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## From My Point of View

Joyce, WB9NUL

This month finds Barry and I on the road to a mini high school reunion. It seems that Barry's class decided to have a get together on their 49<sup>th</sup> year. It was decided that they should celebrate for an entire year. I'm the first to enjoy a party.....but for a whole year? Really, it was a great time and I made many new friends.

As I write this we are in Mississippi headed home. The bands have been terrible. I only made seven contacts on 20 but a lot more on 40. Barry only made three contacts on 30.

The National Convention committee has been putting the finishing touches on the convention. I want to thank them all for the super job they have been doing. I can't wait to get there and see everyone.

Have you been to the new web page for MARAC? W0MU has done a great job and has given the site an updated and easy to follow format. Great job, Mike!! If you haven't seen it go to [www.MARAC.org](http://www.MARAC.org) and take a look. While you are there take a look at the change to the net control hours wording for our various awards.

Barry tells me it time to get on the road and head for home. We should be home Tuesday evening, May 1<sup>st</sup>. There is a board meeting set for May 15<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you there.

73, Joyce, WB9NUL

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**Dave's Call:** Several notes/reminders this month 1. Don't forget the CW contest, 0000Z 5/5 to 2400Z 5/6. 2. Nor the SSB contest, 0000Z 5/19 to 2400Z 5/20. 3. Our various dues figures are always spelled out on the last page of the RR. 4. Is your database info up to date? Every month we get several returns – which shouldn't be. If you move or change email addresses, please notify Terry, WQ7A, and Jerry, W0GXQ. 5. Have you seen the new web site? If not, you owe it to yourself to check it out at [www.marac.org](http://www.marac.org). 6. Check page 114 of the April issue of CQ Magazine. That ad will run for six months. If you know someone who might be interested, encourage them to join us. If you know someone who has dropped out, please encourage them to rethink their decision. 7. The May issue of CQ just arrived. Ted, K1BV, gave us a really nice plug in his Awards column on page 91. Thanks, Ted.

**Dateline CW**

oooOOOOMY...Gosh...already....been working out of town, plumb forgot. I will look ashamed.  
Ed KN4Y

## Membership Status

To check on your current membership status, go to the MARAC site at “<http://marac.org>” and click on County Hunter Database at the main menu. If there are any updates to be made to the information listed, please contact the secretary. If your membership has lapsed and you wish to renew, you may use the on-line application at the MARAC web site or contact the secretary direct.

## New Members

### Please Welcome Our New Members and Add them to Your Data Base

<u>MARAC No.</u>	<u>Call</u>	<u>Full Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>City and State</u>	<u>Home Cty</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
R-4303 <a href="mailto:w2arp@arrl.net">w2arp@arrl.net</a>	W2ARP	Robert Pantazes	1 Madison Ave	Northfield, NJ	Atlantic	609-645-8277
R-4304	KC2AHL	Peri Jayne Pantazes	1 Madison Ave	Northfield, NJ	Atlantic	609-645-8277
R-4305 <a href="mailto:Kb7qlh@netscape.com">Kb7qlh@netscape.com</a>	KB7QLH	Richard Homer	1576 N. Orante Rd	Tombstone, AZ	Cochise	520-457-3845
R-4306 <a href="mailto:almonj@mindspring.com">almonj@mindspring.com</a>	WA4JA	John Almon	1411 Oak Leaf Dr	Columbia, TN	Maury	931-486-3091

## ARRL Memberships

Thanks to those MARAC members who have supported MARAC in the past by submitting their ARRL regular or senior membership applications through the MARAC Secretary. These applications for new (includes lapsed over 2 years) or renewal memberships are processed on a monthly basis. Cutoff for each processing cycle is the last day of the previous month. For example, if your ARRL renewal requests its return by Sep 15, it should be received by the MARAC Secretary prior to Aug 15. For each ARRL membership, MARAC gets a commission of \$2 for a renewal and \$15 for a new membership. To take advantage of this, mail your ARRL membership application and a check made out to MARAC for the required dues to: MARAC Secretary, W0GXQ (address on back page).

**Board of Directors  
Meeting Notice**

A MARAC Board of Directors meeting will be held on May 15, 2007 at 8:00 PM  
EDST

The meeting will be conducted on the internet at mIRC #MARACBOARD.  
Members can access mIRC direct or via the MARAC web site at <http://marac.org>  
or <http://www.superhosts.net/maracboard.html>.

**Agenda Items**

- Accept Minutes of February 20, 2007
- Accept Treasurers Reports of February and March 07
- Ratify William Blake, K0ERE as the new designated Resident Agent of MARAC (replacing WA0WOB)

**MARAC 2007 Annual Voting**

**W**e are currently voting for the following MARAC positions: Secretary, North Central Director, Northeast Director, and Pacific Director. The following candidates are running for the offices:

**Secretary: Jerry Mertz – WØGXQ**

**North Central Director: Cliff Bird – ACØB**

**Northeast Director: Carol Reitman – AB2LS**

**Pacific Director: Bob Devine – KC6AWX**

Voting will be taking place during the month of May only. Voting online is preferred at [www.marac.org](http://www.marac.org) however; I will also be accepting mailed ballots postmarked during the month of May. As you can see we have one candidate for each position. All current MARAC members will be voting for the secretary position along with a director position if you live within one of the three districts open.

The voting page on MARAC's website will be available starting May 1<sup>st</sup> thru May 31<sup>st</sup>. If you prefer to mail your ballot into me you can either copy this page or cut it out. Please circle the above candidate you are voting for along with enclosing your callsign and MARAC member number to:

**Brian Bird – NXØX**

**MARAC Election Coordinator**

**4567 Caribou Lake Road**

**Duluth, MN. 55811-9607**

I will announce the results of the election during the first week of June in accordance with the MARAC by-laws and as my work schedule permits.

Thanks,  
Brian Bird – NXØX  
MARAC Election Coordinator

National Convention
July 11th - 14th Denver, Colorado

NAME: (First Mi, Last)
ADDRESS:
CITY ST/PROV POSTAL CODE

Convention registration fee \$ 35.00
(One registration fee/family unit - Includes 1 prize ticket & 1 group photo)

NAME ON BADGE CALLSIGN USACA#

Additional Name Badges (list information below) Total # @ \$5.00 each = \$

Name Callsign USACA# Relation
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Relation: W-Wife, H-Husband, D-Daughter, S-Son, M-Mother, F-Father, X-Friend, GD-Grand Daughter, GS-Grand Son, for any additional badges please attach or list on back of form.

Enter number of persons that will attend events

Wednesday 11 July - Check-In/Do It Yourself Activities

Thursday 12 July

Participate in Mobile Bakeoff 9 AM - 4 PM (Free) #Adults
Mr. Panda Super Buffet 5 - 8 PM Pay as you go (\$9.99 - \$8.99 Seniors) #Adults
(Provide your own transportation)

Friday 13 July (Tour below is limited to Max of 50 People)

Tour of Celestial Seasonings or National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR)
(Includes Bus Transportation) #Adults X \$25.00 = \$

For Head Count Purposes Only:

Note: Even though we will be going on the same bus, you must choose either Celestial Seasonings or NCAR - Not Both
Touring Celestial Seasonings #Adults
Self Paid Lunch at Celestial Seasonings (\$4 to \$8) #Adults

OR

Touring NCAR #Adults
Self Paid Lunch at NCAR (\$10) #Adults

Saturday 14 July

Banquet - London Broil #Adults X \$23.00 = \$
Banquet - Chicken Picatta #Adults X \$23.00 = \$
Banquet - Vegetable Wellington #Adults X \$19.00 = \$

Additional Prize Tickets

Prize (Singles) X \$1.00 = \$
Prize (Book 12 tickets) X \$10.00 = \$
Cash (singles) X \$1.00 = \$
Cash (Book 12 tickets) X \$10.00 = \$

Photographs:

Extra: X \$10.00 = \$
YL: X \$10.00 = \$
USA-CA: X \$10.00 = \$
CW: X \$10.00 = \$
DATA: X \$10.00 = \$

Total Amount Enclosed: \$

Mail Registration Form and Check to Ross Harrell (NOZA) [Home Phone 970-242-1577]
(Make check payable to "2007 MARAC Convention") 2433 Bella Page Drive
Grand Junction, CO 81503

Hotel Reservations - call direct to Doubletree Hotel Denver - Southeast
800-222-8733 or 303-337-2800

Mention: 'Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club' or MARAC'

## Birthdays and Awards

<b>Roadrunner - Birthdays</b>	
<b>Current Call</b>	<b>Birthday Date</b>
AD5WI	May - 01
KB9ER	May - 01
W8WVU	May - 01
AE3Z	May - 01
KA5AGM	May - 02
W5AL	May - 03
VO1SF	May - 03
KA1JPR	May - 04
VE3KZE	May - 04
W7CA	May - 05
WV8LNX	May - 05
KJ8V	May - 06
N4GJ	May - 11
NX0X	May - 12
KI0AZ	May - 13
KU9UUU	May - 15
KM9X	May - 15
WA0RVG	May - 16
KA7ICF	May - 16
N8BGF	May - 16
W5VD	May - 17
AH9B	May - 17
N9QPQ	May - 17
N0SM	May - 17
N3AO	May - 17
WB9UKS	May - 19
NA4FM	May - 22
KF7CT	May - 22
AB2LS	May - 22
W4RSD	May - 23
N9QEI	May - 23
WA8OWR	May - 25
NU9M	May - 26
WB4KZW	May - 27
N8CIJ	May - 28
KA4NZG	May - 28
NL7KM	May - 28
KI0JD	May - 30
K4ZZ	May - 30
K2MF	May - 30
W9GBH	May - 31

<b>Roadrunner Issued Per Month</b>			
<b>Call</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Award</b>	
KL1V	4/29/2007	Last County Count 475	# 26
N6PDB	4/29/2007	Last County Count 75	# 229
N9JF	4/29/2007	Last County Count 125	# 151
KB4XK	4/29/2007	Last County Count 700	# 8
KB8OMG	4/5/2007	USA-CW	# 89
KB8OMG	4/5/2007	USA-CW	# 89
KB8OMG	4/5/2007	USA-CW	# 91
KB8OMG	4/5/2007	USA-CW	# 93
WQ7A	4/25/2007	Worked all Counties - 3rd Time	# 205

**Treasurer's Report**  
April 30, 2007

Funds Balance March 31, 2007		<b>\$25,742.19</b>
Income:		
Dues	\$500.00	
Awards Manager Income	\$1144.00	
Money Market Interest	\$21.21	
Logger Distribution	\$80.00	
Contribution	\$5.00	
	<u>\$1750.21</u>	
Expenses:		
Awards Manager Expenses	\$75.58	
Fairmont Awards – plaques	\$255.07	
Stafford Engraving – plaques	\$0.00	
Print-Right, Inc – newsletter	\$330.39	
Bank Fee	\$3.50	
Web Support software	\$19.95	
Treasurer Expenses	\$39.00	
Logger Distribution	\$10.90	
	<u>\$734.39</u>	
		\$1015.82
Account Balances		\$26,758.01
Money Market Account	\$20,163.26	
Checking Account	<u>\$6,594.75</u>	
		<b>\$26,758.01</b>

## Note:

The following monies are not included in the above:

Awards Chairman's Funds	\$1,200.00
Convention Chairman's Funds - 2007	\$2,500.00

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**MARAC Secretary**  
**PO Box 758**  
**Park Rapids, MN 56470**

PRESORTED STANDARD  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
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PERMIT NO. 433

*“A Road Runner Is A Very Fast Bird”*

**Monthly Deadline for Articles is the 25<sup>th</sup>!**

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**Board of Directors**

**President:** Joyce Boothe, WB9NUL, 21175 FM2556, Santa Rosa, TX 78593 1-956-636-9161, joycenul@aol.com  
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