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# “SARA SLIP”



## Newsletter of the Shawnee Amateur Radio Association

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SARA WEBSITE: [www.w9rnm.org](http://www.w9rnm.org). The SARA SLIP can now be found on the SARA website.

MEETING SCHEDULE: SARA regular meetings are held on the first Friday of each month at 7:00 PM. at the Herrin City Hall..

NEXT MEETING: Our December meeting will be held on Thursday, the 5 th of the month.Xmas party at Golden Corral.

## SARA SUNDAY NETS

1. 3.925 Mhz (plus/minus QRM). Sundays; 8-9 AM. Net Manager: Fred, AA9FS.

### Net Controls:

December 1 .....	W9OWP
December 8 .....	N9ADJ
December 15 .....	KG9DD
December 22 .....	KC9AJR
December 29 .....	WA9RD

2. 147.090/.690 SARA Repeater Sundays, 9 PM. Net Manager: Bob Giacomo, N9VKO. Net Control: Bob, N9VKO.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### TREASURER'S REPORT NOVEMBER 2019

Beginning Balance:		\$2264.15
Credits: 50/50	\$ 21.00	
Dues	\$ 50.00	
Debits: Family of Steven Cremeens	\$ 35.00	
Ending Balance:		\$2300.15

# MINUTES

SARA Meeting Minutes November 1st 2019

Meeting called to order by Kenny KB9KC at 7:00PM with introductions by 17 members present.

Secretary Report: Motion made by Buddy K9BJA and seconded by Leroy KB9JNO to accept the Secretary's report as printed in The SARA Slip. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Tom W9RY and seconded by Buddy K9BJA to accept the Treasurer's report as printed in the SARA Slip. Motion passed.

Repeater Committee Report: Leroy KB9JNO stated that the link system for the 146.880 and 147.090 repeaters was back up and on air again but the chirping noise that occurs in the evening hours on Sunday when net activity is taking place on the 147.090 repeater still remains a problem and will keep working to solve that noise issue. Fred AA9FS reported that he had heard the same noise on the 147.345 repeater recently in the evening hours also.

Skywarn Report: Kenny KB9KC reminded everyone that if you do not check in for 3 weeks in a row on the on Sunday night Skywarn roll call net you will be skipped on the list but not dropped and will be called in order once again when you are able to check in again. Anyone wishing to assist with net control on the net please contact Kenny.

Old Business: Bruce WA9APQ spoke about the October 25th and 26th ARES exercise. Bruce indicated that there was a shortage of help as a number of agencies were no shows and would like to see some changes made in the future. Saturday's weather was problem as well.

Kenny KB9KC stated that he had purchased an ARRL insurance policy for S.A.R.A. club activates as approved at the last meeting and it was effective as of October 14th.

Bob N9VKO thanked everyone who helped in the bad/wet weather with this year's Mardi Gras parade. The Pinckneyville Chamber of Commerce was very thankful for all the support given to help make it a success.

New Business: Kenny KB9KC stated that the S.A.R.A. Christmas Party would take place again at the Golden Corral on Thursday night December 5th beginning at 6:00PM in Carbondale. Motion made by Shawn K9PWW and seconded by Buddy K9BJA to approve the time and date. Motion passed

Tom W9RY informed everyone that Fritz Bock WD9FNB who has served as Illinois Section ARES coordinator has become a Silent Key after battling a serious illness.

Bob N9VKO also informed everyone that KD9JOR Steve Cremeens had become a Silent Key on Thursday night October 31st. His wife Carolyn KD9BUY survives and can still be heard on the 146.850 repeater.

Motion to Adjourn made by Tom W9RY and seconded by Buddy K9BJA

meeting adjourned

50/50 - Winner was Buddy K9BJA - total of \$22.00 with a payout of \$11.00  
- Buddy donated \$10.00 back

## Announcements

### **SARA MEETING LOCATION**

**The SARA meetings will be held on the first Friday of the month in the north side of the Herrin City Hall (old Herrin P.D.) 300 N. Park Avenue at 7:00 pm.**

The LEARS club will hold their monthly meeting on the second Tuesday 6:30 pm at the Franklin Hospital in the 1 st. floor conference room.

The MARA club will hold their meetings for 2018 at the Murphysboro Township office in Murphysboro, IL. at 7:00 pm on the third Friday of the month.

Amateur Radio Tower Foundation will hold their meeting quarterly after the MARA club meeting.

### Net Schedule

146.850 PL88.5 M.A.R.A. ....Monday- Saturday 7:30 - 9:00 am  
147.135 PL 88.5 ARCOM Mt. Vernon, Il.....Monday 8:00 pm  
146.805 PL 88.5 LEARS .....Monday 8:30 pm  
147.270 PL103.5 Centralia, Il. ....Wednesday 8:00 pm  
147.345 PL 88.5 Best night net .....Saturday 7:00 pm  
147.090 PL 88.5 District 11 ARES net .....Sunday 8:15 pm  
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA Skywarn .....Sunday 8:45pm  
147.090 PL 88.5 SARA. ....Sunday 9:00 pm  
3.925 MHZ SARA 75m net .....Sunday 8:00am  
3.940 MHZ Illinois Phone Net                      Sunday at 8:00 am  
3.905 MHZ State wide ARES net ..1st. and 3rd. Sunday 4:30 pm  
3.905 MHZ Illinois Sideband Traffic Net    Nightly at 6:00 pm  
3.537 MHZ Illinois CW Net (ILN)                Nightly at 7:15 pm  
3.858 MHZ Illinois Phone Net                Monday-Friday at 4:45 pm

## SARA SKYWARN NET CONTROLS:

Nov 3, K9BJA; Nov 10 ,KB9KC; Nov 17 ,AA9FS;  
Nov 24 ,KD4CAE; Dec 1, KD9EFB; Dec 8, K9BJA;  
Dec 15, KB9KC; Dec 22,AA9FS; Dec 29 ,KD4CAE;  
Jan 5 ,KD9EFB; Jan 12 ,K9BJA; Jan 19 ,KB9KC;  
Jan 26 ,AA9FS; Feb 2 ,KD4CAE; Feb 9 ,KD9EFB;  
Feb 16 ,K9BJA; Feb 23 ,KB9KC; Mar 1 ,AA9FS;  
Mar 8 ,KD4CAE; Mar 15 ,KD9EFB; Mar 22 ,K9BJA;  
Mar 29 ,KB9KC; Apr 5 ,AA9FS; Apr 12 ,KD4CAE;  
Apr 19 ,KD9EFB; Apr 26 ,K9BJA; May 3 ,KB9KC;  
May 10 , AA9FS; May 17 ,KD4CAE; May 24, KD9EFB;  
Jun 7 ,K9BJA; Jun 14 ,KB9KC; Jun 21 ,AA9FS;  
Jun 28, KD4CAE; July 5 ,KD9EFB

### **News From My Hamster Hut by Carolyn, KD9BUY**

Submissions for the December 2019 SARA Slip

ATTENTION ALL RADIO CLUBS

It is the time of year to update my schedules for the 2020 club meetings, make sure all meeting info is correct and to update your club officer's contact information. Please send me an email with this information for your club and also notify me of any changes that have been made to: kd9buy@gmail.com

Also bear in mind that most clubs will have club dues coming up for the new year in JANUARY 2020.... start saving your pennies!

#### **A Special Note**

To all my "ham radio family" on behalf of my children, Sam & Angela Cremeens, Mike & Carla Cremeens, Amy & John Taylor and myself, We would like to thank you, each and every one, for all the phone calls, prayers, cards, flowers, donations to the American Cancer Society, the kind words, those that took part in the masonic service, those who made the trip all the way to Alto Pass to attend the visitation and/or funeral of my beloved, Steve, KD9JOR. Our children and I were overwhelmed with the outpouring of your kindness. You all have been such a blessing and we will never be able to repay the richness you have added to our lives. God bless you all, Carolyn Cremeens, KD9BUY

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\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club meets the first Monday of each month at 7 pm, at the Cape Girardeau County Office Building, 1 Barton Square, Jackson, Mis-

souri. Ham testing follows the meeting. Their next meeting is December 2nd.

\*\*The Centralia Wireless Association meets the first Monday of each month, (except when it falls on a holiday. Then that meeting will be the following week) at 7 pm, at the Centralia Historical Museum, in Centralia, Illinois. Their next meeting will be December 2nd.

\*\*The Trico Amateur Radio Club will meet Tuesday, December 3rd, at 5:30 pm in the basement south side meeting room at the Missouri Delta Hospital in Sikeston, Missouri.

\*\*Instead of having a December meeting, the SARA Club will have their Christmas Party, at 6 pm, Thursday, December 5th, at Golden Corral near Carbondale, Illinois.

\*\*The Union County Amateur Radio Club meets the second Monday of each month at 6 pm, at Jus 10, 334 South Main Street, Anna, Illinois. Ham testing at 5 pm before the meeting. Their next meeting is December 9th.

\*\*The SEMO Amateur Radio Association meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 pm at United Gospel Rescue Mission, 400 South Broadway in Poplar Bluff, Missouri. Their next meeting is December 12th.

\*\*The MARA Club will meet the third Friday of each month, at 7 pm, at the Murphysboro Township Hall, 1410 Walnut Street in Murphysboro, Illinois. Ham testing will follow the meeting. The next meeting is December 20th.

\*\*The Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon will have NO MEETING IN DECEMBER.

\*\*The REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB will have NO MEETING IN DECEMBER.

\*\*The LEARS Club will have NO MEETING IN DECEMBER!

\*\*LEARS CLUB Repeater on frequency 146.805 is off the air until further notice.

#### **Ham Testing**

\*\*Following the 7 pm, December 2nd, meeting of the Semo Amateur Radio Club, at the Cape Girardeau County Office Building on Barton Square in Jackson, Missouri.

\*\*At 5 pm before the December 9th meeting of the Union County Amateur Radio Club at Jus 10 on South Main Street in Anna Illinois.

\*\*Union County Amateur Radio Club will have testing every second Friday of each month at Union County Emergency Management Agency, 301 W Mississippi St., Jonesboro, Illinois. You MUST pre-register three days prior to testing date. Call Lee Massey (WA9LM) at 618-434-6262. Next test is December 13th.

\*\*Following the 7 pm, December 20th, meeting of the MARA Club at the Murphysboro Township Hall on Walnut Street in Murphysboro, Illinois.

#### **Special Events & Fund Raisers**

\*\*For a complete list of ARRL Hamventions and Conventions go to [arrl.org/hamfests/search](http://arrl.org/hamfests/search)

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#### NOTEWORTHY WEBSITES

- \*\*Carolyn's Coffee Break Program
  - \*\*Carolyn's Sunday Gospel Program
  - \*\*American Thresherman Bluegrass Programs
  - \*\*Shawnee Training Academy <http://www.shawneetrainingacademy.com/>
  - \*\*Topographical Maps [heywhatsthat.com](http://heywhatsthat.com)
  - \*\*Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon <https://qsl.net/arcom/>
  - \*\*W0AVQ's Repeater Overlay on Google Earth <http://hamradio.w0avq.org/repeaters>
  - \*\*Walker Communications [wcradios.com](http://wcradios.com)
  - \*\*NWS SKYWARN SPOTTER TRAINING schedule [weather.gov/pah/spottertraining](http://weather.gov/pah/spottertraining)
  - \*\*ARRL Hamfest and Convention list [arrl.org/hamfests/search](http://arrl.org/hamfests/search)
  - \*\*Ed's (AD0WN)Tri-State Repeater list <http://semoarc.com/nets.htm>
  - \*\*WB0VTM & K9YAW putting up an antenna WB0VTM & K9YAW
  - \*\*Ham Radio Call Book Archives <https://archive.org/details/callbook?&sort=-downloads&page=2>
  - \*\*Build an R6 Meter-Plus antenna <https://youtu.be/NmZemahwtzw>
  - \*\*SARA CLUB [w9rnm.org](http://w9rnm.org)
  - \*\*CENTRALIA WIRELESS ASSOCIATION [w9cwa.net](http://w9cwa.net)
  - \*\*TRI STATE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY [w9og.net](http://w9og.net)
  - \*\*SEMO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION [semohams.net](http://semohams.net)
  - \*\*W9RY SOUTHERN IL. AMATEUR RADIO PAGE [w9ry.com](http://w9ry.com)
  - \*\*The following organizations can be found on Facebook.
- (1) MARA Club
  - (2) SOUTHERN ILLINOIS AMATEUR RADIO
  - (3) ARRL
  - (4) RADIOW9GH
  - (6) REND LAKE COLLEGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
  - (7) SEMO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION

#### NIGHTTIME NETS

(All times central unless otherwise indicated)

##### **Mondays**

- \*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)
- \*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0
- \*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Association net at 7 pm on 145.350 pl 100.0



\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Association net at 8 pm on 146.910 pl 100.0  
\*\*Amateur Radio Club of Mt. Vernon Net at 8 pm on 147.135 pl 88.5.

### **Tuesdays**

\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)  
\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0  
\*\*R.A.D.I.O. NET at 9 pm on 146.940 pl 94.8 . EchoLink access N9MWK-L

### **Wednesdays**

\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)  
\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0  
\*\*Centralia Wireless Association net at 8 pm on 147.270 pl 103.5 EchoLink node W9CWA-R

### **Thursdays**

\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)  
\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0  
\*\*SEMO 5 State Net Thursday nights at 7:30 pm on 147.330 pl 100.0  
\*\*SCAN CLUB Thursday Night Rag Chew at 8 pm on 146.880/147.090 linked system pl tone 88.5

### **Fridays**

\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)  
\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0

### **Saturdays**

\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)  
\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0

### **Sundays**

\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 440 Net at 6:30 pm on 444.200 (No pl tone needed.)  
\*\*SEMO Amateur Radio Club 2 Meter Net at 7 pm on 146.685 pl 100.0  
\*\*ARES Net at 8:15 pm on 147.090 & 146.880 linked system. Pl tone 88.5  
\*\*SARA Net at 9 pm, on 147.090 & 146.880. pl tone is 88.5

### **FORMAL, TRAINING & ROLL CALL NETS**

\*\*Illinois Sideband Traffic Net nightly at 6 pm (must have a general or higher license) on 39.05  
\*\*Tri-State Emergency Net, 8 pm Wednesdays on 146.79  
\*\*The PBW-Net humanitarian is each Sunday at 6 pm on simplex 146.495  
\*\*ARES Net at 8:15 pm on 147.090 & 146.880 linked system. PL tone 88.5  
\*\*SARA SKYWARN Net, each Sunday at 8:45 pm on linked repeaters

147.090 & 146.880 pl tones 88.5

#### **SILENT KEYS**

\*\*W9YRY August "Augie" Campanella 06/09/1920-07/19/2016  
\*\*WD0CYP Rev. Dr. Harold "Hal" Landwehr 03/10/1940-12/27/2016  
\*\*W9CJW Michael "Mike" Hoshiko 04/08/1921-12/26/16  
\*\*WB9HEB Jonathan "John" Kraatz 04/08/1950-04/07/2017  
\*\*KA9TTP William "Bill" Hertter 11/07/1944-05/20/2017 \*\*WA0ZNI Joseph  
"Joe" Lorberg 03/09/1939-07/29/2017  
\*\*KB9KCV Charles "Charlie" Conwell 11/11/1953-08/12/2017  
\*\*K9YP William "Bill" Stevens 08/12/1955-09/04/2017  
\*\*KB9COL Raymond Jackson 12/16/1945-07/16/2018  
\*\*WA9GYH Ronald Hunter 05/03/1947-12/02/18  
\*\*KB0ZDG Howard A. Mc Artor Jr. 06/26/1928-exact date unknown  
\*\*N9XWO Lou Dean Spurlin 05/29/1942-03/17/2019  
\*\*WA9HAB Bob Morefield 10/10/1938-04/11/2019  
\*\*KC0UCF Richard Bundy 02/09/1968-09/17/2109  
\*\*WB0TYV Larry Huey 08/18/1943-10/24/2019  
\*\*KD9JOR Steve Cremeens 03/21/1952-10/31/2019

#### **SPECIAL NOTES**

\*\*For all the work you need done on your antennas or towers, get the work done right the first time by calling Dennis Karnes (N9TAK) at 618-967-0924.  
\*\* EchoLink is running on 146.850. To connect to the system use the following EchoLink Node Call sign : K9GOX-R EchoLink Node Number : 817516 Allstar Node Call sign : K9GOX Allstar Node number : 45525  
\*\*Anyone that has anything they want included in Saturday's emailing of the News From My Hamster Hut, Hamster Hut Shop & Swap, or any photos they might like to submit to the Hamster Hut Picture Place must get them to me by Wednesday evening! Email your submissions to boogerinosmom@gmail.com

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