

# Quarter Century Wireless Association    Southwest Ohio Chapter 9 October/November 2011

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

**Oct. 11**    Pictures from "The Old Country"  
**Nov. 8**       TBD

### *Happy Birthday to the following*

10/11/28	K8YDP	10/25/33	W8JNO	12/4/38	W8POF
10/12/40	WD8QAI	11/1/52	K8UD	12/6/20	K8IOW
10-12-47	AF5K	11/13/12	KA8ZPG	12/8/47	AA8LL
10/24/21	K8DOT	11/28/48	WA8FOZ	12/31/29	W9GIV

### **President's Comments**

I hope you are enjoying the fall. The weather sure couldn't be much better as it is right now. A welcome change after this bad spring and summer. Our house is finally repaired and I can concentrate on getting my antennas back in the air. We also have been missing the Cincinnati TV stations, which I pick up only with the antenna at 70 feet.

As we get older, we slow down, our strength diminishes, our memory has "drop outs" and we get tired more often. What helps is a proper diet, exercise and developing routines to keep you active. And stay out of the wheel chair. I think the handicap parking spots should be reserved for wheelchairs only. So as long as you can walk, no matter how slow, do it.

The younger generation has two characteristics, one good, one bad: they are stronger and have a strong drive to action, but they never listen to an "old guy". So as we envy them we also have to shake your head when we see them "learn the hard way."

I would say I am at the crossover point, where I can barely keep up with my

elected duties (volunteer work) and often I need the help of the younger ones. As you probably have noticed, we have had vacant positions in our chapter 9 for some time and we really need to have some new blood step in and keep the chapter moving. Any ideas, suggestions are welcome

There is one thing, however, where we older generation shine: we have lived quite some time and accumulated a huge amount of memories. We may not remember everything but we begin to see **the whole picture**. And although we might be forgetful, we still have the capability to learn and get satisfaction and enjoyment out of this.

We just watched the 3 part series on **Prohibition** by Ken Burns on PBS and got a real good picture of that period which was before our time (1920s). We sure could learn from that period. I recommend viewing this strongly. I am sure it will be repeated.

Remember about your public TV: basically all public TV stations transmit 4 different programs, so you have a good chance to find something you like. We usually receive Ch 14 and 16, which gives us a choice of 8 programs. Programs are "staggered" and repeated

over a day or two. There is the "again" channel where you can see the same program a day later. Very convenient! No need for the VCR or equivalent.

CU at the meetings.  
73, Gerd, WB8IFM.

**Become a member of QCWA and our Chapter 9 (Dayton/Cincinnati)**

**Membership is only \$ 5 per year.**

**Submit to our Treasurer:**

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**Please add (for the roster): year of first license, e-mail, spouse's name, telephone and your date of birth.**