



The **W3PIE LETTER**

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The FCC's Riley Hollingsworth suggested that the amateur community remain calm but ready. He invited amateurs monitoring any suspicious radio activity to contact him, and he will relay relevant information to the FCC duty team. "You never know," he said. He advised monitors to tape such radio traffic, if possible.

Article from QRZ

W3PIE VE EXAM TESTING DATES

The last future exam for the year is: **December 2**. Plan to arrive at the club before 2 PM, bring a copy of your license and the original, also an additional form of ID such as a driver's license, and two number 2 pencils. The exam fee is now ten

dollars. Technician, General, and Extra exams will be available. Walk-ins are welcome.



In memory of the Amateurs missing and presumed lost in the Trade Center:

*Robert Cirri KA3OTD
Gerald Capolla KA2KET
Michael Jacobs AA1GO
Steve Jacobson N2SJ
Bill Steckman WA2ACW*

"Fourth"

Crash Site Support Continued in Western Pennsylvania

Meanwhile, at the so-called "fourth" plane crash site in rural Somerset County western Pennsylvania, Kevin Custer, W3KKC, reports a busy scene as the investigation continues. Custer arranged preliminary repeater communication into and out of the crash site on Tuesday to help the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Pennsylvania State Police, the FBI and other state and federal agencies on the scene.

**Next Club Meeting
is Wednesday,
October 3rd
2001**

"At this time we are preparing for the possibility of family members coming to the crash site--or close by," he said. "I have communications in place for hand-held coverage of the crash site to our local emergency operations center and three surrounding counties." Eric Hegerle, N3VOC, of the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network reports SATERN was using 146.610, 146.835, and 145.390 MHz linked repeaters for communication between Pittsburgh and the crash site.

"Things have calmed down since the FBI has taken over site and has secured it as a crime scene," Custer reported. This place has literally turned into a small city. He said federal investigators continue to search for the flight data recorder--the so-called "black box"--as well as any evidence of what happened. He said the investigation could continue for several weeks.

Article from QRZ

The Monthly Club Meeting Wednesday October 3rd 2001

Sam Call CD now @ the Club

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W3PIE Hamfest/Gabfest 2001 a Success

September 1st. 2001 turned out to be a fantastic day for the annual W3PIE Gabfest. As in past years at the event, there were many good bargains for the eager shopper. I myself found some interesting toys to purchase. It was enjoyable to see so many of the faces that I have known for years. The food was great as always, with a few new items on the menu, funnel cakes and fried dough. Thanks to Tina Martin WZ3Z for wanting to try something different this year, I think they were a hit with many people. Many of the club members volunteered their time and effort to make this years Gabfest a success. Hourly prizes were given away with a twist this year giving away \$\$Cash\$\$\$. The prize winners received their gifts and the list of those are on the W3PIE webpage. The address is <http://w3pie.tripod.com/winners/winners.html> I wold like to thank all of you who helped make this year a success. Also I thank you for awarding me the wonderful plaque and honor of Ham of the year.!

David Watson N3QAS

OCTOBER HAMFESTS

Tailgate Fest
Red Rose Repeater Assn.
October 6th, 2001
Contact: Dave Phillips, W3CWE
PO Box 8316
Lancaster, PA 17604
Phone: 717-872-6578
Email: jjcd@prodigy.net
<http://www.qsl.net/rrra/>

CANCELLED

October 7th
Northwest Ohio ARC
Contact: Greg Schwark, N8WBD
600 Sunset Drive
Spencerville, OH 45887
Phone: 419-647-6321

Medina Two Meter Group
October 7th
Contact: Mike Rubaszewski,
N8TZY
4264 Alpine Hill Court
Brunswick, OH 44212
Phone: 330-273-1519
Email: n8tzy@m3net.net
<http://www.qsl.net/m2m>

25th Annual Mid-Atlantic States
VHF Conference
Mt. Airy VHF Radio Club
October 13th, 2001
Contact: John Sorter, KB3XG
Phone: 610-505-6940
Email: JohnKB3XG@aol.com
http://www.ij.net/packrats/hamrama%202001/hama_01.html#Anchor-35593

Ashland Area ARC
October 14th
Contact: John McMurray,
KC8AAR
1126 Union Street
Ashland, OH 44805
Phone: 419-281-3117

Email: johnamcmurray@myexcel.com

Linglestown Hamfest
Central Pennsylvania Repeater Association
October 14th, 2001
Contact: Harold Baer, KE3TM
619 West Second Street
Hummelstown, PA 17036-1202
Phone: 717-566-8895
Email: hrsnb@aol.com

Hamarama 2001
Mt. Airy VHF Radio Club
(Packrats)
October 14th, 2001
Contact: Joe Keer, W3KJ
468 Cheswyck Drive
Harleysville, PA 19438
Phone: 215-256-1464
Email: packrats_w3ccx@yahoo.com
<http://www.ij.net/packrats>

R.F. Hill ARC
October 21st, 2001
Contact: Linda Erdman, KA3TJZ
2220 Hill Road
Perkiomenville, PA 18074
Phone: 215-679-5764
Email: rfhillarc@yahoo.com
<http://www.rfhill.ampr.org>

Massillon ARC
October 28th 2001
Contact: Terry Russ, N8ATZ
3420 Briardale Circle NW
Massillon, OH 44646
Phone: 330-837-3091
Email: marc.hamclub@juno.com
<http://www.qsl.net/w8np>

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



Robert Rose KA3WOH	10/7
Karen Cermak KA3EYD	10/7
John Strawberry WA3AKX	10/8
Hazel Pallini WB3LUD	10/11
William Warmuth K3FQI	10/17
John Wagner N3XMK	10/19
Joseph Stajnrjah WO3V	10/21
John Rudik WB3JNP	10/25
Donald Moser WA3DHH	10/27
Jim Takacs NC3K	10/29
Bonnie Thomas N3LMH	10/30

SEPTEMBER MEETING

ATTENDANCE

David Watson N3QAS
Tony Alviar KA3VOR
Pat Pallini WB3LUC
David Kir WA3DJG
John Martinelli N3RNU
Butch Blair KB3GPD
Ron DeGusipe KE3OH
Scott Button KF3CP
Paul Button KB3DLT
Carl Chuprinko WA3HQK
Joyce Chuprinko KA3CUT
Tina Martin WZ3Z
Bob Martin KA3YRD
Hank Duke KE3RS
Tom McDermott WB3BVZ
Tim Soxman W3ZVT
George Syner WA3OGQ
Paul Renninger K3ECZ
2 Guests: Shaun Martin
"Champ"



COLLECTORS CORNER

By Tim Soxman W3ZVT

The McElroy CP-500/P-500

The McElroy P-500/CP-500 keys were manufactured in 1941 and 1942 and were similar in appearance to the Vibroplex Original. The keys were made in three variations.

- a. Black base and black upper works.
- b. Gray base and gray upper works.
- c. Gray or black base with chrome upper work
- d. Early keys had large jam nuts and short dot contact springs while later ones had smaller jam nuts and longer dot contact springs.



9.11.2001

On September 11, 2001 our nation witnessed an act terrorism that will be remembered forever. Arising from this great tragedy are endless acts of heroism. The media covered the Pentagon and the World Trade Centers but what happened at home? For over two weeks dedicated men and women have been contributing in endless ways to assist in the efforts at the crash site of United Airlines Flight 93. Included in this effort were the Fayette County Emergency Management Agency and Hazardous Materials Response Team 900. Fayette County Staff members played a crucial role in assisting Somerset County Emergency Management by communicating via its Mobile Command Post. Trained Personnel staffed the Command Post for the past two weeks twenty four hours a day. Providing a communications link between many agencies the Fayette County Command Post and Staff proved to be a vital link in all aspects of disaster operations.

Submitted by Scott Dolan & Lisa Quarrick, Fayette County 911

N3QAS AWARDED W3PIE HAM OF THE YEAR



On September 1st, 2001 at the W3PIE Gabfest I was chosen to be "Honorary Ham of the Year".

I accept this award for all the time involved and with the duties of President of the Club. I am not non appreciative of this prestigious award, and I plan to do just as much as I did last year and who knows maybe more.

I just wish more of the club members would consider volunteering some of their valuable time towards making the club a better place to be a part of.

There are a lot of nice things to come from this organization and I plan on being a part of it as I wish you would be too. Just a bit of support goes a long way.! It takes everyone to pitch in a morsel to make a world of difference. If it is just promoting in some way the future of Amateur Radio that may be your part.

Come out some day just to turn the radio on at the club and operate, that will intrigue some of the newer Amateurs of this great hobby. Ham Radio is not dead, it's crying out for some use by some of our greatest members. Think Participation...!!!

David Watson N3QAS



A Day of Tragedy . . .

September 11, 2001. A Day many of us wish we could forget, but yet, know that we will always remember.

As of today the tally in NYC is as follows:

34 Emergency Services Workers killed in the line of duty
309 Emergency Services Workers still missing
186 Emergency Services Workers injured

305 Confirmed deaths (Both Emergency Services and civilians)

Approximately 5900 remain missing.

Please keep the people that lost their lives, their families, and their friends in your prayers and thoughts.



AUGUST 26TH
YEAR 2001

W3PIE PICNIC

About the money owed to the club for the picnic, it has not yet been determined the cost due. If you were at the picnic, you will be notified of the costs concerning that event. Don't get too worried it will be very little!

David Watson – N3QAS

FEEDBACK

ARTICLES, FOR-SALE,

ISO, ETC, FOR THE

NEWSLETTER

SEND TO:

wa3waw@arrl.net

vze27z5x@verizon.net

talviar@fcema.org

THURSDAY

NIGHT 147.045

WB3LUC NET

Please check in 147.045 + @ 9:00 PM every Thursday. Try to check into this net to update yourself on W3PIE club activities. How will you know what is going on if you don't listen or check in.?

Pat Pallini, WB3LUC

REPEATER

REPORT

2001 GABFEST PICTURES



In picture above Chuck French KC3YR, (left) takes time out to have a photo taken with his long time pal Bill Warmuth K3FQI, (right) at the September 1st. 2001 Gabfest at W3PIE. Is that a rabbit..?

In the picture below Barry Miller NJ3X takes advantage of the great day at the September 1st. 2001 Gabfest at W3PIE selling all of his no longer needed toys. Tnxs Barry, I got a good deal..!



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

UNIONTOWN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.—W3PIE
 433 Old Pittsburgh Road
 Uniontown, PA 15401
 724-439-8158



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Full Membership	Associate Membership	Student Membership	Family Membership
\$2.50 per month And a one time Registration Fee of \$5.00 Cost is \$30/year	\$15.00 per year	\$15.00 per year and one time Registration Fee of \$1.50	\$5.00 per Family Member per year

v ALL THAT APPLY

I am applying for?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full Membership *	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate Membership	Sponsor
<i>*Requires Sponsor</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Student Membership *	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family Membership *	

Is this application a renewal? Yes No

Are you an ARRL Member? Yes No

May we list your phone number on the club roster? Yes No

Would you like a 2nd AutoDial number? (Full members only) Yes No

If yes, list the optional number _____

Make all checks payable to: **Uniontown Amateur Radio Club, INC**

Total Amount Paid _____

Being genuinely interested in Amateur Radio, I hereby apply for Membership in the Uniontown Amateur Radio Club, Inc. As a Member I will abide by the Constitution of the Club. Also, I will support the Club to the best of my ability.

X _____
Signature of Applicant *Date*

W3PIE OCTOBER 2001 NEWSLETTER

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THE CLUB REPEATERS: 147.045+, 147.255+, 443.750+ FULL TIME PL OF 123.0
AFFILIATE REPEATER: WB3LUC 145.170- FULL TIME PL OF 131.8
PACKET NODE: W3PIE-1/UARC 145.690

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THE CLUB HOLDS ITS REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:30 PM AT THE UNIONTOWN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB CLUBHOUSE. **ALL AMATEURS ARE WELCOME.**

Newsletter staff for this issue

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