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Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM. Testing sessions are held at 6:00 PM on meeting nights. All exams (Technician, General, Extra) will be offered at each testing session. Sumner County Emergency Services Center, 255 Airport Road, Gallatin, TN 37066

### CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER ON DECEMBER 13 STARTING AT 6 PM

SCARA's Christmas Potluck Dinner will be held at the SCEMA in our usual room on December 13th. The starting time is planned for 6 PM. The main course will include ham and turkey. If you have decided what you want to bring then let Steve know or post a message on our Facebook page. There will be plenty of food so bring an appetite.

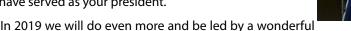


## **P**RESIDENT'S **M**ESSAGE

It has been a great year for SCARA.

We have tested for many new amateurs, helped several of our members with major antenna or tower projects, learned a few things, had great winter and summer field days, social field days and of course helped our served agencies.

This organization is made up of selfless individuals that care about each other and our communities. We are a bunch of Do'ers. I am proud to be a member and so very humbled to have served as your president.



group of leaders. Bill Esquilla as your new president will take us even further than I ever could.

Some administrative projects have taken a bit longer to accomplish or are still ongoing but should be resolved in the early part of 2019.

We have had extraordinary participation in projects by all members and hope that it will continue, so that we can be even more effective in the New Year.

I look forward to serving in any capacity where I can be of service and offering any knowledge that I have to others in the group.

The New Year will bring many challenges and opportunities, new members and new technology for us to learn and use, nothing that we can't handle.

A heartfelt thanks to each and everyone in the association for making this year so wonderful. I hope the holidays treat you well and that you are happy and healthy in the New Year.

Steve, K4SJS

SCARA: SCARA Facebook Page: Shout South: Sumner County ARES: ARRL: ARRL Facebook Page:

Internet Home Pages http://www.scara.net/ https://www.facebook.com/groups/166987860508865/ http://shoutsouth.com/ http://www.sumnerares.org/ http://www.arrl.org/ https://www.facebook.com/ARRL.org/ If you have an article, classified ad, photos, or any other information you would like to have included in the *The Sky Wave*, then email it to the editor, Ken Helms, AB9ZD, at AB9ZD@ARRL.NET. Please put "For SCARA Newsletter" in the subject line and submit it before the first of the month.



# SUMNER COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION - NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

	Members in Attendance: 25					
	Title: Meeting Minutes					
	Location:	ESC - 255 Airport Road				
	Date: End	11/8/2018				
Start		ltem	Contact			
07:00:00 PM	07:01:00 PM	Meeting called to order by Club President	Steve K4SJS			
07:01:00 PM	07:03:00 PM	Group honored our Country by committing to the Pledge of Allegiance Steve				
07:03:00 PM	07:05:00 PM	Introductions all around	Group			
		<b>Treasurer's Report:</b> Acct Bal: \$1179.23 Re-imbursed Jim K4EZE for funding patches (\$374.99)	Chuck KK4ODK			
		<b>Trustee's Report:</b> Everything up and running. DMR Antenna is out; temps too low to climb tower. HAM in Hartsville needs help with an antenna (KJ4BLD) Michael	Richard N4BKY			
		<b>OLD BUSINESS:</b> Sent flowers for Rick's KA4JXY Father who recently passed.	Steve K4SJS			
		Steve taking nominations for PRES: Steve N4SJS, Jim K4EZE, Bill Al4BE; VP Terry KM4MAX; SEC TRES Chuck KK4ODK, Jim; TRUSTEE Richard N4BKY	Steve K4SJS Mike KE4CE			
		Net Participation. WE NEED FOLKS TO DO NET CONTROL. Everyone needs to get experience operating as Net Control.	Steve K4SJS			
		Had discussion about helping each other putting up radio equipment. Just ask Richard N4BKY to get scheduled.	Richard N4BKY			
		The County Emergency Plan (ARES) SOP needs to be updated and submitted to the EMA Sumner County.	Jack WA5ZAY			
		<b>NEW BUSINESS:</b> Changes to Bylaws (First Reading). Add "and Trustee" as an "Officer." Motion made, seconded, and passed unanimously. Article 9, Sec 4, add "Web Page Committee," to manage the web page, newsletter, and email addresses. Motion made, seconded, and passed unanimously.	Steve N4SJS			
		Ron's (KK4UOQ) dad passed away at 100 years old. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ron.	Tom KK4WAS			
		Christmas Dinner: Pot Luck. Jane KN4ANM will be coordinating. Dinner at 6 pm on 13 Dec 18.	Jane KN4ANM			
		SCARA Officers for 2019. Pres: Bill W3UO, VP: Terry KM4MAX, SecTres: Chuck KK4ODK, Trustee: Richard N4BKY, effective 1 Jan 2019.	Jack KOBW			
		EMA Chief, Ken Widner, gave us a presentation on the new radio system for Sumner County.	Ken Widner			
		Bob KK4BOB gave us a demo of his MCR program for practicing CW.	Bob KK4BOB			
08:17:00 PM		Meeting adjourned and commenced ARES Meeting.	Steve N4SJS			

Mark Your Calendar							
12/11/2018	7:30 PM	SCARES Net	If you would like to have an				
12/13/2018	6:00 PM	Monthly SCARA Meeting - Potluck Christmas Dinner	event listed in the club calen-				
12/18/2018	7:30 PM	SCARES Net	dar then send me an email at ab9zd@arrl.net. The calendar is				
12/25/2018	7:30 PM	SCARES Net	not limited to just club events				
01/01/2019	7:30 PM	SCARES Net	but it should be something of in-				
01/08/2019	7:30 PM	SCARES Net	terest to the members.				
01/10/2019	7:00 PM	Monthly SCARA Meeting					
01/15/2019	7:30 PM	SCARES Net					

# SCARA & SCARES Support the 2018 Hendersonville Christmas Parade

The weather was beautiful for the Hendersonville Christmas Parade on Sunday, December 2, 2018. The temperature was in the mid-60's and the sky was clear (way better than the days before and following the parade). The turnout for the parade was exceptional with crowds of people filling the sidewalks on both sides of the street.

We had plenty of volunteers to help with communication as well. Here are a few photos of the group as we got organized for the start of the parade and some photos of the members as they were positioned along the parade route.

There are a more photos on SCARA's Facebook page.

Richard N4BKY did an excellent job as net control. There were no incidents reported (that I can remember).

There are also more photos on the SCARA Facebook page and photos of the parade on the Hendersonville Christmas Parade web page at:

#### https://www.facebook.com/Hendersonville.Christmas.Parade/

They also have a video of the entire parade. The camera was set up across the street from the EOC vehicle, so you can see it clearly in the background of the video.











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# A BIG THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED

# **CHRISTMAS SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS**

#### Christmas in Bethlehem "Bethlehem on the Air"

**Dec 8**, 1800Z-2300Z, W9WWI, *New Washington, IN*. Clark County Indiana Amateur Radio Club. 14.245; 40 through 6 meters conditions permit. Certificate & QSL. W9WWI CCARC Bethlehem, 4208 Perry Crossing Road, Sellersburg, IN 47172. LoTW will be used to log contacts. www.clarkcountyarc.org

#### **Christmas in Bethlehem**

**Dec 15-Dec 24**, 1400Z-2300Z, KC5OUR, **Belen, NM.** Valencia County Amateur Radio Association. 7.283 14.283 21.383. QSL. Valencia County ARA, P.O. Box 268, Peralta, NM 87042. Celebrating the Christmas season from Belen (Bethlehem) New Mexico. For QSL card please SASE to KC5OUR. kc5our@arrl.net or http://kc5our.com/wordpress/.

### **Oglebay Park Winter Festival of Lights**

**Dec 15-Dec 16**, 1200Z-2359Z, W8ZQ, *Wheeling, WV*. Northern Panhandle Amateur Radio Club. 14.245 7.210; 75, 40 and 20 meters; other bands as conditions permit. Certificate. Joe McCready, 29 Clover Ln, Colliers, WV 26035. www.qrz.com/db/w8zq WX3MAS Special Event

**Dec 15-Dec 16**, 1400Z-2200Z, WX3MAS, **Nazareth, PA.** Christmas City Amateur Radio Club. 14.265 7.270 3.850. QSL. WX3MAS, Greystone Building, 14 Gracedale Ave, Nazareth, PA 18064. 1400 to 2200z each day. Send QSL and SASE (A6 or larger for 4"x6" card). Operating from the club station in Nazareth, PA, by Delaware-Lehigh ARC "Christmas City Radio Club" members. For details and possible electronic certificate, see https://www.dlarc.org/

To search the ARRL special events stations database, go to: http://www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

# **D**ECEMBER **C**ONTESTS

Click here to download the ARRL contest calendar for December.

Here are just a few that you might be interested in:

ARRL 160-Meter Contest ARRL 10-Meter Contest ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW



Save the Date

# April 13, 2019



If you have something you would like to have listed in the classified section then please send an email to the newsletter editor at: AB9ZD@ARRL.NET.

### **CLUB PATCHES ARE STILL AVAILABLE**



Price \$5 each. Available as a sew-on patch or a patch with velcro. See Jim K4EZE at the next meeting.



SCARA W4LKZ Repeaters							
Freq/Offset	Input Tone	Location	Notes				
146.880 (-)	114.8 PL	Music Mountain (5 miles North of Gallatin, TN)	Linked to Shout South				
444.350 (+)	107.2 PL	Music Mountain (5 miles North of Gallatin, TN)	Linked to Shout South				
444.000 (+)	107.2 PL	Center Point Road (Hendersonville, TN)	Linked to Shout South				
145.390 (-)	114.8 PL	Mutton Hollow (Bethpage, TN)	Linked to Shout South				
443.300 (+)	107.2 PL	Portland (Portland, TN)	Linked to Shout South				
443.400 (+)	107.2 PL	White House (White House, TN)	Linked to Shout South				
146.805 (+)	114.8 PL	Mockingbird Hill (Gallatin, TN.)	Both analog and digital (stand alone DMR)				
443.750 (+)	107.2 PL	Mutton Hollow (Bethpage, TN)	P25 Repeater System				
442.5125 (+)	107.2 PL	Anderson Ln (Hendersonville, TN)	Not on the Air				
Notes:							