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ENDORSEMENT TO: SECRETARY OOTC 3191 DARVANY DR. DALLAS TX 75220-1611

DISTRICT INCUMBENTS

- 2 NJ-NY. JERRY MULBERG, W2MJP, #2995.
Nominated by G. Levy, W2LAP, #4094 and by Sy Yuter, W2NBT, #3038.
- 4 AL-FL-GA-KY-NC-SC-TN-VA. DAVID KNIGHT, W4ZJY, #3428. No nomination received.
- 6 CA-HI. TROY WIDEMAN, W6HV, #2852. No nomination received.
- 8 MI-OH-WV-IL-IN-WI. JOSEPH WEHNER, W8KNO, #4030. No nomination received.
- 0 CO-IA-KS-MN-MO-NE-ND-SD. LEO MEYERSON, W0GFQ, #0707. No nomination received.

OOTC ON THE AIR MEETINGS

EUROPEAN CHAPTER #5 CALL DL00TC

SSB 7:30 CE(S)T 3624 kHz, Tue, NCS DJ5ND, Willi Kreibohm.
SSB 11:00 CE(S)T 7090 kHz, Tue, NCS DJ2XB, Guenter Pesch.
CW 17:30 UTC 3576,5 kHz, Tue, NCS DL1MEB, Karl Maerz.
CE(S)T = Central European (Summer) Time = UTC + 1(2).

U. S. A.

Chapter #2 (CA): Tuesday, 1600 local 3917kHz. NCS W6HV, Troy Wideman.
AZ CH: Tuesday, 1600 local, 3913 kHz. NCS W7LGB, Lyle Brown.
N.East: Thursday, 1330 local, 7230 kHz. NCS K2VNM, Robert Kerns.
CH82 E. TN & SW. VA: Sun, 9:00PM E. 145.110MHz. down shift.
OOTC National Calling Frequency : Friday, 1700 UTC on 14050 kHz.

SUPPLIES AVAILABLE – Price includes postage.

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OOTC 4" Round Iron-on Jacket patch - \$5.00
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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Like many clubs, OOTC is expecting a tight financial year for 2007. One way to help the club have a healthy source of income is to promote growth in our membership. You can help by making an effort to recruit at least one new member this year. Our Executive Secretary (Bert, W5JNK) and our Treasurer (Lee, W9MOL) have done yeoman's efforts at insuring the most return for every dollar. But, some cost (such as printing and postage) are very difficult to control. New memberships can help provide the dues necessary to sustain OOTC.

It's a good bet that by now you have been thoroughly briefed on the release of the FCC's "Omnibus" Amateur Radio Report and Order. Also, you've probably managed to get a copy of the new band plan from the ARRL or some other available source. In addition, you've no doubt been made aware that the requirement for some level of knowledge in the use of the Morse code has now been eliminated from the required testing for an Amateur Operator license.

I've been hearing a lot of arguments, for and against, any and all of the above. I expect it will take some time to prove the wisdom or lack thereof for the changes. Personally, change always seems to bother me when I don't really understand what's "broke". I happen to feel that CW should have been retained as a requirement since it is an important part of amateur radio history. Maybe though there is some merit to another argument I've heard. This one goes, "If you don't push it down their throats they will do it on their own" –or words to that effect. Maybe that's so. When I turned in my three contacts to the ARRL for Straight Key Night I discovered a very interesting comment on the ARRL SKN web page. It said that the event's popularity is growing and that a record number of entries (349) had been received for the 2007 New Year's Day SKN. The statement indicated that only 80 entries were received 1985 and 90 for SKN 2000. Assuming this to actually reflect increased activity and not just that more participants are sending in their contact logs, I find this encouraging! As I listen around the bands there seems to be an increasing amount of CW activity. There are at least two clubs devoted to encouraging the use of CW, F.I.S.T.S. and SKCC (Straight Key Century Club), that I would recommend if you would like to get more active.

Finally, don't forget the OOTC QSO Party! I hope to see you there. Bert and I will be on CW. The QSO Party is open for CW and SSB and should be a great way to meet some of our OOTC members.

Contributions to the Scholarship Fund November 2006 through January 2007:
Frank Lester W4AMJ Silent Key Memorial and Luther Pully W5JIZ.

73, Troy, W6HV

**FOLLOWING FROM BLABBERMOUTH (the forerunner of Spark-Gap Times)
DECEMBER 1961 by George Sterling (SK) ex-W1AE.**

**WILLIAM D. TERRELL (SK),
MEMBER #0099**

Membership sponsored by George Sterling
1AE-1913 (W1AE #0051)

Mr. Terrell was the first appointee to the post of Wireless Ship Inspector on June 5, 1911, and retired as chief, Field Engineering and Monitoring Bureau.

The nine radio districts were in charge of radio supervisors and Mr. Terrell, who celebrated his 90th birthday August 10, 1961, was the chief of the service.

When I was sworn in as a radio inspector in 1923, I never realized that I would be Mr. Terrell's assistant in years to come.



In 1923, radio broadcasting was just sprouting its wings. The greatest number in our district were in Philadelphia, with one or two in Baltimore, Richmond and Washington. Our only real coastal station that I can recall was WCT at Cape May. Broadcasting stations along the coast were in fact classified coastal stations and as such, were required to maintain a listening watch on 600 meters and in addition were required to be able to transmit on 300 and 600 meters the International distress wavelengths.

R. T. Cadimus was my supervisor and he read the rules right down the middle and whenever we made a broadcast station inspection, the program was interrupted while the operator on duty or chief engineer demonstrated that the transmitter could operate on these two wavelengths. I recall that WBAL in Baltimore could not do this easily, so they installed a F-5 spark set. Mr. Cadimus accepted this as complying with the requirements of the rules.

This requirement was enforced at the time since marine receivers were not very selective and cases had been reported where broadcasting stations had interfered with distress and other marine traffic; consequently, whenever a distress call was picked up, and there were many in those days after WW1, each broadcasting station hearing the call directly from the stricken ship or by relay, was forced to suspend broadcasting until the coastal station in charge gave the all clear signal.

George Sterling

News Letter #19 OOTC Chapter 2. 20 November 2006

We had a marvelous meeting and brunch on November 12th. Again, thanks to Helen Windham (N6ZLL), we met in the "Bridge Room" overlooking the marina at the beautiful Long Beach Yacht Club. A total of 30 members and guests attended this event. The weather was perfect, clear and warm and there was a lot of marina activity to view from our vantage point on the second floor.

The meeting was called to order by our Chapter President Paul Schinnerer (AB6TB) close to 11:30 AM. Paul introduced a new couple attending the meeting for the first time; Rian Robison (W6SVU) and his wife Mary. Rian, OOTC #3896, joined Chapter 2, and was warmly welcomed into the group. Paul then temporarily adjourned the meeting so that we could enjoy the buffet brunch.

After eating, there was no further business to conduct, nor comments from the floor, so Paul declared the meeting closed around 1:30 PM. Many members mingled and chatted after the meeting.

**LETTER FROM PAUL SCHINNERER, AB6TB, #3073 PRESIDENT OOTC CH: 2
--IT HAS BEEN A GREAT SIXTY-SIX YEARS--**

1940 was an eventful year for me. That was the year I got my drivers license and my amateur radio license, (W6TBB). Prior to that I operated on 5 meters and 2 ½ meters with my home brew transmitter using a modulated oscillator and a super regenerative receiver. The modulator was a 1927 Kolster amplifier from an old radio using a pair of UX350 tubes. The mike was a Western Electric, double button carbon, from a broadcast station. I had no license but neither did any of the other 5 meter guys.

I also was not worried about driving without a license, but planned to get one when I was old enough. I hot wired my Dad's Oldsmobile and took it for a fast ride in the middle of the night. It was quite a thrill getting it up to 80 miles an hour. There was one problem. When backing into the garage the front fender got crunched.

After my Ham License arrived my Dad told me that I could charge all the parts at the local radio parts store that were necessary to build my own ham station. Little did he know the great ambitions that ran through my head. But after he saw the results, he knew his son was a genius.

The rig was a rack and panel job. Using a pair of Eimac 35T's in the final (350 watts) and plate modulated with a pair of RCA 809's. I built a 3-element Yagi antenna and ran enamel coated wire ladder line and used a delta match. There was no rotor. It was necessary to climb a ladder to the roof and rotate it manually.

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A chrome plated American D5 dynamic mike gave broadcast quality. The receiver was a Howard 450A.

My license was Class B allowing me to operate phone on HF on either 160 or 10 meters. On December 7th, 1941 the 10 meter band was very active that morning. There were the usual QRM and heterodynes caused by those AM signals beating with each other. How quiet SSB is today. Then came the reports on the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Little did I know that a year and a half later would find me there in the US Navy.

After WWII, due to the horrendous TVI problems, ham radio was not much fun anymore. My license was allowed to expire in 1951. A commercial radiotelephone license was obtained the year before. Later a ship's radar endorsement was added. These were necessary for my profession as an electronic technician, which I followed for 20 years until 1970. I then tried turning my other hobby of Classic Cars into my livelihood, and am still at it today.

Fast forward to 1992. Gordon West was on Ray Briem's, KABC late night radio show, extolling the virtues of ham radio. Back in the 60's, Gordon used to come around the marine radio shop where I worked. He was in high school at the time. His Dad was a stockholder in the company. My call was made the next day to renew our acquaintance after 25 years. At his urging, I studied up and showed up at one of his VE sessions and returned to the hobby. I showed up a month later and passed the 20 WPM code test. I had not heard a dot or dash in 40 years. It took three weeks to bring it up to speed. Which proves that like a language, if you learn it in your youth, you will not forget it. Upgraded to extra class a few months later and was pleasantly surprised to receive a call similar to my original W6TBB. It is AB6TB, it stands for "After breakfast 6 tall beers." Or do you prefer, "6 Tall Blondes?"
73 Paul AB6TB -pictures on next page-

NEW MEMBER RICHARD "DICK" NIELSEN, K5RN, #4452

Born August 23, 1940, Dallas, TX. Spouse Billie. KN5ASH-1954, K5ASH. Sponsored by K5ZOL, Bob Irish, #3872. k5rn@wildblue.net

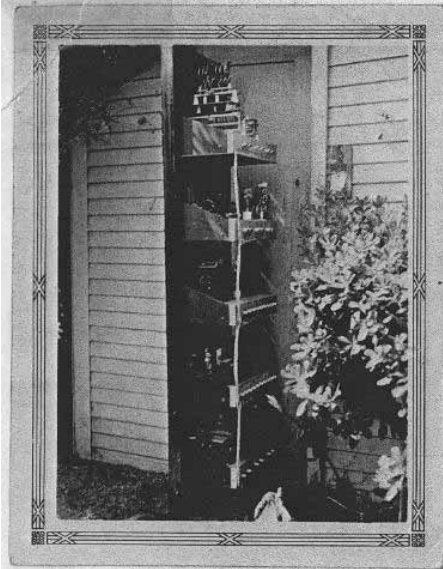
NEW MEMBER RANDY K. MURRAY, W3LF, #4453

Born October 30, 1950, Milford, DE. Spouse Sharyn. WN3GSM-1966, WA3GSM. w3lf@arrl.net

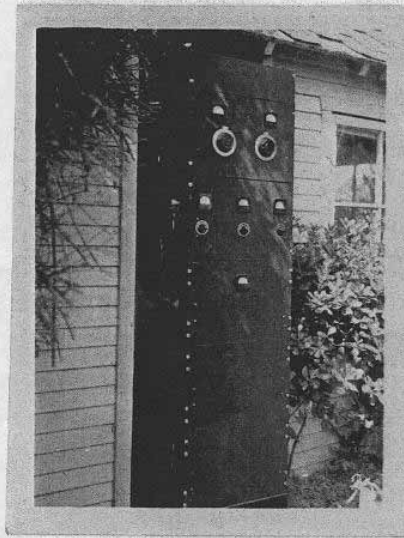
NEW MEMBER EARL SWEENEY, K4LSB, #4454

Born December 20, 1933, Haverhill, MA. Spouse Jeannine, 5 children. K1LSB-1960, K8VTB, DL4CK. Operated ARMY MARS station in Germany, 1960. Sponsored by N4US, Ron Toller, #3443. k4lsb@aol.com

PICTURES FROM PAUL SCHINNERER, AB6TB, #3073



*Rig I built in 1941
At age 17.*

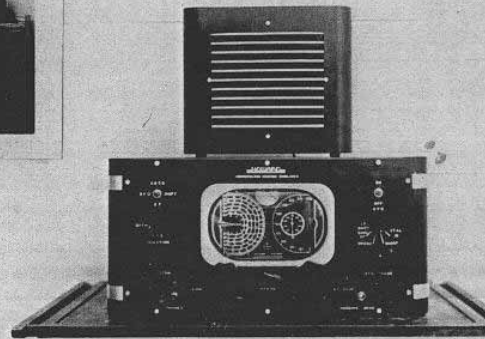


*Transmitter in front of 6 X 8
Radio Shack in back yard.*



*1939 Ham Station
WE Carbon Mike
Code practice Tape Machine
5-Meter Transmitter*

Howard Receiver



NEW MEMBER GARY L. DOUGLAS, KD5VJC, #4455

Spouse Mary. Former USN/USNR radioman. KA0MRA-1963. Life member VFW. Annual member of American Legion. Enjoy adventure stories and sometimes model railroading. Occupation (2003) producing wood items for the building industry. Living on a 7-acre goat farm. Looking forward to retirement.
garymarydouglas@yahoo.com

NEW MEMBER KLAUS-DIETER HANSCHMANN, DL8MTG, #4456



1972



2006

Born September 2, 1952, Schoenebeck. Spouse Silvia, son Florian, daughter Nicole. Other calls DM4XTG-1966, DM2DTG, DM5LB, Y24TG.

I started at age 12 with a homebrew RX O-V-1 as SWL DM-3239/G. Got my first ham license in 1966 (DM4XTG). Using semiconductors I built my transmitter for 80m CW with 5 W out and a receiver. The paddles were made from nail files (my mother was very angry...). I still like CW operation and outdoor activities. Operating outdoor I like to test the efficiency of several types of antennas. I've always been interested in DXing. I studied Physics in the 70s and worked in different fields like telecommunication, electronics and internet technologies. I continued my further education with the Master of NDT and I'm still working in the non destructive testing. dl8mtg@web.de

LETTER FROM HANK, W13U, #2717

When I picked up my copy of Vol.44 #1 I read it through as I always try to do! Being rather new to OOTC there is much to learn - I was never aware of "Blabber Mouth"! But in my early days I heard most all of the original members - probably up to 500 (not the year, but member number)! Used to listen to 75 meters and a lot of those fellows were regulars on 3990KHz (or was it KCs?) and quite a few I knew personally or met later. Like Bert, W1NQ (Nottingham, NH, where the tall pines grow)! -continued next page-

Bert had an ART-13 he used most of the time and I can still hear the peculiar noise it made when he keyed down! Andy, W4IYT, always signed in Florida Skip; "We Publish Something For Everyone And There Are Some Always Looking For Errors, So We Include A Few For Them."

And of course, W1ZE. Will never forget his clock ticking that sat on his HRO. I visited his shack - what a bunch of haywire! A pair of 250TH tubes and an old "pole pig" to supply the rectifiers for the final and the modulator. There were many more. My copy (loose leaf) of the Blue Book is elsewhere so I can't refresh my memory of those early members! Back in 1947 when I first was licensed, never thought i'd ever have 40 years in...and now - WOW!

E-MAIL FROM S. FELTON MITCHELL, W4OA, #4217 SAYS:

"I would like to have my picture associated with my OOTC membership information. It would be nice if you had a page of life members. 73, Mitch. w4oa@vibroplex.com"

Of course, all members are members for life, however, here's a list of members with "dues paid for Life". See back page for life fees.

Bert, W5JNK, Editor...

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W1FJI MARSHALL JR
WB1FLO LOVELAND
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N1JB BUTTOLPH III
N1JS SANTANGELO
W1LMS SHEEHAN
W1LN FARMER
W1LRM SMITH
W1NV WATSON
DU1OR REYES
W1PL RADNAY
W1RGH CHAET
W1UQ BARDFIELD
K2ATB BRILL
W2ATQ GRO
SSELFINGER
DL2AYJ FRANKE
W2CC POPKIN
W2CF SCHWEIZER JR



APRIL 2007**LIFE DUES PAID LIST
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W2CSS HYMAN
W2CVF HASSLINGER
W2DAB REYNOLDS
DL2DZL HELFER
W2EPN FOODY
K2FP GRAPP SR
K2GCE MILLER
W2GF WENZEL
W2GRA GENZARDI SR
K2GYX BERNAT
WA2IEI AARON
K2IHD WOODS SR
VE2IR THOMSON
W2IX LAURI
K2LL SCHMID
W2LS SAVELL
VU2MD MAJOR
W2MJP MULBERG
KC2PS SHELLNBARGER
WA2PTQ BRANSON SR
W2RNZ LOEFFLER
K3ARR BECK JR
K3AU ALTER
W3BBL MURPHY JR
W3BE JOHNSTON
W3BY KUNING
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BERGER
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W6PA AMBORN
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W6QBY CHURCHILL
W6QLO WEST
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K6QS HELD
AB6TB SCHINNERER
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K6WNR RICHARDS
K6WX MC NALLY
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W7LBW RATHER IV
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W7UIZ HARRIS
W7YU BAILEY
W8AFB BOYD
LU8BA TRENCH
W8BFQ ROBERTS
8CBE TERREL
W8CKX TUMBLIN

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W8DSR BRUNING JR
W8FLA POLITYKA
KA8FXA MC DILL
N8HGL STEELE
W8HQO RINGO
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W9FBB MARSH
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W9IX HANSEN
W9LC CRUM
W9LOB MAZURE
KJ9N PICKERING
W9NQC SMITH
W9NZF LINN
W9OD MARTINKA
HB9QA DE MADDALENA
W9QXR SKINNER
WB9UAD STEVENSON

W9US KAMIN
W9VZR KLAWITTER
W9ZFU RUFF SR
MD0CCE BARDEN
W0CI REMHOF
W0CNY BACON
W0CRN LEWIS
W0DUN SMITH
NQ0G DAVIS
W0GFQ MEYERSON
W0GN ELY
K0GOO STINSON
K0GY YANTIS
W0HUI LISPCOMB
W0IJA GREENWOOD
W0IKT MILLER
W0IXA ZIMMERMAN
KB0MTY YEAGER
W0TKW JOHNSTON
N0UF ROSKE
W0US QUINN
W0VX JAKSA
W0VZK BUCKNER
W0WK DE SIMONE
W0ZX TRAUGHBER

**NEW MEMBER THOMAS D. "TJ"
JENKINS, WA8VDC, #4457 >>>**

Born December 21, 1949, Monroe
Michigan. Spouse Sylvia, 2 children.

USAR 1982-1988 SSGT. WN8KBR-
1963. jenkinstd@aol.com



NEW MEMBER ALLAN H. KAPLAN, W1AEL, #4458

Born April 17, 1941, Cambridge, MA. Spouse Donna, 2 children. WN1AEL,
WA4DSR. Joint Task Force 8.3.1 1962 GS14. w1ael@arrl.net

NEW MEMBER ALAN H NIELSEN, K2GRO, #4459

Born January 18, 1930, Dover, NJ. Spouse Martha, 2 children. W9ROZ-1952.
USAF 1951-1958, 1st LT. alanhnielsen@citcom.net

NEW MEMBER R. DAVID "DAVE" FLESH, W6IBF, #4460

Born July 26, 1937, St. Louis, MO. Spouse Mary Lou. W7TNW-1953.
rflesh1@san.rr.com

NEW MEMBER DOUGLAS N. "D-BAR" MARTIN, VE3SJE, #4461

Born September 1, 1919, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Spouse Elsie, 2 children. F.S.S.F. service from 1942 to 1945, T/4.

I heard about OOTC on a CD put out by RAC news. Legally blind, my daughter came to my aid and I write this with the aid of a CCTV. In August 1942 many hundreds of Canadian and US soldiers were gathered at Ft. William Henry Hanison, close to Helena Montana. We were all volunteers from all parts of Canada and US for special training with special equipment for a special project.

I was selected for a radio school. We were taken to a room and had to indicate on a sheet of paper with numbered squares if the two sounds we heard were same or different. The next day my name was called to attend radio school.

The first sets we had were of WW1 vintage. The frequency of these sets would vary so that the beat note would get too low so adjustment had to be made. I do not remember my first message as they were all 5-letter word groups including E I S H 5 just to throw you off. Each message started with CPX followed by a 3 digit number. CPX was Command Post eXercise. I think this was done so that anyone hearing us would not think us foreign agents. This was 9 months after Pearl Harbor. A team of two was required for each radio. One to operate the radio, the other to crank a generator. On left side of my QSL is the emblem of The First Special Service Force.



In 1989 I made contact with VO1EI in Clearwater, FL. His home was in Newfoundland and wintered in FL. After a few more words he told me was one of the instructors at the radio school at FT WHH. Elsie and I went to see him in Clearwater and had a real rag chew. His last call was VE9RPI, his name Dick Thorne, now a silent key. Two years later received a QSL bureau card from Lake Foxaway NC. He was an instructor from Helena MT who heard VO1EI and VE3SJE. My call SJE stands for Susan Joyce and Elsie, my two daughters and wife of 56 years. My rig is a Kenwood Dual-band. A club member made a J-pole of wood and #14 copper wire which hangs on the inside wall of Apt 401. I am able to contact 6 repeaters that my daughter entered into the memory. The knob has 14 indents and a beep on the 0 indent. From there I can count the dents to the right repeater. In a cupboard I have a Kenwood 440 that I used with a vertical in the back yard at my last location. The FSSF has had reunions since 1946. Elsie and I with 14 family and friends attended the 60th (and last) in Helena MT 2006. We were told that all living Canadians would receive the Bronze Star from the US Army. 73 and all the best .

E-MAIL FROM MIKE VINOCUR, W2HLD, #3962

I thoroughly enjoyed the historic outline of Radio Row. I grew up in NYC and got my first introduction to electronics and radio in the early 50's down on Radio Row. As I approached my 14th birthday, I became much more focused on getting my ham ticket, and did so in 1957. It was a favorite past time for the new generation of hams to congregate on Saturday's at the stores that lined Cortlandt Street and surrounding areas. The FCC NY Office was just "down the street" and most all of us living in the NYC area were very familiar with the office and the testing process. We would always combine a visit to Radio Row with the upgrading process at the FCC. The stories just go on and on. What a wonderful place! You bet it brings back memories. Mike.

Editor: Mike is referring to a website on "The death of Radio Row" in New York.

http://www.antiqueradio.com/Sep02_RadioRow_Steinhardt.html

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NEW MEMBER ROBERT H. "BOB" NICHOLAS, K5HLZ, #4462

Born October 8, 1942, Port Arthur, TX. Spouse Mary, 2 children. KN5HLZ-1957, KE5DJS. 1st 2-way contact was as novice on 80 meter CW with ham friend locally, K5EKQ, who is still licensed.

First rig, Hallicrafters S-38C receiver and Heathkit AT-1 transmitter. Later as novice E. F. Johnson Viking Ranger and Hallicrafters SX-99 receiver. Current boat anchors for AM phone and CW, HRO Sixty receiver, Viking Ranger II transmitter, Hallicrafters SX-100 receiver, Viking Valiant transmitter. rnicholasjr@yahoo.com

NEW MEMBER ROBERT M. "BOB" ROSIE, W7GSV, #4463

Born November 17, 1944, Pasadena, CA. WV6GSV-1959, WA6GSV. USAF 1965-1969 E5 SSGT. w7gsv@arrl.net

**SPARK OPERATOR "HB", EX-W2BML, HAROLD H. BEVERAGE OOTC #2312
10/14/1893-1/27/1993**

Harold H. Beverage, Spark operator 1910, Ex-W2BML, #2312, held over 40 patents including the Beverage Wave antenna and co-inventor of dual-diversity HF reception system.

1916-20 Assistant to Dr. E.F.W. Alexanderson General Electric Co.

1921-29 RCA in charge development reception systems, International.

1929-41 Chief Research Engineer, RCA Communications.

1941-58 V.P. Research & Development, RCA Communications and also Director of Radio Research, RCA Laboratories.

Expert consultant on radio communications, Office Sec. of War 1942-46.

NEW MEMBER GORDON L. JONES, W5OU, #4464

Born May 20, 1934, Oklahoma. WN5FPN-1954. It was sometime in March or April 1954, when my old friends Frank Watson, W5TNW, and Carl Blackart, gave me the 5 WPM code test, and after I passed, gave me the written test for the Novice Class License. They sent in my papers about the 5th of July, 1954, as I recall. I have had one fun time with ham radio ever since that first day when I opened that little envelope containing my license.

I rushed to the back bedroom where I had my Walter Ashe Watt 25 with matching power supply (both kits) and my "wonderful" Hallicrafters S-53 receiver. The rig had been waiting for that Allied Radio telegraph key to start pumping somewhere near 5 or 10 watts into an end fed about 36 feet long, a piece of flat copper strap about a half inch wide. It was about a foot above the gable of the roof of my folk's house.

After about two weeks of calling CQ with no results, I telephoned Frank, W5TNW, and asked him to listen for me. We lived about three blocks apart and needless to say it was a 100% QSO, "five-nine-nine". As they say, it has been a hellova ride, I have loved ever second of it. 73, Gordon W5OU.

NEW MEMBER ALLEN S. "AL" OLDFIELD, W9KXI, #4465

Born August 8, 1945, Corning, NY. Spouse Martha, 2 children. KN8TCP-1960, K8TCP, N2BKS. aoldfiel@stny.rr.com

NEW MEMBER JOHN K. SHORB, W3FSA, #4466

Born March 20, 1946, Hanover, PA. KN3NAR-1960, K3NAR, W8JLL. jshorb@verizon.net

NEW MEMBER DAVID "DAVE" BATES, W2HLI, #4467

Born October 21, 1941, Freeport, NY. Spouse Lorraine, 2 children. U.S. Navy 1960-1964 ET2 (E5). w2hli@arrl.net

SHE: What do you mean! coming home half drunk!

HE: I ran out of money.

Do you smoke after sex?

I don't know, I never looked.

Old-Old-Timers-Club 2007 QSO PARTY

OBJECT: To have fun and promote good will by making contact with as many OOTC member stations as possible. Non-Member stations work OOTC members only. Member stations can work everyone.

CONTEST PERIOD: 4th full weekend of April. Start at 0000Z on 4/28, end on 23:59Z on 04/29.

CONTEST EXCHANGE: OOTC member stations send signal report and member number. Don't know your member number? Your member number is on your copy of mailed Spark-Gap Times. Or ask HQ (ootc@ootc.us or OOTC 3191 Darvany Dr., Dallas TX 75220-1611). Non-members send signal report and State.

SCORING: Count each non-duplicate QSO as 1 point, per band.

SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES: CW - 3545 7045 14045 21045 28045, SSB - 3875 7280 14280 21380 28380. No WARC bands, or VHF bands.

MISCELLANEOUS: Call signs & exchange information must be received by each station for a complete QSO. Stations may be worked once per mode, per band.

REPORTING: All contest claims done on the honor system. Report totals to contest manager within 30 days of the contest completion. You may report contest totals via:

EMAIL: W1EOF@HAMNUTZ.COM

MAIL: OOTC QSO PARTY
c/o Mark Titterington W1EOF
74 Hornet Rd
North Kingstown, RI 02852

AWARDS:

- One member and one non-member with top point total each get a special champion award.
- All participants will be eligible to download a certificate. If participant is unable to download the certificate they can receive one by sending a large SASE to the contest manager.

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Apr-01-KC4PZO-ROBINSON	Apr-25-W4YE-SMITH JR	May-19-WA2QZD-GASPAR
Apr-02-K4YSF-DOUGLAS	Apr-25-W2OD-BUUS	May-20-W3BY-KUNING
Apr-02-N5AF-NEAL	Apr-27-KB7QG-TABOR	May-20-N3HWA-DAVIS
Apr-04-W2AGN-SIELKE	Apr-28-W7RWB-BUDD	May-20-K6RXU-SILVERN
Apr-05-W3JB-BIRCH	Apr-29-W4ZJY-KNIGHT	May-20-KJ6YK-LOWRY
Apr-05-K1IBR-MILLER JR	Apr-29-KD8BD-COTE	May-20-W1JGS-SCHATZ
Apr-05-W5BEN-BUDD	Apr-29-W8GC-CHECK	May-21-W4KL-WATKINS JR
Apr-06-AB5LF-CONNER JR	Apr-29-W5QNF-CAMPBELL	May-21-W1ZFI-GILDEA
Apr-07-K4PTU-PROPST	Apr-30-W6HVR-KOENIG	May-21-KW4RL-LENZ
Apr-08-W9EBY-MUSSATT	Apr-30-AB6TB-SCHINNERER	May-21-W6BTP-BUNCH
Apr-08-K6LM-GOLDEN	May-01-W0IZV-DITMER	May-21-DM3FZN-SCHOLZ
Apr-08-W9LOB-MAZURE	May-01-K2VNM-KERNS	May-22-WK7A-ROBERTSON
Apr-09-DL3QY-MÜLLER	May-01-W6GWJ-JACKMAN	May-22-W1CKT-WEISSMAN
Apr-09-W1BC-MINICHIELLO	May-01-W9QS-BROGA	May-22-KD8PI-GRAHAM
Apr-10-W4AUP-SIDES	May-02-HB9QA-DE MAddalena	May-22-K8LJG-KROLL
Apr-10-W6JGL-PEARSON	May-02-W1CX-WILBUR	May-22-W2HYN-SHAW
Apr-10-W7KS-CRAWFIS	May-03-OK2MZ-NEUGEBAUER	May-23-K3AU-ALTER
Apr-11-N3EA-MASLIN	May-06-W4CZ-PRICE	May-24-W1PD-ANDERS
Apr-11-K9MM-BECKER	May-06-KA1RFD-SCRIBNER	May-24-W3RCB-BARTEL
Apr-12-W8GFA-STINGER	May-06-K4ITV-WHICKER	May-25-W6QLO-WEST
Apr-13-K4SSW-LOWE	May-06-W1RCC-GOWDY	May-25-W9HTK-GOODRICH
Apr-13-W1ALE-EVERETT	May-07-W3IF-CROCKER	May-26-W1PL-RADNAY
Apr-14-DL2RVD-GIESE	May-08-AA1NW-PAULET	May-26-KC2PS-Shellenbarger
Apr-14-K9LJR-REMPE	May-09-W4AGI-SMITH	May-26-KR4R-RITTER JR
Apr-15-KA3AVB-ROSS	May-09-K1HGK-JOHNSON	May-26-KZ3F-HORLICK
Apr-16-W9OP-MICHEL	May-09-WA7BDK-SHANNON	May-27-K6CD-SAUGIER
Apr-17-W1AEL-KAPLAN	May-10-W7LGB-BROWN	May-28-SM5TRT-PERSSON
Apr-17-W1UBM-KORNACKI	May-11-AA6LY-GREENE	May-29-W6HV-WIDEMAN
Apr-17-W2CSS-HYMAN	May-11-W7NSN-HORN	May-29-K2VE-FRIEDMAN
Apr-17-W1IZQ-HYMAN	May-11-KD6MF-CARPENTER	May-29-W0CI-REMHOFF
Apr-18-W7JON-SPAULDING JR	May-11-W2BHK-SHEINMAN	May-31-W8RTN-TIPPETT
Apr-18-AA3QR-HARVEY	May-12-W8CA-WRIGHT	Jun-01-VK3LC-CHANDLER
Apr-19-W7MAL-SOULE	May-12-AB6E-D'ANGELO	Jun-01-W7YU-BAILEY
Apr-20-K5JYD-BRANDON	May-12-W9HMR-NEEDLER	Jun-01-K1FPV-BIBEAU
Apr-20-W1NV-WATSON	May-12-N5TI-BOSSMIN	Jun-01-N8HGL-STEELE
Apr-21-W3GYK-ACKERMAN	May-13-W5LUE-DYE	Jun-02-W3TFA-BRIGHAM
Apr-22-WA3EXX-GIFFORD	May-15-KE0KI-JOHNSON	Jun-02-K0HQW-ISAACSON
Apr-22-K1ZZ-SUMNER	May-15-N9JZ-ZACHER	Jun-02-W9NX-MANDRELL
Apr-24-W0ABO-COURTNEY	May-16-W1EOF-Titterington	Jun-03-W1GAY-KREAMER
Apr-24-N7GMK-KALOUSEK	May-17-WD9DJD-BOVACONTI	Jun-03-K2QPR-PERRATTO
Apr-24-AA4P-GOINGS	May-17-DJ8OT-WARNECKE	Jun-03-K6CJM-LANTZ
Apr-24-PY5IO-A T PINTO		

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Jun-04-W4STX-PENHALLEGON	Jun-13-DK1WE-WENK	Jun-20-KA3QNO-WHITLOCK SR
Jun-05-W1ZPK-MORIN	Jun-13-W8NO-ELLIS	Jun-21-W2GRA-GENZARDI SR
Jun-06-N10I-WILSON	Jun-14-K4JWR-RICHARDS	Jun-21-K1LWI-BOYDEN JR
Jun-07-N6FY-FIELD	Jun-15-N1JS-SANTANGELO	Jun-23-W13U-SCHULTZ JR
Jun-08-W4NXE-KRESGE JR	Jun-15-K9ZS-SCHREIBER	Jun-23-W1UQ-BARDFIELD
Jun-08-AG5G-MINCHEN	Jun-16-AE2L-BREHM	Jun-23-W2HLD-VINOCUR
Jun-09-W3YMB-YODER	Jun-16-W4PHL-RICHTER	Jun-23-W7UY-GIESE
Jun-09-W2LAP-LEVY	Jun-16-W7UNE-BURNETTE	Jun-23-WA6NLG-GRANTHAM
Jun-09-WA2TWS-BROWN	Jun-16-W0KXP-CHURCH	Jun-24-W1HI-ZUROMSKI
Jun-10-WA2VQV-YOUNG JR	Jun-17-W9VZR-KLAWITTER	Jun-24-N6AVC-SKAGERBERG
Jun-10-K4GDC-HENDERSON	Jun-17-W1UVJ-SPRAGUE	Jun-25-JA3KWJ-KOKAJI
Jun-10-DJ4WS-SCHWERTER	Jun-17-N1ASA-HACKNEY	Jun-28-W1AM-WESTNEAT JR
Jun-10-K2BLA-HELFRICK	Jun-18-W6MI-SIMMONS	Jun-28-W4VS-OWEN
Jun-12-W1LHY-CARTMILL	Jun-18-W9RBZ-CAMBELL	Jun-28-W4VZ-RAUCH
Jun-12-W5GXH-GORDON	Jun-18-K8AUH-STAHLEY	Jun-29-W5EKD-MC RAE
Jun-13-N2JAV-AUZIN	Jun-18-K3CKT-BARRETT	Jun-30-K2GCE-MILLER
Jun-13-W3YOZ-JOHNSON	Jun-19-W1RGH-CHAET	
Jun-13-K6ISN-LIPMAN	Jun-19-K4KB-MESTRE	

SPARK-GAP TIMES BY E-MAIL INSTEAD OF SNAIL-MAIL

A (Adobe Acrobat) PDF file attachment can be sent to members on request. If you wish to try this method of delivery, send e-mail to ootc@ootc.us or regular mail to OOTC INC 3191 DARVANY DR. DALLAS TX 75220-1611. You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader which is available free of charge from www.adobe.com.

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The ability to decode the DVD depends on differing computer operating systems, the DVD reader mechanism, the version of Acrobat Reader used, and the type or quality of blank media used to "burn" them. The use of a "dry brush" laser cleaning disc helps keep your laser free of lint.

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ROUND GOLD STICKERS

The 1 inch OOTC gold stamps are free with SASE. See Page 4. The glue on the back of them is weak, moisten carefully. You may need to use a glue stick. Send SASE to OOTC 3191 Darvany Dr Dallas TX 75220-1611. Will send as many as the postage and envelope size you provide allows.

MODEST DUES INCREASE MAY 1, 2007

Effective May 1 2007 new member initiation fee \$10. Dues \$12 a year. Life Dues increased: Under age 75 \$175, 75-79 \$135, 80-84 \$110, 85-89 85, 90-94 \$60. Age 95 and over free.

Present dues will be accepted until May 1. Initiation fee \$5, dues \$10 a year, life dues \$150, age 75-79 \$125, 80-84 \$100, 85-89 \$75, 90-94 \$50, age 95 and over free. INSTALLMENTS ARE ACCEPTABLE, SPLIT UP AS NECESSARY.

Your help is needed. Enlist a new member. Pass your Spark-Gap Times on to a prospect. Encourage use of the application on the back page of the SGT. To help meet our budget for 2007, a donation to the general fund would be appreciated.

OOTC memorializes SK members with a permanent listing of Calls and Names. A memorial in your will of \$1,000 or more will be recognized permanently.

Mark this - OOTC is for the members. There is no problem if you cannot contribute monetarily. From the beginning it has been secondary to our objective.

I NEED INPUT FROM YOU

Write E-MAIL or U.S. Mail to OOTC, 3191 Darvany Dr. Dallas TX 75220-1611 about your early ham days, how you got started, mishaps, successes, failures and good times past or present. Do you suppose the new breed of HAMS will be able to purchase newly designed rigs without CW? Send pictures, any format by e-mail or by U.S. mail.

MEMORIES

In the early 1930's this Jr. high school kid in Independence, Mo. bootlegged on 5 meters using a type 19 vacuum tube. On top of the house, I mounted a small A-frame with a vertical folded dipole fed with ladder line. I had QSO's with another budding ham several miles away.

In June of 1936 I received W9YLB and the real fun began. First 5 watts on 160 meter AM using the folks Montgomery Ward console radio in the living room with mike and transmit switch wires fed through a hole in the floor to the basement. Next on 10-meters with a homebrew receiver and transmitter. It is hard to describe how full of AM signals the 10-meter band was. Hardly any time, day or night that I could not have a QSO. "Short Skip" & around the world often at the same time. A 6L6 into a "plumbers delight" mounted on a long pole outside the window, rotated by hand. A north/south "8JK" fixed beam, and then a "Sterba Curtain" 10 half-waves in-phase. I thought it would always be that way. It has been good since but not that good! (I was 9 YellowLoveBirds or the YoungLittleBrat.) I miss the sound of a good AM signal, I could hear a pin drop, and the echo of the transmit relays closing.

On a cold morning with snow on the ground there is no noise on ten meters except ignition noise, someone is trying to keep a car running. Finally the noise fades as the car drives away.

Bert, W5JNK, editor.

THE DEATH OF NEW YORK'S RADIO ROW
BY SYD STEINHARDT



From the corner of Greenwich St. and Cortlandt, Leonard Radio, managed by Herb Simonoff can be seen on the far side of the street.

They are the former inhabitants of Radio Row. The entire World Trade Center complex sits on their land, land that once teemed with family-owned businesses, some stretching back generations. Once, the area was a thriving, 13-block warren of mom-and-pop electronics shops, restaurants, furniture stores, florists, jewelers, printers and other commercial enterprises. Roughly bounded by Liberty, Church, West and Barclay Streets, the neighborhood was leveled in the mid-1960s to make way for the center.

Some of the names are still remembered fondly by stereophiles, music enthusiasts, hobbyists and New York history buffs. Reminiscences pop up on the Internet and serve to keep the memory of those long-lost stores alive. The circulating chats remember Arrow Radio or Heins & Bolet or Digby Auction. Or Merns, a discount clothier whose founder, Seymour Merns, later became better known as Sy Syms. The World Trade Center did more than destroy a neighborhood. It destroyed what one merchant called "a small village."

-to be continued-

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THESE OOTC MEMBERS ARE "SILENT KEY". CALLS MAY HAVE BEEN REISSUED.

NAME BIRTHDATE	LAST CALL 1ST-2-WAY	SK: DATE	SPARK? REPORT BY
DAVE PAVEL B:APRIL/25/1920	W7YP #4283 W9PUB-1940	JUL/28/2006	QST DEC.2006 P.76 & K4CLA
OVE ISKOV B:APR/10/1915	OZ1IYQ #2875 Commercial-1949 OZ1IYQ-1982	DECEMBER/28/2002	Heinrich Mueller, DL3QY, #2598
ROBERT L. MC MULLEN B:MARCH/6/1923	KA7KIK #3751 K7BZC-1958	AUGUST/4/2006	Estate Administrator
DOROTHY C. SAUNDERS B;APRIL/2/1912	W4UF #0827 NU2BY-1927	JANUARY/26/2002	Bill Wellborn K4CLA #3418
WILLIAM F. PETTY, JR. B:DECEMBER/5/1919	W2HAZ #2121 W3HAZ-1937	MARCH/8/2003	Bill Wellborn K4CLA #3418
HARRISON W. MOORE B:SEPTEMBER/9/1918	W1JQS #2332 W2JQS-1934	JANUARY/16/2007	Son, Chris Moore
WALDEMAR GOTTLIEB B:OCTOBER/20/1919	DL6XW #2766 MILITARY-1940 DL6XW-1950	JUNE/10.2003	Günter Pesch, DJ2XB, #3384
EARL JOHN FOSTER B:JUNE/9/1929	W3BKF #3372 WN3BKF-1947	NOVEMBER/23/2006	QST FEB 2007 P.96 & K4CLA
GLENN R. EDLAND B:MAY/1/1925	W6IVV #3568 MILITARY-1943 K0QMC-1958	DATE MISSING	QST FEB 2007 P.96
G. LEWIS RAMBO B:MAY/15/1938	WA7ELI #4006 WN7CEE-1955	DATE MISSING	QST FEB 2007 P.96
JERRY L. AYERS B:JANUARY/13/1942	W9ET #3287 WN0UAW-1954	DECEMBER/3/2006	QST FEB 2007 P.96 & K4CLA
KENNETH K. KNIGHT B:APRIL/7/1914	W7WU #3457 MILITARY-1935 KN6JGQ-1955	JUNE/4/2006	QST FEB 2007 P.96 & K4CLA
EDWIN STOLZENBERGER B:JULY/6/1909	WB4ODL #1518 2AUR-1927	OCTOBER/5/2006	DAUGHTER, NANCY SAVARESE
FRANKLIN B. THOMAS, JR. B:JUNE/28/1924	W4QDM #3326 MILITARY-1943 W4QDM-1950	DATE MISSING	QST MARCH 2007 P.85
PAUL C. CRUM B:MAY/30/1909	W9LC #3516 W9LC-1930	DATE MISSING	LEE KNIRKO, W9MOL, #2914
RUDOLPH M. CALDWELL B:AUGUST/29/1917	K8GOM #3635 K8GOM-1957	FEBRUARY/19/2007	MACK CALDWELL, K8GWU, #3608

The Old Old Timers pause with regret and sorrow at the passing of these our friends and associates who have become silent keys.

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(If you do not choose, black tie will be ordered)

PRINT YOUR CALL LETTERS

PRINT HOW YOU WANT YOUR NAME TO APPEAR

PRINT WHAT YOU WANT HERE (CITY & STATE OR ?)
(If you want nothing here, say "nothing here")



OLD OLD TIMERS CLUB

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 A MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM
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(PLEASE PRINT ALL ITEMS CLEARLY)

Name _____ Present call _____

Address _____
 Number & Street City State/Province Code Country (if not U.S.)

Year of 1st 2-way HAM wireless contact _____ Nickname/Handle _____ PHONE# _____
 Year

My first amateur call was _____ Other calls _____ E-Mail _____

If not HAM, my first 2-way wireless was by Commercial Radio() Military Radio() CB() Year _____ Describe it _____

Date of Birth _____ Birthplace _____
 Month Day Year

PRESENT FEES ACCEPTABLE UNTIL MAY 1, 2007. WILL INCREASE MAY 1, 2007
NEW MEMBER ENROLLMENT FEE \$5. increase to \$10. Yearly Dues \$10. increase to \$12. LIFETIME DUES, UNDER age 75 \$150. increase to \$175., 75-79 \$125. increase to \$135., 80-84 \$100 increase to \$110., 85-89 \$75. increase to \$85., 90 to 94 \$50. No increase. IF YOU ARE 95 OR OVER, SEND APPLICATION AND NO MONEY.
All funds MUST be acceptable at a U.S. Bank. Installments accepted.

Members may receive Spark-Gap Times by PDF E-MAIL attachment on request. Whether dues are paid or not, members remain on the membership rolls. Dues support the operation of the club and is encouraged. Post Office mailing is not economically possible to all members not paying dues. This is a non-profit club. **INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS NOTE: Please remit with (1) American Express money order, or (2) Check drawn on a U.S. Bank, if a branch of a U. S. bank accessible, or (3) if foreign bank, must add \$20 collection fee which is charged by our bank, or (4) U. S. Currency.**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (Eligible on January 1 of the 40th year)

Have had two-way wireless communication 40 years (or more) previous to filing an OOTC membership application. OOTC recognizes your first two-way communication whether through amateur, commercial or military operation. Where possible please provide proof of such operation. Regular membership in OOTC requires that you have a valid amateur station or operator license at the time of application, or you can join as an Associate Member if you are qualified but have no license now or had no license in the past.

OOTC wishes to have extended information about each member, his/her activities and background. Such information becomes a permanent and important part of your record as a member of OOTC, making it possible for us to write of your life work and experiences. We would appreciate a photograph, B&W or color. Send a biography and/or any story suitable for publication in Spark Gap Times on separate sheet(s) of paper. Unless you advise otherwise, filing this application is permission to publish your membership in Spark Gap Times.

First name of spouse _____ Number of children _____ Spouse's call(if any) _____ Widow(er) _____

Military Branch _____ service from _____ to _____, Rank _____

I heard about OOTC from _____ Please credit (name or call) _____

Your Signature _____ Last 4 digits social security number _____ (for SK identification)