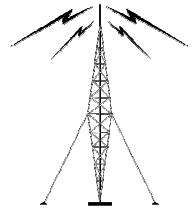




Western Public Service System Newsletter



JANUARY 2011

Letter from the President, Genie, KM6D

Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday, Christmas is such a great time to renew our relationships with our families and friends.

I would like to congratulate and welcome our new Directors, Mickie KT6U, Sherman WA6TVS, Curtis KG6UCW, Jim WB6YAM, Jim K6FKF and Bill W6WEC as 1st Alternate Director. I would also like to thank Toby W6PXD VP/Net Mgr. and Fred K6RAU Treasurer for remaining in their offices for another term as provided for in the by-laws.

This is going to be a terrific year. We have our annual picnic coming up in July with outstanding food, prizes and camaraderie, as well as visiting with old friends and meeting new ones. Jim WB6YAM and his crew of helpers do a very commendable job of planning and putting this on for us. It is a big labor intensive job and Jim and his helpers pull it off flawlessly. Great job!

There is also the Spring and Fall luncheon in Hemet coordinated by Toby W6PXD and Al WA6EFT. This is a great opportunity for those members that cannot get to the annual picnic and those that can, to meet, visit and have a fine meal at the Steer N Stein.

Please try to get your membership renewals in before January 31, you will save yourself a couple of dollars and preserve your continuous service award.

Also because of the sad passing of Bill W0QNI, we now have a new Awards Chairman Kevin KG6UGF. Thank you Kevin and I know you will do a fantastic job as Awards Chairman.

We have suffered the loss of many members this past year and we have quite a few members that are having health issues. We need to keep them and their families in our prayers for a speedy return to good health.

I know that it is early but it would be nice to see some more people step up and become involved in the elections this coming December. Please consider putting in for an office, as there are a few officers that will not be remaining in office for various personal reasons. It would be real nice to see a full slate of nominees for the upcoming elections.

Thanks and I'll be listening for you on the Sunday evening net.

73

Genie Balentine-Segroves
KM6D

**WESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE SYSTEM INC.
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH-END
[October 2010]**

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/// <u>Beginning Bank Balance (Sept 27, 2010):</u>	\$ 11415.92
\\ \\ Deposits & Interest:	+ \$ 174.00
	+ 174.00 (dues) / Oct 20, 2010
\\ \\ Expenses & Debits:	- \$ 20.00
	- 20.00 (W6PXD / CA Corporation Filing v 525 / Oct 13, 2010)
/// <u>Ending Bank Balance (Oct 27, 2010):</u>	\$ 11569.92

Fred B. Silveira, K6RAU
WPSS Treasurer – 2010

**WESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE SYSTEM INC.
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH-END
[November 2010]**

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/// <u>Beginning Bank Balance (Oct 27, 2010):</u>	\$ 11569.92
\\ \\ Deposits & Interest:	+ \$ 1397.00
	+ 334.00 (dues) / Nov 05, 2010
	+ 260.00 (dues) / Nov 05, 2010
	+ 246.00 (dues) / Nov 05, 2010
	+ 230.00 (dues) / Nov 17, 2010
	+ 327.00 (dues) / Nov 17, 2010
\\ \\ Expenses & Debits:	- \$ 00.00
	*[KT6U donated costs of newsletter/ballot distribution]
/// <u>Ending Bank Balance (Nov 26, 2010):</u>	\$ 12966.92

Fred B. Silveira, K6RAU
WPSS Treasurer – 2010

WESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE SYSTEM INC.
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MONTH-END
[December 2010]

/// <u>Beginning Bank Balance (Nov 27, 2010):</u>	\$ 12966.92
\\ \\ Deposits & Interest:	+ \$ 182.00
	+ 182.00 (dues) / Dec 06, 2010
\\ \\ Expenses & Debits:	- \$ 00.00
	*[N3ETA donation for ballot committee dinner costs]
/// <u>Ending Bank Balance (Dec 24, 2010):</u>	\$ 13148.92

Fred B. Silveira, K6RAU
WPSS Treasurer – 2010

***** **NO BOARD MEETINGS WERE HELD** *****
Minutes of Board Meeting scheduled for January 15, 2011 will be in next newsletter.



UPCOMING EVENTS 2011



- Jan 22–29 Quartzfest in Quartzsite, AZ, a very fun time. Think Hamvention in the desert, under the stars, demonstrations, seminars, vendors and free RV spaces if you dry camp on BLM land.
- Jan 29 2nd Annual Palm Springs DX Club and Desert RATS Ham Fest. Many vendors HRO, RF Stuff, ARRL, WARFA, Name Badge Guy, Military Radio, D-Star Demonstrations and much more. For info and directions go to www.desertrats.am
- Jan 31 Fred K6RAU Treasurer must receive WPSS membership renewals by this date.
- Mar 24 WPSS Spring Luncheon in Hemet Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Steer N Stein. It is located in the Staters Bros shopping center at the corner of Sanderson and Florida. Driving directions will be in the next newsletter and on the WPSS website. Contact Toby W6PXD or Al WA6EFT to be put on list.
- May 19–22 WARFA Spring Retreat at Valencia Travel Village in Castaic, CA.
More info go to www.warfa.org

Just a reminder -

It is time to renew your membership for 2011 dues are \$8.00 if your membership is current. You can renew or rejoin now by sending your dues to the Treasurer K6RAU Fred. E-mail k6rau@arrl.net

Send membership renewal dues to:

Fred Silveira – K6RAU
Treasurer
1611 Evette Court
Merced, CA 95340-1609

**Make Checks payable to:
Western Public Service System**

****Note: Printable renewal form on last page of newsletter**

Member News

ELECTION RESULTS

Here are the results of the recent election of Officers and Directors.

Genie Balentine-Segroves KM6D	President
Sherman Tarr WA6TVS	Director
Mickie LoGrasso KT6U	Director
Jim Lacalamita WB6YAM	Director
Curtis McAdams KG6UCW	Director
Jim Traver K6FKF	Director - Was 1 st Alternate Director moves up to fill the Office vacated by Genie KM6D who moved up to President.
Bill Colwell W6WEC	1st Alt Director

LEARN OR REFRESH MORSE CODE

Do you or someone you know want to learn Morse code? If so the K6RAU Code Course is now available on the internet. This is **actual** code instruction, not code practice as one does not need to know a “dit” from a “dah” to learn. Simply with paper and pencil in hand follow the voice instruction. The narrator is Fred K6DUU (now a SK), father of K6RAU Fred our Treasurer. The course was first broadcast on 160 meters to local Merced/Modesto area boy scouts listening on converted music radios. In the 1970's through mid 90's it was transmitted on 75 meters by K6RAU. To download the course, three websites are available: www.kj6art.com and/or www.pdarri.org/k6rau or <http://kd7mek.spruz.com/>

Note from the Editor – Genie KM6D, email: km6d@ymail.com

Hi Everyone –

If you have any feedback, comments, news, announcements, photos or events you would like to have in the newsletter contact me by email or on the net. So drop me a note and let me know what's going on, this is your newsletter for and about all of you.

Thank you to Mickie KT6U, Don W3DRM and Michael WB6NVT for their help with the newsletter, I really appreciate it.

WPSS Net Monitors

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SUNDAY			
EARLY	KM6GF	BOB	LANCASTER
ROLL CALL	KM6D	GENIE	INDIO
LATE MONITOR	KT6U	MICKIE	UPLAND
MONDAY			
EARLY	K7TFJ	SPEED	PAHRUMP, NV
ROLL CALL	W7HUT	MICHAEL	SANTA BARBARA
LATE MONITOR	KI6YVT	SCOTT	ANDERSON
TUESDAY			
EARLY	K6ERQ	BILL	FERNDALE
ROLL CALL	W6PXD	TOBY	HEMET
LATE MONITOR	KG6UGF	KEVIN	SUSANVILLE
WEDNESDAY			
EARLY	KE6RJ	HARRY	SUGAR LOAF
ROLL CALL	KG6UCW	CURTIS	MERCED
LATE MONITOR	K6AMU	RICK	EAGLE LAKE
THURSDAY			
EARLY	KE5JTS	JASON	WOODBIDGE
ROLL CALL	WA6TVS	SHERMAN	PACOIMA
LATE MONITOR	AL7DM	KELLY	SIMI VALLEY
FRIDAY			
EARLY	KI6COP	STAN	LAKE MATTHEWS
ROLL CALL	KD7MEK	DAN	KINGMAN AZ
LATE MONITOR	KA6ZVR	BOB	WEAVERVILLE
SATURDAY			
EARLY	WA6FFJ	JOE	FRESNO
ROLL CALL	KT6U	MICKIE	UPLAND
LATE MONITOR	W6SMD	STEVE	FRENCH GULCH

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<u>President</u> Genie Balentine-Segroves 48525 Madison St. Indio, CA 92201	KM6D	<u>Health & Welfare</u> Howard Taylor, Jr	KD7WIZ	<u>WPSS Picnic Raffle Tickets</u> Marge May	KB6HAG
<u>VP/Net Manager</u> Toby Mort	W6PXD	<u>Awards</u> Open		<u>Past Presidents</u> Theda Nail	W6BSW
<u>Secretary</u> Michael Ditmore	W7HUT	<u>Life & Membership Chairman</u> Toby Mort	W6PXD	Hal Snethen	K6KIH
<u>Treasurer</u> Fred Silveira	K6RAU	<u>Roll Call Roster</u> Michael Ditmore	W7HUT	Claude Owens	WB6MDN
<u>Directors Through 2011</u> Dan Slama	KD7MEK	<u>Honorary Members</u> Theda Nail	W6BSW	Carl Winter	W6OAW
Steve Bynum	W6NFL	<u>Life Members</u> Joanie Ash	WD6BNH	Wendell Seymour	AA6MI
Speed Gonsalves	K7TFJ	Jack Casebeer	K6CE	Van Lyons	WB6IYY
Jim Traver	K6FKF	Joe Zboril	WB6DRH	Frank Towne	K6ZZB
<u>Directors Through 2012</u> Sherman Tarr	WA6TVS	Al Baisch	WA6EFT	John Rose	WA7HKV
Mickie LoGrasso	KT6U	Dick White	KF6EW	Frank Allen	WB6ERR
Curtis McAdams	KG6UCW	Renee Deeter	K6FSB	Bill Herron	WA6JPB
Jim Lacalamita	WB6YAM	Wendell Seymour	AA6MI	Don Westcott	WD6EWP
<u>Past President</u> Ron Genovesi	N3ETA	Clyde Brashear	KI6N	Jim Moody	KB6ZO
<u>Historian</u> Bob McKusick	W6ZAP	Erwin Mattes	AD6NX	Alan Michaelson	WB6BNA
<u>Webmasters</u> Michael Dobrzensky	WB6NVT	Mike Siegel	KI6PR	Zip Melcon	K6BMW
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		Tracy Black	WA6TGQ	Patty Smith	WB6DRG
		Jack Richetti	KC6UUO	Renee Deeter	K6FSB
		Earle Anten	KM6WM	Carl Nelson	NJ6K
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				Michael Dobrzensky	WB6NVT

