## News Notes from the gang...

The temperatures are rising and the season of hamfests has come upon us. Randy-KB3IFH reports that last month's Orlando Florida "Hamcation" took place with thousands of happy hams wanting to warm up, attending. We all know that our combined 7.272 Chew activities for the annual Dayton Hamvention are ready to go.

Gene-N8MEC also gives us a heads up that the 63rd annual Butler Hamfest is also scheduled for June 4th, 2017. Check out

their



"BreezeShooters" website at: http://www.breezeshooters.net/html/hamfest calendar.htm

**GET WELL:** 

A special note to John-N8SSE after his recent surgery. We hope you are feeling better and get back on the air soon!

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# The clock is ticking towards the annual Dayton Hamvention.

I can hear it in the voices of all on the "Chew" that anticipation for the new Hamvention is on the rise. In just a few weeks we will be meeting, face to face, with friends from all over, at the new location in Xenia, Ohio.

In keeping with our traditions, members of the 7.272 Ragchew Net, along with friends from other nets we frequent, will once again be holding our special activities and remember, all are welcome and a great time is guaranteed for all!



On Thursday evening, May 18th, beginning at 5:30 pm, we will hold our 13th Annual <u>Meet "n" Eat</u> at Rob's Restaurant 705 Arlington Road, Brookville, Ohio 45309 (800-537-9574) We have been gathering there for a few years



and there is great buffet style food and of course, wonderful conversation across the table with nary a bit of QRM and QRN to bother us. (hihi)

Our Friday evening, May 19th, barbeque continues at the KOA (Kampgrounds of America), Exit 24 on I-70. Stop by, sit a spell, and enjoy trading stories about the first day of the new Hamvention. We welcome all of our friends to be part of the fun (1721 Group, The Rooster Roster Net, Night Watch Net, Corn Cob Net etc.) Please e-mail Loby, wa2axz@arrl.net, if you plan on spending the weekend with the 7.272 Rag Chewers.

### Want to chase the winter blues? Attend a Hamfest!

Everyone can get cabin fever, even we busy hams. As winter slowly fades into memory, the season of hamfests is starting to pick up your spirits.

Earlier in the month of February was the Orlando, Florida "Hamcation" for those lucky enough to get there. On the last Sunday of the month, here on Long Island is the annual LIMARC Hamfest. I made my annual trek to hook up with fellow "chewers" and friends. After meeting up with Bruce-





WB2ADF and Abe-W2PQR, I hit the tables to check on the goodies. Yes, I got another "old" mike for my collection and enjoyed a great day with fellow hams.

#### Radio History...

Randy-KB3IFH is letting us know that there is a wonderful old radio magazine site that has issues back to 1919. Take a nostalgic walk through time to the beginnings of radio and follow the advances as the years pass. Go to the home page and check out all the radio and electronic related magazines online.

http://www.americanradiohistory.com/ Radio\_News\_Master\_Page\_Guide.htm Many thanks, Randy!

#### Thank you to:

Mike-KD4IRB for his recent contribution to the Chew.

Remember, that you too can help us defray the costs of running your "organization without organization" by making a small contribution today. Send yours to Loby-WA2AXZ today.

#### Heard on the radio:

Funeral director discussing a preplanned funeral with a couple. He asks the man "do you want a eulogy?" The man replied: "Over my dead body!"

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Control Stations on a regular schedule or emergency fill in, please contact our net scheduler, John-W8LWX

#### A note from your editor ...

Our monthly newsletter, "THE CHEW", 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 your organization without organization needs your contribution to keep the website on line as well as helping with the postage and background costs encountered during the year. Please, send your contribution to your special events Coordinator, Loby-WA2AXZ, today.

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