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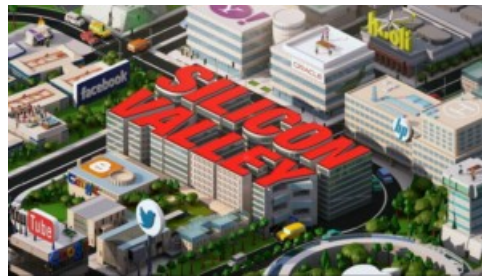
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The presentation THE ORIGINS OF SILICON VALLEY WHY AND HOW IT HAPPEND by STEVE PETERS W9KXT. It is about silicon Valley and how Ham Radio was the catalyst that helped bring together folks who gave birth to the infamous Silicon Valley in California. . Steve will be assisted by CONNIE KELLY AC9CK helping with the presentation as she was a Bio Med Engineer for Hewlett Packard one of the major players in establishing the Silicon Valley



Thanks to David Bukowski N9KPD for a superb job on weather spotting, He did an excellent job and it was very informative. Thanks again Dave

President's Beat

Nora Pointer, KC9MLV



They say April showers (snow?) bring May flowers. Crazy weather in April. Hopefully spring has sprung. Happy Cinco de Mayo, Happy Mother's Day to member mothers and Memorial Day. A very special Happy Birthday to my husband, Don, KC9EQQ.

I would like to thank Dave, N9KPD for his April program on Weather Spotting. We had over 85 people in attendance. He will provide those who signed in with an email in order for you to print out your attendance certificates once he has them programmed.

2018. Be sure to buy your tickets early. Going to another Hamfest, be sure to sell some tickets and pass out flyers when you can. We need Hamfest promoted and it is up to our membership to do this.

Flyers and tickets are now available for Hamfest

Health and Welfare: Best wishes go out to all Hamfesters who may not be feeling well.

AWARDS: Certificate of Appreciation was handed out at last month's April meeting to Gregg, AB9MZ. Congratulations and thank you again for all you do for our Club.

NEW MEMBERS: Welcome to Michael Socha, N9KSF, Steven Knott, KD9JRV, Hugh Savage, no call yet, and Matthew Medlen, Sr., N9YBK.

MAY Program: Will be given by Steve Peters, W9KXT. He will be showing a video presentation entitled "The Origins of Silicon Valley, Why and How It Happened", and how Ham Radio was the catalyst that helped bring together folks who gave birth to the infamous "Silicon Valley" in California. This should be a very interesting evening.

JUNE W9JPR. This is always a fun evening of pictures, stories and remembrances. Come and see if Jim's ducks are in a row.

Program: That time of year again for Field Day! The presentation will be given by our own Field Day Chairman, Jim,

SPECIAL EVENT: Thanks to Cindy, N9CAS, for taking the lead and for the members who volunteered their time for the District 1A Lions Helen Keller 5K Fun Run-Walk.

EDUCATION: Hamfesters is offering a Technician license class commencing on Wednesday evening, May 9th. More information go to: <https://www.hamfesters.org/main/licensing-class/>

As always, we ask you to keep an eye on the website for the most current happenings in our club. Remember to Like us on our Hamfesters Page on Facebook. On behalf of myself and the Officers and Board members of Hamfesters, thank you for all you do 73

Nora Pointer KC9MLV President of Hamfesters Amateur Radio Club of Crestwood

P.S: If you need to reach me, please email me at: npointer92@gmail.com

Hamfesters - 85 Years young and still going strong



Don't forget Split the Pot tickets at the next meeting!

Board Meeting Minutes - de Patti, KC9LYE

Hamfesters amateur radio club W9AA board meeting March 26, 2018 start at 7:30 PM.

Roll: Nora KC9MLV, Jim W9JPR, Ed WA9EOL, Patti KC9L YE, Don KC9EQQ, Steve W9KXT, Kurt WB9FMC,

Brian W9HLQ, Mel NE9A, Cindy N9CAS

Members: Rich KB9NTX, & Mike K9ACM

Health and Welfare: Matt A9MS SK, wife has died.

Minutes: the February board minutes were approved by Brian W9HLQ, and Jim W9JPR.

Treasurer's report: by Ed WA9EOL, club has paid bills for the following; doughnuts, and door prizes.

Our club will open a CD with State Farm when the rates go up.

Programs: The April program will be weather spotters by Dave N9KPD, the meeting will begin at 7 PM.

There will be split the pot at the April meeting.

The program in May will be Silicon Valley and ham radio presented by Steve W9KXT. The May meeting will begin at 7:30 PM.

Publicity: We need another publicity chairmen.

Education: there will be a technician class in May for people from the makers fair.

Hamfest 2018: by Don KC9EQQ, possibly people from the makers fair will have a booth.

Adjournment: at 8:35 PM, Ed W9EOL, and Don KC9EQQ

General Meeting Minutes - de Patti, KC9LYE

Hamfesters amateur radio club W9AA club meeting April 6, 2018 7 PM.

Roll: Nora KC9MLV, Jim W9JPR, Ed W9EOL, Patti KC9LYE,

At tonight's meeting there were 49 members, and 33 visitors.

President's report: by Nora KC9MLV, welcome EMA managers, and everyone.

Tonight's program is weather spotting, our annual April event presented by Dave N9KPD.

New business: Cindy N9CAS, needs help on April 29 at Richard's high school 7 AM to 12 PM for a 5K run.

Hams are needed to monitor runners. This is a Lion's Club 5K run, 15 Volunteers are needed.

Hamfesters appreciation certificate: This month's recipient was Gregg AB9MZ, congratulations Gregg and thanks.

Hamfest 2018: it's August 5, 2018 in Peotone, Illinois at the Fairgrounds. This is our club's main fundraiser,
please volunteer.

Adjournment at 10:08 PM.

The split the pot winner was Gregg AB9MZ

door prize winners: 4 weather radios: Bob N9RAT, John KD9BYW, Bob KB9FUR , & Nancy Fitzpatrick

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Hello Hamfesters Board members,

I just processed applications for 4 new members! Make sure you seek them out at coming meetings and make them feel a part of the club. We got some real talent in this group.....good for the club!

1) Michael Socha, N9KSF. He lives in Chicago and is a TV studio engineer and videographer with the Chicago police. In addition to ham radio Mike likes musky fishing, wood working, tornado spotting and chasing, also coin collecting.

2) Steven Knott, KD9JRV. Steve lives in Chicago and is a retired firefighter and paramedic (a good guy to know next time your amplifier catches fire). He likes to build custom fishing rods and is a pipe band drummer. (Jim, maybe we can ask Steve to perform at a Field Day ceremony)

3) Hugh Savage, no call yet. Hugh lives in Chicago and is physician (WA9EOL's doctor). We are hoping to get him his tech license real soon. I think Ed will guide him in that process - I did briefly coach him on getting the License manual and doing some self study.

4) Matthew Medlen, Sr., N9YBK. Matt is retired policeman and currently a web developer and photo journalist. His hobbies are web work and photography. He operates HF, VHF and UHF bands Fm, SSB, and FT8

We had a nice haul of new members Friday night!

73,

--Brian, W9HLQ--



From the Editor

The Article on “Sound Reproduction” has been cancelled due to corruption of article. Please excuse the inconvenience. Thank you Bob Richter--editor

Nevada sheriff: Radio show host Art Bell dead at 72

news 3 days ago The Associated Press



(Aaron Mayes/Las Vegas Sun via AP)

In this March 7, 1997, photo, shows late night talk show host Art Bell near a satellite dish at his Pahrump, Nev., home. Bell, was the original owner of Pahrump based radio station KNYE 95.1 FM. And perhaps best known for his conspiracy theory in the paranormal, with his radio show "Coast to Coast," which was syndicated across the nation. The Nye County Sheriff's Office says Bell died at his home in Pahrump, Nev. Bell is scheduled for an autopsy later this week to determine the cause of death. He was 72.



REMEMBER FIELD DAY JUNE 23-24 2018

CQ Field Day
DE Jim Riley W9JPR

It's getting warmer and Field Day is on the way. If yo

u're setting up a FD station, it's time to start checking your equipment to make sure it's ready to go.

Over the last couple of years, we've met at the club trailer before the May board meeting to make sure all is in order. Since we meet at the church where the trailer is kept, I see no reason why we can't do that again. We normally meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. but the May meeting is on the third Monday due to Memorial Day. Seven p.m. should give us enough time to do what we need to do. More at the May general meeting. Our newer members might want to come out that night and get familiar with the trailer before they have to operate in it on Field Day.

We have purchased a new push-up mast for the trailer. Some pre-assembly is required and Kurt WB9FMC will be heading up a party to take care of that. He has experience with it and will show everyone how it works. We'll have a time and a location at the May meeting.

If you have any photos from last year and would like them in my Field Day program in June, this is your last chance to get them to me.

That's it for this month. If you haven't circled the date yet, Field Day begins on Saturday June 23 at 0800 local when we start setting up. Operations run from 1800Z Saturday to 1800Z Sunday (1 p.m. for the UTC challenged). The place is Altman Park at 116th and Oketo, a quarter mile west of Harlem in Worth. You can find us online at: <http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator>. Search W9AA or move the map to the Chicago area. Talk-in is on 146.430 MHz.

Hamfesters VE Testing de Al, N9ZD

Al Bukowski N9ZD - VE coordinator

Hamfester's Amateur Radio Club VE's offer Amateur Radio License Testing for those who want to get their first ham license, or Amateur Hams who want to upgrade to a higher class license. Examination sessions are available on the second Saturday of each month. We will assist you with all necessary paperwork prior taking your exam. Please make sure you are studying the latest question pool that can be found on the internet, through ARRL publications or Gordon West books. The Exam fee is \$15.00 (**CASH ONLY - Please NO Checks or Credit Cards.**) Also please bring a photo ID with you to the exam. If upgrading, bring your original signed Amateur License and a photocopy we can send with the test results.



The exam sessions are held at the Oak Forest City Hall 15440 S. Central Ave. Oak Forest, IL 60452. Please arrive by 9:00 AM. We begin testing promptly at 9:15 AM. Please enter through the marked Police door entrance at City Hall and look for the ARRL Amateur Radio testing signs for directions.

Future VE Exam dates are as follows:

May 12, 2018

June 9, 2018

July 14, 2018 Note: New Technician Exams will be in use! Candidates please study new Question pool and/or latest Technician license publications.

August 11, 2018

It would help the VE Team to pre-register and/or if you have any other questions regarding our test sessions, please contact Al, N9ZD via e-mail at: N9ZD@arrl.net.

73's de AL - N9ZD

Monthly Raffle

We try to do the best we can for prizes for the monthly Hamfest meetings. We however have a limited budget we can work from. We would encourage all members to contribute an item for the monthly raffle. It might be something that would be useful to others, but is no longer of use to you. It could also simply be something you just choose to donate. We try to get as broad a variety of prizes as we can.

With your donations, we can have even more variety and nicer prizes for our monthly raffles. If you can help we would greatly appreciate it.

Your prize doesn't have to be electronic in nature; it can be anything even if it doesn't deal with ham radio. Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration of making a prize donation and hope to hear from you very soon.

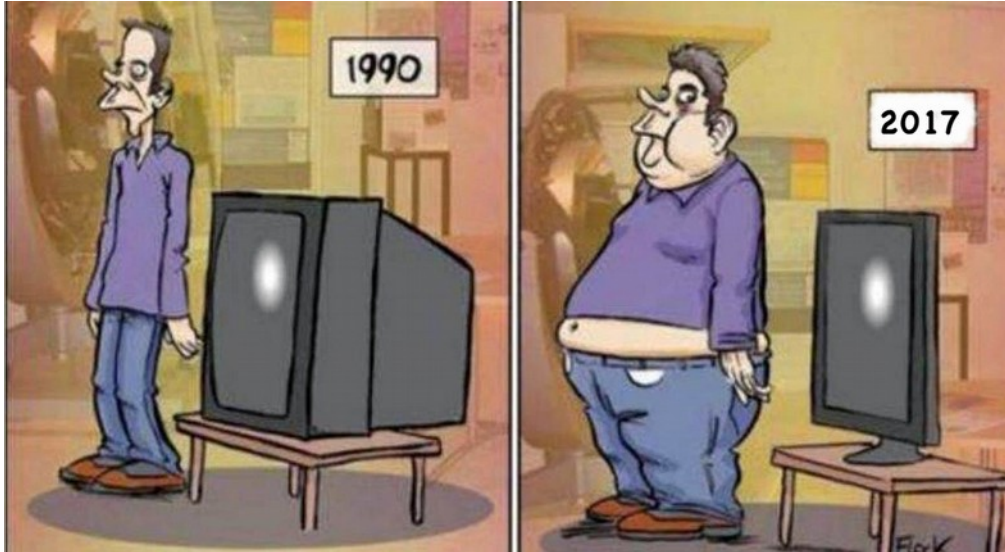
Feel free to contact me by email at: **kb9yxh@yahoo.com** or call me at (708)234-0280.

73' Bob Richter K9RDR Raffle Chairman

Two Radio Amateurs Now on International Space Station 03/24/2018 With the addition of three new crew members, the International Space Station (ISS) now has a full complement of six. Astronauts Ricky Arnold, KE5DAU, and Drew Feustel, and cosmonaut Oleg Artemyev headed into space on March 21 aboard a Soyuz MS08 vehicle, launched from Kazakhstan. The new ISS residents were welcomed on March 23 as part of the Expedition 55 crew by station commander Anton Shkaplerov and crew — Scott Tingle, KG5NZA, and Norishige Kanai. During his time in space, Arnold, a former educator, will wrap up NASA's Year of Education on Station, an initiative to engage students and educators in human spaceflight and science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) careers. Arnold and Tingle will take turns handling all scheduled Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) s



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Meetings and VE Testing	Special Activities	Nets/Contact Info
<p>Club meetings are held on the first Friday of every month at the Crestwood Civic Center, 14025 Kostner Ave. in Crestwood, IL. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. September meetings may vary if our meeting date conflicts with the Crestwood Flower show.</p> <p><i>Board Meetings:</i> 7:30 PM on the 4th Monday of each month at the SouthBridge Community Church: 15500 S. 73rd. Orland Park, IL</p> <p>VE TESTING: Every 2nd Saturday of the Month at the Oak Forest City Hall, 15440 S. Central Ave. Testing begins at 9:00 AM but we ask that you arrive 10 minutes early. Exam fee is now \$15.00. Al N9ZD VE Team Chairman</p>	<p>Hamfesters Big Peotone Hamfest: Our 81st annual Hamfest coming August 5th, 2018-Will County Fairgrounds, Peotone, IL.</p> <p>Field Day: Join the W9AA crew for one of the best Field Days ever on June 23rd & 24 2018 at 115th and Oketo Avenue, Worth, IL. Jim W9JPR Field Day Chairman</p> <p>MAKERS: we participate in the annual Southwest Chicago Makers Faire held in August</p> <p>Community Service: we support local communities by providing radio communication for parades and marathons / walk-a-thons.</p>	<p>10 METER NET: Every Sunday Evening at 8:00 PM on 28.410. Tom KA9ZXN is Net Control</p> <p>2 METER NET: Every Monday Evening at 9:00 PM on 146.640. Tom KA9ZXN is Net Control</p> <p>WEB SITE: www.hamfesters.org Webmaster Granville, W9PNG & Brian, W9HLQ</p> <p>Club's address: Hamfesters Radio Club P.O. Box 474 Crestwood, IL 60445 Attn: Patti KC9LYE S</p>







