

Application continued

Membership applied for:

- Regular \$20.00
- Family \$25.00
- Associate \$15.00 (*Non-Hams Only*)

Regular members receive all publications and mailings and have voting rights and full organizational privileges.

Family membership includes up to three members in one household. Please add \$25.00 for each additional member in the same household.

Associate members receive all publications and mailings but have NO VOTING privileges.

Please make your check or money order payable to:
OMIK Amateur Radio Association, Inc.

I, _____
agree to support the purposes of OMIK to and abide by its Constitution and By-Laws.

What about OMIK interests you? _____

How did you learn of OMIK? _____

Who else should we contact about joining OMIK?

Call _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Please mail your application
and check to

Ms. Pat Sneed, KF6P
OMIK Secretary
936 Olive Street
Upland, California 91786
909.946.5855
Patricia.Sneed@verizon.net

OMIK Nets

All nets meet on Sunday
75 meters 3.920 kHz 1200 UTC
40 meters 7.265 kHz 1230 UTC
20 meters 14.295 MHz 1600 UTC
Subtract one hour during
Daylight Saving Time

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INFORMATION AND APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

OMIK AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC. AND THE LADIES AUXILIARY



OMIK From the Beginning

OMIK was conceptualized in the early 1950s by Mr. Lewellyn Scarce, W8TKE, of Detroit. During that time, Black Hams were often treated rudely on the air and denied membership in local Amateur Radio Clubs. Those factors, along with the increasing racial tension in the Detroit area prompted Lew to seek an alliance with other Black Hams.

He compiled a list of Black amateurs in the mid-West and Ohio Valley with the thought of creating a communications network among them as a precautionary measure.

The resulting list, although short, consisted of Hams from **Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and Kentucky.**

In the spirit of Lew's idea and through the efforts of Mr. Lawrence D. Sallee, W8ZAW, of Cincinnati, a meeting was called at Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio—thirteen hams were present.

On August 17, 1952, the first meeting of this new association was held. The following officers were elected: Lawrence D. Sallee, President; James A. Smith, W8CZD, Secretary/Treasurer; and Lewellyn Scarce, Net Control for Communications. This was a very bold step for the early 1950s.

The acronym **OMIK** was chosen as the name of the association—incorporating the names of the states represented by the membership. As net control, Lew created an anagram from the

name **OMIK** and started the MIKO net on 80 and 160 meters. **OMIK** grew rather rapidly as word of the new association spread among Black Hams throughout the United States.

Then, as now, members of OMIK represented a broad cross section of backgrounds and professions. Because of our heritage, **OMIK** is predominately Black. However, any Ham or other persons interested in the organization's goals and purpose are encouraged to actively participate.

OMIK goals include: encouraging and motivating youth to aspire to higher education; expanding the ranks of trained radio amateurs; and promoting fellowship among those interested in the electronic communication fields.

We reach these goals through training programs conducted by local **OMIK** organizations, scholarships that support students enrolled in historically Black colleges and universities; and yearly conventions and other activities.

We are proud of our organization.

On behalf of the officers and members, I extend you an invitation to consider becoming a member of OMIK AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.

OMIK history compiled by Amos J. Favorite Jr., WB5SJJ.

Application

Personal Data

Call _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Phone _____

OK to publish phone in directory? OYes ONo

E-Mail Address _____

Packet Address _____

Amateur Radio Data

Licence Class: ___Novice ___Technician
___General ___Advanced ___Extra

Date of first license _____

Modes/Frequencies _____

Repeater frequency monitored _____

Spouse's name _____

Club, ARES, RACES, MARS experience _____

Occupation _____

Specialized training or education you wish to note:

Electronic, press or communications experience:

Over please
