DELAWARE LEHIGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Inc. MAY 2010







Club Meeting At the Nancy Run Fire Company May 6th at 7:30 PM

Ray / W3TDF

Gary /N2AUO



The Winner of the Norm Zoltack Award for DLARC High Score in The Winner of the Ray Bilger Award for High Score in the

2009 PA QSO Party

DLARC Sprint

MEETING PROGRAM

Picture History of the DLARC Mel Snyder / W3PYF



MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 1st MEETING

The general membership meeting of Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club Inc. was held at Nancy Run Fire Co. in Bethlehem Twsp., PA on April 1 2010 Call to order: The meeting convened at 1933 hrs, President George Wieland / N3SQD presiding. Pledge of allegiance: Led by George / N3SQD Members in attendance: 43 and 1 visitors Approval of minutes: Motion was made by Doreen / KB3PDL, 2nd by Tracy / KB3TAE: Motion

carried

Approval of Treasurer's report: Motion was made by AI / W3CE, 2nd by Tracy / KB3TAE: Motion carried Repeater: Bryan / AA3WM asked if someone can check the PL on the 440 repeater Web Page : Brad / W3JXQ reported that everything is working OK Events: Ray / W3TDF handed out the awards for the Ray "The Grump "Bilger D.L.A.R.C. Sprint award. 1st place was Gary / N2AUO, 2nd place AI / W3CE, 3rd place Bob / KE3AW Charlie / W3OPA showed off the new plaques to be hung up at the milk house. The first plaque is the Ray "The Grump "Bilger D.L.A.R.C. Sprint award. The second is the Amy Zimmerman award, and the third is the Norm Zoltack PA QSO single operator award Howard / WO3P reported on the LV MS Walk coming up on may 2nd Field Day will be held on June 26-27, George / N3SQD is looking for volunteers to put up an tower and beam antenna Bryan / AA3WM is still looking for volunteers to help out with the MS 150 to be held on July 24-25 Bob / NE2C is looking for help with the Easton Garlic Fest to be held on October 2nd VE session: There will be an VE session May 7 2010 at the 911 center at 6:45 pm Club Station: Howard / WO3P reported 150 people visited the milk house last month, also reported about the past and up coming contents Membership: As of 29 March 2010 the club has 212 members, Report given by Ben / KB3CTX Motion to accept, Brad Finberg / N3TNL, Steve Nordahl / NS3L, and Bill Bigg / KA3RBH as members. 1st Dave / N3EYT, 2nd Rich / N3UB Passed Old Business: Howard / WO3P reported that the winner of the QSL card contest is Laurie /KB3SIK, Congratulation AI / W3CE gave a report on the meeting with Northampton County Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2017 hrs by George / N3SQD Respectfully submitted by Howard Miller / WO3P Secretary MAY TREASURER"S REPORT D.L.A..R.C. Treasurer's Report Ending Balance March 31st 2010 \$3789.55

> Pete Varounis / NL7XM Treasurer / D.L.A.R.C.



LEHIGH VALLEY 2010 MS-WALK

This year's MS-Walk will be held again at the Coco-Cola Park, home of the Lehigh Valley IronPigs on Sunday May 2nd. This location was a huge success last year. This fun, family-friendly site in Allentown offers a more central location for walkers from throughout the Lehigh Valley. The walk will start with a lap around the concourse and finish back at the stadium. The DLARC is again supplying communications and volunteers will be needed to insure the complete safety for the walkers throughout the course. Howard / WO3P is chairing the event and will be looking for sufficient number of operators for the event. Contact him at wo3p@arrl.net.

VE TEST SESSION

There will be a test session this month on May 7th at 7 PM at the Northampton County 911 center. Pretest registration is required. Contact George / N3SQD at george@bioserv.com or AI / W3CE at w3ce@arrl.net

MS-150 PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH BIKE RIDE

It is not too early to make plans for this event, which is being held July 24th & 25th. The DLARC has supplied communications for several years and will do so again this year.

Starting just an hour's drive northwest of Center City Philadelphia, this cycling event of a lifetime takes you through the rolling hills of Montgomery County and the scenic Amish farmlands of Chester and Lancaster counties. The unique route gives the event a unique spirit -- a sense of community perfectly captured by the Saturday night finish line party at Millersville University. This is a combined event with the Central PA Bike Tour.

Operators are need at the check points, manning the ambulances, sag-wagons and other locations along the route. Contact **Bryan / AA3WM** at <u>sbw1@enter.net</u> for more details.

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MAY 2010 QUICK CHECK CALENDAR

MAY CONTESTING AT THE OK CORRAL

 $\begin{array}{l} May \; 2nd^t \; \& \; ^{3rd} - ARI \; International \; DX \; Contest \\ May \; 15^{th} \; \& \; 16^{th} - EU \; PSK \; DX \; Contest \\ May \; 30^{th} \; \& \; 31^{st} - CQ \; WW \; WPX \; Contest \; CW \\ \end{array}$





YOUR AD COULD BE HERE

Your business card here for a ridiculously small monthly fee. A space this big is available for a listing, like the ones above and to the left.

For more information contact Pete / NL7XM at nl7xm@arrl.com

MAY MEETING PROGRAM

Picture History of the DLARC" - Mel Snyder / W3PYF.

Mel is the son of Clarence Snyder / W3PYF, one of the founders and a long time member of the DLARC. Clarence was a professional photographer, and photographed all the events the club participated in over the time of his membership. Mel has put together some of these photos to show the club history.

*****ANNOUNCEMENT*****

There will no longer be a direct link to the newsletter sent through the forum. Only a notice that the latest newsletter is available on the website.. As per the Executive Committee's request, the latest two newsletters are available only to club members. So in order to access them it will necessary to be logged into the web site.

HELP THE ENVIRONMENT

Donate your old, empty printer ink cartridges to the Club for recycling. Any brand, model, size or shape; color or black. Please bring them to the meeting in a leak proof ziplock type baggie and give them to the Treasurer. This simple act can help

your Club by reducing recurring expenses, and make you feel a lot better about our environment.

WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

http://www.solarcycle24.com/

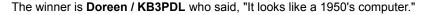
MONTHLY BRAIN TEASER

"A special prize awaits the first Club Member to submit the correct answer to this month's Brainteaser to the Treasurer via E-mail. He must be present at the next Meeting to receive it, or it goes unrewarded. Officers, Board members, and Brain Teaser Authors are not eligible to win."

de NL7XM

APRIL BRAIN TEASER WINNER AND ANSWER

It's a hard disk drive back in 1956... with 5 MB of storage. In September 1956 IBM launched the 305 RAMAC, the first 'SUPER' computer with a hard disk drive (HDD). The HDD weighed over a ton and stored a 'whopping' 5 MB of data. Do you appreciate your 8 GB memory stick, a little bit more now?





Identify any one of the above DLARC operators.

NEW MEMBERS

The DLARC is continuing to grow, so be sure to greet our new comers, shake their hands, and give them a warm welcome to our club. The newest members are **Brad Finberg / N3TN**L, **Steve Nordahl / NS3L** and **Bill Bigg / KA3RBH**.

2010 FIELD DAY

It is not too early to begin planning for the 2010 Field Day. To be held <u>June 26th & 27th</u> at the Plainfield Township Farmers Park. This is one of several events that the DLARC participates in every year. **Tom / KB3IUE** is chairman, so when he asks for help, don't be afraid to join in. the help is looking for is to set up Saturday afternoon and tear down Sunday afternoon. Plus operators and loggers during the two day period. Keep your calendar open! A sign up sheet will be at the May and June DLARC General meeting.

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN AND COMMITTEE

There is a need for a program committee and chairperson for the 2011 calendar year program scheduling. This job has been done by Pete / NL7XM for the past 3 years, but he can no longer devote the time necessary to properly secure talent and arrange scheduling of all the Club's Programs. A program chairperson can choose to put together their own series of programs or put together a committee do do the same, distributing the work load over a group. The Executive Committee feels the high guality programs that Pete had supplied over the past year, has had some effect on the membership growth experienced over this period, and would like for this growth to continue. This year is taken care of and December's are the annual Christmas get together. Programs do not need to be Ham radio related, the only requirement is that the programs be of interest to membership. Looking back over the past programs, the variance of subjects cover a lot of interesting subjects.

CW SKIMMER PRODUCT REVIEW

I have been playing with CW skimmer the past few days. Very interesting program. CW Skimmer reports all the CW

activity on a band, or up to seven bands at once. 📕 CW Skimmer View Help 📾 📖 🍕 🖪 📄 🚥 🔃 7006.65 - 🗶 NBJX 0000 W4BK 015 K9CJ 🕨 N3RD K8NA WA3IIA KT4U K8EUR W3NO W8HB NIDCM WBAF KM1D 012 0000 N4TL 01 N4DSP W6XA 55 K8LN 010 AA4FA KOLEN WX4TM W8UVZ K5AYO 009 W03X N5KM WILAWI WTCAN KM3 007 were. K501 006 AB3CX 5QT KSQT 34% Decoders: 133 of 133 SNR: 0 dB 25 WPM

independent of frequency. Here is a screen shot from VE3NEA's website showing CW Skimmer in wide band mode.

CW Skimmer also provides rig control. Click on a call sign and it will tune your radio. A good use of CW Skimmer would be for contesting or chasing DX. For contesting you could use CW Skimmer

and N1MM together. CW Skimmer can be viewed in N1MM's Telnet window.

The Reverse Beacon Network aggregates several CW Skimmer feeds from volunteer stations. Currently, there are a few dozen, some active almost 24/7, others coming up only occasionally. The Reverse Beacon Network only displays calls signs stations calling CQ CQ, or a station giving signal report. It enables you to see band openings in near-real time on an animated map. You can call a guick CQ, and see which reverse beacons hear you, and how strong you are. There is also a database of past "spots". You can instantly find out what stations, from a given country or zone, have been heard, at what times and on what frequencies. You can see when you've been spotted, who spotted you, and how loud you

CW Skimmer is \$75 with a 30 day free trial. Get it here. http://www.dxatlas.com/CwSkimmer/

Here are the stations my Ten-Tec and Hi-Q loop was hearing around 7.010 approx Midnight

Zulu time on March 2.

http://www.reversebeacon.net/dxsd1.php?f=0&c=K3GMT&t=de

Also, see the link below for the Perseus receiver (about \$1,000). Several of these receivers are in operation during the CQ WW contests and they recorded the contest on all bands from several locations around the world. If CQ find a suspect log they can check the recording to verify the log. Three stations in eastern Europe that claimed high scores were disgualified last year using this technology.

http://www.microtelecom.it/perseus/

Dave / K3GMT

UP COMING EVENTS

May 2nd – 2010 Lehigh Valley M.S. Walk May 14th & 15th – 2010 Dayton Ham Fest June 26th & 27th – 2010 Field Day July 24th & 25th - 2010 MS 150 Dutch Country Bike Tour

EARLY LICENSE CLASS RESULTS

John / KB3UEQ and Chris / KB3UEP recently earned their Technician licenses prior to the conclusion of the Technician Class license classes, and Louis / AB3KY (previously briefly KB3TZW) recently upgraded to Extra prior to the conclusion of the Extra Class license classes.

Congratulations to all three class members!

(We'll be seeing John / KB3UEQ and Chris / KB3UEP in the General Class License classes that begin on May 5 and will run for 5 weeks. ~ The doors still are open for additional Tech Class license holders who may wish to upgrade to General, too! If interested just let me know so that we have an idea of how many to expect.)

de Bob / KE3AW

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY RACES PHOTO IDs

George / N3SQD is taking the necessary photos at the Northampton County 911 center Tuesday evenings at 6:30PM. He is doing this prior to the Tech classes and will be doing so while the classes are still in session. If you have the required courses and wish to get a County RACES photo ID this is how to go about getting your ID. Contact him at president@dlarc.org. For details.



2010 AMY ZIMMERMAN AWARDS

At the March meeting **Bryan / AA3WM** and **Charlie / W3OPA** were give the above plaques in recognition of their public service. Their involvement was not a passing thing but a total commitment over several years.

MILKHOUSE PERPETUAL PLAQUES

The D.L.A.R.C. Has established perpetual plaques for the Amy Zimmerman, Norm Zoltack and Ray Bilger awards. These plaques will be displayed in the milkhouse and each time the award is given a name plate will be added to these plaques honoring the newest recipient.



THE NORM ZOLTACK / K3NZ AWARD



This award is annually given to the DLARC Club member who scores the highest points as a single operator regardless of location; home, portable or mobile in the Pennsylvania QSO Party. This years winner was **Ray** (Grumpy) Bilger / W3TDF. Ray operated portable from Susquehanna County. His score was 137,038 points. Second place was Bill Fahs / NC3P with a score of 64,474. Third place was Rick Saeger / K3OO with a score of 63,726. The Milkhouse / W3OK scored 59,336. At this time the club award totals have not been posted by the Nittany ARC. When this happens we will know where the DLARC stood statewide.

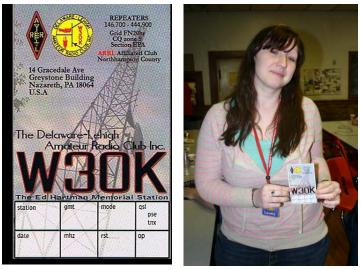
THE THIRD ANNUAL DLARC SPRINT



The 2010 DLARC Sprint winner was **Gary DeMave / N2AUO**. **AI / W3CE** was second and **Bob / KE3AW** was third, but only by the time criteria. Certificates were given to them, and Gary's name added to the perpetual plaque in the Milkhouse. This award was renamed the **RAY "GRUMPY" BILGER DLARC SPRINT AWARD**.

THE DLARC QSL CARD CONTEST

The Executive Committee is happy to announce that the winner of the QSL card contest was **Laurie / KB3SIK**. Her prize was a 2011 DLARC membership.



APRIL MEETING PROGRAM



This meeting program took us from the Moon to Deep Space. AI / W3CE began with photographs of the Moon and an explanation of his telescope and how he went about locating and shooting the photographs. George / N3SQD followed with some computer images of what look to the human eye to be stars, when through his telescope were galaxies some beyond normal evesight. He explained how he built his imaging equipment, and what he had to do to insure the quality of each picture. George then followed with an explanation on how his equipment developed over the years, to the point where he didn't need to even sit out in the weather to get his shots. A totally new concept of image retrieval which brought the results desired. George's main interest was deep space, maybe the new frontier. And to get these images, his specialized equipment was required.

NEWS FROM THE MILK HOUSE



The Milk House hosted over 150 visitors in the month of March. With the nice weather Howard (WO3P), Rich (N3UB), Dave (K3GMT), Ken (N3IYX), and Wendell (no call, working on his ticket) performed a much needed, spring-cleaning.

The Milk House participated in the ARRL DX SSB and the CQ WW WPX, SSB contests. While the band conditions were not great we had four stations in operation during the day. Two students from the Technician class caught the DX bug working the contests. Contest QSO highlights were

Galapagos Islands, Tahiti, and the Sudan. Bob (N3SNZ) worked three VK stations in one afternoon on 15 meters. John (KB3EOJ) and Lyle (KB3SXI) brought their new rigs to the Milk House and worked the WPX contest. Both were lcom rigs and required some extra effort to get them to communicate with the computers and the N1MM contest software (FYI, if you own an IC-746, the "speaker" and "data" ports are marked incorrectly in the manual). John was exercising his recent Extra upgrade and running his own call sign, and Lyle has the DX bug and is motivated to upgrade to General. Dave(K3GMT) recently built a WinKey USB kit (http://k1el.tripod.com/WKUSB.html) for his Flex-3000. This is an external

CW/memory keyer that is programmed and controlled by computer using a USB port (it can also be programmed and used independent of a computer). It is easily integrated with N1MM and other contest software. Your contest software will pass your contest macro exchanges directly to the WinKey. Stop by the Milk House and see how it works.

The contest season is winding down for the summer months. The Milk House will not be operating any contests in April, and will operate during the CQ WW WPX Contest, CW 0000Z, May 29 to 2359Z, May 30. Be sure to keep June 26th and 27th on your calendar and join your fellow club members for Field Day.

Don't forget the Milk House is open on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

de Dave / K3GMT

MORE PICTURES FROM THE APRIL MEETING







GARLIC FEST

On October 2nd 2010 in down town Easton, there will be held the annual Garlic fest. The DLARC will be putting on a demonstration of of Amateur Radio. An operating special event station and other related activities to widen public awareness of our hobby. **Bob / NE2C** and **Jon / N3INJ** are chairing this event and will be looking for volunteers. Mark your calendar

SOME POPOP COMMENTS

by Paul / KB3LIC

In the April Newsletter issue, George / N3SQD addressed "Publicly Oriented Portable Operation (POPOP), and made some very interesting points. I'd like to add that there are some things we know will attract attention which could be used to draw people over.

One thing that might bring in large numbers would be a competition in the "sport" of lofting fishing lines to raise antennas. Regular operators are primarily interested in working their rigs, but this part of the setup is something they view as a chore, finished once it's done. Try making it a game, with a variety of "toys," (not just a slingshot, but perhaps some fishing poles, cheap fiberglass bow/arrows, model rockets, or whatever other devices your imagination can safely devise) and make several shots, just to "put on the show." As you get attention, invite others to participate, trying their hand, and maybe even make it a contest by preselecting a "perfect" target branch and seeing who can be the first to get a line into it. The prize? Hey, almost everyone has a relation some distance away, so why not award a complimentary message through the National Traffic System to the winner's distant relative? Then, while awaiting confirmation that the message was successfully delivered, (even *more* favorably if accompanied by a reply) you get the opportunity to chat up with the winner, all manner of Ham Radio operating.

What about some attractive T-shirts that say, "Ask Me About Ham Radio," or something similarly provocative? And take a tip from science fairs; make up posters, or assemble the station like a booth with posters on stands that spectators can walk up to and examine. Display lots of "gee-whiz" stuff about EME Moonbounce, Aurora, meteor-trail ionization, and satellite communications. Even a display of simple "home-brew" kit equipment, or photographs of major events like Dayton or Field Day, and so on!

If you make the intentional effort to arrange POPOP displays as Club events, you'll be able to share in the effort, use materials and ideas provided by several Members, and still follow George / N3SQD's advice to keep the group small and inviting. As everyone develops their PR techniques, Members will wind up displaying reasonably good talent at dealing with the public, even if they aren't necessarily masters of technical skill or possess the coolest gear.

Remember *WHY* people have less interest in Ham Radio these days. When you can carry an iPhone that plays music, browses the internet, displays GPS coordinates, and writes memos, ham ops may seem like walkie-talkie child's play, or glorified trucker CB. I would suggest posters that powerfully remind your audience that the cell networks are the first thing to fail as a result of a natural disaster or power blackout, leaving Amateur Radio as the exclusive means of civil communications. Posters specifically describing individual hams that were responsible for saving lives of others because of his station capabilities are uniquely valuable. Incorporate emotionally inspiring text, graphics, and photos (9/11 stories, earthquakes, Search and Rescue Operations, lost child and Amber-Alert deployments).

If you want POPOP to develop, it will take some time and effort from lots of people, building up a quantity of materials, trying and revising techniques and strategies, and tapping the talent to pull-off the event attractively. Don't overlook introducing full-blown POPOP setups while working bicycle races and parades, fox hunts and walkathons, etc. This could end up being DLARC's major contribution to Ham Operations worldwide if it is successfully imitated by other Clubs!

Why not make it a standing Club Goal for each Member to attract at least one outsider to be a guest at a Meeting or a visitor to the Milkhouse on activity night, and perhaps ultimately sign up for the Tech License Class Instruction?

Can you meet the challenge?

MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service. Memorial Day it is about coming together to honor those who gave their all.

Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on 5 May 1868 by General John Logan, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, and was first observed on 30 May 1868, when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. The first state to officially recognize the holiday was New York in 1873. By 1890 it was recognized by all the northern states. The South refused to acknowledge the day, honoring their dead on separate days until after World War I, when the holiday changed from just those who died fighting in the Civil War to honoring Americans who died fighting in any war. It is now celebrated in almost every State on the Last Monday in May.

Since the late 50's on the Thursday before Memorial Day, the 1,200 soldiers of the 3rd U.S. Infantry place small American flags on each of the more than 260,000 gravestones at Arlington National Cemetery. They then patrol 24 hours a day during the weekend to ensure that each flag remains standing. In 1951, the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of St Louis began placing flags on the 150,000 graves at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery as an annual Good Turn, a practice that continues to this day. More recently, beginning in 1998, on Saturday before the observed day for Memorial day, the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts place a candle at each of approximately 15,300 grave sites of soldiers buried at Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park on Marye's Heights (the Luminaria Program). And in 2004, Washington D.C. Held its first Memorial Day parade in over 60 years.

To help re-educate and remind Americans of the true meaning of Memorial day, the "National Moment of Remembrance" resolution was passed on Dec 2000 which asks that at 3 PM local time, for all Americans "To voluntarily and informally in their own way a moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to "Taps."

CELL PHONE ELBOW

Prolonged use of a cell phone can cause cell phone elbow – also known as **Cubital Tunnel Syndrome** – in which the arm's ulnar nerve is compressed at the elbow. Symptoms include numbness and tingling in the small (pinkie) and ring fingers. **Self defense:** during long cell phone conversations, be sure to switch hands frequently … or consider using a headset. Also avoid prolonged periods where the elbow is tightly flexed while typing on the computer can avoid cell phone elbow.

"ENJOY THE RIDE. THERE IS NO RETURN TICKET."

George Carlin's Views on Aging

Do you realize that the only time in our lives when we like to get old is when we're kids? If you are less than 10 years old, you're so excited about aging that you think in fractions. 'How old are you?' 'I'm four and a half!" You're never thirty-six and a half. You're four and a half, going on five. That's the key. You get into your teens, now they can't hold you back. You jump to the next number, or even a few ahead. 'How old are you?' 'I'm going to be 16!" You could be t13, but hey, you're going to be 16! And then the greatest day of your life! You 'BECOME' 21. Even the words sound like a ceremony. 'YOU BECOME 21. YESSS!!!' But then you 'TURN' 30. Oooohh, what happened there? Makes you sound like bad milk! He TURNED; we had to throw him out. There's no fun now, you're just a sour-dumpling. What's wrong? What's changed? You 'BECOME' 21, you 'TURN' 30, then you're 'PUSHING' 40. Whoa! Put on the brakes, it;s all slipping away. Before you know it, you 'REACH' 50, and now your dreams are gone... But wait !! You 'MAKE IT' to 60. You didn't think you would! So you 'BECOME' 21, 'TURN' 30, 'PUSH' 40, 'REACH' 50 and 'MAKE' it to 60. You've built up so much speed that you 'HIT' 70! After that it's a day-to-day thing, you 'HIT' Wednesday! You 'GET INTO' your 80's, and everyday is a complete cycle; you HIT lunch; you TURN 4:30; you REACH bedtime. And it doesn't end there. Into the 90's, and you start going backwards; "I was JUST 92." Then a strange thing happens. If you make it over 100, you become a little kid again. "I'm 100 and a half!" may you all make it to a healthy 100 and a half.

How to stay young

- 1. Throw out nonessential numbers. This includes age, weight and height. Let the doctors worry about them. That is why you pay them.
- 2. Keep only cheerful friends. The grouches pull you down.
- 3. Keep learning. Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, what ever even ham radio. Never let the brain idle. An idle mind is the devil's workshop and the devil's family name is Alzheimer's.
- 4. Enjoy the simple things.
- 5. Laugh often, long and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath.
- 6. Tears happen. Endure, grieve, and move on. The only person, who is with us our entire life is ourselves, be ALIVE while you are alive.
- 7. Surround yourself with what you love!!, whether it's family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies, what ever. Your home is your refuge.
- 8. Cherish your health: if good preserve it, if unstable, improve it. If beyond what you can improve, get help.
- 9. Don't take guilt trips. Take a trip to the mall, even to the next country; to a foreign country, but NOT to where the guilt is.
- 10. Tell the people you love that you love them, at every opportunity. AND ALWAYS REMEMBER: life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.

Life's journey is not to arrive at the grave safely in a well preserved body, But rather to skid in sideways totally used up and worn out, shouting **"MAN**, **WHAT A RIDE!"**

The winners of the April Prizes were Laurie / KB3SIK and Dave / KA3IWC

The D.L.A.R.C. meets the "FIRST" Thursday of each month. Membership, friends and interested persons meet at the Nancy Run Fire Company Social Hall (3564 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pa. 18020) at 7:30 PM. Committee reports and announcements of all present and future activities will be presented at that time. Followed by that month's program.

The EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA District 2 ARES Net meets every Wednesday at 1930 hours local time. (Just after the DLARC Net) On 147.255 (pl 162.2). And linked to 449.375 on Blue Mountain, 443.350 in Allentown and 147.180 in Berks County.

D-Star Mid-Atlantic Regional net meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month on the 147.165 port with a number of other repeaters in Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York City area .

The OK Corral is an organization publication for the purpose of informing members of the D.L.A.R.C. of educational and training opportunities, club events, relevant news articles and a monthly calendar of daily activities, meetings and dates. Every member of the D.L.A.R.C. Is welcome to contribute articles of interest to this newsletter. Opinions, items of interest, and even suggestions towards the improvement of newsletter and/or the DLARC, itself would also be accepted, as a sort of <u>"Letters to the Editor"</u> section.

The Milkhouse now as a Magic Jack Phone with the number 484-895-7038.

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THE W3OK TRUSTEE --- DON REAMER / KA3JWE

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ARES, RACES AND DLARC NET

All Radio Amateurs are welcome to participate in the ARES, RACES and DLARC net. This net meets Wednesday at 1900 hours local time, on the W3OK Repeater 51.76, 146.70 and 444.90 (pl 151.4). With an alternate frequency of 147.370 (167.9) W3OI Repeater.

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