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SHORT SKIP

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WVARC CALENDAR

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| Saturday | Nov 1 | VE Exam Session | DeVry University 2149 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix | 9:00 AM |
| Monday | Nov 3 | Monthly Meeting | St. Clement Catholic Church Social Hall 15800 Del Webb Blvd, Sun City | 7:00 PM |
| Saturday | Nov 8 | Monthly Breakfast | Lou's Tivoli Gardens 14635 Del Webb Blvd Sun City | 7:45 AM |
| Thursdays | | Weekly Breakfast | Lou's Tivoli Gardens | 8:00 AM |
| Daily | | Call-in Net | 147.300 MHz, Tone 162.2 Hz | 9:00 AM |
| Mon-Thur | | Call-in Net | 147.300 MHz, Tone 162.2 Hz | 8:00 PM |

PREZ SEZ

This year seemed to go pretty quickly. I can hardly believe it is Fall.

We have club elections coming in December at our cookie party, and the candidates for 2009 must be announced in the November General meeting on the 3rd. The slate of officers and directors for 2009 must be announced at this meeting. The officers serve for one year and the directors for two years.

Any one interested in being a more involved part of our club, let one of the officers know so that we may benefit from your contribution and interest.. If you have any ideas to make the club better, please share them with us. The West Valley ARC is what we make it. Our

membership is down again this year so when you get the chance promote our Club, to help make it better and more enjoyable. We are trying to get some classes started for those who are new and for those who want to upgrade.

Ladies Night Out is on November 5th, where the Ham Of The Year will be introduced.

The Club Picnic is on Nov. 15th from 9-1 at the Rio Vista Park off of Thunderbird west of the 101 on the north side of the street. See the section in this Short Skip for a map and more details. There will be some maps available at the next meeting.

Again thanks for being part of our WVARC and join us in our activities and share your ideas.

David Morrill, N7TWT, President of WVARC

Saturday December 6 2008

Sponsor:
Superstition Amateur Radio Club
<http://www.wb7tjd.org>
Location
Mesa Community College
SE Corner of Dobson Rd & Southern Ave
Mesa, Arizona
ARCA Meeting 11 AM
Talk-In: 147.12 (PL 162.2)
Contact: Judy Ferrara, K7JLF
1058 South 97th Street
Mesa, AZ 85208-3115
Phone: 480-354-0782
Email: rainbowskies@bigstring.com

Saturday January 10 2009

Westfest
Sponsor:
Thunderbird Amateur Radio Club
<http://www.w7tbc.org>
Location
Thunderbird School of Global Management
59th Avenue & Greenway Road Glendale, AZ
Talk-In: 146.70 (PL 162.2)
Contact: Steve Grouse, W1ADW
7523 West Ironwood Drive
Peoria, AZ 85345
Phone: 602-570-9214
Email: w1adw@cox.net

Monday February 2 2009

Ham Equipment Auction
Sponsor:
West Valley Amateur Radio Club
<http://westvalleyarc.org/>
St. Clements of Rome Social Hall
15800 North Del Webb Blvd Sun City, AZ
Talk-In: 147.300 +600 (PL 162.2)
Contact: Ken Solheim, WN7DRX
15874 West Grand Isle Way
Surprise, AZ 85374
Phone: 623-544-2827
Fax: 623-544-2827
Email: hamauction2009@gmail.com

YEAR 2009 MEMBERSHIP

A membership renewal/application form has been mailed with this issue of the Short Skip. **Year 2008** memberships expire January 31 2009. **Year 2009** memberships will expire January 31 2010. Your 2009 membership is effective the day it reaches the Treasurer. A filled out and signed form must accompany a dues payment. Year 2009 dues are \$15 for an individual or Hams at the same address or \$7.50 after June 30, 2009. Please list only one individual on the front of the form. List other members and their call signs on the back of the form; that makes it easier to transcribe entries correctly.

Members whose dues reach the Treasurer by February 2, 2009 will be listed in the Roster of Associated Members 2009 booklet. Members who renew or join later will be listed in the online Roster. Application forms are available at monthly meetings or can be downloaded from the WVARC web site and printed out.

WVARC Picnic (Map on Last Page)

Saturday, November 15
9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Rio Vista Park Peoria
8866 W. Thunderbird
¼ mile west of the 101,
North side of the street & North end of the park

Club will supply Hamburgers/Hot dogs and table cloths

Please Bring

Salads, side dishes or desserts
Your own beverages-no beer/liquor
Your own table service

Also, bring your fun attitude and a new white elephant item, if you wish, for a fun raffle. It does not need to be HAM related.

Any questions please call Cindy @ 623-925-0680 in the evenings or e-mail her at kd7jvw@cox.net

November Program: We are pleased to have Allan Cameron, N7UJJ and Coach Fredi, KD7WKD make a presentation to our group at our November meeting. They will be joined with students from Carl Hayden HS ARC, KC7KFF and Falcon Robotics Team 842, to do a presentation on Robotics as a motivation tool in Education. They will also report on their classes and licensing of new hams this year.

Carl Hayden was chosen as our grant recipient this year, and will be presented with a check for \$2000 from the club. This is a major step forward for our club, and perhaps will provide the WVARC Youth Outreach Committee the momentum to find a matching corporate donor next year.

A brief discussion of the Arizona State Tax Credit Program will follow; however our Committee will have more details, and forms at our December meeting.

Ron Phillips, 602-369-4242, AE6QU@arrl.net

WANTED FOR TEACHERS FOR HAM CLASSES

The WVARC is looking for people to teach the Technician, General, and Extra classes. If you would like to teach one of these classes, please contact David Morrill, N7TWT.

NEED COMPUTER HELP? (Ad)

Computer consultant: in-home tutoring, problem solving, hardware and software installations, virus detection and removal. Patient, professional with 30+ years in the computer field. Call Larry; KE7JXQ at L.E. Purchase Computer Consultants, Inc. 1-888-922-9295 or 602-863-0502

HAM HOME REAL ESTATE (Ad)

Are you or someone you know looking for a Ham Home? I can help you find a home with a tower or one where a tower can be added. Call or email me to get started. Richard Haworth W7MDQ Coldwell Banker Success Realty 602-370-1450 cell, rahaworth@cox.net

WANTED (Ad): Heathkits, (Amateur Radio related), and Manuals, Robert, K7RQN, 623 566-2320.

AZ SCIENCE CENTER RADIO SHACK

We are now the "HARKINS HAM SHACK"! Thanks to a donation from the Harkins family to the Science Center after they made a visit to the "old" W7ASC shack. Information on Dwight E. Harkins, W7EAQ, known as "Red" Harkins, can be found on the AZ Science Center web page, under "Harkins Ham Shack."

The W7ASC Ham Shack is on the third floor in the AZ Science Center's new "My Digital World" area. We still have a lot to do yet to get everything operational. Stuff to be done includes resolving computer software issues (that's probably on-going!), function modes for the LCD screens, and getting the cabling, graphics, lighting, shelving, and "signage" in place. The "GOBO" light should have the W7ASC call sign and "Harkins Ham Shack". Another hurdle is the PC servers. The Science Center does not want to have servers compromising their firewall so we may have to set up an independent system or just leave the 2 computer stations connected as before into the ASC system.

Ham Radio Deluxe seems to be working now on the "digital" station to control radio tuning and tracking when the radio is manually tuned. Next is to install a mic extension and speaker audio extension.

It is officially FALL and we NEED VOLUNTEERS for W7ASC! We are still looking for more W7ASC volunteers for the "Winter" hours: 2 shifts per day (9:00-1:00 and 1:00-5:00). Spread the word at your Ham Club. Call 480-961-1109 and volunteer now. A Volunteer sign-up page is available at www.w7asc.org. We also have a Power Point presentation available for the valley Ham clubs soon to be posted on the W7ASC.ORG web page. Contact Bob, KG7QJ@cox.net if you would like a presentation.

Regards, Bob Burluson KG7QJ

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