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From My Point of View

Joyce, WB9NUL

What a wonderful convention! I met new friends and renewed acquaintances with many others. Mark, Joan, Gene and Dottie did a fantastic job of making us all feel welcome. They and their committees were really amazing and now I'm already looking forward to Colorado in 2007.

I want to thank the outgoing officers and director for their dedication to MARAC. To the new officers and director, a warm welcome and I look forward to working with you.

When the meeting was opened up to the membership, in Wisconsin, many good ideas were suggested. One of these was to enter any motion that is made, in its entirety with how the board voted into the minutes. This will be done. If you have any suggestions please send them to your district director or one of the officers. Also, I want to welcome our new election coordinator, Brian, NX0X.

I have a request for the membership. Many years ago Barry and I did a slide program video tape on county hunting. Does anyone have a copy of it? One of the plans for MARAC is to produce a Power Point presentation. It would be a help to those who will be involved to see this tape. Thanks in advance.

I had a chance to talk to Jeff, AF3X and it looks like South Carolina should be a grand mini. Be sure and look for the info and application in this issue of the *Road Runner*.

To those who are still on summer vacations, travel safely and take time to smell the roses. Happy County Hunting, 73, Joyce WB9NUL

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Dave's Call: Well, I sure know that Ellen and I had a great time in Wisconsin! Hope you did also. The Fond Du Lac ARC and the Green Fox ARC are to be commended for the great job they did with the brat fry. Thanks also go out to Phil and Gail Majerus, owners of Amateur Electronic Supply, for their warmth and hospitality hosting us at their beautiful game preserve. Still could use an article or two from y'all. What's holding you back?

73, Dave, KU4YM

Dateline CW AUGUST 2006 Ed, KN4Y

MARAC hospitality room where a glass of wine and you act like a monkey, two drinks and like a peacock you strut, three drinks and you have the roar of a Lion, four drinks and you assume the role of a boar.

I am having a ball working the mobiles as they run counties on their way home from the MARAC convention. I am down to 17 for Master Gold. I sent Norm, W3DYA, an e-mail to find out what transpired at the CW meeting. He said to talk to Jerry, W0GXQ, who stayed awake for the entire meeting. I am curious and I am sure Gator will want to know. As if on schedule from out off the hot humid afternoon the barking of Gators four-by-four is heard as predicted by the Doppler effect.

I check the cooler and there is enough to survive. I anticipate the knock and I yell, "Come in Gator, I am getting a couple cool ones," "Thanks, Dude. I have been out in the back forty putting down radials for the 30-meter vertical and I am dehydrated. Hear anything about the CW meeting at the convention." Do I know Gator or not I say to myself. We say nothing as we enjoy the first cool swig. That first swig is the best. It is downhill after that. I check my e-mail and there is Norm's reply. "Who the email from Dude" "It's from Norm." "That three land in five land Dude?" I give the thumbs up and continue,

"The CW meeting was chaired by Jerry, W0GXQ with co-chairs Guff, KS5A, Randy, AA8R and professor Norm. "That be multi-tasking." I ignore Gator and continue, "One of the topics discussed is to change the 30-meter CW net frequency to 10.126 MHz instead of 10,114 MHz." "Why do that Dude?" "It seems the East coast has a problem with DX QRM after 3:00pm EST." "How many mobiles run after 3:00pm?" "Sometimes two." Gator gives me a quizzical look, " What will happen with all the QSL cards that have the current net on them." " County hunters are MRC orientated and not QSL's. That probably was not even considered: That and will teach county hunters not to try and spread county hunting by that route."

Gator gets two more cool ones and we anticipate that first swig. "Remember Dude how many times we changed the 20 and 40 meter CW net frequency over the last 30 years. That just moved the problem from one area of the country to another." 'Say, Dude will that not put the net closer to the digital nets?" "Yes, that is a possibility, therefore the game plan is to use 10.126 MHz as an alternate frequency to check it out so to speak." "How's that Dude?" "When 10.114 MHz is active and another mobile is ready to run, the mobile will QSY to 10.126 MHz and see what happens." "You did know the 40-meter net frequency is 7.0385 MHz. "No I did not." Gator shakes his head and heads for the cooler. Net talk is dehydrating. I look at the email from Norm.

"This is interesting Gator, there is talk of moving the MARAC CW contest to another date." "Is there mention of reducing the contest time?" "No, I do see any mention of time." "What dates are being discussed?" "There is discussion of April." "Wow, no way Dude. There are four major State QSO parties back-to-back,: First the Georgia, then Michigan, followed by Florida and lastly the Alabama. That takes the entire month. ." "Well smarty pants what date would suggest?" Gator smiles and gives me thumbs up, "I would vote for the second week in March. There is only one RTTY contest (Sprint) and only 4 hours. A major RTTY contest will wipe out 40-meters in the evening. There are only three State QSO parties, the Idaho, Wisconsin and the Oklahoma QSO Party. Only the Wisconsin QSO party has any serious CW activity. The other contests are DX contests, mostly SSB. For instance, RSGB Commonwealth Contest, CW North American Sprint (4 hours), the DIG QSO Party (80 m) and the NSARA Contest. I say this is the ideal weekend for a county hunters CW contest. We might save money on gas by not having to use the air-conditioner. This also gives the fixed stations other mobiles to work" "I am not sure how weather up north will be in March for mobile operation, but the idea sounds great, we will have to get your idea to Randy." "How you going to that?" "Tell Jerry."

I continue reading the email, "Norm went to a Brat and Beer." "Whose brat did he take?" "I give Gator the international symbol for you're bar tab is closed." Gator is laughing hilariously, "Say Dude who did you work mobile during the first half of the year?" I point to the computer, "Make a list from my logs." Gator starts listing the mobiles. I continue to read the e-mail.

I hear the lone ranger theme; it is Gator's cell phone; the curse of social gatherings. "Sorry Dude. I got customers in need of a good deed. Here is the list of mobiles through June." He is out the door and yells, "Winston Churchill was born in a ladies' room during a dance." I wave, that is just what county hunters want to know. I look at Gator's list of mobiles.

AA1LL, KL1V, KM1C, KO1U, KS1J, NW1O, K2BA, K2HVN, K2NJ, N2MH, N2OO, NM2L, AE3Z, AF3Z, K3GY, K3IMC, KA3MMM, N3AHA, AA4S, AB4YZ, G4KHG, K4AMC, K4CFA, K4CNW, K4PI, KB4XK, KN4Y, KR4OE, N4AKP, N4CD, N4RJ, N4RS, NY4N, W4DF, W4GNS, W4OV, WA4PGM, WB4KZW, WB4VFN, AC5K, AI5P, K5AAR, K5AX, K5DLE, K5OT, K5SF, K5YAA, KD5JSS, KG5J, KG5U, KM5WN, KR5C, N5KEV, N05W, W5LE, W5XX, KB6TAL, KB6UF, KH6RF, N6HH, NW6S, W6TMD, WG6X, AB7RW, K7ID, K7RE, KL7HBK, NA7W, NA7XX, W7GOK,

AA8R, AK8K, K8CW, K8MFO, K8MW, K8OOK, K8QWY, K8ZZ, N8KIE, NU8Z, W8JJ, W8RJL, W8UE, W8YRB, AA9KU, AA9ZZ, K9WA, KJ9C, KR9L, N9JF, ND9M, NE9DG, NN9K, W9MSE, WI9JI, WU9F, AA0XJ, AC0W, K0ARS, K0RU, KOUU, KC0JG, KY0E, N0KV, N0SM, N0ZA, NF0N, NI0G, W0AV, W0GXQ, W0OPW, W0RRY, WB0M. I did not think I worked so many with band conditions as they have been. The big contest in August is the WAE DX contest. The State QSO Parties are the MD-DC, New Jersey, Hawaii and Ohio. Good time to get those last few counties. I hear thunder, guess it is a good time to shut down and take a nap.

A Huge Thank You!

From Kathy ... the "Printer!"

That the honor of being invited as a guest to the convention held in Appleton, Wisconsin, on July 15th. I can't tell you how really thrilled I was to be there with all of you. I only wish I had had the opportunity to meet many more of you. It reminded me of a wedding reception, whereby the night goes by so quickly and conversations are limited because the festivities must proceed.

I would like to use this opportunity and space to express a few things that I have wanted to say for a few years. First and foremost, I would like to express my gratitude to your organization for employing me as your "printer" for the Roadrunner. When **Gene Olig, KD9ZP** brought me the first newsletter in January of 2002, I was a struggling upstart of a business hoping to make it through those critical first five years! I've since learned EVERY year is critical! I had incorporated Print-Right! as of May, 2000. I had been in the printing business for 13 years prior to breaking out on my own but really was not prepared for setting up/running my business all by myself. Having gone through a divorce, the stress of supporting my daughter and myself was overwhelming at times. But along came Gene! Being a small business, every job that came in the door spelled relief for me, lightened my load, gave me hope for another day of keeping my doors open and I have been so grateful that your organization has continued to patronize my place of business. I tease Gene now that the internet is killing me! I suppose I shouldn't encourage you all to go back to hard copies! But let's talk a bit about **Gene Olig**!

To me, Gene represents the essence of your group as a whole. He is always so professional, considerate, generous, funny and he genuinely cares about the underdog (that would be me!) which represents a generation that I do not know if we will ever see again. Here is an example of just one or two stories about Gene that really reflects him as a whole. Just this last year I had to relocate my business, which was a huge expense and quite frankly, looking back, I do not know how I managed. The door to my working area was "sticking" due to painting and after about six months. (Seriously, you could barely open the door and I think his engineering side was taking over!) Gene took it upon himself to solicit his friend, Stephen Smith, to "plane down" my door and between the two of them get me back in working order! (Just arranged it out of the goodness of his heart.) Then this past January, Gene extended an invitation to me along with a guest to come to the MARAC Convention. At the time I was not dating anyone so I decided to bring my daughter, Natalie, as my guest. In the meantime, I had met "Mark." So I had asked Gene if there would be a problem time wise if Mark met me for a drink before the convention cocktail hour, as Mark was from Appleton, and it would be a means for us to say hello before the festivities began. So he immediately said, "See, if Mark can come for dinner!" Gene went so out of his way to make accommodations for me to bring Mark along and make him feel welcome. I told Mark he has to keep forever his name badge labeling him as "Kathy's Friend!" So thank you Gene for being my friend – I am so honored.

Well then talking of Gene brings me to his wife, **Dottie K9FDL**, and his daughter, **Sherry**. What is not to love about this whole family! Gene is surely reaping what he has sown. Dottie and Gene have remembered me in many small ways – like a bottle of congratulatory wine, including Natalie and me in the raffle items – just always thinking of others and making us feel special. Sherry – well, I can only say you are also a great friend and what an asset you are to this group of fine people. You can be so proud in reference to the cliché that in relation to your dad you "have not fallen far from the tree!" You think of others, and give generously of yourself, your time and with a smile!

Chuck, K9IA and Fran, W9XYL Theisen — another fine couple I am proud to know and call my friends. It is so interesting how we are all so connected in the strangest ways. Fran actually was a caregiver for a number of years for my daughter, Natalie, when she was much younger (see how small our world really is!) and then I cared for Natalie on my own for 8 years or so not using caregivers. As Natalie moved to becoming more independent and I got older, Fran became re-involved with Natalie's care at my residence as I needed some help and we of course fell in love with Fran because of her kind, caring nature and always sunny disposition. I did not know at the time that Fran and Chuck were good friends of Gene and Dottie Olig until somehow their names came up in conversation. Fran and I then decided to surprise Gene and Dottie and Chuck too by bringing Gene and Dottie over to see my home and its Christmas decorations and then we were all going to go

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out for dinner afterwards to celebrate as Fran was retiring from her "caregiving" position at St. Agnes Home Care Agency. So Gene and Dottie came along to this "mystery home" to see "Christmas decorations" and we all had so much fun with our surprise and of course the appreciation of all my decorating (I usually put up 13 full-size trees!) And did you know that Chuck and Gene like playing with dolls? My collection consists of 100+ dolls in my home – and truly I have found men like the dolls more than the women – go figure as the younger generation says! It will be a memory I will always cherish. Our surprise for that night was not only Fran's "retirement," - it was also Fran's birthday dinner! We again were among friends and very generous friends, as Fran took us all out for dinner because she was happy to be celebrating her birthday surrounded by friends! Something was wrong with that picture, shouldn't we have taken her out? – again an example of her generosity. It was so good to see both Chuck and Fran again, as we all know well enough that life throws us curves and we are never guaranteed another visit where our paths cross with friends.

Another interesting story at our table at the convention was Fran's version of the "end of the earth story" about LaMoure, North Dakota: population (4 or 5) Fran and Chuck Theisen and children! We were laughing at her story of early family life and her obvious unhappiness in this little (well, let's just say the descriptor was not positive from Fran's viewpoint) metropolis when my date, Mark, pops in with, "I know LaMoure, North Dakota well!" He had grown up in the suburb of LaMoure – five miles down the road! I owe a thank you to Mark, too, for being so "game" coming to meet me and being thrown into a situation of not knowing anyone at all and his ability to mingle and participate – I felt very proud to have him by my side for the evening!

Then of course we have **Dave Hyatt**, **KU4YM** – we have worked together on the newsletter for the last year or so. I think Dave could use that voice of his to soothe the world of all its misery! Get on the airwaves Dave! It was so fun to meet him face-to-face and his very lovely wife, **Ellen**.

And I am sorry I cannot remember your name but to the very fun lady that took Mark under her wing until I found him! She was very honest and did not want to give him back to me. I totally understand.

Joan - I want to thank you for the addition of a brass roadrunner to add to my ceramic roadrunner, which Joan sent along with Gene for me a year ago and so nice to meet you also. I carefully moved my ceramic roadrunner during the move this last fall and it sits in my reception area window along with the new brass roadrunner. Little reminders of my friends at MARAC!

I could go on and on here – but I just want to say that I wish your group success in all its endeavors and hope that I will be invited back sometime to meet more of you. I thought the parking lot was so interesting when I got out and parked my van. Antenna city! I wish I had spent more time in the parking lot! - very interesting set-ups. I apologize I had to vacate the dining area early as I was over heating. It's that over 50 syndrome!

I have mentioned in the past to Gene that I wish more MARAC members would write about themselves as "human interest stories" for the newsletters, so I think in some small way, I have become the first one – now, how interesting is this human and her stories? That is really the big question! Thanks to all of you once again! Kathy Wagner, Print-Right!, Inc.

Minutes MARAC Board of Directors Meeting Date: June 13, 2006

The meeting of the MARAC Board of Directors was called to order at 8:00 PM EDST by Joyce (WB9NUL).

The Officers Present were:	
President	Joyce Boothe – WB9NUL
Vice President	Mark Michel – W9OP
Secretary	Jerry Mertz – W0GXQ
Great Lakes Director	Bob Woody – N8KIE
North Central Director	Cliff Bird – AC0B
Northeast Director	Don Kimble – AE3Z
Southeast Director	Dave Splitt – KE3VV
South Central Director	Mike Fatchett – W0MU
Pacific Director	Robert Devine – KC6AWX
Immediate Past President	Bill Inkrote – K2NJ

The members present were: N0ZA, KA0SHC, N3ISH, N4XML, KU4YM, K7VAY, KI7WO, AD8W, KA9JAC.

Upon a motion by Jerry (W0GXQ) and seconded by Mike (W0MU), the corrected minutes of the May 10, 2006 meeting were approved. Roll call indicated 7 in favor, 2 abstained, and none opposed.

Upon a motion by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Jerry (W0GXQ), the Treasurer's report for May 31, 2006 was accepted. Roll call indicated 9 in favor, none opposed.

OLD BUSINESS

A: None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

A: Joyce (WB9NUL) called for a motion to rescind action approved at the May 10, 2006 meeting which eliminated the requirement for an individual or entity to submit any logs, spread sheets and/or data of any nature when applying for any current or future MARAC award.

Dave (KE3VV) moved to reinstate the requirement for submitting logs with applications for awards where required by the MARAC Award rules. Bob (KC6AWX) seconded the motion and roll call indicated 9 in favor, none opposed.

B: Joyce noted that each year MARAC gives money to the national convention committee for a radio to be given as a prize. Dave (KE3VV) moved that the board approve the purchase of a radio for the national convention door prize up to the amount needed for an ICOM (IC-7000). The motion was seconded by Bob (N8KIE) and roll call indicated 9 in favor, none opposed.

On a motion by Dave (KE3VV) and seconded by Bob (N8KIE), the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm EDST. Roll call indicated all in favor and none opposed.

The next scheduled meeting will be the Annual Meeting of the Board to be held in Appleton, WI on July 15, 2006. <u>MEMBERS OPEN MEETING</u>

A: There was no business for the board at this time.

Respectfully submitted, Jerry Mertz W0GXQ Secretary, MARAC

2006 SE Mini			
Location:	Springmaid Resort; Myrtle Beach, SC		
Dates:	October 18-21, 2006		
Directions:	US 17 to southern end of Ocean Boulevard. Take Ocean Blvd. ¹ / ₂ mile to Spring Maid Blvd on right. 2/10 mile to reservation building on right . More details at <u>http://semini.superhosts.net/</u>		
Room Rate:	\$69/night plus tax. (\$77.85 total) Call the hotel directly for reservations and mention MARAC. The phone number is (843) 315-7100. The rate is valid only through September 3. Make your reservations early!		
Hotel Notes:	There is a 2 night minimum stay, and a one night deposit is required. Cancellations must be done 2 weeks in advance, and all but \$25 of your deposit will be refunded. Cancellations within 2 weeks will be charged for 2 nights.		
Parking:	Ample FREE parking, both covered and open!		
Activities:	No group activities are planned, but area attractions include lots of golfing and great shows.		
Dinner:	Buffet Style Dinner- \$23/person Tax/Tip included		
Registration Website:	\$20 for first person, \$5 each additional person. More information, including online registration and fee payment is available at: <u>http://semini.superhosts.net/</u>		

Send registration and fees to:

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2006 SE Mini Registration

Callsign:			
Name (to be put on badge):			
Address:			
USA-CA#:			
Additional Names/Calls/USA-CA Nu			
Basic Registration:		20.00	
Additional Registrations	x 5.00		
Banquet Tickets	x 23.00		

Total

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National Awards Listing

To Call	Award Name	Engraving
W0GXQ	Best Mobile of the Year - CW	First Place
N4CD	Best Mobile of the Year - CW	Second Place
N9JF	Best Mobile of the Year - CW	Third Place
KF4KW	Best Mobile of the Year - SSB	First Place
N8KIE	Best Mobile of the Year - SSB	Second Place
KC0JG	Best Mobile of the Year - SSB	Third Place
W0GXQ	Best Net Control of the Year - CW	First Place
N4CD	Best Net Control of the Year - CW	Second Place
K8MFO	Best Net Control of the Year - CW	Third Place
K2JG	Best Net Control of the Year - SSB	First Place
N5UZW	Best Net Control of the Year - SSB	Second Place
KA0SHC	Best Net Control of the Year - SSB	Third Place
WOQE	County Hunter of the Year	CW
N8KIE	County Hunter of the Year	SSB
W2IBB	County Hunter of the Year - Runner Up	SSB
K8MFO	County Hunter of the Year - Runner Up	CW
WQ7A	County Hunter of the Year - Runner Up	SSB
KD5CXO	Custodian's	For All Your Help With Users Of The MARAC Logger Program
WQ7A	Custodian's	For All Your Help With The Database And The MARAC Logger Program
KE3VV	President's	For Outstanding and Dedicated Service to MARAC
WQ7A	President's	For Outstanding and Dedicated Service to MARAC

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MARAC Awards Manager

Major Awards July

KD9ZP - Awards Manager

Award	Number
LC-1	232
LC-2	16
Roadrunner(LC-3)	10
Ran All State	1
All Others	21

Other Awards

Roadrunner Issued Per Month			
Call	Date	Award	Number
WORRY	7/31/2006	Last County Count 150	# 132
W3CR	7/22/2006	Last County Count 350	# 37
AI5P	7/29/2006	Last County Count 700	#7
KG5J	7/29/2006	Last County Count 275	# 55
K5XY	7/29/2006	Last County Count 225	# 69
WG6X	7/29/2006	Last County Count 575	# 16
N9QPQ	7/29/2006	Last County Count 475	# 25
K5VYT	7/29/2006	Last County Count 250	# 25 # 62
KA3MMM	7/29/2006	Last County Count 350	# 38
K3IMC	7/31/2006	Last County Count 350 Last County Count 300	# 48
KC0JG	7/17/2006	USA-PA - K	# 12
N4UJK	7/11/2006	USA-PA - K	# 11
AA0IP		USA-CW	# 55
KO1U	7/21/2006		# 84
AA0IP		USA-CW	# 55
W9MSE	7/11/2006	USA-CW III	# 6
KA3MMM		USA-CW V	# Ž
K7REL	7/20/2006	BINGO II	# 42
KC0JG		BINGO III	# 8
WOQE	7/30/2006	USA - Single Band	# 2 - 30M - 3077 Counties
W0GXQ	7/23/2006	USA - Single Band	# 1 - 30M - 3077 Counties
VK4AAR		Worked all Counties - 2nd Time	# 362
KG0BB		Worked all Counties - 3rd Time	# 194
W9MSE		Worked all Counties - 3rd Time	# 193
K7REL			# 128
KA3MMM	7/24/2006	Worked all Counties - 5th Time	# 81

USA-CA Issued By K1BV

Roadrunner USA-CA			
To Call	Award Date	Certificate Number	
HB9BYZ	7/20/2006	1139	
KO1U	7/21/2006	1140	
LY2ZZ	7/22/2006	1141	
W1IBS	7/26/2006		
N9FR	7/29/2006	1143	

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Birthdays

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Current Call	Birthday Date
WA6HBV	Aug - 01
N3ISH	Aug - 01
K8ZZ	Aug - 01
KÔGO	Aug - 03
KT5H	Auğ - 03
K0FG	Aug - 04
AC4XL	Aug - 05
AB7RW	Aug - 07
KE9OI	Auğ - 09
KK0J	Aug - 10
WW8O	Aug - 11
WQ7A	Aug - 16
KG4NNK	Aug - 17
KA4TYG	Auğ - 17
W0FP	Auğ - 18
N4SMH	Aug - 19
WA7JHQ	Aug - 19
WW0G	Aug - 19
KW1DX	Aug - 23
AA8R	Aug - 23
KD4HXM	Aug - 24
KW4V	Aug - 24
KB4JAA	Auğ - 25
KE4UP	Aug - 25
WB4VFN	Aug - 26
WA4PGM	Aug - 26
NOKGX	Aug - 26
KC7JC	Aug - 28
WA4QPD	Auğ - 29

Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club Treasurer's Report July 31, 2006		
Transfer from previous Treasurer	July18, 2006	\$28,154.82
Income: Dues	<u>\$136.00</u>	
	<u>\$136.00</u>	<u>)</u>
Expenses: Gene Olig - expenses for Nat'l doo Fairmont Awards - awards Treasurer - expenses Print-Right, Inc – newsletter	or prize \$1,423.89 877.05 43.89 <u>365.00</u> <u>\$2709.8</u>	<u>33</u>
Account Balances		<u>(\$2573.83)</u> \$25,580.99
Money Market Account Checking Account	\$15,000. <u>10,589</u>	
Note: The following monies are not includ Awards Chairman's Funds	ed in the above: \$1,200.00	

\$2,500.00

Convention Chairman's Funds - 2006

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