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SHORT SKIP

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WVARC CALENDAR

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| Saturday | June 1 July 6 | VE Exam Session | DeVry University 2149 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix | 9:00 AM |
| Monday | June 3 July 1 | Monthly Meeting | St. Clement Catholic Church Social Hall 15800 Del Webb Blvd, Sun City | 7:00 PM |
| Monday | June 10 July 8 | Board Meeting | Del Web Hosp. Meeting Rm 2 nd floor | |
| Thursdays | | Weekly Breakfast | Lou's Tivoli Gardens | 7:00 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 Says:

I wish to thank Doug, N0DAJ and Mike, WB2SEF and their group for the great presentation on ARES and RACES. It was informative and for many, a great explanation of each one and how they are used and enjoyed. Please go check out these programs and enjoy using them.

The food provided by our Refreshment Committee was enjoyed as well. Special thanks to Verdamae and Joe Cutitta for their extra efforts. The ladies who help on this project are spending

their time, talents and funs for our enjoyment. Thank you!

Our thoughts and prayers go to Verdamae who is recovering from a recent surgery. She is our ever-ready bunny, just keeps on going.

We are always looking for presenters for our meetings to teach, share and enrich our HAM hobbies. See Ken with your ideas,

See you at the monthly meeting on June 3rd. 73's Ken Peloquin N7PHO, President

FCC LICENSE EXAMS

Next exam sessions at DeVry University is on Saturday, June 1, or July 6. Exams start at 9:00 AM and all tests must be concluded by 11:00 AM. Check-in at the Library on the second floor, southeast corner. Bring photo ID and the original Amateur License and a photocopy of your Amateur License. ARRL VEC Exam Fee is \$15 for all elements taken once. An additional fee applies for a retest of any element. Retest is at the option of the VE's. Pay fee by check to ARRL/VEC or exact amount in cash – Volunteer Examiners **cannot** make change.

The May 4th session at DeVry – 2 candidates were examined

- 2 Earned Technician Class license

Administering VE's
David Morrill N7TWT Liaison

VE Team:
Robert Gormley KS7U
Robert Miner KA7NPQ
Ken Peloquin N7PHO
Robert Fairfield K7RQN
Bill Martin AI0D
Joe Cutitta W0SLL
Verdamae Cutitta KF7UJB
Michael Richards KI7S
Paul Jorgenson KE7HR

HAMFESTS:**White Mountain Hamfest/Convention**

Start Date: 06/01/2013

End Date: 06/01/2013

Location: Show Low City Hall

180 North 9th Street

Show Low, AZ 85901

Website: <http://www.kachina-arc.org>

Sponsor: Kachina Amateur Radio Club

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 145.310 - (PL 110.9)

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For Aug./Sept., 2013 Short Skip**

Send by Thurs., July 18th, to e-mail at:

KD7JVW@cox.net

Please have all articles, adds, etc. to me by that date. Thank you for sharing items with our club members. Cindy Morrill

May Birthday that was shared after the May SS had gone to print
Roger Bugler, WD5AAU on May 26th turned “98” yrs. old and still tottering” as he says. YEAH!

June Birthdays:

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| David Morrill, N7TWT | June 1 |
| Tony Cipolla, W2QL | June 12 |

July Birthdays:

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| Tom Sturm, N0BGO | July 7 |
| Bob Harper, KG7ALX | July 11 |

Happy Birthday to the June and July Birthday Members.

We hope your month and day is special for each of you. Take care and enjoy this year.

Silent Keys

Elaine Richard, N3TWH passed on 4/20/13 after a sudden illness. She is survived by her husband Michael, and several children. She was excited to be the new Short Skip Editor for us. She was proud to be a wife, HAM, mother and editor. She was an important part of her husband's life and proud of him. The several times I had worked with her, said that they made a good team.

Gene Melton, AK9N passed on 5/5/13 after admittance to a hospital. He is survived by his wife, Carol. Gene and Carol worked to set-up the Tri-City ARA out in Goodyear. They had been our club members as well for several years, and also helped with the Palo Verde Siren Test. They were a cute couple that still walked with a spring in their spirit and life.

Glenda Wilkins, KA7PED passed on 5/23/13 while in hospis. Glenda became a HAM at the urging of her husband Robert “Bob” “W7DZK.” Glenda became a General and said she was done with testing. She was one of my first friends upon moving to AZ. She always said with a smile that she knew how to work a radio if needed and Bob was not able. She encourage me to become a HAM. And that I did. She was an avid book reader and knew literature well. She enjoyed teasing. She is survived by two sons in Washinton state and a daughter Crystal Wilkins. She also had numerous step-children, and grand children. Her comments were

cut and dried, but once her friend, always her friend. When her husband Levar, Bob passed away, I would go on Sundays and sit with her while Crystal went to church. We use to laugh that we became HAMS to please our hubbies but she would often ask about people from the club and things that were going on with the HAM world.

***** Summer Fest * *****

At our next meeting on June 3rd, we will have available the following to enjoy

Chicken Salad Sandwiches, Macaroni Salad, Deviled Eggs, Pickles & Olives, Pistacio Fruit Pudding, Sheet Cake and drinks

A special thanks to our Hostess ladies and to Verdamae Cutitta for heading up this group. Please remember that they do not start setting up before 5 p.m. and it takes a little while to get it all ready for us. Thanks for your patience.

News article . . . Newington, CT, USA. 4/9/2013

The 2013 theme "Amateur Radio: Entering Its Second Century of Disaster Communications" highlights the continuing importance of radio amateurs in disasters as they find ways to communicate world wide without relying on commercial systems. There are well over 700,000 "ham radio" licensees in the USA and about 2 1/2 million worldwide. This international community of wireless communications devotees will celebrated World Amateur Radio Day on April 18th as they recalled the technical advances their Amateur Radio Service has made and their ongoing services to neighborhoods in crisis.

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) and its member societies representing more than 160 countries around the world celebrate World Amateur Radio Day each year on April 18, the anniversary of the founding of the IARU. This is the 88th anniversary of the foundation.

Today's hams continue to explore new frontiers. Radio amateurs are finding ways to use frequencies at the fringes of the radio spectrum while developing marriages of radio and the internet and experimenting with new forms of digital communications. Ham radio operators are "amateurs" only because they are unpaid volunteers, but their skills and contributions to the world are of the highest order. From Thomas Smith

You know you are a radio nut when.....

- Top 30: You Can Tell You're A Radio Nut when...
1. You remember the exact date and time that lightning hit "the tower". The whole radio room was burned to a crisp, but you tell friends, "at least my wife wasn't home when it happened."
 2. You'll spend hundreds of dollars on a new rig, and then wander the hamfest pausing each time you pass the booth selling those \$7 embroidered call-sign hats thinking "I wonder if they'll take \$6?"
 3. You're a CBER who buys a new \$300 five-watt, perfectly operating rig, opens the cabinet to "tweak" it to 20 watts, knowing full well it'll end up being sent back to the company for repair. The radio comes back, and a few weeks later you repeat the process - by watching your CBER friend from across town do surgery on your radio.
 4. When shopping for a new vehicle the first thing you look for is space to mount the radios - you end up sitting in the front seat staring blankly at the dashboard area, feeling underneath seats, and poking around the backseat for ways to route the coax. If caught looking under the hood for holes in the firewall for your power cables, you tell your wife, "Nothing honey, just checking things under here."
 5. Your family has a special annual garage sale just to get rid of the boxes of wire, coax, and power adapters-but you pay your friends to "buy" the stuff and get them to quietly return it to you the following weekend. More next moth. submitted by Thomas Smith

Items for Sale: I want to sell the following equipment/radios: From Alan Perysian

Chevieman@aol.com
602-291-3500

- Icom ICT7H for \$119
 - Armitron 20 Amp Power Supply for \$75
 - Kenwood 7WV71 for \$325 (never used for transmission)
 - Icom 706MK for \$695 (never transmitted on)
 - Icom 3200A for \$119
 - Yseau 8200 for \$275
- *prices have some room for reasonable negotiation-no low ball-this equipment is mint.
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Richard Haworth W7MDQ
Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage
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For Club Items for sale: There are radios and alllllllll kinds of supplies available through the club. Go to our club web page and check these out before looking elsewhere.

Free ads are available for club members. Others will have a fee. Use this Space to sell your items or business skills.

Please let the editor know when items sell so your add is current for you.

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.

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

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