SILENT KEY "SK"

This morning I received a telephone call. He said he was from Topeka and his name was Ross Plummer. He's calling everyone to make sure they knew his dad, Richard Plummer W0WJB had died, and wanted to know if it had been announced on the nets. I mentioned that he was Net Control for the Kansas Phone Net for many years on Sunday mornings. He said he remembered when his dad used to get up early every Sunday morning and warm up the rig and later call the net. Sounds like the days of tubes? Yes it sure was. Richard was faithful to his community and ham radio through the Kansas nets. He was a fine Net Control Station and will be missed by a lot of Kansans.

CLUB ANNOUNCEMENT

Hi, all of you out there in radio land. Write this date down on you calendar for May. Jo and her committee have planned for this years US CENTER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB hamburger feed. It will be held at the Downs Senior Center May 7, 2000 . 1:00 p.m. will be the starting time. The club will furnishes burger and buns. Everyone brings potluck. Some will bring service, but often people forget, so Jo will furnish the plates etc. this year. There is silverware at the Senior Center.

Our main order of business will be eating and then a business meeting with an election of new club officers. We hope to see you on the 7th.

Vic, KB0QGX vlyczak@media-net.ne

LANSING DAZE - Saturday May 6 - 8AM to about 3PM:
The Pilot Knob AR Club / Leavenworth County, District 4 Zone 2 ARES group will be participating in the Lansing, Kansas Daze with a display, a packet station, 2 HF stations and the Counties communication van. Turn east on Olive Street, to Petro Deli, follow the lion paw prints to school parking lot, west end. Stop by and say hi to EC Rick KF4LM and Dick KA0DJR. This will be a shake down cruse for the June Field Day. I am going to try to be there if I can get out of working on my church's TV crew that day. We are on live from 12:30 to 1:30 PM plus set up and tear down.

CHECK OUT THE SANDHILLS ARC WEB SITE:
http://www.odsgc.net/~sharc/whatsnew.html

RESPONSE TO MY NEW HAMS AND HF ARTICLE:

Hi Orlan,

What a nice message. Would you let me use a lot of it in a future Public
73, Rosalie, WA1STO ARRL Field Service Mgr.

VE TESTING RESULTS:
Hello everyone.

Here are the results of Monday evening's session:

Total upgrades issued:          69
Upgrades to General:            48
Upgrades to Extra:              21

Start to finish the session lasted about 1 hour and 45 minutes.
We definitely were busy!

So far this year we have conducted three sessions and here are some numbers reflecting all sessions:

New licenses received:          7
Upgrades received:              71
Total elements administered:    173
Total applicants served:        140

These are impressive numbers and I am proud of the team's accomplishments as we have been holding sessions for just over a year now.

I am already receiving inquiries about the next session. When we get a firm date, I will let everyone know. Until then enjoy some peace and quiet. You've earned it!

73, de Nate N0NB >>

CORRECTION: Thanks Bill. Glad UR reading KAR & keeping me straight.
Hi Orlan,
I would like to correct an error on the recent "KAR Special" you sent out. The Mo-Kan VEC did not sponsor the test session held at the Shriner's Hamfest. I am not certain, but I believe that monumental task was undertaken by a team from the W5YI VEC. From all reports I have heard, they did a marvelous job considering the number of applicants they had to deal with. I feel the proper credit should be given to the proper folks.
Bill Lefler/WOØE Mo-Kan VEC

JOHNSON CO. DISTRICT 4, ZONE 3 ARES GROUP:
EC June KB0WEQ reports 104 members in her group now. This is a full service group with lots of HF capability. I heard her check into 2 HF nets 2 nights ago with a very strong signal. I had to ask if she had a new antenna. Yes was the answer. ORS, Jim K0NK and others put up a new dipole. She was an apartment dweller with an inside antenna of sorts and very hard to copy. She was getting 20 over reports from all over Kansas the other night. Now I will have to ask her to be an ORS too. Official Relay Station.
PARSON TORNADO
I have not received any reports of the tornado from any ham in the Parson area. I have not heard of any emergency HF traffic in or out of the area. Sounds like normal communications were still working to some extent.

KANSAS SECTION NETS:
These nets move traffic state wide and in and out of the state.

06:45 AM M, W, F 3920 KHz - Kansas Phone Net.
07:00 AM dya 3920 - Kansas Morning Weather Net.
08:00 AM Sun 3920 " - Kansas Phone Net.
12:30 PM M-S 7253 Khz - Central States Tfc Net.
06:00 PM dya 3920 Khz - Kansas Weather Net.
06:30 PM dya 3920 KHz - Kansas Sideband Net.
07:00 PM dya 3610 Khz - Kansas CW Net.
07:30 PM M, W, F 3710 KHz - Ks slow speed CW tfc Net.
10:00 PM dya 3610 KHz - Kansas CW Net.
You will find this listed on the "KAR" web site under Public Service.

>> SECTION TRAFFIC MANAGER MONTHLY REPORT
   Month of Feb. tfc for Apr. report 2000

| National Traffic System |       | Total | Total | Net
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|---
| Section or Local Net    | Abbr. |Sessions|Traffic| Mgr.
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|---
| Kansas Sideband Net     | KSBN  |   29  |   83  | N0KFS
| Kansas Phone Net        | KPN   |   20  |   21  | N0KFS
| Kansas AM Weather Net   | KMWN  |   29  |  459  | WB0YWZ
| Kansas PM Weather Net   | KWN   |   29  |  722  | WB0YWZ
| Central States Tfc Net  | CSTN  |   25  |   91  | AB5PA
| Kansas Section CW Net   | QKS   |   58  |   72  | WB0ZNY
| Ks Slow Speed CW Tfc Net| QKS-SS|   11  |    7  | KB0DTI

Submitted by Ron Cowan , KB0DTI , STM of Kansas Section

>>> THE SECTION MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT

The following is my report to ARRL HQ and will be printed in QST's Kansas News column, the Public Service Honor Roll and Brass Pounders League list.

KANSAS: SM Orlan Cook W0OYH, ASM/ACC/OCC Robert Summers K0BXF, SEC Joseph Plankinton WD0DMV, STM Ron Cowan KB0DTI SGL Marshall Reese AA0GL, PIC Scott Slocum KC0DYA and TC Frank Neal N8FN. ARRL Ks. State Convention August 27 at Salina. TC and KAR web master Frank N8FN is fighting a staph infection and not winning at this time. The bug is resistant to all drugs. ASM K0BXF's mother is failing and has taken all of Bobs time for many weeks. Keep them in your prayers. The new licensing goes into effect in 3 days and there should be lots of new HF stations. I am hoping for a station or two in every Kansas community.
Communities are isolated from the rest of the state and country when all normal communications are knocked out. Nets & members, please welcome all in and show them the ropes. ARES, do recruit them for communications outside your repeaters. Lets help them serve their communities.

Feb. Kansas Nets: sessions/QNI/QTC, KSBN29/1277/83 KPN
91 QKS 58/356/72 QKS-SS 11/21/7 SEC 58/542/15QNS KB0AMY
N0BTH WD0DDG WD0DMVAA0IQ N0LJR N0LKK KF4LM W0PBV WA0SSR
KB0WEQ. TEN 377 msgs 58 sessions Kansas 60% KB0DTI AC0E
AA0FO KX0I K0PY NB0Z WB0ZNY W0SS mgr. BBS reports: W1AW
Bul/Per/NTS AA0HJ 4/580/4 N0OMB 44/294/0 Ks Stns tfc
N0JK 712 WB0ZNY 75 W0OYH 46 W0WWR 45 KB0DTI 35 NB0Z 28
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73, Orlan w0oyh ARRL Ks Section Mgr