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Amateur Radio Parity Act Language Inserted in National Defense Authorization Act (from arrl bulletins)



ARRL is praising the work of US Representatives Joe Courtney (D-CT), Vicky Hartzler (R-MO), and Mike Rogers (R-AL) for their successful efforts in securing language in the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2019 that aids in the survival and growth of Amateur Radio by giving radio amateurs the right to install an outdoor antenna at their residences with the approval of their homeowner's associations. This language — text from the proposed Amateur Radio Parity Act (HR 555) — formed the basis for the Courtney-Hartzler-Rogers Amendment to the NDAA.

The amendment, offered by the bipartisan trio and accepted by the House Armed Services Committee by voice vote, will ensure that Amateur Radio operators will continue to play a vital role in disaster communication, when

called upon. Amateur Radio has long-standing relationships with the Department of Defense through both the Military Auxiliary Radio Service (MARS) as well as spectrum sharing.

The Armed Services Committee passed the NDAA by a 60-to-1 voice vote after a 14-hour markup that ran well into the night. The bill now awaits House floor action. The Senate will begin its markup of the NDAA during the week of May 21.

Representatives Courtney and Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) spearheaded the effort to include the Parity Act language in the NDAA. Both are cosponsors of the Parity Act, which has passed the House by voice vote twice in the past 2 years.

Recognizing the long-standing relationship between Amateur Radio and the Department of Defense, Congressman Kinzinger — who served multiple tours for the USAF as a fighter pilot and is still a Major in the Air National Guard, and Courtney have been champions of the legislation in Congress.

"The steadfast support of the Amateur Radio community continually demonstrated by Congressmen Kinzinger and Courtney has been a godsend," said Hudson Director Mike Lisenco, N2YBB. "The Parity Act wouldn't be anywhere close to this stage without their strong support, and our organization is extremely grateful."

Lisenco, who serves as Chairman of the ARRL Board's Legislative Advocacy Committee, also recognized other promoters of Amateur Radio, including House Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Greg Walden, W7EQI (R-OR), Energy and Commerce Ranking Member Frank Pallone (D-NJ), and House Armed Services Committee Chairman Mac Thornberry (R-TX). "We are deeply grateful for their continued understanding and support," Lisenco said.

ARRL will continue to press for support to enact the Amateur Radio Parity Act throughout the legislative process.

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The Handbook Give Away

Hey Gang,

Have you registered for the "Handbook Giveaway" drawing for this month yet? If you haven't, go to: <u>http://arrl-ohio.org/handbook.html</u> and get registered.

What's the catch? I want to get everyone checking in to the Ohio Section website as often as possible, and in order to register each month, you have to visit the website often! There's nothing else to it.

I pay all expenses, and from time to time, I Give Away more than just a Handbook. And, you'll never know just what months will be those special times that I will have more than just a Handbook to Give Away!!

Many of you ask me just how do I know when the drawing is on? Well, that's easy all you need to do is check in on the Ohio Section Website on a regular basis and watch for the big RED Arrow that will appear on the left side of the page. This is the sign that the drawing is on and you need to get registered. So, keep a sharp eye out on the website and check in often! <u>http://arrl-ohio.org</u>

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One Question Questionnaire

Hey Gang...



There's another NEW – one question – questionnaire on the Ohio Section Website! <u>http://arrlohio.org</u> I noticed that that 53% of you said that you were going to Dayton this year! I think that number is a little low from what I saw, and that's really great news!

It's all in fun and we are learning some things that we didn't know from these questions. I hope that you are enjoying answering these "ONE QUESTION" questionnaires.

Now, here's the next question... "Did you come home from Dayton with any goodies that you weren't planning on getting?"

Club Corner

This is YOUR cornner of the newsletter. Send me what your club is doing and I'll make sure that it gets in. Got a special event or club project that you want everyone to know about? Send it to me!. Need help with a project? Send it to me.

Let me know what you club is up to. Are you going to have a special guest at your meeting or are you having a special anniversary? Just sent it to: n8sy@n8sy.com





The Lawrence County, Ohio Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and The Southern Ohio Amateur Radio Association (SOARA) members, Jim Rowe, N8TVO, Eddie Jenkins, N8URU, and Annabelle Jenkins, KB8TGI participated in today's LEPC hazmat tabletop exercise. Chris Hutchinson, KY4TVS, acted as the evaluator for the exercise.



There was an excellent turnout for the exercise with representation from all emergency responders and support agencies.

Thanks to Annabelle Jenkins, KB8TGI for the information and pics.

Mike Love, WB8YKS - PIO

<u>Need Help!</u>

Toledo Mobile Radio Association (TMRA) is looking for help to assist with the **Memorial Day Parade**. The parade is Saturday, **May 26th** and takes place in downtown Toledo. We'll want to be in place about 8 AM and the parade ends about 11:15. We need about a dozen operators to do this event. If you can help out or need more information please contact me at <u>k8rks@arrl.net</u> or 419-471-0573.

<u>Need Help!</u>



The Ashland Area Amateur Radio Club requests amateur radio help for the 2018 Ashland Balloonfest balloon glow. The Balloonfest runs from **June 28 -30**. The balloon glow is one of the most popular events held during the 3-day Balloonfest.

Radio operators help synchronize the balloons glowing with the music being played. There is usually about 14 balloons that participate during the glow.

The balloon glow starts about dark and lasts about an hour. We need about 15 operators for each night of the Balloonfest. Each operator will receive a free 2018 Balloonfest T-shirt.

AAARC encourages radio operators interested in helping with the Balloonfest to come the June club meeting on June 12, 2018 at 7:30pm or contact Mr. Lee Farquharson, N8LFK, at n8lfk@arrl.net. The club meeting is held at the Ashland County Service Center, 1763 Ohio 60, lower level.

For more information about the Ashland Balloonfest, visit their website at http://ashlandohioballoonfest.com.

For more information about the Ashland Area Amateur Radio Club, visit our website at www.n8ihi.com or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/AshlandAreaARC.

Harvey Houses on the Air

Harvey Houses on the Air Special Event Stations will activate many of the 84 historic Harvey Houses each year on the **second Saturday of September** (in 2018, this is **September 8**). It would be appreciated if you would bring HHOTA to the attention of your clubs and members with the objective of getting a HHOTA Special Event Station operating at all Harvey Houses. Please mention HHOTA in your section newsletter and suggest the clubs do that too. Last year there were seven HHOTA activations and this year we are expecting 15.

You probably know Fred Harvey built and operated Harvey House Hotels and Restaurants (both commonly referred to as Harvey Houses) along western railroads. Apparently, the only Harvey House in Ohio was in Cleveland. HHOTA information is at <u>www.qsl.net/vcara</u> which includes links to more information about Harvey Houses and the famous Harvey Girls recruited as staff.

Thank you and 73, Andrew Eldridge, AE5NM - mm5aeham@gmail.com HHOTA Coordinator

Covered Bridges On The Air

(from the monday morning memo)

AND NOW WE ARE FOUR—The proposed "**Covered Bridge Day**" appears to now have four clubs interested in participating-the Portsmouth RC, the Southern Ohio ARC, the Cambridge ARC and the Highland ARA. There has even been interest expressed by a Kentucky club in activating a bridge in their area. Although a date has not been firmly set, it appears it will occur in **August** (**looks like the 18th**) in order to allow adequate time to publicize the event and have more stations join in the fun. Any club and/or individual interested in participating from a covered bridge in their area is more than welcome. With more bridges on the air, the more fun we'll have.

So, whether you are in Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana or some other location with a covered bridge nearby, consider joining in. The Monday Morning Memo is going to try to co-ordinate things. <u>highlandara@yahoo.com</u> for info. As a note, the Highland ARA activated the Lynchburg bridge in 2002 and had over 400 contacts! A local radio station even did a remote broadcast from the event.

The Ohio Weekly DMR Net Report

May 16 DMR Net

District 1 – 9	District 5 – 10	District 9 – 4	QNI: 103
District $2-4$	District 6 – 11	District 10 – 13	
District 3 – 9	District 7 – 14		Time: 52 minutes
District $4 - 11$	District 8 – 10	Outside of Ohio – 8	NCS: W8TDA

The reason for conducting this net every week is to make sure that all of our connections to the now ever-growing list of repeaters throughout the state are working as we want them to be.

Interested in being a net control for this net? Contact Duane, K8MDA at:

<u>k8mda@arrl.net</u> It's really easy to do and if you're checking in to the net on a regular

basis anyway, you're already there! Please, we need volunteers from all over Ohio to do this net. It is important, and I will guarantee this, it's really FUN!! Want to take a look at the Preamble to see just how easy it is to run this net, here's the link:

http://arrl-ohio.org/digital/Ohio%20DMR%20Net%20Preamble.pdf

The reason for conducting this net every week and having you actually check "IN" is to make sure that all of our connections to the now ever-growing and changing list of repeaters throughout the state are working as we want them to.

Sometimes things don't always work as we expect them to, and testing this system, and ourselves, each week gives us the ability to better understand what can happen during any emergency situation. Come join in on the fun every Wednesday evening at 8:30pm local on the DMR - 3139 talk group!

Has your club taken the challenge? I have challenged all the clubs in Ohio to get your members to "check-in" to the DMR Net at 8:30pm every Wednesday night. Let's get everyone on DMR to check in!



Now, I know that it's gonna' take some time to get everyone to buy into this idea, but I know that it will be worth it for sure! Just think of it, around 2,000 folks all checked in on a controlled net, it will be amazing for sure and maybe one that will break a record!

Don't know which ARES District you're in? Click on this link: <u>http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/district_map.htm</u> and find your county. You will then see which District you reside in.

You can also find a ton of information about DMR and the most popular DMR Nets on the website: http://arrl-ohio.org/digital/digital.html

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Fun Things To Do, Classes & Hamfests Too

(from various newsletters and sources)

Class Instructors - Don't forget to register your classes with the ARRL. It's easy to do. Make sure that you send me that information too! Just think of all of the extra publicity that you'll get for your classes!



>> Classes starting near you <<

Subject: MARCS Radio Training Announcement

MARCS Radio Training has been opened in the DPS-Training Campus for registration. This is open to anyone that will be or might be using a MARCS Radio for work as a beginner or as a refresher.

August 9DPS401: MARCS Radio TrainingThursdayOhio EMA, Room 2049:30 am to 12 noon

Everyone is welcome. Thank you. Rhonda L. Meggitt, Planner 3 Ohio Emergency Management Agency

Editor's Note.. Not registered with the Department of Public Safety? Here's a link to get you started... <u>https://trainingcampus.dps.ohio.gov/cm/cm710/pstc/pstc.html</u>

Once you have registered, you will be able to sign-up for classes and such.

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ARRL V.E. Test Sessions

05/26/2018 | <u>Canton OH 44705-4374</u> Sponsor: Stark County Area VE Team Location: Stark County EMA/EOC Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Learn More 05/27/2018 | <u>Cortland OH 44410-1473</u> Sponsor: NE Ohio ARC Location: Ohio State Extension Office Time: 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed) Learn More

06/02/2018 | Cincinnati OH 45216-1427

Sponsor: Cincinnati Repeater Assoc Inc Location: Hartwell Presbyterian Church Time: 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Learn More

06/02/2018 | <u>Rittman OH 44270-1431</u>

Sponsor: Silvercreek ARA Location: Rittman Public Library Time: 9:45 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Learn More

06/09/2018 | <u>Maumee OH 43537-1628</u>

Sponsor: Toledo Mobile Radio Assoc Location: Maumee Fire Station #2 Time: 8:15 AM (No walk-ins) Learn More

06/02/2018 | Delaware OH 43015-8533

Sponsor: Delaware ARA Location: American Red Cross Time: 10:00 AM (No walk-ins) Learn More

06/09/2018 | Findlay OH 45840

Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club Location: Findlay Radio Clubhouse Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Learn More

06/09/2018 | Ravenna OH 44266-2191

Sponsor: Portage County ARS Inc. Location: PCARS Club Site (Rear of complex, under BIG tower) Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Learn More

Here's also links to other great V.E. testing sites:

Laurel V.E. Test Locations & W5YI V.E. Test Locations

Contests – Just for the FUN of it !!

May 21 Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

May 24

- <u>CWops Mini-CWT Test</u>
- <u>RSGB 80m Club Championship, CW</u>

May 26 CQ WW WPX Contest, CW

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May 23

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<u>CWops Mini-CWT Test</u>

May 25

<u>NCCC RTTY Sprint</u>

SKCC Sprint

Phone Fray

<u>NCCC Sprint</u>

May 28

<u>QRP ARCI Hootowl Sprint</u>

May 30

- Phone Fray
- <u>CWops Mini-CWT Test</u>

See the <u>ARRL Contest Calendar</u> for more information. For in-depth reporting on Amateur Radio contesting

Special Events

MUSEUM SHIPS ON THE AIR WEEKEND June 2nd and 3rd 2018.

CQCQCQ THIS IS KILO 8 ECHO. KILO 8 ECHO, A SPECIAL EVENT STATION FOR MUSEUM SHIPS ON THE AIR.

KILO 8 ECHO TRANSMITTING FROM ABORD THE COL. JAMES M. SCHOONMAKER, MOORED ALONG THE SHORES OF LAKE ERIE IN TOLEDO OHIO. THIS IS KILO 8 ECHO QRZ.....And then the fun begins.....

Museum Ship Weekend is approaching and there's a lot to be done to prep for this event. This years event chairman is Tom / KD8WCD.

From the "DOG HOUSE" high atop the Stern of the Schoonmaker, we will be setting up multiple Stations and the Antennas to work those stations. This will include the Clubs 20 Meter Crappy Pole Yagi, The antenna that will once again OWN 20 meters that weekend.

Last Year the members of team K8E made over 1000 contacts during the event. Be sure to set aside some time to come out that weekend and get on the air.

This is an excellent chance for new Hams to get out and join in a club event, and see what the TMRA is all about in the Field.

This event will be run under a special event call sign, That Call sign will allow any Licensed Amateur to get on the air for the event. This is a great chance for all our Technicians to get on the HF bands. Plus it's just a ton of fun.

Admission to the Ship is free to team K8E Members.

Want more information? Contact: tmrainformation@gmail.com

06/14/2018 | Miamisburg Ohio 200th celebration

Jun 14-Jun 19, 0000Z-0000Z, W8M, Miamisburg, OH. Mound Amateur Radio Association. 147.195 145.330; 443.000 pl 88.5.

QSL. W8DYY c/o Bill Pell, 1143 Charter Place, Dayton, OH 45458. www.w8dyy.org

07/07/2018 | Celebrating PCARS being honored as the Hamvention 2018 Club of The Year Jul 7-Jul 8, 1400Z-0200Z, K8BF, Mantua, OH. Portage County Amateur Radio Service. 21.240 14.250 7.140.

Certificate & QSL. Tom Parkinson, 9992 State Route 700, Mantua, OH 44255. General portions of the ham bands Certificate or QSL card available Send your QSL card with a Large SASE for 8x10 certificate or a regular SASE for QSL card. <u>www.portcars.org</u>

Upcoming ARRL Sponsored Hamfests

06/02/2018 | FCARC Summer Fest Location: Wauseon, OH Sponsor: Fulton County Amateur Radio Club Website: <u>http://k8bxq.org/hamfest</u>



06/02/2018 | Western Pennsylvania Section Convention (Breezeshooters Hamfest)

Location: Prospect, PA Sponsor: Breezeshooters Amateur Radio Club Website: <u>http://breezeshooters.org</u>

06/16/2018 | Milford Hamfest Location: Owensville, OH Sponsor: Milford Amateur Radio Club Website: <u>http://www.w8mrc.com</u>

07/21/2018 | GARS Germantown Hamfest

Location: Germantown, OH Sponsor: Germantown Amateur Radio Society (GARS) Website: <u>http://GARSohio.org</u>

06/09/2018 | 2nd Annual Ham Radio TailGate & TrunkFest Location: Marysville, OH

Sponsor: Union County Amateur Radio Club Website: <u>http://www.ohiohams.net/</u>

07/08/2018 | 20/9 ARC Hamfest, Electronics & Computer Show Location: Austintown, OH Sponsor: 20/9 Amateur Radio Club Website: http://20over9.org

07/21/2018 | NOARSFEST

Location: Elyria, OH Sponsor: Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society Website: <u>http://noars.net</u>

Find all the Ohio Hamfests in one location? Go to: http://arrl-ohio.org/hamfests.html

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Final.. Final..



Hey Gang

All I can say today is WOW.. The 4 days at Dayton just flew by for me and Janie. It was a spectacular time for both of us, and I will tell ya, we're both exhausted. Thanks so much for the DARA Hamvention folks for all that they do for us. It was really fantastic to get to see and just say HEY to all of you there, and even though it rained a bit, it didn't seem to dampen the spirits of anyone that was there. I also want to say Congrats once again to the folks of PCARS for being presented the Amateur Radio Club of the Year at Dayton. It's great having one of our own receive this coveted award! How's your training going? Let me know if you have any new course certificates, we'll want them for the statewide database. And, it doesn't always have to be about the NIMS training either. Don't forget that having Basic First Aid and CPR training is very valuable in the field as well.

Also, don't forget about the newest training out there, "Stop the Bleed..." This one is really good, and it's something that you can use no matter where you are. These courses are not only useful for you in the field, but you'd be surprised how they can help you around the house as well. Remember, most accidents happen within 25 miles of you home! And YES, my accident last year happened within that 25-mile radius. You need to be prepared!

Website updates.. There's really nothing to post this week about updates. Things were so hectic with preparing for Dayton that there really wasn't much to post. Now, for all of you that did get your new DMR radios, and there was a lot of you that stopped by and told me that you did, don't forget that you need to have a DMR/MARCS I.D. before you try getting on the air.

Ok, I to want to update you on the NIMS count. Here's the figures as Jim, W8ERW has given them to me. Members in the database -939; Active members -906; Members NIMS complete -697; Total courses logged -6,521; 2017 training courses -780; 2018 training courses -347. I'd say that's mighty impressive, wouldn't you?

We're only **3** away from hitting that 700 mark and giving away another ARRL ARES Vest! Let's get the **700th** person registered BEFORE Dayton!!

That's going to do it this time around... I'll catch you on down the log for sure, and stay dry my friends, remember the Dayton Hamvention 2019 is only 360 days away!!!!

Scott, N8SY...

Back Issues of the PostScript and Ohio Section Journal (OSJ)

Hey, did you know that PostScript and Ohio Section Journal (OSJ) are archived on the website? You can go back and look at any edition simply by clicking: <u>http://arrl-ohio.org/news/index.html</u>



Pictures from Dayton





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<u>Need Letter "N" Card Sorter for 8th District QSL Bureau</u>



We need a dedicated person to be the sorter the letter "N" for the incoming QSL Bureau. What is a card sorter? Here's a link to fill you in on all the details. <u>http://arrl-greatlakes.org/8th_bureau.htm</u>

If after you read the description you feel that you'd be a good fit for the job, and you call sign suffix begins with the litter "N", then you need to contact: Bureau Manager - Jack Shirley, N8DX E-Mail: <u>n8dx@arrl.net</u>

Late Breaking News..

ARRL Business Services Manager Debra Jahnke, K1DAJ, SK (from arrl bulletins)

ARRL Business Services Manager Deb Jahnke, K1DAJ, of Colchester, Connecticut, died on May 17 after a lengthy illness. She was 66 and had been on the ARRL Headquarters staff for nearly 40 years, starting as a file clerk. She went on to serve as Deputy Circulation Manager, Circulation Manager, Publication Sales and Warehouse Manager, and as Business Services Manager (including Advertising). She met her husband of 31 years, ARRL Contest Branch Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, at Headquarters.

"This is a tremendous loss for the ARRL," said ARRL CEO Barry Shelley, N1VXY. "Those of us who knew Deb will miss her remarkable spirit and direct approach to both the work of the ARRL and life. Deb loved the outdoors, including sharing time with family in her flower garden, and with their dogs and



her rescue horses." She enjoyed the fall foliage, and one of her favorite places to visit was Harkness Memorial State Park on the Connecticut shoreline in Waterford.

For many years, she was a fixture at Hamvention® and at other major Amateur Radio shows, organizing and overseeing the operation of ARRL's exhibit and store. Deb Jahnke attended Newington High School and Central Connecticut State University.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by their daughters Samantha and Ashley. No public services are planned at this time.

The family has requested that contributions be made in Debra Jahnke's name to the <u>American Cancer Society</u>, the <u>Shriners Hospitals for Children</u>, or <u>St. Jude Children's Research Hospital</u>. Friends may <u>leave</u> remembrances on the Belmont Funeral Home site.

Chit – Chat, and All That!

Do you know someone that's not getting these Newsletters? Please, forward a copy of this Newsletter over to them and have them "<u>Opt-In</u>" to start receiving them. Heck, just have them send me an email <u>n8sy@n8sy.com</u> and I'll get them added to the Ohio Section Emailing list.



We now have many thousands of readers receiving these newsletters weekly.

Quite impressive, I'd say! I urge all of you to make sure that everyone, regardless of whether they are a League member or not, get signed up to receive these weekly Newsletters.



You can always "<u>Opt-Out</u>" at any time if you feel this is not what you were expecting. It's fun and very informative. All of your favorite past newsletters are now archived too. You can go back at any time and read them. Just go to: <u>http://arrl-ohio.org/news/</u>

Got questions, concerns or would just like to sit and chat awhile? Heck, I'll even buy the coffee!! Give me a call at (419) 512-4445 or email me at: <u>n8sy@n8sy.com</u>

The pictures on the front page are from various newsletters, Facebook posts and/or were sent directly to me in recent weeks. Take a good look at them, you just might be in one of the pictures! "SMILE... you're on the Ohio Section News!!"

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PostScript is produced as a weekly supplement to the Ohio Section Journal (OSJ). I sincerely hope that you have enjoyed this edition of PostScript, and will encourage your friends to join with you in receiving the latest news and information about the Ohio Section, and from around the world!