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President's QRT

Many changes this past month with four resignations. The four positions are: President, Vice President, Web Master and Awards Secretary. A special board meeting was held August 29, 2017 via Uberconference to discuss possible replacements. Mike, W0MU, volunteered for the President position and Ed, K8ZZ, volunteered for the VP position. The board quickly appointed W0MU to be interim president and K8ZZ as interim VP, both effective September 1, 2017. Both W0MU and K8ZZ will serve until the next election. Thank you Mike and Ed for volunteering.

The board also approved the purchase of a Liability, Errors and Omissions insurance policy to protect the MARAC board members and volunteers.

W0MU has also volunteered to perform the Webmaster duties until a new Webmaster can be found.

Regarding award processing, effective August 31, 2017 please do not submit any award applications until further notice from the Awards Manager. All awards material, software and hardware will be sent to the Awards Manager, N5MLP, after Ron returns home from the national convention.

Both Pattie and I have had our hands full this past year with little free time to spare. We've had a significant change in our personal lives, unfortunately leaving very little time for our hobbies.

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Dateline CW

Ed, KN4Y

CW county hunting emotion puts the county hunter in a state favorable to attending an erotic MARAC Convention.

I sit in the shack bemoaning the fact that the month of September means this year is seventy-five percent gone and I still need a few last counties. September also has Labor Day and that means the start of my bowling league, a new school year with school buses and of course Grandparents Day a favorite of many MARAC members many of whom will be 'running counties' on the way to the MARAC National Convention. My thought process (?) is interrupted by the sound of Gator's 4x4 sliding to a stop at the recycled railroad tie. I look out the window as Gator gets the mail and heads toward the radio shack carrying a white cardboard container. He enters the shack, "Greetings old Dude I got the mail and it is a brown envelope from the ARRL K bureau. I thought the sending of QSL cards through the mail system was history," I take the brown envelope from Gator and lay it on the desk, "Old tradition die slowly, a hot latte is for the moment." Gator laughs and reaches into the white cardboard container and hands me a super sized latter, "Supersize surprise Dude, enjoy."

There are times when no spoken word is necessary to convey a message. Gator burps, "By the way Dude I stopped at the mailbox and did not get eaten alive by mosquitoes, did you spray or fog the area?" I smile, "No Gator, the other day I watched the Twilight Zone on television while at the toe nail clipping emporium and when I got back to the radio shack I had a strange eerie feeling and I noticed a broad headed skink on the doorstep. I usually ignore a lizard but for some reason I looked directly at the lizard and I heard BeepBeepBeepBeep then BeepBeep. I was astounded, did the lizard just sent Hi using Morse code? I looked at the lizard and asked if that was really Morse code I thought I heard, I received no reply. I thought to myself this might be a lizard from the Twilight Zone and maybe I should use Morse code and try to communicate with the lizard. I went into the radio shack and got my Oscillator and key.

I came back out and using Morse code I sent the message, "Are you an alien from another solar system?" I almost crapped in my pants when the lizard beeped, "No, in a former life I was a disruptive radio amateur and enjoyed causing turmoil and interference on the radio bands. I enjoyed raising hell with county hunters but most just ignored me. I enjoyed interfering with any mode of transmission. I was not a welcomed friendly type amateur radio operator. One snowy night I died in a automobile accident and at my divine judgment I was not sent into total damnation because I had other good qualities.

I was given a second chance and that involved doing some act beneficial to amateur radio operators after which I would be released from punishment and allowed to pursue my afterlife. I arrived here at Palaatory or whatever your station is called to hopefully redeem myself.” I glanced around noticed that now there were lizards all over the place, some even smiling, if that is possible. I expected to wake up any moment and when that did not happen I had an idea. I set the key on my lap and sent, “You and all these lizards should consume all the mosquitoes around the area and that will let amateur radio operators go outside and work on their antennas and not worry about the mosquitoes carrying the Zika virus, *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*.” Suddenly there was a blinding flash of lightening with almost instantaneous booming thunder and the rain poured down. I literally soiled my shorts. We all ran for cover, I by going into the radio shack. I dried off, changed shorts, and sat down to get my ducks in a row for the Islands on the Air contest and forgot all about the lizards.

About five days later I went to the mailbox with bug spray in hand but was not bitten by a mosquito, I glanced around and did not see any lizards. I was not sure if I should tell you or anyone about this Twilight Zone experience. Gator laughs, “Dude as one gets as old as you this type of hallucinatory Twilight Zone occurrence is common, this is our secret. How was your mobile trip to St. George Island for the Islands on the Air contest known as IOTA?”

I sip my latte, I take another sip, “The trip over to St. George Island was uneventful. I parked in the public parking lot by the lighthouse, installed the antenna on top of the van and started transmitting. I parked so I could see the millennials headed to the beach. I started sending CQ IOTA and several minutes passed with no replies. I tuned across the band and heard nothing. I got out of the van and checked the antenna, all checked okay. I started calling again and after what seemed like an eternity I finally worked a station. A minute later I worked another station. I knew at this rate this was going to be a slow day. After four hours the sky darkened and I used this as an excuse to return back here.” I hand Gator a purple dotted memory stick, “Here check out my log.” I sip my latte as Gator brings up my IOTA log.

Gator starts laughing “You made 26 QSOs at the beach and I notice you also made 49 OSOs from the shack. Talk about screwing up a submitted log with a non-category entry.” I sip my latte, “No problem Gator, I sent my log in as a check log.” Gator laughs, “You sure do not want the RSGB boys on your case.” Sometimes it is best to ignore Gator, I hand him a pink memory stick, “Here be useful and see how I did in the North American QSO party. Gator takes the pink memory stick and ask, “How did bowl in the Suncoast senior tournament.”

First a sip of latte and then I describe my trip. I left early Saturday morning and drove straight to the Springhill Lanes to bowl singles and doubles at noon. I was tense after the four hour drive and I could not get relaxed, and my bowling scores are best not mentioned. After some bar-be-cue I went back to the motel, located a out of the way quiet spot in the parking lot, put the antenna on the van and operated mobile fixed station in the North American QSO Party from Pasco County, Florida.

I was working stations with good signals when my writing hand cramped and made recording the contacts painful. I shook my hand and was able to log a few more contacts and then my legs cramped severely the pain bringing tears to my eyes. I stopped operating, got out of the van, limped around but could not totally de-cramp. I shut down the radio, removed the antenna, and limped into the motel to try the sauna. Gator is laughing hilariously. "Sorry Dude but that is a funny story." Gator checks the log."Not a total loss Dude, you made 46 contacts. Do you want a Cabrillo log to send in?" I laugh, "Yes Gator I think even log checkers should have a good laugh every once in a awhile. Check out my Worked All Europe contest log.

Gator is mousing around and says, "Here it is Dude, you made 100 QSO.s in the Worked All Europe contest. What is your excuse this time; forget to turn on the radio?" I sip my latte, "No Gator, I had good intentions of logging more stations, but the bands were not favorable from here to there. I did however; work all the stations I heard and I did send a bunch of QTC's." Gator is not paying attention, "Dude what is this Solar Eclipse QSO party you worked, I never heard of this event." I finish my latte, "As you know Gator there was a solar eclipse and the ARRL asked county hunters to flood the airwaves with contacts to be measured by the automated Reverse Beacon network This event is titled the Solar Eclipse QSO party. I operated on ten meters, but don't ask why." Gator laughs hilariously, "I just found the log, you made 15 contacts on ten meters. " I give Gator the finger.

I hand Gator a memory Stick, "If you can stop laughing how about checking my Ohio, Hawaii and Kansas QSO party logs.

Suddenly Gators Cell phone goes CQ CQ CQ, Sorry Dude, I got to leave this mosquitoes free zone and head to the back forty, lightning struck a monitoring pole and I need to inspect the damage. He is gone like a nap in the last pew, I hear him yell, "Rest in peace Glenn Campbell." I think this lightning event is a coincidence, Gators best county hunter buddy Al, KG5J, was in his radio shack when it was struck by lightning. I make a note to tell Gator. I hear the printer start and stop. I get the printout; it is a list of the mobiles

heard on the county hunters CW call frequencies.

I read: AB7NK, AF5CC, K0DEQ, K0FG, K0MAF, K2HVN, K4YT, K7SEN, K7TM, K8ZZ, KA2LHO, KA4RRU, KB0LF, N4CD, N4UP, N7IV, N9JF, NF0N, NU0Q, W0GXQ, W3DQT, W6OUL, WA4UNS, WB0PYF, WB4KZW, WE7G, and WJ8Y,

All you State QSO party county hunters can scream with delight, there are eight QSO parties during the month of September with 608 counties up for grabs. There is the Colorado QSO party with 64 counties, the Tennessee QSO party with 95 counties, the Iowa QSO party with 99 counties, the Washington Salmon Run with 39 counties, the New Hampshire QSO party with 10 counties, the New Jersey QSO party with 21 counties, the Maine QSO party with 16 counties and closing out the month is the Texas QSO party with 264 counties. Due to Hurricane Harvey the Texas QSO party maybe cancelled, check the Texas QSO party website . In addition there is the First Class CW operators Club QSO party. Need counties on six meters check out the ARRL September VHF Contest and hope for an opening. Still have not had enough CW radio activity, operate during the Ohio State Parks on the Air, the North America CW Sprint and the Scandinavian Activity CW Contest. If you are an aged amateur radio operator tune into the CW Classic Exchange contest to hear the radios of your past. Some county hunters will have a QSO with a station that is using equipment that was built before they were born. All this excitement makes nap time a necessity.

A nasty storm is not going to stop the great inhabitants of Texas, God Speed on your new journey.



Board of Directors Meeting

Mobile Amateur Radio Awards Club (MARAC)

Tuesday August 29, 2017

President Randy Hatt (AA8R) welcomed everyone to the BOD meeting and called the meeting to order at 0001z on August 30, 2017.

Board Members present via Uberconference:

Secretary – Terry Dummler (WQ7A)

Treasurer – Aubrey Mansfield(W7OLY)

Northeast Director – Al Kaiser (N1API)

Southeast Director – Kerry Long (W4SIG)

South Central Director – Barry Mitchell (N0KV)

North Central Director – Mike Nickolas (NF0N)

Pacific Director – Paul Nelson (N7JPF)

Members not present:

Vice President – Chuck Secrest (NM1G)

Great Lakes Director – Tim Eklin (W8JJ)

Motion by Terry (WQ7A) to accept the minutes of the previous BOD meeting as published. Seconded by Al (N1API) Motion passed. Vote was unanimous.

Motion by Kerry (W4SIG) to approve the Treasurer's Report as published. Seconded by Mike (NF0N). Motion passed. Vote was unanimous.

Motion by Terry (WQ7A) to approve the Awards Secretary's Report as published. Seconded by Aubrey (W7OLY). Motion passed. Vote was unanimous.

Old Business

There was further discussion about a new award for the conveners of a National Convention. This motion was tabled until a future meeting.

Obtaining liability insurance against legal activity was discussed and a motion was made by Barry (N0KV) to purchase this insurance. Second by Aubrey (W7OLY). Motion passed. Vote was unanimous.

Report by Terry (WQ7A) that the PayPal account for MARAC is now in operation. It will receive funds for membership and Logger purchase. All PayPal funds are sent to the MARAC Treasurer.

New Business

During August the BOD received resignation from the sitting President, Awards Secretary and Vice President effective August 31, 2017. The Board asked several members for volunteers to fill out the remaining term. Out of the many who were consulted Mike (W0MU) has volunteered for the President position. Ed (K8ZZ) volunteered to become the VP. A vote was held to approve these two fine members. They were unanimously approved. The search is on to fill the Awards Secretary position by N5MLP who will report to the board his choices.

The Webmaster has been replaced by Mike (W0MU).

A recent vote by the membership showed a two thirds majority wished to have the National Convention held every two years. This will require a membership vote to modify the Bylaws.

Two motions were made in order to honor Matt (W0NAC) for his very dedicated service to the members of MARAC. A motion was made by Terry (WQ7A) on behalf of Gene (KD9ZP), to issue an Outstanding Service Award for all the help Gene has received from Matt with the Logger program. A motion was made by Barry (N0KV) to honor Matt for his lifetime service to all the MARAC membership. This will be the with a Lifetime Service Award. Matt has spent countless hours helping the members with their computer issues, Logger issues as well as developing the Digital Awards and programming. Both motions were passed. Vote was unanimous with many voices of approval.

Motion to adjourn by Al (N1API). Adjourned at 0037z. Barry (N0KV) held an open mic session for questions from the membership. Thanks to all who participated.

Respectively
Terry, WQ7A
Secretary



Awards Committee

Awards Secretary Position is Open – Effective 9/1:

The Awards Secretary position which was created during 2016 will soon be unfilled due to the recent resignation of Pattie Hatt, W8TAX. This position supports the overall MARAC Awards function by performing the following duties:

- Operating the personal computer equipment which supports the recording and processing of awards applications submitted by the membership or non-members
- Ensuring applications for awards are complete and contain supporting logs and or other documentation which signifies completion of contacts necessary to achieve the requested award
- Creating certificates to signify achievement of awards
- Receiving awards funds from members or non-members and maintaining award fund balances for those people who have unused funds balances which may be utilized for future awards
- Depositing funds in a dedicated bank account
- Reporting funds received and disbursed to the MARAC Treasurer periodically
- Ordering plaques which have been requested from specified vendors
- Assembling plaques and mailing them to the appropriate recipients
- Reporting awards issued on the MARAC website, in the monthly newsletter, and elsewhere as determined to be appropriate.

This position is very important to the timely operation of MARAC's awards processing function.

Solicitation of Volunteers for This Position:

Members who would be interested in volunteering to perform this function should contact Ron Clift, MARAC Awards Manager via email or cell phone (contained in the online MARAC member database). The equipment and procedural documentation supporting the functions of this position will be available shortly after 9/1/17.

MARAC Awards Committee

Awards Secretary Report

Congratulations to ALL!!!

Awards Processed July 1, 2017 - August 30, 2017

Call	Award Date	Award	Number
AA4GT	8/10/2017	USA-CW	154
AA4GT	8/20/2017	Worked all Counties - 4th Time	168
AJ5ZX	7/12/2017	Worked all Counties - 2nd Time	435
K2MF	7/21/2017	Gemini - Jack Scroggins (WOSJE)	174
KB8OMG	7/11/2017	Worked all Counties - 3rd Time	252
KC3X	8/29/2017	Worked all Counties - 11th Time	5
N5MLP	8/6/2017	USA - Call Sign Combo - 1x3	21
N5MLP	8/20/2017	USA-PA - K - K	32
N6PDB	7/12/2017	USA-CW	152
N7JPF	8/8/2017	USA-CW	153
NF0N	8/5/2017	Master Platinum	29
NF0N	8/6/2017	USA - Call Sign Combo - 1x3	22
W0EAR	7/4/2017	Worked all Counties - 8th Time	17
W1ATV	8/20/2017	BINGO	371
W4SIG	7/11/2017	USA-PA - K - K	31
W4YDY	8/23/2017	BINGO IV	13
W6OUL	8/17/2017	Gemini - Jack Scroggins (WOSJE)	175
W9DC	8/6/2017	USA - Single Band	31
WA3QNT	8/23/2017	BINGO II	100
WY8I	8/2/2017	Worked all Counties - 2nd Time	436

Roadrunners Processed July 1, 2017 - August 30, 2017

Call	Award Date	Award	Number
AB7NK	8/20/2017	Last County Count 700	#23
K0DEQ	7/12/2017	Last County Count 75	#281
K4YT	8/2/2017	Last County Count 275	#81
K5GE	8/2/2017	Last County Count 525	#35
K7SEN	7/12/2017	Last County Count 225	#105
K7TM	8/30/2017	Last County Count 200	#126
KA2LHO	8/2/2017	Last County Count 25	#528
KC6AWX	8/30/2017	Last County Count 75	#283
KM1C	7/12/2017	Last County Count 125	#193
N5MLP	7/12/2017	Last County Count 150	#173
N7JPF	7/12/2017	Last County Count 75	#282
N8KIE	8/20/2017	Last County Count 1175	#6
N9JF	7/12/2017	Last County Count 425	#47
N9JF	8/2/2017	Last County Count 450	#46
WB0PYF	7/12/2017	Last County Count 25	#527

LC1 / LC2s Processed July 1, 2017 - August 30, 2017

Last County in the State	411
Last County in the USA	21

PLEASE NOTE:

Please ensure your e-mail and mailing address are current in the MARAC database.
In order to process awards for you, your e-mail address **must** be in the MARAC database.
In order to mail your awards to you, your mailing address **must** be in the MARAC database.
When paying for an award for a MARAC member, please confirm they have a valid mailing address in the MARAC database before submitting for the award.

Please send all questions/comments to the awards e-mail address:
marac.awards@gmail.com



National

National

2017 National Convention is rapidly approaching.. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Pat, N0DXE

and Barry N0KV

Convention co-chairs

Tentative PRIZES include: Grand prize: FT-991A, early bird: FT-857D, CAA-500 MARKII antenna analyzer, Tigertronic Signalink USB Interface, AT-100 PRO-II, ARRL Handbook, MO-3 Hustler mast, 20 & 40 heliwhips, Grounding and Bonding Book, Repeater Directory, etc. There also will be prizes “just for the ladies.”

Convention schedule (tentative): Convention includes free non-alcoholic beverages and snacks.

Monday, 25 Sep 17:

Check in starting at 9 a.m. with hospitality room open 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Approx. noon to dusk - mobile transmitter testing by W0QE, Larry.

7 PM evening program: Parks on the Air, W0MU, Mike.

Tuesday: Hospitality room open 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Tour: 9:20 - 2:20 Bus tour - US Olympic Training Center the Garden of the Gods (famous red rock formations + visitor center)

On your own (if not going on tour, etc.)

4 p.m. CW Forum, N4CD, Bob

Time for dinner - on your own

7 p.m. Awards info, N5MLP, Ron

Wednesday: Hospitality room open 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.

10 a.m. video and presentation on results of mobile transmitter tests, Larry, W0QE

12 Noon - BOD Meeting and award presentations

Approx 5 p.m. group and other pictures

6 p.m. Banquet, prizes, etc.

[Please see marac.org for late registration data. Ed.]

My Route 66 Adventure

Rick, AI5P

I had been thinking about this trip for many years. Finally I decided that it was time to do it and stop talking about it. I had collected a lot of Route 66 books (you'd be surprised how many there are) and videos about Route 66 along with taking the Quarterly Route 66 Magazine for many years. I sat down and planned the route through each state along with making a list of those places I wanted to visit or see. Of course, you can't possibly see everything that might be of interest on such a long trip.

One of the quotes from the books was: Question - "How long should I take to drive Route 66?"
Answer: "Take as much time as you can."

If you just want to drive Route 66 and not experience the people you meet, visit the many interesting sites, or just enjoy the varied scenery, I would NOT recommend the trip to you.

Unfortunately, I knew the radio conditions wouldn't be the greatest but I couldn't do much about that. As it turned out, conditions were pretty dismal - which was a disappointment but the main purpose of the trip was the adventure, not operating the radio.

A few historical notes: Route 66 was born during the 1920s, from an expressed desire to improve the road network, mostly in the West, where it was an archaic hodgepodge of tracks, trails, lanes and paths established over time by the Indians and Pioneers. Route 66, after long discussions, was designated in 1926. It goes through eight states and is advertised as being 2,448 miles long. During the Great Depression and the "Dust Bowl" of the 1930s, Route 66 was the primary route for millions seeking their fortunes in California. John Steinbeck's "The Grapes of Wrath" 1939 book identified Route 66 as the "Mother Road." During and after WWII, Americans - both military and civilians - traveled from East to West. Many know the road from their travels as children in the 1950's, hearing Bobby Troup's "Get Your Kicks on Route 66" (Sung by Nat King Cole), the 1960s TV show route 66 (yes, little r), or, more recently, the "Cars" movies. In 1956 the Interstate Highway Act replaced many roads, including Route 66. The final town on Route 66 to be bypassed by an Interstate was Williams, AZ, in 1985. It took five interstates to replace Route 66: I-55, I-44, I-40, I-15, and I-10.

I departed Albuquerque on June 12th and drove to Chicago - mostly on the Interstates but with a few side trips to Route 66 sites of interest and to LeClare, IA - home of the "American Pickers." I had planned it so that I would start at the beginning of Route 66 - now at the corner of Jackson Street and Michigan Avenue in downtown Chicago on a Sunday morning (June 18th - early!). I'm not a fan of big city traffic - which is an understatement after having to deal with Los Angeles traffic on the final leg of the trip.

It would take too many words and photos (I took hundreds) to describe in detail the many sights I saw and people I met. Many of the people experiencing the road are from Europe and as far away as Australia and New Zealand. There are tour buses and many bring or rent their own motorcycles or cars for the trip!

I arrived back home in Albuquerque on June 29th and took a couple of weeks to recover hi. Then on July 12th I set off on the second leg of the trip to Santa Monica. I arrived at the Pier on the morning of July 18th and had officially driven Route 66. Such an amazing adventure!

By the time I got home, I had driven 5,459 miles and had made at least one contact in each of the 58 counties Route 66 goes through. A total of 1,086 contacts were made with 166 unique call signs. I plan to have a special QSL card printed in the future.

Here are a few photos: I have included the start and finish along with just two from each of the eight states of what I considered among the most interesting from that state. With hundreds to chose from, trying to pick only two photos is doing a disservice to many places but, for brevity's sake, so be it.

1. Start Point. Corner of Jackson and Michigan Avenue in downtown Chicago. That tall building in the background is the Willis Tower (formerly the Sears Tower), the 108-story, 1450-foot skyscraper.



2. Illinois. The Lincoln Memorial and Tomb, Springfield. This is final resting place of the 16th President, his wife and three of their four sons. Constructed of granite, the tomb has a rectangular base surmounted by a 117-foot high obelisk. It was designated a National Historic Landmark in

1960.



3. Illinois. The Chain of Rocks Bridge over the Mississippi River. Opened in 1929, its most notable feature is a 22-degree bend occurring in the middle of the bridge. It was closed to vehicular traffic in 1970. Today it is open for pedestrian and cycling use and is on the U.S. Register of Historic Places.



4. Missouri. The Gateway Arch is a 630-foot monument in St. Louis. Clad in stainless steel and built in the form of an inverted, weighted catenary arch, it is the world's tallest arch and the tallest man-made monument in the Western Hemisphere. Constructed in 1963-65, it was

designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1987.



5. Missouri. Meramec Caverns is the collective name for a 4.6-mile cavern system near Stanton. A tourist attraction since 1933, it is reputed to have been used by Jesse James and his gang as a hideout.



6. Kansas. The Galena Mining and Historical Museum. Displays focus on the mining of lead and zinc in the area from late 1800s to 1970s. It is estimated that over \$1 billion dollars worth of product was



mined.

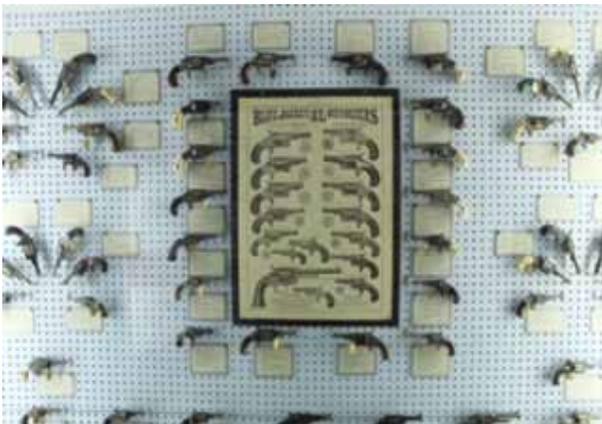
7. Kansas. Route 66 only goes through Kansas for about 13 miles. One of the many interesting bridges on the entire trip is found here. Built in 1923, this is the last of three “Marsh Rainbow Arch” bridges on



Route 66.

8. Oklahoma. The J.M. Davis Arms and Historical Museum, Claremore. Housing over 20,000 firearms and related items, it is advertised as “The World’s Largest Privately Owned Gun

Collection.”



9. Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Route 66 Museum, Clinton. Here you can get a good background on the history, myths, signs, photos and music of the iconic road.



10. Texas. Devils Rope Barbed Wire Museum, McLean. Dedicated to the history of barbed wire, fencing tools and ranching heritage. Also has a display on Texas Route 66 history.



11. Texas. The Big Texan Steak House, Amarillo. Home of the famous 72-ounce steak challenge. In case you're interested: Rules: You have to consume in 1 hour: Shrimp Cocktail, Baked Potato, Salad with Roll and butter plus the 72-ounce (over four pounds!) Steak. If you fail, you pay \$72 - but at least



you can take the unconsumed food with you!

12. New Mexico. Blue Swallow Motel, Tucumcari. Serving travelers since 1939, this motel is an iconic example of the classic Route 66 Motel. Recently restored, it's a great place to stay.



13. New Mexico. El Rancho Hotel, Gallup. Home of the movie stars throughout the 1930s and 40s who



were filming Westerns in the area. Unique!

14. Arizona. Petrified Forest National Park, near Holbrook. Beautiful scenes of colorful geology,



petrified wood, and painted desert vistas.

15. Arizona. Standin' on the Corner Park, Winslow. Commemorating the song "Take it Easy," written by Jackson Browne and Glenn Frey and, most famously, recorded by the

Eagles.



16. California. The Harvey House, Barstow. Originally named Casa Del Desierto ("House of the Desert") when it was opened in 1911, this Harvey House was one of a network of restaurant-hotels built and operated by the Fred Harvey Corporation in conjunction with the Santa Fe Railroad. This was one of



the “Crown Jewels” along the Santa Fe route.

17. California. Wigwam Motel, Rialto. Built in 1949, this was the final of seven Wigwam Motels constructed. Three remain today. This remodeled classic motel continues to be very popular with

Route 66 roadies! Nice place and surprisingly very comfortable.



18. Santa Monica, California, pier. Westward terminus of Route



66.

**Treasurer's Report (W7OLY)
July 2017***

Beginning Account Balances July 17, 2017 **\$26,737.85**

Income:

Money Market Interest	\$0.00	
Awards Secretary Income	\$58.00	
Misc. Income	\$0.00	
Membership Income	\$441.00	
Logger Distribution	<u>\$79.60</u>	
Total Income:		\$578.60

Other Expenses:

Awards Secretary Expenses	\$167.53	
Misc. Expenses (1)	\$14.99	
PayPal Expenses		
\$2.40		
Office Expenses (Postage, Etc.)	<u>\$0.00</u>	
Total Expenses:		\$184.92

Net Income Less Expenses **\$393.68**

New Total Cash Balance ALL Accounts: **\$27,131.53**

Checking Account Balance	\$4,012.90
Money Market Account Balance	<u>\$23,118.63</u>
Total Cash All Accounts:	\$27,131.53

* Includes July Transactions posted through 8/7//2017

* The \$1,500.00 Awards Secretary Funds are not included in the above balance.

Notes:

(1) Reimburse W7OLY chspot.org domain registration.

From a balance sheet perspective, MARAC Total Funds at the end of December should be discounted by **\$6,290.15**. This amount is a Deferred Liability of award fees pre-paid by members. After discounting, our true (spendable) Cash Assets are **\$20,841.38**.



Awards Secretary Financial Report

July 2017

Bank Account Report:

Account Funds on hand June 30, 2017		1,461.80
Treasurer Reimbursement	38.20	
Funds received from members 7/1/17 - 7/31/17	<u>58.00</u>	
		<u>96.20</u>
		1,558.00
Expenses:		
Office Supplies	9.53	
Plaque Supplies	158.00	
Postage/Shipping	-	
Treasury reimbursement	-	
Member reimbursement	<u>-</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>167.53</u>
Account Funds on hand July 31, 2017		1,390.47
Reimbursement needed from Treasurer		109.53

Member Accounts Report:

Member Funds on Hand June 30, 2017	6,276.15
Net Funds deposited and/or used during July	<u>14.00</u>
Member Funds on Hand July 31, 2017	6,290.15



Events

9/2	CO QP
9/3	TN QP
9/9	OH SPOTA
9/10	NA CW QP
9/16	IA QP
9/16	NJ QP
9/16	NH QP
9/16	WA SALMON RUN QP
9/17	NA RTTY SPRINT
9/18	RUN4BACON
9/23	ME QP
9/23	TX QP
9/25	NATIONAL

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