

Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9

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Silent Key: **Russ Beams, W8AAL**, became a silent key on Feb 23, 2006, he was 84 years old.

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

April 11 Meeting: Philip Island (VK) Pictures and Stories by Gerd, WB8IFM

May 9 Meeting: Don DuBon, N6JRL: The Peter I Island DX-pedition.

Happy Birthday to the following

4/9/31	WT8W	5/14/22	W8STX	6/6/20	WR8A
4/12/24	W8GFA	5/19/24	W8RJH	6/7/21	W8MK
4/24/37	W8ILC	5/23/10	W8BHT	6/10/33	WB8KMX
5/7/29	KA8GYV	5/31/47	N8KPJ		
5/12/19	W8WTL	6/2/25	W8EWD		

President's Comments.

“Time is the Absence of Money.”

I picked this up from an old movie, it's the opposite from the usual: “Time is Money!”

Just think about it!

On a cold but sunny Sunday last month we walked along Harlou Drive where we live. My immediate impression, on stepping outside, was one of tranquility and quietness. Of course, any sound generated outside spreads in all directions while inside the house it bounces off the walls and lingers. The cold temperature amplified the quietness even further. Only in space could it be quieter as Eugene Cernan once observed: “The mass gross absence of sound in space is more than just silence.” And Robert Gardner says about Newton: “It was undoubtedly his ability to concentrate on an idea and to shut out all other stimuli for prolonged periods of time that enabled him to think so deeply and thoroughly.”

There was no rustling of leaves or singing of birds or noises of insects. In your house there is constant distraction, beginning with the hum of the refrigerator, the on and off of the heating system, a radio playing somewhere and finally the ticking of a

clock. What happens when it is so quiet around us? We turn inside, our thoughts take new and unexpected turns and we come up with new insights. Someone said, in order to have a good thought, you have to have lots of them.

We met an elderly neighbor and exchanged a few words. It was difficult because his hearing is bad. He gets out several times a day and enjoys it. On the way back we did see a couple, all dressed up sit on their porch swing facing the sun and enjoying it.

The Hamvention is coming up fast, I have tickets at the upcoming meetings. At the Banquet Ralph Dull will speak about Alternate Energies, in particular about wind power.

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

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

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Yearly Membership Dues \$ 5.00 Mail to Treasurer
(he also accepts Banquet orders \$ 18ea)

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