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President's report

GREETINGS FROM ALASKA

CONVENTION REPORT

EVERY YEAR OUR CONVENTIONS KEEP GETTING BETTER AND BETTER. THIS YEAR WAS DEFINITELY AN EXCITING EXPERIENCE. MANY OF OUR MEMBERS ATTENDED FOR THE FIRST TIME, AND I BELIEVE WE ALL HAD A MOST WONDERFUL TIME. THANKS TO OUR HOSTS, PATTY KB1TUY AND JOHN KC2UZZT FOR PROVIDING A MOST ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE.

OUR MEET AND GREET STARTED ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, AND IT WAS A GOOD TIME FOR THE CONVENTION ATTENDEES TO MEET ONE ANOTHER (AND THE FOOD WAS DELICIOUS, TOO!)

THURSDAY MORNING SAW A DOZEN OR SO CARS HEADED DOWN THE WINDY, TWISTY ROAD TO TEN-TEC AND BUSH BEANS. SOME WENT TO TEN-TEC FIRST, AND SOME HAD LUNCH AT BUSH BEANS. TEN-TEC BEING ONE OF ONLY A FEW COMPANIES THAT BUILD THEIR RADIO'S IN THE US. IT WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE. AND, IF YOU HAVEN'T SEEN THE PICTURES POSTED OF FOLKS GRILLING DUKE FOR HIS SECRET FAMILY RECIPE, CHECK OUT THE WEB PAGE. YLSYSTEM.ORG

FRIDAY MORNING MANY OF OUR MEMBERS WERE ONCE AGAIN ON THE ROAD, THIS TIME GOING TO THE TOP OF ROAN MOUNTAIN TO THE RHODODENDRON GARDENS. UNFORTUNATELY, ONCE WE ARRIVED THERE (ANOTHER TWISTY, WINDY ROAD), WE WERE IN THE CLOUDS, SO THE VIEW WAS NON-EXISTENT...BUT THE RHODODENDRON'S WE SAW ALONG THE TRAIL WERE FANTASTIC. MOST EVERYONE STOPPED ON THE WAY BACK TO THE HOTEL FOR LUNCH, WHICH WAS TASTY. FRIDAY AFTERNOON WAS OUR WORKSHOP, WHERE WE DISCUSSED THE TFO PROGRAM AND THE QSO PARTY. WE RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT THE MOONBEAM SYSTEM, AND THE NEW NETLOGGER PROGRAM. AND, MOST INTERESTING, WE RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT THE NEWLY DEVELOPED HAM-MESH PROGRAM. DINNER THAT NIGHT WAS AT THE MAPLE GROVE RESTAURANT, WHICH MOST OF US ATTENDED.

SATURDAY WAS OUR BUSY DAY. OUR GENERAL MEETING IN THE MORNING WENT WELL, AND LOTS OF BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED. THE LUNCH WAS CATERED, WHICH HELPED GREATLY, SINCE THE HOTEL ONLY SERVED BREAKFAST. THIS WAY, WE COULD STAY AT THE HOTEL. THE BOARD MEETING WENT WELL, AND AGAIN, LOTS OF BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED. THE MINUTES OF BOTH WILL BE PRINTED IN THE VOICE. OUR BANQUET THAT EVENING WAS HELD AT THE MAPLE GROVE RESTAURANT, AND A DELICIOUS BUFFET IT WAS. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY THE PRESENTATION OF AWARDS AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS. BILL, W7AJP WAS INSTALLED AS TREASURER FOR ANOTHER TERM, AND BOBBIE K4ZGH WAS INSTALLED AS DIRECTOR. JIM W7BBA, WHO WAS UNABLE TO ATTEND, WAS INSTALLED AS ASSISTANT TREASURER.

AWARDS PRESENTED WENT TO: TFO OF THE YEAR, RON VE9GU; CORNERSTONE, JUDY KC7KPG; RIGEL, JOHN KE7VSC AND BILL W7AJP; FOUNDERS, AMY KC8VRT AND KEVIN KN4AA; SILENT SERVICE, SALLY KK4YL. QSO TROPHY TO JIM, VE1JIM, AND THE 12/12 AWARD TO STEVEN, VE3JPJ. MANY CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION WERE ISSUED.

**SPECIAL DAYS ON THE SYSTEM
JULY 7, 2015**

JULY 7 IS OUR FREEDOM AWARD, 2015. CONTACT NINE (9) OF THE FOLLOWING THIRTEEN (13) MEMBERS: K4ICA, N1PVT, NF2J, K4KRK, K9DIG, KI4P, KI4TXP, KL7FQQ, KC8UPU, KC8VRT, VE5ADO, W1VCU or W9DTR. K4ICA WILL COUNT AS FIVE (5) CONTACTS. ONLY ONE CONTACT WITH K4ICA IS ALLOWED FOR THIS AWARD.

JULY 1 THROUGH 31 IS OUR INDEPENDENCE AWARD 2015. CONTACT 25 MEMBERS FROM ANY OF THE ORIGINAL 13 COLONIES FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL AWARD.

ALL LOGS ARE TO BE SENT TO: BARBARA NEIMAN, KE5ZI, 4257 SW 7TH AVE. RD., OCALA, FL 34471-7497, WITH YOUR CHECK FOR \$5.00 PER AWARD, MADE PAYABLE TO BARBARA NEIMAN.



AWARDS ARE "SLIM PICKINS:

**NOW THAT THE CONVENTION IS A FADING MEMORY,
IT'S TIME TO GET BACK TO THE PAPER CHASE. OF COURSE
THE DOME OF SILENCE ON 20M HASN'T HELPED MATTERS.
THE WINNERS SINCE THE PREVIOUS REPORT ARE:**

IRISH MONTHLY: K5ZMX-DOUG

MAY SPECIAL DAY: VE3JPJ- STEVEN

STATES; NC, SC, MA, WA, & WI: VE5ADO-MARV

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE 3 RECIPIENTS OF 7
DIFFERENT AWARDS, A TOTAL OF 7 ISSUED FOR THE
PERIOD ENDING 6/15/2015**

**TO SEE THE AWARDS AVAILABLE, GO TO THE HOME PAGE ON
OUR WEBSITE AND IN THE LEFT SIDEBBOARD, SELECT
"AWARD PROGRAMS" AND THEN CLICK ON "AWARDS" TO
SEE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AWARD OF YOUR CHOICE.**

**REPEAT BUT CLICK ON "AWARD MANAGERS" TO FIND THE
ONE DESIGNATED TO RECEIVE YOUR APPLICATION. NOTE
THE FEE FOR A DESIRED CERTIFICATE, AND YOU MUST BE
CURRENT WITH YOUR DUES.**

HOPE TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME HERE SOON.

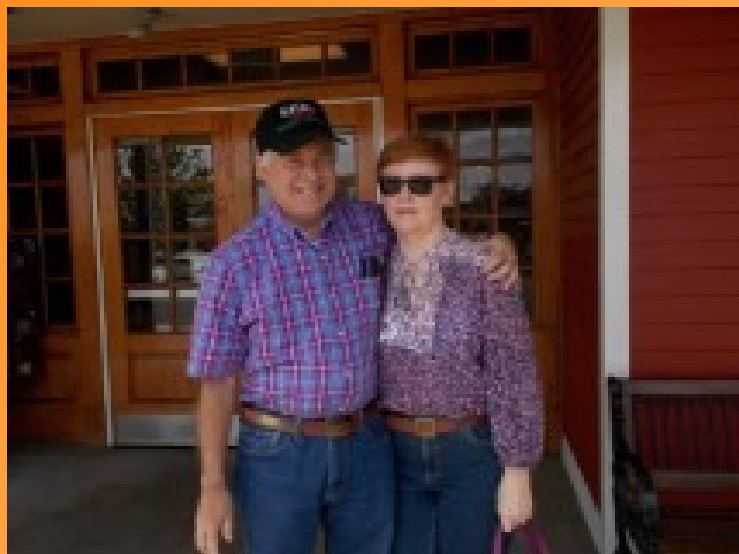
73 AND ALL THEM OTHER NUMBERS.

**SKIPPER – W4VTH,
AWARDS COORDINATOR.**

NOTE: NO NEWLY ELECTED TFOs REPORTED THIS PERIOD.

**THESE ARE FROM W5PDW WHO WORKED MUSEUM SHIPS
WEEKEND FROM W5PBR**





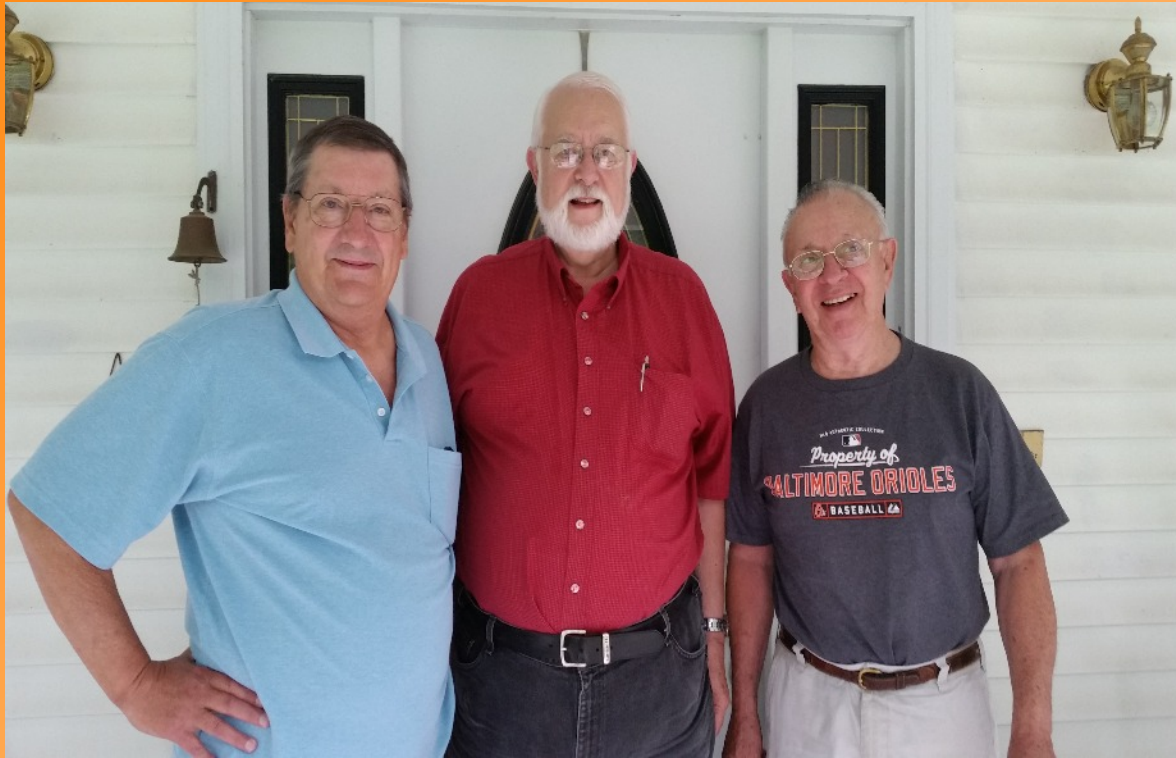
OM KC7KPF AND JUDY KC7KPG HAD LUNCH THIS WEEK IN MARTINSBURG, WV WITH YL SYSTEM MEMBER DAVE K8DFA AND HIS WIFE ELLEN. DAVE IS ATTENDING THE CONVENTION, BUT ELLEN WILL REMAIN AT HOME. WE REALLY ENJOY THEIR COMPANY AND HAD A YUMMY LUNCH.

JUDY KC7KPG

CONVENTION PICTURES

I RECEIVED ONLY A FEW FROM W7AJP. VE 1 JIM HAS A BUNCH ON THE WEBSITE @ YLSYSTEM.ORG. CLICK UNDER CONVENTION PICTURES 2014 AND YOU WILL FIND THE 2015 ALSO. THANKS JIM FOR THE GREAT JOB.

CONVENTION PICTURES I RECEIVED ON THE NEXT 2 PAGES



N3BPM STEVE, W7AJP BILL & K3CDQ DICK



K3CDQ - DICK AND JUDY



**DUKE SPILLED THE BEANS TO W7AJP
AT BUSH BEANS FACTORY**

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LUNCH AT BUSH BEANS FACTORY

USE THIS LINK TO SEE SYSTEM MEMBERS AT THE TEN TEC TOUR
DURING CONVENTION

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YOU WILL NEED TO COPY AND PASTE LINK



**ROSE AND HER GREAT
GRAND DAUGHTER HAZEL
MAE**

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY EVERYONE



HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA