

# Cleveland Chapter One **NEWSLETTER**

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## Summer lunch is July 12th at Mimi's Restaurant in Parma

No, this is not a misprint. As luck would have it, The Boneyard Restaurant is temporarily closed for renovations. We will return there for our fall luncheon.

## OLD FASHIONED TOWN HALL MEETING!

Our Saturday, July 12th meeting will not feature a guest speaker. Instead, you will have an opportunity to speak your mind about ham radio, QCWA, and our own Cleveland Chapter 1. Tell us what's on your mind. What do you like about amateur radio. What don't you like and what is your solution to the problem? How can we improve our hobby, QCWA and our club? Why don't you check into the weekly net? Why do you come to hamfests? How do you recruit new hams? Plus, anything else that you want to discuss.

Join us starting at 11:30 a.m. for our quarterly luncheon. We are meeting at Mimi's Restaurant, located at 7528 Broadview Road in Parma, Ohio. Exit I-77 at Pleasant Valley Westbound (Parma) and proceed about 2 miles to Broadview. Turn left and immediately turn right into the shopping plaza. Mimi's is located in the back (western edge) of the plaza. Eat off the lunch menu for about \$10.00. Door prizes, 50-50 raffle, music, and fellowship awaits!

Please bring a friend! ■

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## FALL LUNCHEON WILL FEATURE A VERY SPECIAL AWARD!



This very rare 80th Anniversary Award will be presented to Bob Briggs, W8MMC, at our awards luncheon. Reserve the date (11 October 2014)



### **Cleveland Chapter One Newsletter**

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**Meetings:** Second Saturday of January, April, July, and October. Boneyard Restaurant, 5900 Mayfield Road, Mayfield Heights, Ohio

**Dues:** \$10.00 per year.

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### **Operational Group**

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Please notify Secretary Al Moriarty of any changes in your address, e-mail etc. so your roster information can be kept current. Thanks.



#### **Recent Activities:**

**Kate Saccany, KC9IQF** reports that her Chicago radio club, North Shore Radio, held a "ham college" for Field Day participants to learn logging software.

Craig Kollai, N8ZT, visited the UK, where he saw the Royal Museum Greenwich which is the home of GMT. He also saw Bletchley Park, site of the WWII allied code breaking efforts and its radio club. (Sounds like an interesting future program, Craig, ed.)

Gary Dewey, NI8Z, said that CARS made a special trip to ARRL headquarters during this centennial year and they had a great time operating W100AW.

Jeff Covelli, WA8SAJ, participated at the Dayton Hamvention forum where he lectured on sweeping Drake filters and the Kenwood forum where he spoke about the history of Trio-Kenwood.

#### **Sunshine:**

**Al, WA8OZC,** is recovering from eye surgery while **John Esborn, K8OCK,** recently completed a rehabilitation program at the VA Hospital.

### **Guest Speaker:**

Chapter 1 wants to thank **George Misic, KE8RN** for his presentation at the spring luncheon on his classic car collection.



MESSAGE FROM OUR SECRETARY

Hi All,
Remember the lunch
meeting on July 12th.
The location has
changed and is
specified elsewhere in

this newsletter.

Well, the "almost middle of summer" has arrived. We've had some nice weather so far with more to come, I'm sure. This is also the radio club "picnic time." Many clubs have a summer get-together and picnic during July and August. Try to get out and enjoy the friendship and plenty of good food.

Operating wise, the propagation and the bands have overall been pretty terrible. Maybe your luck has been better. Remember to get your outdoor ham radio work accomplished. This means antennas, grounds, etc. By the time the next newsletter is published, it will be FALL!

Vy best 73s to everone, Al, N8CX, VP/Secretary

## TREASURER'S REPORT



Greetings!

Your QCWA Chapter 1 Treasurer here and we are sitting pretty good with \$5,056.95 available in the bank. Hope to see all the smiling faces on July 12, 2014.

Dave Foran, WB8APD

### QCWA CHAPTER 1 NEEDS YOU!

We have the following job openings available now.

- Vice President: Requirements
- include enough interest in QCWA and our local chapter to attend quarterly executive board meetings, to check into our weekly nets, to buy door prizes for and attend the quarterly luncheons and to
- substitute for the chapter president when he or she is unable to perform his or her duties.
- QCWA Journal Reporter: Require ments include the ability to write well and to be current in all of our chapter activities in order to send a monthly report, with pictures, to the national QCWA.
- Chapter 1 Newsletter Editor:
- Requirements include experience with Publisher or similar publishing software, a strong interest in our chapter activities, and excellent writing skills.

Please contact Bob Winston (w2thu@arrl.net)

#### Join the Friday Lunch Bunch

QCWA Chapter One members and other radio hams gather for lunch each Friday at 11:00 in Willoughby. The place? The Manhattan Deli, 34601 Ridge Road, (That's in the Pine Ridge Plaza next to Heinen's.) Join us!



# Birthdays this Quarter

#### **July George Keltner** 7/4 **K8SGM** 7/4 W8PT **Charles Patelis** W8ANJ Steve Molnar 7/25 7/25 WA8OZC Alphonse Lada W2THU **Robert Winston** 7/28 WA8TJL **Gary Zimmet** 7/28 **Jerry Dusa** 7/29 WB8ADF Kirk Sanderson W8WNA 7/30 August **Al Moriarty** N8CX 8/5 W8AR Walter Robinson 8/7 Jack Goldfarb 8/8 W8WGO K8ZGW Don Ritchie 8/10 **WB8ZGH Michael Goffos** 8/10 KC9IQF **Kate Saccany** 8/12 **W8GVE Howard Reichle** 8/14 8/15 **WD8AQH Nadja Cole** KE8GA George Vilican 8/17 WB8N **Thomas Wayne** 8/17 AA8BV Robert Mate, Sr. 8/22 **Carl Lewis** 8/28 **K8SHJ W8FSF** Fred Freer 8/30 September **Clifford Dice** W8WHO 9/6 **N8EQT Raymond Suing** 9/16 Harry Winfield K8LXH 9/21

Birthdays are announced each week during the chapter's Wednesday night net at 8:00 p.m. on 146.850 pl 110.9. Join us! (Corrections to Al Moriarty, N8CX—n8cx@mindspring.com)

#### **HEARD ON OUR CHAPTER NET**

Instead of trying to answer a trivia question, our nets feature discussion questions.

Our April 9th net asked why

you like to check into nets. **Dee**, **W1HEO** said to conduct club business and to buy and sell equipment. **Dick**, **W8FDN** said it allows us to socialize, while **Ken**, **K8YLY** said he enjoys talking to people and learning.

Later in April, we surveyed our members language skills.

Al, WA8OZC, is fluent in written and spoken Polish and he understands other Slovak languages. No one else claimed fluency in a foreign tongue although Craig, N8ZT, studied enough German in high school to function conversationally with a German.

Bob, W2THU can speak and read

Bob, W2THU can speak and read French at a high level, but not fluently. Others said they studied French or Spanish in high school, but don't remember it.

On the June 4th net we asked if you preferred a trivia question or a discussion question or both. 60% wanted both, 25% preferred discussion questions, with 15% having no opinion.

The May 21st net asked for your philosophy on collecting operating awards. About half said they don't do it, while **W1HEO** and **Gary, NI8Z** have been very active in pursuing their goals.

Why not add your 2 cents worth by checking into our weekly chapter net every Wednesday evening at 8:00 pm on our own 146.85 repeater. All

you need is a PL tone of 110.9 Hz.

## President's Perspective

By Bob Winston, W2THU

Greetings from beautiful Perry Township, where our QTH is surrounded by fully leafed trees, the sky is sunny and blue and we are enjoying a very comfortable summer so far. [See photo at end.] The summer solstice is, sadly, behind us but there are still many more weeks of fine weather and daylight extending well into the evening.

As usual, I did attend the Dayton Hamvention for the umpteenth consecutive year, where I visited the QCWA booth and greeted our national leadership, including Ken Simpson, W8EK and Sue Simpson, N8AJU. Ken and Sue usually visit some of the Ohio area chapters after Dayton, but they did not make it to Cleveland this year.

The nasty weather kept us inside on Friday and Saturday, so by the time I got to the flea market on Sunday morning it was mostly gone. My wish list was very modest, as I came home with a few station accessories rather than any big ticket items. We also attended the ARRL Forum where President Kay Craigie, N3KN hinted that the League finally had a solution to getting the FCC to extend PRB-1 to restrictive deed covenants (CC&R's), homeowner's associations rules, and condominium bylaws. This past week the ARRL announced its plan to the ham radio community.

It seems that our own QCWA chapter has finally found a permanent home for luncheons at the Boneyard Restaurant.

It has all the amenities of Dimitri's that made that establishment so popular with radio clubs and other organizations. These include the ability to order directly from the regular restaurant menu (no banquet menu), separate checks, reasonable prices, our own private meeting room, a bar just a few steps away, handicap accessible, and about 1 mile from a freeway exit. In addition, the wait staff is very friendly and attentive.

As word has spread, our meeting attendance has gone up and we now feel at home at the Boneyard. So, when I got the phone call from the restaurant that they were going to renovate the place, I thought, oh no, here we ago again. But, I was assured that the new Boneyard will be available for our fall luncheon in October and thereafter.

This newsletter is 2 pages shorter than normal because I didn't get any articles from our members. Please send me stories, news and photos for publication. This is your newsletter!

I look forward to seeing you at Mimi's this coming Saturday.

Best 73, Bob Winston W2THU

