

Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9

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Our Regular Meetings are on the SECOND Tue with Lunch at 11:30 AM at the MCL Cafeteria, 4485 Far Hills Av. in Kettering

No Silent Keys to Report

June 12 Meeting: Highlights from the Great Loop Tour! By Jack Ohmart, K8CUA

July 10 Meeting: "Water Quality Initiatives in the Wolf Creek Watershed" By Caroline McColloch

Happy Birthday to the following

6/14/51	KB1SF	7/15/31	WA8IHA	7/31/19	W8FP
6/20/22	W8LIL	7/16/35	WA8BOB	7/31/25	W8KPV
6/26/18	N8ADA	7/20/22	K8JXE	8/3/11	W8YAH
7/4/37	K8RCJ	7/24/47	WX8F	8/7/38	W8LZW
7/7/19	W5FHL	7/25/21	K8BSC	8/12/51	WA8ZWJ
7/12/30	K8DSR	7/26/16	W8IFC		

President's Comments.

Summer is upon us. I hope you have been enjoying the warm rays of the sun. It has been dry, so the heat was tolerable.

More people are driving around. My neighbor gets his Corvette convertible out for a joyride. At the same time gas prices have been going up and there is lots of talk about alternate fuels. But when you see drivers zipping past you it is hard to imagine that they are bothered by high gas prices. I have been driving a long time under or at the speed limit and feel the few minutes I lose are well worth the saving and additional safety.

Knowing the laws of physics, I have no trouble to "slow down". We all know $E=mc^2$ and think "Einstein" and "Nuclear" when, of course, if you just substitute c , the speed of light, with v , your ordinary everyday velocity, this same basic equation applies to our daily driving as it applies to a nuclear reaction. So a car traveling at twice the speed, say you go from 30 mph to 60 mph, the energy of that

moving car is quadrupled. That's why crashes at high speed are so devastating. These pictures of mangled cars on the evening news remind us of that. Just imagine, someone gave you a sledgehammer to demolish a car, so it looked like the one on TV, it would take you a very long time and a lot of blows.

I hope you had a good time if you went to the Hamvention. I know some "old timers" are starting to miss out on that. We had only a few locals at the banquet. Steve, W2ML, gave an excellent presentation on the technical aspect of Super Bowl 2003. Fascinating facts. A lot of RF. Miles of cables. Hundred Cameras. Several huge control room trucks. And so on. As last year we also had a few door prizes.

Conditions on the bands are still flat, as you would expect for the summer during the sunspot minimum. However, there were a few openings on 10 meters and you can work stations in W5 and W6 in the afternoon.

Just talked to a GW station (on 20) and we had a lot to talk about. It turned out; he was the same age as I. The way people think and behave has a lot to do with their "Culture". That's why I think it's important to converse with foreigners, so we understand each other and don't fight.

Vy73, Gerd, WB8IFM

75m QCWA Net (3975 at 1:30PM) on Sunday!
Chuck, W8TIV, net control