

Knights Amateur Radio Society

KARS Report

The Prez Says

I had planned on operating my Amateur Radio while in Korea. I received a new antenna, ordered a new microphone (twice) and flew off to another hemisphere entirely.

When I was ready to operate, my microphone came apart (my old one, since the two I ordered 1) was never received and 2) arrived too late. I then realized I did not have the connector between my radio and battery, the knob fell off of my radio and I lost the screw that held it in place.

The battery was examined for explosives at the Philadelphia airport and examined with a magnifying glass at the Icheon airport. So, I sent out some E-Mails to a few hams in Icheon, asking if I could operate using their radios. I received a response from the Korean Amateur Radio League (KARL), and made the 90 minute trip there via cab. I only made one contact, a ham in Japan.



Fr. Nick Travels to Huntsville AL

Father Nick is off and running to the Hamfest in Huntsville AL. Today he is working on getting a special T-shirt printed locally in Eustis TX promoting the KARS group. He has a tight agenda when he arrives filled with workshops, visiting vendors and creating awareness of the role



Ham Radio plays in our Catholic lives. Father Nick is taking in workshops on recruiting young people into the world of ham radio and also a few technology related topics. We hope he will proudly display the KARS colors and spark interest by some of the attendees.



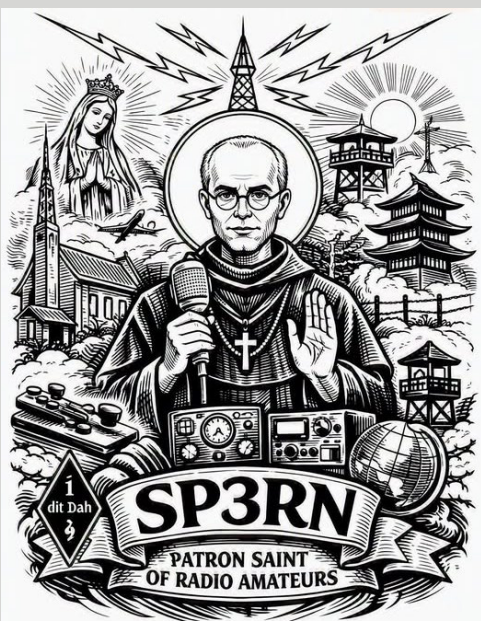
Member Spotlights

N0SOX - Stephen Ivaskevicius.

Stephen lives in the Omaha area. He laid out a year long plan at our recent monthly meeting about creating awareness of KARS and cross referencing databases of Knights of Columbus members with FCC records to find prospective members.

Fun Fact - Stephen does not wear socks. (please note his call)





St. Max Net - Sundays 22:00 UTC
14.341 USB



NOVYU and MEOW tuning up for the St. Max Net



What's new in the Shack

When I retired a year and a half ago I remember making the statement "I'm going to spend time learning all the things my current radios are capable of and understand it all". So why am I posting a photo of my latest radio from a month ago? I think you all know the answer to that question. In my case I decided to build some egg-beater antennas and have you ever tried to do satellites on a Yaesu 991a? It's not pretty or fun. Hence the ICOM 910H. It's fun to watch my computer take over the radio when satellites approach. NOVYU

Secretary Needed

We are sorry to see Joe step down from the Secretary position with the Knights Amateur Society. He will be missed. He is relocating. We are in need of a somewhat organized person to fill his shoes.

We are always looking for new members

Find us on Facebook or visit our website "KC2US.org". We are Catholic men and members of the Knights of Columbus who also share an interest in Amateur Radio.

Weekly Nets

We are in the process of re-evaluating our weekly nets which have been Monday nights on 40 & 80 meters. We are considering the time of day and band conditions. Feedback is welcome.

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Feedback

Your feedback is invaluable to us as we strive to create the best possible newsletter possible. Please send us ideas for articles or monthly staples such as equipment for sale or what's new in your shack. I think it would be fun to share photos of our four legged families that keep us company in the shack as well. Above is my Sophie otherwise known as Mike Echo Oscar Whiskey. let us know about events in your area and how we can help promote our club.

Closing Note

It's been fun putting this short newsletter together as it's raining out today and no outdoor plans. I added a few items from my world here in Duluth as I don't know everyone yet but look forward to being able to share your lives and activities on these pages as I get to know you better. After our zoom meeting on Wednesday, some of us stuck for 45 minutes just hanging out and talking. That's what it's all about!