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Happy Fall. Another year has come and gone. This past 2019 Hamfair was a success again. Great crowds and smooth flowing as usual. Everyone knows their jobs so setup and drawings were a breeze. We had a huge outdoor flea market and a great food truck.

Well the Holidays are just around the corner. I would like to wish everyone and their families a Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays.

This years Christmas party will be held at Shalersville Town Hall on Saturday December 14th at 6:00pm with dinner catered by Guido's and deserts brought in by members.

> Happy Holidays Merry Christmas



Contributions to the newsletter or monthly meeting programs are encouraged. If you have any contributions contact Dave Cluggish N8IIQ for meeting programs and Dave Felber N8WWJ for newsletter contributions or email kd8kda@gmail.com.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

PORTAGE HAMFAIR 2019 is now history. I am very pleased to report this event was a complete success! The flea market was actually larger than last year despite the changes we had to make with the parking lot because of the delayed construction at Maplewood. We were blessed with beautiful weather and the crowd grew as the morning went on. We had to make use of two meeting rooms for the inside vendors .We had a terrific showing of {Hams} to see what they could purchase at the event. Next year, July 26, 2020, we should have the use of the front parking lot for flea market and the side parking lot for general parking. AND we will also have the cafeteria back for our indoor vendors and club activities.

I must also report that we had a great Food Concession Truck by Crago Concessions supply our food for this event. The food was delicious, reasonably priced, and was so appreciated by everyone. Needless to say, They will be back for the 2020 event and so happy to be doing us this service.

Representing the ARRL was Scott Yonally, N8SY. Ohio Section Manager from Lexington, Ohio. We are always glad and appreciate our good friend for years, for attending our event and reporting the latest Amateur Radio Section and National ARRL news!

THE MINUTES of the last several meetings are going to be all reported here as one report. The regular monthly meetings of the Portage Amateur Radio Club was held at the Maplewood Career Center Route 88 Ravenna Ohio. They were held the fourth Wednesday of the month. The meetings were brought to order by our President, Larry Solak, WD8MPV, at 7PM. Following the Pledge of allegiance and the general announcements, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written and the Treasurers Report approved as submitted. The March meeting was held March 27th and the meeting was well attended as we talked about various things like club banners, tickets, other hamfests, voting age, Public service and updating our repeaters. The April meeting was held the 24th of April and after committee reports we discussed phone scams, tornados, sky warn and ex club member Gregg Gary, WB8YYS, as he opens the sky warn nets for the Natl WX Ser.. The May meeting was held May 22nd. We had many announcements about various hamfests. Fliers and tickets were available for our Portage Hamfair 2019. It was reported some road closures in July could hamper traffic to our event. So we took the wait and see route. The June meeting was held June 26th. We had a good attendance for this meeting as we were discussing out Hamfair plans. Lee, KA9EXZ, and XYL Kris, presented the new Club Hamfair Banner and smaller signs. A Big Thank You to both of you for this great deed for our Club! We then moved on to discussing the finish plans for our event. We took a list of volunteers who would be working this event and assigned them to their various duties. VE Exams will be held again this year!

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The July meeting was held July 24th and was a very well attended meeting also as it was the last meeting before the Hamfair. It was at this meeting we had to substitute space for space that was delayed construction at the Center and we could not use the front of the building as planned. So we spent from 7PM to 8PM touring the new space where we would be holding our event. After the business meeting we went to Room B and began setting up tables for the event. We met with Mike Lenzo, who was in charge of the building, and worked out the details. The August meeting was held August 28th and we spent the entire meeting after the business meeting, talking about our Hamfair and setting up plans for the Portage Hamfair 2020. The September meeting was held Sept 25th and again the topic was Hamfair 19 and plans for Hamfair 2020. We talked about our repeater, our club membership, hamfests in our State, and mailings advertising our event. Our group will be providing communications for the Balloon-a-Fair this year again during the Big Parade. We then discussed the Christmas Party which I will write about in a separate topic. The October meeting is the Nomination of Officers for the new year 2020. So please attend and support our Club.

The beginning of the Holiday Season is just around the corner. There will be many Holiday events and Christmas Parties. Mark your Calendar for December 14th 2019. For our Club Christmas Party. That is a Saturday evening and a perfect day for our Holiday celebration. The party will be held at the Shalersville Town Hall on the corner of Rt 303 and 44. The time will be 6PM with Dinner at 7PM. There will be the usual Junk Box gift for the guys and a \$5.00 exchange gift for the ladies. We suggest if bringing a child, get them a gift, put their name on it, so they will have a gift for the gift exchange. The party will be catered by Guidos of Ravenna. We will no doubt stick to the same menu as last year unless Guidos make some changes. Each family, or person, attending is asked to bring a dessert to share. We will announce the price and finished plans later in the Season.

Well, that's it for this year! This is the last NL for 2019. So we will see you at the October meeting OR when you least expect to see me around. Until then, BEST 73 Joanne KJ3O

Meeting Dates 2020

Jan......22nd Feb......26th March.....25th April27th June24th July22nd August26th Sept......23rd October28th NovemberTuesday 24th No meeting Dec.

Silent Key

Bobby Gene Pruett - WB8FEW Bobby Gene Pruett (Indian Name Watasiwa) Age 75, of Canton and Ravenna, passed away Oct. 13, 2019. Born May. 28, 1944, and was preceded by his parents Dossie and Jesse (Evans) Pruett and daughter Sherrie (Pruett) Nottingham. He is survived by his daughter Roberta (Pruett) Barrett; and former wife Cheryl (Lindsay) Pruett; his grandson, Trevor (Jennifer) Nottingham; his granddaughters, Miranda (Jon) Kato, Tabatha (John) Cooper, Lillian Wilson-Nottingham; and grandson Andrew Barrett; greatgrandson, Jonathon Kato, greatgranddaughter Aleigha Kato, and greatgrandson Zane Nottingham. Bobby was an avid ham radio operator and electrician.

HAMFAIR 2019



The Portage Amateur Radio Club, Inc. meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM Maplewood Career Center - 7075 State Route 88 - Ravenna, Ohio

Guests are always welcome

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