

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

The regular meeting of the Rolla Regional Amateur Radio Society, RARRS, was held on March 4, 2019, at Phelps Health (Private Dining Room #2), Rolla, MO. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. The President, Rich Hinkel, KB0WD, welcomed the membership and called for introductions by all in attendance giving their name, call sign and number of contacts made during the month of February.

There were 18 members present.

Two visitor present.

## **Unfinished/Ongoing Business:**

The Rolla VE and MS&T VE Team will be offering amateur licensing exams Thursday, April 18, 2019 @ 6:00 PM and Saturday, May 11, 2019 @ 9:30 AM. Laurel VEC testing is free. Pr-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 payed ASAP. Dues are \$25 per year for an individual and \$30 per year for a family payable to the club treasurer.

The Club will be reestablishing a 50/50 fund raiser at the next meeting.

## **Discussions:**

Central Missouri Digital Group of Rolla W0CMD lead a presentation on the new W0CMD D-Star repeater. Gary KF0TW, Dave KF0XQ, and Louis Al0LM discussed the history of how the Rolla D-Star repeater changed from W0EEE's management to W0CMD along with improvements to the system. The discussion included information on the location change of the repeater to the Medical Office Building (MOB) at Phelps Health, Antenna Information (Anderw/Commscope DB-420-B), Feedline information, the Duplexer (TX-RX/Bird Model 28-66-02B 444.00/449.00) as well as a repeater coverage area map. They finished off the presentation by taking the membership to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor maintenance closet in the MOB were the repeater is housed and answered questions.

**Closing:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM by Rich Hinkel immediately ofter the presentation and tour.

The next meeting will be a joint meeting with Lebanon Amateur Radio Club K0LH and we will meet at Oceans Buffet 225 St Robert Blvd, St Robert, MO April 1.

\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Corrected Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Herbert Turner KE0PXJ, Secretary-Clerk