim KB9SXA

Joe W9JUV  
Paul N9LXF  
Ken KA9TRG

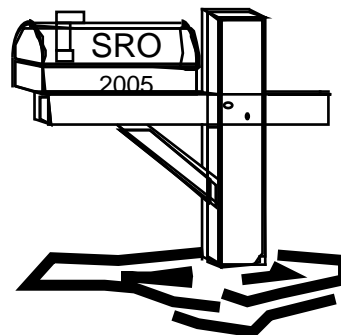
# Birthdays



WA9BST	Dave Lieb	Dec 8th
W9EVT	George Ulm	Dec 4th
WA9FPT	Jim Mc Laughlin	Dec 25th
KB9FXL	Jean Pressel	Dec 23rd
K9IQF	Jon Tammen	Dec 6th
N9LUI	Mike Berkowitz	Dec 12th
KA9ZWZ	Cathy Leibovitz	Nov 7th



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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  
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