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Level Two would be attained upon successful completion of these courses, and would be considered the “Standard” level for ARES participants. Level Three would be attained upon completion of the advanced FEMA courses IS 300 and 400, which would qualify candidates for ARES leadership positions.

Level One participants would be able to fulfill most ARES duties, with a target of attaining Level Two in 1 year. Level Two, the standard participant level, would permit participant access to most incident sites and emergency operations centers (EOCs). Level Three would convey full access as granted by the authority having jurisdiction, plus qualification for ARES leadership.

It’s been proposed that ARRL provide a basic ARES ID, which would convey recognition of registration with ARES nationally and indicate level of training but convey no guarantee of site access. The authority having jurisdiction in an incident could grant an additional ID/pass for site access.

The ARRL Headquarters staff is undergoing training in *ARES Connect* administration, with group registration under way and IDs assigned. ARES-related publications also are being updated, along with an ARES strategic plan and introductory announcement. An article on ARES enhancements — once they have been approved by the ARRL Board of Directors — is set to appear in the September 2018 issue of *QST*. — Thanks to Rick Palm, *K1CE*/[ARES E-Letter](#)

The Ohio Section has already been given the “GREEN” light to start registrations. Everyone in ARES will need to get registered into the ARES Connect system in order for their volunteer time to be logged.

Have you gotten registered yet? If not, you can start the process by going to the Ohio Section website and clicking on the ARES Connect link on the left side of the page, or <https://arrl.volunteerhub.com/lp/oh/>

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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: <http://arrl-ohio.org/handbook.html> 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!

<http://arrl-ohio.org>



Now, let's see how many of you are actually paying any attention to this article. Since July 4th is very quickly approaching, I'm going to have a "Special" drawing just for July 4th.. What do you have to do to get into this additional drawing? Well, if you register before the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline, NOTHING, and you'll have 2 changes to win the Handbook!

Now, if you haven't registered yet, you need to quickly. Time is running out and you don't want to miss out on having 2 opportunities to win! So, to get these two chances, you need to get registered BEFORE June 30th.

You just never know.. You just might be the next winner!

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## *One Question Questionnaire*

Hey Gang



There's another NEW – one question – questionnaire on the Ohio Section Website! <http://arrlohio.org> I noticed that less than 55% of you said that you would share your Weather Underground link to your weather stations so that we can share our weather information! This is really great, and we have already started a webpage just for that.. Go to: <http://arrl-ohio.org/wus.html> to see those weather stations that we have thus far.

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 participate in Field Day this year?"**

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## *Club Corner*

This is YOUR corner 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 your club is up to. Are you going to have a special guest at your meeting or are you having a special anniversary? Just send it to: [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com)



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***EMA in Columbiana County Graded Perfect In Nuclear Response Drill***

*(From Donn, NN8B – E.C. Columbiana County and Salem News)*

The scenario for this year’s drill involved an earthquake that did not result in any damage to the two nuclear reactors. As with all drills, other scenarios are interjected as the drill moves forward, with participants graded on how they respond to the changing conditions.

There was lots of action for the radio room with injects from the evaluators. We had separate evaluated drills for 3 days at 6 locations around the county. The overall drill sequence took 18 separate training, dry run, walk thru, and drill events over a 3-month period to accomplish the results, and Amateur Radio was at all of them!

According to FEMA Region 5 we hit 100% on our evaluated items. “My preliminary finding is everyone did great,” said Sean O’Leary from FEMA’s regional office in Chicago. O’Leary was impressed that of the 330 drill participants in the county, 100 were volunteers, “which we find is fantastic because it really shows the community is prepared,” he said.

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***Congratulations***

*(by Shawna Collins, N2TUJ and the RF Carrier)*

***Happenings at the Red Cross***

After attending the Auxcomm class the three days prior to Hamvention this year I wondered when I might get to put everything learned into practice. The weekend after Hamvention I accepted the opportunity to staff the EMA Communications Center in Hamilton County for the Taste of Cincinnati. The event is the third largest held annually in Cincinnati. Bryan Hoffman, KC8EGV, COM-L AuxComm and the Hamilton County ARES Emergency Coordinator sent the following when I reached out for more information before the event I learned about thanks to the new ARES Connect system Montgomery County ARES is beta testing for the ARRL:

*Thanks for showing an interest in our activities.*

*The Regional Operations Center, home to Cincinnati and Hamilton Co EMAs, is located West of downtown Cincinnati. HamCo ARES has exclusive access to their \$250,000 radio shack to support their operations.*

*ROC*

*2000 Radcliff Drive  
Cincinnati, OH 45204*

*Taste of Cincinnati*

*Our role is standing by to provide an extra link of comms between the EMA and other agencies in the area. We staff the ROC as many of the hours as we can while asking all other members to be aware of a potential activation if needed. This is the third largest event in Cincinnati so many agencies are either actively involved or standing by in case they are needed. We also like to act as extra eyes on the weather for severe event potential. As of right now, it's looking like lightning will be our primary weather concern.*

*We will have someone on site basically between 0800 and 2300 Sat/Sun and 0800 to 2300 on Monday. Sat/Sun may go a little later but we may not have the staff to stay on site. You are welcome to come down when you have time this weekend. Just let me know when and I'll put you on the schedule. I'll be sending out final info sometime tonight or first thing tomorrow.*

*I will be there Sat 0800 to 1700 and Sun 0800 to 1200. I'd be happy to meet you and show you around.  
May 23, 2018*

*Ed. Note* I want to take just a second and say “Congratulations” to all of those who took the time right before Dayton Hamvention to take the Auxcomm training that was offered. I’m sure that there are some names on this list that you will quickly recognize.

Auxcomm Roster May 15-17, 2018 Beavercreek OH

Andy Bodnar, KA2VXA	William Bowers, KX4HZ	David Brett, KD8NZF
Nancy Brett, KD8QNY	Gordon (Stan) Broadway, N8BHL	Gary Clark, KC8TND
Clifford Collins, KB8WNO	Shawna Collins, N2TUJ	C. Matthew Curtin, KD8TTE
Buzz Dean, W6BZZ	Michael DeMita, KA2DUT	Robert Flory, KA5RUC
Glenn Gombert, KD8TSR	Terry Holden, KD8YFW	Robert (Tim) Kemerley, KD8UQI
Edmund Liddle, KE8ANU	Karen Linnenkohl, KE8HXD	Richard Pierce, KD8PFN
Oscar Resto, KP4RF	Daniel Rinaman, AC8NP	Henry Ruminski, W8HJR
Alan Scott, N9BAC	David Sharp, NU8H	Michael Stern, KB7THL
Ray Stevens, KB9LGS	Nick Valentine, KD8EUP	Michael B. Wilson, KG7QZF

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**New TCTTN Manager to take over soon**

Effective June 15 Dennis, KI8U has retired as the Net Manager of the Tri-County Traffic Training Net (TCTTN). He has appointed Gregg Gary, WB8YYS to take over the reins as Net Manager.

Gregg, WB8YYS has held the position of Assistant Net Manager for quite some time, so the transition to Net Manager will be very transparent to those regulars on the Net.

Dennis will be moving on to other things in his life. We wish Dennis the very best, and thank him for all of his great service throughout his many years as Net Manager.

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**Covered Bridges On The Air** – Mike Love, WB8YKS - PIO

Plans are underway for the Southern Ohio Amateur Radio Association’s (SOARA) special event station at the Scotttown Covered Bridge on State Route 217.

This is Lawrence County’s only covered bridge remaining. The event will take place August 18<sup>th</sup>. Additional information will be forthcoming. Please mark August 18 on your calendar to participate!



**Need Letter “N” Card Sorter for 8<sup>th</sup> District QSL Bureau**

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. [http://arrl-greatlakes.org/8th\\_bureau.htm](http://arrl-greatlakes.org/8th_bureau.htm)

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 letter “N”, then you need to contact: Bureau Manager - Jack Shirley, N8DX E-Mail: [n8dx@arrl.net](mailto:n8dx@arrl.net)

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**Need Help!**

Hello everyone,

We have a MS Bike Ride scheduled for **Saturday July 7th**. It starts and ends at Coffman Park in Dublin and loops as far as Bellefontaine.

If you would like to help provide amateur radio support for it this year, please send me an e-mail and let me know your time availability and where you will be coming from.

I will take that into consideration when assigning rest stop locations to cover. Here is a link with information about the bike ride: [http://main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Bike/OHABikeEvents?pg=entry&fr\\_id=29948](http://main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Bike/OHABikeEvents?pg=entry&fr_id=29948)

I will follow up with everyone that can help with more detailed information. If you know anyone that would be interested in helping provide amateur radio support for the event, please share this e-mail with them.

73, Edmund Liddle, KE8ANU [ed.liddle@gmail.com](mailto:ed.liddle@gmail.com) or 614-804-6569

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**Need Help!**

**Headwaters Adventure Race on Saturday July 14th**

The Portage County Parks District is holding its annual Headwaters Adventure Race on Saturday July 14th in the Mantua-Hiram area. This is a three event race on foot, bicycle, and in a canoe. The Parks District has requested our help in providing communications for this event. We can really use the help so if you're available please let me know by June 30th at [rick.kruis@outlook.com](mailto:rick.kruis@outlook.com) If you have no experience at public service events but would still like to participate, please let me know and I can pair you up with an experienced operator.

73, Rick K8CAV

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**Need Help!**

**Hall Of Fame Grand Parade Ham Radio Volunteers,**

Looking for Returning HOF Grand Parade Volunteers and Anyone else who would like to Help this Year **Sat. Aug. 4th** 6:00 AM until around 12:00 Noon all depending where your work Block is Located.

Anyone who already told me they were coming back - Please Reply Anyway.

The Appreciation Dinner is on Friday July 20th @ the same place the Civic Center in Canton a None Volunteer Guest is \$15 Everyone needs to be 21 years or older and have an ID, the Deadline is June 22nd to get tickets. If your New Working the Grand Parade there is training time @ the Perry Library @ Sippo Lake entrance off of 12th Street Tuesday July 17th or Thursday July 19th @ 5:30 PM in the Lower Level. Pick a Date one or the other, Please Let Me Know If you have worked the parade before. Your Attendance isn't necessary.

So Lets Recap:

Please let me know the following: Can you work the Grand Parade? If yes, do you want to go to the Appreciation Dinner? Will you be going to training meeting if so tell me what day Do you own a DMR Radio? Do you have a Analog 2 meter HT? Looking Forward to Seeing Your Reply

Thank You for Volunteering Again for this Event that is Great for Canton and Brings a lot of Money to the City Business

Here is a Link to the Grand Parade Webpage if you have any questions etc.or Simply Reply to me with questions. <https://www.profootballhoffestival.com/grand-parade>

I need to Know what Holes to Fill, so Please Let Me Know ASAP your Coming Back for a New Vollunteer for the 2018 HOF Grand Parade!

Wade, WD8MIU [wd8miu@gmail.com](mailto:wd8miu@gmail.com) or Cell 330-704-2100

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**Need Help!**

2018 Air Force Marathon. This race will happen on **15 September** this year. We will need 65+ ham volunteers to cover the positions on the course. The race hosts 15,000 runners and uses 2,000 volunteers. Hams can sign up at:

<http://www.usafmarathon.com/volunteer/> (just be sure to choose the Ham assignment).



Got Questions? Contact: Phil Verret, KA8ZKR - 2018 USAF Marathon Amateur Radio Lead Volunteer Cell 937-371-3507 or Office 937-255-9983

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## The Ohio Weekly DMR Net Report

### June 20 DMR Net

District 1 – 5	District 5 – 21	District 9 – 6	QNI: 124
District 2 – 4	District 6 – 13	District 10 – 11	
District 3 – 6	District 7 – 12		Time: 72 minutes
District 4 – 12	District 8 – 11	Outside of Ohio – 23	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: [k8mda@arrl.net](mailto:k8mda@arrl.net) 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 by 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: [http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/district\\_map.htm](http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/district_map.htm) 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** <<

### **OHIO EMA UPCOMING TRAINING**

We've had a lot of folks ask about the availability of getting into one of the ICS-300/400 classes. Here's a pretty good look at the upcoming classes throughout the state for the next 3 months.

All current trainings are listed on the Ohio EMA training calendar located at:  
<https://webeoctraining.dps.ohio.gov/TrainingAndExercise/courselist.aspx>

ICS-300 Intermediate ICS July 14, 15 & 28, 2018 Ashland County EMA – *Weekend Course*

ICS-400 Advanced ICS July 28 – 29, 2018 Ashland County EMA – *Weekend Course*

ICS-300 Intermediate ICS July 30, 31 – August 1, 2018 Franklin Co. Sheriff

ICS-400 Advanced ICS August 1 - 2, 2018 Franklin Co. Sheriff

ICS-300 Intermediate ICS August 14 – 16, 2018 Fairfield County

ICS-400 Advanced ICS August 16 – 17, 2018 Fairfield County

L969 Communications Unit Leader (COML) August 20 - 22, 2018 Lucas County

L146 Homeland Security Exercise & Evaluation (HSEEP) Program August 22 -24, 2018 Jackson County

ICS-300 Intermediate ICS August 24 – 26, 2018 Athens County

L426 Building a Roadmap to Resilience: Whole Community August 28 - 30, 2018 Ohio EMA

L967 Logistics Section Chief September 10 - 14, 2018 Franklin County

G775 EOC Management and Operations September 12 – 13, 2018 Licking County

ICS-400 Advanced ICS September 15 – 16, 2018 Athens County

G402 ICS Overview for Executives and Senior Officials September 18, 2018 Washington County

ICS-300 Intermediate ICS September 18 – 20, 2018 Franklin County

ICS-400 Advanced ICS September 20 – 21, 2018 Franklin County

L-984 Task Force/Strike Team Leader September 24 – 26, 2018 Cuyahoga County

MGT-347 ICS Forms Review (Morning) September 25, 2018 AM Franklin County

MGT-347 ICS Forms Review (Afternoon) September 25, 2018 PM Franklin County

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**ARRL V.E. Test Sessions**

**07/05/2018** | [London OH 43140](#)  
**Sponsor:** MCARC  
**Location:** Madison County Engineer's Office  
**Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/05/2018** | [Youngstown OH 44505-1400](#)  
**Sponsor:** Mahoning ARA  
**Location:** Red Cross  
**Time:** 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/07/2018** | [Bryan OH 43506-8410](#)  
**Sponsor:** Williams County ARC  
**Location:** Williams County 911/EMA  
**Time:** 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/07/2018** | [Lancaster OH 43130-3014](#)  
**Sponsor:** Lancaster & Fairfield Cnty ARC  
**Location:** American Red Cross  
**Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/08/2018** | [Independence OH 44131-4841](#)  
**Sponsor:** Cuyahoga ARS  
**Location:** Old Elmwood Recreation Center  
**Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/10/2018** | [Lancaster OH 43130-3014](#)  
**Sponsor:** Lancaster & Fairfield Cnty ARC  
**Location:** American Red Cross  
**Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/12/2018** | [Milford OH 45150-1427](#)  
**Sponsor:** Milford ARC  
**Location:** Faith Church  
**Time:** 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/12/2018** | [Stow OH 44224-4097](#)  
**Sponsor:**  
**Location:** Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library  
**Time:** 7:00 PM (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](#)

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**Contests – Just for the FUN of it!!**

**June 27**

- [SKCC Sprint](#)
- [Phone Fray](#)
- [CWops Mini-CWT Test](#)

**July 14-15**

- [IARU HF World Championship](#)

See the [ARRL Contest Calendar](#) for more information. For in-depth reporting on Amateur Radio contesting

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## Special Events

- **07/05/2018 | Packard Auto Show**

**Jul 5-Jul 10, 1200Z-2100Z, W8P**, Warren, OH. Warren Amateur Radio Club. 14.225 7.225. Certificate. W8VTD, PO Box 708, Warren, OH 44483. Join us to celebrate the Packard auto show and cruise in from the Packard Auto Museum in Warren, Ohio, the original home of the Packard Auto.

- **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. [www.portcars.org](http://www.portcars.org)

- **07/27/2018 | Carnation Days Special Event**

**Jul 27-Aug 12, 0000Z-2359Z, W8LKY**, Alliance, OH. Alliance Amateur Radio Club. 14.250 14.045 7.250 7.045. Certificate & QSL. Alliance Amateur Radio club, P.O. Box 3344, Alliance, OH 44601. W8LKY will be on the Air at various times during the special event window. We are celebrating Alliance as the birthplace of the Ohio State Flower; the Scarlet Carnation. Frequencies and modes other than those listed here may be used. QSL / Certificate info can be found on our website. [www.w8lky.org](http://www.w8lky.org)

- **07/29/2018 | Historic Y-bridge**

**Jul 29, 1630Z-2130Z, W8ORA**, Zanesville, OH. Ohio Amateur Radio Club. 7.220 14.300. QSL. Ronnie Phipps, 610 Morgan Rd, Zanesville, OH 43701.

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### Upcoming ARRL Sponsored Hamfests

**07/08/2018 | 20/9 ARC Hamfest**

Location: Austintown, OH  
Sponsor: 20/9 Amateur Radio Club  
Website: <http://20over9.org>

**07/21/2018 | GARS Germantown Hamfest**

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

**07/22/2018 | Van Wert Hamfest**

Location: Van Wert, OH  
Sponsor: Van Wert Amateur Radio Club  
Website: <http://w8fy.org>

**07/21/2018 | NOARSFEST**

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

**07/29/2018 | Portage Hamfair '18**

Location: Ravenna, OH  
Sponsor: Portage Amateur Radio Club  
Website: <http://hamfair.com>



08/04/2018 | 2018 Columbus Hamfest / Ohio  
Section Conference  
Location: Grove City, OH  
Sponsor: Voice of Aladdin Amateur Radio Club  
Website: <http://columbushamfest.com>

08/12/2018 | Cuyahoga Falls ARC's 10th  
Annual Tailgate Hamfest  
Location: Stow, OH  
Sponsor: The Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio  
Club  
Website: <http://www.cfarc.org/tailgate.php>

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

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*Final.. Final..*



Hey Gang...

Wow, did I ever have a busy weekend! I got to **16 Field Day sites** this year. A record for me. I traveled **577.5 miles** and my rump still is numb from all the driving, but it was worth it to get out and visit with all of the Field Day sites! I have to tell ya', HAMS are the BEST! Everywhere I went I was greeted with a smile and a handshake. It's really good to know that we all have a great interest in "serving." No, I won't call it a "hobby." It's not, it's a Service and everyone that participated needs to have a big pat on the back for a job well done!

How's your training going? Jim and I are still getting some NIMS certificates trickling in, but I know that there are some of you that still haven't submitted your certificates yet, or thought you did several years ago. Now it's time to make sure that we

have them on file. Please, go to:

<http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/special/ICS%20Complete%20by%20County%20and%20Name.pdf> and make sure that your name is appearing on this listing. Just so you know, it's listed by county.

As most of you know, Ohio was chosen as one of four test Sections in the country. Why? Well, that's easy. We are a very active Section and Headquarters knows it! We were also the first to get activated in the new system. We are now up and running. If you haven't registered yet, now is the time. Go to: <https://arrl.volunteerhub.com/lp/oh/> and get yourself registered now.

Now, once this new system is adopted by the ARRL Board of Directors next month, it will be the new way of operating in ARES from that point forward. I've been hammering on you for a very long time now so that you would be prepared for when this day comes, and as you can see, it will be coming very soon! The changes to the NEW ARES program are dramatic, but they are easily obtained. You just have to be willing to LEARN a little.

Why do we need these changes? That's easy, let me break it down this way, 4 years ago (2014) during the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the ARRL, we told Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in an agreement that we signed with them, that we would help out with communications in disasters.

They stated that they would be willing to accept our help, but only if we agreed to training. So, with that knowledge in my pocket, I started on a campaign to make sure that NO ONE in Ohio would be left behind or forgotten about. We started with the E.C. and D.E.C. appointments and required them to have, or quickly obtain the training as part of their acceptance to their appointment.

In 2016 we were involved with the federal government and many served agencies for the Republican National Convention and the NAACP National Convention. We were told then and there that we HAD TO HAVE this, and even additional NIMS training, in order for us to participate. It wasn't just us as hams either, EVERYONE involved with these projects had to have the training. And that made me see just how important this was to our future with all of our served government agencies.

So, at the beginning of 2017 we ramped up that training requirement for individuals that wanted to work inside our government served agencies, feeling that the need to understand Incident Command is absolutely needed. Now, it's not without consideration for how this impacts all of you and your volunteer time. So, let me take a quote from the NIMS Training Guide as to who **should** have the training.

***Q: Who should take NIMS and ICS training?***

***A: Everyone involved in emergency management (to include emergency operation center personnel in support of the field), regardless of discipline or level of government, should take the NIMS baseline curriculum courses (Independent Study-700 and ICS-100). The NIC recommends that only individuals with a command and general staff role take advanced ICS courses. Fulfilling the training associated with this plan helps emergency management organizations, departments and agencies to develop preparedness capabilities for effective and efficient incident management. As a result, trained emergency responders are available as mutual aid to support incident management in other jurisdictions, if requested. The NIMS Training Program should sustain a personnel qualification system that is coordinated, maintained and meets the needs of the emergency management community.***

As the above states. **Everyone** that is involved in support of the field! That's us folks!!

Now, don't forget that your ICS certificates aren't the only things we're looking for either. If you have Basic First Aid, CPR or AED training, it's also very valuable in the field as well. And, 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!

Here's the figures as Jim, W8ERW has given them to me... Members in the database – **949**; Active members – **916**; Members NIMS complete -**707**; Total courses logged - **6,614**; 2017 training courses – **785**; 2018 training courses - 411 These numbers just keep growing. And we want them to continue for sure!

Don't forget, and an enticement to get your certificates to me I'm giving away to the 725th person, an ARRL ARES Mesh Vest! We aren't all that far away from number! Will you be the person that gets it?

That's going to do it this time around... I'll catch you on down the log for sure, and stay dry my friends!!

Scott, N8SY...

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## ***Field Day Pictures***

I've got a bunch of Field Day pictures already posted on the website at: <http://arrrl-ohio.org/fd-18/index.php>  
Some of them are mine, and some have come from all over the place! Who cares, as long as the show what we did the past weekend!!

Please, **let's do like we did last year** and keep this Picture Gallery growing by having you send me all of your Field Day pictures. Send them to: [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com)

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## ***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:  
<http://arrrl-ohio.org/news/index.html>



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## ***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 "[Opt-In](#)" to start receiving them. Heck, just have them send me an email [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com) 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 "[Opt-Out](#)" 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: <http://arrrl-ohio.org/news/>

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: [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com)

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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