



REMARCS



MARCH/APRIL 1996

DUES ARE DUE NOW!

Maybe you have been chased up a tree by a dog, or hiding out from your neighbor who thinks ham antennas are links to space aliens, or all in a knot worrying about whether your local cable TV system will carry the Underwater Square-Dancing Channel, or trying to convince your kids that you LIKE green hair and nose-piercing so they wouldn't dream of doing it . . .

Yes, there are good reasons for being late with your club dues.

But try to pull yourself together and send in your money soon, if you haven't already paid. Whatever we spend on "yoo-hoo?" notices is money we could have spent on something interesting or fun. If you already paid, thank you!

FUTURE PROGRAMS

by David Laustsen N3LHY

February's exciting program was "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About the Internet," with our own Professor Tom "Gigabyte" Porett N3JMA. Seriously, Tom is one of the area's leading experts on digital graphics, and he took us on a video tour of the net, answering all of our questions.

March will feature a demonstration of the practical uses of GPS, or the Global Positioning System. The hardware and daily application of the system will be demonstrated. **April** will feature a video and question/answer program on a recent 160 Meter DXpedition, by John Crovelli W2GD, a leading

contester and DXer. He'll answer your questions on how to get on the "top band" even if you don't have a huge estate across which to string your antennas.

These programs are subject to change, and, as is always the case, if you don't like them you'll get your money back. Your suggestions are encouraged. Positive comments and even cheap shots are welcomed and expected. -- **73, David N3LHY** (DSLautsen@aol.com or 19 Meadow Lane, Doylestown, PA 18901, 215-230-4250, weekdays)

HAMFEST UPDATE -- GET INVOLVED NOW!

Hamfest plans are moving right along. Artwork has been prepared by Dave N3LHY for paid advertisements we will place in major ham radio publications. We plan 2 ads in *QST* and some in other well-known publications; exactly which ones will be decided once advertising rate information is received.

Volunteers are needed right now for important hamfest jobs. Contact **Carter KD3AO** (610-993-9623, wt3p@gnn.com).

- Flyers are ready for distribution. Get some to take to any hamfests and other club meetings you attend.
- Talk up the hamfest on the air. It is not too early.
- Someone is needed to manage advance sales of indoor tables. We need this person on the job NOW. Talk to Carter about volunteering. Today.
- If you know the whereabouts of the signs used last year along the road to the hamfest, please contact **Deb AA3HE** (610-644-5392, kenzdiers@ucis.vill.edu)

20th ANNIVERSARY MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT-TAKE A TEST ON MARC

To celebrate the club's 20th anniversary and to encourage upgrading, MARC members are eligible for one FREE MARC license testing session for the remainder of 1996. This includes the sessions planned for May 4, August 3, and November 2.

Take an upgrade test or earn credit towards an upgrade by taking one or more test elements. The 1996 test fee of \$6.05

will be paid by MARC for any paid-up club member at any one of these license examination sessions.

All other requirements such as ID, having the original and copy of your license or CSCE, etc., remain in effect. Bring your membership card showing 1997 expiration date to the test session. For more information, contact **Bob W3ZQN (610-265-6032 or @WB3JOE packet)**.