

OMIK
Amateur Radio Association, Inc.
And the
OMIK Ladies Auxiliary



60th Anniversary Convention
Dayton, Ohio

RAMADA PLAZA HOTEL

2301 Wagoner Ford Road
Dayton, Ohio 45414
(937) 278-4871



July 10-14, 2012



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To OMIK members and friends:



This 60th OMIK convention in Dayton has special significance. Sixty years ago just twenty miles away, in Wilberforce Ohio, OMIK was founded.

In the early 1950s, Black Ham operators often faced racial harassment on the air. It thus, became clear that a Black Ham organization, with nets and other activities was sorely needed. Knowing this Llewellyn Scarce, W8TKE, of Detroit, Michigan inspired the hams that he knew to take steps to form a regional association of Black Hams within the states of Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and Kentucky. Lawrence D. Sallee, W8ZAW, carried the ball and promoted a meeting of eleven hams in the on-campus home of Henry Garcia, an instructor at Wilberforce State College in Wilberforce, Ohio.

Thus on August 12, 1952, the first meeting of this association took place. After consideration of several names for the organization it was decided to use the first letter of each participating state to form a name sounding much like the electrical unit of resistance—the ohm. Thus, the OMIK Electronic Communications Association was established.

OMIK has grown rapidly from regional to international, and is the largest predominately Black Amateur Radio Association in the country. Today OMIK is ethnically diverse with the goals of promoting fellowship among those interested in the advancement of amateur radio; communications; electronics, and related technology; expand and upgrade the ranks of trained amateur radio operators; further international goodwill; serve as the national organization for a network of local amateur radio clubs; encourage and motivate youths to aspire to higher goals in their respective fields by offering scholarships to deserving youths.

This year our convention chair people, James Green, Mary Green and Cliff Peoples have put together a program of exciting activities that include tours of Dayton and Cincinnati, great technical sessions, our traditional Hospitality Challenge, Mobile Shoot-out, VEC examinations and of course the all important Scholarship Banquet.

I look forward to seeing you in Dayton

Cornelius Washington, KRØZ, President



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www.ramadaplazadayton.com

Room Reservations

Individual reservations can be made by calling the hotel directly at (937-278-4871). You must identify yourself as OMIK amateur Radio Association when making the reservation to guarantee the Convention rate. Make reservations no later than June 10 insure convention rate:

231 rooms @ \$79.00

16 two-room suites/Kitchenettes @\$99.00

Non-smoking & ADA accessible rooms available

Check-in time: 3:00 p.m. Check-out time: 12:00 p.m. on day of departure

Directions

- From East or West on I70
 - Take I75 South to exit 57 and left turn at first stop sign. Go to next stop sign and make another left onto Wagoner Ford Rd. Ramada Plaza Hotel will be on your left
- From the Airport take I70 East to I75 South
 - Take Exit at 57 to the Hotel
 - There is a free shuttle from the airport to the hotel
- From the South on I75 take Exit 57 Wagoner Ford RD. Right turn at stop sign, Hotel is on the left.

Talk-in Frequencies

HF		VHF
• 14.295	20 meters	• 147.465 – simplex
• 7.265	40 meters	Wide coverage
• 3.908	75 meters	



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Exciting Tours

Sign-up for our exciting tours. On Wednesday July 11 we'll have a Dayton City Tour followed by a Cincinnati City tour on Thursday July 12. These tours will provide you with a memorable and rewarding experience.

Dayton City Tour -- Wednesday July 11, 2012

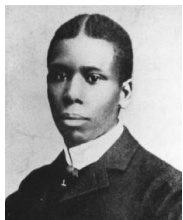
NATIONAL AFRO-AMERICAN MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER in Wilberforce Ohio Permanent and changing exhibits feature African American history and culture, from African origins to the present day. Artifacts, art, manuscripts and library materials reflecting the traditions of African-Americans are housed at this complex.



Black Cultural Museum



NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE at Wright-Patterson AFB The National Museum of the United States Air Force is the largest and oldest military aviation museum in the world. Located near Dayton, the unique attraction tells the exciting story of aviation development from the day of the Wright Brothers to the present. The museum features more than 400 aerospace vehicles as well as thousands of artifacts, including memorabilia, uniforms and photographs. There is also an IMAX theater at the museum.



PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR HOUSE in Dayton Ohio Americas' first African-American poet to earn international acclaim, Paul Laurence Dunbar's home has been restored with many original furnishings and items common to the writer's time. An accompanying museum features his Remington Typewriter, a bicycle that was a gift from the Wright Brother and much more. Dunbar's house is the first state memorial to honor an African American.

THE CITIZENS MOTOR CAR COMPANY: AMERICA'S PACKARD MUSEUM

Located in Dayton's Motorcar district, the historic Packard Dealership, built in 1917, is now home to an impressive collection of more than 50 restored autos. The refurbished Art Deco-style showroom, home to vintage Packard vehicles, is a treat for any auto enthusiast. In addition to the display, limousines – 1930s and 40s sedans and a convertible – can be rented for a once-in-a lifetime experience.

CARILLON PARK

The Park, situated on a beautiful 65-acre campus, immerses you in the region's history - from Dayton's founding in 1796 through two centuries of expansion, industrialism and innovation. Learn about these revolutionary achievements while strolling through the Park's 25 historical buildings and interacting with the hundreds of artifacts in the exhibits. You can see the original 1905 Wright Flyer III, the world's first practical airplane and National Historic Landmark; the 1835 B&O (Grasshopper) steam locomotive, and the first automobile self-starter. You will get to experience Dayton's pioneer history complete with costumed interpreters and a visit to Dayton's oldest building, Newcom's Tavern, erected in 1796. The Park is home to the Deeds Carillon, one of Dayton's best-known landmarks, and the largest carillon in Ohio.





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Exciting Tours

Cincinnati City Tour -- Thursday July 12, 2012

NATIONAL UNDERGROUND FREEDOM CENTER

The National Underground Railroad Freedom Center is a museum in downtown Cincinnati based on the history of the Underground Railroad. The Center also pays tribute to all efforts to "abolish human enslavement and secure freedom for all people." Billed as part of a new group of "museums of conscience," along with the Museum of Tolerance, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and the National Civil Rights Museum, the Center offers lessons on the struggle for freedom in the past, in the present, and for the future as it attempts to challenge visitors to contemplate the meaning of freedom in their own lives. Its location recognizes the significant role of Cincinnati, where thousands of slaves escaped to freedom by crossing the Ohio River, in the history of the Underground Railroad.

SAWYER POINT

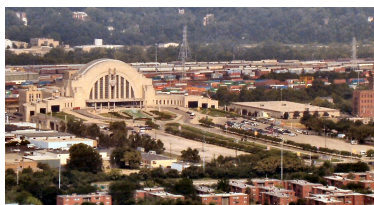
Cincinnati's Central Riverfront is an outstanding riverfront facility. Located along the shore of the Ohio River just south of downtown Cincinnati, this mile-long linear park features many different spaces serving all segments of the region's population. Along with a unique design, it features award winning landscaping, a performance pavilion, concessions, an outdoor skating rink, eight outdoor tennis courts, three sand volleyball courts, a world class playground, a dynamic water feature, and many other attractions.



BB RIVER BOAT
Captain's Lunch Tour

CINCINNATI HISTORY MUSEUM

Learn about Cincinnati's past and early life in Ohio in the Cincinnati History Museum. Explore a recreation of the *Cincinnati Public Landing* of the late 1850s where you can step aboard a replica of the 94-foot side-wheel steamboat, the Queen of the West! Learn about Cincinnati during World War II in our home-front exhibition, and see a model of the city of Cincinnati from 1900-40s with working trains and inclines, as well as interactive computer stations!



UNION STATION

The Cincinnati Union Terminal, one of America's great Art Deco rail stations, was originally completed in 1933. Its ten-story, half-domed limestone and glass main entrance hall was the only half dome in the Western Hemisphere and the largest in existence when it was constructed.



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Other Scheduled Activities

Friday July 13th 2012

Technical Session	9:00 AM—10:00 AM
Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	9:00 AM—10:00 AM
Technical Session	10:30 AM—11:30 AM
Technical Session	11:30 AM—12:30 AM
Quilting & Purse Making	11:00 AM— 3:00 PM
Board Meeting	2:00 PM — 4:00 PM
8 th Call Area Night	6:00 PM — Untill

Saturday July 14th 2012

FCC License Exam	8:00 AM—11:30 AM
Technical Session	8:30 AM — 9:30 AM
Technical Session	10:00 AM—11:30 AM
Group Pictures	Noon
Shoot-Out	After Group Pictures
General Meeting	3:00 PM
Convention Banquet & Dance	6:30 PM — 11:00 PM

OMIK MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you have not already done so, please, take the time now, to remit your 2011 Membership Dues:

\$20.00 Single Membership \$25.00 Family Membership

Name _____ Call Sign _____

Name _____ Call Sign _____

YES: I have a new address. My new address is:

Payable to: **OMIK**
Mail to: Stephen Schmitz, W0SJS, Sect.
754 Lantern Lane
Olivette, MO 63132

*Please do not send payment to the
Convention Directors.*

OMIK Scholarship Fund Application

Date: _____

Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____

**Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____

High School, College, or University Now Attending

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____

If you are a senior in high school: ACT/SAT Composites _____

Have you been accepted at any college or university? _____

If yes, where? _____

Which college or university do you plan to attend? _____

If you are now attending college: Classification _____ GPA _____

Major _____

Each applicant must submit a personal essay containing a brief biographical sketch, an outline that outlines educational plans, career goals, and why financial assistance is needed. Essays must be typewritten and must not exceed two pages in length. (Selected applicants will need to supply SS number on request.)

***Include transcript and two recommendation letters from counselor, teacher, or other person**

*Student Signature (required) _____

*Parent/Guardian Signature (required) _____

Mail completed application, along with all other related materials to:

OMIK Scholarship Committee
Mr. Robert W. Spann, KE6BJL
7131 Skyline Drive
San Diego CA 92114

***Applications including transcripts, essay, and recommendation letters
must be received on or before May 1****

General Scholarship Fund Information

Eligibility, time frame, and selection process

High school seniors and presently enrolled college students, including those who are related to OMIK members, are eligible to apply for the OMIK scholarship.

The OMIK scholarship program supports students who have proved to be academically able and are, or will be, majoring in electronics, mathematics, science, or communications.

All parts of the scholarship application, the essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendations must be complete and received by the committee on or before May 1.

The scholarship selection committee of five will base its decisions on the completed application, high school transcripts or college transcripts, ACT/SAT composites, letters of recommendations, part-time work, and the essay.

Selected candidates will be notified in writing by June 15. Scholarship recipients will be announced at the July convention. No applications will be returned to students.

OMIK Scholarship Fund Officers

Robert Spann, Custodian
San Diego, CA

Nathaniel Gates, N8RIT, Assistant Custodian
Dayton, OH

Michael Ellison, AA5EJ Resource Officer
Irmo, SC

Selection Committee

Marco Vallery, W6PCH, Carson, CA

Ron Pennington, KA0ETF, Florissant MO

James Green, KA8HBT, Dayton, OH

Calvin Harris, K1CAL, Conyers GA

Oscar W. Hall, KOSSE, Denver, CO

About the Scholarship Fund

The OMIK Scholarship Fund is a separate organization of OMIK Amateur Radio Association, Inc. and was established to manage and administer the OMIK scholarship program. The IRS has designated the Scholarship Fund a 501(c)(3) charity. That means your donations are tax deductible to the extent allow by law. The Fund's goal is to provide financial assistance to youth who are pursuing education beyond high school.

To contribute to the OMIK Scholarship Fund, please send your check to **Mr. Robert W. Spann, KE6BJL, 7131 Skyline Drive, San Diego CA 92114. Make your check payable to OMIK Scholarship Fund.**



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OMIK VOLUNTEER EXAMINER TEAM

The OMIK Volunteer Examiner (VE) Team will conduct an Amateur Radio testing session at the 2012 OMIK Convention in Dayton, Ohio. In view of the pending change in Morse code requirements, we anticipate increases in those upgrading and even applications for new licenses.

Please note, the OMIK VE team obtains its testing materials and supplies from the ARRL Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC).

The session will accept "walk-ins". Pre-registration will be available, however, there is no preregistration requirement.

All current amateur radio license holders must provide a FCC Registration Number (FRN) when applying for a license upgrade or change of address. Please bring your FRN number to the testing session for it is required on the Form 605. The VEC cannot process your application without your FRN number. (If needed, check your license info at "arrl.org". Just enter your callsign in the "Call sign search" area and click 'Go'. If you have a FRN number, it will be in the information displayed.)

The testing session will begin at 8:00 AM on Saturday, July 14, 2012. All applicants should arrive by 7:45 AM to allow the necessary paperwork to be processed in a timely manner. It will be up to the discretion of the VE team leader if Applicants arriving after 8:00 AM will be accepted. The testing session will end at 11 :30 AM.

Please bring identification that includes a picture of the applicant on the ID – driver's licenses are satisfactory. Other forms of acceptable ID include passports, picture library cards, etc.

"When no photo ID is available, the candidate must present any **two** of the following items:

- Non-photo ID/driver's license
- Social Security Card (as FCC now requires each applicant to supply a taxpayer ID number)
- Birth certificate (must have the appropriate seal)
- Minor's work permit or school report card
- Utility bill, bank statement or other business correspondence that specifically names the person
- Postmarked envelope addressed to the person at his or her current mailing address as it appears on the Form 605."

Publications, such as, Scholastic magazine or Boy Scout Boy's Life magazine addressed to the child will serve as one of the two required IDs. A school year book can provide photo proof of the child being tested. Even a current school report card can be used. Being accompanied by his or her parent does not satisfy the rule.

Bring both originals and copies of any current amateur license and any certificates showing credit from a previous exam that you need to have counted toward a possible new license or upgrade.

For more information regarding the testing session, contact Willie Patterson, WZ6M, via email at wpatterson2001@yahoo.com or telephone at (626) 794-8105.



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ADVERTISEMENTS AND MEMORY BOOK ENTRIES

Be a part of the OMIK 60th Anniversary Memory Book. Please complete this form, attach your favorite photo and your check or money order, and mail all information no later than June 1, 2012.

Select size of page desired:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Inside front cover, full size page | \$100.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inside back cover, full size page | \$100.00 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Full size page | \$60.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Half size page | \$30.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter size page | \$25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business card | \$20.00 |

Note: Your ad placement will be determined by the order received.

Name: _____ Call: _____

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Attach ad copy to this form. Include ad monies with your registration form.

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Mail to: James & Mary Green
Convention Directors
1531 Tennyson Avenue
Dayton, OH 45406



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OMIK 2012 Registration Form

Name _____ Call Sign _____

Name _____ Call Sign _____

Names of Additional Guests _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Zip _____ Phone: _____

Event	Cost Each	Number	Total
Adult Pre-Registration Fee Your registration fee goes toward defraying cost of printing of registration And program supplies, postage, hospitality refreshments, technical sessions and souvenirs. Labor is provided without cost to you or the organization	\$25.00 By June 30		
Wednesday, July 11, 2012 Dayton city tours 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM	\$35.00 Adult* \$17.50 kids		
Thursday July 12, 2012 Cincinnati city tour 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM	\$45.00 Adult* \$22.50 kids		
Thursday July 12, 2012 Hospitality night & buffet 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM	\$45.00 Adult* \$22.50 kids		
Friday July 13, 2012 Wear your OMIK T-shirt & Cap all day			
Saturday July 14, 2012 Convention Banquet & Dance 6:30 PM to 12:00 AM	\$50.00 Adult* \$25.00 kids		
Saturday July 14, 2012 High noon shoot-out (to be determined on site)			
	Total Due		
Please send membership fees directly to secretary. Do not include with registration. Thank you			

*Adult 13 and over

For Pre-registration rate, Registration MUST be received by June 30, 2012.

All registrations not received by mail before June 30, 2012 must be paid at the convention. The on-site registration fee will be \$30.00, which includes a registration late fee of \$5.00 per person. To avoid late fee and to insure your registrations, please return your money and forms as soon as possible.

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