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The Utah Amateur Radio Club was organized under its present name in 1927, although its beginnings may date back as early as 1909. In 1928, it became affiliated with the American Radio Relay League (club #1602) and is a non-profit organization under the laws of Utah. It holds a club station license with the call W7SP, a memorial call for Leonard (Zim) Zimmerman, an amateur radio pioneer in the Salt Lake City Area. The club meets each month except July and August. The meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM in the Exhibition hall located on the Salt Lake County Fairgrounds just south of Murray City Park. Club membership is open to anyone interested in amateur radio; a current license is not required. Dues are \$13 per year, including a MICROVOLT subscription. Those living at the same address as a member who has paid \$13 may obtain a membership without a Microvolt subscription for \$9. ARRL membership renewals should specify ARRL Club #1602. UARC maintains the following repeaters: 146.62 (minus) and 449.10. The repeaters are administered by the UARC repeater committee. Comments and questions may be directed to any committee member. The Lake Mountain repeater (146.76 minus offset) has Autopatch facilities on both the Orem exchange (covering Santequin to Lehi) and the Salt Lake City exchange (covering Draper to Layton). The 449.10 repeater has autopatch facilities into Salt Lake City only. Due to the volume of traffic, only mobiles should use this autopatch. Autopatch use is open to all visitors to our area and to all club members. Non members who wish to use the Autopatch are encouraged to help with and maintaining a club membership. THE MICROVOLT: The Microvolt is the official publication of the club. Deadline for submissions to the Microvolt is the 10th of each month prior to publication, except Aug. All submissions are welcome but what is printed and editing are the responsibility of the UARC board. Reprints are allowed with proper credits to the MICROVOLT, UARC, and authors.



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Feature Of The Month

September, 1996

This month we are featuring Carol McWherter KC7LLW. Carol works for the Military Entry Processing Station. She is the Assisitive Administrator.

Carol received her Technician license in 1993. In Oct. 1995 she obtained her Advanced license. It was her husband Eugene McWherter, N7OVT, who is very active in amateur radio and sparked her interest in the hobby. Carol is very active herself and a great asset to the hobby. She helps her husband with the no code and tech plus exams on the last Tuesday of each month.

Since 1994 she has helped provide other club information for the UARC information net. Carol is the UARC historian. As the historian she takes pictures at every meeting and all of the activities such as field day, steak fry and WIMU for the UARC photo album.

Speaking of WIMU, this year Carol was on the WIMU committee. She was in charge of scheduling the forums. This really is a challenging job especially when there is cancellations at the last minute. The forums were really great. Carol, you did a wonderful job. Carol is also a member of ARES and enjoys helping when needed.

Carol would like to see more people get involved, because it is a lot of fun.

Carol, you are greatly appreciated for your hard work.
73 N7HVF Linda Reeder



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Tentative 1996 Schedule



- SEPT. 5: Swap Meet
- OCT. 3: Planned- Vintage Radios (Not firm schedule)
- NOV 7: HomeBrew , Election Nominations and Microvolt Editor's birthday (25th)
- DEC. 5: Elections and Plans for The New Year



**CORRECTED
UTAH AMATEUR RADIO
EXAMINATION SCHEDULE**
May 14, 1996 (For more details see the listing of "Programs by City" at the end.)

Date	Location	Contact Person	Home Ph.
Bus. Ph.			

09/04/96 (Wed.)	Farmington	Brent Thomas, AC7H	292-8110 539-3700
09/09/96 (Mon.)	Delta	Stephen Bowes, KB7SSF	864-5936
09/18/96 (Wed.)	Provo	Steve Whitehead, NV7V	465-3983 225-5200

09/24/96* (Tues.) Salt Lake C. Eugene McWherter,
N7OVT 484-6355
10/05/96 (Sat.) Salt Lake C. Gordon Smith, K7HFV
582-2438 534-8116
10/16/96 (Wed.) Provo Steve Whitehead, NV7V
465-3983 225-5200
10/29/96* (Tues.) Salt Lake C. Eugene McWherter,
N7OVT 484-6355
11/02/96 (Sat.) Ogden Matt George, AB7GM
393-9159
11/20/96 (Wed.) Provo Steve Whitehead, NV7V
465-3983 225-5200

only Novice and Technician elements (1A, 2, and 3A)
given at this session.

Send additions or corrections to Gordon Smith, K7HFV.

EXAMINATION PROGRAMS BY CITY

City: Brigham City Contact Person: Bob Anderson,
AA7TR
VEC: ARRL Phone: 257-3021
Location: Basement of Zion's Bank at Main and First
North
Schedule: Twice annually, spring and fall. Details vary.
Code tests at 6 p.m. Written tests at 7 p.m.

City: Farmington Contact Person: Brent Thomas,
AC7H
VEC: ARRL 637 East 2150 South
Bountiful, Utah 84010
Home Ph: 298-3322 Bus. Ph: 538-
3700
Location: Davis County Jail Complex,
800 West State St.,
Farmington
Service entrance
Schedule: First Wednesday of Jan., Mar., July, and Sept.,
7 p.m.

City: Logan Contact Person: Paul Hansen,
WO7N
VEC: ARRL 1676 East 1600 North
Logan, Utah 84321
Home Ph: 753-4843 Bus. Ph: 752-6425
Schedule: Second Saturday of April and October, 9:00
a.m.

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City: Ogden Contact Person: Matthew George,
AB7GM
VEC: ARRL 473 Hiland Road
Ogden, UT 84404
Phone: 393-9159
Recorded exam information: 627-6064
Location: Weber State College, Science and Technology
Building, Rm 228
Schedule: First Saturday of May and November, 8:00
a.m.

City: Provo Contact Persons: Steve and Linda
Whitehead
VEC: W5YI 497 South 700 East
Payson, Utah 84651
Home Ph: 465-3983 Bus. Ph: 225-
5200
Location: Provo Campus of Utah Valley State College
Schedule: Third Wednesday evening of each month
Notes: Do not confuse this location with the larger Orem
campus.

City: Salt Lake City Contact Person: Gordon Smith,
K7HFV
VEC: ARRL 632 University Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84102
Home Ph: 582-2438 Bus. Ph: 532-3400
Ext. 8116
Location: Blue Cross/Blue Shield Cafeteria
2455 East Parley's Way
Main (west) building, West door
Schedule: First Saturday of Feb., Apr., June, Aug., Oct.
and Dec.
20 w.p.m.: 8:00 a.m. 13 w.p.m.: 8:30 a.m. 5
w.p.m.: 9:15 a.m.
No code test needed: Any time between 8 and 10
a.m.
Notes: Preregistration is required. The owners of the
building require that the door be kept locked. Those who
preregister will receive the code required to get in.
Preregistration also speeds the session and gets licenses
on the way faster after the session. It takes only a few
minutes by phone or on the air. Gordon usually
monitors 146.62.

City: Salt Lake City Contact Person: Eugene
McWherter, N7OVT
VEC: W5YI 536 E. Leland Avenue

Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

Home Ph: 484-6355

Location: Granite High Seminary Building
Approximately 33rd South and 5th East

Schedule: Last Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m.

Notes: This session is intended primarily for those seeking Novice, Technician, or Technician-plus licenses. Only elements 1A, 2 and 3A will be administered. Pre-registration is required.

THINGS TO BRING TO TEST SESSION

1. Two forms of ID (If licensed, your original and one form of ID)
2. \$6.05 - Cash or Check.
3. A copy of your licensee, and or copies of your pending 610 form or certificate of credit along with the original.
4. You may bring a filled out 610 form or a form will be available at the test session.
5. Pencils or pens.
6. You may bring a calculator but you must show that it is not pre-programmed.

You may use a typewriter or lap top computer only if you make arrangements in advance.

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<http://www.uarl.edu/doc/hamulr/callsign.htm>

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Canadian Bacon (Hams) <http://www.rac.ca>

DX Info

<http://www.clinetifi/~jukka/webcluster.html>

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Electronic Swapmeet

<http://www.westes.com/Ads/Ads.html>

Our Federal Government

<http://www.fedworld.gov>

F.C.C. <http://www.fcc.gov>

House of Representatives

<http://www.house.gov>

Internet/Packet Gateway

<http://www.w2xo.pgh.pa.us>

I.T.U. Info <http://www.itu.ch>

Lat/Long Lookup

<http://www.mit.edu:8001/geo>

Neighborhood Antennas

<http://www.hamweb.com/~sjl/stoner/antenna.html>

NTIA <http://www.ntia.doc.gov>

Sarax

http://www.nasa.gov/sarex/sarex_mainpage.html



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RADIO CLUBS

UARC or Utah Amateur Radio Club meets the first Thursday of each month except the months of July and August. The meeting is held in the Theatre Building located on the Salt Lake County Fairgrounds (5200 S. and 200 E.) just south of Murray Park at 7:30 PM. There is a newcomer's meeting held prior to the main meeting at 7:00 PM.

The Davis County Amateur Radio Club meets the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM at the Davis County Sheriff's Office, 800 West State street, Farmington UT. Members and nonmembers are welcome. Dues are \$15.00 per year and can be paid at any club meeting. The Davis Club supports the 147.04 repeater. DAVIS ARES conducts a net each Thursday at 7:00 PM on 147.42 simplex. They also have a DAV node for packet on 145.07. For further information please contact Mel Parkes, NSUVP 299-3430.

OARC or Ogden Amateur Radio Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month in Ogden at 7:00 PM. The meetings are held at the Red Cross

building at 2955 Harrison BLVD. Members and nonmembers are invited. Dues are \$15.00 per year and can be sent to P.O. Box 3353, Ogden, Utah 84409. OARC supports the 146.90 repeater and conducts a net there Tuesdays at 7:30 PM. They also support the 146.82 repeater. The contact person is Jerry Peters WA7ADK who can be reached at 825-8798.

The VHF Society is a group dedicated to maintaining a system of repeaters in our area. Dues are \$10:00 per year and can be sent to PO Box 482 Bountiful Utah 84011-0482. The VHF Society holds a swap and traffic net for it's members each Tuesday night at 8:00 P.M. on the 146.940 repeater. For further information please contact Eldon Kearl KB7OGM at 571-9955.

Salt Lake County ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Services) conduct a net each Wednesday Night at 8:00 PM on the 146.88 repeater. All amateurs are welcome to participate. Their in-person meeting is held the third Wednesday of each month. For more information please contact John Parken. KA7GZH at 278-5846 or Richard Evans N7PCE at 265-9346.

Utah Valley ARES holds their general meeting the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM. They also conduct a net each Tuesday at 9:00 P.M. on the 147.34 repeater which is also linked to the 224.7 repeater. The contact person is Robert Earl. N7EGG at 225-8870

MARA or Mercury Amateur Radio Association is a world wide group of Radio Amateurs dedicated to training and traffic handling for emergency operation. They conduct VHF nets each Wednesday at 9:00 PM. They also conduct health and welfare traffic net on 3.873 MHz (80 meters). The Salt Lake area is on the 146.74 repeater and their contact person is Willy Peake N7VYL at 466-1114. The Ogden area is on the 145.49 repeater and the Provo area on the 145.37 repeater with Vince Newmeyer N7MLP at 785-5611 as their contact person.

UPRA (Utah Packet Radio Association) holds their general meeting on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 2:00 PM at the State Capitol Annex Building north of the State Capitol. All amateurs are welcome. The purpose of the club is to educate people who are new to packet and to coordinate packet activities. Their dues are \$15.00 per year and can be sent to PO Box 92 Riverton, UT 84065. Their contact person is Jack Christensen, KC7NX at 277-6629.

UBET (Utah Box Elder Thiolol) holds a net every Wednesday at 8:00 PM on the 145.43, 448.300, 149.29 repeaters. This net is followed by a CW net at approx. 8:30. Net control is Phil Siefkas KJ7LM, Garland UT.. They also meet the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM in the basement of the Zions Bank on the corner of main and first north in Brigham City. Their contact person is Stew Greenwood AB7BA at 863-2795.

THE BRIGERLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB meets the 2nd Thursday of the month (except June, July, and August) in the basement of the

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Sheriffs Office. They hold a net at 9:00 PM on the 147.20 repeater every Tuesday. Their contact person is Dean Stevens N7WVY at 753-2664.

THE UTAH TCPIP Users Group Of UTUG is an informal group that discusses TCPIP protocols and other packet information. The are geared to all levels of users, new and seasoned. They hold a weekly net Sundays at 8:00 PM on the 146.620 repeater. Their contact person is Matt Simmons KG7MH at 965-1038

The High Valley Net from Heber meets every Monday at 9:00 PM on the 147.18 repeater. Their contact person is Doug Neilson, N7PPW at 756-5927 or Joe Chenworth, KG7GY at 564-3598

The University of Utah Radio Club is open to University Staff, alumni and students. There is a fully equipped station available 24 hours a day. Their contact persons are Marvin Match KA7TPH at 581-6085 or Clint Turner KA7OEI at 972-5541

The Salt Lake Community College Amateur Radio Club is open to anyone. They would like to welcome interested parties to join them. They meet on the South campus in room N285 on the first Saturday of the Month at 3:00 PM. Please contact Keith KI7SL at 957-3247

Rocky Mountain Radio Assn. is open to all Utah hams and they support the 447.900, 448.400, 448.700 repeaters. Their net is on 447.800 and 52.525 (six meters) every Wednesday night at 8:00. Please contact Marc Peterson (KB7YJJ) at 977-1845 for info!

From The Desk



Of The Editor

*Dear Friends,
Please excuse
this Microvolt
and the lack of some information. I
have lost all of last months Microvolt
(July) and I never received any copies
from Maureen. I am in such a
state...People have sent me changes
that I have readied for the September
Microvolt, and I no longer have them. I
need your help. I also need to know, as
I was not here, how WIMU went and
how the Steak Fry went. Who won
what, and what was some of the fun
that we had, (I hate it when I know we
had fun and I wasn't here) since I was*



Y'ALL HAD THE MICROVOLT. WELL...UNTIL I GOT HOME. SO DON'T ASK ME ABOUT THE ROSTER, I WAS LUCKY TO GET THE JULY MICROVOLT OUT.

I GUESS IT JUST GOES TO SHOW...I CAN'T TAKE A VACATION ON THE MICROVOLT EVEN WHEN THE MICROVOLT ISN'T BEING PRINTED THAT MONTH!-ED



"Are You Experiencing Technical Difficulties?"

CQ??? ANYBODY?

-Cokie Eddy

Speaking of my trip to the Ohio Valley, I wanted to share with everyone my fun traveling experiences with the West Virginia, Ohio, Pittsburgh area. First off, I decided that since I was going to go to somewhere like Ohio, I would like to take my radio and listen, and mayhap even talk to some of these real nice people. So, I asked my sweet husband to look up in the handy little ARRL Repeater Guide, (ask Fred if he can get you one for a nominal fee) some of the repeaters that they may be using there.

He did that.

When I first got to Ohio, I thought that it was because it was eleven o'clock and probably all these Ohio people were asleep or something. No one was on the radio. Every once in a while I would hear the repeater sign so I knew that I could at least hear the repeater if it was going to be busy. The next day, no one on. Again. I figured that it was Sunday and mayhap the people on their radio do not rag chew a lot on

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Sunday's. Ya know, it being the Sabbath and all.

After almost two weeks... , I heard someone talk to someone else. Wow! I felt like I had hit gold or something. But still, after they finished and I tried to talk to one of the individuals, THEY WOULDN'T TALK BACK! I thought that God was punishing me for not chatting here more often with my friends.

I got on my knees and begged "CQ...Anyone..." and still the repeater came back, "beep beep...beep beep...beep.." and it announced the elevation there in the Ohio Valley where this repeater was located, and told me when the club meeting was. Wow, they have a club...but where is it? How do you find out when no one will talk to you? I came home, radio in hand, stuck it back on .62. Whose voice did I hear as soon as I hit Salt Lake City? home.Linda Readers. I guess there's no plave like home. I felt like Dorothy returning to Kansas.

-Cokie Eddy

KC7MDV



There once was a HAM named Dave (not KC7DIU)

Who tried to transmit from a cave.

As you might have expected, The signal reflected. And turned the cave into a microwave.

(Thanks Dave)



THAT DREADFUL INTERMOD

-By Linda Reeder, N7HVF (Reprinted by Request)

One of the latest fads in the world of HAM RADIO is the dual-band hand-held transceiver.

These dual-band rigs have some great features about them such as monitoring one band while talking on the other, talking inside of a building on 440 works much better than on two meters, and the autopatch is more efficient. I like the idea of the dual-bander being small and easy to carry around.

Unfortunately, there is a big BIG problem--the dreadful intermod. It seems that the manufacturers were so busy putting this neat little package together that they overlooked this problem. It is real. There is no escape whether it be a KENWOOD, ICOM, YAESU, or ALINCO. I have interviewed individuals who use each of these brands.

Imagine being able to hear the shrilling sound of the dentist drill without sitting in the dentist's chair. That is exactly how bad it sounds, and I have it on tape.

One Saturday, I was monitoring at home and my roommate wanted to know what was all the commotion.

One of my friends won a YAESU dual bander at Steak Fry. Shortly after that, he was trying to carry on a conversation, but the intermod was so bad that he said "forget this," and sold it to some poor unfortunate soul.

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Another friend decided he wanted to join the ranks of the dual band hand held crowd. He was told that if he bought the ICOM, he wouldn't have the intermod problem like those who bought Kenwood, Yaesu or Alinco. It wasn't long before he discovered that he had been led down the wrong path. The intermod was so bad that in disgust, he bought a mobile dual-bander which seemed to alleviate the problem.

A couple of weeks ago, a gentleman from California was visiting here in Salt Lake City. He was having some problem with his car and needed help. His intermod problem was so bad that he had to ask several times for the same HAMS who were helping him with his problem to repeat the information. He was very frustrated.

I joined the ranks of the dual-bander hand holds in February. I never had the intermod problem with my two meter rig that I have with the KENWOOD 77A. My friend tried so desperately to talk me out of getting a dual bander hand held. I wish I would have listened, maybe then I could monitor in peace..

I love the idea of having so much available in one little rig. But something needs to be done about this dreadful intermod.

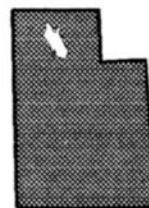
-73 de Linda N7HVF

June 1991 Editor comment: Our thanks to Ann Wright, N7BOP, Pomona CA, and Bruce NK6C, Oakdale CA who sent copies of the above article to me after Linda's computer battery died.-WM7E



THAT DAGBURN UTAHESE!

-Cokie Eddy KC7MDV



Just recently, while I was visiting Pittsburgh, (Ohio, Wheeling West Virginia area) I found that we are deffinatly not the only ones in the world that have a distinct way of talking and cute little colloquialism for our area. I decided to make a book and show that we too, are just as weird as the rest of the world when it comes to sayings. If you have any of these sayings that you know of that no one else other than Utah uses, please write them

down and send them to me. We can even say that it was published by the Utah Amateur Radio Club...and maybe even sell it at the Olympics. Just an idea.

I know this microvolt looks like I am rambling, (who me, COKIE, ramble?) but I am totally grasping for straws. I have nothing to put in this Microvolt and everyone expects a Microvolt!!!

“...so this couple goes into this comedy club...”

“Feeling The Pinch?”



RECIPE FOR ELEPHANT STEW

You can cut this out and put in your cookbook.
[REPRINTED WITHOUT PERMISSION BECAUSE I AM DINING HERE!]

Thanks Cindy Peters- KB7OUT

- 1 Elephant (medium size)
- 22 rabbits (optional)
- Salt and Pepper

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Mexican elephant is a little different, you add a dash of Cumin- (about 2 quarts) and fifty jalepenos. 2 Bushels of Tomatillas and one bushel of Garlic. -EDITOR COKIE EDDY KC7MDV EMBELISHING ON AN ALREADY VERY GOOD RECIPE)

Cut the elephant into small bite size pieces (this should take about two months) Add enough brown gravy to cover. Cook over kerosene fire for about four weeks at 48 degrees (C) Salt and Pepper to tase. Serves 3500. If more are expected rabbits may be added, but do this only if necessart as most people do not find hare in their stew (original recipe called for brontosaurus, however the species is temporarilly unavailable).

Although I dont recommend that you try this at home, I do have one question: Jerry, how big **ARE** your dutch ovens?

DISCLAIMER: No REAL elephants were harmed in the preparation of this meal. (I don't think) -KC7MDV -ED



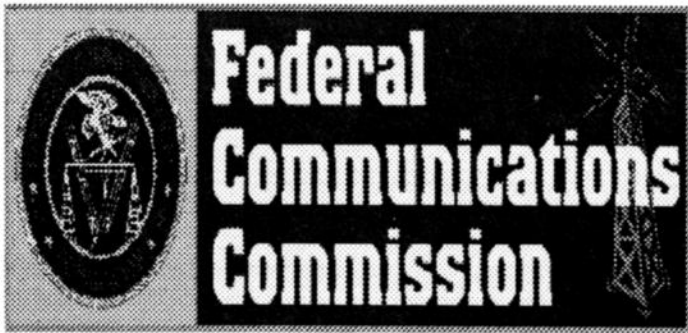
“QST”UFF

Now you can join or re-new ARRL memberships at UARC meetings. UARC is an ARRL Club and receives credit for all members taken through the club.

If renewing please bring old QST mailing label. See MATT WORTC at the UARC Book table for details.

Thanks Matt-





AMATEUR STATION VANITY CALL SIGN SYSTEM FILING GATE 2 OPENS SEPTEMBER 23, 1996

August 22, 1996
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Amateur operators who meet the following eligibility standards may request a vanity call sign on or after September 23, 1996. File your request on FCC Form 610-V. Legibility is critical! If the information on your application is not legible, you could experience a delay in processing, lose the opportunity to obtain a requested call sign or even obtain a call sign different from what you want. You must hold an unexpired amateur operator/primary station license grant of the proper operator class, as described below, to request a vanity call sign for your primary station. To request a vanity call sign for a club station, you must also hold an unexpired club station license grant listing you as the license trustee. Refer to the licensee data base to verify that the call sign you are requesting is not already assigned. A call sign is normally assignable two years following license expiration, surrender, revocation, set aside, cancellation, void ab

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initio, or death of the grantee. See Fact Sheet PR5000 Number 206-V AMATEURSTATION VANITY CALL SIGN SYSTEM. For explanations of Groups A, B, C and D and the geographic Regions, see Fact Sheet PR5000 Number 206-S, AMATEUR STATION SEQUENTIAL CALL SIGN SYSTEM.

NOTE: A separate Public Notice will be released providing guidelines for the implementation of electronic filing procedures for FCC Form 610-V.

REQUEST BY LIST (PRIMARY OR CLUB STATION) - Provide a list of up to 25 call signs in the order of your preference. The first assignable call sign on your list will be assigned to your station. When requesting for your primary or club station:

** The call sign must have been unassigned for at least two years.*

** If you are an Amateur Extra Class operator, each call sign must be in Group A, B, C or D.*
NOTE: Advanced, General, Technician Plus, Technician, and Novice Class operators are not yet eligible to request by list. Advanced Class operators will be eligible at Gate 3. Others will be eligible at Gate 4.

** Each call sign must be one designated for the Region of your mailing address as follows:*

**** One of the contiguous 48 states - Regions 1 to 10.**

**** Alaska - Regions 1 to 11.**

**** American Samoa - Regions 1 to 10, or Region 13 having numeral 8.**

**** Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands - Regions 1 to 10, or Region 13 having numeral 0.**

**** Guam - Regions 1 to 10, or Region 13 having numeral 2.**

**** Hawaii - Regions 1 to 10, or Region 13 having numeral 6 or 7.**

**** Puerto Rico - Regions 1 to 10, or Region 12 having numeral 3 or 4.**

**** Virgin Islands - Regions 1 to 10, or Region 12 having numeral 2.**

REQUEST BY FORMER HOLDER

(PRIMARY STATION) - Opened May 31, 1996. For your primary station, you may request a call sign that was previously assigned to your primary,

secondary, repeater, auxiliary link, control, or space station. When so requesting for your primary station:

** You may request your former call sign even though it has been unassigned for less than two years. The two year requirement does not apply to an otherwise eligible primary station if the call sign was previously assigned to a station of the requestor.*

** You do not have to hold a class of operator license required for the Group (A, B, C, or D) for the call sign requested. A call sign request by former holder may be from any Group in the sequential system.*

** Your mailing address does not have to be in the Region designated in the sequential system for the call sign requested. A call sign requested by former a holder may be in any Region.*

REQUEST BY CLOSE RELATIVE OF FORMER HOLDER NOW DECEASED (PRIMARY STATION) - Opened May 31, 1996.

For your primary station, you may request a call sign that was previously assigned to the primary, secondary, repeater, auxiliary link, control, or space station of your now-deceased spouse, child, grandchild, stepchild, parent, grandparent, stepparent, brother, sisters, stepbrother, stepsister, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, or in-law. When so requesting for your primary station:

** You may request the former call sign of a close relative now deceased even though it has been unassigned for less than two years. Upon the death of the holder, a call sign is assignable immediately to an otherwise eligible primary station of a close relative.*

** You must be an Amateur Extra Class operator to request a Group A call sign.*

** You must be an Amateur Extra or Advanced Class operator to request a Group B call sign.*

** You must be an Amateur Extra, Advanced, General, Technician Plus, or Technician Class operator to request a Group C call sign.*

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** You must be an Amateur Extra, Advanced, General, Technician Plus, Technician or Novice class operator to request a Group D call sign.*

** Your mailing address does not have to be in the Region designated in the sequential system for the call sign requested. A call sign requested by a close relative of former holder now deceased may be in any Region.*

** You must show your relationship to the deceased person exactly as listed in the instruction, i.e., child, niece or in-law.*

** The license grant of the former holder now deceased must have been deleted from the licensee database. That is accomplished by a relative of the deceased submitting a signed request to have the license grant cancelled accompanied by a copy of an obituary or death certificate. The request for cancellation must be submitted to the FCC, 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 173257245 prior to filing the application for a vanity call sign.*

REQUEST BY FORMER HOLDER (CLUB STATION) - Opened May 31, 1996.

For the club station for which you are the license trustee, you may request a call sign that was previously assigned to that station. When so requesting for a club station:

** You may request your club station's former call sign even though it has been unassigned for less than two years. The two year requirement does not apply to an otherwise eligible club station if the call sign was previously assigned to the club station for which the requestor is the license trustee.*

** You do not have to hold a class of operator license required for the Group (A, B, C, or D) for the call sign requested. A call sign request by former holder may be from any Group in the sequential system.*

** Your mailing address does not have to be in the Region designated in the sequential system*

for the call sign requested. A call sign requested by a former holder may be in any Region.

REQUEST IN MEMORIAM (CLUB STATION) - Opened July 22, 1996.

If you are the license trustee for your club station, you may request in memoriam for your club station the call sign previously shown on the primary, secondary, repeater, auxiliary link, control, or space station license of a deceased person who was a member of the club. When so requesting in memoriam for your club station:

** The club must have held a club station license grant on March 24, 1995, or you must be an Amateur Extra Class operator.*

** You may request the call sign even though it has been less than two years following death of the club member. Upon the death of the holder, the call sign is assignable immediately to an otherwise eligible club station.*

** You must have in your station records a written statement (do not send to FCC unless requested) from a spouse, child, grandchild, stepchild, parent, grandparent, stepparent, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, or in-law of the deceased confirming the deceased person's association with the club and showing consent of the relative to your request.*

** You must be an Amateur Extra Class operator to request a Group A call sign.*

** You must be an Amateur Extra or Advanced Class operator to request a Group B call sign.*

** You must be an Amateur Extra, Advanced, General, Technician Plus, or Technician Class operator to request a Group C or D call sign.*

** Your mailing address does not have to be in the Region designated in the sequential system for the call sign requested. A call sign requested in memoriam may be in any Region.*

** You must enter the relationship to the deceased person giving consent exactly as listed in the instruction, i.e., child, niece or inlaw.*

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** The license grant of the former holder now deceased must have been deleted from the licensee database. That is accomplished by a relative of the deceased submitting a signed request to have the license grant cancelled accompanied by a copy of an obituary or death certificate. The request for cancellation must be submitted to the FCC, 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245 prior to filing the application for a vanity call sign.*

A \$30.00 fee is required with your FCC Form 610-V application. Payment of fees may be made by check (payable to "FCC"), bank draft, money order or credit card. If paying by credit card, you must also complete and submit FCC Form 159 with your FCC Form 610V. Do not send cash.

Send your application package to:

Federal Communications Commission
Amateur Vanity Call Sign
Request P.O. Box 358924
Pittsburgh, PA 15251-5924

If you do not qualify under the forementioned eligibility standards, your application will be dismissed. A future public notice will announce Gate 3 which will have expanded eligibility standards.

For further information, contact the Consumer Assistance Branch at 1-800-322-1117.

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(Thanks for the submission, Gordon Smith, you knew that I was drowning over here!! Ed-Cokie Eddy KC7MDV)



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WIMU '96 A SUPER SUCCESS

It was Utah's turn this year to sponsor the annual Wyoming-Idaho-Montana-Utah (WIMU) Hamfest, and UARC agreed to act as the sponsoring club. Duane Anderson, KJ7HO, volunteered to take the chair. Soon afterward, Park City was set as the location.

On August 3 and 4, the Olympia Park Hotel became the center of activity for hams from the four states and elsewhere. Altogether, 475 people registered, and they had all they could do to keep up with the variety of activities. Many hams were content to concentrate on the swap meet, but there was much more going on. Seminars included sessions on batteries, satellites, packet radio, and ARRL policy. License examinations were given. Contests included the QLF competition, transmitter hunts, and the ever-popular transformer toss. A variety of distributors displayed their wares.

An unusual feature of the Saturday night program was the 50's-style sock-hop following dinner. Initiation ceremonies for the Royal Order of the Wouff Hong commenced promptly at midnight.

Sunday morning featured breakfast, presentation of awards, and plans for future WIMU's.

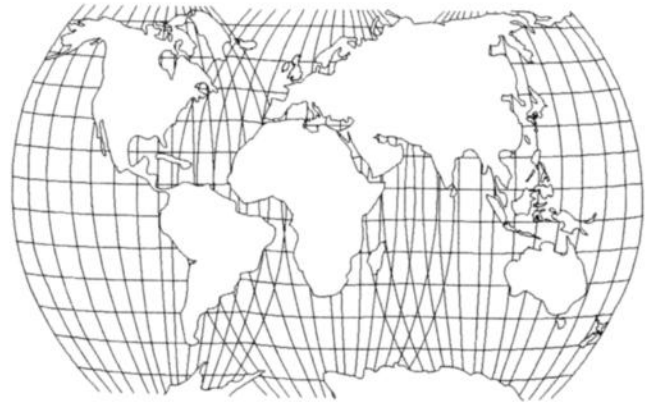
Next year, the torch will be passed to Montana, although the exact committee that will administer the event is still unknown. An issue that came up this year is whether to add Colorado to the list of participating states. (Would that mean it will be the WIMUC hamfest?)

It was decided to study that possibility and wait until next year for a decision.

Thanks to Duane (and Deanna) and his committee for the countless hours of effort it must have taken to put WIMU on. The committee included Eugene McWherter, N7OVT; Carol McWherter, KC7LLW; Bruce Leonard, KJ7HO; and Keith Bingham, KI7SL. Cindy Peters, KB7OUT, and Kathy Rudnicki, N7JSH, put together the initiation ceremonies for the Royal Order of the Wouff Hong.- Gordon Smith



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**I would like to thank
everyone that helped me
with submissions this
time, you are great!**

