FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES 17 October, 2014

The October meeting of the Ft. Wayne Radio Club was held at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church on 17 October, 2014, and was hosted by club president Steve Nardin, W9SAN. There were about 40 people in attendance for this meeting, and, after reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, everyone present introduced themselves via their call-sign.

Treasurer Bob Steeter, W8ST reported the club's financial status dated 17 October, 2014 as follows:

Income \$6,961.04, Expenses \$5,813.51, Cash on Hand \$101.60, checking \$1,497.95, Savings \$8,048.92, and we have four pre-paid members for 2014.

Steve Nardin had on display the Kenwood TS-440 transceiver that the club will raffle-off at the upcoming Ft. Wayne Hamfest. Anyone who re-ups their club membership for CY 2015 between now and the end of the Hamfest (on Sunday, November 16th) will earn one raffle ticket and a chance to win the Kenwood.

Steve also had on display Yaesu Mark-V FT-1000MP transceiver which was donated to the club by Maynard Mansfield, W9INA with the stipulation that it be made available for loan-out to new hams who needed to get their feet wet in the hobby, until they obtained their own equipment. It is a magnificent piece of gear which we expect will spoil anyone who borrows it for any other piece of gear. We expect it to be a popular loan-out.

Speaking of the Yaesu Mark-V FT-1000MP, Steve noted that we planned to give it a work-out at the Cub Scout Jamboree On-The-Air (JOTA) which the club will support on October 18th at the Allen County Boy Scout office and at Camp Chief Little Turtle up in Steuben County. An FM station running Echo Link will be set up and demonstrated at the Boy Scout office. A 40 meter CW/Phone station, and a 20 meter Phone station (utilizing the Yaesu Mark-V) will be set up and demonstrated at Chief Little Turtle. And in addition, hands-on Foxhunting demonstrations involving the scouts will be conducted throughout the day at camp Little Turtle.

Steve noted that the final foxhunt of the year will be held on 2 November with Charles Ward, KC9MUT and Fred Gengnagel, KC9EZP serving as the fox. Following the foxhunt the annual foxhunt party and bonfire will be hosted by Jim & Annie Pliett K9OMA & KA9YYI at their QTH out on Wappes Rd. All are invited to this annual event.

Elections for the 2015 club year were conducted with the following results:

President: Steve Nardin, W9SAN

Vice President: Carole Burke, WB9RUS

Treasurer: Bob Streeter, W8ST Secretary: Al Burke, WB9SSE

Communications Manager: Charles Ward, KC9MUT

Board of Directors: Linda Nardin, W9LAN, Tom Rupp, KU8T, Tom Baker, N9TB, Terry Bowman,

K9FMX

Following the business meeting Jim Boyer, KB9IH provided an in-depth discussion of the application of Arduino computers to ham radio. Those things are neat!

Respectfully submitted,

Al Burke, WB9SSE Secretary, FWRC