

MT. AIRY V.H.F. RADIO CLUB, INC., PHILA., PA.

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CLUB CALL: W3CCX

MARCH 1966

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OUR PREZ SEZ

One of the advantages in having good club officers is that each can take over other officers duties when necessary. Such was the situation last month when W2EIF, Jo Kilgore took over both the regular meeting and the directors' meeting. My deepest thanks, Jo. It won't be too long before the Pack Rats will elect new officers. Everyone should take a long, hard look at your fellow members for officer material and keep their names in mind until the proper time. Don't forget to ask them if they will run.

I would like to congratulate, on behalf of the Mt. Airy VHF Radio Club, Inc., the South Jersey Radio Association on its 50th Anniversary. Not many clubs in this country can boast of the length of time in service amassed by the boys from across the river. Our best wishes for continued success.

Congratulations to WA3ERQ, John and WA3CQO, Jay who were voted into the Pack Ratg at the last meeting.

The code sessions run by W3CL, Harry, are continuing each weekday evening at 7:30 on 50.2 mc. WA3BIV, Carl, has taken advantage of the sessions and has passed his General test. Congratulations, Carl.

Chairman Stein, of the June QSO Party, reports that the committee has been picked and are already busy gathering their needs. As many members as possible should join this effort and enjoy a wonderful weekend with the rest of us.

Ladies night will be at the Buck Hotel, Feasterville, on Saturday April 23. Plans indicate that this will be the best Ladies Night we have ever had. A wonderful meal, ladies prizes, awards and dancing to a good band. Prepare your XYL or YL for this gala affair now!!!

K3QKH, Jim Beane was our guest at the last meeting. His talk provided much food for thought about methods for preparing the engineer needs of the country and how it compares with methods used in Russia. A most interesting evening and we were at the refreshments at 10 PM. Meetings will start promptly at 8 PM in the future so that we may all get home at a more reasonable time.

73, DOC, K3GAS

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| <p>Harrison Suddenly, March 7, R. Kenneth, husband of Sophia Harrison, of 25 Belmar rd., Hatboro. Relatives and friends, also W. K. Bray Lodge #410, F. & A. M., invited to service Fri. 1 PM. Funeral Home of J. Harry Stroud, 600-02 N. 63d st. Int. Arlington Cem. Friends may call Thurs. 7 to 9 PM. Masonic service 8 PM.</p> | <p><u>SILENT KEY</u> W3CPT, KENNETH HARRISON MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1966</p> <p><u>SOME DAY HE'LL MAKE IT PLAIN</u> By Adam Geibel</p> <p>Some day He'll make it plain to me, Some day when I His face shall see; Some day when tears I shall be free, For some day I shall understand.</p> | <p>*****</p> |
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Ken dropped dead at work at 2:55 P.M. of heart failure. His death was instantaneous.

Our most heartfelt sympathy to Sophie, his XYL and to his mother and sister in Ireland.

Ken was a Charter Member of the Pack Rats and drafted our Constitution and By-Laws.

This is one time that my mind went blank and the only verse I could think of was the Chorus of Adam Geibel's Hymn.

HINTS AND KINKS

By K3CAS, Doc

I know that many of you have come up with a kink or two that has helped you. Why not write about it and send it to Mother Rat to be published in Cheese Bits.

I did something the other day that gave me a great deal of satisfaction. I had not been too happy with the way the light came through on my Pack Rat 'ON THE FAIR' sign. Pry out the plastic sign and cement aluminum foil inside behind the bulb, shiny side out, of course. It made quite a difference and I am now much happier.

Please send in your hint or kink.

GUESS WHO ??

By W3CL, Harry

Big Chief Smokey Bear livvum reservation Stratford. Belong tribe Pack Rats, Wentum keepum wigwam. Modulator excellent means of communications, sendumg best smoke signals with its transformer. Big Chief Smokey Bear buildum new modulator for say UGH.

Sendum smoke signals with matches and O.O. cards now.

LADIES' NITE CONTRIBUTORS

Our sincere thanks to the following who will help make this Ladies' Nite one of the best. Remember the Date; Saturday, April 23.

SICO COMPANY; M. ERUDER & SONS, INC.; INDUSTRIAL VALLEY BANK; PHILA. GAS WORKS; BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF PA.; ESTEE CANDY COMPANY, INC.; DOLLY DEERE CANDY COMPANY; FOOD FAIR; BANKERS LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY; NABISCO; CONSIDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION and KASS ELECTRONICS.

K.U.I.

By W3HKZ, Ed Kushner

'Idle' radio sets recently gave the FCC a go-around when an industrial radio station in Massachusetts complained of interference by a construction company. Boston investigators found that the construction company was defunct and a finance firm had repossessed the company's radio equipped trucks, which were parked in a fenced lot. The still radios proved too much of a magnet for local children who climbed in and litterly went on the air. On strong suggestion, the finance company removed the radios.

Sonobuys gave Philadelphia FCC engineers some interference troubles. The FCC men, tracking down interference to National Guard aircraft frequencies, found that they were looking for Naval underwater detection gear. They found the trouble in the Sonobuys (dropped from aircraft to detect submarines). The offending equipment was being operated on land by a Naval Reserve electronics training unit; its commanding officer had a new problem for the students to resolve.

Multiplier-Amplifier functions have been combined in one transistor. Three new VHF and UHF all transistor power amplifier-multipliers with power ranging from 4 to 10 watts and frequencies as high as 580 mc use special circuits that employ transistors in the PA stage. One unit is a power source that converts 400 mw at 220 mc to a minimum of 4 watts output at 430 mc, another unit has 10 waats output, 25% efficiency.

CU readout-Army experts call it the world's smallest computer - a cigarette pack size unit that translates the dots and dashes of Morse code into plain English. Letters show up on the tiny readout tube. Army officials call it an invaluable aid when distances are too great for voice communications, when jungle terrain or other rugged terrain hampers the reception of such messages, or in forward posts where receipt of voice messages would be hazaedous. To achieve this miniaturization, designers packed in 350 diodes, 75 transistors a display panel that frames 17 tiny incandescent lamps and four rechargeable penlight batteries. There's only one moving part - an on and off switch.

U. S. Engineers have built the world's longest antenna - a 21 mile wire laid out on Antarctica's icecap. It will be used solely for scientific study. They strung the three-quarter inch cable on the snow about 900 miles from the South Pole near Byrd Station, major U. S. radio research station in Antarctica. The plastic coated copper wire was laid on top of ice estimated at least 1 1/2 miles deep, about the same a stringing an antenna the same height anywhere else above the earth.

From misc. magazines

REGULAR MEETING, MARCH 16, 1966

PLACE: WEST OAK LANE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER,
SEDGWICK AND THOURON STREETS,
MT. AIRY, PHILA., PA.

TIME: 8:00 P.M. PROMPTLY

SUBJECT: COLOR FILM OF GEMINI 6 & 7

ALL RADIO CLUBS AND HAMS AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

LADIES' NITE

DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 1966

PLACE: BUCK HOTEL, FEASTERVILLE, PA.

TIME: 6:00 P.M., COCKTAILS
7:00 P.M., ROAST BEEF DINNER

PRICE: \$7:50 per person

PRIZES AND GIFTS FOR THE LADIES AWARDS FOR TOP SCORERS IN VHF SS
DANCING UNTIL MIDNIGHT TO THE MUSIC OF HARVEY STONE AND HIS ORCHESTRA.

GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN EARLY TO EITHER, W2ANB, JACK POWER
25 Van Duyn Drive,
Trenton, NJ 08618 or
W3CL, Harry Stein
2087 Parkdale Avenue,
Glenside, PA 19038

MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS PAYABLE TO: MT. AIRY VHF RADIO CLUB, INC.

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\$4.00

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EDITOR'S NOTE: All articles missing
this month will appear next month along
with an explanation for the brevity
and lateness of this issue.

I apologize to all, and feel sure that
you will understand.

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Still can't understand why the one
ham didn't ask the other ham, "How
come you ran out of (K3) GAS?"

