

## **REGULAR Meeting of the Rolla Regional Amateur Radio Society, RRARS**

The regular meeting of the Rolla Regional Amateur Radio Society, RARRS, was held on January 7, 2019, at Phelps Health (Private Dining Room #2), Rolla, MO. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. The President, Rich Hinkel, KB0WD, welcomed the membership and called for introductions by all in attendance giving their name, call sign and what was their most unique event as a ham operator.

There were 15 members present. One visitor present.

## **Unfinished/Ongoing Business:**

Rich KB0WD provided the membership with the results of the December survey. The surely was to find the types of events and activities that RRARS should pursue in 2019. The top five (5) answers to the survey were: Field Day, Field Trips, Picnic, Training, Antenna Party/Home-brew night (work night on ham projects, programming, hardware, etc.) RRARS will be participating in field day 22-23 June 2019.

The Rolla VE and MS&T VE Team will be offering amateur licensing exams Saturday, February 09, 2019 @ 9:30 AM / Thursday, March 21, 2019 @ 6:00 PM. Laurel VEC testing is free. Pre-registration IS required. To pr-register, please visit https://goo.gl/forms/RrB6xEZo9ApMu0v22. Other testing dates are posted on the RRARS web site.

Membership dues need to be paid ASAP. Dues are \$25 per year for an individual and \$30 per year for a family payable to the club treasurer.

## **Discussions:**

Rich KB0WD guided a discussion on effective station electrical ground bonds. He provided a handout with a visual representation of a method for tying all station equipment together with low impedance conductors and then tying into an earth ground. The information was from the ARRL Handbook 1966.

Winter Field Day is January 26-27, 2019 Freeze Your Keys Off is February 16, 2019 January 26, 2019 – *Winterfest*, Collinsville, IL Closing: The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM by Rich Hinkel

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Herbert Turner KE0PXJ, Secretary-Clerk