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Upcoming Events

SRO November Meeting - Nov 9th at the Edgebrook Field House Program will be "Footprints of the Rockies". This will be a DVD of the Wildlife of Rocky Mt National Park. Business meeting at 8 PM with the program to follow

Chicago FM Club Fall Auction Nov 16th at the Edgebrook Field House. A short business meeting at 7:30 PM and the auction will follow.Rules same as the SRO auctions. Bring a friend and bring something to auction off.

Amateur Radio Day Saturday October 15th 10 AM to 4 PM Eisenhower Library 4652 N Olcott Ave Harwood Hts IL

Help spread the word about Amateur Radio. Oct 15th is International Scout Jamboree and it would be great to have lots of hams out to show non-hams what Amateur Radio is all about. Even though we are an important backbone of communication for emergencies -and we have had a few lately - the general public know very little about what hams do to improve their lives. They only know we interfere with TV and have ugly towers. Come out and help to spread the truth about what we really do to help the general public in times of disasters.

SRO Fall Auction



Oct 9th at the Edgebrook Field House 7:30 PM

Here is another chance to experience an exciting SRO auction. The business meeting starting at 7:30 PM will be very short at the auction commence right away. Bring stuff that you have not used - someone probably will want it all for their very own. There should be a lot of good stuff to bid on and bargains to boot!

Bring a friend and talk it up on the air. As in the past, the SRO cut of the action is 10% up to a maximum of \$5.00. I hope see many of you there.



SRO Meeting Notes & Sundry Disrespeculations in matters of station license W9SRO. for September 14, 2005

By Jim Hawes, AA9DT

SEPTEMBER MEETING. Honorable, Elevated Patriarch Mike Leibovitz WA9EVF convenes tonight's meeting at 8:04 p.m. Unfortunately, the meeting begins on a sad note. Mike mentions that George Smith WB9YUS have died. We devote a minute of silence in honor of our two old friends.

ANNUAL PARTY. This is a reminder to both SRO and CFAR members. You're all invited to the Hanukkah and Christmas party! Be there on Wednesday, December 14. Yes, the SRO party welcomes CFAR members. Don't be strangers, you guys. Please bring families, friends, neighbors, casual acquaintances and UPS deliverymen. (Sorry, but SRO Constitution provision 99-68554.1.35, Subsection A forbids us to serve utter strangers.) Bottom Line: WA9EVF pulled strings (and legs) at Brown's. Frankly, he reprogrammed Brown's computer to double the holiday bonus. The consequence? A chicken blizzard will soon descend For more information, contact Ken at 708-867-4128. on the Edge Brook Field House. We need someone to help us with all this surplus chicken, mostaciolli, sausage, beef, and cake... And of course, our famous, Mystery Punch! Our guarantee: The diet will set you ahead well into the New Year. But: Meanwhile, the punch sends you on a sleigh ride straight to the North Pole. Or was that North Avenue? I'm a little vague on the facts. Anyway, you those stirring days of yesteryear, when cowgirls won't know the difference, either.

TREASURER'S REPORT. Chancellor of the Exchequer Mike Brost announces that our bank balance is \$922.95. The club owes \$162.50 to the SRO ARBF. This amount will cover our meeting insurance at Edge Brook Field House.

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SRO OFFICIAL OFFICIALS. A discussion of the SRO who's who ensues. (And we have plenty of ensuage here.) The idea is that various official club contacts have necessarily changed due to the deaths of past official officials. Mike Leibovitz is our official enviable envoy to the ARRL and station license W9EJ. Jim Quinn W9JQ is our ambassador

AMATEUR RADIO DEMONSTRATION DAY, Ham radio is all about community involvement. Tonight, Ken Havlick from the ITRG club spoke about a new type of ham involvement. In mid-October, Ken's group will present Amateur Radio Demonstration Day. The ham radio promotion will take place on fellow SRO members Warren Nugent WB9OUD and October 15, between 10 am and 4 pm. The venue is Eisenhower Library at 4652 North Olcott in Harwood Heights. Ken and his associates will set up antennas and tables behind the library. A group of Boy Scouts will visit to learn about ham radio. Ken invites us all to attend. Maybe some of us can talk with prospective hams about ham radio. The promotion will include an EchoLink demonstration. Ken's group will provide keys and code practice oscillators. A transceiver will allow interested people to participate in on-air QSOs. Ken also represents the Salvation Army's disaster recovery group. For a few fascinating minutes, he digressed about his organization's Hurricane Katrina relief program. Those who visit the Harwood Heights demonstration will undoubtedly hear more about Ken's adventures.

> TONIGHT'S PRESENTATION. Meeska, mooska, mouseketeer: The mousecartoon for today was "Wild Women of the West". SRO member Kenny Rogers narrated tonight's videotape about Calamity Jane, Belle Starr and Annie Oakley. This was ham radio straight from the bayou. We all returned to learned to transmit via lasso. Of course, dampening the rope improved conductivity. The vertical rope served as the radiator, and the loop formed a capacity top hat. Legendary SRO ham and cowgirl Dale Evans provided this example: She saddles up Buttermilk and lofts that lasso. Then Dale spurs the horse lightly. As Dale dictates, Buttermilk pounds out the code with her right hoof.

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Foxhunt Report

by Mike WA9FTS
October Hunt



Don K9VGJ hid for Tom N9CBA who was on his annual pigrimage to Redmond WA (Microsoft). The weather was perfect with the temp in the low 70s and not a cloud in the sky.

Don started the hunters out with a good signal. There were three hunt teams, Charlie KB9DIM and Alexis, Paul N9LXF and Mike WA9FTS and Greg N9SA. The signal was to the SW with the hunters heading west on Grand Ave. I am not sure which way Charlie headed but it was good enough as he found Don first.

Paul and I took the frontage road next to 294 to North and west to Westmore. This is were we found map mistakes and got caught in deadends. We finally found St. Charles Rd and west to Main St Lomabard and south to 22nd. This west of were Cermak Rd ends into Butterfield Rd but starts at Meyers Rd. We went south to Butterfield and tried the shopping center on the east side of Finley. We went around the back as Don talked to Tom in Redmond on his cell phone. He forgot he was also transmitting. The direction was to across Finley to the Subway. We went across and drove right by Don in a unrecognized Honda and drove off between transmissions. We went to the north side of the shopping center and spotted Greg on foot. We drove past him and I got out on foot. The next transmission was to the south as I ran to were we were minutes before. I spotted Don in the car for 2nd.

Shortly Greg arrived as Don was still talking to Tom and saying Greg was standing right next to him. Greg turned around to end the hunt. We mat down the road at Buona Beef with Don W9RA joining us. Results:

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

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

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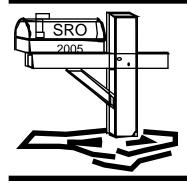
Treasurer's Report

by Mike WA9FTS

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Starting Balance - Jan 1st, 2005	\$862.15
Income Auction Membership Dues	\$529.00 \$4.00 \$525.00
Expenses Annual Report Mike Shy Postage Mike Shy Printing Meeting Refreshments Memorial - W9BUB Insurance	\$494.08 \$5.00 \$103.84 \$110.91 \$24.08 \$87.75 \$162.50
Balance as of Sept 14th, 2005	\$897.07



WA9FTS K9VO KA9ZWZ Mike Brost Steve Bosnyak Jr Cathy Leibovitz Oct 1st Oct 30th Nov 7th



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Meeting Attendance

September 14th - Field House

WA9EVF KB9FXL AA9DT WA9FTS N9FA KB9SXA K9VO

KA9TRG WB9PTA K9JQ Jim Barnard

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SRO Officers

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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

Out CFAR (107.2) PL 147.75 147.15 TOOFAR 223.26 224.86

Repeater Personnel

Trustee - TBD CFAR Chairman - TBD CFAR Treasurer - WA9FTS Site Maintenance K9IQF, W9RA & W9BEA Control Operators K9IQF, TBD **NW Maintenance** WA9FPT & WB9YUS Northeast Maintenance K9IQF & TBD Lisle Maintenance WA9AEK

W9EJ Exp Date

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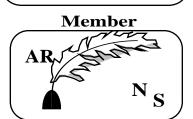
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