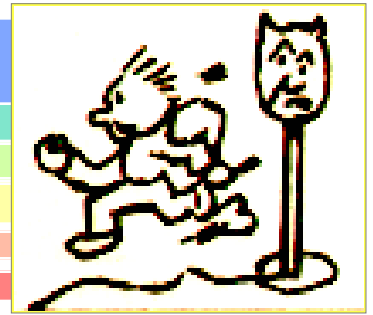




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Upcoming Events

Radio Expo 2008

Sept 13 and 14 at the Boone County Fair Grounds in Belvidere US Rts 20 and IL 76 3 Large Buildings of exhibitors and large outdoor fleamarket. VEC testing both days. Pro wrestling on Saturday featuring Jerry "The King" Lawler and other local wrestlers. Talk-in on CFMC 2m 146.76- (107.2). For more info see: chicagofmclub.org

Sept 10th 8 PM Edgebrook Field House

The story unfolds with Einstein preoccupied with finding a theory that accounts for gravitation and determining what orders the universe. Einstein addresses gravitation in the universe with his general theory of relativity. This is confirmed experimentally in 1919 when a solar eclipse reveals stars in positions that could best be explained by his theory: that gravity causes light to bend.

Edgebrook Field House Update

Take a look on the SRO web site. The Field House is done and we should have the large room ready for the next SRO meeting. So drop by and see what it looks like.



Meeting Minutes

by Jim AA9DT

Mike Shy



SRO Notes and Deranged Tangents for July 9, 2008

By Jim Hawes, AA9DT

JULY MEETING. If this is July, we must be back in the Edgebrook Field House. Tonight we're using the back meeting room that remodelers fixed up about four years ago. For our small club, this back room has plenty of space.

MAIN HALL. Remodeling work on the main hall continues. To my eye, the main hall looks as if it has a long way to go. The road grater and front-end loader don't inspire confidence about a pending completion date. I don't know when we'll be able to use the room again. Well, maybe we could use it for new purposes. If it freezes over in winter, it might make a fine skating rink.

PICTURES OF THE REMODELING WORK appear on our new SRO Web site. Check out the site! Mike Brost has done fine work in promoting our club on the Web. According to our site, the workers have finished the new roof. They've also primed and painted the drywall.

PERIOD LIGHTS will replace the energy-efficient fluorescent tubes. I was hoping for comma or semicolon lights. Anyway, I don't know the exact period we're speaking of. Maybe we'll find gaslights in there. Our page says that workers are also going to automate the shades on our second-story windows. Soon, we'll be able to push a button and the shades will open or close.

PUSH-BUTTON SHADES are so convenient. I remember the old way, shinnying up the gutter and hanging a towel over the window. That technique worked, but sometimes the towels blew off and hit golfers in mid-swing. At first, I wondered how our club could take advantage of these shades. After all, we meet at night. Except during a supernova, the difference between an open and closed shade isn't much. But our county government thinks of everything. We call an optional county employee. Every time the shade comes down, he shines a flashlight through it.

MIKE'S PHOTOS show a new set of cabinets ready for installation in the kitchen. Soon, we'll have a new refrigerator, microwave, motorized French whip, open-pit

barbecue, convection oven, wine cellar... Everything, literally including the kitchen sink! Still, that barbecue is expensive, folks. Mike Brost WA9FTS asks that every SRO member cut him an extra check. Make it out to CASH. Mike will add your name to a contributors' plaque that he plans to install. He'll do that just as soon as he returns from his all-expenses-paid vacation in Morocco.

EINSTEIN: UPCOMING PROGRAM. For the September meeting, I'm bringing a DVD about former SRO member Albert Einstein W2EMC. Albert used to work on servers with our president Mike Leibovitz WA9EVF. Mike helped Albert to develop the Special Theory of Connectivity. This theory ponders these questions: If you accelerate a server to the speed of light, will it still take 20 minutes to boot? If acceleration increases mass, then will the hard drive hold more data? If we could exceed the speed of light, we'd go back in time. But would we start using DOS 6.22 again?

Anyway, the video that I'm bringing is about Albert Einstein's development of the General Theory of Relativity. This theory analyzes gravity. The video also describes Albert's problems with personal relationships and family life. Actors portray Albert and his wives Mileva and Elsa.

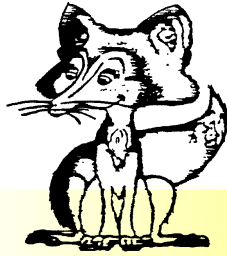
A later episode relates Albert's quest for a unified theory of physics. Although he never completed the theory, he left a legacy of ideas that many physicists pursue today. The General Theory also conflicts with Quantum Physics. Einstein never resolved the differences. For instance, Einstein probably didn't subscribe to the Heisenberg Uncertainty Principle or the theory of Shrodinger's Cat. For decades, these differences perplexed Einstein's colleagues and rivals. Today, String Theory attempts to bring Einstein into conformity with the quantum view of the universe.

Einstein was once the master of ceremonies at our annual party. He was so shy that he went by his initial E. Club members remember this about E: As MCs go, he was rather square.

SRO Web Site

The club's website, www.w9sro.org has been up for a couple of months. Check it for latest updates between Mike Shy issues. The latest photos taken at the Edgebrook Field House has been posted. Mike Shys from the past will be posted after Radio Expo when I have more time to work on it. Any ideas for the web site will be welcome.

Foxhunt Report



Mike Shy

August CFAR Foxhunt -
Aug 2nd, 2008

Prepared by Charlie Fisher KB9DIM

After a day working on the family boat, the fox Charlie KB9DIM decided to chose a hiding spot that would limit his driving. Leaving his parents house in Buffalo Grove, the fox drove east on Lake Cook Road, intending to find some spot somewhere near the lake shore. On the way, traffic became very heavy, with cars heading to Ravinia. To avoid the traffic, the fox decided to drive south on Skokie Blvd., which took him past an abandoned parking lot, that was once owned by ComEd.

The fencing surrounding the lot had openings in it, and the gate was open.

Using 50 watts from a Yaesu mobile radio, into an M2 four element beam vertically polarized. The fox chose a spot in the bushes. During the test transmission, it was determined that adjustments needed to be made to the antenna, so the hunters could get a signal.

The hunt began at 8:09pm

Tom N9CBA was the first hunter into the area, in between transmissions; he drove his car within a dozen feet of the fox, and got out. He was able to find the antenna during the next transmission, but had to follow the coax; which the fox had laid out through the bushes, in order to score.

After scoring Tom hunted the beacon CW transmitter that was operating on another frequency, for the heck of it.

Don W9RA came into the area very shortly after Tom had scored, having looked over this site for his own use. He too, found the antenna first, and had to follow the coax to the fox, for second place.

A short time later, Mike WA9FTS was heard by the fox on the other side of the fence, after

driving around, and coming into the lot, he found the fox, after spotting the display on the fox's radio.

The group headed to a very nicely appointed Barnaby's that was located 2/10 of a mile north of the fox on Skokie Blvd.

September CFAR Foxhunt -
Sept 6th, 2008

This hunt's reults will be published in the Nov issue. Tom N9CBA will be the fox.

CFAR Foxhunt Information

1st Saturday of each month - start at 8PM
Sears Parking lot in Elmhurst on Rt 83 north of St. Charles Rd
Fox transmits during the hunt on 147.75 MHz

Meeting Attendance



July 9th
at the Edgebrook Field House

Jean KB9FXL

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by Mike WA9FTS



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Disbursements	\$170.02
Annual Report	\$5.00
Insurance	\$160.00
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For the months of Sept-Nov

K9BAM	Wm McAllister Nov 15th
K9VO	Steve Bosnyak Jr Oct 30th
KA9ZWA	Cathy Leibovitz Nov 7th
N9FA	C Fay Jacobson Sept 3rd
W9LG	Stan Garstka Nov 17th
WA9FTS	Mike Brost Oct 1st

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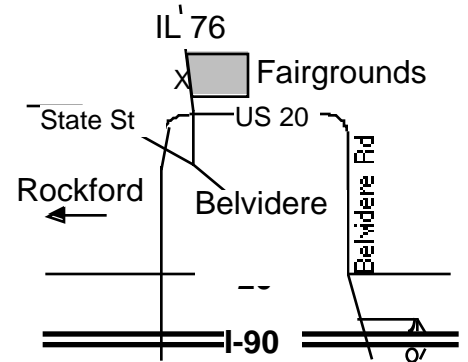
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**SEPTEMBER
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SRO Repeaters

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CFAR (107.2) PL	147.75	147.15
TOOFAR	223.26	224.86

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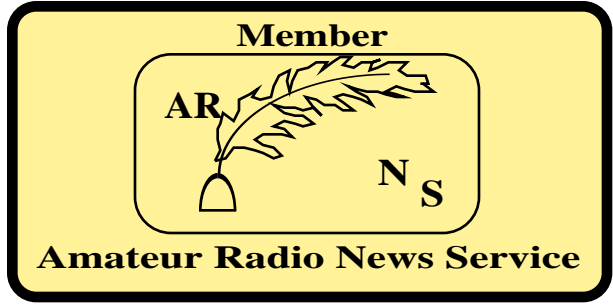
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