Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9 October / November 2005

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We have the following Silent Keys to report: Kenneth Hydeman, K8SVM, died Sep 19, 2005 at age 81 Ralph Le Gore, W8FPA, died Sep 29, 2005 at age 73.

Our Regular Meetings are on the SECOND Tue with Lunch at 11:30 AM at the MCL Cafeteria, 4485 Far Hills Av. in Kettering

October 11 meeting: Hams as Emergency Operators, A Discussion November 8 meeting: Gary Hollenbaugh, NJ8BB, Katrina / Rita Report

Happy Birthday to the following

10/11/28	K8YDP	10/26/18	W8TIV	11/28/48	WA8FOZ
10/12/40	WD8QAI	10/31/17	W8NFQ	12/4/38	W8POF
10/24/21	K8DOT	11/1/52	K8UD	12/6/20	K8IOW
10/25/33	W8JNO	11/13/12	KA8ZPG	12/8/47	AA8LL

President's Comments.

Watching a documentary about the 60s on PBS I was reminded, when you get older, how much you like to reminisce and try to remember our own involvement at the time. I came to the US in 1964 and was just learning how things were working and at the same time was very busy with work and family. So, I observed most current events in a more detached way and only much later caught on to life in the US. Just passing another milestone with the arrival of our first grandson also makes me think about the future. In Asia the old people are more recognized as in our culture and the young ones show great reference and listen to the old people. Not so in the West. As a friend, who has a number of grandchildren commented, they might listen to you, but heeding any advice is a long shot. Nevertheless, we should definitely give it a try. I remember fondly a few occasions with my granddad. One particular quote, which I liked and subscribe to from a lady in the documentary, was: "We wanted to make life better for ALL People". I think, unfortunately, in todays political system, we are getting away from this maxim. Another purpose of life, or one could say

civilization, which ties in perfectly with our hobby is to "connect" with other people. In doing so one finds amazing similarities and novel ideas at the same time and it is a great "learning process!

On the recent hurricane disasters, we might want to examine, how as hams we could contribute with communication and otherwise. Also how prepared are we ourselves should disaster strike. It is amazing how unprepared we actually are. Personally, I keep making efforts but they are all "incomplete". In our next meeting we will discuss this timely subject.

At the November meeting Gary, NJ8BB will give us an eyewitness account of the Katrina / Rita Hurricane disaster aftermath.

Visit with our Sunday 75m net (3875 at 1:30PM)!

CU at the second Tuesday of the month meetings! VY73, Gerd, WB8IFM,

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