

# Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9

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Late Report: Phil Mercurio became a SK last May 1, following a sudden illness. His wife died the year before also in May.

Regular Meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month with lunch at 11:30 AM at the MCL Cafeteria, 4485 Far Hills Av. in Kettering .The Meeting starts at 12:00.

13 Feb. Meeting Hamvention plans.  
13 Mar. Meeting T. B. D.

### *Happy Birthday to:*

WD8NVY 2-12-54  
WB8IFM 2-14-31

W4MWZ 2-14-38  
NY1A 2-22-54  
W8GUC 2-27-41

K8PKL 3-11-27  
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### **President's Column:**

Already February! A real cold January is behind us, but February is no slouch so far either. I hope all of you had a good holiday season, it is time now to think about Hamvention. The new building, unfortunately, will not be ready. But there will be an additional smaller building available, and at least one tent again. Lets hope it does not rain like last year. I was thinking we might have a chapter 9 recruiting booth, after a long period without one. I am sure a lot of eligible hams sign up with the national club, and forget to join the local chapters.

On a related subject, we have not had a weekly local net going for some time. We need one or two of you to step forward and set up and run a Sunday afternoon net on 75m. We had this going for years, and it was quite popular at that time. The frequency was 3775 kHz or there about.

If you were looking in the February Journal for our Christmas Party report, you didn't find it. Not sure what happened, my e-mail shows it was submitted the last day of December and thus in time for the February issue of the journal. However, there are numerous reports from other chapters... so when our report shows up in the March Journal it will

stand out, hi! If you not a member of DARA, you will however, find an article from your president dealing with old men and electric cars, previously published in the "Carrier". A lot is going on in this area, although e-cars get little respect. For one, they are very hard to spot. Somehow the industry (the business world) thinks they should look like a normal car. So they do. It is similar with solar panels. I see a lot of them, but they are all in pictures. Of course, traffic is such that looking around is not easy and recommended, and I am not so good any more to walk around and look. I am sure there must be some in Dayton.

Band conditions have not been good, there were many days without sunspots, but peculiar disturbances occur in the ionosphere with quick changing propagation. I have not been on 20, where most dx is. One of my elements was rotated again by turkey vultures. Repair will have to wait till spring. Cu at the meetings!

Vy73, Gerd, WB8IFM.

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