Delaware - Lehigh Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

W3OK Corral NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2005

Meeting December 1st at the 911 center

The Prez Sez

by Bill, N2DH



The November meeting was one of lively discussion on a variety of subjects. It was refreshing to see the club members discussing varying opinions regarding how things are done.

As agreed the board will take up the question of how we remember silent keys, and their families, as well as the question of how the newsletter will be distributed.

W3CE reminded us of the upcoming Christmas City Event, and the need for not only operators, but for help setting up and tearing down. We do hope that there will be lots of people out to operate and to log so we can make it a good event. (December 10 and 11)

Don't forget the Christmas Party at the December meeting , bring your spouse if you can twist an arm. We hope that there will be lots of extra goodies to leave for the operators of the 911 center.

For those of you who were not able to attend the November meeting you missed a great program on DX'ing from the Caribbean Islands. It made many of us wish we could grab the rig, hop a plane and fire up from some exotic place. As one who has had such an opportunity I really enjoyed the program.

About programs, if you have a topic you would like to present to the club, or one that you would like to hear about drop a note to our Program Chairman KB3IUE.

I am sure he would like to hear from you.

Last but not least let me wish all a great Holiday Season, and a prosperous New Year in 2006.

de Bill, N2DH

Election Results

by Bryan, AA3WM

For the members of the DLARC that were not at the October meeting, hereare the results of the DLARC Election that was held at the October 6thGeneral meeting:

President:	Bill Twaddell / N2DH
Vice President:	Al Wiemann / W3CE
Secretary:	Charles Lazarchak / W3DEA
Treasurer:	Richard Dech / KA3MOU

Directors (Five with the most votes)
David Blankenship / N3EYT
Paul Ryan / N0KIA
Barry Vogt / N3NVA

Jeffrey Keller / N3QZT
George Wieland / N3SQD

Tenth Executive Committee Member (most recent past president of theDLARC)
Bryan Williams / AA3WM

Thank you to Bob Yankovich and Tom Slapinsky, who are leaving the board, for their past service to the DLARC. Welcome to Paul Ryan and George Wieland, two new board members.

de Bryan, AA3WM

Treasurer's Report

by Dick, KA3MOU



Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club, Inc. Income & Loss Statement.

Balance 9/30/05	$4,958.44
INCOME	
Club Dues	$64.00
Donation Income 50-50	23.50
Interest Checking	1.39
TOTAL INCOME	$88.89
EXPENSES	
Memory Of Bob Kratz	$25.00
Telephone	17.70
TOTAL EXPENSES	$42.70
Balance 10/31/05	$5,004.63

de Dick, KA3MOU, Treasurer of DLARC

DLARC General Meeting Minutes – November 3, 2005

by Bryan, AA3WM (for Charlie, W3DEA)

7:30 PM Called to order by Bill N2DH, 32 members present – 25 needed for quorum.

Bill N2DH called for a moment of silence for Bob Kratz N3QQ who became a silent key.

REPORTS:

Secretary – September Minutes as published in October Newsletter.

- ✓ No changes to minutes as published, 1st – Lamar N3AT, 2nd – Pete NL7XM Passed

Treasurer – Dick KA3MOU

- ✓ No change to report as given, 1st – George N3SQD, 2nd – Bud W3BUD, Passed

Repeater – Barry N3NVA

- ✓ Barry N3NVA gave an update of the repeater systems and the web site.
- ✓ Fleetwood is back up
- ✓ 145.11 W3PYF taken off the air when Clarence became a silent key. Will be taken over as W3OK
- ✓ UHF frequency used for W3PYF has been released and will be available for someone else to use
- ✓ Chris NU3L is our current trustee of W3OK, Don KA3JWE will be taking over as trustee
- ✓ Give Barry any information to keep the web site updated

VE Session – Bill N2DH

- ✓ One person is registered for tomorrow night's VE session. Bill N2DH, Lamar N3AT, and Al W3CE will be the VEs

W3OK Club Station (Milk House) – Al W3CE & Ken N3IYX

- ✓ TNC has been replaced and is in working condition – it will be used for emergency communication.
- ✓ The tower and beam is waiting on feedback from Nick Tylenda
- ✓ Nothing has been done yet to install the UPS
- ✓ A Heathkit SB303 was just donated to the club and is at the Milk House. A vertical antenna (40-10) was also donated.

- ✓ Al will be broadcasting the ARRL news

Tech Net – Charlie W3DEA

- ✓ Bryan mentioned that Charlie was unable to do the Tech Net and apologizes for not contacting anyone to take it over. He will run a Tech Net next Wednesday.

Classes – Bob KE3AW

- ✓ One more Tuesday night class – there are currently 3 people attending

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ✓ Bob KE3AW announced that the Emmaus Halloween parade was successful. It was verbally indicated that communications were a significant part of making it successful, and DLARC was presented with a $200 check.
- ✓ Al W3CE asked that everyone that participated in the PA QSO Party should get their scores posted on the web (currently 14 people have done so) and to the Nittany Amateur Radio Club.
- ✓ Al WECE passed around a sign-up sheet for the WX3MAS Christmas City event, which is December 10th and 11th this year. He is also working on the certificate for this year.

Guests

- ✓ There were several guests – Danny W3ZF, Pete's wife Janice, Mark NK8Q, and John K3CT – Welcome!

New Business:

- ✓ Bill N2DH announced that there will be a Hamfest Committee that will meet after the January 2006 General meeting. This committee will determine whether or not there will be a Hamfest in 2006.
- ✓ A motion ***to change the DLARC policy of bereavement gifts so that $25 is given to the family of the deceased only when it was a current member of the DLARC who dies, and to send a card when it is a relative of a member that dies*** was made by Bill K3ANS and seconded by Chris NU3L. A motion ***to refer the motion on the floor to the Executive Committee*** was made by Chris NU3L and seconded by Bill K3ANS. After some discussion and vote, the **motion to refer carried**.
- ✓ Dick KA3MOU gave information on the National Incident Management System (NIMS) training that all RACES members are required to have by October 2006.
- ✓ There were no new membership applications.
- ✓ The December program is the Christmas Party – everyone should bring goodies. Dick KA3MOU will check to make sure that food is allowed. Everyone will have to help clean up afterwards.
- ✓ Brad KB3JXQ wants to have the club consider getting a laser printer to print the newsletters since we are having problems getting them printed. Discussion of publishing the newsletter electronically instead of being printed followed.
- ✓ A motion ***that the Executive Committee pick up the cause to consider what has to be done to change to use electronic media for the newsletter, and to come back to the members with a proposal by the January General meeting*** was made by Chris NU3L and seconded Carl AA3IX. **Motion carried.**
- ✓ Charlie N3VUO gave information on the NIMS courses being offered at LCCC, and mentioned that those taking the course will be asked for their DOB, Name, and Social Security number. It was also mentioned that on-line courses are available from Northampton Community College.

Program:

- ✓ Tonight's program is given by John K3TC on DXpedition

Adjourn

- ✓ 1st – Barry N3NVA, 2nd – Pete NL7XM, passed

de Bryan, AA3WM

Amy Zimmerman Award

Purpose:

Ham radio-related humanitarian act, deed, or service that benefited the community. This award was originally conceived as a memorial to Amy Zimmerman for her service to the community and amateur radio.

Details & Criteria:

a. Qualifying act, deed, or service should benefit those outside of amateur radio (example: hams working with non-hams.)

b. A single extraordinary act, deed, or service could qualify (example: working the 9/11 disaster).

c. Qualifications should not include normal everyday operating or contesting.

d. Qualifications should not include being an event chairperson of a single event every year (coordinating a single event every year would not necessarily qualify).

1. An individual may receive the award more than once, but not for the same recurring act, deed, or service. And only one individual may receive the award per year.

a. A description of the act, deed, or service which qualified the individual for the award must be entered into the E-Board minutes

b. And the minutes of the general club meeting at which the award was presented.

2. Only DLARC club members in good standing are eligible for the award. They must also have been members of the club at the time they performed the activities for which the award is being considered.

3. The award is to be considered and reviewed each year, but may not necessarily be presented each year if there are no qualified candidates.

a. A three-person committee is to be formed each December by the E-Board consisting of the past president and two club members at large.

b. The committee's function is to determine candidates who qualify for the award, (either through suggestions from other club members and / or their own deliberations,) and present them to the board of directors at the January E-Board meeting, as potential recipients. The board of directors may add to or subtract from the committee's list of nominees the name of any qualified club member whom they believe does or does not meet the eligibility requirements of the award.

c. The award winner will be decided by a majority vote of the E-Board.

4. The award consists of the following: The Amy Zimmerman Plaque, and a press release to the ARRL and local news agencies.

5. The wording on the award is listed below, with the clubs logo at the top:

Amy Zimmerman
Memorial Award
Presented To
XXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXXXXX
XXXXX
From The Delaware – Lehigh
Amateur Radio Club
In appreciation for Unselfish
Services Rendered to Amateur Radio
And the Community.

And the date

Final draft rewritten April 22, 2005
Jeffrey L. Keller / N3QZT

DogsWalk Against Cancer Report

by Thomas A. McDonald, N3MQL

HAMS Support American Cancer Society's Second Annual Dogswalk Against Cancer Event in Lehigh Parkway

Paws hit the pavement in the Lehigh Parkway for the American Cancer Society's second annual *Dogswalk Against Cancer.* Despite the rainy day on Saturday, October 22nd, there was a good turn-out of both dogs and their owners. From pugs to bull mastiffs, it was quite a sight! There were even demonstrations from the Upper Bucks County working dogs, and several

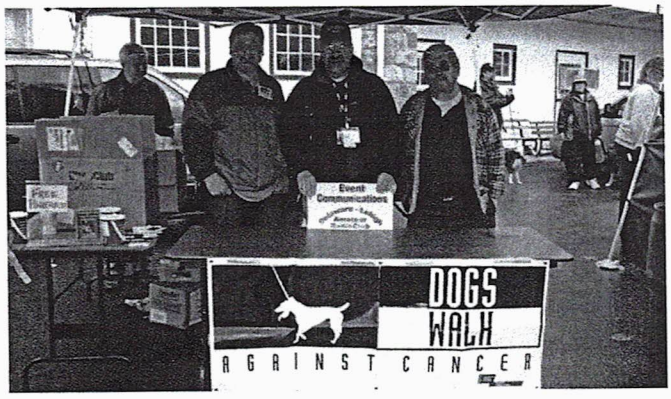
vendors showcasing their wares for pets and their people alike.

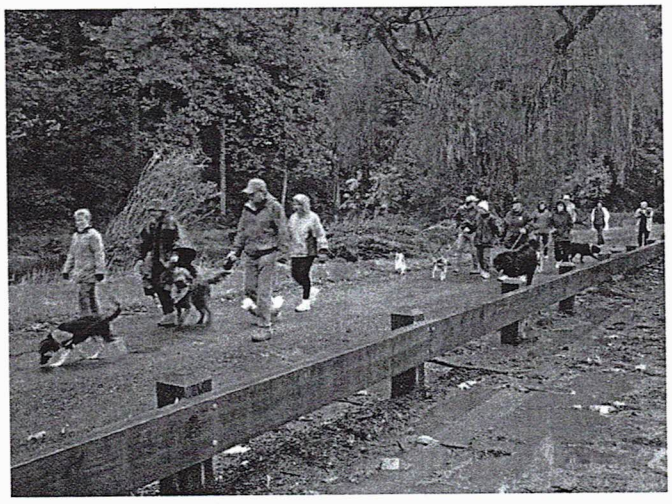
For the second consecutive year, DLARC members provided top notch communications support for the American Cancer Society at this event. Additionally, DLARC members helped with setting up the registration tents, sign removal and teardown. According to ACS officials hosting the event, HAMs helped make this event a success. Having their help and knowing where walkers were at any given moment was critical in planning the day and maintaining walker safety.

Many thanks to those who participated in this year's *Dogswalk Against Cancer* event: Bob Green (KE3AW), Charlie Lamonte (N3VUO), and Tom McDonald (N3MQL). Not to forget the same folks who helped out last year, plus? Kathleen Green (KB3JMR) and Lawrence Bezdziecki (KB3JMS).

73, de Thomas A. McDonald, N3MQL

Photos by Katie McDonald





Emmaus Halloween Parade Report

by Bob, KE3AW

After a week of rain, Saturday, October 15 was a dry, breezy evening with a nearly full moon, a perfect evening for the Emmaus Halloween Parade. Although it was larger this year, the parade was essentially free from all but a few minor disruptions.

Our 17 amateur radio operators kept communications active, between the hams within the parade itself and net control. The hams who participated this year are:

Lamar/N3AT, Bob/KE3AW, Al/W3CE, Greg/KB3CPF, Bill/N2DH (with Thalia/KB3CSR), Joe/KE3DZ, Jack/N3HDJ, Paul/N0KIA, Mark/AK3M, Cholly/N3VUO, Bob/N3OLH, Earl/KB3MHY, Bob/KB3MHZ, Jeff/N3QZT, Jeff/N3RVH, George/N3SQD (net control).

The Emmaus Halloween Parade Committee always comments on communications from amateur radio operators being a major factor in keeping their event safe and orderly, and again as in the past they have expressed this gratitude with a generous donation to DLARC.

After the parade a majority of the hams joined in for a Dutch Treat at the local Bennigans Restaurant.

Thanks to all who helped in this successful event.

de Bob, KE3AW

Dues Are Due!

by Dick, KA3MOU

It is that time of the year! Dues are due for 2006. Read below and you will see how to pay your dues. Please when paying dues by mail included your call sign either on your check or the envelope.

If your DUES are not paid by FEBRUARY 2, 2006 membership will be terminated. Reinstatement to membership by the MARCH meeting will be

accepted without penalty. Thereafter, reinstatement application shall be the same as for a new member.

Dues Reminder for 2006
Dues are due. Check your mailing label. If the label has EXP. 12/31/05 your dues are PAST DUE.

Dues are as follows:

Membership 18-65 years of age
Jan. - Dec. $17.00
July - Dec. $8.50

Under 17 years, 65 or over or Retired (no age limit).
Jan. - Dec. $12.00
July - Dec. $6.00

Additional family member, each $3.00

Associate Membership $10.00

If paying your dues at a meeting, use an envelope with your call on the outside of the envelope. If paying dues by check, make the check out to DLARC.

If you mail your dues, mail the dues to:

RICHARD A DECH / KA3MOU
120 MCILHANEY AVENUE
BATH PA 18014-1612

If you have any questions about dues, you can call Dick / KA3MOU at 610-837-1585.

73, de Dick Treasurer of DLARC W3OK

CARL R. STEVENSON, PRESIDENT & CTO OF WK3C WIRELESS LLC, WINS ELECTION TO THE IEEE STANDARDS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR A TWO YEAR TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2006

EMMAUS, PA, November 7, 2005 - Carl R. Stevenson has been elected to the position of Member-at-Large on the IEEE Standards Association's Board of Governors for a two year term beginning on January 1, 2006.

The IEEE-SA Board of Governors is accountable to the IEEE Board of Directors and the public at large to provide a broad spectrum of value-added industry standards, as well as standardsrelated products and services, to meet the needs of its constituency comprised of members from industry, government, and the general public.

It is the responsibility of the IEEE-SA Board of Governors and each Board member to uphold the reputation of the IEEE as a respected world leader in the development and promulgation of standards and to enhance the professional image of the IEEE, thereby adding strategic value to the IEEE Standards program.

Shortly after the public announcement of the election results on November 4, 2006, Mr. Stevenson received congratulatory e-mails from W. Cleon Anderson, IEEE President; Donald N. Heirman, President of the IEEE Standards Association; and Jim Carlo, Past President of the IEEE Standards Association.

Mr. Stevenson has been involved in the design and development of RF communications systems and equipment for over 35 years and is President and CTO of WK3C *Wireless* LLC, an Emmaus, PA, consulting firm specializing in the areas of wireless standards, regulatory affairs, and design services.

He is a Fellow of the Radio Club of America, a Senior Member of the IEEE, a member of the IEEE 802 LMSC Executive Committee, Chair of the IEEE 802.22 Working Group on Wireless Regional Area Networks, a Member-at-Large of the IEEE-USA Committee on Communications and Information Policy, has been named by Scientific American magazine as a Policy Leader within the 2005 *SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN 50* - the magazine's prestigious annual list recognizing outstanding acts of leadership in science and technology from the past year, and

is to receive the IEEE-SA 2005 International Award at an awards ceremony in Florida on December 4, 2005.

From its inception several years ago until November 2004, he served as Chair of the IEEE 802.18 Radio Regulatory Technical Advisory Group. He also previously served as the liaison tothe ITU-R for the IEEE's Sector Membership, Chair of the Wi-Fi Alliance Regulatory Committee, Chair of the Bluetooth SIG Radio Workgroup, and a member of the US Delegation to the World Radicommunications Conference 2003.

Mr. Stevenson said: "*I am honored that the members of the IEEE Standards Association have entrusted this responsibility to me for the next two years and I look forward to the opportunity to serve the IEEE-SA, its members, and the IEEE as a whole.*"

Christmas Party!

By Brad, KB3JXQ

There will be no presentation at the December 1st meeting. However, we will be having our Christmas party, so don't forget to bring in some 'goodies' to share with everyone.

I hope to see you all there!

2005			December			2005
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			30 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm TechNet 8:00 pm	1 Club Meeting 7:30 pm	2	3
4	5	6	7 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm	8	9	10 WX3MAS special event Newsletter Deadline
11 WX3MAS Special Event	12	13	14 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm	22 Executive Committee Meeting	23	24
25	26	27	28 ARES / RACES Net 7:00 pm	29	30	31

All Amateur Radio Operators are invited to Participate in the DLARC, RACES, and ARES nets: 51.76, 146.70, and 444.90 W3OK/RPT (pl 151.4) with an alternate of W3PYF/RPT 145.11 (pl 151.4)
W3OK trustee Chris Hornaman, NU3L
The Nets are held on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

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All regular meetings of the D.L.A.R.C. are held on the first Thursday of each month
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