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QCEN QUEEN CITY EMERGENCY NET
Amateur Radio Affiliate of the American Red Cross, Cincinnati Area Chapter

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December Meeting—Holiday Party

The December meeting will be held one week early on December 13th. The meeting will start at 7:30 pm at the Red Cross Chapter House. We will have a short business meeting which will include accepting nominations from the floor (see below).

Please bring a favorite food item to share (appetizers, snacks, deserts, etc.). This meeting is a great opportunity for you to mingle and get to know your fellow club members. This is a great time to bring prospective club members. If you have some new equipment you'd like to show off, this meeting is a great time to do so.

As in previous years, we are collecting food items which will be donated to a local food bank. Please bring a bag of non-perishable food items.

Nominating Committee Report

By Bob Garfield, W8MRG

The Nominating Committee: Dick Leffler, WB8MCX, Richard Turner, KA8HXR, and Bob Garfield, W8MRG is pleased to present the following names for QCEN Club Elections in January 2003:

KC Angel, W8ZFR	President
Stuart Press, KC8HQT	Vice President
Dean Winkelman, KB8GFN	Secretary
Jim Walsh, N8ZZW	Treasurer
Steve Lewis, N8TFD	Communication Mgr.

Nominations from the floor may be accepted at the December meeting and shall not exceed two names for each office in addition to those presented by the Nominating Committee. The officers shall be voted for separately.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 13 — QCEN Meeting & Holiday Party : Red Cross Chapter House - 7:30 pm

January 10 — Executive Committee Meeting: Location TBD

January 17 — QCEN Annual Meeting and Elections: Red Cross Chapter House, 8 pm

February 21 — QCEN Monthly Meeting: Red Cross Chapter House. 8 pm Program: TBD

May 4 — Flying Pig Marathon

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Chuck DeSantis K8CR
Dick Leffler, WB8MCX
Dave Stuart, KBØSLY
Jim Mannix, W9EMT
Dan White, W8DEX
Bob Garfield, W8MRG
Jim Walsh, N8ZZW
Richard Turner, KA8HXR
Jeff Winkelman, N8KOZ
Tom Delaney, W8WTD

From November, 2002

QCEN General Business Meeting - November 15, 2002

The regular monthly meeting of the Queen City Emergency Net was called to order by ***Vice-President***, **Stu KC8HQT** at 8:00PM. **Stu KC8HQT** then stood and asked everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance. After a brief period of silence, someone in the group began the pledge. A round of introductions then followed.

Secretary*, Dean KB8GFN** read the treasurer's report in the absence of ***Treasurer, **Jim N8ZZW**. Dean suggested that Stu ask for a motion to accept the treasurer's report. **Mark WM8R** made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. No one followed with a second to the motion. **Stu KC8HQT** asked for a second which was followed by a long period of silence with everyone looking around the room. Finally **Matt KB8TCN** second the motion. Thanks Matt !!!! A vote was taken and the treasurer's report was accepted.

***Communications*, Steve N8TFD** thanked everyone who called in as a result of a page that went to the group regarding a request by Red Cross. Steve reported that he still has field day pins and "Run like Hell" tee shirts. Steve notified the group that there would not be a Tuesday Ten Net on December 24th or December 30th.

***Engineering*, Steve N8TFD** reporting for **Chuck K8CR,** advised everyone that the scheduled antenna erection did not occur on Saturday due to high winds.

Tom W8WTD indicated that he had problems getting the lawn mower started even after priming it. **Steve N8TFD** told Tom that the lawn mower has a mandatory three primings before it will start.

***Charts and Maps*, Jim W9EMT** reported that phone books and dry erase boards are on order.

***Properties*, Richard KA8HXR** reported that he had no report.

Tom W8WTD reported the passing of long time QCEN member **Darwin Bass N8DVQ**.

Publicity, Jeff N8KOZ reported that he had no report.

Dean KB8GFN reporting for **Hank N8XX** told the group that **Jim N8JE** was elected to the position of ARRL Great Lakes Director.

Jim W9EMT reported on the membership application from **KG4MVM Bob Brown**. Jim told the group that Bob was present and made a motion to accept Bob as a member. Somebody seconded the motion, a vote was taken, and **Bob KC4MVM** is a member.

Stu KC8HQT told the group that the next QCEN meeting is scheduled for Friday night December 20th. Since this meeting is so close to Christmas, a motion was made to move the meeting and holiday party to **Friday December 13, 2002**. A vote was taken and all were in favor except for **Mark WM8R**, who will be in Oklahoma City.

***Disaster*, Tom W8WTD** indicated that

Meeting Minutes

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he was skipped during committee reports. **Stu KC8HQT** apologized and asked Tom to give his report. **Tom W8WTD** reported that he had nothing new from Disaster Services.

Stu KC8HQT asked for a report from the nominating committee. **Richard KA8HXR** reported that the committee has not met. **Steve N8TFD** countered with "yes they have". Richard got a funny look on his face. Steve pulled out his trusty NexTel and called **Bob W8MRG**. Steve put **Bob W8MRG** on the speaker phone who proceeded to give the official nominating committee's report. Bob reported the following:

- President - KC Angel W8ZFR
- Vice-President - Stu Press KC8HQT
- Treasurer - Jim Walsh N8ZZW
- Secretary - Dean Winkelman KB8GFN
- Comm Manager - Steve Lewis N8TFD

Eric N8GE requested assistance with a holiday event in Warren County to be held on December 7th.

Dean KB8GFN on behalf of **Hank N8XX**, made a motion to adjourn.

Stu KC8HQT told everyone that we would take a short recess and then go to another room for tonight's program.

The program was an outstanding presentation by **Jeff N8KOZ** and **Dean KB8GFN** on vehicle safety lighting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Winkelman, KB8GFN

Do you have any meeting activity ideas. How about member news for the newsletter? Have you done something new or interesting in amateur radio? Consider submitting an article for this newsletter.
Email: idea@qcen.net

Tuesday Ten Net
Net Control Schedule

12/10/2002— **WD8JAW**

12/17/2002 — **KB8TPC**

12/24/2002 **— No Net This Date**

12/31/2002 — **No Net This Date**

1/7/2003 — **OPEN**

1/14/2003 — **OPEN**

1/21/2003 — **OPEN**

1/28/2003 — **OPEN**

- Have you ever run a net?
- Don't you think it makes sense to know how?
- Will you be ready if your needed?
- The Tuesday 10 Net is a great place to get your feet wet.
- Contact N8TFD to run one!!

Call for Papers and First Announcement
Seventeenth Annual
SWOH Digital Symposium

The Southwest Ohio Digital Symposium will be from 9 AM to 4 PM EST, Saturday, January 11 in Thesken Hall, on the Middletown Campus of Miami University, Middletown, Ohio.

What kind of digital modes are fascinating you these days? What new facet (s) have you been trying? How about giving a demo and/or talk about these at the Seventeenth Annual Southwest Ohio Digital Symposium on Saturday, January 11, 2003?

For more details of what has gone on in the past, and a program from last year's symposium, see http://www.swohdigi.org/

Please send your ideas for presentations to:
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Membership categories are:

- Regular - $15.00 per year
- Sustaining - $20.00 or more per year
- Student $3.50 per year
- Non-Resident - $5.00 per year
- Family members pay 1/2 price

Dues for 2003-2004 may be paid now!

Please note any changes of address, etc on the form below, and give or send to W8MRG, at the address listed below.

Also, talk up QCEN! We've got a great group, and others may be interested in joining!

QUEEN CITY EMERGENCY NET, INC.
Application for Membership-Renewal

(PLEASE CHECK) NEW _____ **RENEWAL** _____ **MEMBERSHIP TYPE** _____

NAME _____ **CALL** _____ **DATE** _____

ADDRSSS _____

CITY/STATE _____ **ZIP** _____

PHONE _____ **WORK PHONE** _____ **LICENSE CLASS** _____

PAGER _____ **CELL-PHONE** _____ **OTHER PHONE** _____

E-MAIL _____ **MEMBER OF ARRL?** _____

PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT _____ **OTHER FCC LICENSES** _____

QCEN MEMBER RECOMMENDING YOU _____

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