

# Quarter Century Wireless Association Southwest Ohio Chapter 9

Dec 2010/Jan 2011

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Silent Keys: Bob McKay, N8ADA (92) 13Oct 2010, Former member of Ch.9 --- Andrew Henderson, W8SR (93) 28 Nov 2010 --- Maurice Crow, W8SEM (92) 2 Dec 2010

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

## Meetings

Dec14 Richard black : My Life as an Artist

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Jan 11 TBD

## Happy Birthday to the following:

12/31/29	W9GIV	1/25/20	W8ZCR	1/31/52	N8LX
1/6/56	N8ZR	1/25/22	K2JOI	2/4/24	K8TUY
1/13/24	WN8I	1/27/30	N8FRP	2/5/35	K8JE
1/15/28	N8AEG	1/28/18	W8KQZ	2/7/34	W8GNV
1/21/15	W3NNA	1/31/42	W4NWR		

## President's Comments

Right after the Thanksgiving holiday we lost two of our oldest members. First, Andy Henderson, W8SR. He just had a good Sunday breakfast when he suffered a heart attack. He was 93 and had been a ham for 77 years. The last few years he spent with wife Dorothy in assisted living. Although he had trouble getting an antenna up, he nevertheless stayed "on the air" using the local 2m repeaters. He was a close neighbor to Maury Crow, W8SEM, at Bethany Village.

Maury, 92, at about the same time was admitted to the hospital for a few days because of pneumonia and failing health and then was released to the Bethany hospice, where he passed away Dec.2. He was a ham for 72 years, being active to the end. He attended our meetings regularly with wife Evelyn. I find him in my logbook just a few weeks ago.

One of our former members Bob McKay, N8ADA, who moved to Albuquerque years ago, passed away Oct 13<sup>th</sup>. This was reported by Ron, W8ILC, who has kindly looked after some of our older members.

My mother in law passed away in October at the age of almost 104. She used to say that the hardest thing for an

older person is to witness all her friends die, one after another, so that in the end, there is nobody from your generation left, who speaks your language. I keep thinking, why do I get through with reading the paper so fast these days? Well there is not that much in there, and half of it I can't follow (kid's stuff) and the other half I have heard and experienced before just with different names. Bur I still pick up something new almost everyday that keeps my interest up.

On the way back from Kansas, where we had visited our daughter and family for Thanksgiving, we were listening to the Tappet Brothers from "Car Talk", always-good entertainment with the benefit of learning something useful. It turned out, one of the brothers had a pick-up truck as his first car and he gave an explanation why so many men do select a pick-up as a car. It is for the camaraderie and to meet friends. The first time his pick-up broke down, it was just a few minutes before another pick-up stopped and offered help. Of course, I had noticed long ago that few people were using pick-ups for actually transporting stuff. Sure there are a few legitimate handymen with pick-ups. Actually people do a lot of things that get them in touch with other people.

Consider getting a dog. A person walks his dog, the dog meets another dog attached to another person.

Hope to see you all at our X-mas party. We will have an Interesting presentation by the artist Richard Black who will bring Smokey the Bear and Mr. Clean to life. See you Tuesday.73, Gerd, WB8IFM.

## Membership:

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Presently \$5 per year.  
Mail in or pay at a meeting.

**Bring a friend to the meeting!**