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We have the following Silent Keys to report: David Misek, N8NPX, died Oct 23, 2005 at age 63 Tom Norris, N8YFW, died Nov 19,2005 at age 57 Al Parker, W8DR, Naples Fl, died recently at age 97

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

December 13 X-mas Meeting: Gary Hollenbaugh, NJ8BB, Katrina / Rita Report **January 10** Meeting: The Program at this point is still up in the air.

Happy Birthday to the following

| 12/31/29 | W9GIV | 1/25/20 | W8ZCR | 1/31/52 | N8LX |
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| 1/4/19 | KB8HV | 1/25/22 | K2JOI | 2/4/24 | K8TUY |
| 1/6/56 | N8ZR | 1/27/30 | N8FRP | 2/5/35 | K8JE |
| 1/13/24 | WN8I | 1/28/18 | W8KQZ | 2/7/34 | W8GNV |
| 1, 10, 21 | | 1/31/42 | W4NWR | 2/11/17 | W8SR |
| 1/15/28 | N8AEG | 1/31/42 | | | |

President's Comments.

"The Secret to Life: *Enjoy it*!" In one of Dale Huffman's recent columns, he talks about the 100^{th} birthday of Thelma Yost and relates some of the joys that she still has at her age! We will be celebrating my mother in law's 100^{th} next year, and we will be listening very carefully to what she has to say.

As you get older, you find out more and more things that put your life in perspective and could be very valuable for the younger folks, and to us in the 70s and 80s a 60 year old is a young fellow. However, one of the things you learn in life is to not give advice unless specifically asked. The young ones nowadays are brought up to believe that they know it all. This might be good for their selfesteem, but there is such a thing as too much of it! I am not sure how to change this; it has to start at an early age. At a minimum it is advisable for any young person to spend a year or so in a foreign country to learn that there are other cultures. Once you find out about other cultures you become much more understanding and inquisitive and are more apt to ask questions and to learn about life! You would think all the communication we have, being able to talk on your cell phone from just about anywhere to anywhere and with anybody, might be

a very good way to learn. Sadly, it is not or in only a few rare cases since most of the yakking is going on within the clans that kids form. And don't get me started on the media? These are run by kids and funded by business. What you see is "kid culture" and a lot of repetition, very good for business....

Hope to see you (+xyl) at our x-mas meeting. Some xyls have promised to bring special cookies for everybody. Vy73, Gerd, WB8IFM

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

An envelope is included for sending in **your dues** for the coming year!

Have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year!

QCWA Chapter 9 (Dayton/Cincinnati) Yearly Membership Dues \$ 5.00 Mail to Treasurer

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