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# The **BANDSPREAD**

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## January 2021 WVARA Meeting

Friday, January 8th at 7:00pm EST

Location: This meeting will be held entirely online via Zoom.  
There will **NOT** be an in-person meeting.

The Zoom meeting ID will be announced at least 1 week prior to the meeting.

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Program: State Senator John Ford

### Presidents message:

This has definitely been an interesting year. We're all getting adjusted to our new "normal" and hoping that it really isn't a new "normal." One of the reasons I decided to become licensed as an amateur radio operator was looking to the future. I have seen individuals who no longer were able to physically do in later life what they greatly enjoyed. Some became homebound and started losing much of their zest for life. Not despondent, just bored. I wanted to have something to keep me in contact with others and keep my mind active. Voila, HAM RADIO! Little did I know that a worldwide health crisis would have me enjoying that choice so quickly.

As so many lifestyle options have been put on hold, my enjoyment with being a ham has been a great constant and comfort. The WVARA 2 Meter Sunday Night Net, the weekday "Cabin Fever" Net, both virtual and hybrid versions for our WVARA General Meeting, HF rag chews, etc. We are able to continue to enjoy our hobby and one another even through this pandemic.

I hope we are all looking forward to a great 2021!

73, LeRoy, AC9NF  
WVARA President

## **Brentlinger Award Nominations Due January 15, 2021**

Nominations must be in a sealed envelope with "**Brentlinger Nomination**" written on the outside of the envelope.

Any Wabash Valley amateur radio operator may be nominated regardless of WVARA membership. The person making the nomination does not have to be a WVARA member.

All nominations must be received by the President no later than January 15, 2020.

Nominations may be:

- Delivered by hand
- E-mailed to: [president@w9uuu.org](mailto:president@w9uuu.org)
- Mailed to the club address (WVARA -- PO Box 10081 -- Terre Haute, IN 47801-0081)
- Mailed to the President's home address (Owen L. Sedgwick -- 1616 S. 10th St -- Terre Haute, IN 47802)

Make certain that "Brentlinger Award Nomination" is clearly written on the outside of the envelope.

# December 4, 2020 WVARA Meeting



## WVARA Club Meeting

December 4, 2020

Via Zoom Meeting

Meeting called to order by Steve K9TA at 7:02 p.m.

Introductions/Meeting Check-Ins for official attendance - 24 Total attending.

New Members/New Hams - Gerry W9GWC none at this time.

Secretary's Report - Matt AA9XA November minutes read and approved.

Treasurer's Report - Ray K9DUR November finance report reviewed and approved.

Public Information - Chuck W9COD Had to back track on notifications after the Turkey Fest was canceled. Had a great response prior to canceling.

Vigo County ARES - Dave K9DWO Owen County will have a new ARES director in the near future. The ARES net will take place this week.

North High School - Matt AA9XA Not much happening due to COVID-19 and North on e-learning. They do need antenna work, and maybe some help with exams etc.

Old Business

New Club Information Sheet- Matt AA4XA we would like everyone to fill out the new sheet. If you would like one please email the Secretary Matt AA9XA and he will send one and you can email back. Thanks for your help.

Club Elections - Gary K9ERE Committee Chairman

1. Slate of nominated 2021 Board Members are as follows : President LeRoy AC9NF, Vice President Matt AA9XA, Secretary Andy AC9SW, Treasurer Ray K9DUR, Trustee Gerry W9GWC. Past Presidents will be Joe KC9JAC, and Steve K9TA.

2. Nominations were called for from the floor. None were made.

3. A motion to close the elections was made and seconded all approved. 24-0.

4. Motion to suspend and vote for approval of the nominated slate from the nominating committee was made and seconded. Motion was approval 24-0. Motion passed. Congratulations to the new Board for 2021.

5. Brentlinger Award for 2020- Gary K9ERE presenter. The winner of 2020 Brentlinger Award was Ray Andrews K9DUR. Congratulations Ray on well deserved recognition for your years of service to the WVARA.

Program for January 2021 will be Senator John Ford. Also reviewed were upcoming programs for 2021. If you have any suggestions for 2021 programs, please let the new Vice President know.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45p.m.

**Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc**  
**Treasurer's Report – December 2020**

**Account Balances as of 12/31/2020**

Checking	\$1,054.00
Savings	\$3,922.46
PayPal	\$129.09
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,105.55</b>

Background Check Fund	\$55.00
Life Member Fund	\$3,070.00
General Fund	\$1,980.55

**Income & Expenses**

**RECEIPTS**

Donations	\$315.86
Membership Dues	\$224.00
PayPal Cash Back Bonus	\$0.02
Savings Account Interest	\$0.44

**TOTAL RECEIPTS** **\$540.32**

**EXPENDITURES**

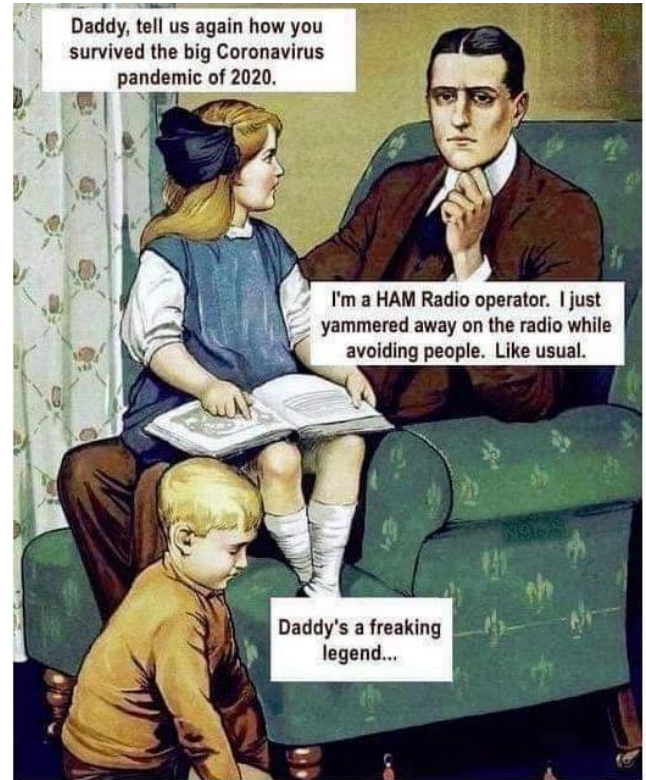
Corporation & Legal Fees	\$2.00
PayPal Receive Funds Fees	\$2.14
PO Box Rental	\$92.00

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES** **\$96.14**

**OVERALL INCREASE/DECREASE** **\$444.18**

Ham Toons

Submitted by Ray, K9DUR



### Cabin Fever Net

December 25, 2020

200 Nets

Thanks: Pat KA9ALI and

Gary K9ERE and to all net participants.



Please complete the following information to update the Club's records and allow more notifications and communications, and to determine new activities for 2021 and beyond.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Call \_\_\_\_\_

License Class \_\_\_\_\_ Years Licensed \_\_\_\_\_ QCWA Member \_\_\_\_\_

(Yes or No)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

WVARA Member in 2020 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL Member in 2020 Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Do you belong to any other ARRL or Amateur Radio groups?

What programs and activities would you like to see in 2021?

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What would you think of having fund raising campaign for the Club, or would you just like to donate \$25.00 directly to the club? What do you think would be good fundraisers for the Club?

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**Sunday Night Net Manager:** John VanSandt - N9YRX

**Dues**

**2020-2021**

**\$30.00**

**Please pay now**



**WABASH VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Please complete this form and include it with your dues. You may return this application in person or mail to:

WABASH VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.  
P.O. BOX 10081  
TERRE HAUTE, IN 47801

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ License Class \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (Mo/Dy/Yr) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Year first licensed \_\_\_\_\_ Year of last WVARA membership \_\_\_\_\_

New Member? [ ] ARRL member? [ ] ARES member? [ ] QCWA member? [ ] RACES member? [ ]

This newsletter will come to you by e-mail in .pdf format unless you specifically request a paper copy below. We encourage you to choose the electronic version because: 1. It costs the Club less to produce and deliver it; and 2. In the electronic version, the pictures are in color and it arrives earlier! Of course, you can still make a paper copy of it on your printer, if you wish.

If you are applying for a family membership please list below the licensed family members [living at home] that you wish to include.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ License Class \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL? [ ]

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ License Class \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL? [ ]

Please add \$7 per family member above to the Single rate below. To include ARRL membership, see a current QST for the amount.

Dues options: Single (\$30) Family (Single + \$7 per family member. Add ARRL membership Total pmt. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Note: 1. Payments made Sept. - Dec. apply to membership for the following year. ARRL also has a family membership program as well. See QST.

\*Club gets a rebate from the ARRL!

**NOTICE: All members must submit to a criminal background check as a condition of membership.**

## Bulletin Board

### **WVARA VE Testing**

(Walk-ins Welcome)

Terre Haute, Indiana

2nd Saturday of every month (except March)

9:30 A.M., Indiana time

Vigo County YMCA, 951 Dresser Drive, Terre Haute, IN (South end of Fairbanks Park)

For further info contact:

Ray Andrews, K9DUR: 812-236-6522

### **Terre Haute Radio Club VE Testing**

(Walk-ins Welcome)

Terre Haute, Indiana

2nd Thursday of every month

7:00 P.M., Indiana time

Storage Solutions South

5457 South State Road 63

(just south of the prison)

For further info contact Ginger Monastyrski, WB9ZHC at 812-243-9052 or [WB9ZHC@yahoo.com](mailto:WB9ZHC@yahoo.com)

### **WVARA Marketplace**

**Please submit your Ham related items to the Bandspread editor prior to the regular publication date. Keep your announcement to less than 50 words.**