Hi gang! The 2003 SET, Simulated Emergency Test is behind us except for those who wished to do theirs on another day. Watch the KSN for the results from your SM at >> http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html <<.

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Brian Short KC0BS, Frequency Coordinator Kansas Amateur Repeater Council is calling for up-date info from all repeater owners. Please read his request below.

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Don't miss the article below on the Ensor Museum. This is an early ham radio station on a farm south of me which has been placed on the historical records and a ham is the director. I highly recommend browsing the web site. Here is a piece of Kansas ham radio history.

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Last month I spoke of a 21 page ARRL, VRC report which I felt was putting pressure on the SMs. This month more info has been made available maybe explaining why. It seems our government is looking for results of the taxpayers dollars invested in hams taking and being reimbursed for the "Emergency Communications Classes. I don't see anything wrong with investors expecting a return on their dollars invested. Sounds like the good old American way of doing business. The third year grant will be determined by what we do with grants received. At this moment we stand at a cross road. We can make this work or not. Our government is looking for "activity reports" via ARRL showing what the training has accomplished. ARRL gets reports from 71 Section Managers in the US if you as an appointee report your activities to your SM each month as you said you would when you signed the appointment application. Our government is wanting to see more hams take these training courses and apply that training in serving our communities and reporting the results to ARRL. I believe we hams are being tested today through this program by our government.
(1) Do hams want training in emergency communications.
(2) Will hams apply that training as a public service to their communities.
(3) Are hams a dependable emergency communication resource as demonstrated by their monthly activity reports to their Section Manager.
For many years we hams have been telling our government we were a very good emergency communications resource in the time of emergencies and disasters. Looks like they are testing us to see for themselves and not just taking our word for it.
One thing has me a little nervous. What if congress is given a poor value report of ham radio? How will that effect us the next time some big company goes after our frequencies again? Prove you use them by your activity reports to your SM or loose them. You have the ball....... For those of you who are interested in going for a touch-down, go to >>> http://www.arrl.org/cce/

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I still recommend every one using >> http://www.arrl.org << for your computers home page. This way the first thing you will see is what is going on in ham radio via ARRL. Then you can click on "Kansas Section News on the right edge of the screen and see what is going on via our SM in Kansas. An "ALERT" can be posted here in a second to let you know of an emergency or disaster. You can know about it before it is over so you can have an opportunity to help.
Orlan wOoyh - KAR ed orlan@postcomp.com

KANSAS SECTION MANAGERS CORNER: Click on >> http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html
Your SM is:
Ron Cowan KBØDTI
kb0dti@arrl.org

ARRL NTS - QKS KS SECTION CW TRAFFIC NET MANAGER:
There are only 10 types of people in the world... those who understand binary, and those who don't...
73 Mike KØPY
August 2003 QKS CW TFC NET 62 Sessions, QNI 363, QTC 174. (QNI = Check-ins. QTC = messages)
Anyone can squeeze a microphone and talk, it takes an Operator to run a CW Traffic Net. A big thanks to all of the F.B. Kansas operators that check-in, and run QKS.
73, Mike/KØPY QKS CW TFC NET MGR
I am a Net Control Station for the net. That makes Mike one of my bosses, hi hi.
Mike is that guy I told you about who got laid off a couple of months and drove a 18 wheeler CW (that's code) "County Hunting." Imagine driving across the state talking to hams all over the US at 40 WPM while in motion to those who want the county he is driving in at that time and they knew about when he crossed into the next county. Mike loved the CW part of "County Hunting" but spending every Saturday and Sunday replying to QSL cards from those whom he QSOed was a little much. Mike said when he went through a toll gate, necks would stretch to see where that strange dit dah sound was coming from. I wonder how many mobile in motion CW operators there are. I use to run CW nets while mobile. I called CQ one day just south of Ottawa on 15 meters and had a South Africa station answer me. That was the fastest QSL card I ever got. I was running a crystal controlled Heathkit HW-16 off of a 100 watt 12 volt to 110 volt inverter in my front seat. Sending and receiving code is a learned skill. It was the hardest skill I ever achieved and has become one that I love. I had a ham friend who was a radio operator on a bomber that flew over a small Japanese held island almost daily which had only a weather station and using CW and Q-signals got a live up to the second weather report. Isn't it strange how two enemies can act friendly when they speak the same language. Ham radio in those days made you bi-lingual. Could that ever save a life today? QKS net members have always reported their activities monthly to their SM for more than 50 years. The same reports our government now expect to see from us hams in the next year. Orlan

REPEATER OWNERS:
Brian Short, Release Manager
Desk (913) 762-8913
Kansas Amateur Repeater Council Calls for Repeater Updates now through October 15.
Orlan, Please pass this along & place on the ARRL Kansas Section news. The Kansas Amateur Repeater Council is in the process of validating information in its database in preparation for the next ARRL repeater directory.
The first of 3 calls for updates has been completed. Repeater owners who did not receive communication should check http://www.ksrepeater.com/bycity.html and confirm the listing is correct. (Please check Frequency, Repeater Call, & location. Click on the repeater callsign to see if it is the appropriate email for the trustee. Click on the Sponsor to see if it goes the right website for the repeater, and click on the city to confirm the repeater location) Send your updates or confirmation that the info is correct to update@ksrepeater.com
We are now in phase 2 which will involve hams from around the state. We want to confirm that every repeater listed on our site is actually on the air.
Kansas Hams should report machines they believe are off the air so that we can follow up with status from the Trustee.
73 de KC0BS
Brian Short
Frequency Coordinator
Kansas Amateur Repeater Council
ARRL KANSAS SECTION NEWS: Go to >> http://www.arrl.org/sections/KS.html
A good place to find out what other Kansas hams are doing and not just those under your repeater. You will see those who report their activities to our SM. These are some of the reports I mentioned above that our government now wants to see. You will find photos of hams and clubs across Kansas too.

SILENT KEY:
I have not received any Kansas SK notices and I don't think our SM has. Please remember to inform your SM, kb0dti@arrl.org of your fellow hams who become SKs so they can be recognized and remembered in QST, KSN and here in KAR.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM ARRL TO......
Paul Backs, KC0JCQ:

Our records show you've successfully completed ARRL's Level II - Intermediate Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-002). Hopefully, you have found this both educational and informative. Use this knowledge to benefit your community by getting involved in your local emergency communications organization(s).

Using the information found on Page 16 of your QST, please contact your Section Manager and/or Section Emergency Coordinator. Let them know you have completed this course.

ARRL Members who have taken the on-line course: Please take a moment to complete our Certification and Continuing Education Course Evaluation on-line at http://www.arrl.org/members-only/cce/ec-002/eval.html. Through your input, we will continue to develop and provide the high-quality continuing education courses you've come to expect from ARRL.

Your C-CE Certificate is now available. ARRL Members who have graduated the on-line course may download their certificates at http://www.arrl.org/members-only/cce. If you are not an ARRL Member send your Email request(including current mailing address) to C-CE at cce@arrl.org, or call (860) 594-0200.

To make this valuable training available to others, a continuous stream of Mentors, Instructors and Examiners is necessary. If you would like to become part of our team, we want to know. Please review the CCE on-line information at http://www.arrl.org/cce.

Thank you for your support and participation.

73,
Dan Miller, K3UFG ARRL Emergency Communications Course Manager

THE ENSOR FARMSITE & MUSEUM:
New things are happening at the ENSOR MUSEUM. Progressive amateur radio prevailed here in the years from 1915 to 1973. Marshall H. Ensor, W9BSP, and his sister Loretta Ensor, W9UA, made history in amateur radio here. We are committed to our amateur radio relationship. If you have been here you've seen what beautiful country surrounds the Ensor Museum. Only 5 minutes south of Olathe, we're still close to civilization without being tangled in it. As the new Director of the ENSOR MUSEUM, and a ham for 51 years, it's my goal to link the two entities closer than ever before. We want to expand the connection in the future. The Marshall Ensor Memorial Organization ARC is a great start. We continue moving forward. Our welcome mat is out for radio amateurs everywhere.

Kansas was once in the 9 call district. Orlan

You are invited to come here to enjoy a good old Sell & Swap meet on the 1st Saturday, monthly from 9AM till Noon as long as the temperature is above 50F. There are 8 acres of space to show your items and check out other's as well. I
recognize this is short notice, but if you can't make our first S & S, there will be many more first Saturdays.

Bring your tables, display needs, and coffee etc. Restrooms are available.

Vehicles according to size/weight will be directed where to park. A $1.00 donation per vehicle would be appreciated, but we won't twist your arm. Museum rules prohibit Commercial sales on the property. We will have 2 Meter & 440 talk in stations on the air from 8:30 AM. They are Santa Fe Trails ARC stations- KAFMZ (147.24), and KE5BR (442.200).

Directions: South on Metcalf (from I-435), which becomes Hwy 69 South. Stay on until 179th exit, then west (4-5 miles) and turn south on Lackman to 183rd then west to 18995 W. 183rd. (Roughly 17 miles after getting on Metcalf). Alternate route: South on I-35; South on US 169: East on 183rd Street about two miles; Ensor museum will be on the south side of 183rd Street. Come to Ensor NEXT SATURDAY! Be sure to see our web site: http://www.w9bsp-w9ua.org/

73,

Larry Woodworth, W0HXS I highly recomend you browsing the Ensor Museum web site above. Orlan
Ensor Farmsite and Museum- Director
and M.E.M.O.-President
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Larry Thomas WAOGWA
V.P., Trustee W9BSP
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Larry Rosine WØOG
Secretary

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Hello Orlan,
The K A R news in the Section Newsletter is nice to read and I want to get on the mail list. Do you take care of that job? I just thanked Ron Cowen for the item he inserted about the Ensor Museum being accepted as a Kansas Historic Place and nominated as a National Historic Site. We want to keep current copies available at the W9BSP Ensor Museum radio room. Thanks for any help Orlin.

73,
Larry Woodworth, W0HXS
Ensor Museum, Director

Hi Larry,
Thank you for the email and it is my pleasure to put you on the KAR mailing. I will try to get your email in the "Letters to the Editor column." KAR will be out in 2 weeks. It would be great to have the newsletter posted at the Ensor Museum. TKS..!

73, Orlan w0oyh - ARRL Ks ASM - KAR ed

Hi Orlan,
According to your estimate of when the next KAR comes out I'm guessing that will be maybe the first week of Oct. If that's true, I have time to plan for an event that you could help me with.

My control of the Ensor Museum begins Oct. 1, and one of the things I've planned to do as the Director is put much more emphasis on amateur radio than ever before since it became a museum. Especially now that we are a Kansas Historical Site. I want to invite all area hams to come to the Ensor Museum once each month during fair weather, to
take part in a sell and swap meet. It will be on a Saturday morning and I'm thinking probably the first Sat. of each
month. But to start this program, and get an announcement in KAR, could we get it in the coming issue so the event
can be the 2nd Sat. or even the 3rd Sat.?
Larry Woodworth WØHXS I put out a KAR Special a week ago with Larry's MSWord artical as an attachment.

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Thank you Orlan. I have been sick in bed all week with the flu. Just up long enough to check messages
and go by the grocery store.
Thank you for what ever you find of WOFDJ. This will be a joy for me.
Thanks for the contact. Maybe, we can get better acquainted. God bless!
I USMailed U two 1950 photos of the Ks Neb ARC meeting with Arno WØFDJ in them.
Joleen WØFDJ Maybe there are others reading this who have some they could send too. Orlan

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Orlan,
I will try to look you up on one of your nights. I am slowly getting back to my 30wpm, but it is slow. Good to
be back on the air, though, and I will continue to tickle the electrons and see how many of them squirt
through the ether toward Kansas.
Take care,
Don ADØK - CO, NROTCU University of Texas at Austin

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It is good to have you a little closer to home Don.
CAPT Donald S. Inbody, USN I will be looking for your fist on 3610 kHz, Ks CW net.
Director, Joint C4ISR Decision Support Center

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Hi Orlan: I read the KAR report. I enjoy all the tid bits that are in the news. Also I loved the special tributes
to Paul & Helen Grauer. Yes, they were very special people and very active in Ham Radio. Will miss them
but I suppose all the SK's are together again having a real gabfest.
The weather finally cooled down and the grass is so green since it grew so fast with all the rain we had last
week. Finally had the yard mowed yesterday for the first time in 2 months. Getting things ready for the
carpets to be put in in a couple of weeks. So this will be all the remodeling for the year. Now maybe I can
get more unfinished projects finished. I did get 3 done so far, but far from being caught up. I decided I
have to live to be 150 to get most of them done.HA! HA!
Take care and best to you. Enjoy your e-mails very much. Helen WA6KHD XYL of SK WØXJ

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Orlan: glad you got my new e-mail address: I am keeping busy getting things put back in the house after all
the carpets have been laid. Sure makes it look like a new house. Also changed the furniture around. Was
time for a change. Had cool weather the past weekend. Down to 60's. Take care. Talk to you later. Helen

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Thanks for answering my e-mails. Sorry to hear about Wendell. Will check with Alvin. He lives in Salina
and usually keeps up on all that is going on with QCWA members. Wen is very active agn. Orlan
Finally got badly needed rain the past week and my grass looks like a weed yard instead of brown yard.
last Friday about 11:30 am, I lost a huge branch from the tree in front of my house. Thankfully it fell across
the driveway and not on the house. I lucked out and was able to get the tree trimmer to come that same
afternoon & had it chopped up & take all the debris away & the yard all cleaned up. Only in a small town
can you get that kind of service.
All for now. Take care and thanks for keeping in touch. Helen Steven, Helen WA6KHD We Love yah...!

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Hello - My name is Leslie Elliott, KCØPTO, and I saw mention of the Kansas Amateur Radio newsletter on
the ARRL site. I am a recently new ham (about 4 months) and have joined the Emporia Club, EARS, which
is the closest club to where I live in Madison. I have also joined the I-4 ARES net out of Emporia. Right
now, I
am a no code Tech, but have already passed element 3 and working on my code for my General and Extra
ticket.

I am 67 years old, and have worked in the electronics field for many years, and now that I am retired, have finally joined the ranks of Amateur Radio, and enjoying it immensely. Too bad I took so long to join in the fun!!

I would like very much to be put on the mailing list for the KAR Newsletter. Thank you very much for your attention to this request.

73 de KCØPTO Kansas City zero Power Take Off It is my pleasure to send you KAR Leslie. Orlan
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Orlan,
I enjoyed reading the forwarded copy of KAR that former N0BLD sent to me. He was especially interested in letting me know about Helen Grauer's passing. I remembered many enjoyable moments spent in her and Paul's company at ARRL conventions. She was indeed a gracious and lovely woman and, though I hadn't visited with her for several years, she will be missed! It was nice to do some "catching up" with the ham world through the articles, and I too, mourn the lack of emphasis on Morse Code that has taken place. I never imagined I would be one of those saying that CW was the "good old days" but I do think that the requirement of reading CW has long been a source of pride to hams! I was glad to see that Bob Summer is still an active participant too, just in a different capacity! You both are some of my special memories of conventions in the 1980's. Good luck with your future issues and 73s for now!
God Bless!
Dolly N0CBG
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So Long For Now!
Dolly Brown Reece (Darlene) Long time no hear Dolly..! Glad to have you aboard. Orlan
Jeremiah 29:11
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This is Orlan again. I just finished reading through this issue of KAR looking for errors before I send it to you. I appreciate your letters. They span more than 50 years of my life of knowing a wonderful bunch of people. Keep them coming.....
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