DAYTON HAMVENTION

Talk about great gatherings... 2015 was a banner year for friends in the Chew as well as fellow radio nets we associate with.

Our traditional Thursday evening gettogether hosted 40 friends and family members at the Rob's Family Restaurant.



Great food and eyeball conversation was the plan for the evening before the opening madness of the Hamvention.

QST's 100th Anniversary



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The "Chew"



ARRL pulled out all the stops in their celebration of the centennial of their QST magazine. Special booths were set up in one of the exhibit halls to showcase the various sub groups within the organization. In addition, the ARRL technical staff set up a lab to check your radios and answer questions from the members.





If you haven't yet sent in for our special 11th Anniversary QSL...

I will continue issuing our special commemorative Steel Anniversary QSL card. Send a regular business sized envelope to Loby-WA2AXZ Bob Lobenstein 1958 East 36 Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234.

A note from your editor ...

Our monthly newsletter <u>"THE CHEW"</u>, contains information about the activities and participants in the 7.272 Ragchew Net. We rely on contributions of stories and pictures from the members to keep all of us up to date, impart information we can all use and, of course, to raise a smile and a chuckle or two.

If you find a new "Taz" photo that can be used for future certificates and QSLs, that too is greatly appreciated. Please, e-mail your stories, tech info and photos to Loby at wa2axz@arrl.net Many Thanks!

Remember that you can help us defray

operating costs in our organization without organization, by donating to the Chew directly on our 72chew.net web-site through Pay-Pal or by mail to Loby-WA2AXZ.

Heartfelt thanks!

Dayton 2015 Continued...

The flea market area was in full swing with thousands of vendors selling everything from



the newest computer operated rigs to unidentifiable boat anchors. If you needed an



antenna, there was a forest of them growing on every vendor vehicle and sales table.



Even President Nixon made a rare appearance in the flea market. (hihi)

Inside the arena were tures of ham equipment, our own Randy Jr.-KB3IFH and Randy Sr.-KB3INO running the



QSL card booth.

ANNUAL GROUP PHOTO SHOOT

Each year we take the same photo of the group, under the "Pub" sign at the main entrance of the arena. This year our annual photo shoot changed. From the Hara arena to the usual major manufac- the Dayton KOA campgrounds.

This year we decided to have a special toast and along with them were to present day members and a memorial toast to our silent keys including a long time friend and fellow ham, Chardon Tom -KC8QGJ.

All in all a great time was had by everyone and just about everyone came home with a rig, gadget or electronic trinket of some kind. Dayton 2016 is

just 11 months away so most of the gang made reservations to be there. Hope to see you there next year too!

If you would like to see more photos, e-mail me, Loby, at wa2axz@arrl.net.

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