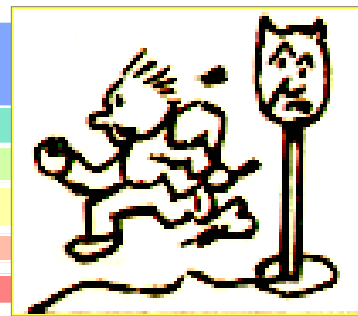




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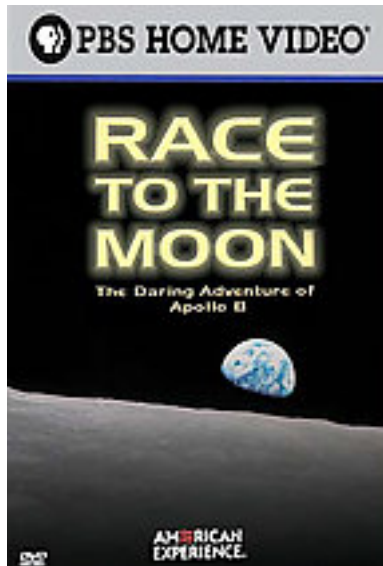


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Upcoming Events

Radio Expo
Sept 29-30
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Belvidere IL



THURSDAY

Sept 13th 8 PM
Salvation Army
Norridge Citadel
8354 W Foster
at Cumberland

After one of the most tumultuous and divisive years in U.S. history, Americans were united in awe at the televised sight of Apollo 8 orbiting the moon on Christmas Eve, 1968. The first manned spacecraft to leave the Earth's stratosphere, Apollo 8 was the definitive leap forward in NASA's frenzied race to beat the Soviet Union to the moon. This episode of PBS's AMERICAN EXPERIENCE series recounts Apollo 8's dazzling achievement through remarkable archival footage and interviews with 1960s-era astronauts, journalists, and historians for an eyewitness view of history.

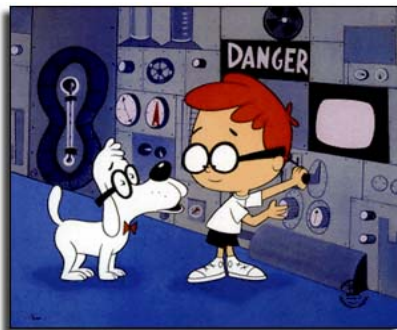
Join us as we relive one of the most uplifting events of the early days of the Space Age.



Meeting Minutes

by Jim AA9DT

Mike Shy



SRO Notes and Norridge Citidalia (Whatever) for July 11, 2007
By Jim Hawes, AA9DT

JULY MEETING. Tonight, the eagle lands at 8:05 pm, CST. Our quote of the day comes from President Mike Leibovitz: "We never start on time. We definitely won't start early." Obviously Mike is campaigning for another term!

CUSH FACTOR. Hey! Our temporary home at the Salvation Army Citadel is cushy. The trek from our Skokie QTH is a tad longer than our old drive to Edgebrook. But the cush factor figures into the bargain. Bottom line: We're not complaining. We're smiling. The location is convenient. It's about a mile south of the Kennedy Expressway on Cumberland. The meeting room is actually an upgrade from our old place. The seats are cozy, and the carpet is bouncy. We have a nice presentation area, a lamp dimmer, and even a projection screen. Acoustical tiles damp down the sonorous echoes from Mike Leibovitz's "Mighty Oz" voice. Oh, and here's another bonus: We can drop off a donation on the way in. (Just don't leave anything that SRO can sell in the November auction.)

TREASURER'S REPORT. Brother Brost WA9FTS slips on his green-brimmed bookkeeper's eyeshade. Then he approaches the podium. Soon, we'll pay our insurance tab, he reminds us. The tab comes to \$320. Of that total, \$160 covers SRO. Another \$160 covers SRO ARBF, another way of saying CFAR. To keep the books straight, CFAR writes us a check for the difference. (Apparently CFAR is good for the money.) In a side note, Lee Knirko W9MOL remarks that CFAR has about 35 members. That makes our group about the same size as QCWA, he says. Somewhere in this CFAR discussion, Mike Brost brings up the term "C Father" ("C-fa" for short). By now, we're rambling. I'm unsure of the context, but "C Father" must be a reference to

George Ulm W9EVT. Here's a little print QSO: W9EVT de AA9DT. How's life up there on Washington Island, George? The fall color must be gorgeous.

FIELD DAY BULLETIN. There's only one word for it: Hotsie-totsie! At Field Day in June, Mike Brost's habanero-laced chili went quickly. (So did the people. Don't ask.) I don't know if the hams were transmitting, but they certainly were repeating. I could have sold out my new invention, a clamp-on heat sink for the tongue. According to Senor Brost, the combined CFMC and SRO contest logged 800 contacts. That record must be good for some sort of award. Maybe the group will achieve the ARRL's Worked All Indigestions plaque. (Did we make any contacts on the Isles of Langerhans?) Mike also mentions that 60 people attended Field Day. That's a mound of chili crackers and a tanker of Bromo Seltzer!

UPCOMING MEETINGS. At the September meeting, we nominate our slate of officers. Don't be surprised if you see my cheery face again next year. I warned you. Our September program is the Apollo 8 moon mission story. The auction takes place in November. Bring junk. Treasures, that is. More important, bring money. As Mike Leibovitz says, "We take all denominations." Tonight's meeting closes at 8:23.

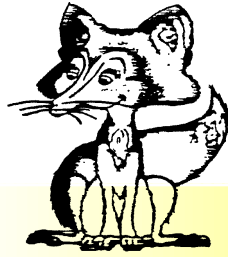
NEW LOCATION & TIME. Did you miss us in July? If you dropped over to the Field House, we weren't there. I'll bet the parking was great, though. Well, in September. Skip the Field House. Due to construction, the cool people won't be there. Instead, we're hanging out at the Salvation Army Citadel, 8354 W Foster in Norridge. This location is on the northeast corner of Foster and Cumberland. Join us at 8:00 p.m. on +++Thursday,+++ September 13. Wait. Did I say Thursday? Yep. In a departure from my usual behavior, that's not a joke or a misprint. We're really meeting on a Thursday! Think of our September get-together as a combined meeting and foxhunt.

FALL MEETING DAY CHANGE. According to our plans, the group meets at least twice more at Norridge Salvation Army HQ. Both meetings occur on Thursdays...

+ September Meeting: THURSDAY, Sept 13 at 8 pm

+ November Meeting: THURSDAY, November 8 at 8 pm

Foxhunt Report



Mike Shy

July 7th, 2007
CFAR Foxhunt Report

by Mike WA9FTS

Charlie KB9DIM started the hunters with a good signal to the NW. At least two of the three hunters took I-290 north. Tom N9CBA got off at Higgins with the FTS team continuing to Euclid Rd and then south. This gave Tom all the time he needed to find Charlie for the win. The hiding spot was next to I-294 in the woods east of Martingade Rd. and west of I-290 in Schaumburg. The FTS team headed south on Roselle Rd to Schaumburg Rd and then north on Martingale Rd to the parking lot to find Charlie's car. Don W9RA got lost several miles east and joined us at munchies. Results:

Fox KB9DIM
1st N9CBA
2nd WA9FTS, N9LXF
DNF W9RA

August 4th, 2007
CFAR Foxhunt Report
by Mike WA9FTS

Tom N9CBA had a strong signal to the NE with 3 hunters heading north on Mannheim to Touhy and east. The FTS team got on I-294 off Irving Pk and got off at Dempster which was just opened to traffic. They headed east to Milwaukee Av and east on Devon. STOP! Into the entrance of Wehlan pool and Tom was found for the win. The then moved to the next parking lot west. Charlie KB9DIM and Alexis arrived and got out on foot. No good. They got back in the Jeep and headed east to the correct lot. Meanwhile Paul and I went to SuperDawg. Tony AA9CC arrived and tried to pull into an ording spot. His antenna was so tall it hit the canopy overhead and bent. When he backed up the rest of the antenna broke;

he drove off toward home. In the mean time, Don W9RA was following bad signals about a mile west and was slowed down by block parties. He made it and we all had our Superdawg with fries. Results:

Fox: Tom N9CBA
1st Mike WA9FTS, Paul N9LXF
2nd Charlie KB9DIM, Alexis
3rd Don W9RA
DNF Tony AA9CC

September 1st, 2007
CFAR Foxhunt Report
by Mike WA9FTS

It was the end of a great day which started out for most of the foxhunters spending the day on Lake Michigan on Charlie's cabin cruiser. Then we had to head back home for the hunt. Weather stayed perfect into the evening. The hunters tried a new starting point at Rt 83 and St. Charles Rd. We found a spot less than a mile away. Paul N9LXF and I found a bike trail bridge over Rt 83. We hid in the woods east of Rt 83 and off the "Official" bike trail. There was another that was more challenging with many dips and hills. The IC-3200 was run at low power to a J-Pole almost touching the ground. In less than a half hour Tony AA9CC arrived to win - without a radio or antenna. About 5 min later Tom N9CBA arrived for 2nd. Shortly Charlie KB9DIM found us and told us that Don W9RA gave up. He was very close (50 ft) but could not find the opening in the fence to get to us. We met at Portillo's just north of St Charles on Rt 83 for the munch. Results:

1st Tony AA9CC
2nd Tom N9CBA
3rd Charlie KB9DIM, Alexis
DNF Don W9RA

Next Meeting
Thursday
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8 PM



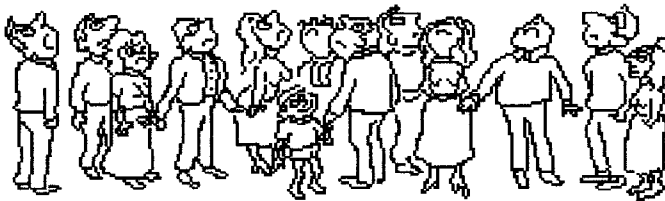
Treasurer's Report

by Mike WA9FTS

Report for 2007 - Start 1/1/07	\$1289.82
Receipts	\$137.45
Membership Dues	\$135.00
Auctions	\$2.45
Disbursements	\$181.97
Meeting Refreshments	\$16.97
Annual Report	\$5.00
Insurance	\$160.00
End 9/13/07	\$1245.30

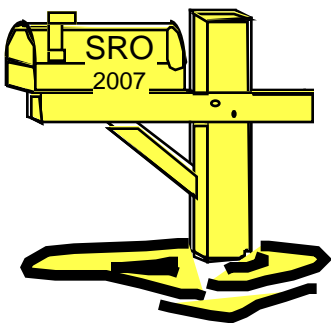
Meeting Attendance

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at the Salvation Army



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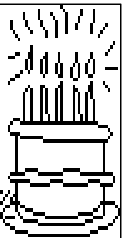
Field Day 2007 Results

Total QSOs = 913
CW=326
Phone=587
80 - 51 cw / 6 phone
40 - 85 cw / 435 phone
20 - 27 cw / 141 phone

November Meeting Salvation Army on November 8th at 7:30 PM Fall Auction

Start sorting out things to bring to the auction. The more things we have to auction off, the more enjoyable and interesting. As usual, the club takes its cut at 10% up to \$5.00. So, bring a friend and bring some stuff to auction off - even if it is only a couple of things.

Birthdays



For the months of Sept thru Nov

William McAllister	K9BAM	Nov 15th
Stephen Bosnak Jr	K9VO	Oct 30th
Cathy Leibovitz	KA9ZWZ	Nov 7th
Dennis Krawczak	KC9ENZ	Sept 10th
C. Fay Jacobson	N9FA	Sept 3rd
Stan Garstka	W9LG	Nov 17th
Michael Brost	WA9FTS	Oct 1st

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Standing Committees

Membership - K9JQ
Program - Open
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Field Day - Open
Education - WA9EVF
Mike Shy - WA9FTS
Picnic - WA9FTS
Dinner/Play - Open for 2006
Christmas/Chanukkah Party - WA9EVF

SRO Repeaters

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

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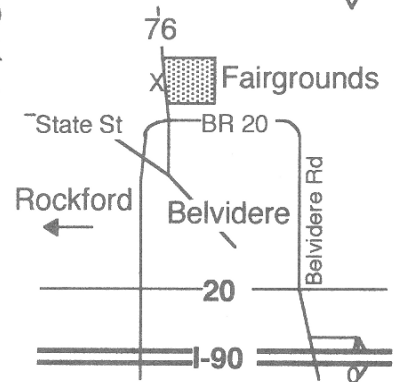
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