

Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9

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

Meeting August 10, Herman Swadaner, Old Time Radio

Meeting September 14, T B D

**GREETINGS and many Happy Returns to those observing BIRTHDAYS**

8/17/19	WA6ZPX	8/3/11	W8YAH	9/8/20	W8PRK
8/18/18	W8SEM	8/7/38	W8LZW	10/1/17	K8CUA
8/21/28	W8MVN	9/16/51	KB8ZR		
8/26/21	W8PHW	9/29/41	K8GKJ		

**Ch.9 QCWA NET** – SUN, 1:30 PM on 3.975 MHz Net control: Jim, K8YDP (he also listens on 145.41MHz neg offset Fbn rpt)  
**National QCWA NET** - SUN - 20 UT= 4PM local on 14.347 MHz

**PRESIDENT's COMMENTS**

Everybody accumulates “stuff”. Stuff is a good neutral description, because what is one man’s treasure is another man’s junk. It all depends...In any case the house fills up and moving into a bigger house is often not an option. So the solution is to reduce, reduce. Several facts should be considered. You can’t take it with you, have too many of whatever, and with paper, new technology helps you with the storage. So I do not keep old magazines anymore (except for a few collector issues) because you can look them up on the Internet or acquire a CD. As far as repair parts are concerned, keep only the “essentials”, our needs are minimal and we can afford a few dollars to buy the nuts and bolts we need. It also gets you out shopping which is an eye opener and an education.

Yesterday I went to a Wal-Mart to shop for a kitchen clock. It was hard to find and we had to ask several times. The whole store anymore has a circus atmosphere. They are obviously now catering to kids, including the many adult kids we have in this country. There is so much “stuff”! I suddenly knew why they build such big houses now-a-days. That is so we can bring in more “stuff”. In any case, “Big” is in: big cars, big trucks. A regular passenger car

is becoming a rarity on the road! TV screens are getting to be the size of a mini movie house! The riding mowers look like miniature SUVs and the outdoor grills are like a miniature kitchens. Where will it all end?

Certainly we are gobbling up our limited resources fast. All this seems normal to the kids, for them there maybe a tomorrow, but the day after tomorrow is already to remote to consider.

The summer has been cool, but not unpleasant and at least we could save on the air conditioning bill. Hope to see you in good health at the meetings,  
73, Gerd, WB8IFM, Pres, QCWA Ch 9.

**Have you been “Hamming” for 25 years or more?  
Please Join Us!**

**QCWA Chapter 9** (Dayton/Cincinnati)

Yearly Dues \$ 5.00

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