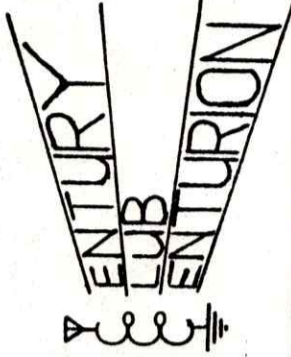


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From Your Editor

by K4KWN

Well, it is time for another Centurion to come your way, but before we get to the heart of the matter, I feel the need to explain (alibi) my recent lack of participation on the nets. As is the case with a lot of folks in today's business world, nothing stays the same (and in the Human Services field, in general and Boys Clubs in particular this is the case). A big push is on locally for expanding services into new areas of our community and your's truly is right in the middle of going from running one Boys Club to running six or seven. So you can see things are in a state of disarray.

Getting to a more serious side, we had the loss of a couple of our members; W4ISF and W2AGR and both now silent keys. John De Graff, W4ISF, lived on the other side of town and we never took the opportunity to get together on 2 meters, just the Century Club. The sad part of this story is after his death his widow was saddled with disposing of John's station; a lifetime accumulation of gear that was one of the loves of John's life. Can you imagine the heart-rending decisions that had to be made by one who was knowledgeable about what gear was there and what the value of it was?

Luckily, John had some friends who worked with his wife to get a fair price for it, but one has to consider what would have happened if his friends had not been there. I hope you take the time to make a list of your equipment, it's value,

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and to keep it current. Don't forget equipment that was "loaned" and never returned. Include this list with your personal papers along with a note on how you would like to see it disposed of. You may think you are going to live forever, but you and I are living from heartbeats to heartbeats!

Now, leaving the somber and going on to items a little more pleasant. Elsewhere in this newsletter we have our installment from Megalopolis; Ray Grant has sent info from some of the Board meetings which will interest some of you. We have some notes from some of our members along with some other things that will hopefully, make your day a little brighter!

73's

Message from Megalopolis

(Editor's Note: Megalopolis is one of the few places in the world where the Moon comes over the Mountain in Mason Jars! This stuff is so strong the men folks can't drink it before they go hunting 'cause if they do and breathe on the barrel the bluing comes off and it starts to rust immediately! We must confess that Header distills particularly potent white lightning that goes by various names, depending on the proof of that particular batch. One sip and not only does it curl your toes, straighten your hair and makes you howl like a coon dog, but it blows the lint right out of your bellybutton! The following story was related to me by one of Header's hunting buddies who I chanced to meet one afternoon in Silver Dollar City.

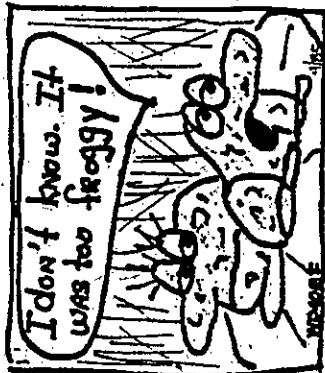
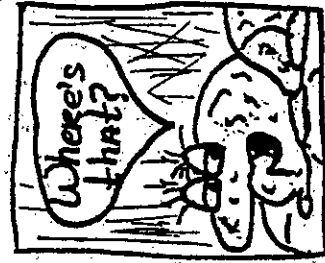
One of them hippy hitchhikers came stumbling through the woods one morning as Header was cooking off a batch of Ol' Stump Blower whereupon Header snatched up his squirrel rifle and held that hippy at bay while the last of the squeezein's came dripping from the condenser coil. Deciding that he needed to test out this particular batch, he grabbed the water dipper, filled it to the brim and extended it over towards that hippy with a one word command of, "Drink!"

*This last page was
left blank because
I pure & simple ran
out of things to say.*

73's,

*Bob Hall
KAKAWN*

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DO YOU HAVE A CARTOON OR GRAPHICS PRINTOUT THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOUR FELLOW CENTURY CLUB MEMBERS. IF SO, JUST SENT IT ON TO ME AT THE ADDRESS IN THIS NEWSLETTER.



The Helping Hand

In the past issues we have printed letters from many of our members, but only a few have described their stations. We received a letter from Marty, KA2NRR, which describes his station in Brooklyn, NY in both word and picture. I would like for you to help me in starting a new column on Century Clubbers and their stations, by dropping me a line and kinda "voting" as who you think is the best operator and who has the nicest sounding station. I will, in turn, get in touch with that ham and get info and share it with all of you in coming issues. Don't wait, think about your choices and send in your votes today.

The hippy, not 'knowin' fer certain what it was, declined with a gracious, "No, thanks".

Header took a step toward that hippy, held out the dipper even more, gestured a little with his rifle and said, "I said drink!", at which time the hippy knew that he had better get to swallerin' quick, which he did.

Well, steam came out of that hippy's ears, his hair turned from brown of snow white, and his beard came up in little-bitty Shirley Temple curls. When he finally got his breath back, he exclaimed, "EEEEEEEEEE! That is the worst tastin' likker I have ever had!"

"Right", said Header, "now you hold this gun on me while I take a swaller!"



From the Board Room

In using Wild Cards on the 1000 point and 2000 point award applications, the Board voted that the only restriction in using Wild Cards was that a maximum of four (4) wild Cards, one (1) per state, except none for Alaska and Hawaii, may be used. Wild Cards may not be used for Mobile or DX contacts.

For those interested in listening to the Board meeting, the June and July meetings will be on 40 meters.

The Idaho eyeball will be in July. Listen to the nets to learn all of the particulars.



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Ways to Kill Your Club

(John Brodt, WD4OEF, friend, editor of a local ham rag, creator of "Xtal & VFO", and all-around good egg, sent me a copy of their latest newsletter which included an article from Toronto FM Communications. Thought you might like a copy of it.)

1. Don't come to meetings, but if you must, arrive late and leave before the business portion.
2. If the weather doesn't suit you, don't think of coming.
3. Find fault with the work of your officers and members,
4. Never accept an office, for it's easier to criticize than to do things.
5. If asked by the President or Committee Chairman to give your opinion regarding some important matter, tell him you have nothing to say -- after the meeting tell everyone how things ought to be done.
6. Do nothing more than absolutely necessary, but when other members roll up their sleeves and willingly put forth an effort to help, howl that the Club is run by a clique.
7. Hold back your dues as long as possible or don't pay at all.
8. If reminded that dues are now payable, resign. The Club has too much money anyway.
9. When a banquet or party is held, tell everyone that money is being wasted on blowouts and parties.
10. If no banquet is held, complain that the Club is dead.
11. Always keep your eyes open for something wrong.
12. When you attend a meeting, vote to do something and

then do the opposite. Agree with everything that is said at the meeting and then disagree loudly over the repeater. This way you can reach a larger audience.

13. Get all the Club gives you, but don't give anything in return.
14. Complain long and loudly about the Club Bulletin to give its editor good reason to resign.

«The Way I See It...»

DR. MAURICE, W2JAJ, writes... "sitting at my operating desk, listening to the net controllers and the callers brings to me a complete state of tranquility and euphoria, no matter what the cares of the world are... I am 72 years old and have been a ham for 52 years. This is the first time I have ever joined a net, and I have given up the quest for DX, quite a change for a DX man!... Thank you very much officers, area directors, awards managers, net control coordinators, relay stations, QSL managers and members... It is the best medicine in this hectic world of ours."

AND FROM CRAIG KALLEY, N1ABY... he reports he is coordinator for the Worked All Connecticut Counties (all eight of 'em) Award. For a list of counties and more information about this award, drop Kal a line.

MY APOLOGIES TO WAYNE... I forget to write down his call and my mind is a blank; he is wondering who he should write to for awards applications. Elsewhere in the Centurion is a list of officers and area directors. Among the names on this list is the name, call, and address of the Information Officer. Just drop him a SASE with a note on the awards applications you are looking for.

APOLOGIES ALSO TO JOHN... I didn't write his call or last name down either, but I think it is W5VCS... He is looking for some Delaware stations on the 40 meter net... he is even proposing that I should double the subscription cost for Delaware subscribers, but that wouldn't do any good since "they ain't nary but one".