

DELAWARE LEHIGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Inc.

OCTOBER 2013



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**Club Meeting October 3rd, 7:30PM At the
Bethlehem Township Community Center**

**OCTOBER MEETING PROGRAM
Elections & Annual Awards Presentations**

OFFICIAL 2014 DLARC ELECTION SLATE

Below are the candidates that have been nominated to run for this year's Executive Committee. The officers are running unopposed, so no vote is needed.

President – Jay Mason / N3OW

Vice-President – Dave Blankenship / N3EYT

Secretary – John Barbaz / NT3P

Treasurer – Mike Gower / KB3LOD

Board of Directors five to be elected from these candidates

Dick Schaeffer / KB3ALG

Larry Kaplan / KC3ANC

Ron Hontz / K3BKT

Evelyn Uhler / W3DOY

Dave Mellman / KA3IWC

Stephanie Koles / WX3K

Fran Oudheusden / KB3TYG

Doreen Gramling / K3PDL

Rob James / AB3RC

Steve Harper / KB3WYJ

The tenth position on the Executive Committee, according to the DLARC By-Laws is "*the most recent past president*", so Charlie Lazarchak / W3OPA, will be the tenth member on this year's Executive Committee. **(Ballot and Instructions at the end of this newsletter)**



FROM YOUR PRESIDENT'S SHACK

Greetings All

This is my last entry as Club President.

What I could make of my time as President, I have enjoyed. Many things have gone on in my private life, as many of you are aware, that made it hard to be an active President this passed year. A lot of the time I relied heavily on Dave N3EYT, George N3SQD, and Pete NL7XM. I am thankful for their time and effort.

The D.L.A.R.C. is a great club. I hope that Jay gets the same support I received. The President and the board is made up every year of a wonderful group of volunteers. This is a club, none of us get paid. The extra time the board puts in to maintain the workings of the club is to be commended.

October is elections and Bull Certificates honoring those who have taken extra time to also help the club move along. Come out and cheer those recipients on. Shake the hands of the new President and board members.

October also brings a number of events – check out the calendar.

I hope everyone enjoys the holidays which are right around the corner. See you at the meeting in October.

73,

Charlie / W3OPA

OCTOBER QUICK CHECK CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 DLARC Net (NB3R)	3 DL ARC MEETING	4 NO VE SESSION	5
6	7	8 License Classes	9 DLARC Net (W3CE)	10	11	12 PA QSO Party Black Bear Bike Run
13 PA QSO Party	14	15 License Classes	16 DLARC Net (KC3II)	17	18	19 Emmaus Halloween Parade
20	21	22 License Classes	23 DLARC Net (N3SQD)	24 DLARC BOARD MEETING	25	26
27	28	29 License Classes	30 DLARC Net (KB3CTX)	31		

VE TEST SESSION

There will not be a test session this month. The next session will be November 8th, at 7:00 PM at the Northampton County 911 Center. Pretest registration is required. Contact George / N3SQD at george@bioserv.com or Al / W3CE at w3ce@arrl.net.

SEPTEMBER CONTESTING AT THE OK CORRAL

- OCTOBER 5 & 6 – Oceania DX Contest - SSB
- OCTOBER 12 & 13 – Pennsylvania QSO Party
- OCTOBER 19 & 20 – Worked All Germany Contest
- OCTOBER 26 & 27 – CQ World Wide DX Contest – SSB



NOTICE<> NOTICE<> NOTICE

We are enjoying our superior new Meeting quarters, but for that reason, it is also a very popular venue for many other groups. To reduce congestion as other scheduled activities end and folks try to exit, we have been politely asked to refrain from entering the lobby before 7:15. Your strict consideration is appreciated. With the nicer weather, a pre-meeting get together can be had in the pavilions near the parking lot area.



MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER MEETING

A general membership meeting of the Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club Inc. (the Club) was held on September 5, 2013, at the Bethlehem Township Community Center located in Bethlehem Township, Pennsylvania.

Call to Order: Charlie Lazarchak / W3OPA, President, called the meeting to order at 1935 hrs.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Charlie / W3OPA

What Have You Been up to Lately: Charlie / W3OPA opened the floor to members who wished to share any recent personal ham radio related activities, projects, or events:

Mark / W2MB has started to use 900 Mhz FM in his car. Mark says there is some activity in the Lehigh Valley and it is an interesting band.

Doreen / K3PDL used her handie-talkie during her recent trip to French Creek Park and she was able to work the Bucktown repeater. During her trip she met a ham, Wilfredo / KD2APX from Voorhees, NJ. He will try to make it into the Club's repeater when Doreen is net control.

Barry / K3UX reported that on Monday night he had a lighting strike to the mast of his tower. It didn't do any damage (everything was disconnected), but it was attention grabbing.

Ken / N3IYX assembled a portable hotspot using a D-Star DVAP Dongle and raspberry pi for use at home.

Unfortunately he hasn't been able to use the hotspot to connect right now as Reflector 20 is off line so it can be moved. Don / KB3YGR installed a radio in his wife's car and also took down the tower of Bob / KB3RI (SK). Don indicated that there is equipment that Bob's wife would like to sell to help cover unexpected expenses. Bob / KE3AW has a list of equipment. The equipment is thought to be working, but confirming that is the hurdle slowing down the Club's helping Bob's wife to estimate the value.

Bill / K3ANS reminded everyone that W3BAL's tower has been available for a number of years and that there is also a tall freestanding tower (approximately 100-120 ft) at the Chrin service area Greenwood Ave that Bill believes is available.

Approval of the Minutes: Charlie / W3OPA asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

Motion: It was moved by George / N3SQD, second by Dave / N3EYT to approve the minutes as presented. **Motion carried.**

Approval of the Treasurer's Report: Mike/KB3LOD presented the Treasurer's Report.

Motion: It was moved by Jay / N3OW, second by Doreen / K3PDL to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. **Motion carried.**

Visitors/Guests Present: Gerald / KB3YXJ and his Janice who are guests of Al / W3CE. Eric who will be in the licensing classes this fall and Roy / KC3AHT.

Membership Report: George / N3SQD reported that there was one application for membership. Rob Haitmanek / KC2FU.

Motion: It was moved by Bill / K3ANS, second by George / N3SQD to accept the candidate for membership. **Motion carried.**

Club Station Report: Ken / N3IYX reported that the Wednesday night dinners for the past two weeks were cookouts at the club station. About 12 members attended each. The location of the Wednesday night dinner varies and is generally determined on an ad hoc basis on the repeater during in the week.

Repeater Report: Charlie / W3OPA asked there were any recent problems or issues with repeater. No issues were reported by any of the members present. Ken / N3IYX reported that DSTAR Reflector 20 was off line to be moved so the Club's DSTAR repeater will not have internet linking until Reflector 20 is moved.

Lehigh Wheelman's Gap Gallop: Al / W3CE reported the Gap Gallop will be Sunday, September 15 and a sign-up sheet is available for anyone who is interested in providing radio communications for the event. Al briefly went over the new route which starts at DeSales University, and goes northward almost to the Delaware Water Gap and back. There will be four rest stops and three sag wagons for the event.

LVARC Public Service Event: Charlie / W3OPA reported LVARC asked to use our repeater in support of communications they were providing for a public service event on Sunday, September 8. There were no objections by anyone present and Charlie will advise LVARC.

VE Test Session: George / N3SQD reported there will be VE session scheduled for 7 PM September 6 at the County 911 Center.

Licensing Classes: Bob / KE3AW reported both Technician and General classes will be held starting September 10 at the 911 Center. Thirteen people have signed up for the Technician class and three have signed up for the General class. Each course will be on Tuesday night for nine weeks. If you know anyone who would like to attend the classes, please have them contact Bob as soon as possible. The Club purchases the licensing manuals at a discount; if anyone would like a licensing manual for self-study a manual can be purchased through Bob at the reduced price.

In response to a question about holding Extra classes, George/N3SQD said that because there are so few people interested at one time it is difficult to reserve a room. He added that if anyone studying for the Extra exam is having difficulty with one topic or another, they can contact him or Al/W3CE; to help get over difficult spots in the material.

Emmaus Halloween Parade: Bob / KE3AW advised that the Emmaus Halloween Parade is on October 19 and a sign-up sheet is available for anyone who is interested in providing radio communications for the event. Bob explained that 15 to 16 operators are needed for the event. The operators are interspersed (in their vehicles) with the marchers so that any issues can be immediately reported to the parade organizer. Please plan for a 6 PM arrival to Keystone St in Emmaus to allow for briefing and placement with the marchers. Please see Bob if you are interested in the event.

Black Bear Century Bike Ride: Charlie / W3OPA reported the Black Bear Century bike ride will be on October 12, which unfortunately will be the same weekend as the PA QSO Party. George / N3SQD added that there is no repeater coverage in the area; this is a good opportunity for newly licensed Technicians to participate in a public service event and will allow others to work the PA QSO Party. In the prior years 12-15 operators were needed for simplex operations. The Club can provide radio equipment to any newly licensed operators who do not have it. Contact Ben / KB3CTX if you are interested in the event.

Program Chair: Charlie / W3OPA announced the Program Chair for next year is now filled. Doreen / K3PDL has volunteered. If you would like to make a presentation on a topic of general interest, recommend a speaker, or suggest a topic, please contact Doreen.

Newsletter Circulation Manager: Charlie / W3OPA reported Paul / N3YNT is the newsletter circulation manager responsible for the distribution of the electronic version of the Club Newsletter. Paul / N3YNT added that if anyone did not get the last newsletter to see him so e-mail address can be updated. Charlie / W3OPA emphasized to make sure your email address up to date in the Club records so you can be notified of club activities.

Bethlehem Township Community Center Lobby Restrictions: Charlie / W3OPA reminded everyone that the community center management would like us to refrain from entering the building until 10 minutes or so before the scheduled meeting time. This has not been an issue during the spring and summer, but with fall approaching everyone was reminded that the community center management does not want us congregating in the lobby near the meeting room door before then as it hinders others entering or leaving other activities in the Center.

Holiday Party: Charlie / W3OPA discussed the upcoming holiday party, which will be on December 12, immediately after the monthly meeting. Everyone is encouraged to bring a sweet or treat to share with everyone and enjoy the camaraderie. The lobby restrictions may require minor adjustments to the meeting to allow people to set up.

Presentation Change: Brad / W3JXQ was not able to make the meeting. Pete / NL7XM will be presenting amateur radio call sign history in the United States. Brad's presentation is rescheduled for the November meeting.

Nominating Committee: Charlie / W3OPA announced the members currently running for a Club officer or director in the upcoming election. The current slate is President: Jay / N3OW, Vice President: Dave / N3EYT, Secretary: John / NT3P, Treasurer: Mike / KB3LOD, Directors: Dave / KA3IWC, Doreen / K3PDL, Dick / KB3ALG, Larry / KC3ANC, Ron / K3BKT, Evelyn / W3DOY, Stephanie / WX3K, Rob / AB3RC, Steve / KB3WYJ and Fran / KB3YTG. Several candidates indicated a need/preference for Board meetings on Wednesday nights. Charlie then asked the membership present if there were any additional nominations. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to close the slate.

Motion: It was moved by Pete / NL7XM, second by George / N3SQD, to close the slate for this year's election. **Motion carried.**

PA QSO Party: Jay / N3OW encouraged everyone with HF privileges to try to work the QSO Party, even if it is only for a few minutes, so the Club can get a large aggregate score. The Club has been 4th for the last five years.

Proposal to Revise Membership Application Process: Ron / K3BKT proposed changing the membership application process by requiring the applicant be present at the meeting he or she is voted on and, additionally, to have the applicant introduce himself/herself rather than the applicant's information being read by the Membership Chair or other Club Official.

Motion: It was moved by Ron / K3BKT, second by Jay / N3OW, for the applicant be present at the meeting he or she is voted on and after a perfunctory introduction by the membership chair for the applicant to fully introduce himself/herself and their interests to the members in attendance. Lengthy discussion followed. **Motion failed.**

Club Picnic: Al / W3CE thanked the club members who helped organize the Club Picnic and took on the duties he normally handles himself. Specifically, George / N3SQD, Dave / NB3R and Jon / NJ3I who did most of the logistic of getting the grill, gas, meat etc. to the picnic and he also thanked those that brought food and beverages to the picnic.

Website: Brad / W3JXQ was not present for a report. Don/KC3II says that he has gotten reports from people that cannot access the website.

Saint Marks 5k Run: Don / KB3YGR indicated that he has been approached by Saint Mark's Church in Jim Thorpe to see if the Club could potentially provide communications for their 5k run in June. Charlie / W3OPA explained that if Don, or someone else, would take the lead on organizing the Club's participation the Board would probably give its endorsement to it.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the Club, the meeting was adjourned by Charlie / W3OPA at 2030 hrs. Respectfully submitted by John / NT3P, Secretary

DLARC TO ASSIST IN 100-MILE BIKE TOUR

A "Century Run" bicycle tour will take place on Saturday October 12, 2013. DLARC will provide the communications for the tour. Ben / KB3CTX will chair the contingent of member amateur radio operators. The route will include the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and High Point State Park. If you are interested in more details, please contact kb3ctx@arrl.net. A sign-up sheet will be available at the September and October general meetings..

PENNSYLVANIA QSO PARTY 2013

October 12th and 13th are the dates for the 2013 PA QSO Party. As in the past the DLARC is hoping to regain its position as the number one club in the state. Now is the time to check your station and antennas, so you are prepared for the party. The Norm Zoltak / K3NZ award for the highest scoring single operator station will be awarded again this year.

MONTHLY BRAIN TEASER

"A special prize awaits the first Club Member to submit the correct answer to this month's Brainteaser to the Pete / NL7XM, *only*, at nl7xm@arrl.net The winner must be present at the next Meeting to receive it, or it goes unrewarded. Officers, Board members, Newsletter staff, and Brain Teaser Authors are not eligible to win."

de Pete / NL7XM



SEPTEMBER BRAINTEASER ANSWER

If the population of China walked past you, 8 abreast, the line would never end because of the rate of reproduction.



No Winner this month!

OCTOBER BRAINTEASER

What is the only English word that ends in the letters "mt".

2013 – 2014 CANDIDATES FOR THE DLARC BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Evelyn / W3DOY



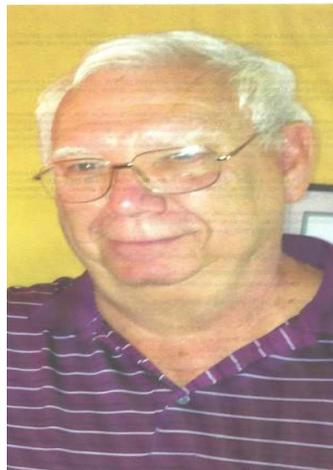
Doreen / K3PDL



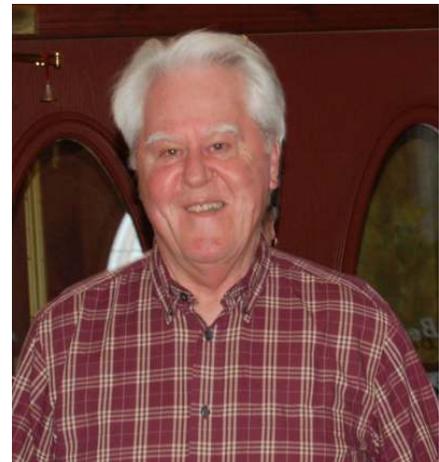
Larry / KC3ANC



Rob / AB3RC



Steve / KB3WYJ



Ron / K3BKT

Missing are WX3K, KA3IWC, KB3ALG and KB3TYG

ATLANTIC DIVISION 2013 AWARDS NOMINATIONS

Do you know someone who has really stood out in their service to amateur radio? That service could be in: technical abilities; public service; training; education, you name it.

Wouldn't it be an honor for that individual or group to be recognized by their peers for their time and talents spent in good service to others? Why not nominate them for one of the Atlantic Division Awards that they qualify for? Atlantic Division awards are presented annually to the hams who make us proud to be part of the Amateur Radio Service. The awards are conferred at the annual Division Convention. Amateurs of any license class may be nominated for awards. Nominations must come from within the Atlantic Division. The Awards Committee may, at their discretion, shift a nomination made in one award category to another award category, in order to honor a larger number of worthy nominees.

AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

The Radio Amateur in the Atlantic Division whose record merits recognition for outstanding contributions to the Amateur Radio Service.

He or she is active on the air and in Amateur Radio organizations. The Amateur of the Year is an all-round Amateur, whose activities, attitudes, and achievements may serve as an example to others. Devotion to Amateur Radio is balanced with attention to work responsibilities and family life. The Amateur of the Year exemplifies the "Amateur's Code."

In selecting the award recipient, emphasis is placed on service to others rather than self, diversity of Amateur Radio interests and activities, evidence of continuing self-challenge, and outstanding contributions to Amateur Radio in the year preceding nomination.

KEITH FREEBERG N2BEL EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR

This award is named after Keith Freeberg N2BEL who was very involved in amateur radio and amateur radio training in the Western New York Section. Keith had a unique ability to teach amateur radio to people of all ages. He had an affinity for working with young people and was very involved with one of the few Radio Coaches programs. It is very fitting that this award is dedicated to his memory and that the successful candidate demonstrate an ability to successfully train people in amateur radio. The emphasis is on quality of training and not pure number of people trained.

TECHNICAL ACHIEVEMENT

The Radio Amateur(s) in the Atlantic Division whose technical excellence exemplifies "continuation of the Amateur's proven ability to contribute to the advancement of the radio art," and whose attitude exemplifies the highest dedication to service to others and to science, rather than self. Particular value will be placed on evidence of continuing contributions to the Amateur Radio Service. Groups of two or more Amateurs may be nominated for a joint award in this category. Technical achievement may be demonstrated through activities such as the following: publications, research and development, creativity in hardware/firmware/software, systems design and implementation, technical instruction, application of advanced technology to public service communications. This award is presented at the discretion of the Awards Committee, not necessarily every year.

The nomination period closes Saturday, October 5, 2013 for this nomination cycle.

For more information, go to: <http://www.atldiv.org/AtlAwards.htm>

ATLANTIC DIVISION CONVENTION

The 2013 Atlantic Division Convention is being planned for Saturday, November 9th in the same fashion that we had last year. Last year's convention had Kay Craigie N3KN, ARRL President and past Atlantic Division Director as our keynote speaker, and presentations on NBEMS – Harry Bloomberg W3YJ; EmComm Panel; Stealth Antennas – Joel Hallas W1ZR and DXing – Bernie McClenny W3UR.

This year's convention will be done in a similar fashion, with a keynote speaker and 4 to 5 webinar presentations on various topics. Plans are already underway selecting the topics and speakers. Stay tuned for information!

ATLANTIC DIVISION DISCUSSION FORUMS

We have heard from members of the need for more educational tools to be able to learn more about amateur radio issues and then also to be able to share/elmer others. To that end, we have made arrangements for several amateur radio discussion forums to help that process.

Current areas available for discussion are:

Amateur Radio Discussions Forum - general amateur radio discussions.

ARES - discussion of topics of interest to the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). (ARES is a trademark of the ARRL).

Club Management - discussion of club management issues such as meeting topics, elections, recruiting, classes, etc.

Club Newsletters - discussion and sharing of club newsletter articles.

Hamfest Management - discussion of hamfest management topics.

If there is enough interest for forums with new topics, new forums can be set up.

Our plans for each forum is to have one or more subject expert to help moderate the forum. The moderator will help to keep the discussions in the forum flowing and to keep the forum on topic. If you are interested in serving as a moderator, please send an email to moderators@atldiv.org with the name of the forum you'd like to help moderate and a list of your qualifications.

To participate in the forums, you will be asked to register your first initial + last name as your log-in.

The forums are located in the Amateur Radio Forums section at:

www.bfdinforums.com

73,

Bill Edgar N3LLR, Atlantic Division Director, Tom Abernethy W3TOM Atlantic Division Vice Director

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

Call Signs and Their History, was the subject of this month's program. Pete/ /NL7XM stepped forward when Brad /W3JXQ was unavailable to present his program. Pete is one of the nations leading call sign historians. He has supplied this information to many inquirers throughout the country. He is also Callsign Historian for the QCWA.

Call signs were not issued at the onset of amateur radio. At that point transmissions were short distance and the number of amateurs few, thus there was no need for official licenses. As the hobby grew the need for licensing presented itself and the U.S. Commerce Department began to issue licenses. As the need for more licenses, call areas were established dividing the country into areas indicated by the number in the call sign.

With the growth of amateur radio the Federal Communication Commission was established to handle all radio commercial and private. And it began to handle the issuing of licenses,

Because of the growth of amateur radio the need for more call signs brought about the system. Which we see today while amateur radio was shut down during World War II, the FCC began to draw up the system and set up future growth.

Presenting a slide show depicting his extensive library, and samples of QSL cards that he collected as a result of his interest in this aspect of our hobby. One of the QSL cards was that of the DLARC's first president. Pete also showed QSL cards other famous amateurs.

Pete concluded with a question and answer session from the audience.

EMMAUS HALLOWEEN PARADE - 2013

An annual enjoyable and very helpful public service event, the Emmaus Halloween Parade is scheduled for the evening of Saturday, October 19 (Rain date Sunday, October 20). Annually DLARC assists this activity by providing communications during the entire parade.

We will need 16 amateur radio operators to properly cover this event, in which the hams are in their vehicles, using 2-meter rigs, interspersed between parade units throughout the parade. This allows us to have eyes and ears from beginning to end, all along the parade route. We will watch for any problems, including breaks in the parade progression, rowdy behavior, etc., and report them to net control where the proper authorities will be contacted to correct the problems and keep the parade moving along safely.

After the parade we'll have our traditional Dutch Treat social gathering at a local restaurant. This Halloween Parade has been successful for about two decades, and is recognized by the Emmaus Halloween Committee as a prime reason for smooth operation of the parade.

Anyone interested in participating in this year's parade, please contact Bob, ke3aw or 610.432.8286.

Bob / KE3AW

FCC SETS HIGHER VANITY CALL SIGN FEES THAN FIRST PROPOSED

A new FCC regulatory fee of \$16.10 to apply for an Amateur Radio vanity call sign will become effective sometime in mid-September, when the new fee schedule appears in the Federal Register. (ARRL will report the exact date as soon as it becomes available.) Earlier this year, the FCC had proposed upping the vanity call sign fee from its current \$15 to \$15.20. The vanity call sign fee has fluctuated over the 17 years of the current program -- from high of \$50 when the program debuted in 1996 to a low of \$11.70 in 2007.

In a Report and Order in MD Docket 13-140, released August 12, the FCC ordered a broad schedule of new fees for all services and waived the usual 30-day waiting period following Federal Register publication, because there would not be time for new fees to become effective before the start of the new federal fiscal year on October 1, 2013. The FCC says it expects \$230,230 in revenue to cover the costs of administering the vanity call sign program. It anticipates 14,300 vanity call sign applications.

Applicants must pay the regulatory fee not only when applying for a new vanity call sign, but also when renewing a vanity call sign (those holding "heritage" vanity call signs issued prior to 1993 are exempt). The ARRL VEC will process license renewals for vanity call sign holders for a modest fee. The service is available to ARRL members and nonmembers, although League members pay less

THE DLARC K3NZ PAQSO AWARD



This award is named in honor of Norm Zoltack, K3NZ and will be awarded to the club individual earning the highest score in the club during PAQSO party. Norm was a super contester and a guiding force in his 40 plus years with the DLARC.

Requirements:

1. You must be a single operator.
2. You must apply your score to the DLARC's aggregate.
3. Portable, mobile, rover and home operations count.
4. You can operate from any county.

DLARC PICNIC - 2013



ANTENNA SALE

I am trying to downsize by selling most of my HF station. I am selling my entire antenna farm remaining antennas, equipment, towers, 23-foot chrome moly 4130 steel mast, thrust bearings, rotators, supplies, and accessories. Many were already sold last year. I have for sale a lay over base assembly for Rohn 45 tower, Beebe winch for laying over towers, guy wires with insulators, and accessories. Please visit and tour, picking out what you need. Generally, I am satisfied with 60% of new prices. I have many small parts too, including ferrite cores and beads, SO-239 and PL-259 connectors, other connectors, hardware, coax, rope, pulleys, tape, guy anchors, insulators, wires, barrel connectors, etc. I am selling an Ameritron remote antenna coax switch. I have several 3-500 transmitting tubes, used in linear amplifiers. I have homemade Beverage receiving antenna impedance transformers for converting 75 ohm coax to 600-ohm impedance long wires. Many ground rods are in the ground that may be rescued. I have a Hygain self-supporting 52-foot tower with some repairable damage for sale cheap! I also have the Rohn fold over system for Rohn 45 with 80 feet of Rohn 45 tower. The antennas include 6-element 10-meter homemade yagi, which is very strong and dominates the band. It is 1:1 SWR across 10 and 12 meters. I beat many bigger stations in DX pile-ups with it. I have Hygain Long John 5 and 4 element yagis for 20 and 15 meters. I was the first ever customer for the 205CAS, 155 CAS antennas. Hygain engineers and I redesigned them from the 205BAS and 155BAS. They have more forward gain, better front to back ratios, and wider band usage. They are very effective and can hold a run frequency for hours in a DX contest. I used them to work DXCC Honor Roll, all DXCC countries, 9 Band DXCC, 5 Band CQ WAZ awards, etc. I also have a Lightning Bolt 5 band quad for sale in parts. It was erected at a friend's home who died, and I brought it home to erect, but never did. I also have a disassembled KLM KT-34XA tri band 20, 15, and 10 meter yagi. It was also at the friend's home, but he never erected and neither did I. Parts are available from M2. Hollow conduit for underground feeding of antenna coax is available.

Tell your friends. Thanks, Bill Goodman, K3ANS

Call me at home 610-258-5063 or cell 484-241-6176.

Official 2013 DLARC Absentee Ballot and instructions

This is the official absentee ballot for the DLARC elections to be held at the **October 3, 2013** general monthly meeting. You must follow these instructions in order to have your absentee vote count.

1. Select one candidate for each of the officer positions. **This year, since there is only one candidate each for President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and according to the DLARC By-laws, “the Secretary shall cast the necessary vote” for those positions, and no vote is needed by you.**
2. Select five candidates for the positions of Director from the list of nominees.
3. Place the ballot into a plain unmarked envelope and seal it.
4. Put the sealed unmarked envelope containing the ballot into another envelope, which contains your call, and return address. Mail this envelope by September 30, 2013 to:

William Fahs, NC3P
3976 Kenrick Drive
Bethlehem, PA 18020-4557

Position	Nominee	Vote
President	Jay Mason / N3OW	(No vote needed)
Vice President	Dave Blankenship / N3EYT	(No vote needed)
Secretary	John Barbaz / NT3P	(No vote needed)
Treasurer	Mike Gower / KB3LOD	(No vote needed)
Director	Dick Schaeffer / KB3ALG	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director	Larry Laplan / KC3ANC	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director	Ron Hontz / K3BKT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director	Evelyn Uhler / W3DOY	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director	Dave Mellman / KA3IWC	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director	Stephanie Koles / WX3K	<input type="checkbox"/>
Director	Doreen Gramling / K3PDL	<input type="checkbox"/>
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F.Y.I.

The November Program will be "CW and Ham Radio in the Movies" - Brad / W3JXQ

The D.L.A.R.C. meets the "FIRST" Thursday of each month. Membership, friends and interested persons meet at the Bethlehem Township Community Center, 2900 Farmersville Road, 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.

QCWA Chapter 17 holds a net Monday evenings at 8:30 PM on 3960 +/- depending on conditions.

Mid-Atlantic D-Star Net meets each Tuesday at 7:30 PM. The following repeaters Dstar repeaters are available in the Lehigh Valley. W3OK -145.11000MHz -0.600 Port C – W3OI -147.16500MHz +0.600 Port C, – W3OI - 445.02500MHz -5.000 Port B All repeaters on the net are linked through **Reflector 020 port A**, so all stations checking into the net should make sure that they have *their local repeater call sign followed by the letter "G" in the eight position of the RPT2 field*. Otherwise, you will only be heard locally and not over the Reflector. Dongle users wishing to check into the net should Log On by connecting directly to Reflector 20, port A, rather than through your local repeater in order to conserve local bandwidth.

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