Hi gang, You will notice some colored boxes in this issue as I play around. I hope they work and separate subjects better.

Internet Providers are tightening up their Spam killers and KAR is not making it through. I had two last month that are back in business. If you ever have that problem, tell your IP to let KAR through. Only you can do that. I may have to change my email address cuz I am now getting almost 40 unwanted junk mail a day. If I do you will get a special notice.

Simulated Emergency Test came and went and I didn't hear too much about it. This is the first year in 30 years I didn't take an active part in it. I stayed out of the way of our SM and SEC. I heard only from one person and his report is below. If any one else would like to share with us what they did this year, drop me a email for the next KAR. QST should carry the totals in about two months.

The Shell Oil Company recently issued a warning after three incidents in which mobile phones (cell phones) ignited fumes during fueling operations. In the first case, the phone was placed on the car's trunk lid during fueling; it rang and the ensuing fire destroyed the car and the gasoline pump. In the second, an individual suffered severe burns to their face when fumes ignited as they answered a call while refueling their car. And in the third, an individual suffered burns to the thigh and groin as fumes ignited when the phone, which was in their pocket, rang while they were fueling their car. Full information by going to http://www.pei.org. Once there, click in the center of the screen where it says "Stop Static". Thanks to Steve WAØVRS and Brian Short

This month I am asking those holding NTS appointments to send me a copy of their activity report to there SM. Most of these are one or two liners. You are the Kansas hams who move tcf (messages) in and out of Kansas and around our state by CW, SSB, FM, dig and etc. Let me hear from you for a column in December's KAR. Thank you in advance for your response...! Orlan

I hope you are using http://www.arrl.org/ as your computers HOME page so you know when an emergency hits.

For more on Kansas Amateur Radio, click >>> http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html There are some nice Kansas ham radio photos posted there.

Don't be a local yokel, support Kansas Ham Radio and not just your local community and hamfests.

73, Orlan w0oyh UR ed dit dit dit

THE KANSAS SECTION MANAGER: - - Click >>> http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html

See the Photos and latest Kansas happenings...!

Ron Cowan KBØDTI - ARRL Ks Section Manager >>> kb0dti@arrl.org
KANSAS SECTION EMERGENCY CORRDINATOR'S REPORT:
Bob Summers KØBXF Ks ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator
From the desk of KØBXF ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator Kansas
Activity for Sept 2004
QNI  QTC
Zone/Dist. Sessions Check-ins Messages
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Zone 1C  4  29  4
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Zone 2D  1  0  0
Zone 3A  24  203  10
Zone 3E-3F  4  62  0
Zone 4A  23  201  31
Zone 4B  8  96  3
Zone 4C  12  131  7
Zone 4D  8  103  8
Zone 4H  1  3  0
Zone 5B  0  0  0
Zone 5I  1  8  0
Zone 6B-6C-6D  2  4  1
Zone 6F  4  29  0

totals
Zones 19 Sessions 98 QNI 952 QTC 69 Looking gooder Bob, hi hi. Orlan

Very good report for this month. Several zones reporting SET activity and others gearing up for same. More details on SET later.

If anyone is interested in becoming EC for your area drop me a note.

73 Bob Summers KØBXF ARRL Ks Section Emergency Coordinator
ARES District Liaison: Joseph Plankinton-WD0DMV

Hello, Just an update from our ARES group. We have received 30 tone and voice pagers from Shawnee County 911 to go along with our 25 already in service. That will allow for the complete group of ARES Alpha 1 members to carry pagers. This allows 911 to call ARES using the Rural Fire Paging system. The system is set up to allow the EC or IC or the 911 Supervisor to request a page for ARES from the 911 center. We as ARES will call 911 to confirm the call and get more information. We then put the information on the 2 meter net freq. which at present is 145.27 mhz. A net is started and Hams sent to where needed. The system is tested every Monday night at 8:30 pm local by the 911 staff. We have our 2 meter nets on Tuesday at 8:30 pm. We are also using the paging to announce ARES meetings ( once every quarter) and what the training topic will be. This seems to help get them to the meetings. Meetings are running about 25 people. Our web site is www.zone13A.com, we have this site for 10 years from the old days. We are working with our web host to change it to Alpha 1 ARES. We have the new APRS system up and running and will be adding it to the weather service office and 911 this winter. Shawnee County is giving us the computers for the project. The 145.45 repeater and 442.225 repeater will be installed in the
next month at a 911 site with emergency power. The 442.225 repeater has ECHOLink on it and will be under the call 
WØCET/R. Echo Link will be on full time with emergency power back up. Just a note we applied for Federal Funding under 
the Home Land Security thru Emergency Management. Our request was for a tower trailer for the year 2004. We didn't get it 
as it was considered mobile and did not fall under the rules. However the agency in charge (Kansas Highway Patrol) said that 
radio gear for EOC’s (Ham radio gear) would fall under the rules. If you need new EOC equipment for Hams check with your 
Emergency Management for the 2005 funding. Note some counties have big want lists and Hams seem to be on the bottom. 
Make sure your request has lots of good information on the equipment you want, pictures help, and a plans to use the 
equipment. Also the rules change each year for the Federal Funding.

Nets for Oct.

OCT. 3 17 QNI 2 QTC
OCT. 10 11 QNI 3 QTC
OCT. 19 23 QNI 3 QTC
OCT. 26 18 QNI 5 QTC  It is good to see all the check-ins and the tfc Steve. Orlan

ARES MEETING OCT. 29 7:30 pm Topeka Public Library

Topic meeting safety storm spotters, radio operations,
New photo ID’s for 2005-2006
14 members showed up for the meeting

I will be sending in the reports each month. I don't belive that the person I had line up to do this has been sending them in.

Thanks WAØVRS Steve EC ARES ALPHA 1 NETS 145.27 MHZ TOPEKA, KS. TUESDAYS AT 8:30 PM LOCAL

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Here is the ARES report for OCT 2004
for DIST F6
10-3-04 1 Net QNI-6 QTC-0
10-10-04 1Net QNI-2 QTC-0
10-31-04 1 Net QNI-7 QTC-0
No SKYWARN Activitety

Steve Benson N0BTH
ARES EC Dist F6 Liberal, KS Thanks Steve..! Yah got em checking in and talking to each other.
SIDE NOTE TO ORLAN.....YOU MIGHT WANT TO INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION IN THE 
UPCOMING
KARS REPORT.
73, kc0nyk

The MWEC ARES Group has grown so fast this last year, and with the new plans on the table for next year we all 
thought it is time to give the Website its own spot on the Web with the new address http:///www.mwec-ares.org We 
all know the old address at http://www.members.cox.net/kc0kig and not only is it Long for folks to remember it was 
also under my call sign and we all know there are more folks involved in our organization. Please forward this 
extmail to all the people who need to know about this and perhaps also folks that haven't seen the website yet. Please 
note that the old address will remain in effect and will not shut down..this way people can always find us on the old 
address.

Thanks you, Pascal Van Schijndel KC0KIG Caney Kansas Thanks for the great news guys..!
I've just returned from a month-long vacation (to Florida for a son's wedding and a trip to Disney World 
with four grandkids who also went for the wedding -- or at least their parents did).

Amateur radio activity in the Manhattan area has been going downhill for several years and is now ZILCH! 
Although the repeater IS still operating, it is rarely used; I've called several times since returning and haven't yet 
talked to a single ham on it (although I did meet one in WalMart!)
Our repeater also has a problem (intermod?) which causes a LOT of "kerchunking", but the hardware is too old to retrofit a tone-control board we own (even though we bought the board some five years ago!) We've discussed replacing it, but since no one uses it anyway, we find it hard to justify the expense.

Our WARN group is essentially dead, too. Although it has maybe a dozen members, our summer severe-weather call-outs usually resulted in only three-to-four responses each time.

On the GOOD side: while I was gone, local officials conducted a table-top exercise which started with an earthquake massive enough to endanger Tuttle Creeks earthen dam. I learned two things at the after-action review:

* Once the phone lines went down (and once the participants realized that that INcluded cell-phone and NO one had a satellite phone!), the participants realized they should have included an ARES/RACES representative at the exercise!

* The EOC's backup generator is powered by natural gas, and the gas lines were broken by the "earthquake", so they had to find a backup generator for the backup generator; for the 30 minutes that took, there were NO lights in the EOC, and the EOC area -- a multi-use room because the County Commissioners were too cheap to include a real EOC -- didn't even have emergency lights!

More good news (and somewhat related to the second problem above): for several years our local hospital has given me batteries as they are swapped out of hospital equipment. For example, they replace 120-volt batteries for their portable X-ray machines every year or so and lots of batteries for smaller equipment. Over the years I've gotten dozens of useable batteries with 12-volt/17AH ratings, gazillions of 6-volt/4AH, a bunch of 12-volt/8AH, and gobs of miscellaneous other sizes and ratings. After testing and (re)charging, I've been giving them to local hams, so there is SOME backup capability "out there" somewhere. But I don't keep track of who gets them, nor do I have any way to determine (nor do I really care) if they've actually used their batteries or if they even keep their batteries charged. But the potential is there.

I still want to have a functional ARES/RACES group, but I'm struggling with HOW to do this. Any suggestions (beyond sending us a tornado?) I hear you Myron...! Orlan

We haven't been invited to help with any walkathons or the like since cell phones became ubiquitous. In fact, I think the last real thing we did (not counting tornado callouts) were the International Horse Races n 1995 and 1996.

Several of our local HAMs are now CERT-certified.

Many years ago, Riley County "gave" us an old non-box-type ambulance which we hams converted into a comm-van, and they even provided lots of ounty radios for mounting. Hams got to use that comm-van A LOT until the County decided they could improve their Homeland Security (or some such) rating if THEY managed the van, and then they needed a bigger one, so they bought and THEY converted an old school bus. They did a nice job, and the bus still carries HAM equipment, but it is NOT permanently mounted (it's in a box in a storage area), and we don't get to use the bus for Field Day any longer.

I had not even heard of a 6-November (SET?) exercise until I read KAR. A lot of hams are doing theirs on a different date now. I hope they also participate in the national event too or scratch one more thing.

I didn't mention (because I assumed Bob already knows) that ARES/RACES is well-known in our county's Emergency Management office (I suspect the reason that I wasn't invited to the above-mentioned table-top exercise is that E.M. knew I was out of town). But I hesitate to offer much -- if any -- HAM participation because of the
apparent dearth of local HAM
interest in emergency preparedness that I described above.

I didn't make it to Salina because of the above-mentioned vacation. The next one is in this issue so mark UR calander.

--Myron A. Calhoun W0PBV
Five boxes preserve our freedoms: soap, ballot, witness, jury, and cartridge
PhD EE (retired) "Barbershop" tenor CDL(PTXS)
NRA Life Member and Certified Instructor: Rifle, Pistol, Home Firearm Safety

Orlan / Bob, We have had a great deal of activity here with our ARES net every Sunday night and several events that we have been supporting. More folks have become members and are taking the ARRL ECC classes. I personally have completed all 3 levels, with many having taken level I and in process of completing level II.

Our next big event is supporting our local health dept. with a bio-terrorism exercise on the weekend of the 23rd. They will be using free flu shots to simulate the load a dispensing site would have in response to a bio- terror event. We will be providing comms between the site, the hospital, the health dept. offices and the Red Cross who are providing logistics support.

Hope that's what you are looking for. ROGERrrrrrr... and many thanks Matt..!

73, Matt KC4WCG
EC Douglas County B1

KANSAS STATE RACES:
Kansas RACES/ARES Net is held on the First Thursday of the month at 7PM on 3.940 MHz. Check in and make sure YOUR county and group are represented.
Hello Orlan.. Here is the Nov RACES Report.... 6 QNI Ø QTC Stations checking in were KBØAMY Brown Co., KA5YFC Johnson Co., KBØDTI Linn & Bourbon Co., WAØLYK Shawnee Co., ABØUY Johnson Co., and WDØDMV Shawnee Co. NC.
73, Joseph WDØDMV - State RACES Officer - 314 NE Sumner St Topeka, KS 66616-1338

The International Humanitarian Award
Hello everyone, I wanted to remind you that the nomination period remains open for accepting nominations at headquarters for the International Humanitarian Award.

Please see the September 28th web story,

and the announcement in the November issue of QST on page 79 for further information. Nominations must include a summary of the nominee's actions that qualify the individual or group for the award, plus verifying statements from at least two individuals having first-hand knowledge of the events warranting the nomination. Nominations must be received at headquarters by December 31, 2004.
The full FCC 86 page BPL "Report and Order" now in force, can be found at.......................

Well... looks like the FCC sold it'self again... Lets face it gang... it's all about MONEY... and we
don't have enough (as amateurs). Like so many governmental agencies, they're just another whore.

Hear is a great ARES Map provided by Brian Short. Go to >>> http://www.k0ham.com/ec

KØFJ DXCC AWARDS  Mike took advantage of 77 Logbook of the World electronic QSLs and filed updates to his DXCC award electronically. After purchasing “credits” to be used for converting eQSLs to DXCC credits, Mike was able to pick up endorsements for Phone, 10 Meter, 15 Meter and 20 Meter bands. He is adding this to his original Mixed DXCC endorsement. That leaves him with 40 and 80 to achieve 5 Band DXCC. His total confirmed DXCC total is 167 and his Challenge total is 346. Now if he can find the time to get on the air, he might collect a few more. If you work DX and have not signed up for the LOTW project, you may be missing lots of easy QSL credits.

Taken from the October issue of the "Trojan ARC Harmonic" newsletter.

RE: JOTA Pictures

We had another big herd of Cub Scouts come in at about 1530 while we were goofing around. We didn't get out of there until 1700. It was tough to find people to talk to. I had Mike and Vince mobile so I put each of them on a repeater and gave two kids HTs and then we passed the HTs around. We had two people working HF also so we managed to give them a little more quality radio time and finished faster. As I mentioned a couple of times yesterday, your help (and Jan's) has been magnificent over the last four years.

Thanks again You can send the pictures, but I wouldn't send anymore than two per email. I'll download and delete as soon as I get them. How do you make them smaller in size? I ask that because I have a low resolution QSL that I want to increase the pixels (fidelity). I just don't know how to do it. The only thing I have seen so far is to increase the physical size, and that isn't the answer. v/r Paul

To see photos, Click >>> http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html and scroll to absolute bottom.
HEY KIT BUILDERS:
Here is a URL that is worth investigating if you like to build kits. These are "home grown" right here in our back yard in Kansas.
Click >>> http://www.aldenmcduffie.com

SILENT KEYS (SK)
Beryl Masters, WB0EJJ
Any of you who would like to record your thoughts about Beryl and read what others have written, access this web site:  http://www.legacy.com/Link.asp?ID=GB02676010

Re:  Manny Blando, W0ZXH
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Dear Friends of Beryl:
I know we have passed this information earlier, but why not repeat it? There are two web sites which should interest all Beryl's many friends.
The first one has been designed by Bob Roske, N0UF, the webmaster for QCWA and the vice president of the national organization. He has it set up so you can leave a word tribute to Beryl, should you care to. Send your message to Bob <N0UF@kc.rr.com> and he will add it to the web page. http://www.qcwa.org/wb0ejj-sk.htm
This next site is the Guest Book which is a service of the Kansas City Star. You can leave a word tribute there too, but it will be drop off their system on November 4. So, if you want to do this, please hurry.
http://www.legacy.com/Link.asp?ID=GB02676010
Take a look at the sites and see what others have said about Beryl.
Thank you and 73, Larry Staples - W0AIB

SEMULATED EMERGENCY TEST 2004
SET:
A.R.E.S DISTRICT 4 ZONE India
The original plan consisted of a coordinated exercise in support of the Lyon County Health Department during their county wide Flu inoculation project on 16 October, 2004.

When the Health Department notified us that the inoculation project had been canceled due to shortage of vaccine, we decided to proceed with our plans for the S.E.T. and follow our original plans as if the event had been held.

8 stations were deployed to various points around the city of Emporia to provide communication between the various emergency locations. I.e. County Fair Grounds, Health department Office, City Emergency Command center, Hospitals etc. Additional stations were available and in support of the exercise.
Each of 6 stations were handed a short message and then after deployment they were directed to send the message to a station across town. All activity was held on 146.58 MHz. (simplex). After all of the traffic was passed, the net frequency was changed to the local repeater (146.985/146.385) MHz. Tests were then conducted by all stations using Both hand held transceivers (5 watts or less) and Mobile radios mostly 25 watts or more.

EVALUATION:
All messages were successfully sent and received.
Lack of experience may indicate that some additional drills may be necessary.
More than 5 watts and a short antenna on a hand held is needed for successful communications through the repeater which is 11 miles south of Emporia.
One Greenwood County member participated but in the future more involvement with Greenwood county members is possible.

Participating Stations.
AA0DF Don
WW0F Daniel
W0KXJ Don
KC0NFG Mike
KC0PTO Les
N0QVD Larry
K0UER Connie
WB0VLB George
N0YNN Larry
KA0ZVZ Wayne

Submitted by:
Connie Steinel K0UER I-4 EC

Thanks Connie...! Well done OM. Orlan

From the Lab of Tom WBØZNY

Hi Ole Boy

Still active (when I can with these strange work hours ). lately I have been working on 1930's type radios..and also have come up with a great dummy load and don't see why it can't handle the legal limit on power ( for itermittment time of course). this is it (cost me about $2.00) ...It is a coil of # 14 enameld wire 3 inch dia..5 3/4 inch long and wound at 5/turns per inch... when done it's dc ohm value is .31 and has 31 uh ind. the whole coil is then soldered to a female bulk head coax connector and the whole thing is nut and bolted to the underside of a gallon paint can lid ( metal type) then the paint can is filled with tap water up to about 3/4 full then add a couple of table spoons of your favorit rust inhibitor (YES that right TAP water) I gave the whole thing about 5 layers of sprayed on clear polyurathane (inside of metal paint can to) then put all down into paint can and knock the lid into place to seal it ..I also drilled a small vent hole into the top and just covered with tape... thats it! no kidding this thing really works..It all seems so counter intuitive...this Idea was given to me a number of years ago by W0QIZ.... here is the stats on it as measured by a MFJ SWR Analyzer

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Oh I forgot to mention that the far end of the coil is NOT attached to anything...just free floating near but not touching the bottom of the metal can....be darned if I know why it works so well...also when I made this a number of years ago I tried filling it with all kinds of stuff like mineral oil, transmission fluid and the like.. dont do this as it throws everything off...tap water seems to have the right dielectric from the coil to the inside of the can..here is something interesting about it also.. when the coil is immersed in the water it looses most of its inductance...remember I said that in air it measured 31 uh. well in water it measures from a high of 1.8uh at 2.0mhz to well less than 1uh the higher in freq that you go...also this thing is mostly capacitive and resistive well thats all from the professors lab..love KAR

Tom WB0ZNY ...questions email is tombittner@gbronline.com

ps. I loaded this thing from a johnson valliant running 150 w carrier AM (peak power much more) while speaking into the mike for a half hour..shoot the xmitter got hotter than this thing..the dummy load stayed at a little less than room temp.

Tom was our Kansas ARRL NTS CW net manager for 14 years and is taking a rest spending his time building all kinds of ham radio gadgets and rebuilding old tube rigs. He has some of those OLD rigs on AM. Listen for him on about 3880 kHz in the evenings. Orlan

### W9BSP, ENSOR MUSEUM OLATHE KANSAS:

Hello again MEMO members and Friends of Ensor,

For newbys, MEMO is an acronym for MARSHALL ENSOR MEMORIAL ORGANIZATION - W9BSP, which is the club that a few of us started in April, 2002 to give attention and help to the Ensor Museum in Olathe, KS. The museum was the Dairy Farm Home of the Ensor family and has operated since 1991 under the control of a small group of assigned Trustees by deceased Loretta Ensor-W9UA, sister of Marshall Ensor-W9BSP (their calls in the 1930s). We felt that the museum was under-stated as an amateur radio historic site. We have been pleased that much recognition has been forth coming since then. This club and our web site has been a good resource giving a new focus to the museum. Our WEB SITE: <http://w9bsp-w9ua.org/>

October is the last month of operation for this year and also the last of my own contracted first year as Ensor Director. The trustees will decide if I continue another year. If not, this club will still carry on.

Anyway, there are some activities yet to occur that you more local members and friends will want to know about.
In addition, we have sad news of the passing of one of our recent and valued members. I have scribed a fitting tribute to this old friend, John Hudelson-K5DL (ex WØHCV).

This copy of the newsletter is back to being direct to your e-mail in-box. Our web master is out of the country so I have no way to install it in the web site. Sorry.

For a complete copy of the newsletter, drop me a email. Orlan

Larry Woodworth WØHX - MEMO Club President- Ensor Museum Director - <>
* MEMO Club application is printable from the Ensor web site. The fee is a 100% museum donation.

THE KANSAS STATE ARRL CONVENTION:
We have received word from ARRL Headquarters that the League has approved our holding the ARRL KS State Convention. Put August 15th on your calendars.
Once again, the CKARC will host the ARRL Kansas State Convention. As for the last several years, the convention will be held in the Salina Bicentennial Center in Oakdale Park. There is free parking, spacious rooms for vendors and air conditioning for the Sure-to-be-hot Kansas August weather. This year the convention will be held on Sunday, August 15, 2004. The hours are from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
Admission to the convention is $5.00 per person.
Vendor and Flea market tables are $15.00 each. Electricity is included with each space, as is one admission fee per table.
Ron WA0PSF - Convention Chairman Website: >>> http://www.qsl.net/ckarc/
Support Kansas Ham Radio. Be there. Put this on your calendar, do it now and don't put something else on top of it...! Schedule it now as you do your vacations. BCNU there, Orlan w0oyh

HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA-HA
PASSING SCHOOL ZONE    Do these bring back memories??
TAKE IT SLOW    If not, you are such a child
LET OUR LITTLE    If they do, you're older than dirt, like me!
SHAVERS GROW
Burma Shave    Thanks Harold for sharing these with us.

HABITAT SKY LAB: High Altitude Basic Investigation Testing And Tracking
As requested by the Johnson County Radio Amateurs Club, after their auction today, we launched another balloon flight from the Marshall Ensor Farm Museum
Due to the high ground winds, we launched a 350 gram balloon between 1 and 1:30 p.m. It landed E of Lone Jack, MO about 45 ft. across 3 trees. After much work (several scrapes, sticks and other fun with stickers, thorns and tree bark - not to mention the laughter pains) we got all three packages and the parachute down. As I remember our max altitude was around 42,000 ft. Our max speed was around 92 mph. Personally, I had my hands full and didn't get any photos. As photos become available I'll post them to the web site(s). Today was a first for us, in that, we had as many Rino trackers as we did APRS trackers. The Rinos sure make ground recovery very nice.

With the Rino 120 on sale at Best Buy, it makes a very handy GPS receiver, with graphic map/display, and the FRS is just icing on the cake. ;-) A simple serial cable can tie into a D7/D700 or PC (or TNC) for GPS output, giving both Rino and APRS.

Don KA0JLF
Founder of HABITAT SkyLab
High Altitude Basic Investigation Testing And Tracking
http://habitatskylab.org

Orlan, My heart was saddened day-before-yesterday, when I got the KAR newsletter. Beryl Masters WBØEJJ was a very dear friend and darned good guy. Each time I'd come into town from Colorado, there would be Beryl on "3-4 10-4" with his usual "Hello, T. Carl!" I got to spend some time with him, next to last time I was in town, but missed him this past visit, as some of the guys were coming to take him to lunch. Somehow, I had a harbinger of concern, as I'd really wanted to see him. I have a couple of very funny stories involving Beryl, Phil (WØDOK), Manny, and Ken (WØUKL) at a 31-91 meeting, long ago in the old Goppert Service Bank, and another involving Beryl working on his car, outside at midnight. I'll try to put 'em together, but I must admit wet eyes as I write this...
He was an amazing man, who was only slowed and stopped by the physical world of aging, and being stuck in a nursing home. If there was anything that Beryl Masters taught the world of ham radio... and ME especially... Tom wa0eaj

Thanks Orlan for the newsletter and am truly sorry about your wife's fall. I have had ribs cracked a couple of times and I would like to take half her pain for her but it is not possible, so tell her that she is in our prayers.
I am still doing the organ thanks to you and your wife. It keeps me humble. I like to play a lot of the Bill and Gloria Gaither songs. The book is ragged but the words still are gospel. They are a sermon in themselves.
When you said about your demise in the newsletter it reminded me of another Brother who said (after I complimented him on his new shoes) you can have them after the rapture comes. I said what makes you think I won't go with you? All we have is the promises to keep us going in these terrible times.
Keep looking up!

Hi Orlan. Would you please change my email address from ................. to ....................... That will get the stuff off of the company servers!

Thanks.
Jim M. Lasley, NØJL
Iowa Section Manager. TKS Jim...!
**Orlan, I was looking at the ARES map on the arrl.org site.** The map refers to "Districts". Are Districts and Zones synonymous? Thanks for the tip on making a Ø. Hope all is well with you and your family. Marshall, AAØFO Districts are a group of counties and Zones are counties. Another CW tfc ham.

**Orlan, Nice to get your note with your email.** Missed one letter! It was great fun to find you on the band. I had just gotten the 80m antenna working that day so was listening around to see how its "ears" were and checking the VSWR at various spots. Then I heard a very familure "big signal"!

It has been a few years since the Johnson County Amateur Radio club. I met and got to know many very nice people and one, in particular, Bob Metcalf, WB0LQZ helped me get my first job in electronics. The rest, as they say is history! I have been teaching electronics for the last 23 years in community colleges in Iowa.

During our QSO I mentioned I remembered when Ken Blair (then WA0SEV) used to publish KAR. About the same time as your letter I got a newsletter from the Douglas County Amateur Radio Club (another club I once was a member of?) and it is edited and produced by, you guessed it, Ken Blair! Weird stuff around the full of the moon!

73, John K0RW The RR John worked for transfered him 20+ years ago and we lost track of him until I heard him calling me after I run the Ks CW net last week. Thats ham radio..... Looking 4 UR fist agn John. Orlan

**Hey Orlan, Just got the Kar Letter** and I wanted to make sure you had my update letter of H-4 ?? If not I will resent it.... Please let me know,

Pascal KC0KIG Yep I got it up above. TNX agn...! Orlan

I really enjoyed the memories of Tom, I seen all them happen in my day, Age here 86+ Hal W5GZI ex WØETX Yah Tom is good at that.

**THANK YOU ORLAN**, AS USUAL, I ENJOYED THE KAR SPECIAL. AT LEAST THE PARTS I UNDERSTOOD. THAT HAM TALK IS GREEK TO ME.

JERRY in Miami, Fl. Stick around Jerry and we will change that, hi hi.

**PS: I ESPECIALLY LIKED THE STORY ABOUT BERYL MASTER.**

**Hi Orlan, Just a note to let** you know how much I enjoy receiving KAR. I appreciate your hard work and it reflects well on amateur radio in Kansas. Great job! Also, I wanted to let you know that I'm currently taking the ARRL ECC Level III class. These classes are a terrific opportunity and ARRL members are reimbursed the modest tuition upon completion. Finally, I want to share with you that last month I was the recipient of a Radiogram (for the first time ever), sent from Pat WB5NKD of Oklahoma City and relayed by Jim KIØBK of Olathe. "Help yourself and others prepare for emergencies participate in a CW Net 73," it said. Well, my Morse skills are rather sorry, but I'm looking forward to the QKS-SS net to resume this fall. It's a great resource and Ron KBØDTI was particularly patient while helping improve my operating skills last winter.

73 Max KCØMAX Pittsburg I am glad you got tfc from Pat through Jim. I have known Pat and her OM sense the 70s

A fine family of CW tfc handlers. Listen to 3610 kHz at 7 PM and you will hear then check into our Ks CW QKS net. I think Ron (our SM) is now on the air with QKS-SS again.

**We are proud to announce the Southwest Kansas A.R.E.S. Group** has a new "Clubhouse" and station! It is located at the old AT&T tower site at 14th and Comanche here in Dodge City. included is meeting room radio shack that will contain the Echolink, APRS I-gate and digi (which both are locate in my very, very small home QTH shack presently) and both HF and VHF/UHF equipment. The club house are OPEN to ALL Amateur Operators for use We have emergency backup power, 350 foot tower and grounds for hams to use for various activities and functions.

CUL & 73's Godfrey M. Flax KCØAUH Clark, Comanche, Edwards, Ford, Hodgeman, Kiowa, Ness
Thanks for the e-mails, still reading them each month.

73, Les D&L Antenna

Hi Orlan, Good to get the latest edition on KAR, our link to the real world, hi. Sure sorry to hear about your wife's accident. That must be painful. Hope she is much better, give her our best. It's nice to see more on the Ensor Museum, with all the publicity between you and Larry we had to join the group. Look forward to visiting it someday. It was neat to be able to listen to the first QSO with W1AW again. WAØEAJ certainly passes along some good information sites. Good also to hear about the Kansas 10 meter group.

73 and take care,
Chuck KØBOG ARRL HQ PS, had one light frost and the leaves are beginning to change. Keep it up there Chuck

Sorry to read about the better half our prayers will be with her. Thanks for the information and the news letters, I really don't know what I would do without them now. Thanks also for the SK information and the information other hams share and news they pass along. Keep up the good works Orlan.

Danny KA0FMZ I can tell she is better, she is nasty Liz again, hi hi. Orlan

Thank you for putting me on your KAR list. Tom Dailey, WAØEAJ, has been forwarding them to me. I always find them interesting to read.

I am a new "old" ham. I got my Tech and General this year. Tom was a year ahead of me in High School (Shawnee Mission North H.S.) but we were in the Amateur Radio Club together. He has been on my case every since for not finishing up and getting my license. I had taken my novice test but didn't make the code. I never went back to retake. So after 42 years I finally finished it. I was given KCØSEB, but Tom had been after me for the last few years to get my license and to get a vanity license with my initials, which he said was available. Hence, I became KØCDM.

Chuck Morlan (Orlan with an "m") KØCDM Glad to have reading KAR MOrland, hi hi. Hope 4 a eye-ball some time.

Bruce, KC0RRS, sent this link. I have heard about this incident, but until he sent this, I had not read about it.


73, Larry, W0AIB Thanks Larry. I did hear about the "Mystery SOS signal" and nice to read about it. Orlan

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Click on QSP for the newsletter.

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Thanks, Don, KAØEIC 73 - Don - KAØEIC

Hi Orlan: Sharon, KC0HHU would like to be on your mailing list for the Kansas section news. thanks,

73 - Don - KAØEIC Thanks Don...! It is going out and welcome Sharon......... Orlan

Brother Orlan: Do you have, perhaps, any/all of "How to Function in a Net", by Orlan Q. Cook W0OYH in digital format?
My ARES group wants an updated reprint. All I have is the hardcopy you gave me years ago. I'll be glad to turn it into a nice PDF booklet but wanted to see if some of the samples and procedures you provided are in digital format.

73 de Rick KF4LM No I don't have any. If you do a booklet, I would like one for you do beautiful work...! Orlan

The other day I had occasion to try to find a history of ham radio. The following link turned up on the incredible AC6V web site. I thought some of you might be interested. http://www.ac6v.com/history.htm

73, Larry Staples - W0AIB Thank you Larry I enjoyed the site and know othere will TOOoooo. Orlan

Please update, the SWKARES web site address has changed from www.qsl.net/swkares to www.swkares.com please update you records Godfrey Flax EC

This is pretty representative of mine. Differences on my bike include: white pearlescent paint with just a "hint" of purple, when the Sun hits it just right - but no pin-stripping, 2-into-1 exhaust which makes it a tad more "vocal" than most Beemers, white vs. black hard-bags, and the longer RT seat, vs. the RS seat which is made for 1 person, and a skinny teenaged girl.. perhaps. I also have gaitors on the fork-tubes, and my valve-covers are not black, rather natural metal. Windshield is of a tinted perspex and a bit shorter in height. Just thought you'd all like to see "Baby"... Unser Ahner Zahrt kahn japanner!

http://www.webbikeworld.com/r100rs/bmw-r100rs-photos.htm Very nice Tom............

Tom WAØE AJ I still have a "M" on my drivers license from having a Harley 45 when I was 17 and not having it on my 18th birthday when I got a call from the hospital saying my brother just cut a M-Farmal tractor in half at its transmission housing.

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