

**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

**Meetings**

Aug. 11: **Remembering Apollo 11, First Men on the Moon, Pictures and Video (NASA).**

September 8: **We All Live Downstream. Terry Dalrymple, Montgomery County Water Services.**

*Happy Birthday to the following*

8/12/51	WA8ZWJ	8/21/28	W8MVN	9/29/41	K8GKJ
8/17/19	WA6ZPX	8/26/21	W8PHW	10/1/17	K8CUA
8/18/18	W8SEM	9/16/51	KB8ZR	10/11/28	K8YDP
				10/12/40	WD8QAI

**President's Comments**

There has always been a "generation" gap. When we were kids we looked at old people and saw them wearing hats that were long out of fashion. I remember photographs from the roaring twenties with ladies wearing hats that looked like helmets.

We did not talk to old people except when asked a question, and then we would answer with maybe a single word, preferable one syllable.

There is little communication between the generations. Now, with people getting older, there is more interaction but still not much meaningful communication. Not to mention that there might be something to be gained, either the young from the old or visa versa. Our culture in particular looks down on the "old folks"; being young is the thing! Other cultures, in particular Asians, are more reverent to old people. Young people are thinking that they know it almost all and that they never, or at least not in a very long time are going to get old. Maybe they are lucky and get run over by a truck and thus die young in the prime of their life! But think about it, does this remind you of times when you were 20, 30 or 40 years younger.

As most of us are now living longer then our parents did, we also collect more experience.

As the saying goes, we learn more things everyday. And we are able, with the vast amount of life experience accumulated, to connect the dots and come to surprising conclusions.

However, if we try to communicate this to our offspring we run into a brick wall. This is so frustrating! Humanity with each new generation seems hell-bent on learning everything again. That's why we have new wars, new recessions etc. Just about every dumb thing that comes up has happened in similar circumstances before. I feel like in a replay of George Orwell's 'Animal Farm'. Occasionally this vicious circle is broken and some progress is made. Let's hope this is true this time

That should be enough for this time. What are your thoughts on this subject? Write something and we publish it here!

Cu at the meetings, Gerd, WB8IFM.

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