# Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9 Feb. / Mar. 2012

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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

#### Feb 14 Brew Your Own Beer by Steve Zarbanick, N9SZ **Mar 13** Costa Rica - an Experience By Gerd, WB8IFM

# Happy Birthday to the following

2/22/54	NY1A	3/11/27	K8PKL	4/7/38	W8LLY
2/28/18	W8HU	3/19/43	W8GS	4/9/31	W8TW
3/8/17	W8QDD SK	3/22/20	N8AEC	4/12/24	W8GFA
3/10/20	W8ARN	4-1-	KD8LCB*		

### **President's Comments**

Gerd, WB8IFM.

I hope you all had a good start of the New Year. Early in January the xyl and I left and traveled to Costa Rica to attend the baptism of our second grandson. We stayed for 10 days. It was an experience and I hope to give you a report and show pictures next month.

For the January meeting I had suggested a casual gettogether, but I have no report whether a small group actually met or not.

For the February meeting, coming up, we have Steve Zabarnick, N9SZ, give the presentation. As you know, most hams have other hobbies besides ham radio. In Steve's case, who is by profession a chemist, it is brewing beer. And when Steve showed us his basement set-up and gave us a

sample to try, I had to think this would make a nice presentation for our group.

Hamvention is getting closer. I have made reservation at the Holiday Inn for our banquet and the next journal should have an ad in it also. The banquet has also been advertised on the QCWA bulletin board and Jerry, WA8BOB, should receive the first orders. To keep the price the same (\$25) we are going with the same meal as last year and hope there are no increases.

As I am writing this a few snowflakes are making it to the ground, but nothing serious. The winter has been very mild which was good for my antenna projects. I finally got my beam up about a week ago. It is working fine but needs some adjustments, which can wait till spring. However, another ugly monster is raising its head: power line noise! Reading about

this problem on the Internet, you find a lot of good advice, but it will take time and cooperation from the power company.

Cu at the meetings, Vy73, Gerd.

**QCWA** Chapter 9 Dayton / Cincinnatti Membership \$ 5 per year. Submit to Treasurer, address below:

# Hamvention 2012

# **QCWA Banquet** Fri 18 May 7:30 PM

Holiday Inn, Dayton Airport ... NW corner of N. Main St. and I-70. (Engelwood)

Presentation: John Lemker, SM: "Wonder Full" (Nature Photography)

\$25 per person.

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