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442.200
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145.49 / 4.89
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CORC Life Member George Cryder, SK

One of the founding fathers of CORC, George Cryder, W8LGL, became a silent key recently. Below is part of the obituary from the Delaware Gazette dated August 6th.

George Robert Cryder, 78, of Delaware, died Saturday (Aug. 3, 2002) at Delaware Court Healthcare.

He was born Feb. 12, 1924, to Maude (Schanck) and Russell Cryder, and was a lifetime Delaware County resident. He was a 1942 graduate of Willis High School and attended Ohio State University and the University of Illinois. He served as a sergeant in the 3133rd Signal Service Co. in World War II, and received a Purple Heart. He retired as director of audiovisual services at Ohio Wesleyan University and was a former partner of Apple Cryder Studio.

Mr. Cryder was a devoted member of the Delaware County Historical Society, and was its president for a decade. He was a charter member of the Delaware County Genealogy Society. The Delaware Area Chamber of Commerce named him and his wife Marilyn Citizens of the Year for 1993. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, a life member of the American Radio Relay League and the Central Ohio Radio Club, a member of the American Legion, a past member of Rotary Club and a former officer of the Ohio Wing Civil Air Patrol.

He is survived by his wife Marilyn, whom he married Aug. 20, 1950; a daughter, Sandra Cryder of Baltimore, Md.; two granddaughters, Anna and Claire Slesinski, also of Baltimore; a sister, Joanne Apple of Marysville; and a niece and nephew, Lindsey Cain of Marysville and David Apple of Jacksonville, Fla.

We will miss George and all the work he has done for the club. Contributions can be made to the Delaware Historical Society, 157 E. William St., Delaware, OH 43015.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

by Jim Gifreda, W8MAP,
Membership Chairman/Treasurer

CORC now has a total of 194 full pay members and 6 associate members. Also, there are 46 family members and 9 life members. Since the last newsletter was printed, the following persons have joined CORC:

KC8MLN	Thomas Gary	K8QX	Michael Day
KC8ULL	Kevin George	KC8RXL	Kimberly Day
KB8KPJ	Jim Mortan	KC8OKB	John Botti

Please welcome them when you hear them on the air!

CORC members and other individuals continue to donate time, talent and extra money to assist the club with its operating expenses. The following individuals have donated since the last newsletter was printed.

WZ8JML	Jeff Lieberman	W8RXX	John Perone
KC8NYW	Robert Hollingsworth	W8RRJ	John Hull
KB8YBW	Peter Shapter	K8NIO	Trig Tabor
K8QX	Michael Day	KA8IWB	Laura Perone
KC8RXL	Kimberly Day	WD8QWR	Phil Carter
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by Joe Hahn, W8NBA
Webmaster and Newsletter Editor

If your not familiar with the Internet URL listed above, it because it is brand spanking new. In just the last week or so, your board of directors decided to simplify the web site address. We really wanted the name corc.com, but that name was bought up years ago and the company that owns that name wanted anywhere from \$750 to \$10,000 to sell it. We were lucky and the domain suffixes of .us just opened up and we bought the name corc.us for a whopping \$6.95 per year. The .us suffix means that we are a business or group that is formed in the United States.

As well as the new web site URL, we have new e-mail addresses. As Newsletter Editor I now use newsletter@corc.us as my CORC

e-mail address. After it is all set up, any club officer can be e-mailed by using *office@corc.us* as their address. The *office* is the club office they hold. In the next newsletter, I will list all the officers and committees e-mail addresses.

As you know every year we raffle off the use of the “Rock Bound Handheld” at the General Meeting. This year I hope to raffle off the use of a CORC e-mail address for a full year. Just another reason for you to attend the General Meeting in May. But also don’t forget the Groundhog Hibernation Bash on November 2nd at the Genoa Township Hall. See the flyer here in this newsletter.

Central Ohio Severe Weather Network

John Montgomery – N8PVC

The official severe weather season for 2002 is now behind us. It’s somewhat unusual that for the past few years we’ve had severe weather warnings outside the official severe weather season. That fact serves to illustrate that we must be “weather aware” all the time.

We’re leaving behind a year that had fewer severe weather events overall but contained several tornado warnings for central Ohio.

A few of the warnings did announce funnel clouds that made their way to the surface causing damage.

It is a mixed blessing to have a quiet weather season. On one hand we need garden-variety thunderstorms for the rain. On the other hand we need a few severe storms to keep amateur radio weather spotters sharp in observation and communication skills.

Keeping the public informed about dangerous weather conditions is a monumental job that can only be accomplished with a practiced team. The National Weather Service, amateur radio spotters, emergency management agencies, public safety officials and the media all play an important part in getting the job done.

This past season NBC 4 meteorologist, Ben Gelber took to the 146.76 airwaves from our office at Port Columbus to address the Central Ohio Severe Weather Network. He took questions from the audience and shared information about weather operations at WCMH.

Of particular note was the importance the 4 WARN Storm Team places on your spotter reports. Yes, they listen when severe weather is in the area. As Ben noted, public safety is at risk and credible spotter reports

monitored locally can be broadcast to the public providing valuable lead-time to those in the path of a dangerous storm.

WCMH is a strong supporter of our weather net and amateur radio. This past season members of the 4 WARN Storm Team contributed their voice talent and recorded weather spotter tips that played on area repeaters. Look for more of the same next season.

I would encourage you to think ahead to prepare for winter weather. Before we know it the snow will be falling as we try to remember the dry hot days of this past season. Do you have winter survival supplies in your automobile and in your home? Mild winters have been the norm. Let's not forget that all good things come to an end.

Niljon Antennas makes generous donation

The Central Ohio Radio Club, Inc would like to thank Jack Nilsson of Niljon Antennas for their generous donation of various design antennas to the club. In a letter sent to the club Dr. Nilsson explains his presentation.

As pres. of NilJon Antennas, I have decided recently to sell via dealers (including UNIVERSAL RADIO) only, not direct, and to highlight in distribution my PREMIER design, the fully patented, 'SUPER-M.' In looking for a place for my left-in-stock high quality, high performance, novel base station boxed antennas (2 and 6-Meter Omni's, 2-Meter Beams, and Base Scanner models) that I don't have the proper manpower to market/distribute efficiently, I concluded that there could not be much better a way than to help the amateur community via donations (several end-points). For CORC, the donation will be substantial... retail value ~\$10,000.00. Please advise me of a good time and place for my fabricator and I to make the delivery in his truck.

Jack, N8NDL
Dr. Jack Nilsson, pres.
NilJon Antennas
<http://www.niljon.com>

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By Tony Fabro, N8RRB

In case you missed it, October 5th and 6th were the dates for the 2002 ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET). This annual exercise tests the capabilities of the different emergency related groups by simulating emergency conditions or by staging a mock emergency. The goals of each organization might be different, but the idea is the same: effective performance in an emergency.

SET is the biggest event of the year for the Central Ohio Traffic Net, the local traffic net of the National Traffic System (NTS). During the two day event the net will pass 250-300 formal messages as a way of testing the net's capacity constraints. While speed is a top priority, one must not send too quickly. Otherwise the receiving station will need to have the sender resend parts of the message thus taking more time than if it had been sent slower to begin with.

ARES groups use the SET to stage a mock emergency. Some will simulate a natural disaster and dispatch search and rescue teams and disaster assessment teams. In addition, they will add additional burdens such as forcing everyone to use simplex due to all repeaters being knocked off the air in the disaster. Other mock emergencies might involve medical situations or even a hostage situation.

The point is that even though most of us use our radios to chit-chat on, we can also be

called to use them for emergency uses as well. We need to be ready for such a calling.

It has been proven disaster after disaster that ham radio fills the communications gap. Even the best cell phone system setup will fail before the ham radio network fails. And it is because of this proven fact that we as ham operators need to be ready to serve in emergency service if called.

CORC is not an ARES affiliated club. We are a repeater club whose members support the club for its facilities which it owns and the hobby in general. However our resources have been used in the past for ARES events and undoubtedly will be called on to do so in the future. The Central Ohio Traffic Net also uses the 146.970 repeater for their backup frequency.

There may come a day such as what occurred for the Y2K event where the local EMA calls on all hams in the city for help in an emergency. The calling group will be from all clubs, not just the ARES organization. Will you be ready to serve if they call?

Have a safe day.

Editors Note: *We would like to congratulate Tony on his recent marriage. We hope Tony and Orli have many wonderful years together. I heard they met at a train station. Just kidding, Tony!!!*