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MEMBERSHIP IN PAARA IS \$6.00 PER CALENDAR YEAR WHICH INCLUDES A SUBSCRIPTION TO PAARA/GRAPHS. MAKE PAYMENT TO THE PALO ALTO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, P.O. BOX 911, MENLO PARK, CA 94026

CLUB NET 147.45 MHZ MONDAYS 8:30 PM

MEETINGS: 7:30 PM ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE MENLO PARK RECREATION CENTER, 700 ALMA STREET.

SEND PAARA/GRAPHS CORRESPONDENCE TO:

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

HAVE A PLEASANT SUMMER !
73 DE YOUR EDITOR !

LEAGUE ALL-STAR SPEAKERS OF THE MONTH



GET SET FOR A HIGH-LEVEL LEAGUE ALL-STAR SPECIAL WITH 2 RENOWNED LEAGUE / HAM PERSONALITIES IN THE FORM OF OUR FRIENDS

BRAD K6WR and JIM W6CF....



THE DUO WILL GIVE THE LATEST LEAGUE INFO AS WELL AS DETAIL THEIR PLANS AS LIKELY OFFICIALS IN THE PACIFIC DIVISION. MR K6WR IS HEADING TOWARD PACIFIC DIVISION DIRECTORSHIP AND MR W6CF IS HEADING TOWARD THE VICE-DIRECTOR'S POST. WE HEAR THAT CW (A NEW MODE TO MANY) WILL BE GIVEN A NEW AND FRESH EMPHASIS IN A NEW ADMINISTRATIVE CONTEXT, WHICH SHOULD BE VERRRRRRY INTERESTING !



DINNER WITH THE SPEAKERS, SU HONG'S, EL CAMINO OFF RAVENSWOOD, MENLO PARK.... AROUND 6PM ON ARRL ALL-STAR MEETING NITE

JULY 9TH !



DE ANDY VE3FZK



PAARA PROGRAM CHAIRMAN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



MANY THANKS TO J. GOLDBERG KD6PBH FOR PINCH-HITTING IN MY ABSENCE JUNE 4.

AT THIS WRITING GERRY TUCKER WA6LNV AND HIS GANG OF MERRY HAMS ARE BUSY WITH FIELD DAY PREPARATIONS SO THAT PAARA CAN SHINE WITH OUR USUAL BRILLIANCE.

I HAVE RENEWED OUR CLUB'S ACTIVE STATUS WITH THE ARRL AND HAVE RECEIVED SOME INTERESTING MATERIALS WHICH I'LL BRING TO THE JULY MEETING. (SEE THE CENTERFOLD.)

ON MAY 12 JOHN SIDELLS, 24, SON OF PAARA MEMBER STEVE SIDELLS KN6CU, DIED IN A TRAGIC ACCIDENT IN THE CURRENTS OF THE CONSUMNES RIVER NEAR PLACERVILLE. I KNOW ALL OF US EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO STEVE AND HIS FAMILY. (SEE ACCOMPANYING CORRESPONDENCE ELSEWHERE THIS ISSUE.)



PAARA FIELD DAY '93
RECAP IN NEXT MONTH'S
PAARAGRAPHS

DE LILY N6PGM

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION BLIND REHAB CENTER UPDATE DE STEVE K6FS

WALLY K6URO & STEVE K6FS ARE ALTERNATING TWO-MONTH VISITS, 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, TO V.A. WESTERN BLIND REHABILITATION CENTER, DESCRIBING AND PROMOTING HAM RADIO AS RECREATION AND SERIOUS SERVICE-ORIENTED HOBBY TO ALL STUDENTS.

FOR THOSE SERIOUSLY INTERESTED, WE CONTACT ARRL SECTION MANAGERS IN THEIR HOMETOWNS, GIVING NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER OF EACH, AND URGING LOCAL INDIVIDUAL HAM TO CONTACT EACH WHEN HE/SHE RETURNS TO HOME QTH FROM THE CENTER.

SO FAR THIS SEEMS TO BE WORKING OUT FAIRLY WELL. IT BRINGS INTERESTED WOULD-BE HAMS IN TOUCH WITH RESOURCES OF INSTRUCTION AND TESTING. DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS AND VARIABLE LENGTH OF STUDENT'S STAY AT THE PALO ALTO V.A. BLIND CENTER IT HAS BEEN IMPRACTICAL TO SET UP LOCAL COURSES THERE. WILL KEEP YOU POSTED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.



73 - STEVE.

WE'RE IN

(VIA LIL



America

NEWINGTON

Dear Club Officer:

Thanks for mailing
Report Form. Your club
on active status.

73,

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Club

Field

...AGAIN!

Y N6PGM)

American Radio Relay League

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NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, U.S.A. 06111

Tell us your club's Annual
has been placed back

John Armentano
Admin. Assistant
Services Department

PAARA DE STEVE KN6CU

Menlo Park, CA 94025-6719
June 3, 1993

Dear Lily Anne and PAARA Members,

Jamie, Beth and I want you to know how much we appreciate your sympathy and concern in this tragic time in our lives. Now that more time has passed, the reality is sinking in that this terrible nightmare is not going away.

Thank you very much for your memorial gift. We hope it will go far to help preserve the wildlands that John, Rachael and Ozzie loved so much.

Sincerely and 73,



Steve Sidells, KN6CU

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June 14, 1993

Palo Alto Amateur Radio
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Menlo Park, CA 94026

Dear Radio folks:

On behalf of the Alliance for the Wild Rockies (AWR) and the Walkin' For Wildlands project, I would like to express our thanks for your recent contribution in memory of John Sidells.

We extend our thoughts and prayers to his family, and know that John's life has given us strength as we work to protect the wild country that he so loved. We are happy to be working with Rachael as she continues on the Walkin' For Wildlands trek.

I've enclosed some information on AWR and our efforts to protect the Northern Rockies. Please feel free to contact us if you would like to discuss any aspect of our program. Again, thanks.

With best regards,

Dan Funsch
outreach coordinator



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LEGISLATIVE ALERT VIA J. KD6PBH

It's time to write those letters again!! On May 20, 1993, the U.S. House of Representatives joined the Senate with the introduction of a resolution supporting Amateur Radio. The language of H.J. Res 199 and S. J. 90 is identical. They discuss the role of Amateur Radio in emergencies. They tell how Amateurs work as technical innovators, who push back the technical frontiers, who discover much about radio propagation, and who develop practical and affordable alternatives to complicated expensive new equipment from our laboratories.

Mail from home is important to Senators and Representatives. It lets them know what is on the minds of their constituents. There are a large number of these resolutions that members of Congress are asked approve like *National Pickle Week*. Good letters from constituents in support of S. J. 90 and H.J 199 can ease any potential stigma about the resolutions. The letters you write need not be long. The reasons to support the resolutions are contained in the bills themselves, but if you can add a personal emergency service episode or a technical contribution of the writer, it would really help to influence the Congressman and the Senators.

Your Senators and Representatives are listed in the U.S. Government section of the telephone book. They are published regularly in most newspapers. If you are not sure which of several Representatives is yours, just call any of them armed with your Zip Code. They will be able to tell you the name of your Representative.

Now is the time to write your letters for support of S. J. Res. 90 and H. J. Res. 199. Last year many of you wrote letters in support of H. R. 73 and S. 1372. Your help is needed again. As in the past, please send copies of your letters to Perry Williams at ARRL Headquarters. When Perry gets a sufficient number of letters from constituents, he has a reason to contact the office of the Senator or Representative and make a visit. Please write. These resolutions are good for Amateur Radio.





QST DE MIKE KD6EUD

COAX Meeting Wed Nite

**'COAX' Coalition of Amateur
Experimenters**

**Meets Every 2nd & 4th Wed nite at
Mountain Mike's Pizza on Hamilton Ave.
in Campbell.**

Meetings start at 7:00 P.M.

73 DE Mike KD6EUD

WB6NNL / SK

VIA STEVE K6FS

On June 21 Ralph Ryan, WB6NNL, went SK. Ralph, a longtime PAARA member, was active on satellite and vhf/uhf communications. On June 22, 1985, Ralph, BIII W6SAI, and Steve, K6FS, inaugurated local official opening of new WARC 24-Mhz band, working five stations across U.S between 0007Z and 0025Z that afternoon.

Antenna was a novel quarter-wave vertical consisting of a golf-ball retriever (tuned to mid-band 1/4-wave length) supported on a coke bottle base insulator, ground-plane formed by the roof of his aluminum garden-tool shed. It did well enough for contacts into New England and Southeast U.S. Funeral and interment services for Ralph were held Friday, June 25, 1993. Ralph was 83 years old. — Steve, K6FS

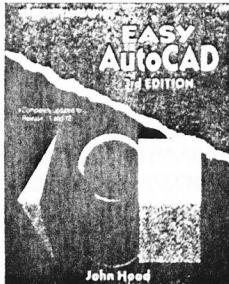
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QST DE VIC AB6SO

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