

TRAFFIC CALL



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~ Newsletter of the W4PL Ben White Memorial Net founded 1938 ~

Hit and Bounce Net M-F 7042 kHz - S-S 7114 kHz 8:30 AM ET * Hit and Bounce Slow Net Daily 3576 kHz 7:30 AM ET

Silent Key K2BCL

I'm sad to report that Gail Heinzman, K2BCL, recently joined Silent Keys; passing on the nineteenth at his daughter's home in Texas. He was a regular here in New York on many of our nets for years; then later he moved on first to Pennsylvania, then Florida. He was an NTS Official as 3RN/2 Manager for a time. DOB 1917.
-Bill, W2MTA.

We also want to thank Sis WD8DIN for editing both the website and Traffic Call. She is doing a wonderful job Sis, we really do appreciate the new look of the website.

I have taken a "temporary" full-time job and will not be around the kennels much for the next few weeks (months). Sure do miss the daily nets ☺.

We certainly appreciate ALL our NCS stations and subs. If anyone would like to try their hand at NCS, PLEASE let me know. —73 Bob K3RC NM

SILENT KEY - W2GJ, PETE RADDING of North Charleston, SC.

**From the QRZ newsroom October 21:
C6APR TEAM KILLED IN TRAGIC ACCIDENT**

The C6APR team, consisting of Pete, W2GJ, Ed, K3IXD, Randy K4QO and Dallas W3PP were all killed this morning [Wednesday October 21] as their aircraft crashed on take-off from Summerville Airport, SC on their way to Crooked Island, Bahamas. They were on their way to operate in the CQWW contest this weekend. [Obituary page 9 from W2EAG]

Manager's Report

Greetings all ARFers:

NEWS: The W4SUS (Larry Frazer, SK) Award has been re-activated. A new committee has been appointed to oversee the award. Members are WD8Q chair, W2MTA, K8LJG, and W2EAG. You should be hearing from them soon.

For those who do not remember Larry, I would suggest you read the articles on our website hitandbounce.net.

We thank this committee for agreeing to serve us in this fine way.

For all the "newbies" to HBN:

WHY ARFERS SOMETIMES "TALK FUNNY"

At least three unique "Q" signals were created for use on the HBN. The first one, dating from 1965, was QWW. The signal was defined as "I want words with ." Two additional signals were defined by W8IBX (now W8IQ) in 1974. They were QPC and QDS:

QPC - "Put out several calls and report back to me."

QPC? - "Shall I put out several calls and report back to you?"

QDS - "Direct stations (callsign) and (callsign) to move (up/down) and pass traffic."

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-From the Ben White Memorial Net Historical Sampler. Online at <http://hitandbounce.net>

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RANDOM RECOLLECTIONS OF AN OLD HAM

-by George Hart WINJM

A journalistic history of the life and times in the Amateur Radio world of George Hart, WINJM



We were wondering if Geo and Louise would get married or break it off.

Chapter 30 - Then there was still Ms. Louise

Much to my astonishment, Louise accepted. We were married in March of 1939 and moved into a small apartment in Hartford. I hit Mr. Handy up for that raise he had promised and my salary was increased from \$22 to \$24 a week. This was hardly enough for one person to live on, but somehow we made it do, with a little financial assistance from my mother and one of Louise's doting uncles, until 1941, when U.S. entry into war changed everything.

We moved into our little "doll house" in Newington in April of 1941 - the house where I still live (June, 2001), although much expanded. It was a little four-room Cape Cod with a minuscule open side porch, but to us, after two years in a 2-1/2 room second floor apartment, it was paradise. Here I established my own personal station after over 11 years as a licensed amateur. I had operated 3NF and W3NF, W8YA and W1AW, was still operating the latter, but now I was going to operate WNJM, my new call as of early 1941. I still held W3AMR at the farm, but big brother Ed had moved back there and was established in his third floor apartment. When I visited "home," I operated W3NF.

But at 66 Highland Street in Newington, I appropriated one of the two tiny bedrooms as my "shack" and set up station of sorts. It wasn't much after operating W1AW for six hours a day, coming home to my breadboard junk heap was an anticlimax at best. I nevertheless took pride in at last being a whole amateur radio operator with a station of my own.

From that time until the present, except for my 2-1/2 years in service during the war, there has always been a WINJM presence on the air and at the farm, after Ed moved out to southern New Jersey, W3AMR. So, although my ham radio operating career began in 1926, my ham radio station career began in 1941.

Getting acclimated to married life did not come easy for me, and no doubt Louise, a shy young girl with a very sheltered upbringing cast among total strangers in a strange new city, had even more problems. Add to this my working hours from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. most of the time. We would have supper at the usual time, 6 p.m., with a couple hours of togetherness, then I would be off to work, a distance of about 5 miles.

She would go to bed at her usual time, 10 p.m. I would come home at 3:15 a.m. or so, usually waking her up. She would get up at 6, make her breakfast, then sit and read the newspaper or a book or do minor household chores until I got up about noon and we would have lunch together. On spring, summer and early fall afternoons we would usually stroll over to Elizabeth Park, only a few blocks away, sit on the benches, stroll among the bowers, and feed the ducks. In the winter we might go to a movie matinee or play cards. We definitely were not bored, We were young, newly married, very much in love and we tolerated the inconveniences. Within in a few months Louise settled into a pattern of staying up until I got home at about 3:30 a.m., then we would go to bed together, get up at noon, have breakfast, supper at 6 p.m. Once we "got into the swing" it wasn't too bad. But once earlier, just a few days after our marriage (there was no honeymoon), I went to play pool with Fritz after work, a thing we used to do frequently before I was married. Fritz was unemployed (many thousands were, then) and he spent a lot of time with me at W1AW. When my shift was up at 3 a.m. we would go over to ARRL HQ in West Hartford, where the League had a sort of basement recreation room, and use the pool table therein, a gift of our then advertising manager F.C. Beekley, W1GS. On this particular night Fritz proposed a pool match, without thinking of my bride asleep in our apartment, I assented. We played pool until dawn. When I came home I found Louise in hysterics. She had awakened at about 3:30 a.m. and found my side of the bed empty. At 4 a.m. panic overtook her as she imagined the possibility of my lying dead electrocuted behind one of the relay racks at W1AW. We had no phone, it was four o'clock in the morning, and what was she to do?

She lay in bed weeping and when I finally crept quietly into the apartment she got up; and flung herself into my arms. Not until then did I realize what an inconsiderate thing I had done. It brought home to me very strongly the responsibility of marriage, a lesson I never forgot. WAR

In the main, however, married life continued serenely. WW-II started in September 1939, six months after we were married, nothing much changed. I registered for the draft, as required, but did not expect to be called. I was a married man, almost 27 years old. Most people were of opinion that the Germans would soon be crushed and we would not be involved. But as time went on and the war took a turn for the worse for the Allies, who had the sympathy of most Americans, the draft quotas rose. Several people at HQ went into the service and others had the draft breathing down their necks. In 1940 I had been offered a commission in the Signal Corps but turned it down, aware of my responsibilities as a husband and having no lust for that kind of adventure. If

I had taken it I would have probably wound up at the end of the war as at least a captain, more likely as a major or lieutenant colonel, assuming survival. To me, survival was the key. I was determined to tend to my personal responsibilities first, enter the armed services only if I had to. The work at W1AW went on, little affected by the war.

Coming in Chapter 31: World War II effects Geo

Ham Picnics – Arfy Woffingham



The title refers to amateur radio operators getting together for food and drink, and doesn't include pork, though it could. The title really refers to Picnics sponsored every summer by a member of EAN traffic net. A weekend at some member's QTH or location of his/her choice. I have attended several of them, but would like to say all of them as you have an opportunity to meet some of those people you know only by their CW fist. It all amounts to a great time.

Every ham in the cast is invited and encouraged to attend each picnic. The ham sponsoring a picnic has quite a few preparations to make and things to do to get ready for the day(s). The biggest problem one has is getting there. It would be great to have a picnic in, say Georgia, but imagine the difficulty of hams living n NJ or other distant places getting there for a weekend event.

We've had the picnics in NY, NJ, MD, WV,VA and NC since I've been attending them, since I've been active with NTS. But have only had a chance to attend about a third of them. According to Bill, W2MTA, the Picnics began, I think he said, in the 50s. I attended them in the states listed above, but many were held in those states that I missed.

Can't say any of the Picnics stands out as the best. I enjoyed them all about equally.

Unlike hamfests, attendance at the picnics doesn't dwindle most years, but may decrease a bit one year and increase most years. I urge you to try to find a way to attend a picnic or more if you can. In the past hams have used the bus or plane to get there. Bill, W2MTA, tells me that a couple of favorites, the blind ham twins K1EIR and K1EIC arrived at this years picnic sponsored by Bill and wife Betty, by a limousine from a couple of states away!! Wow!

I was urged to read an article in Sept 1999 QST "a Look at Fifty Years of the National Traffic System" by Rick Palm K1CE. A great article on how we got where

we are in traffic handling. Here's a quote from the article: "The system has taken some hits over the years, but it still chugs along today with a dedicated group of devotees". It's safe to say that no other amateur radio activity has engendered such a close-knit community of activists.

-Arfy Woffingham

**Treasurer's Report:
Ole, N4ABM, Treasurer**

Balance	Jun 2/09	\$373.44	
	K4MSG	7/10/2009	\$50.00
PdPo/Pr	7/13/2009	(\$57.91)	
Balance	Oct 14/09	\$365.53	

Thank you, Paul. We appreciate your support.

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ARRL Forty-six

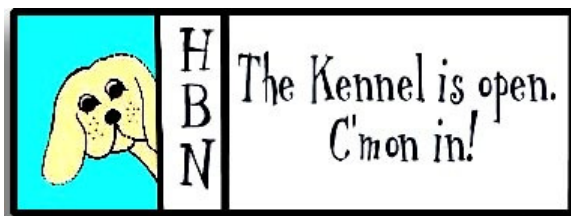


HBN AUG QNI 476 QTC 484 QSP 451 QND 24
Sessions 31

QNI		QTC	
W2EAG	30	N1OTC	153
KA8WNO	30	K8LJG	120
W1KX	29	KA8WNO	65
W2MTA	29	KW1U	42
N4DY	29	VE3GNA	25
K8KV	29	N4ABM	18
W1WCG	26	W2EAG	17
N4ABM	26	K8KV	10
WD8DIN	25	K4IWW	7
K8LJG	24	W1KX	5
N1OTC	21	W2MTA	5
K4IWW	21	WD8Q	5
K3RC	18	K3RC	2
KA5NNG	16	KA5NNG	2
KK3F	15	N3SW	2
KW1U	13	N4DY	1
WA3JXW	12	W1WCG	1
K4MSG	11	KK3F	1
WD8Q	11	WA3JXW	1
K2TV	10	K2TV	1
K2VX	8	W8IM	1
VE3GNA	8	WD8DIN	0
W8IM	8	K4MSG	0
WB8WKQ	6	K2VX	0
W3FAF	3	WB8WKQ	0
WB9JSR	3	W3FAF	0
KT2D	2	WB9JSR	0
K3MIY	2	KT2D	0
N3SW	2	K3MIY	0
WD8DHC	2	WD8DHC	0
KC1DI	1	KC1DI	0
WA4JYX	1	WA4JYX	0
K4OSO	1	K4OSO	0
W4VAB	1	W4VAB	0
W4VFJ	1	W4VFJ	0
KA8NYY	1	KA8NYY	0
WB8SIW	1	WB8SIW	0

HBN SEP QNI 475 QTC 611 QSP 589 QND 960
Sessions 30

QNI		QTC	
KA8WNO	29	N1OTC	268
N1OTC	28	KA8WNO	86
W2EAG	27	K8LJG	55
W2MTA	27	KW1U	33
KK3F	26	VE3GNA	27
K4IWW	26	W2EAG	26
N4DY	25	N4ABM	23
W1KX	24	WD8Q	15
K8KV	23	W2MTA	14
W1WCG	19	K8KV	10
K2TV	19	W1WCG	10
N4ABM	16	K4MSG	9
VE3GNA	15	VE3GT	7
K3RC	15	W1KX	6
K8LJG	15	WA3JXW	4
WD8Q	15	WD4DNC	4
K4OSO	13	W8IM	3
K4MSG	11	K3MIY	3
KW1U	10	WB8WKQ	2
K2VX	10	KK3F	1
N0SPY	9	K4IWW	1
KA5NNG	9	N4DY	1
W8IM	9	K2TV	1
WA3JXW	8	KA5NNG	1
WD8DIN	8	K8DD	1
K3MIY	7	K3RC	0
WB8WKQ	7	K4OSO	0
KT2D	3	K2VX	0
WB9JSR	3	N0SPY	0
VE3GT	2	WD8DIN	0
W4VAB	2	KT2D	0
W4VFJ	2	WB9JSR	0
W4WXA	2	W4VAB	0
K7IFG	2	W4VFJ	0
WB8SIW	2	W4WXA	0
K3VIG	1	K7IFG	0
W4DLZ	1	WB8SIW	0
WD4DNC	1	K3VIG	0
WB5PNL	1	W4DLZ	0
K8DD	1	WB5PNL	0
WD8DHC	1	WD8DHC	0
WB8RFB	1	WB8RFB	0



Aug	QNI	QTC	Sep	QNI	QTC
KC1DI	1	0	W1KX	24	6
W1KX	29	5	N1OTC	28	268
N1OTC	21	153	KW1U	10	33
KW1U	13	42	W1WCG	19	10
W1WCG	26	1	KT2D	3	0
KT2D	2	0	W2EAG	27	26
W2EAG	30	17	W2MTA	27	14
W2MTA	29	5	K2TV	19	1
K2TV	10	1	K2VX	10	0
K2VX	8	0	KK3F	26	1
KK3F	15	1	VE3GNA	15	27
W3FAF	3	0	VE3GT	2	7
VE3GNA	8	25	WA3JXW	8	4
WA3JXW	12	1	K3MIY	7	3
K3MIY	2	0	K3RC	15	0
K3RC	18	2	K3VIG	1	0
N3SW	2	2	N4ABM	16	23
N4ABM	26	18	W4DLZ	1	0
N4DY	29	1	WD4DNC	1	4
K4IWW	21	7	N4DY	25	1
WA4JYX	1	0	K4IWW	26	1
K4MSG	11	0	K4MSG	11	9
K4OSO	1	0	K4OSO	13	0
W4VAB	1	0	W4VAB	2	0
W4VFJ	1	0	W4VFJ	2	0
KA5NNG	16	2	W4WXA	2	0
WD8DHC	2	0	KA5NNG	9	1
WD8DIN	25	0	WB5PNL	1	0
W8IM	8	1	K7IFG	2	0
K8KV	29	10	K8DD	1	1
K8LJG	24	120	WD8DHC	1	0
KA8NYY	1	0	WD8DIN	8	0
WD8Q	11	5	W8IM	9	3
WB8SIW	1	0	K8KV	23	10
WB8WKQ	6	0	K8LJG	15	55
KA8WNO	30	65	WD8Q	15	15
WB9JSR	3	0	WB8RFB	1	0

QNI 502 QTC 639 QSP 597 QND 934 Sessions 30

HBN JUNE	QNI	QTC
KA8WNO	30	N1OTC 177
W1KX	28	K8LJG 112
K4IWW	28	KA8WNO 88
N1OTC	26	KW1U 66
W1WCG	26	W1WCG 37
W2EAG	25	VE3GNA 28
W2MTA	25	W2EAG 22
N4DY	24	N4ABM 12
K8KV	23	W2MTA 11
K8LJG	23	K8KV 11
KW1U	21	KK3F 9
K2TV	19	W8IM 9
KK3F	19	K4IWW 7
N4ABM	18	VE3GT 7
WD8DIN	18	W1KX 6
K3RC	16	K8DD 5
KA5NNG	15	WD8DIN 4
K4MSG	14	WB9JSR 4
W8IM	13	K3MIY 4
W3FAF	12	WD8Q 3
VE3GNA	12	WA3JXW 3
WB9JSR	11	WB8WKQ 3
WD8Q	9	K3RC 2
W4WXA	8	K4MSG 2
K4OSO	7	W4WXA 2
K3MIY	6	K4OSO 2
WA3JXW	4	K2TV 1
WB8WKQ	4	K9PUI 1
KC1DI	2	N9NY 1
KT2D	2	N4DY 0
K2VX	2	KA5NNG 0
VE3GT	2	W3FAF 0
KB4T	2	KC1DI 0
WD8DHC	2	KT2D 0
K9PUI	2	K2VX 0
N3SW	1	KB4T 0
K7IFG	1	WD8DHC 0
K8DD	1	N3SW 0
N9NY	1	K7IFG 0



JULY	QNI	JULY	QTC
W 1KX	29	N 1OTC	201
W 2MTA	29	K 8LJG	96
K 4IWW	28	VE 3GNA	59
K 8KV	28	KA 8WNO	43
KA 8WNO	28	KW 1U	41
W 1WCG	27	W 2EAG	39
W 2EAG	27	N 4ABM	19
N 4ABM	27	WD 8Q	14
N 1OTC	26	W 8IM	11
N 4DY	26	K 8KV	9
WD 8DIN	25	K 4MSG	9
K 2TV	23	W 2MTA	8
KA 5NNG	20	W 1WCG	7
K 8LJG	19	WB 9JSR	6
KK 3F	17	W 1KX	5
K 3RC	15	K 2TV	5
W 3FAF	14	K 3MIY	4
KW 1U	13	KK 3F	3
K 4MSG	12	N 4DY	1
WD 8Q	11	KA 5NNG	1
VE 3GNA	10	WA 3JXW	1
W 8IM	8	K 8DD	1
WB 9JSR	8	W 8IOF	1
WA 3JXW	6	K 4IWW	0
K 3MIY	5	WD 8DIN	0
W 4VFJ	5	K 3RC	0
WB 8WKQ	4	W 3FAF	0
KC 1DI	2	W 4VFJ	0
K 7IFG	2	WB 8WKQ	0
KA 8NYY	2	KC 1DI	0
KT 2D	1	K 7IFG	0
KA 2NJY	1	KA 8NYY	0
N 3SW	1	KT 2D	0
WA 4JYX	1	KA 2NJY	0
K 4QU	1	N 3SW	0
W 4WXA	1	WA 4JYX	0
K 8DD	1	K 4QU	0
W 8IOF	1	W 4WXA	0
W 8KP	1	W 8KP	0
K 9PUI	1	K 9PUI	0

JULY	QNI	QTC
KC 1DI	2	0
W 1KX	29	5
N 1OTC	26	201
KW 1U	13	41
W 1WCG	27	7
KT 2D	1	0
W 2EAG	27	39
W 2MTA	29	8
KA 2NJY	1	0
K 2TV	23	5
KK 3F	17	3
W 3FAF	14	0
VE 3GNA	10	59
WA 3JXW	6	1
K 3MIY	5	4
K 3RC	15	0
N 3SW	1	0
N 4ABM	27	19
N 4DY	26	1
K 4IWW	28	0
WA 4JYX	1	0
K 4MSG	12	9
K 4QU	1	0
W 4VFJ	5	0
W 4WXA	1	0
KA 5NNG	20	1
K 7IFG	2	0
K 8DD	1	1
WD 8DIN	25	0
W 8IM	8	11
W 8IOF	1	1
W 8KP	1	0
K 8KV	28	9
K 8LJG	19	96
KA 8NYY	2	0
WD 8Q	11	14
WB 8WKQ	4	0
KA 8WNO	28	43
WB 9JSR	8	6
K 9PUI	1	

HBSN SEPTEMBER
Sessions 30
QNI 224 QTC 63 QTR 678 mins

VE3GNA	20
KG2HA	0
WB2GTG	7
K2VX	0
K2TV	4
WA3JXW	12
WD8Q	10
KK3F	7
N1JX	0
N4ABM	0
WD8DHC	0
KT2D	0
K3IN	2
AB2ZI	0
W2EAG	0
W1PID	0
W4VAB	0
W1KX	0
K3RC	0
WA2CUW	1
WB8WKQ	0
WB4ZDU	0
KB3LNM	0

The Straight Key

Tough to find an OT ham, who isn't familiar with the straight key, presumably the original key for sending continental Morse code.



Perhaps a sounder key used with American Morse was somehow modified for the purpose of sending the continental Morse we use on the ham bands.

Nearly all hams began their CW experiences using a straight key, as did those in the armed forces, at least until after WW2. Made of brass with an adjustment on each side and one near the rear handle and one on the front end, they did a great job (and still do) of pounding out cw letters, numerals and punctuation, when properly adjusted.

In my naval radio operations, no other kind of key was in use by the average operator in the European invasions. All CW operators used them. I was in the Sicily, Salerno, Southern France and Normandy

operations and didn't see any other kind of key in use. We sent out a great volume of military traffic in these operations; short distance radiophone came later.

When the war was about over in Europe, my ship left England and returned to Savannah GA for a couple weeks before going west through the canal, then stopping in Pearl Harbor for about six weeks. Several of our radiomen were sent temporarily to Navy Radio Hawaii, NPM I think. Shipboard keys used by British sailors had a long handle and they were operated while the sailor remained standing, I was told. I've seen several straight keys that have been devised in the last several years that some hams have made in very small amounts that look good, are more precise when used and most have a high price tag.

—Arfy Woofingham

W4VAB

Licensed in 1952 as WN4VAB. My Elmer was L.K. Rush, W4TM. I was DL4HM in 1961 and 1962. Upgraded to the Advanced Class license in the late 1960s.

Like most amateurs I have a lot of certificates, including the Rag Chewers Club, 25 wpm code proficiency certificate, public service awards, WAS, DXCC, and the Elmer award.

Life member of the ARRL and QCWA and a member of OOTC. SKCC # 4595.



Full Beaver Moon [AKA Frosty Moon]

November 13th at 1:17 AM ET.

This was the time to set beaver traps before the swamps froze, to ensure a supply of warm winter furs. Another interpretation suggests that the name Full Beaver Moon comes from the fact that the beavers are now actively preparing for winter.

- Farmer's Almanac

*From
Hal Borland's
Twelve Moons of the Year*

The Pulse of Autumn

September 8

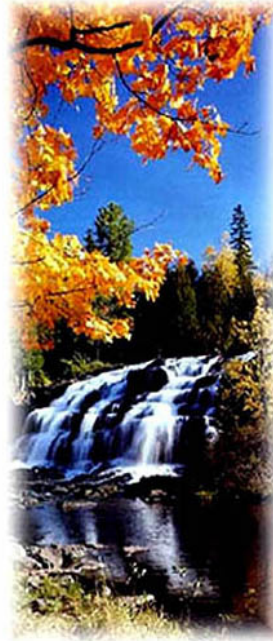
If the season calls for little journeys, it is autumn. Summer, by habit and custom, is our time for travel to far places, to know the exotic and the unfamiliar. Then come September and early autumn, and a whole new tempo. Then comes the time to travel afoot and know again the world just down the road or across the nearest hilltop.

You walk, and this world just beyond your doorstep has new dimensions. So have you. Your pace, your pulse, your whole awareness begin to match the basic rhythms. There is no haste, no scurry, no racing the clock. The roadside maples count the years, not the days and hours. Milkweed pods take their time about opening, awaiting a proper day and breeze to spill their silken cargo. As the fading plumes of goldenrod slowly grizzle, the bees haunt the deliberate asters for a late hoarding of honey. Tam-o'-shantered acorns hang heavy on the red oaks, waiting wind and squirrels to plant the groves of a remote tomorrow.

Crows are muted, jays are wary, as they watch the restless migrants, knowing that by November they will own the woodlands. The flames of woodbine creep up the popple, deliberate as the sun. Gentians come to bloom. The bumblebee waits for midday warmth to seek his breakfast and crickets chirp all afternoon in the roadside grass with its bronze-ripe heads. Wild grapes ripen, grape by grape.

The season's slow change is all around you. You walk

with the measured rhythm of the year, unhurried, and you become a part of it. Your pulse, your pace, become the pulse and pace of autumn.



[Background colors stolen from WØOOW's web page.]

W4PL

W4PL

BENTON WHITE

Station at Shepherd, Tenn . . . P.O. Address Route 1, Chattanooga, Tenn.

STATION	DATE	CST.	MC.	RST.
W4VAB	9-16-52.	1925.	3½	5 6/7 9

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Peter Radding N. CHARLESTON - Engineer- HAM - Pilot - Mentor - Family Man

Peter Radding, 69, of North Charleston (SC), husband of Tina Radding, died Wednesday, October 21st, 2009. Mr. Radding was born on December 25, 1939 in Mineola, NY, son of the late Earl and Edna Radding. He was a graduate of Seaford High School in Delaware and received his Bachelors of Science degree in Industrial Distribution from Clarkson University in 1963. After graduation, Peter worked for Corning his entire 35 year career in various technical, sales, marketing, and management capacities. He helped forge Corning's vision in telecommunication and fiber optics. Peter had numerous hobbies that became his passions over his lifetime. He was a HAM radio operator for 57 years and utilized these skills for numerous emergency response disasters. Peter's largest passion was his love of aviation. A pilot for over 20 years, he was recognized by the State of Delaware House of Representatives for his "outstanding service to his fellow man by using his aircraft for the purpose of mercy".

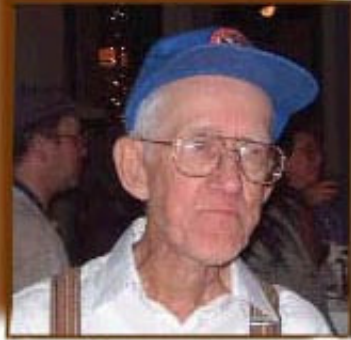
He donated his time and use of his plane through Angel Flights to transport critically ill adults and children. In 1999, he received the Angel Flight Pilot of the Year award. After his retirement from Corning, Peter utilized his mentoring skills as a business consultant and served on numerous management boards. Family was Peter's highest priority with emphasis on education, high ethics, and social commitment. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, spending countless hours in scouting and other family activities. Peter received an alumni honor, the Golden Knight Award in 1998, for his devoted and committed service in the growth of the Clarkson University Alumni Association from a regional to national organization. Peter is survived by his wife Tina, son Peter Radding and his wife Jill of Wake Forest, NC; daughter Nicole Havert and her husband Tim of Palmer, Alaska; 4 grandchildren: Trent and Grant Radding and Jordan and Anderson Havert; and brother Wilson Radding and his wife Terry Reeves of Greensboro, NC.

A memorial service will be held at 10am Monday, October 26th at St. Thomas Catholic Church in North Charleston. A gathering of family and friends will be held at James A. Dyal Funeral Home, Summerville from 6 until 9 Sunday evening, October 25th. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mercy Flight Southeast at <http://www.mercyflightse.com>

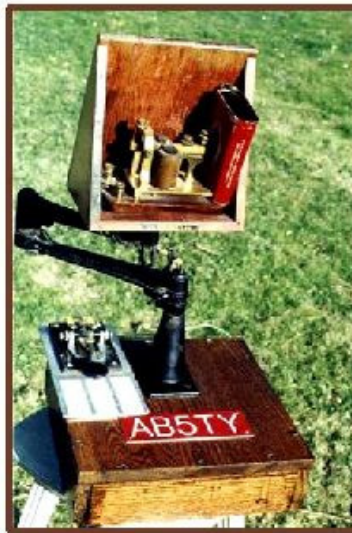
www.mercyflightse.com; Boy Scouts of America, Troop 500, 9535 White Carriage Drive, Wake Forest, NC 27587; or a charity of one's choice. A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at <http://www.jamesadyal.com> []



Edwin Steeble K3IXD (left), Dallas Carter W3PP (center) and Peter Radding W2GJ pose in front of Radding's plane in the Bahamas last year. Not shown is the fourth victim, James Randolph Hargenradar.



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