

**Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9**

**February / March 2006**

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Illness Report: Russ Beams, W8AAL, had a stroke and was brought to a Columbus hospital.

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

**February 14 Meeting:** Bill Meers, W4NWR, Digital Radio, a new chapter in radio

**March 14 Meeting:** Ed Kulesa, K2VEE, Anybody out there? Search for extra terrestrial life.

**Happy Birthday to the following**

2/11/17	W8SR	3/8/17	W8QDD	4/7/38	W8LLY
2/14/31	WB8IFM	3/10/20	W8ARN	4/9/31	WT8W
2/14/38	W4MWZ	3/11/27	K8PKL	4/12/24	W8GFA
2/22/54	NY1A	3/19/43	W8GS	4/13/22	W8AAL
2/28/18	W8HU	3/22/20	N8AEC		

**President's Comments.**

“Old age is the most unexpected thing that can happen to a man.” [Leon Trotzky]

It happens to all of us eventually. A have friends that are “cleaning up” in anticipation of the final exit, or they are sorting through the treasures of their departed loved ones. This latter is what Sena Dixon did when one of her sisters passed away recently. She came upon a framed group picture that had belonged to her dad; the inscription read: Quarter Century Wireless Association Peerless Mill Inn – Oct. 13, 1966. She went on the Internet, found the QCWA, contacted headquarters and offered the picture. I was notified and after a few exchanges Sena stopped by our house and brought the picture. It turned out to be an interesting story and it will be told in an upcoming Journal. So I won't go into any more details. Sena is the daughter of Bill Hinman, W8UX, who became a Silent Key on 15 Dec, 1978.

Most of the hams in the picture are Silent Keys now! I recognized one familiar name although not his call. That is Andy Henderson, W8SR. There maybe others! I have the picture at the upcoming meetings

and you get a chance to look, and help with identification!

The February meeting falls on the 14<sup>th</sup>, Valentine's Day, and we will have a cake and everybody should get a piece!

The month of January has been very mild and our heating bill was a little more than half of what it normally is. There were days you could've worked on the antennas. But winter is not over yet!

We have announced our Hamvention Banquet, but are still looking for a speaker; any suggestion, help in this matter would be appreciated.

**CU at the Meetings Vy73, Gerd, WB8IFM**

Visit with our Sunday 75m net (3975 at 1:30PM)!

QCWA Chapter 9 (Dayton/Cincinnati)  
Yearly Membership Dues \$ 5.00 Mail to Treasurer  
(he also accepts Banquet orders \$ 18ea)

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