Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of November 1, 2010

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, November 1, 2010, at 1905 by President Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, with 26 members and 3 guests present.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary Patty Chiles, ACØCU, and were approved as read.

Treasurer Irma Frye, NØJPJ, reported last month's bank balance was \$2677.71. She deposited \$55 in donations for Wreaths Across America and wrote a check to Wreaths Across America for \$180, leaving a balance of \$2552.71. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business

Karen Brewington, KDØJMO, asked that if anyone has not received a newsletter by Saturday, to send her an e-mail letting her know.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, reported that the October 9 foxhunt was a great success. Four teams found the fox, one way or another, within an hour and a half. All agreed that we want to hold another foxhunt, and Ernie promises that the next one will not be as easy.

Dick Knaup, KDØBSP, reported that the January 27 drill is still in process. A tabletop drill was held at the River Campus two weeks ago, and it was stressed that in a major disaster it could be three or four weeks before the government could get aid to us. Dick stressed that in an emergency, make sure you take care of your family first. He said that earthquake events seem to be increasing in frequency. Phil Nash, ACØIB, and Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, will be joining Dick on Thursday, November 4, at the Sikeston planning session.

Irma Frye, NØJPJ, confirmed our annual Christmas party reservation at the Branding Iron in Jackson on Saturday, December 11, at 1 p.m.

Phil Nash, ACØIB, announced that Dennis Ponsness, WBØWAO, sent the County Emergency Plan to the ARES members this week. It should be kept handy along with the calling tree. He said Ernie Chiles was approved as an Assistant Emergency Coordinator for Cape Girardeau County, and that we may need to coordinate with the Trico club in Scott County in ARES activities. The ARES weekly net is on 146.820 every Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Tom Keene, WX9N, reported that Barry Doyle, KDØJWE, is teaching part of his technician license class, which has a total of 23 students. The test will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 16, at Fire Station Number 3 in Cape Girardeau.

Our visitors of the evening were Jason Green, Neal Lavancy, and Danny Barry.

George Sample, KDØGUF, reported that he has about a thousand feet of rope at his house that belongs to the club.

Joe Lorberg, WAØZNI, said that the 685 repeater has volume issues and that the 82 repeater's emergency power battery needs to be replaced.

New Business

Ballots were distributed and club members voted for their choice for the Ham of the Year.

Dick Knaup, KDØBSP, said that the State is pushing him to develop a packet station for use during emergencies.

Nominations were held for the 2011 slate of officers for Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club as follows:

Phil Nash, ACØIB, nominated and Dick Knaup, KDØBSP, seconded the nomination for Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, for President. Linda Nash, KDØGUM, nominated and Darryl Finney, KBØZKR, seconded the nomination for John Frye, WJØU, for First Vice President. Karen Brewington, KDØJMO, nominated and Penny Wheeler, KDØGXZ, seconded the nomination for Phil Nash, ACØIB, for Second Vice President. Cathy Golightly, KDØIAM, nominated and Linda Nash, KDØGUM, seconded the nomination for Patty Chiles, ACØCU, for Secretary. Linda Nash, KDØGUM, nominated and Judy Bradley, KCØWXS, seconded the nomination for Irma Frye, NØJPJ, for Treasurer.

Ernie Chiles, WØRMS, noted that all other positions were either volunteer or were appointed: Joe Lorberg, WAØZNI, is the Trustee for our license; Karen Brewington, KDØJMO, is our Newsletter Editor; Ron Doughty, KØMAJ, is our Webmaster; and Mary Russell, XYL of KDØIXM, is the Archival Organizer for our Historian, Bob Seabaugh, KAØQCK.

Cathy Golightly, KDØIAM, reminded everyone that the Wreaths Across America event will be held at the Bloomfield Veterans' Cemetery on Saturday, December 11, at 11 a.m.

The November meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Chiles Secretary, SEMO ARC