

Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9 Dec 2013 / Jan 2014

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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

Chuck Martin (80) W8CRM became a Silent Key on Nov. 18, 2013

Dec 10, Chapter 9 Christmas Party (Surprise Guest)
Jan 14 TBD ?????

Happy Birthday to the following

12/31/29	W9GIV	1/21/15	W3NNA	1/27/30	N8FRP	1/31/52	N8LX
1/6/56	N8ZR	1/25/20	W8ZCR	1/28/18	W8KQZ	2/5/35	K8JE
1/15/28	N8AEG	1/25/22	K2JOI	1/31/42	W4NWR	2/14/31	WB8IFM

President's Comments

I hope you all had a good Thanksgiving. Now it is time to think Christmas. I hope to see many of you at our traditional party with family.

Two points I like to discuss briefly. One is the low attendance we have experiencing during the summer. We are looking for suggestion how to turn this situation around. Drop either Ron or me a note or email with a few comments. Addresses are at the end of this write-up. Number two is the xyl's and my suggestion: I like to pass on my office as president of this chapter to a younger person. I have been your president for many years and a new president would bring new ideas which will hopefully revive the chapter. We will not move to Florida, so I will be there with support.

Two very interesting items crossed my way recently: one, there was a broadcasts of the series "Second Opinion". It is on PBS, Friday nights at 7. This show was about us older genera-ton

and what turns us on (or off). In an experiment they had re furnished a retreat facility with furniture and equipment that was at least 20 years old. Then they brought in people that were in their 70s, who would have lived in such surroundings when they were in their 50s, which is by many considered the apex of life! Quite an experiment and guess what: most of the guests really liked it and blossomed.

I am sure you have been to nursing homes and If you are still healthy and can think for yourself they REALLY turn you off!

The other thing I found on Thanksgiving, a brand new book with the interesting title: The Secret Life of Plants. My daughter had just gotten it and I started reading it. Let's just say this, I hardly stopped to get to the meals. It is written by two gentlemen who for years studied the subject. They searched in libraries all over the world for contributions from past scientists. Just reading the reference listing you come across of "who is who" in science going way back. In

essence evidence is presented that plants actually have something of a brain and, this is our interest, they can communi-cate amongst themselves. We probably remember when decades ago an inkling of this news came through the media and people started talking to their plants to help them grow.

This book not only provides interesting reading but it gets your own brain cells going. And just maybe you try communicating with plants.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
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