

MACON COUNTY ARC NEWSLETTER

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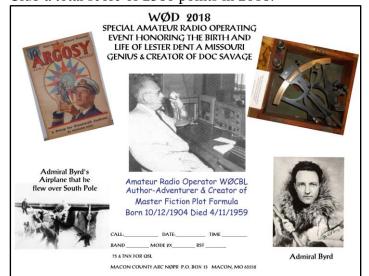
THE NEXT MACON COUNTY ARC AND MACON AREA REPEATER
MEETING WILL BE HELD THURSDAY AUGUST 30TH AT THE APPLE BASKET IN
MACON. THOSE PLANNING TO EAT NEED TO ARRIVE ABOUT 6:00 P.M. THOSE
ATTENDING JUST THE MEETING ONLY NEED TO ARRIVE BEFORE 7:00 P.M.

JULY CLUB MEETING

Melanie Boone, AAØV, the Vice-President of the MCARC called the meeting to order. It was announced that Larry Ballew, ABØHP, was at the Experimental Aircraft Association annual Fly-in in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Charlie Roberts, WBØHLW, reported a balance of \$386.69 after he paid the expenses for the cost of the food at the Field Day picnic and a donation in memory of Merlyn Amidei, the wife of Joe Amidei, NØWPI, a member of our group.

The MCARC Volunteer Exam Testing Session is planned for Sept. 30th with the new location to be determined at the August Club Meeting.

Dale Bagley, KØKY, reported that he had sent in the Field Day 2018 report to the ARRL. We have had a good outing and the Round House was an excellent location for our effort. He passed around the newspaper account of our Field Day operation for the members to see. We will be trying to get that location reserved again for 2019. For those that missed the July Newsletter, we had an operating score of 1630 points and a Bonus point score of 750 points that gave the Club a total score of 2380 points in 2018.



JULY CLUB MEETING

Dale, KØKY, passed around the proposed certificate for the 2018 Lester Dent/Doc Savage Special Event WØD. This year's Certificate is related to Lester Dent's invention of a Sextant that was used by Admiral Byrd during his flight over the South Pole. This Year's event will be held on for October 13th and 14th 2018. We are scheduled to set up operations at the Round House on Saturday Oct. 13th from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and operate use WØD using several modes and transmitters like a Field Day operation. On Sunday Oct. 14th MCARC members can operate using WØD from their home QTH.

The ARRL Special Event listing for our operation is posted below.

• 10/13/2018 | Lester Dent-Doc Savage Special Event

Oct 13-Oct 14, 1400Z-2359Z, W0D, Macon, MO. Macon County Amateur Radio Club, N0PR. 14,250 7.200. Certificate. W0D, c/o Macon County Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 13, Macon, MO 63552. Celebrating the life and accomplishments of Lester Dent, W0CBL, author, inventor, and adventurer. He was born and lived in Macon County and created a new literary style that has endured until the current day.

www.facebook.com/pg/maconcountyarc/event

Check out the Facebook page that Scott Bigham, NØDBM put together for the Radio Club.

JOIN THE OTHERS HAMS FOR THE NICE MEAL BEFORE THE MEETING, IF YOU CAN, WE HOPE TO SEE EVERY ONE AT THE MEETING.

2017 Macon County ARC Fall Picnic will be held next month



The September 27th Radio Club meeting and Fall Picnic will be held if we can get their early enough to claim North Shelter House at Long Branch Lake. Larry Ballew, ABØHP will be cooking the Burgers and Brats. The Club will bring the meat, buns, soda and condiments. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish to share and their own table service.

The event will start around 6:00 p.m. We will be arriving a little earlier to put up the antenna and set-up the Radios we will be using to make a few contacts. Mark your calendars for September 28th and enjoy the outing.

Rodney Kraft, KC7CJO SOUNDS ALARM ABOUT WWV POSSIBLY GOING OFF AIR

Most Hams know what the WWV time station broadcast is, but for those of you who don't, it is a Shortwave broadcast station that has been on the air since 1920, broadcasting a time signal and other important information for almost 100 years on 60 KHz, 2.5, 5, 10, 15, and 20 MHz.

What some of you may NOT realize is that your "atomic" clocks, watches, and other time pieces use this signal to keep them

accurate and on time with the rest of the world. Without this broadcast, those time pieces will no longer keep accurate time and will become just another timepiece.

Some industries use this broadcast to keep their equipment clocks as precise and in sync as possible. To lose this station will cause those industries to spend A LOT of money on new equipment to keep their processes in sync.

Please copy/paste this link into your address bar to sign the petition to keep the station funded for generations to come.

https://petitions.whitehouse.gov/petition/maintain-funding-nist-stations-wwv-wwvh

JIM GLASSCOCK, WØFF IS SK

Jim was a good friend to many of the Macon County ARC members and a sparkplug for Amateur Radio in the St Louis Missouri area. If you ever went to the Winterfest in Collinsville, IL, you surely met him. What follows is KC9CIK's announcement of Jim Glass Cock Passing away on Aug. 16, 2018.

"It is with a sad heart that I report to you that Jim Glasscock (WØFF) has become a silent key. Jim is a former President of the St. Louis and Suburban Radio Club. He was instrumental in the joining of the St. Louis Repeaters Association and the Suburban Radio Club into one club. He was a dedicated amateur radio operator and held an extra class license for many years with the call sign WOFF. He loved to play radio and golf, tell stories and paint or draw pictures.

Memorial service for Jim Glasscock will be 10 am- 12 pm Saturday, September 22 at the Frontenac Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints located at 10445 Clayton Road, St. Louis MO 63131."