

THE FORTIETH FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

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GREEN MOUNTAIN REPEATER ASSOCIATION

The President of The Green Mountain Repeater Association, Paul Freirich W3HFA, called the Fortieth Annual Meeting of The Association to order on 1 December 2012 at 1250 Hrs.

Paul recognized, Bill Kisse WA3GJD, Bob Anderson W3RTA and Murray Green K3BEQ who were of the “Founding Fathers” of the Green Mountain Association.

Paul also recognized Dignitaries in attendance, Jim Cross ARRL Maryland-DC Section Manager, Ken Greenhouse P.G. County RACES RO (Radio Officer), Spence Spencer ARES RACES AEC for operations, Jim Baker N3XKJ ARES RACES Assistant Emergency Coordinator for Fire and EMS, John Johnston W3BE Ex Chief of Amateur and Citizens Division of the FCC, past president of QCWA Chesapeake Chapter #20, John Creel WB3GXW Laurel VEC coordinator, Montgomery County Office of Consumer Affairs.

Paul introduced the balance of the Board of Directors, Roy Ashlin N3NGA, Richard Hartnett WA3RTH, Everett Bollin WA3DVO and C.T. David K3GXF.

Secretary’s Report: It was moved, seconded and passed to dispense with the reading of the 2011 Annual Meeting Minutes.

Note: C.T. had a few hard copies available if someone desired a copy.

Treasurer’s Report: Roy gave an in-depth report on the finances of the Association we are in good shape due to the generous support of, you, the members. The Treasurer’s report was accepted as presented. A special thanks to Roy for his work to GMRA.

Membership Report: 1.) Roy reported that the membership stands at 248 as of December 1, 2012
2.) The Board would like to say that Roy goes onto a web site call database each day and looks for New Hams and other Hams that have moved to our repeater coverage area. With this information mails a New Membership Packet extending an invitation to join GMRA. Thanks Roy.

Technical Report: Roy and Bruce reported the repeaters are doing well. The Repeaters are Motorola Micor Repeaters and have some age on them, twenty to thirty years or so, but to the thanks to the Technical Committee they have been kept repeaters in great working order.

Scholarship Presentation: The Board of Directors of GMRA established a \$500 Scholarship to be awarded in

2012 Annual Meeting. In order to be eligible for the award an applicant must be enrolled at a College, University, Community College or accredited Technical School (proof of enrollment must be supplied with application), must be a Licensed Amateur Radio Operator and must be a Member of GMRA or the child or grandchild of a GMRA Member.

The Award goes to Chris Green KB3HGT son of Bill Pimble and his Wife. Chris was not able to be present and the Award was presented by Everett Bollin WA3DVO to Chris's parents Bill N3JBX and his Wife.

Keynote Speaker: Murray Green K3BEQ and, Bill Kisse WA3GJD who were members of the Founding Fathers of the Green Mountain Repeater Association presented the background and the process that went through in the formation of GMRA which has become one of, if not the leading the amateur repeater group in the DC Metropolitan Area. Thanks to them and others that followed GMRA is what it is today.

Election of the Board: There are two opening on the Board of Directors of GMRA starting in year 2013, they are three-year terms. Richard Hartnett WA3RTH, and C.T. David K3GXF. whose term will expire this year has agreed to run for reelection to the Board. In the absence of any other nominees they are elected by acclamation to the Board for the three year term.

Distribution of Prizes: The Prizes were distributed by a computer generated program from the numbers on the tickets that were given out. Thanks to Rich WA3RTH for providing the Random Program to do the distribution this way.

Meeting Adjourned: About 1433hrs.

Respectfully Submitted
C.T. David Jr.
Secretary

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