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Good News....Bad News

Unfortunately, we must begin with the bad news. It is with great sorrow that I report the death of Bill, K2NJ's Mother. I want to offer my sympathy and that of the MARAC organization to Bill and his family for their loss. May the prayers and best wishes of your friends sustain you through this difficult time. Bill, The MARAC family is always there to help in any way we can.

And then, there's the good news...well, at least from my point of view. I get to fill in for Bill in this month's Presidents column. This is a great opportunity for me to tell you about this year's National Convention being held near the Mexican border and the Gulf of Mexico at Weslaco, Texas in July.

The lower Rio Grande Valley is a tropical garden well known for its diverse population, wide ranging recreational offerings, historical sites and vast agricultural output. Although we're at the same latitude as Ft. Lauderdale, the climate in summer is much more moderate due to the strong gulf breeze and much less rain. While we have an average of five 100 degree days a year, Dallas, 600 miles north has 35. Our proximity to the Gulf and South Padre Island gives us a real tropical ocean playground in our "backyard". Being located along the border with Mexico, we enjoy the fun, food and products of our neighbor at bargain prices and only a few minutes away.

The "Valley" hosts hundreds of thousands of "Winter Texans", spring breakers and birders from everywhere each year, so it is well equipped to entertain, inform, feed and otherwise dazzle visitors. Whether it's beaches, bargains, nature, museums, history, ranch country, golf or just hangin' out, it's here.

The PalmAire Best Western in Weslaco is in what we call the "mid-valley". It's easy to get to and is situated about equidistant from McAllen-Mission-Edinburgh to the west and Harlingen-Brownsville to the east and southeast. It's easily served by the three Valley airports. The PalmAire has all the amenities including three big palm lined pools, a health club with complete Nautilus equipment, hot and cold spas, sauna, steam room, courtyard steakhouse grille and lounge, golf driving range, tennis courts, beauty and barber shops and boutiques.

We have arranged a very special rate at the hotel for one or two persons for only \$48/night including buffet breakfast (order your eggs how you like 'em). The room, facilities and personnel at the PalmAire are all top notch.

Registration for the convention will be in the Hospitality room where you will be checked in by Ralph, WA4HXG and his xyl, Beverly. Norm, W2LSH and Walt, K1DFO are the Hospitality room hosts who will cater to your thirst and hunger.

Besides the usual camaraderie, hospitality room kibitz time, meetings and sessions, three side events are planned. First, on Wednesday evening, July 14, attendees are offered a taste of ranch country cuisine right at the convention site along with borderland entertainment. It'll be a great meal and a pleasant evening.

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Good News...Bad News (continued)

On Thursday, we have arranged for a South Padre Island-Dolphin Watch tour. Take a tour bus to South Padre Island, board a double-decker and cruise the calm blue waters around the end of the Island. See the dolphins feeding, the shrimp boats, the old Confederate landing and other points of interest. Then, back on land, the bus will take you up the Island to Blackbeard's. This casual eatery has great seafood, burgers and steaks at moderate prices. Order from the menu, at your own expense, then board the bus for the return to Weslaco. All this for only \$28/person.

On Friday it's shopping and lunch in a Mexican border town. Board a tour bus for the short ride to Nuevo Progreso just over the Rio Grande. You'll have a couple hours to shop the stores for bargains in clothes, Mexican crafts, leather, art, and a myriad of products. Take your medicine list to save 50% on your prescriptions. Enjoy a cool one along the street or in a mini-mall. Then it's lunch at Arturo's a great restaurant with a 30 year history of excellence. Order from the menu at your own cost. Prices are moderate. Then it's back to Weslaco on the bus. The tour price is only \$14/person.

These three events will be hosted by Mike and Cheryl Carver, KG5UZ and KJ5PQ. The Saturday evening banquet will be hosted by Bozo, I mean Mark, W9OP who has a few things up his sleeve. Chuck, W6YLJ promises a fine prize list for drawings. Don't forget the early bird pre-registration transceiver that will be given to someone who registers before May 1st.

If you wish to host a session or meeting on a subject of interest to the attendees, we are looking for your proposal. Contact me with a description, time needed, and any special meeting room needs.

If you are online, take a look at the convention website for more details. A big thank you goes to Dean, N9VRZ for putting together a great website. Go to www.countyhunter.com and click on "Events & Contests". If you cannot access the website, contact me at 956-636-9161 or at Joyce A. Boothe, WB9NUL, 21175 FM2556, Santa Rosa, TX 78593. On-the air contact is a bit "iffy" right now, as we just moved into a new home and Barry doesn't have antennas up yet. He says he'll get something going very soon. Meanwhile, the mobile in the driveway works well for skeds.

We hope to see you all in south Texas in July. A registration form is available on page 6 in the RoadRunner.
73's & 88's Joyce, WB9NUL



*South Padre Island
Dolphin Watch, Tour Boat.*



**Best Western Palm Aire
Hotel & Suites**

MINUTES**MARAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBER MEETING****Date: March 10, 2004**

The Meeting of the MARAC Board of Directors was called to order at 0800 PM EST (0100Z) by Bill (K2NJ).

The Officers present were:

President	Bill Inkrote – K2NJ
Vice President	Bob Voss – N4CD
Secretary	Norm Ellison — W2LSH
Treasurer	Jim Grandinetti – KZ2P
North Central Director	John Robson – WB9STT
Pacific Director	Robert t. Devine – KC6AWX

The Members present were: VE1BES, KA1JPR, KC0JG, KC9FMJ, N0DIA, N3FC, N3ISH, N3VGI, N4JNE, N4SMH, N6PDB, N8CIIJ, NX0X, NX4W, W0VD, W3CR, AB2LS and some I missed.

Upon a motion by N4CD (Bob) and seconded by KZ2P (Jim) the minutes of the February 11, 2004 meeting were approved. Roll call indicated 5 in favor, none opposed.

Upon a motion by N4CD (Bob) and seconded by KC6AWX (Bob) the Treasurer's report of February 29, 2004 was accepted. Roll call indicated 4 in favor, 1 abstention and none opposed.

OLD BUSINESS

A: None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

A: Bill (K2NJ) reported that he is polling the Awards Committee on the question of dropping the fee on Ran all Counties in a State. No other new business at this time.

OPEN MEETING

Nothing at this time.

With no further Business to come before the Board, N4CD (Bob) moved that we adjourn. Seconded by KC6AWX. The motion Carried, 5 in favor, none opposed.

We adjourned at 08:08pm EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,
Norm Ellison W2LSH
Secretary, MARAC

TO ALL OUR MARAC FRIENDS;

Gloria and I (Larry,KA9ZRW) plan to walk in the South Bend MS walk on May 8, 2004. As you probably know, I have MS and have been greatly benefited personally by this organization. So we are asking for your help to raise funds for this very worthy organization so they can continue their wonderful work and sometime soon find a cure for this devastating disease. Please make your checks out to The National MS Society and mail them to Larry Hickman KA9ZRW, 928 Sprucewood Lane, South Bend, IN.,46637. We thank you in advance for what you will be able to do. Heartfelt thanks, 73 Larry and Gloria

**Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club
Treasurer's Report
March 31, 2004**

Funds Balance	2/29/04		\$28,597.76
Incom e:			
Awards		\$ 334.00	
Dues		930.00	
Interest		<u>5.13</u>	
			\$1,269.13
Expenses:			
Gene Olig – expenses		\$ 421.09	
Stafford Engraving - awards		39.00	
Fairmont Awards - awards		585.75	
Print-Right, Inc – newsletter		<u>903.74</u>	
			<u>1,949.58</u>
			<u>(680.45)</u>
Account Balances			\$27,917.31
Money Market Account		\$26,802.72	
Checking Account		<u>1,114.59</u>	
			\$27,917.31

Note:

The following monies are not included in the above:

Awards Chairman's Funds	\$1,200.00
2004 Convention Chairman's Funds	\$2,500.00

**DEADLINE FOR
THE MAY ISSUE
IS
APRIL 25th.**

**MARAC Board Meeting
Schedule for 2004**

Apr 14, May 12, June 9, July
Saturday morning at convention.

DATELINE CW**By Ed, KN4Y**

The county hunter talked, and as he talked Wallpaper came alive!
Suddenly ghosts walked and the door to the hospitality room closed.

I am registered in the ARRL Logbook of the World. First I downloaded the install instructions and printed it. Next I went to the ARRL logbook of the world website and downloaded the latest version of the installer program. Next I created a certificate request and put it in a file. Next I sent the file attached to an e-mail to ARRL address listed in the instructions. A few days later I received a postcard with a password from the ARRL. The card is sent to my address listed in the FCC database. Then I followed the instructions on the post card and installed my certificate. It is recommended I save my certificate to a disk in case my computer crashed, and I did. The ARRL requests all logs submitted to be in the Cabrillo format. To see if I did everything correctly I sent in my ARRL DX contest log. I got an automated response my log was successfully processed. I logged into the LOTW web site and viewed my submitted data and confirmations. You must have a user name and password to log on which you will receive in an e-mail.

WHERE DID I PUT THE MARAC CW CONTEST INFORMATION? I talk loud so I can hear what I said to myself. Here it is in the manila file marked CH CW contest. I see this year the dates are May 1 and 2 the week before Mothers day. The rules are available at; <http://marac.org/cwrules2003.htm>. The exchange is RST, county, state. The signal report is no longer required for a MARAC award, wonder when the RST will no longer be required in the contest exchange. The frequencies are 50 up from the band edge. Norm, W3DYA is the contest coordinator. The weather is nice so I decide to go outside to check if my mobile is ready for contesting.

I hear the caustic roar of Gators four by four, the nesting birds put in their earplugs. Here comes the Lord of the Noise. Gator pulls into the driveway and slides up to the recycled railroad tie. The swish-swish of the ninety-six inch whip antenna slaps gnats out of the air. He opens the door and yells, "What you be doing Dude?" "I was just going to check the mobile for the county hunters contest." "What is that antenna?" "That is a 80 meter mobile antenna, I am thinking about running some 80 meters in the contest after dark," "I did not know 80 meters was used in the contest?" "I do not know either this will be the first year I have tried it. According to the rules the frequency is 3575 kHz." Gator has lost interest and heads for the cooler. He gets a couple cool ones, "Here Dude cool off, you going to do the Georgia QSO party on April 10 and 11?"

"~~I checked the rules at~~ <http://gqp.contesting.com/Rules.htm>. Right now I do plan to run around South Georgia on Saturday, not sure of Sunday." "That be Easter Dude, county hunters are going to be out hunting for eggs not counties." "You may be right Gator that is why I am undecided." We take a long thirst quenching drink, Boy a boiled egg sounds good.

Gator asks, "How about the Florida QSO party on April 24 and 25." "Does the Pope drink wine? You know dang well I plan to run counties both days. I made a copy of the rules from <http://www.floridaqsoparty.org/rules.html>." "Don't get huffy I was just inquiring, you know inquiring minds have to know." "You watch too much television." "You know Dude that is three contests in four weeks." "Yes Gator, but you know the old saying all good things come in threes." I point to the cooler; I do not want to hear any age related remarks. Gator gets two more cool ones and hands one to me.

"What route you going to run in the Florida QSO Party?" "Not sure yet, but most likely the same as last year." "My you be creative." I throw a bottle cap at Gator. There is rasping sound, it is Gators pager. "Sorry Dude I got to leave." "Okay Gator, you still plan to drive for me in the contests?" "How old would you be if you didn't know how old you are?" Gator is out the door, and with a honk honk he disappears in a cloud of dust, quite a feat considering he is on an asphalt road. I yell, "always offer to bait your date's hook, especially on the first date." Gator is out of hearing range. I guess I will check out the mobile tomorrow, getting to close to nap time.

36th Annual MARAC National Convention
14 July - 17 July 2004 WESLACO, TX
Convention Site: Best Western Palm Aire Hotel

NAME (First, MI, Last) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST/PROV _____ POSTAL CODE _____

NAME ON BADGE _____ CALL _____ USACA # _____

Registration Fee: \$ 30.00

Additional NAME BADGES Total # of additional badge \$5.00 each = \$ _____

NAME _____ CALL _____ USACA # _____ RELATION _____

NAME _____ CALL _____ USACA # _____ RELATION _____

NAME _____ CALL _____ USACA # _____ RELATION _____

RELATION: W - Wife, H - Husband D - Daughter, S - Son, H - Mother, F - Father, X - Friend, GD - Grand Daughter, GS - Grand Son
For any additional badges please attach or enclose a note

Enter Number of Persons Attending Events

Wednesday July 14

Chuck Wagon Buffet Diner # Adults _____ x \$ 16.00 + # Children _____ x \$ 16.00 = \$ _____

Thursday July 15

Island Dolphin Watch Tour # Adults _____ x \$ 28.00 + # Children _____ x \$ 28.00 = \$ _____

Friday July 16

Mexico Trip # Adults _____ x \$ 14.00 + # Children _____ x \$ 14.00 = \$ _____

Saturday July 1

Banquet — Beef Stroganoff # Adults _____ x \$ 18.00 + # Children _____ x \$ 18.00 = \$ _____

Banquet — Chicken Dijon # Adults _____ x \$ 18.00 + # Children _____ x \$ 18.00 = \$ _____

PRIZE TICKETS

MERCHANDISE

Ham (single) _____ x \$ 1.00 = \$ _____ Extra Photo _____ x \$ 6.00 = \$ _____

Ham (12 tickets) _____ x \$ 10.00 = \$ _____ YL Photo _____ x \$ 6.00 = \$ _____

Cash (single) _____ x \$ 1.00 = \$ _____ USA-CA Photo _____ x \$ 6.00 = \$ _____

Cash (12 tickets) _____ x \$ 10.00 = \$ _____ CW Photo _____ x \$ 6.00 = \$ _____

Total for Tickets \$ _____ Total for Merchandise \$ _____

HOTEL RESERVATIONS - Call Direct 1-800-248-6511
Mention "MARAC"

Convention rooms for one or two persons \$48.00 + tax

Includes Buffet / Cook-to-order Breakfast

Mall Registration Form and Check To:

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

2004 MARAC CONVENTION

Please Make Checks Payable to: 2004 MARAC CONVENTION

Joyce Boothe

(DO NOT SEND CASH)

21175 FM 2556

Santa Rosa, TX 78593

Anticipated date of arrival at the Convention: ____ / ____ / 2004

If staying at the Convention Site Hotel, please enter Arrival Date: ____ / ____ / 2004 Departure Date: ____ / ____ / 2004

Mail early for a chance to win the PRE-REGISTRATION PRIZE! PRE-REGISTRATION CUT-OFF DATE: 05/01/2004

SSB County Hunter Of The Year Nominations

Jim Grandinetti and I would like to submit the following nomination for CHOTY

We would like to propose **Gene Olig (KD9ZP)** as the MARAC SSB County Hunter of the Year. Gene became interested in County Hunting in 1998 when Chuck (K9IA) “took him for a ride” while running a few counties. Gene attended his first convention - the 3M in 1998. He completed his USACA #991 on January 3, 2000 and “Bingo” #236 on September 2, 2003. Gene is a very proficient mobile operator - well he is superb as long as his wife Dottie (K9FDL) keeps things going smoothly for him. Seriously, both he and Dottie are excellent operators and they have run many counties during the past several years.

Gene is a staunch and active supporter of MARAC and his contributions to the Club are immeasurable. Shortly before the 1999 3M convention (only his second 3M!), he received a call from Roger (W2NWL) concerning the MARAC awards. During the course of the conversation, Roger indicated that, due to other commitments, he (Roger) would have to step down as Awards Custodian and was looking for someone to replace him. Gene immediately expressed his interest and - as they say - the rest is history. Gene became the MARAC Awards Manager on January 1, 2000.

In the three years that Gene has been at the helm, he has:

- 1) Completely reorganized the MARAC database in Microsoft Access. The refurbished database has evolved into a common database used by the MARAC Secretary, Election Coordinator, Awards Manager, and the MARAC membership at large.
- 2) Refined and greatly improved the existing computer-based awards program. One of the most useful improvements in the MARAC Awards program is the availability of Award applications on-line at the MARAC home page. An applicant can email Gene an award application and within minutes, it is processed and the award issued - where else can you get that kind of service? The ARRL? 14.336? McDonalds?
- 3) Developing a refined Windows-based logging program for MARAC Awards, which should “go live” for the MARAC membership sometime this year.

If not all of this is enough, Gene has now assumed the responsibility of having the Road Runner printed and mailed to the “hard copy” members. He must have found the secret of working more than 24 hours in a day!!!

Gene was first licensed in 1956 as KN9BOE. His license lapsed, but he got back into ham radio when he passed the Technician Plus Class exam in 1986. Gene upgraded to Amateur Extra in 2001. In addition to the MARAC web site, Gene maintains databases and a web site for the Fond du Lac Amateur Radio Club.

We believe that **Gene Olig (KD9ZP)** exemplifies the qualities of service and dedication to MARAC and the county hunting community that will make him a valuable addition to the list of MARAC County Hunters of the Year.

Submitted by: David Splitt KE3VV and James Grandinetti KZ2P

New members

Please Welcome Our New Members And Add Them To Your Database.

Marac #	Call	Name	Address	Cnty	E Mail
R-3115	KM5W	Kermit K Schauer	675 E. Farney Lane Las Cruces, NM 88005-3314	Dona Ana	kermit670@msn.com
R-3116	K5ZE	Glenn E Haffly	6202 Aragon Village San Antonio, TX 78250	Bexar	ghaffly@stic.net
R-3117	W8FN	James A Ashton	161 Main Road Delaware, OH 43015	Delaware	jimashton@earthlink.net
R-3118	K3ZF	Robert M Moore	5609 J. J. Lott Road Braselton, GA 30517	Hall	k3zf@arrl.net
R-3119	W4OV	Bruce P Phegley	3940 NW 4 Court Coconut Creek, FL 33066-1806	Broward	w4ov@arrl.net
R-3120	K4BIO	George Von Baumgarten	3816 Linda Lane Annandale, VA 22003	Fairfax	k4bio@cox.net
R-3121	N4AHZ	Kelly M Johnson, Jr.	4366 Birchwood Drive West Mobile, AL 36693-4923	Mobile	n4ahz@bellsuoth.net
R-3122	LA9SN	Harald (Al) Kjode	P.O. Box 404 Molde, 6401, Norway		la9sn@adsl.no

**Database Printouts Available
KD9ZP
Awards Manager**

I am now in a position to provide a up-to-date printout of the MARAC database as used on the MARAC website.

The printout consists of:

- **Award Rules**
- **MARAC Members** – Past and Present listed by Call Area. This printout has Names, Addresses, Email Address, and number of stars including BINGO
- **Stars** – List of all Calls having at least one Star with their number. List sorted by Call.
- **List of Stars by Number** – Complete list of all Stars in numerical order.

The printout is printed on two sides (Duplexed) using 3 hole punch paper suitable for inserting in a 3 hole binder supplied by the user.

Cost:

\$5 for MARAC Members – This includes \$3.85 for Priority Mail shipping

\$10 for non Members

Make check out to **MARAC Awards** and mail to :

**MARAC Awards
P.O Box 2295
Fond du Lac, WI
54936-2295**

Nominations

Are Open For The Following:

**The 4 officers in MARAC
President, Vice President,
Treasurer, Secretary**

**The Two District Directors
Southwestern, Western**

**And To Fill The Rest of the Term
Northeastern Director.**

“If you are interested in running for one of these slots, please Contact the Election Coordinator”.

**Chuck Theisen, K9IA, N. 5563 County Road K,
Fond Du Luc, WI 54935 920-927-1605**

K9IA@MARAC.org

April Birthdays

AA9JJ	April 2	N3AHA	April 3
KQ0B	April 6	W9SUQ	April 6
AA8HH	April 7	KE7PB	April 8
K4HVB	April 10	W4RKV	April 10
W7KQZ	April 11	KW8T	April 12
WB8RJW	April 12	NA7W	April 13
W6TKV	April 13	WAOLMK	April 14
W0GXQ	April 14	KA2MKQ	April 14
W9OP	April 16	WB9NU	April 18
W0NAN	April 23	K2HVN	April 24
W3IJT	April 24	W8ILC	April 24
N5KGY	April 27	KF4KW	April 29

If your birthday is not in the database at:

www.marac.org/database

Send it to:

kd9zp@marac.org

CW CHOTY Nomination

W0GXQ Jerold L. (Jerry) Mertz

Jerry was born on April 14, 1938 in Sioux City, Iowa. While attending Junior High School, a science teacher invited Jerry to join the schools radio club. At the age of twelve Jerry began studying for his Novice exam. Thirteen students traveled to the FCC office in Sioux Falls, South Dakota in early November 1951. WN0GXQ was issued in January 1952 and upgraded to the General class in November, 1952. From 1952 until 1959 Jerry was an active member of the local tri-state radio club.

While in Senior High School, Jerry took three semesters of electronics courses and was very active in the schools radio club, serving as its president in his senior year. During this time, through the prompting of the state SCM, Jerry became a regular in the ARRL National Traffic System at the state level through area level. Jerry remained active from many states in the NTS until 1976. Acting as Net Control Station for these nets was always a highlight for him.

After high school, Jerry joined the US Air Force and served in uniform from October 1, 1959 until retiring August 1, 1984. His entire USAF career was spent in the aircraft electronics field. In the early years supporting "hands-on" maintenance of Bombing and Navigational, Heading, Doppler, and Missile Tie-In Systems; and later in the management ranks.

In 1967 Jerry became interested in CW County Hunting when the nets were on 14.070 and 7.050. From 1968 through 1970, Jerry helped stage hamfests in Tawas, Michigan. In 1973, Jerry upgraded his license to the Advanced class.

During his long Air Force career there were times when Jerry was inactive on the bands, but remained loyal to supporting the local radio clubs in their CW Tents during Field Day exercises.

From Jerry's last assignment at Grand Forks AFB, North Dakota, he moved to the Dallas Texas area and started a second career with Lockheed Martin company. This time the programs were Army but still in the electronics field. Jerry worked for Lockheed from January 3, 1985 until July 1, 1998. During these years, Jerry was still active in local club activities.

In December, 1998 Jerry again became involved in County Hunting and put his first mobile station on the air in August 2000. Since that time, Jerry has operated from 838 counties in 29 states. Jerry finds satisfaction in helping the county hunters by being on the road and also by acting as the net control station for the CW net.

Since retirement in 1998, Jerry has upgraded to Amateur Extra Class. Jerry is a life member of both ARRL and QCWA. A proud member of the A1-OP Club since March, 1966, Jerry strives to promote the best of CW operating practices. USA-CA was achieved August 18, 2000 and is now endorsed All CW. Jerry is currently working towards his MARAC second time all CW and the BINGO award. Active in the local radio club and has recently held the office of Secretary.

Specific Accomplishments:

CW net operations

1. Net Control Station for over 2,100 hours since November, 2000
2. Net operation and procedures improvement suggestions thru on the air instruction and web site postings, emails and phone calls to new net members

Supports the MARAC club station

Nine times (18 wks) CW operation of WB0DPD - worked 826 new counties for the club

Mobile operations

1. Transmitted from 833 counties in 29 states since first trip in August 2000
2. Given out 135 Last Counties

Participated in MARAC sponsored CH CW Contests dating back to 1973

1. In 1980 First Place Fixed (new high score record)
2. In 1981 First Place Portable
3. In 2002 Second Place Mobile - score is currently the second highest on record (since 1967) for a Single Op Mobile

MARAC Issued Merit Awards

1. Best CW Net Control Station of the Year - Second Place 2001
2. Best CW Mobile of the Year - Third Place 2001
3. BEST CW Mobile of the Year - 2002
4. BEST CW Net Control Station of the Year - 2002
5. BEST CW Mobile of the Year - 2003

“Old Tyme Radio Quiz”
Produced by: Alan Young, K6KLL
Written by: Ross Game

1. Can you recall the radio personalities/shows associated with the following musical opening and/or closings?
a. “I Love To Spend An Hour With You...” b. “Seems Like Old Times....” c. “When The Moon Comes Over the Mountain...” d. “Thanks For The Memory...” e. “Racing With The Moon...” f. “Yankee Doodle Dandy”/”Love In Bloom...”
2. What establishment was “The Place Where The Elite Meet To Eat?”
3. “Our Gal Sunday” was married to:
a. A Politician b. A British Lord c. A Gold Miner d. A Shop Keeper
4. Can you remember the women most associated on air with each of the following?
a. George Burns b. Ozzie Nelson c. Jack Benny d. Roy Rogers e. Eddie Cantor
5. The NBC Symphony was conducted by:
6. Who was radio’s “Queen of Comedy?”
7. Art Linkletter was host of network radio’s:
A. “This is your Life” B. “House Party” C. “Dr. I.Q.” D. “People Are Funny” E. “Truth Or Consequences”
8. Which of the following starred or costarred on a popular weekly radio show?
A. Joan Baez B. Joan Davis C. Joan Crawford D. Joan Leslie E. Joan Edwards F. Joan Cooney
9. Name the First US President to hold a Press Conference to be carried live on network radio:
10. Doodles Weaver was featured on what Friday night radio show?
11. January 30, 1933 Detroit’s WXYZ presented the first episode of a program which was to become a network favorite for generations. Name that show.
12. “Racing With The Moon” was the theme heard Saturday nights on a radio show originating from a different College/University campus each week. It was:
13. For many years at midnight (EST) throngs of Americans spent New Year’s Eve tuned in for a radio show originating in New York City. It spotlighted what orchestra and it’s leader. 1. B. “House Party” and D. “People Are Funny” 2. B. “Joan Davis (“The Joan Davis Show”) and E. “Joan Edwards (“Your Hit Parade”) 3. Harry S. Truman 4. “The Spike Jones Show” 5. “The Lone Ranger” 6. “The Camel Caravan” Starring Vaughn Monroe and His Orchestra 7. Guy Lombardo and His Orchestra

Answers

1. A. Eddie Cantor, B. Arthur Godfrey, C. Kate Smith, D. Bob Hope, E. Vaughn Monroe, F. Jack Benny, 2. Duffy’s Tavern
3. A British Lord, 4. A. Gracie (Allen), B. Harriet (Hilliard), C. Mary (Livingston), D. Dale (Evans), E. Ida (Cantor)
5. Leopold Stokowski, 6. Millie Pearl (Grand Ole Opry) 7. B. “House Party” and D. “People Are Funny”
8. B. “Joan Davis (“The Joan Davis Show”) and E. “Joan Edwards (“Your Hit Parade”) 9. Harry S. Truman
10. “The Spike Jones Show” 11. “The Lone Ranger” 12. “The Camel Caravan” Starring Vaughn Monroe and His Orchestra
13. Guy Lombardo and His Orchestra

MARAC 4th Quarter Ballot
Votes accepted thru
May 31st.

You are voting for Net Controls who ran the net and Mobiles
that ran in the 4th Quarter Which are the months of
March, April and May
1 Vote per Quarter – PLEASE

Call Sign* _____

Election Key* _____

Please put **EITHER** your call sign or Election Key Code above.

Annual Award For: 1st Choice 2nd Choice
 Best Net Control - SSB: _____
 Best Net Control - CW: _____
 Best Mobile - SSB: _____
 Best Mobile - CW: _____
 Best Team(Enter Call1/Call2): _____

Mail To: Chuck Theisen, K9IA, Elections Coordinator
 N5563 County Road K.
 Fond Du lac Mi, 54935

Major Awards Issued For
The Month Of
MARCH

KD9ZP - Awards Manager

Award	Number
LC-1	231
LC-2	8
LC-3	6
All Others	19

Call	Date	Award	Number
W4ZAA	3/25/04	Big Rig	500 Counties
WG6X	3/4/04	BINGO	245
VE1WT	3/31/04	Last County Count	25
WG6X	3/16/04	Last County Count	375
KC0JG	3/25/04	Last County Count	425
KA9PZS	3/31/04	Last County Count	550
A15P	3/9/04	Last County Count	600
KC1NA	3/24/04	Last County Count	600
N4CD	3/24/04	USA-CW	71
K2JG	3/17/04	Worked all Counties - 4th Time	113
K0VPP	3/28/04	Worked all Counties - 4th Time	114
W6TMD	3/30/04	Worked all Counties - 4th Time	115
KD4NFE	3/19/04	Worked all Counties - 5th Time	66

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The Passing of
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PALMDALE, CA 93551

March 24, 2004

USA - CA 12/12/1988 598
BINGO 10/2/1996 116
2nd Time 8/23/1991 121
3rd Time 10/15/1996 97
4th Time 6/11/1999 68
5th Time 9/26/2002 59

USA-CA Numbers For March

K1BV – CQ Awards

To Call	Award Date	Certificate Number
NW6S	3/12/04	1090
W8TVT	3/25/04	1091

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