



# Anoka County Radio Club and Emergency Services

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Newsletter

January/February 2009

## President's Corner

Howdy Y'all!

Well the holidays are behind us and the new year faces us head on. I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable set of holidays and I'd like to especially thank those who showed up for the club party. Lorri and Shawn Rung K0SMR & K0LLR orchestrated a fine goings-on, as always!

With the new year ahead, we, as a club, need to make a few decisions such as: new club officers, what events we want to get involved with and what to do for fund raising for the repeater and other club functions (being that times are a little lean, we need to plan ahead for these).

Elections are in February and I would like to see a good turn out at the February Elections Meeting to add a few names to the nomination lists, as well as, to count your vote and talk about this coming year.

Parry Brown and Jeremy Amundson are the co-chairs of the Field Day events this year. If you have any thoughts or ideas about Field Day, please give them a shout.

## New Lifetime Club Members!

We are pleased to welcome our new Lifetime Members:

Dan KB0XC and Maline Fish  
Morrie and Lena Mox

Bob Cordell KB0GIP presented complimentary Lifetime Memberships to them at the ACRC Christmas Party for all the dedication and support they have shown to the club over many years! Pictures of their certificate presentations are on page 2.

**[Congratulations Dan, Maline, Morrie and Lena!](#)**

## Club Elections Coming Up!

Club Board Member elections will be held at the February General Meeting on Friday, February 6, starting at 7:00 p.m. All club members are strongly encouraged and asked to attend this important meeting. There will also be amendments to the club By-Laws proposed and voted on, so we need as many members present as possible. See you there!

I am really looking forward to some exciting things that are coming down the pike this year. I have asked the new events chairpersons to give all the members call and ask you for your ideas on what you would like to see the club involved with. Remember that it is easy to say yes to an activity or event, but if we do, we need to be willing to put in the time and effort needed to make the event work – but also remember that it can be a lot of fun getting involved!

And, as always, if you have any thoughts, suggestions or whatever's, you may always give me, or any board member, a call.

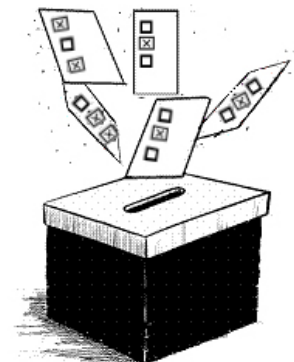
Also, I would like to thank all the Board Members from last year - you made it interesting and fun for me. All I can say is **THANK YOU** for all you have done! Keep up the work!

Lets have a great year!

God Bless, 73  
Bob KB0GIP Pres.

## VE Testing

Are you ready to take your first amateur radio (ham) license test or upgrade to another level? Then let us help! The Anoka County Radio Club holds V.E. amateur radio testing sessions on every second Saturday of the month at the Blaine City Hall Mark Stack Room. Test sessions start at 9:00 a.m. We will continue to take walk-ins until 10:00 a.m. Check the club's calendar page for any updates or changes to the schedule.



# ACRC Christmas Party was a Great Time!



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### D-Star Repeater :

**Dig Data (1.2 GHz): 1295.500**  
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General Meeting  
Friday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex.

VE Testing  
Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

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Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are strongly encouraged to attend and cast their vote!

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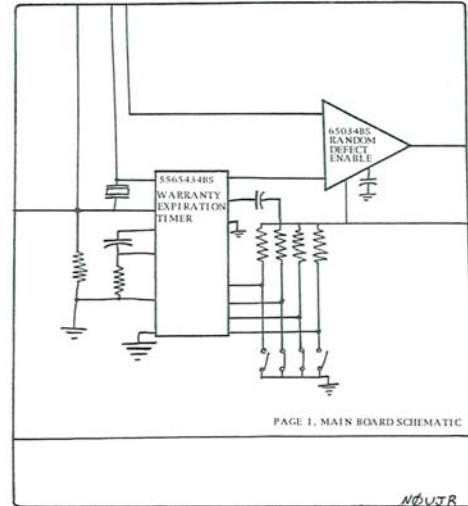
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The real reason electronic equipment often fails right after the warranty expires.

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# Anoka County Radio Club and Emergency Services

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March/April 2009

## President's Corner

Howdy all,

I must first apologize for the news letter coming out a little late but with this broken wing and other things going on I just plain got behind – SORRY! I would like to bring everybody up to speed a bit with some of what has been going on in the club by going back to February's meeting. Congrats to Dan Peitso N0PIY, our new Treasurer, and Jeremy Amundson KD0BOC, our Board Member at Large, as well as, Parry Brown KC0TWB, our re-elected Vice-President! I would also like to thank everyone who ran for board positions - I do like to see people get involved.

At the present time I am waiting for the new voter for the 146.670 repeater to be delivered so we can get it installed. Also, to let you all know, the Board appointed Shawn Rung K0SMR as our new Repeater Chairperson with Dave Runkle KC0KEP, and myself, still working as assistants under him.

If you have not heard by now, we are moving the D-Star repeater over to the Anoka ARES/RACES group with the

### AERO Basic Course

The Association of Emergency Radio Organizations (AERO) is holding its Basic Emergency Communication course on Saturday, April 25, 2009 at the Chanhassen Library located at 7711 Kerber Blvd from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Please register with Dan Peitso N0PIY via email at N0PIY@arrl.net or by phone at 763-755-3262. E-mail registration is preferred. Directions and frequencies that will be used in class for our practice emergency nets will be emailed to registered participants. The class is free. A prerequisite for the class is the FEMA ISC-100a (Incident Command) online course. The course can be taken at <http://www.learningservices.us/fema/lms> or at <http://training.fema.gov/IS>.

### Fete des Lacs

The Centerville Fete des Lacs events will be held on August 7, 8, 9 in Centerville. We need volunteers to help out at these events. These are family-friendly events. More information will be posted soon! Contact Bob Cordell KBOGIP for more information at [kb0gip@juno.com](mailto:kb0gip@juno.com).

understanding that it will remain an open repeater for everyone to use unless needed for emergencies and drills, just as with any repeater.

I would like to remind everyone of the upcoming VE session and our first Skywarn class of the year on Saturday, March 14th.

We have also been talking about Field day events and have decided to participate in the BB4 events in Blaine and the Fete des Lacs events in Centerville this year. Perry and Jeremy are co-chairs for Field Day, Shawn and myself are co-chairs for the BB4 and Fete De Lacs. Remember that we want to make all of these events both fun for families, "which are always invited to join us", and educational for everyone.

Hope every one has a great spring! Be careful and enjoy the Easter season.

Talk to you all soon,  
Bob KBOGIP your Prez

### Blaine Blazin' 4th 2009

We need volunteers to help out at the BB4 events to be held June 26, 27, 28 in Aquatore Park, Blaine. These are family-friendly events, so bring the entire family! More information will be posted to the web soon! Contact Bob Cordell KBOGIP [kb0gip@juno.com](mailto:kb0gip@juno.com) or Shawn Rung K0SMR [k0smr@arrl.net](mailto:k0smr@arrl.net) for more information.

### ARRL Field Day 2009

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## FIELD DAY PRESS RELEASE

**NEWS SUMMARY:** Anoka County Radio Club Hams Gear Up to Make Long Distance Contacts and Practice Emergency Communication Skills.

Blaine - Area Amateur Radio operators will work around the clock on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, June 27 & 28 to set up field radio communication stations, get on the air and contact hundreds of other amateur operators, also known as hams, in the US and Canada as part of participation in the American Radio Relay League's Field Day.

Field Day is the annual "shakedown run" for the ARRL's National Field Organization. Field Day is a way for hams to get outdoors and have fun under some difficult conditions. It's also a chance to test and improve amateur-radio operator's emergency communication skills. The Anoka County Radio Club will use generators and battery power to simulate operations under emergency conditions. The challenge is to put together a self-sufficient, working radio stations quickly and begin making contacts with other radio operators.

The ARRL Field Organization has been effective in establishing emergency communications nets during floods, hurricanes, fires, earthquakes, terrorist attacks, and other major disasters, whether they be local, regional, or national in scope. Members of formal emergency organizations such as the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and the Radio Amateur Communication Emergency Services (RACES) regularly participate. The League estimates that more than 30,000 hams participate in Field Day every year.

The Anoka County Field Day operations will take place at the Blaine City Hall. Set up begins after 5 pm on Friday, June 26. Formal operations will start at noon Saturday, June 27 and will continue until noon Sunday. The public is invited. For more information, contact Parry Brown KC0TWB (kc0twb@msn.com) or Jeremy Amundson KD0BOC (jamundson@q.com).

**SUMMARY:** Anoka County area amateur radio operators to contact hundreds of other hams throughout North America in the largest ham radio on-air event.

**WHO:** Licensed Amateur Radio Operators in and around the Anoka County area and anyone interested in what Amateur Radio is about.

**WHAT:** Hams will set up and operate field radio stations to contact other hams throughout the US and Canada over 24 hours. Objective is to see who can make the highest number of contacts during the contest period.

**WHERE:** Blaine City Hall parking lot, Blaine, Minnesota.

**WHEN:** June 27 and 28, 2009 (Noon Saturday until noon Sunday). Setup begins at 5 pm Friday.

**WHY:** Participation in the American Radio Relay League's Field Day. Amateur Radio operators practice communication skills under primitive conditions, with generators and battery- powered equipment and portable antennas. Field Day is a competition as well as a "trial run" for emergency communication skills used during disaster situations.

Photo opportunities, interviews, activities of local participants in important national Amateur Radio event. See different Amateur Radio communication modes in action, including voice, Morse code, and digital communications.

**CONTACT:** Parry Brown KC0TWB  
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VE Testing  
Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

Skywarn Training  
Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> starting at noon at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room. Contact Dave Runkle KC0KEP ASAP to register.

Anoka County ARES Meeting  
Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. More info is on the website – [www.anoka-ares.org](http://www.anoka-ares.org).

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General Meeting  
Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex.

VE Testing  
Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

Anoka County ARES Meeting  
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"It says that my HT synthesizer will go bad in three weeks."

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# Anoka County Radio Club and Emergency Services

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May/June 2009

## President's Corner

Greetings!

Well one of the busiest times of the year is now upon us. With the months of May, June and July upon us, we must sit back and think of the priorities that are placed on our families and our lifestyle.

We know that the gardening season is here and, of course, graduations with the end of the school year. But, as hams, we look ahead to such things as storm spotting, antenna construction, Field Day, and civic events such as BB4 and Fete De Lacs.

We also should take a moment to remember those people that have given so much and those who have given everything for the rights and freedoms that we all enjoy. What makes me mention this is the fact that in the past 3 weeks my family has attended three funerals, two of which were veterans. The remembrances given at the funerals reminded me of how giving people used to be. It also reminded me that most all of the hams I know are those types of people too - the type that give for the sake of giving. Whether it be helping a friend or neighbor with chores or donating to the food shelves - they just give and not expect anything in return. For that I would like to say **Thank you!**

Now is a great time to plan ahead for the Field Day, BB4 and Fete-Des-Lacs events. Parry and Jeremy will be heading up Field Day. For the BB4 Events contact Shawn or myself and for Fete De Lacs you may contact Shawn or myself. I apologize for not being able to partake in either Field day or the BB4 Parade due to my daughter, Rose, having her graduation party on that weekend, but I will try to sneak over for a while. Remember that your help is always appreciated in our events - so please give a hand if you can.

Again, thank you in advance, and we'll see you at the June Meeting!

Thanks, Bob KB0GIP

## General Meeting - Topic: Field Day

We will have our last general meeting until September on June 5<sup>th</sup>. The topic for this meeting will be finalizing plans for Field Day. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend this meeting.

## ARRL Field Day 2009

We need volunteers and participants for Field Day that will be held Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> starting at noon until Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Blaine City Hall parking lot. Setup will be on Friday night, about 5:00 P.M. This is a family-friendly event! Bring the kids! We receive extra points for contacts made by kids! Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend to make contacts and join us for a pot-luck. Contact Parry Brown KC0TWB kc0twb@msn.com or Jeremy Amundson KD0BOC jamundson@q.com for more information and to sign up to help out. Also, if you plan on bringing some food, please sign up on our field day web page at: <http://www.anokaradio.org/fieldday/2009>. You can find the latest information there on the event as well!



## Blaine Blazin' 4th Parade



We need volunteers to help with communications for this event! We will be staging at 113th and Jefferson St. in the south lot of Jefferson Elementary School at 10:00 A.M. Note that at 10:30 A.M. the streets will be shut down, so please get there by 10. The parade will start at noon. We will be using the incident command vehicle. The parade will last for about 2½ hours. We will debrief at around 3:00 P.M. Please bring a reliable portable radio (VHF or dual-band) and extra batteries. Please contact Bob Cordell KB0GIP at kb0gip@juno.com and Shawn Rung K0SMR k0smr@arrl.net to help out or if you need more information.

## Blaine Blazin' 4th Fireworks

The Blaine Blazin' 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks event will be held on Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. We will stage at the NE corner of the Schwan's building at 6:00 P.M. The roads get very hard to get thru at about 7, so please arrive by 6. Bring the family! Fireworks begin at 10:00 P.M. You can expect to be onsite until about 11:00 P.M. Please bring a reliable portable radio (VHF or dual-band) and extra batteries. Contact Bob Cordell KB0GIP kb0gip@juno.com or Shawn Rung K0SMR k0smr@arrl.net for more information and to sign up to help out!



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## Club Patches!

Official Anoka County Radio Club patches are available for sale! The price is only \$5.00 for the first (or one) patch and \$2.50 for each patch purchased in quantity at that time. The patches are 4-inches in diameter and have an iron-on backing. They are great for showing your support of your club on jackets, shirts and equipment bags! Contact Shawn Rung K0SMR at k0smr@arrl.net or any of the other board members to place your order or for more details. They will be available for purchase at the club general and board meetings as well.



## Newsletter Articles Wanted!



Do you have an interesting project or a cool way to make something work better in your shack? Please let us know! We could use some more content to add to our newsletter. Ideas from members are welcomed and encouraged! Please email Shawn Rung K0SMR at k0smr@arrl.net with your ideas and content. We look forward to seeing your ideas and articles here!

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Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> staging at 10:00 a.m. and starting at noon in the South lot of Jefferson Elementary School. We need many volunteers for this event. This is a family friendly event.

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Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> starting at noon in the Blaine City Hall Parking Lot. Invite everyone you can to join us for some fun!



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## President's Corner

Howdy all!

Well it appears that we have survived another field day and celebration of the birth of our country. I would like to thank everyone who came out and help or played on field day and to Perry for all the work and planning to make it a good and exciting weekend. Great job!! I would also like to thank all those who helped out with the BB4 events - I know that it puts on an extra burden, being that it falls on Field Day weekend, but you all excelled to made it work! Thank you, Shawn, for your hard work in taking care of the parade and the fun-run for the club! Everyone that came out for the fireworks show did an excellent job - all I heard was good about the job you did - thank you! A thank you goes out to Dave for running the command post for us during the fun-run and the Fireworks, and to the cooks that made sure that no one went away hungry! Great job!

Remember that the Fete Des Lacs events will be held at the beginning of August and our Simple Supper in September.

I was asked by a number of people why we do these events and how we have become as efficient in doing what we do. My response was as follows: Many of the people that show up to do these type of events take pride in what they do and how they do it so they practice and plan for most problems that may arise. In doing this, they become very good at what they do. You all make me proud to say that I am also one of you.

I would also like to apologize for not being more involved the events this year. I have said before that family comes first, work comes second, and radio comes third (unless it is a real emergency situation). I am proud to say Rose graduated with honors and her party went well. I was also asked to help out with Mary's school marching band, which also a fair amount of my time from the club events. In saying this I think back over the years to the days when these celebrations were more a privilege than a right.

I am including a story that was given me during basic training back in the mid 70's. So, if you could excuse the dating of times, I hope you will enjoy it and give some thought to what it means because I feel that it explains why a bunch of us are Hams:

### A FLAG TO REMEMBER

Hello, remember me? Some people call me old Glory, others call me the Star Spangled Banner. But what ever you call me, I am your Flag - the Flag of the United States of America. Something has been bothering me, so I thought I might talk it over with you because it is about you and me. I remember some people long ago lined up on both sides of the street to watch a parade and, naturally, I was leading every parade - proudly waving in the breeze. When your daddy saw me coming, he immediately removed his hat and placed it over his left shoulder so his hand was directly over his heart - remember? And you! I remember you standing there straight as a soldier, you didn't have a hat, but you were giving the correct salute - remember? Little sister: not to be out done - she was saluting the same as you - with her right hand over her heart. Remember? What happened? I am still the same old flag. Oh, I have a few more stars since you were a boy. A lot more blood has been shed since those parades of long ago.

But now I don't feel as proud as I used to. When I came down your street, you stand there with your hand in your pockets and I may get a small glance and then - you look away. Then I see the children running around and shouting; they don't seem to know who I am. I saw one man take off his hat, then look around. He didn't see anyone else with their hats off, so he quickly put it back on. Is it a sin to be patriotic anymore? Have you forgotten what I stand for and where I have been - Guadalcanal - Korea - and even - Vietnam.

Take a look at the memorial Honor Role sometime of those who never came back to keep the republic free. When you salute me, you are actually saluting them.

Well, it will not be too long until I will be coming down your street again. So when you see me, stand straight, place your right hand over your heart and I will salute you by waving back. I will know that you remember.

Thanks, Bob KB0GIP

## Fete des Lacs

The Centerville Fete des Lacs events will be held on August 7, 8, 9 in Centerville. We need volunteers to help out at these events. These are family-friendly events. More information will be posted on our website soon! Please contact Bob Cordell KB0GIP for more information at kb0gip@juno.com or at one of the meetings.

# ARRL Field Day 2009

Thank you to everyone who helped out and participated in this year's Field Day! We had a few challenges and some good successes! Our points are being tallied and we will post the final score on the web as soon as it is available. A special thank you goes out to Parry Brown KC0TWB and Jeremy Amundson KD0BOC for heading up this event and making all the pieces come together! Great Job! Here are some pictures from Field Day – check out the map of our contacts at the right bottom corner!



## Blaine Blazin' 4th Parade



Thank you to all who helped out at the Parade event! A special thank you goes out to Shawn Rung K0SMR for heading up this event and getting all the pieces put together to make communications at this event a success. Another thank you goes out to Matt Genelin N0YNT for the use of his portable repeater. Thank you!



## Blaine Blazin' 4<sup>th</sup> 8K Run



Thank you to all the people who helped out at this event! Your participation was sincerely appreciated! The event went very smoothly and we didn't have any major events to report! Here's a few pictures from the event:



## Blaine Blazin' 4th Fireworks

The Fireworks event was a great time – Lots of food and fun! Thank you to everyone who participated in this event!



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VE Testing  
Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

Anoka County ARES Meeting  
Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. More info is on the website – [www.anoka-ares.org](http://www.anoka-ares.org).

ACRC Board Meeting  
Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are welcome to attend.

### August 2009

VE Testing  
Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

Fete Des Lacs Events – Help Needed!  
August 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Centerville. Location and times will be announced on our website and via email soon!

Anoka County ARES Meeting  
Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Location and more info is on the website – [www.anoka-ares.org](http://www.anoka-ares.org).

ACRC Board Meeting  
Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Remember – The Simple Supper is coming up! More info on this club event will be posted on our website and sent out via email soon!



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### STORM SPOTTER ESSENTIALS:



Binoculars



Waterproof Flashlight



Map



Dependable Radio



Disposable Undergarments

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## Simple Supper and General Meeting

Everyone is welcome to join us for a pot-luck as we resume our General meetings monthly. The Simple Supper and General Meeting will be held on Friday, September 4 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. The club will be providing the meat, so please bring a dish to share and talk face-to-face with the members you hear on the air! This is a family friendly event! More info is on our website. We look forward to seeing you there!

## October General Membership Renewal Meeting

Our October General Meeting will be held on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. Everyone is welcome to join us and all members are strongly encouraged to attend to renew their memberships. Renewal forms can be found online at <http://www.anokaradio.org/membership>. Some membership options include: Individual for \$25, Senior and Student for \$15, Family for \$35, and the Free New Ham membership. Please see our website and membership form for more details.

## Calendar of Events

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#### Anoka County ARES Net

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#### Simple Supper and General Meeting

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#### VE Testing

Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

#### Anoka County ARES Meeting

Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. More info is on the website – [www.anoka-ares.org](http://www.anoka-ares.org).

#### ACRC Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are welcome to attend.

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#### General Membership Renewal Meeting

Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7pm to 9pm at the Blaine Baseball Complex. Everyone is welcome to join us and all members are strongly encouraged to attend to renew their memberships.

#### VE Testing

Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Blaine City Hall, Mark Stack Room.

#### Anoka County ARES Meeting

Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Location and more info is on the website – [www.anoka-ares.org](http://www.anoka-ares.org).

#### ACRC Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**Remember! The Annual ACRC Christmas Party is coming up on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars!**

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# Anoka County Radio Club and Emergency Services

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November / December 2009

## President's Corner

Howdy all!

In the lane the Snow, Rain, Sleet and all are falling - what a way to start the fall season! Only in Minnesota – Eh? With that prime understatement being true, here's just a quick note to say how proud I am of everything that all our members have accomplished this year!

You all have made it an interesting and fun year. I can honestly say I am proud to be a member of this group and would be proud to say you all are my friends and associates. I know that I do not always come across with a lot of tact and dignity but you must also realize that I was brought up to tell it like it is - so if I may have said something that doesn't sit right, or if I'm giving someone a hard time, please remember that I usually only do that with people I really care about and or consider to be my friends.

Here is an "Atta-person" and "Great Job" to all our members - we wouldn't be the club we are without all of you!

There are a few other things that I'd like to mention. First, the SantaNet. We have been invited to run the SantaNet again this year. It will be the 19th year that we have been involved! We need your help if you can work on Christmas Eve for a few hours. Please let Shawn Rung or myself know by e-Mail ASAP! Second, we are asking for RSVP's to the Christmas party. Please get a hold of Shawn Rung to let him know you are going to attend. Third, Hams Against Hunger. We, as always, will be accepting food donations them anytime of the year - just give myself or any of the board members a call, or bring your donations to any meeting. Fourth, club elections are coming up soon, so think about who you might like to see in a board position. Remember - everyone who is a member does have a say in what happens! Your thoughts and ideas are always welcomed, respected and considered.

See you all at the meetings and may God help you with those hard to reach contacts.

Bob KB0GIP

## SantaNet

**Attention Members!** We are in need of at least 10 more hams for this event to be held. **We need people to commit to helping at this event before the November General meeting on November 6th.**

The SantaNet is a radio net that the ACRC hosts on Thursday, December 24th, Christmas Eve, starting at 3:00 p.m. for the children that are in the local hospitals (Mercy and Unity). We use our repeater with a "link" to the north pole to allow the children to talk with Santa. After all the children in the hospitals get a chance to contact Santa, the net will be opened to anyone on the repeater.

We are in need of at least 4 hams for each hospital and net control. Please consider helping us put a smile on the faces of these children. You can email Shawn Rung at [k0smr@arrl.net](mailto:k0smr@arrl.net) or Bob Cordell at [kb0gip@juno.net](mailto:kb0gip@juno.net) . Thank you!

## ACRC Excellence Award - Nominations Needed



Who, in your opinion, is the most active member in our club? Who, do you feel, goes above and beyond being a member? Here's your chance to have them recognized! The ACRC will be giving out an Excellence Award to the member that the club determines has been the one to show extraordinary effort to the club. Please respond to the email for nominations or send in the ballot included in this newsletter by November 15th to have your vote counted. We will tally the votes and the winner will be presented a certificate and a gift at the Christmas Party!

# Hams for Hunger

We are accepting food donations to benefit the local food shelves. You can bring any non-perishable food items to our meetings and events, or give them to any board member. Thank you for helping out the less fortunate in our community - your donations are sincerely appreciated!



## ACRC Christmas Party



The Anoka County Radio Club will host our annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 5th, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Blaine Baseball Complex. The doors will open 5:30 p.m. for social hour and dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. All members and family are invited to join us for a night of fun and food as we review the past year and look forward to 2010.

There will be tiered-pricing again this year. The price will be: \$25.00 for individuals, \$45 for couples and \$60 per family.

Payments will be accepted by any board member or at the door. We will be collecting food donations for Hams Against Hunger at this event, as well as the White Elephant gift exchange! There will be door prizes and desserts too!

**Please RSVP to Shawn Rung K0SMR by November 15th** at k0smr@arrl.net so we have time to get everything ready!

If you have any questions or would like to help out with the event, please contact Shawn Rung K0SMR at k0smr@arrl.net. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

## Raffle at the General Meetings

We start having a donated-prize raffle at the General Meetings. For one dollar per ticket, you may purchase a ticket for the chance to win a donated item. Most of the items will be a grab-bag style item - the identity of the items will not be known until the winner opens them (the value of the item will be worth more than a dollar).



## Nominations for the Upcoming Club Election



Please think about which club members you would like to nominate for the following positions: President, Vice President, Secretary and Board Member at Large. These positions are up for vote in the upcoming election at our February General Meeting on February 5, 2010. Nominations will be accepted from the January Board Meeting (January 8, 2010) until the time of the election. The more nominees we have, the more interesting the election!

## Morse Code to Phonetic Puzzle

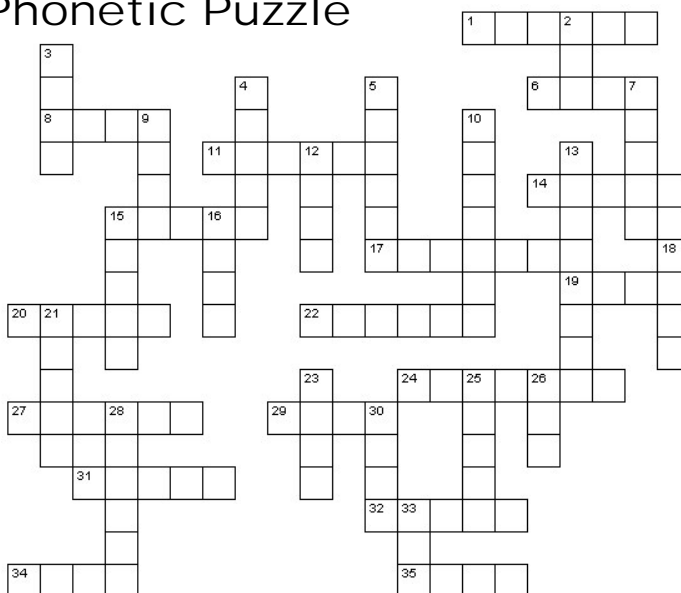
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**and**  
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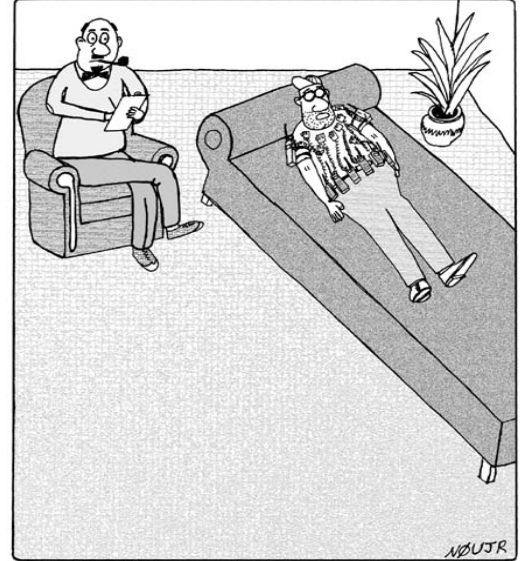
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