



# ARCOVER

**South Bay Amateur Radio Club**



WB6SBA

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*A Community Service Organization  
Dedicated to Amateur Radio Since 1970*

Website: <http://www.w6sba.org>

President - ED - KN6JN

December 2007

**Torrance Memorial Medical Center  
WEST TOWER AUDITORIUM  
2ND FLOOR**

3330 W. Lomita Blvd., Torrance, CA 90505  
*On Medical Center Drive*

*with parking in the structure behind the WEST TOWER.*



**The Holiday Potluck Party December 20, 2007**

**7:00** in the West Tower Auditorium



Remember to invite your spouse and kids, give a count to Joe., and give some thought to what side dish you will bring.

The Club is providing the utensils , drinks and HAM by Chef Ed-KN6JN

**RSVP** to Joe Lanphen - WB6MYD 310-325-0817 or e-mail Joe at [jlanphen@ca.rr.com](mailto:jlanphen@ca.rr.com)

We ask you to consider bringing a side dish that falls in the group with the initials of your last name

- A TO H                      SIDE DISH
- J TO R                      SALAD
- S TO Z                      DESSERT
- If you have a favorite dish you can bring it

**One ticket for each person attending  
The prize is a new Alinco HT**

**NEW OFFICERS FOR 2008**

They will be installed at the December meeting

**President - Alex-KD6LPA  
Vice President-Program - Ed-KN6JN  
Secretary/Treasurer - Joe-WB6MYD  
Council - Trent-KG6MUU  
Council - John-AE6LK**



We thank you for agreeing to serve the club once again in 2008.

**NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY JOE-WB6MYD**  
**e-mail address - jlanphen@ca.rr.com- 310-328-0817**



- **New Member** - Robert-KI6MNK joined the club last month. We welcome him.
- **Attendance drawing** - Roy-K6ARB was present when his name was drawn. Congratulations for taking home the kitty. There is be no drawing for the kitty in December. The new year will start in January with 15 dollars.
- **Elections of Officers**—We thank the past officers for all their hard work and look forward to another productive year in 2008. Congratulations to the newly elected officers: Alex-KD6LPA, President, Ed-KN6JN, Vice President, Joe-WB6MYD, Secretary/Treasurer, Trent-KG6MUU Council, and John-AE6LK Council.
- **Holiday Party**—Our annual Social is Thursday, December 20, 2007. We have reserved the Auditorium in the West Tower. Please check out the front page for the suggested food selection according to your last name. Please consider the portion size to feed 5 people so there will be plenty of food for all guests.
- **Installation and awards**—
  - The installation of the newly elected officers
  - Special presentations of the New Member Certificates
  - Awards presented to members for their outstanding contributions to the club
  - VE patches for all VE's in appreciation for their hard work
  - Presentations to honor those having contributed above and beyond to make this year successful.
- **Thank you**—The Council thanks each and every member for their participation, support, and contributions. Without you we would have no club. Thank you one and all.
- **Door prize**—We have purchased a new radio, Alinco DJ-V27T VHF 220 Transceiver for the lucky member to win at the Holiday Party. Members and guests alike will receive a ticket as you enter the door. We suggest early arrival, 1900 hours and please bring a poinsettia to decorate our tables. The poinsettias will decorate our tables and after be taken to the nurses' stations to cheer up the patients and staff.
- **Dues**—Are payable for the 2008 year. See page 5 for the complete dues information. Your check will be greatly appreciated since it is easier to keep track of the payment. Thanks Joe-WB6MYD Secretary/Treasurer
- **WISHING ALL A HAPPY, HEALTHY, NEW YEAR**

**SOUTH BAY ARC OFFICERS 2007**

President, Ed Hinz - KN6JN  
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**NEW MEMBER**

Welcome new member Robert-KI6MNK. Robert is new to Amateur Radio, and we hope we can help him learn the hobby and enjoy the club activities. Welcome Robert.

**COUNTY HUNTING**  
**by Walt Ordway - K1DFO**

We thank Walt again for a fun and interesting talk. The history and anecdotes about County Hunting kept us entertained for the evening.

Walt gives a lot of time to share ham radio with others and get them excited about a new (to them) facet of the hobby. Walt is very knowledgeable and has so many interesting anecdotes to share. If you like a challenge, he throws out the gauntlet. Walt shared pictures and the awards connected with County Hunting. It was a good time.

Walt, thank you.



### The View from 230th Street-home of the President

**Happy Holidays from all of us to you.** The best of wishes and health to you and your families this holiday season. At this time of year it is important to remember our members of the Armed Services, especially those serving outside the United States. Each of you is probably acquainted with someone, a young man or woman, serving in harm's way in the Middle East. They are a long way from home and don't have many reminders of the holidays around them at this time. If you can, share your good fortune with a member of the military.

Yesterday, I gave blood at the Red Cross facility in Torrance, located right next to King's Hawaiian Restaurant and within walking distance from my home. It was an easy process and took about an hour and 15 minutes. Everyone was very pleasant and helpful. There is a blood shortage in Southern California this time of year, so I encourage you to donate.

The holiday party is upon us Thursday, December 20, 2007. Plan on attending. We are giving away a brand spanking new 220 Mhz HT. Remember to RSVP to Joe WB6MYD. The party starts at 7:00 p.m., bring the family or a friend. If you have a favorite dish, bring it along. The club will provide the drinks, paper goods, and the ham. See the front page for the suggested food selection by your last name. If you want to bring your favorite dish, please do so.

It has been fun being your monthly columnist and president. I hope you enjoyed my columns. Next year I will be looking for guest speakers. Any, and I mean any, assistance or ideas would be welcome.

73 from Ed-KN6JN

Xerox is sponsoring a card to the Armed Forces—Go to the website, [www.letssaythanks.com](http://www.letssaythanks.com) pick out a card and Xerox



### W6TRW SWAP MEET

**December 29, 2006**  
**7:00 a.m. through 11:30 a.m.**



This is the last Swap Meet of the year. Plan on dropping by for a chat and a little exercise to work off that Christmas dinner. Maybe you will find that special piece of equipment or put your old equipment out for someone else to find as a treasure.

If you have items to sell, please call John - AC6FB at 310-675-0732 or e-mail at [jrochaw@pacbell.net](mailto:jrochaw@pacbell.net).

**2008 Swap Meet Chairperson needed**  
**Please consider and volunteer**

#### Thank you for your help

I wish to take this time to thank all of the people who have helped me during the past year working the Swap Meet. My thanks also to all who have donated the radio gear that has been available for sale at the space. It has been a pleasure to work with you and meet all of the interesting people that have stopped by at our space during the time I have had the privilege of serving as the chairperson for the Swap Meet.

May all of you have a very Happy, Healthy Holiday season. . John-AC6FB



### THANK YOU



I would like to thank Ruth Kain for her help in proofreading for grammatical errors. Because of her help the ARCOVER always looks better. Ray-WA6OWM for checking call signs and technical items.

Thank you both

*The editor*

### Attendance Drawing



The winner of the members drawing was Roy - K6ARB AND HE WAS AT THE MEETING. The kitty for the January meeting will be \$15.00.

There will be a special drawing at the December meeting. See the Holiday Party information. Everyone attending will be entered into the drawing.

WILL YOU BE THERE?

## THE ARRL IS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD INSTRUCTORS

*ARRL Letter Vol 22 \$46 November 16, 2007*

Teachers who have participated in ARRL's popular summer professional development workshops, the ARRL Teachers Institute on Wireless Technology <<http://www.arrl.org/FandES/tbp/ti.html>>, continue to spread the word about this exceptional experience and the unique value that Amateur Radio and the wireless technology curricula bring to their classrooms. The Teachers Institute is one outreach component of ARRL's Education & Technology Program, which has received strong donor support to bring Amateur Radio and the exploration of radio science to schools and classrooms. Building on our success, the League is making plans to expand the Teachers Institute next year, and needs instructors to lead the Institute sessions.

Contingent on funding, the ARRL plans to offer six four-day sessions in 2008 to provide opportunities for 72 teachers, and is looking for additional qualified instructors to support this expansion of the program. The Teachers Institute Instructor position is a part-time contract position that will require lead instruction at a Teachers Institute workshop during the Spring/Summer of 2008 as a paid associate instructor, under the direction of the Teachers Institute Program Manager. Successful performance may lead to a follow-on contract to provide continuing teacher support throughout the year, as well as instruction at future Teachers Institutes.

If you have an Amateur Extra class license as well as a current teaching credential or equivalent college/university teaching experience, the ARRL would like to hear from you. Applicants should also have experience using ham radio in a school curriculum and an extensive familiarity with electronics and wireless technology. Qualified applicants should also be able to connect with teachers working in a variety of classroom environments and with a variety of age groups.

If you are interested in applying for this exciting opportunity, please visit the information page <<http://www.arrl.org/es/ti-instructor.html>> to learn more about the positions and application instructions.

### FOR SALE: Chuck –KN6H shack sale—contact 310-325-3184 or KN6H@ARRL.NET

1. Kenwood TM-241A; 2 mtr mobile transceiver, in the box with all accessories Value \$125
  2. (2) Kenwood TH-22AT 2 mtr handhelds, one in the box with all accessories. Value \$110.each
  3. (2) Kenwood SC-39 soft cases for TH-22AT—unopened. Value \$20 each
  4. (2) new Kenwood PB-34 NiMH batteries for the TH-22, Value \$18 each
  5. New Kenwood PB-32 NiMH battery, extra batteries Value \$18
  6. (1) PB-34 and (2) PB-32 Batteries no longer hold a charge Value \$0
  7. (1) Alinco DJ-289T 220 Handheld with rebuilt battery, manual & charger. Value \$130
  8. (1) Kenwood TH-F6A tri-band, in the box with all accessories. Value \$260
  9. Fourteen Ringo Ranger 2 meter base antennas, five are missing parts or broken, nine are fully operational. They have been selling for \$15 each.
  10. (1) Kenwood KSC-14 rapid charger for TH-22. Value \$25
  11. (1) Icom IN-3AT 220 handheld in the box with all accessories. New NiMH battery. Value \$115
- All of the above transceivers are programmed with the South Bay most-used frequencies and all are fully operational, Cosmetically a 9 or better on a scale of 1-10

*For Sale*

## REMEMBER



THE DECEMBER MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE WEST TOWER ON THE 2ND FLOOR  
IN THE AUDITORIUM

BRING A POINSETTIA AND A BOWL FULL OF YOUR FAVORITE SIDE DISH OR DESSERT FOR  
THE DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY.



THE POINSETTEAS WILL BE TAKEN TO THE NURSING STATIONS TO SAY THANK YOU  
FOR THE USE OF THE FACILITY AND TO CHEER UP THE STAFF AND PATIENTS

**START THE NEW YEAR BY STUDYING TO  
BECOME A LICENSED AMATEUR RADIO  
OPERATOR OR UPGRADE YOUR LICENSE**

- **HAVE FUN**
- **TALK TO PEOPLE ALL OVER THE  
WORLD**
- **BE PREPARED FOR AN EMERGENCY**
- **SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY**

**TWO AMATEUR RADIO COURSES**

**FCC "Technician" Course (entree level)  
FCC "General" Course (2nd level)**

**Each Course is 2 sessions**

**Saturday, January 26  
and  
Saturday, February 9, 2006**

- **Technician 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**
- **General 2:15 to 5:15 p.m.**

**The FCC test will be given February 23, 2008  
10:00 until 12:00 noon**

**Hesse Park  
29301 Hawthorne Blvd  
Rancho Palos Verdes**

- **No pre-registration**
- **No fee for either course**
- **FCC Test \$14.00**

**Optional Material**

**Study book with FCC test questions  
\$15.00**

**Copy of Power Point Charts \$10.00**

**Students (thru grade 12) who take this course  
and pass their license will be reimbursed up to  
\$40.00 by the Palos Verdes Amateur  
Radio Club**

**For more information contact  
Walt-K1DFO at  
walt.ordway@yahoo.com**



**The New Year is fast approaching  
DUES will be due January 1**



**It Is That Time of Year Again !  
Dues for 2008**

Please mail or hand your dues to Joe - WB6MYD Secretary/  
Treasurer. Joe will be glad to accept your dues at the general  
meeting or you can mail them to:

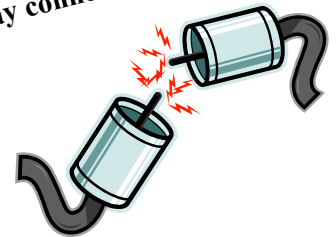
**The South Bay ARC  
P. O. Box 536, Torrance, CA 90505.  
Make your check payable to: The South Bay ARC**

**Class of membership:**

- **Regular Membership** \$15.00
- **Associate Membership** \$10.00  
Full voting privilege (wife or husband)
- **Family Membership** \$25.00  
One family member has voting privileges  
(multiple family members)

**For more information call: Joe - WB6MYD (310) 328-0817**

**Pay your dues on time and stay connected**



**AUTOPATCH DUES**

As a Club member you are invited to participate in the  
privileges provided by the AUTOPATCH unit of the  
repeater.

AUTOPATCH dues are separate from club dues.

Annual dues are \$40.00. For your convenience, your  
membership allows you three (3) auto dial slots on the  
repeater as well as the ability to dial local numbers  
directly.

See Joe - WB6MYD at the meeting with your check and  
the three telephone numbers you wish assigned to the  
automatic dial system.

## CALENDAR

**Council Meeting - 1st Wednesday** of the month  
Call Joe - WB6MYD (310) 328-0817

**Club Meeting - 3rd Thursday** of the month  
**December 20, 2007 7:00 p.m.**  
Torrance Memorial Medical Center  
West Tower 2nd Floor Auditorium

**Palos Verdes School District**  
**EMERGENCY NET**  
1st Tuesday of the month  
09:30 Hours on the W6SBA repeater

**TRW Swap Meet - Saturday, December 29, 2007**  
7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**VE Session - December 8, 2007**  
West Tower 2nd floor Room "A"

**Amateur Radio Classes**  
January 26, 2008  
February 9, 2008  
Technician Course 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
General Course 2:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

## CLUB SERVICES

HF Awards Manager	Mark - KA6ZTO
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**South Bay Amateur Radio Club Net**  
224.38 MHz · PL - 192.8 Hz Offset 1.6 MHz  
7:00 p.m. Thursday Evenings

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