



Bulletin

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From the President

Norm WA4ZXV

Hello SEDXC!

Another ARRL Field Day under the belt! I don't know about the rest of you, but I had a great time and worked a lot of stations from the GARS FD site in Lawrenceville. We enjoyed a visit from Harry (W4KJ) and Jim (W4TE). They showed up about the time we were finished deploying our 10 or 12 wire antennas and they were smart enough to leave before having to operate a station at 2:00.

Of course we have other members of SEDXC that were operators for W4GR.

And just to be sure everyone knows, this year GARS beat out NFARL on Digital Contacts made during Field Day. This is the first time GARS has won since we started the competition. I even tried to make the competition on who had the largest generator one year: GARS had 6kw while NFARL had 12kw. We were about to make the competition on who was closest to Lawrenceville but didn't need to drop that low.

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Veep's Report

Wey K8EAB

2013 PICNIC and CHRISTMAS PARTY

We continue to work on both of these events. The Picnic will be held in August at a public park just outside the Perimeter on the north side of Atlanta. The Christmas Party will be held in December at an Episcopal Church fellowship hall. Dates and other details will be announced soon.

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

Mary Hobart K1MMH, Chief Development Officer for the ARRL, gave meeting attendees an interesting insight into how ARRL finances work. SEDXC presented Mary with a \$1,000 check to be used for scholarships assistance to deserving young hams.



Left to right is Mary K1MMH and Norm WA4ZXV

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President...

Giving is an important part of ham radio tradition. There are many ways to give to our great hobby that includes our time, talent, and money. As Mary Hobart K1MMH told us last month, making sure the ARRL is there to support us in the future is one of the ways to keep our hobby strong. The Second Century Campaign is designed to sustain the ARRL for our children and we hope their children. Please put it on your list for consideration when planning donations.

Another way to contribute is to follow the lead of SEDXC in supporting our members on their DXpeditions. FT5ZM is one of those rare sites and it will have some of our members actively involved. You might think about making a personal donation to help support them. And if you haven't paid your SEDXC dues, giving starts right here! Hi!

I look forward to seeing all of you at the July meeting. Wey has another winner (see his column). ❖

How's DX?

Although not DX, I and several other SEDXC members were fortunate to work K4N at a rare Grid (EL84). This was a mini-expedition to Fort Jefferson in the Dry Tortugas National Park, 70 miles west of Key West, Florida, to provide this grid on CW, SSB, EME, and JT-65. Ops were confined to 6 and 2 meters. Hope you put this one in your log!

<http://www.qrz.com/db/K4N>

There are some big ones coming later this year (Wake Island) and early next year (Amsterdam & St. Paul Island), so keep the DX faith!

--Wey K8EAB

Activities Chairman

Bill AA4OC

The next major event for local Hams will be on 08/17/2013, the [Alabama State Convention \(Huntsville Hamfest\)](#). The SEDXC will not have a table, but many of us will be in attendance sporting our SEDXC badges. It's a good time to meet representatives from the ARRL and see all of the new and exciting gear coming out this year. Hope to see you there!! ❖

Treasurer's Journal

Mike ND4V

Disbursements

Door Prizes	9.98
Software	43.84
Great Lakes Plaques	61.50
DX Pros domain renewal	15.00
Skype fee	60.00
DXpedition ARRL Scholarship	252.49
	1,000.00
Total Disbursements	1,442.81
Activity in Period	191.39
Add beginning Balance	8,161.26
Ending Balance	\$ 8,352.65

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VeeP...

This Month's Meeting



Our speaker for the **July** meeting will be Jim Worthington – AD4J, whose presentation is titled “One Antenna, Eleven Bands”.

I saw Jim's presentation at a recent North Georgia QRP Club meeting. If you like modeling antennas and changing parameters to see what the effect will be, do not miss this meeting!

August Meeting

Our speaker will be Fred Lloyd AA7BQ. We were fortunate to be able to schedule Fred to speak to the SEDXC while he and his XYL Robin are on their annual Summer RV trip across the U.S.



Fred is the president and founder of **QRZ.COM**, the world's most popular amateur radio website. Come and join Fred as he shares his story of how a copy of the FCC data on tape evolved into a community of nearly 500,000 members. The status of QRZ's current and upcoming features will also be covered. Be sure not to miss the question and answer portion of the talk that is always a crowd favorite. Past talks have shown that the audience participation segment is often the most popular part of the program. Fred is a computer systems engineer and programmer with more than 30 years' experience. He has been a ham since 1987 and has held the call sign AA7BQ since then. ❖