

KC9OAS News

ARRL Special Service Club
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Evanston Amateur Radio Community
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October 2011
Evanston, Illinois USA

Next Meeting

October 24, 2011
7:30 PM

Program:

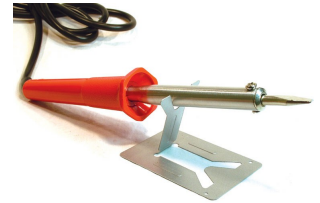
Soldering

Evanston Fire Department
Training Room
909 Lake Street
Evanston, IL 60201

Hands On: Soldering

One of the many things hams like to do is to build antennas, operating accessories, radios, and various other gadgets. To be successful at building or repairing cables and gear, you'll need to know how to solder. During the October meeting, we will discuss the proper way to solder components and practice by building one of the following:

- Continuity Tester
- Flashing Triangle Kit
- LED Flasher Kit
- Plant Soil Monitor
- Super Continuity Tester
- Triangle Shaped 7 Speed Perpetual Blinker Kit



To ensure that we have enough kits available please RSVP with your name and kit selection to meethams@evanstonhams.org by **October 17**. \$10 donation per kit accepted to defray costs. Come one, come all....even if you don't feel like making a kit or already know how to solder (we need mentors)....bring your soldering gear!

Officers

President

Scott Irwin (W8UFO)

Technical Director

Marilyn Gardner (W9LUO)

Secretary/Treasurer

Chuck Bartling (W4TVW)

Weekly Nets

Metro Amateur Radio Club
Sundays at 9:00 PM
147.315 MHz (PL 107.2)

S.A.T.E.R.N

Tuesdays at 8:00 PM
146.76 (PL 107.2)

North Shore Radio Club
Thursdays at 8:00 PM
442.725 MHz (PL 114.8)

ARES

4th Thursdays at 9:00 PM
146.880 MHz (PL 107.2)

ARRL Contests

October 17-21, 2011
School Club Roundup

October 22-23, 2011
EME Contest, 50-1296 MHz

November 5-7, 2011
November Sweepstakes, CW

November 19-21
November Sweepstakes, Phone

<http://www.arrl.org/>

It is the special purpose of this group to support the City of Evanston Office of Emergency Preparedness.

Thank You For Assisting With Evanston's Bike The Ridge!



**Bike the Ridge
Evanston**

On October 2, 2011 Charles Brown (W9CKB), Travis Johnson (AB9XS), Bill Rowe (AB9SV), and Scott Irwin (W8UFO), and two GMRS Operators from Apollo 7 React provided communications to Evanston's Bike The Ridge event. Messages were passed from Forward Command to CERT supervisors through the Ham/GMRS operators. CERT Supervisors then used FRS radios to communicate within their designated sector. If information needed to be relayed between sectors, the Ham/GMRS operators served as a backbone and relayed that information so that it could be passed effectively.

While the course was only two miles long, we learned that a "ridge" at the intersection of Ridge Avenue and Dumpster Street made communicating from or to the north end of the course with 5-watt handhelds difficult but manageable. Mark your calendars for next year, as this event is typically held in the first week of October...and it's a great way to test your gear!

Robert C. Orange (KC9PHT/WQEY960), SK

Robert "Bob" Orange passed away on September 12, 2011 after a battle with complications arising from Leukemia. He was 70 years old.

He was active in Evanston's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAA), having graduated in classes 2 and 14 respectively. Immediately after completing the courses he started volunteering with both the Police and Fire Departments, regularly handling low profile volunteer tasks such as assisting in the police property room, assisting with the administration of the Citizens Police Academy, managing a CERT communications detail at the Emergency Operations Center, and doing data entry for the fire department. He would also respond to most CERT call outs and requests for volunteers.

Bob was an accountant who had a long career in the corporate world before his retirement. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy Reserves, and his interest in electronics and communications led him to get a General Class Amateur Radio license and a GMRS radio license.

A brunch celebrating his life was held on September 24, 2011. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army.

