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Officers

Operating the 146.91- repeater under the callsign K9IZV.
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President	Mike Borchardt	N9NPB	262-367-3953
Vice Pres	Mike Castor	KB9TPT	262 781-5583
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Treasurer	Gary Bargholz	N9UUR	414-355-6922
Activities Manager	Napoleon Hardy	NOXXL	414-

MEETINGS NOTICE

March 24 (Sat) 6:30pm--Our annual Weather Training Meeting will be held at the Wauwatosa Savings Bank - 6560 South 27th Street, Oak Creek WI. This Meeting will start at 6:30PM. Membership renewals will be taken before the meeting.

2001 CLUB CALENDAR

- May 16** (Wed) at Mayfair
- July 18** (Wed) at Mayfair
- September 15** (Sat) at Oak Creek
- October 17** (Wed) at Mayfair
- November 21** (Wed) at Mayfair, critique meeting for swap fest
- December 22** (Sat) at Mayfair , Christmas Party. (This date may be changed)

Board Meetings: 2nd Monday of month, 7:00p. Call a board member for meeting location.

Oak Creek Location

Wauwatosa Savings (Basement)
6560 S. 27th St, Oak Creek, WI

Mayfair Location

Mayfair Mall Location (Room G-110, See Below), 2500 N. Mayfair Rd, Wauwatosa, WI
Park on the east side of the mall, under the second floor new movie theater. Enter the mall under the theater. About fifty feet inside, on the right, look up to see the sign GARDEN SUITES EAST. Go thru the door below the sign. Take the elevator or stairs to the level below. Turn left and go down the long hall. At the end of the hall find room G-110.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Hello once again:

Many,many thanks to the many members who ran for office this year. For those who didn't attend the Election Meeting, I hope to see you at this upcoming meeting for the weather program. Once again, I was elected your President for the club and am certainly looking forward to working with the new Board. Gary - N9UUR and I - N9NPB are back. However, I would like to say welcome to your new Vice President - Mike KB9TPT, Secretary - Tom KB9RLB, and our Activities Manager - Napoleon NOXXL. Congratulations to all for being elected. For the people who ran but didn't make it, thank you very much for having the interest in the club to be willing to provide your time and efforts. I hope to see you return next year along with many others to run for Board.

At the last meeting the issue of having a computer expo this year was discussed and it was decided that we are not going to continue with that aspect of our swapfest. This year we will have a swapfest only. We will be discussing different strategies to increase our attendance and your input is welcome.

Once again, my yearly reminder to all members, this is your newsletter. Anyone wishing to have an article published in this newsletter should contact Bob AA9JW. If there's room and the article is radio or club related, I'm sure Bob would be happy to put it in. This year's newsletter will not have the Board minutes included. This will free up space for things you want to get in.

Thank you Mike KB9TPT for heading up the Awards Committee last year. Mike is now a Board member and is therefore disqualified to chair that

committee. Anyone who wishes to fill the position please contact Mike. It's really easy to do and doesn't require much time. Congratulations to John KB9SHX for accepting the Most Friendly Award. John truly deserves it for talking to all the people he's heard on the repeater and promoting the MRC. Congratulations to Brad N9KXA for accepting an award for all the fine work he's put into the club and repeater over the many years he's been involved. And last, but definitely not least, Congratulations to Bob AA9JW and Heidi N9TUY for providing us with the newsletter we get, on time, every other month, very nicely done. Thanks.

Once again, we have an open door policy at Board meetings. Your attendance, input, concerns, complaints, and whatever are welcome. If you want to attend a meeting, please let us know ahead of time to allow space for you. We usually have these meetings at someone's house and space can be tight.

Don't forget, we will have the weather presentation at the next meeting. Friends and family are welcome to attend. I'll try to keep the meeting short to provide Skip WD9HAS with all the time he needs.

Thank you all for your support in providing Wisconsin one of, if not the, best repeater in the state and the MRC for the best equipment and coverage possible. The weather guys really like that. Please don't forget to renew your dues.

I have contacted all of the net managers and they have agreed to continue their fine work. If you wish to be a net control you can contact Warren K9IZV for Fun Net, Gary N9UUR Computer Net, Kate KA9MWT Public Service Net, and / or Lloyd WB9RGO Swap Net. If you haven't experienced being net control, I suggest you do a Fun Net first. The Fun Net serves two purposes. It teaches newcomers how to do a net. It makes you

Committees

Activities	Napoleon	NOXXL
Computer Net	Gary	N9UUR
Fun Net	Warren	K9IZV
Membership Coord.	Kate	KA9MWT
Net Announcements Coord	Deb	KB9ISE
Newsletter	Heidi N9TUY & Bob AA9JW	
Public Service	Kate	KA9MWT

Station Trustee	Warren Schall	K9IZV
Swapfest	Board	
Swap Net	Lloyd	WB9RGO
Technical	Mike Borchardt	N9NPB
Weather	Skip	WD9HAS
Webmaster	Open	
Assistant - Webmaster	Rick	WD9IWK

more proficient in copying call signs, and it gets you comfortable with doing them. Mistakes are expected and butterflies will no doubt be within. Warren's always there to back you up. The Fun Net also helps newcomers to the radio hobby get relaxed with participating in nets. Thanks a million for all who help.

On the technical side of things, we got past another year with Board Tech Committee people. I guess we built this thing too good.

Proud to be your Prez.
Mike N9NPB

2 CENTS WORTH FROM THE TREASURER...

(still) N9UUR

So, you should have showed up at the Annual Meeting, I'm the Treasurer again. Where were all you guys that I paid to vote for "anybody else"? Seriously, thanks for the vote of confidence. I do very much enjoy this Club, and I'm happy to help. Welcome to the new Board Members, we've had our first meeting, this should be another fun year! And I don't think the rumor about our new Activities Manager serving tofu and yogurt at the meetings is true (but I could be wrong).

We had an example of Amateur Radio in action, and a good deed lately. Deb KB9ISE was driving her car in Brookfield in the course of her workday a few weeks ago. While driving, she was listening to the "Broadcast" radio, WTMJ 620, the Jonathan Green "Greenhouse" show. WTMJ news announced that local police authorities were looking for a woman driving a car, who was "despondent and suicidal". Not much else is known about the particulars of the woman's situation, but it was important enough for Police to ask for help from the general public via local broadcast stations. A few minutes later, Deb passed what she thought was the car in question, and called on the repeater for a autopatch to the Brookfield police. I heard her call, and knowing that we do not have a direct speed dial number for Brookfield authorities, I found the number and dialed directly on the telephone from home. I first got an officer whose basic response was "ya we're looking...". After I informed them Deb was trailing the car... With direct RADIO communications, I found myself talking with the police

dispatcher directly. Deb updated her location and direction, and the dispatcher asked many questions which I relayed back to Deb. (I found holding the telephone handset over the speaker in my rig worked just fine for the dispatcher to hear Deb answer questions live. This eliminated any interpretation on my part and decreased the time it would take to relay again.) It became apparent that the police were looking in the wrong place, actually they had her traveling in the complete opposite direction, and miles away. Deb also provided the complete license plate number, as the police had only a partial number. Continuous communication from Deb to the dispatcher was maintained until eventually a police car caught up with (and almost passed!) Deb and the woman's car. GOOD JOB DEB, this is what we're here for! You should feel proud, you earned your license that day.

The story does not end there, however. Deb e-mailed the news producer of the Greenhouse Show at WTMJ, and thanked them for making the announcement, told them she had found the woman's car, and had informed the police via Amateur Radio. The news producer, and Jonathan Green, must have never heard of Amateur Radio, as the next day on WTMJ during the Greenhouse show, they discussed the event, and were wondering how Deb could have a radio in her car that would allow for this kind of communications... BUT Amateur Radio was mentioned, and they did recognize the good works done. Deb has since had a few more e-mail's, and has taken the opportunity to "educate and inform" a couple "Broadcasters". Community service and good public relations for Amateur Radio. Well done, Deb.

Please remember that it's membership renewal time; about 53% of our membership are paid up for 2001 at this time. Please remember that the dues amount is now \$20.00. If you're unsure if you paid for 2001, send me an e-mail at N9UUR@wi.rr.com, or give me a call 414 355-6922. If you have received this newsletter, we must have your address correct... so there would be no need for you to completely fill out an application form again. Just write your callsign on the memo line of the check and send it in. If you have an e-mail address, or other information change you need to get into the database, please include a note... or use the form.

On a personal note, Jeananne and I were famous for a moment. Maybe you heard our names and callsigns mentioned on *ARRL Audio News* a few weeks ago. We took our winter vacation in the far south Caribbean, on the island of St. Lucia, and did a Satellite DX-Expedition from there as well. The Expedition announcement went out over the ARRL and AMSAT news services. We packed up the FT-847 and an ARROW2 handheld beam, and operated J6/ for the week from grid square FK94 on 4 different birds. We made lots of Q's, and talked daily with Mike N9WJV back here at home. This was really a GREAT time! We got to meet a couple local HAMS on the island as well. If you would like the full report, and to see the pictures of J6/N9UUR & J6/N9VSV operating "Beach Portable", check our www home page.

<http://home.wi.rr.com/N9UUR>

I have also been asked to make a presentation about AMSAT and DX / Portable operations at this year's AES Superfest April 6 & 7, so if you want to know how to put a Satellite station in a suitcase... See you there.

Thanks & 73, Gary N9UUR

MRC ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES JAN. 20, 2001

WLS: N9KWW

Meeting start 8:36pm

location Wauwatosa saving in Oak Creek

1) The meeting was called to order by President Mike Borchardt N9NPB. Self introductions were done by all people present.

2) N9NPB read a list of all the new member applicants as follows: KB9YCR Bob Albert, KB9UDL Jim Brugger, KB9KED Lenny Czaplowski, KB9NYP Sheila Douglas, KB9NYQ Ken Douglas, KB9KEJ Mike Fleming, KB9GYU Barbara Fowler, KA9OKO Michael Fowler, KB9WYX Alex Hardy, N0XXL Napoleon Hardy, WB9PUZ Jerry Heberling, KB9SXH John Kochanski, WB9YFV John La Porte, KA9CRK Jim Lein, KB9FQJ Steve Lein, KB9KYS Rich Peters, K9GCF Leon Rediske, KB9YFF Adam Rivera, K5ZNN Manny Rivera, WA9ERI Don Uecke, N9PMR Rick Waedekin, KB9YLE Dan Wiorek. Karen Borchardt KB9PZQ moved to admit the new members above, Seconded by Jeananne Bargholz N9VSV, the motion passed unopposed.

- 3) The newsletter published membership meeting and board meeting minutes. Mike Castor KB9TPT moved to approve the minutes as published, seconded by Tom Schulte KB9RLB, passed unopposed.
- 4) Financial review was given by Jack Hughes W9ULA. He read the written report by the Financial Review Committee. It certified that the examined financial documents represent a true and accurate record of the income and expenditures of the Milwaukee Repeater Club, Inc.
- 5) Garry Bargholz N9UUR gave the end of year financial review. He also went over all transactions over the passed year. There were some noted problems with the raffle income, a cashier's check in the amount of \$3126.50 was presented and resolved the difference and balanced the books.
- 6) Swapfest review was given. We did well, but not as well as in years past. The computer expo results were not as anticipated; as a result, many of the vendors are not willing to return. Tom Schulte KB9RLB made a motion to hold only a swapfest, without a computer expo. Brad Reeves N0KXA seconded the motion, passed unopposed.
- 7) Tom schulte KB9RLB made a motion to accept the financial review report, seconded by Mike Castor KB9TPT, passed unopposed.
- 9) Warren Schall K9IZV moved to accept Jim Noonan WK9N as a new member, discussion was about the timing of the motion and the election. Resolved that this is his only opportunity to participate in the election, seconded by Ron Henry N9KWW, passed unopposed.
- 10) Gary N9UUR presented the proposed budget for the year 2001. Mike Castor KB9TPT moved to accept, seconded by Tom Schulte KB9RLB, passed unopposed. 7:58 pm meeting was suspended for a break
8:15 pm meeting resumed
- 11) By Law change: The proposed by law change was published in the newsletter i.a.w. the current by laws. Mike Castor KB9TPT moved to accept the by law change as published, seconded by Tom Schulte KB9RLB passed, with a vote of 45-1.
- 12) Mike KB9PHA current VP presented the final raffle results. Summary: total costs \$4,135.71 sales were 72.99% of assigned tickets income \$4676.00, net proceeds \$540.29 before promotions. Discussion and questions were raised about the large cost: over-printing of tickets was the major

cost; better control over ticket printing would have produced better results. In addition, approximately 24 people sold tickets, a very small percentage of the total club members; better participation would produce a much larger income.

13) Meeting adjourned for Election Committee.

Milwaukee Repeater Club Election Results -- January 20, 2001

John, N9WBM, introduced the election procedures and rules at 8:40p.m. N9RXD moved and N9KWW seconded to open the elections. Their area 137 paid members, 14 are a quorum and 48 members were present. Twenty-five votes are needed to be elected.

For **President** nominated was N9NPB, Mike Borchardt
Elected unanimously by voice vote.

For **Vice President** nominated were: KB9PHA, Mike Zore-declined
N9UUR, Gary Bargholz-declined
KB9TPT, Mike Castor with 34 votes
N9KWW, Ron Henry with 12 votes
WD9DNM, Richard Lyons with 0 votes
N9KXA, Brad Reeves-declined
WB9JIC, Patrick Volkman not in good standings
Elected for Vice President: KB9TPT, Mike Castor.

For **Secretary** nominated were: N9KWW, Ron Henry with 17 votes
KB9SQT, Scott Ladwig with 7 votes
KB9RLB, Tom Schulte with 23 votes
KB9QMH, Mike Wiedel
Since no one had 25 votes a second vote was need between N9KWW and KB9RLB.

Results are:
N9KWW with 18 votes
KB9RLB with 32 votes
Elected for Secretary: KB9RLB, Tom Schulte

For **Treasurer** nominated were: N9UUR, Gary Bargholz
WB9JIC, Patrick Volkman not in good standing
Elected for Treasurer by unanimously by voice vote
N9UUR, Gary Bargholz

For **Activities Manager** nominated were:
N0XXL, Napoleon Hardy with 36 votes
N9KWW, Ron Henry with 4 votes

KB9SQT, Scott Ladwig with 8 votes
KB9QMH, Mike Wiedel with 1 vote
K9LCQ, Brain White- declined
KB9SXH, John Kochanski with 1 vote
Elected for Activities Manager: N0XXL, Napoleon Hardy

The new 2001 Milwaukee Repeater Club Board as results of the election are:
President- N9NPB, Mike Borchardt
Vice President- KB9TPT, Mike Castor
Secretary- KB9RLB, Tom Schulte
Treasurer- N9UUR, Gary Bargholz
Activities Manger- N0XXL, Napoleon Hardy

A motion made by KB9SXH and seconded by KB9PHA to close the election meeting. Motion passed meeting closed at 9:37p.m.

Results taken from the election minutes submitted by Karen Knapp, N9GNG

Pat Moretti KA1RB moved to close the meeting, seconded by Tom Schulte KB9RLB, passed unopposed.

FROM THE DESK OF THE YEAR 2K SECRETARY

Thank you all for your help over the past year; you have made this job fun and interesting. I have enjoyed the position very much and will miss the work, and the challenges that come with it. It was a very interesting year with some very innovative ideas, some that worked, some that did not. Overall we gave it our all, I am very grateful that I was given the opportunity to be a part of the very best team this club has seen in many years, I know that the new Board will also be a very good team and can surpass all the efforts the last Board achieved. I also wish the very best to Tom KB9RLB the new Club Secretary and all the rest of the new board members.

I have turned over all the club records in my possession over to Tom and as my last official duty as secretary submitted the minutes for the last general membership meeting to Bob for inclusion into the newsletter, as well as a copy to Tom.

Thank you all for your support over the past year, and I look forward to another great year with a great club.

Ron Henry
N9KWW

NEWSLETTER

Send articles, reports, comments, suggestions and corrections to Bob AA9JW or Heidi N9TUY Manak (N28 W22173 Burningwood Lane, Waukesha, WI 53186; ☎ 262 544-6151) or Internet Email aa9jw@amsat.org

**The Milwaukee Repeater Club Inc.
P.O. Box 2123, Milwaukee, WI 53201
Membership / Renewal Application**

Call sign	Name	Expiration Date
Name used on air		Class of License
Telephone (home)	(work optional)	
Street		
City	State	Zip
Birth date (optional)		
E-mail:		
Dues (New & Renewal):	\$	20.00
Capital Improvement Fund:	\$	

Amount enclosed: \$_____

I hereby agree to abide by the Constitution, By-laws and rules of the Milwaukee Repeater Club.

Signed: _____

The MRC membership will vote on your admission to the Club at the next meeting after your application is received. PLEASE NOTE! If there is ANY of your personal information that you DO NOT wish to be published into the Club Roster, note this on this form. Also, list the names, calls and other pertinent information on any family members living at the same address who are Hams and desire to become MRC members. Thank You!