

Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9

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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

SK: Ken Tessneer, N8AEG (see text)

Dec. 9 X-mas party, Family & Friends welcome

Jan. 13 TBD

Happy Birthday to the following

12/8/47	AA8LL	1/15/20	W8ZCR	1/27/30	N8FRP	1/31/42	W4NWR
12/31/29	W9GIV	1/25/22	K2JOI	1/28/18	W8KQZ	1/31/52	N8LX
						2/5/35	K8JE

President's Column

I hope all of you had a good Thanksgiving and are now looking forward to Christmas and the New Year. Our little family was almost completely together here with us in Dayton, the few missing were in contact via Skype, which works amazingly well.

Our attendance to the meetings during this year has declined to just a handful and we have been wrecking our brains and asking members what might be the problem. It seems to be a general trend that today's means of communicating are so prolific that it is actually harder to send a message out even if you employ several avenues. To speak in Amateur lingo, we seem to have problems with getting on the same wavelength. This would explain part of the problem.

We have another silent key to report, Ken Tessneer, N8AEG, died Nov 5th. There are no details, the family is still making arrangements. After 6 months in rehab, our treasurer, Jerry Ragland, WA8BOB, finally made it home on

1 Dec. He had set for himself the goal to be home by Thanksgiving!

Ron has brought some new ideas to fruition: from here on out, besides being listed in the bulletin, every birthday will be acknowledged with a real birthday card! Furthermore he will take on the task of printing and mailing certificates to our members. There are quite a number of them

due. Our finances look good, our balance right now according to Jerry is \$ 1,756.

I don't know about you, but I am constantly looking for things I cannot find, while I am finding things I wasn't looking for. Here is one example: Chapter 9 (QCWA) milestones:

1947 QCWA founded.
 1957 Chapter 9, Dayton organized.
 1968 Name changed to Dayton Cincinnati Chapter.
 1991 Name changed to Southwest Ohio Chapter.
 1997 40th Anniversary of Chapter 9.
 2013 55th Anniversary/ Longevity Award

Our roster has quite a few data missing and this bulletin has a slip which we'd like you to fill out so we can correct this situation. Also I will try and print out the national members. Please check whether your call is among those. If not you are not listed or your membership has expired. In order to qualify for the diplomas

and other benefits, of course, you need to be a member.

Unfortunately, because of cost, the Journal is no longer in print (4 times per year), but it is now available monthly, only on the Internet. It is relatively easy to access from any Internet Terminal, that you find at libraries or the Credit Union. I often look at the Journal (at my basement computer), and then print an article to take upstairs and read it, sitting next to the fireplace.

This being the end of the year, dues are due. Still only \$ 5.- although the postage has gone up a few times. By the balance of our treasury, we need not worry. A return envelope is included for your convenience. Again take time and make sure to fill out the slip, so we can fill in the missing data in the roster. Everybody, including family, have a Merry Christmas and a Happy new year. However, don't forget our little X-mas party next Tuesday at the MCL Cafeteria .and bring your better half. You might want to bring a few cookies to share.

CU there, Gerd, Pres. Ch9.

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 Membership is \$ 5.-- per year