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Carolina REACT Comes Through in Train Wreck

by Pat Williams, Public Affairs
Vance County REACT Team 3032

HENDERSON, NC — On March 5, 1984 at 6:45 p.m. during a driving rain storm the regular run of Amtrak's south-bound passenger train from New York to Miami was abruptly ended by a broken axle on the second engine which caused the two-engine, 18 car train to jump the tracks. The derailment sent all 18 cars, 249 passengers, and crew members down a 30 foot embankment alongside U.S. Highway #1, several miles south of Henderson. Miraculously, there were no fatalities. Fifty people were treated at the local hospital for injuries and 13 of these remained overnight. One passenger

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Baby Pleaser



CHATHAM, ON — Kevin Almas, 22, President of Maple City REACT, seems to have a way with little Jason Bedford. The tiny tot is surrounded by members of his family. For more about why Jason is smiling, turn to story on page 10.

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Indiana Teams Win 1st, 2nd Quarter Achievement

NORTHBROOK, IL — Winners have been named for the first and second quarter achievement awards. Named winner of the first quarter award for 1983 is Metro REACT North of Floyd County (New Albany, IN) and selected for the second quarter of 1983 is Vanderburgh County REACT (Evansville, IN).

In naming the Metro REACT Team winner, the Achievement Award Chairman Greg Anderson cited the Team's outstanding work in support of a family in need in helping to replace an outworn and dangerous wood bridge so that one of the family's children — a victim of cerebral palsy, could be picked up by bus.

The family is broke, since the father has been unemployed for several years, and had no way to repair the bridge on their own. After contacting several organizations for assistance with little to show for their efforts, the mother approached REACT. In a matter of just a few days, REACT responded. According to the mother, "That night when I came home from work, I was surprised when I saw that old bridge was gone and the cherry tree removed. In its place was a new bridge and three truck loads of rock had been laid."

Thanks to the Team's good work, the child, who is subject to illness from the slightest exposure, can be picked up right at the door by bus.

According to Public Relations Chairman Lee Besing, Vanderburgh County REACT Team C-296 was chartered in October 1969. Says REACTer Besing, "While our name says 'Vanderburgh' County, we have active members residing in neighboring Warrick and Posey Counties."

The Team's Junior REACT was chartered in January, 1981 and has proved to be an important part of its overall "commitment to the community."

The club was instrumental in starting Knox County REACT (Vincennes, IN) in 1981 as well as Pike County REACT

(Otwell, IN) in 1982 and works with Perry County REACT (Tell City, IN) and Ohio Valley REACT (Henderson, KY).

In November, 1981 and again in 1982, the Team received the Indiana State REACT Council's REACT Team of the Year Award as outstanding Team in Indiana. During 1982, members spent more than 20,000 manhours monitoring Channel 9 in the Team's tri-county area and the outlook for 1983 is even better.

At the 1981 REACT International Convention in Indianapolis, members conducted two workshops: the Junior REACT Workshop and the Public Relations Workshop.

During the winter storms in 1981-82, Besing notes, REACT volunteers spent untold hours patrolling frozen highways aiding stranded motorists and providing transportation for Welborn Hospital personnel.

On June 8, 1982 a storm of hurricane force ripped its way through the area tearing up large areas of Evansville, flooding streets and tearing down power lines, poles and trees. When power was lost at the Red Cross Blood Center and REACT control, REACT's diesel generator powered the entire building, saving the freshly donated blood from a blood drive in progress.

REACT's mobile communications trailer was set up and the REACT CB and Red Cross bases were back on the air within minutes. Hundreds of calls on Channel 9 were handled and units were dispatched to handle traffic at flood routes for emergency vehicles to get through. According to Besing, the Team spent over 400 manhours during and after the storm and were commended by the Mayor.

In November of 1982 the Team installed 11 highway signs on major streets and highways in the Evansville area informing the motoring public that REACT is on Channel 9 to help them.

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Gudridge Takes 1st Quarter Individual Achievement Award

Winner of the first quarter award for Achievement — Individual is Richard D. Gudridge who recently was saluted for his service to the community (see March-April REACTer) and who is spearheading the effort of the Minnesota State REACT Council to introduce legislation which would make deliberate interference on Channel 9 a crime (see story on page 7). In submitting its nomination the St. Cloud REACT Team writes:

A. "Richard is currently serving his fifth one-year term as Public Relations Chairperson for St. Cloud REACT, Inc. 3791. Through his drive, devotion, and spirit of REACT leadership, he has performed an exceptional task of telling 'the REACT story' of people helping people on live local radio stations. He has done live interviews ranging from 15 minutes to one hour; which lead him to developing 'winter driving tips' for use on our local radio stations and adapted by MN Team Council for release state wide for use free of charge to all REACT Teams of MN upon request."

B. "During the first quarter of 1983, Richard has logged and reported over 700 hours monitoring Channel 9 on his base. During this quarter, Richard has logged and reported over 851 hours monitoring Channel 9 on his home base with a running total, so far as of June 30, 1983, of 1551 hours. This is true dedication."

"Late in 1982, Richard, along with one of our directors attended a Cub Scout Jamboree representing several of our local Cub Scout troops as a guest speaker from REACT to illustrate proper use of CB radios and the purpose of Channel 9 for emergencies. Among that group of individuals that evening, another distinguished man of Minnesota stepped forward and spoke to Richard saying, "after I'm elected, if I can help you, feel free to contact me." The distinguished person was the Honorable Governor Rudy Perpich of the state of Minnesota. Richard remembered and called Gov. Rudy Perpich for an appointment and an appointment was made for March 9. At the appointed time, Richard, along with two members of MN M.R.T.C. discussed with Governor Perpich and members of his staff, the Assistant Director of Emergency Services and Assistant Director of Department of Public Services of MN the purpose of REACT and how we can help

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Survivalist Group Urges Use of CB Channel Seven

CHICAGO, IL — At the suggestion of many members and affiliated groups, Live Free, Inc., a not-for-profit, education, communication and network service organization for the now international survivalist movement, has undertaken the task of coordinating and promoting the use of citizens band Channel 7 as a recognized survival communications channel. The organization believes that following benefits would result from the general recognition and use of what they call "Survival Seven:"

1. It would encourage CB Communications in general between individual survivalists and survival groups.
2. It would facilitate the dissemination of vital survival information to survivalists as well as friends and neighbors.
3. It would provide a known channel on which survivalists could try to es-

tablish initial communications with other survivalists in the area without compromising his or her base location.

4. It could serve as a monitor channel for initial survival alert warning communications.
5. It could be used as a "normal operations" channel for groups conducting training activities.
6. It would promote: network formation, unity and comradeship among survivalists.

Live Free, Inc. will have "Survival Channel 7" bumper stickers available soon and the organization has directed all of its members to begin regular use and monitoring of Channel 7 for survival related communications. Additional information about the survival CB network and the survival "ham" operators network now forming may be obtained by writing to: S-Net, c/o Live Free, Box 1743, Harvey, IL 60426



OROVILLE, CA — Breaker . . . break for Santa Butte County REACT's Walt Pennington, Unit 32 looks on as seven-year-old Joe Dodge, of Paradise, California, talks to Santa (Richard Mesecher, Unit 21) by way of CB Radio. Santa was parked across the parking lot. Channel 21 was used.

Team members took the REACT van and trailer to the four major towns in Butte County on weekends and parked in Shopping Center parking lots to give the children an opportunity to talk to Santa. This also teaches the children the proper way to use the CB Radio.

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(For more on this story, turn to Charley Harband's column "Nuts and Bolts on 27 MEG's" on page 2.)

Montreal REACT on the Upbeat . . . Honors "Santa Claus"

By Audrey Lalonde, President
Equipe Voyageurs REACT
Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec

MONTREAL, QUE — Despite all of the political upheavels, REACT is alive and well in Quebec.

Newcomers to the 27mhz band are surprised to hear that there is a REACT Team active in the Montreal area . . . the Equipe Voyageurs REACT Team.

Though it is virtually impossible to use



Ken, models T-Shirt presented to him for his dedication in the city by the Golden Gate REACT.

on 27
By Charlie Harband
REACT of the Golden Gate
San Francisco, California

His many medical problems and loss of a limb have not stopped him from continually being on the go. His wheelchair has served him well. In some stances, the chair has served as a throne while entertaining veterans sick children at several legions and hotels during the Christmas season.

Ken would love to be a lifetime member of REACT but since money is so scarce these days, he settles for membership in several Teams.

Because of his dedication, Ken was recipient of a REACT T-shirt emblazoned with his Team number at the back. He is also a member of Elburg REACT Altona, NY, not too far from home base.

Ken was also presented with a certificate in honor of his dedication and efforts. We hope that he will continue to be a member of this Team for some time to come. His advice will continue to be appreciated by all of us.

Mourn Loss of Louisiana REACTer

KENNER, LA — Jefferson REACT Volunteers, Inc., Team 2686 mourn the passing of Mr. James Gwen, 73, known as "Snowball." He died on March 1, 1984 after suffering a severe heart attack.

Snowball had been a devoted member and board member of Jefferson REACT since 1978 and will be greatly missed. He had put in thousands of hours of mentoring over the years and aided many motorists by relaying their distress calls to the proper authorities.

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After a while you sort of get used to the fact that the Harbands write about the people they know and what has happened to them, or to where we have traveled and what has happened to us. But, as long as we set up "perimeters" that read "Life in the World of the CBer," we justify space in the national REACTer, and we know that Gerry and Diane will "use us."

1986 — Golden Gate REACT has submitted its papers for holding the 1986 Convention in the city by the Golden Gate. Save your pennies! We will see you there.

Kevin Goss International

The young man standing on the antenna tower is Kevin Parrish. Kevin started off with REACT as one of our youth members. With Kevin as a friend, we really don't need any enemies. Getting him out of scrapes for cutting school, transmitting on police frequencies, carrying a gun through hostage lines, etc., required "another" full time Team Officer. Then, in continuation school he discovered the video camera. He freelanced — then became staff cameraman for our local Channel 2. He now has been hired by ABC to join their international staff out of New York. You won't see him but you will see his work.

The justification for showing the picture in this column is that, as a going-away gift to his home Team, Kevin reorganized the Team's antenna system, paying for much of it himself. He is standing on the cross-arm of our new professional Rohn Antenna Tower. The center antenna is our new double duty GMRS beauty which feeds into a new Celwave duplexer and into an ancient Motorola repeater. The cross-arm will hold one 27 MEG big stick, and a scanner antenna. Our beam antenna, and another big stick for a second set (for Team business) are located separately and about 25 feet from the tower to minimize interference on 27 MEGS. The project gave Kevin the additional opportunity to install hard wire cables and "N" type connectors, and definite grounding all around.

The point, of course, is that your home could have the same gathering of antennas, with a 27 MEG big stick, a scanner antenna, and now something for your GMRS base operation. Maybe you should be thinking of a Rohn Tower for your home, and get that mess off of your roof.

Your Area Council

You are probably no different from any other Team in REACT, and unless you share a GMRS repeater or share a monitoring schedule, you rarely ever see or talk to members of neighboring Teams and especially Teams located 200 miles away. Well, your Council, if it does nothing else, provides you with the opportunity of sitting across the table from some other REACT member from far away and exchanging ideas, complaints, and suggestions. The Northern California REACT Council is one of three Councils in California. It has a long history of regional meetings, going back to its predecessor — the NOR CAL CB Calendar Committee. We meet every three months and we schedule our meetings about one year in advance, trying to meet at different areas, to try to attract different "short distance travelers."

At our February meeting in Marysville-Yuba City, CA, Walt Pennington, Unit 32 of Butte County REACT, told of their "Operation Talk to Santa," which they have conducted very successfully in this Northeastern California area. They take their REACT van to a shopping center parking area (obviously too small to have a full blown Santa) and they invite smaller children to talk to Santa by radio. They show the child the radio and explain how "sacred" Channel 9 is and then allow the child to talk on the radio to Santa. Santa is parked across the parking lot so he can see the action but can't outwardly be spotted and he answers on the radio as Santa should. In this case, Richard Mesecher, Unit 21 was Santa.

It sounds like a great activity to make REACT known in the community. Prior contact with the shopping center management is helpful and coverage by the local press is a cinch. Let us know how you make out!

The REACTer inadvertently erred last issue by referring to Dick Guddridge as President of the St. Cloud (MN) REACT. Dick is currently Treasurer of the Team, and has never been the local President. We are sorry for the mistake.

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A View From the Board

by Barbara Churen, Board of Directors, REACT International
Daytona Beach REACT 2194

Almost two years have passed since I was elected to the position of Field Director on the REACT International Board of Directors. At this time, when Teams are deciding who will fill the positions of the two retiring directors, I would like to impart a little insight as to what the job entails, and at the same time urge all Teams to vote. Even though you may not know a candidate personally, you can review his credentials and get a reasonably good idea of qualifications. Remember — your choice will affect your Team!

As a member of the Board of Directors one has the responsibility of helping guide the organization as a whole while also thinking of the needs of the individual members and Teams. Unfortunately, what is best for one may not at the time seem to be the best for the other. One must have a reasonable understanding of finance and management coupled with stamina and good old fashioned common sense! Although I had experience as a Team President, was active in state council and the business world, I found my most helpful experience for understanding the overall picture, and for coordinating efforts, was gained while serving on the Board of the REACT Forum.

A Field Director must be willing to listen to many differing opinions as to what should be done with just as many differing situations. He must be able to make decisions about what is best for this organization as a whole even though it may be contrary to what he or his closest REACT peers would prefer — and he must be strong enough to stand up for his decisions. He must be able to be fair while judging situations where one side may be contrary to his beliefs. He must sincerely believe in what he is doing, for if he is doing it well, it will at times exhaust him both physically and emotionally.

Many good, positive objectives have been achieved over the past two years, more so over the past year. (The Emergency Contact List will finally be ready in July.) Some of the accomplishments will take time before being seen by the membership, and some will never be seen other than in an improved organization with better membership response.

I am very pleased with the overall progress made these past two years, even though there have been some disappointments. I really wish I could be a part of seeing several projects through to completion, but due to personal commitments I am unable to run for another term at present. I thank those of you who asked me to run again and those who sent nominee forms for me to sign. I sincerely appreciate your confidence in me and also thank those who have supported my efforts during my term of office. I look forward to seeing all of you at the convention this summer in Daytona Beach — and finally having enough time out of meetings to talk to you!

REACT Teams Invited to Participate in "Dust Bowl" Talent Caravan

Dr. Dale Smith, a member of Caney Valley REACT 4464, and his "Young Friends of Will Rogers" will recreate the "Dust Bowl" migration from Oklahoma to California and give shows along the way. This will occur beginning on June 22, and conclude on July 4, 1984.

REACT Teams along the route are being asked to assist with communications, and can earn some Team funds through ticket sales.

Known as the "Singing Ambassador of Oklahoma," Dr. Dale has put together a talented group of young people through his "Oklahoma Kids" talent contest. REACT Teams in Tulsa, Claremore, and

Dr. Dale Smith

Clinton, OK; Amarillo, TX; Santa Fe, NM; Flagstaff, and Kingman, AZ; Bakersfield, and Santa Monica, CA are invited to participate. Each Team may provide crowd control, show location, advertising and ticket sales.

For additional information, contact Harold Lowry, President, Oklahoma REACT Council, (918) 337-2773.



BRIDGEWATER, NJ — Ready to go into action in taping session at New Brunswick radio station WMGQ are members of Somerset County REACT Team 4259 shown with the station's Bruce Johnson. Left to right are Dick Cooper, President; Bruce Johnson, Mike Kuzer, of the local Heart Association, and Lillian Sharon, REACT Publicity Chairman.

Jersey Team Ends on Upbeat

BRIDGEWATER, NJ — Somerset County REACT Team 4259 ended the year on an upbeat when it received a proclamation from the Governor of New Jersey and the Mayors of several surrounding communities proclaiming November as REACT month. Then the Team invited the New Jersey State Council to be a part of its radio taping with Bruce Johnson of radio station WMGQ.

This year the Team intends to revise its cable TV cable commercials and has scheduled several more taping dates with New Brunswick radio station WCTC and WMGQ. There is also the possibility of taping a show with WERA Plainfield radio.

Virgin Islands Team Makes Presence Felt

CHRISTIANSTED, U.S.V.I. — U.S. Virgin Islands REACT Team 3617 was chartered in January, 1977 by REACT International.

Each morning at 7 a.m. members take part in a radio check. The purpose: to be sure the equipment is sending and receiving properly. As soon as the radio check is completed, members switch to Channel 9 which is the official national emergency channel.

REACT 3617 currently has 34 members, so that Channel 9 is monitored on a 24-hour basis. Being a member of REACT is not demanding. Aside from the daily radio check there is one annual meeting.

Some members have mobile units which can be invaluable on the road reporting accidents, breakdowns, robberies, fire, drunk or impaired drivers, or in calling for road service or ambulance assistance.



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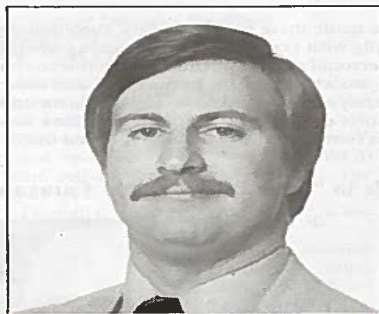


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REACT Board Candidates For 1984



Ronald O. Mayes

Sedgwick County REACT 4203
Wichita, Kansas

OCCUPATION:
Management
Communications Service Company

PERSONAL DATA:
Age 29; Married; 1 son

REACT HISTORY:
Joined REACT in 1976. Team President, Co-ordinator, Sub-Team Captain, Board Member, Attended REACT International Conventions in 1982 and 1983 (Convention Chairman), Life Member 162.

OTHER AFFILIATIONS:
Red Cross (Multiple Training), Boy Scouts (Eagle Scout with Palms), DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) National Award, National Rifle Assn. (Life Member), Administrative Management Society.

EDUCATION:
2 yr. Paralegal; Senior-Business Administration; Marketing & Management, Wichita State University.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS:
1. Serving the best interests — I believe my active participation on the Board can enhance the advancement of REACT. Through my management experience and past involvement with the Forum, Board, and Headquarters on the '83 Convention. I learned through this involvement that innovative marketing and management techniques were needed to strengthen our organization and its base. Those who attended the convention also experienced some of the innovative ideas we had. I look forward to the continued success of REACT and would consider it an honor to join in with the many fine, volunteer leaders we have supporting our organization.

2. The most interesting and gratifying experience I know is volunteering to help REACT is a major part of this satisfaction as you are given many opportunities to help. I also find the interaction with other members across the country and even from Canada to be the same.

NOMINEE'S STATEMENT:
I know that the service I provide through my association with REACT, from giving simple directions to a bewildered traveler, to being the major factor in saving a person's life when time is of the essence in an auto accident, is very worthwhile and fulfilling. Volunteers need no pay — just the "thanks" for being out there once in a while.



Richard A. Munton

Roanoke Valley REACT 2166
Roanoke, Virginia

OCCUPATION:
Inspector, Roadway Equipment

PERSONAL DATA:
Age 34; Married; 2 daughters

REACT HISTORY:
Joined REACT in 1976. Team President, Treasurer, Council Delegate, Council President, Vice President, Convention Chairman, Forum President and Vice President - Administration. Attended REACT International Conventions: 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983. Life Member 69.

EDUCATION:
High School Graduate

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS:
1. My experience at the Team, Council, and International level has given me insight of the overall problems and concerns of the REACT organization. I feel that this experience at all levels would best serve the interests of the REACT organization, as it would enable me to face these concerns and possibly solve some of them.

2. The only feeling of accomplishment of working with any volunteer organization is that feeling of helping others while not seeking recognition for oneself. The helping of others in need, whether it be monitoring the emergency channel or working Safety Breaks has interested me the most. The opportunity, with the proper training, to help others is what led me to join REACT and is what has kept me in the organization.

NOMINEE'S STATEMENT:
I feel that the members of the Board of Directors are ultimately responsible for the operation of the organization. Board members must take a more active role in program development, funding, and overseeing of all operations of REACT International, Inc. Too much work has been done by the Forum that is sitting on the shelf and not out helping you, the membership. Should I be elected, I will do my best to aid the membership in maintaining REACT as a viable organization as well as in making the organization grow.



Jerry R. Parker

Madison County REACT C697
Anderson, Indiana

OCCUPATION:
Quality Control Supervisor

PERSONAL DATA:
Age 43; Married; 2 daughters (twins)

REACT HISTORY:
Joined REACT in 1974. Team President, Communications Director, Board Chairman, Board Member, Council 1st Vice President. Attended REACT International Conventions: 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983.

OTHER AFFILIATIONS:
Mt. Moriah Lodge F&AM, Communications Advisor for Anderson Auxiliary Police.

EDUCATION:
1 yr. Business College, High School Graduate, Dale Carnegie Public Speaking Course, Motivation Seminar.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS:
1. Having served as an office both at Team level and as a Council officer, I have gained a tremendous amount of experience in all aspects of the REACT program. Having to deal with Team problems on a state-wide basis, and developing materials for several State Conventions, plus drawing on my experience as an industrial supervisor, gives me some good insight to what is needed for the "grass roots." I believe that I might be able to provide input to the Board in that capacity.

2. The most interesting part of my service to REACT has been in working with other dedicated individuals who have developed seminars, workshops, and other materials, which is ultimately used by REACT Teams. The hard work and dedication is very rewarding and it has helped me grow as a person and a member. Without a doubt I will remember these years as long as I live.

NOMINEE'S STATEMENT:
My name is Jerry R. Parker, I am married and the father of Trudi and Judi, age 21. I met my wife Beverly in high school and married her two years after graduation. I attended one year of business college, then was employed two years as an IBM operator. In 1964 became employed at Guide Division of General Motors as an assembler, and was promoted to supervisor in June of 1966. For the last nine years I have been a Quality Control Supervisor. I am a member of the First Church of the Nazarene, Treasurer of Mount Moriah Lodge F&AM, and a member of Scottish Rite.

My interests are sports of all kinds, chess and college basketball being my favorites. My REACT history includes having served most Team offices including President, Chairman of Board, and others. Currently, I am serving as 1st Vice President of Indiana REACT Council, having been elected to a second term. In addition I served as the Master of Ceremonies at the 1981 REACT International Convention in Indianapolis. It is my firm belief that REACTers everywhere want positive forward thinking individuals who support the efforts to grow and move ahead. I want to help in that effort to utilize what has been developed and do what is necessary to get materials out to the "grass roots." Thank you for your support in this goal.



Charles A. (Chuck) Thompson

Dallas County REACT Team C-622
Dallas, Texas

OCCUPATION:
Attorney

PERSONAL DATA:
Age, 49; Married; 5 children (1 daughter, 4 sons)

REACT HISTORY:
Joined REACT in 1976. Team offices h Secretary, President, Chairman of the BC (two years), Program Director (twice), Membership Director, Treasurer (two years), T Delegate to North Central Texas REACT Council (5 years). Area Council Delegate Texas State REACT Council (1 year). 15 hours monitoring at Dallas County REACT Central (4th highest on all-time list). Attend REACT International Conventions 1982, 1983. Life Member 147.

OTHER AFFILIATIONS:
Dallas County REACT representative to Da Council on Alcoholism (2 years). Life Member of National Guard Association of the National Guard Association of Texas, Reserve Officers Association. Member Association of US Army and Disabled American Veterans.

EDUCATION:
Juris Doctor (SMU); also attended Arlington State College (Texas) and University of Montana (Bachelors in Arts in Journalism) (1968-1969) Assistant Dean / Assistant Professor, SMU School of Law.

MILITARY SERVICE:
1953 to present in Montana and Texas A National Guard, Active Army, and US A Reserve (presently Colonel, Field Artillery USAR).

ANSWERS TO QUESTION:
1. I believe I have the type of business background as well as 8 years' experience in REACT to assist in strengthening REACT International.

2. Monitoring Channel 9 is the aspect REACT which, to me, epitomizes our goal "public service through communications."

NOMINEE'S STATEMENT:
There are two fundamental concepts which believe are basic to the success of REACT. These are (1) that the activities of the individual Teams are the only truly important activities we have and (2) that Channel 9 monitoring is still the most important Team activity. With these concepts as my guidelines, I use whatever experience and expertise I have to support REACT International and to ensure that REACT International can give effective support to local Teams. I have not only agreed with International's policies and decisions, but of all the many national CB organizations which existed at the height of the craze, only REACT is still alive and kicking; other words, REACT International has done quite a bit right! We must recognize its successes, and build on them.

Survival of REACT International is essential to maintain our nationwide credibility and age. We must all work together to accomplish this goal.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS . . .

All nominees were requested to supply answers to questions that would help to evaluate the candidates. The following questions were initiated by the Forum Executive Committee and approved in final form by the Board of Directors.

QUESTION 1: How can you best serve the interests of the REACT organization as a whole,

while serving as a member of the Board?
QUESTION 2: What aspect of your service as a REACT member has interested you the most and why?

Each candidate's answers are published on this page below their respective photos.

HOW TO VOTE

1. Read and evaluate candidate qualifications. (This should be a Team project.)
2. List all candidates in order of preference—most favored #1, next #2, etc.
3. On ballot, write rank number in box for each candidate. Be sure to rank all candidates.
4. Insert and seal ballot in small "OFFICIAL BALLOT ENVELOPE." Complete certification on this envelope including signatures or two Team officers.
5. Mail small "OFFICIAL BALLOT ENVELOPE" in business size pre-addressed envelope to "REACT ELECTION COMMITTEE." Be sure to fill in Team Number and your Team return address on envelope and mail with First Class Postage applied.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The "Field" members of the Board of Directors met as a Nominating Committee via a telephone conference call on April 28th, 1984, to select the final nominees for the two "Field" positions on the Board of Directors which will become vacant at the 1984 REACT International Convention at Daytona, Florida. Participating in the telephone conference call were Field Directors Carl Berg, Barbara Chuyen, Chris White, and Bill Shafer. There were 6 nominations submitted, all nominees were qualified, and the Nominating Committee selected Ronald Mayes (Kansas), Richard Munton (Virginia), Jerry Parker (Indiana), and Charles Thompson (Texas) as the four finalists.

NOMINEE CRITERIA: The 1984 Nominating Committee followed the "criteria" established by the 1982 Nominating Committee.

1. Nominees shall have demonstrated leadership qualities and capabilities within the REACT organization through acceptance and successful accomplishment of Team or Council or FORUM management responsibilities.

Rationale: This indicates involvement, capability and a sense of responsibility.

2. Nominees shall have been a member of REACT for a minimum of three years.

Rationale: It was felt this was the minimum time needed to gain a full understanding of REACT principles and concepts. It also indicates a long-term commitment.

3. Nominees shall be willing and able to devote time and energy to Board requirements.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE PROCEDURE: The procedure followed this year varied from previous years in that a "telephone conference call" was used instead of an "in-person meeting," thus conserving REACT International's limited resources. Since there were 6 nominees, the Nominating Committee Chairman polled the Committee to see if a slate of all 6 would be acceptable. The majority of the Nominating Committee was requested, prior to the telephone conference call, to review all nominations and be prepared to list the top four. This was done, followed by an open discussion of the qualifications of all six

nominees before the final vote was taken which was quite apparent from the open discussion that the Committee members had been doing their homework — from carefully examining each nomination paper to receiving input from the field. As Chairman, I must point out that filling in all those blanks is very important especially Team comments, nominee's sentiment, and this year the added special questions.

ELECTION: Since the Nominating Committee will be miraculously transformed into a ballot-counting group this July, I would like to encourage every REACT Team to cast their ballot and please follow the "election procedure" step-by-step and do everything required to keep your ballot eligible. If you have any question on the election process at Headquarters, talk to a Field Director or Council. And again, every REACT Team is encouraged to vote.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee

William L. Shafer, Chairman
Nominating Committee

REACTers Ready for Daytona Convention

Serious attention to REACT program elements, and family fun are combined objectives for REACT members headed to the 1984 International Convention July 30 - August 2, in Daytona Beach, Florida.

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Through Tours Unlimited (800/592-0090 Toll-Free number or 312/577-8110) and Eastern Airlines, you can get the best airfare from your home to Daytona Beach. Call Mary Gammie at Tours Unlimited to reserve your flight and get additional Florida vacation information.

CA Follow-Through on Call Has Good Results

The story which follows appeared in the Bulletin of the Corona-Norco REACT Team 4252 (Corona, CA) and is a good example of REACT spirit in following through on a call from start to finish and the good results that can be obtained in so doing:

CORONA, CA - I received a call from a mobile CBER using the handle "Moonshiner" on January 25th at 4:20 p.m. He informed me that he was up near Cucamonga Peak where a brown Dodge pickup with a white camper shell had gone off the road and down the side of the mountain. He indicated that there were no serious injuries as far as he could tell but that there were still occupants in the vehicle. He also said that the vehicle was so far down the side of the mountain that it would take something with the capabilities of a helicopter to get down there.

I asked him for a more precise location to which he responded about six miles from the base of the mountain. I called the CHP Riverside and gave them the information.

At approximately 4:30 I received a return call from the CHP asking for a more precise location because they could not find the site on their maps. I called the CBER back and he told me that the only way in there was by Lytle Creek Road or Saffire Road. My maps are not detailed enough to show these locations but the CHP told me they now knew

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Preliminary Program 1984 REACT International Convention

Sunday, July 29, 1984:

1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Registration Open
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	REACT Forum Executive Committee Meeting REACT Task Group and Standing Committee Meetings (Open to all convention attendees)
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Team Information Meeting - Questions & Answers - Open to All
Evening	Poolside Mixer

Monday July 30, 1984:

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Registration Open
8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	REACT Forum Executive Committee meeting with Forum Task Group Committee Chairmen
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Forum Task Group and Standing Committee meetings (Open to all convention attendees)
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Caucus for States without Councils
12:30 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.	Group Photo - Poolside
1:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	OPENING SESSIONS Opening ceremonies Keynote Speaker Executive Director's Report Introductions - Newly Elected Field Directors
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	REACT Forum meeting (for all convention attendees) Discussion of Task Group and Standing Committee Proposals to be voted upon on Tuesday.
6:00 p.m. - Midnite	Monday Night Mixer (Drinks, Snacks - Dinner Available)

Tuesday July 31, 1984:

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	REACT Forum Business meeting - First Session (for all attendees) Vote on Task Group and Standing Committee Proposals
10:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Election of Forum Officers
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Lunch
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Workshops: Disaster Preparedness; Public Relations
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Forum Executive Meeting

Wednesday August 1, 1984:

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	General Session (for all convention attendees) Forum: Announcement of Task Group and Standing Committee Chairmen Appointments for 1984/1985 General Announcements
9:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Team Round Robin
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Forum Task Group and Standing Committee Working meetings of 1984/1985 Projects (for all convention attendees)
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Lunch
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Life Membership Luncheon
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Life Members Meeting
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Forum Task Group and Standing Committee Working meetings for 1984/1985 Projects (for all convention attendees) Preparation of 1984/1985 Project Reports

Thursday August 2, 1984:

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	General Session (for all convention attendees) REACT Forum Business Meeting - Second Session Preparation of 1984/1985 Forum Goals
10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Simultaneous Seminars: Small Community REACT: Police Communications; Junior REACT; GMRS Basics
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Forum Executive Committee meeting
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Open Meeting - REACT International Board of Directors
4:00 p.m.	Forum Fun Fundraiser
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Social Hour
6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	"Burger Bash" Juniors & Young at Heart
7:00 p.m. - ?	Concluding Banquet

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Communications over Citizen's Band Radio Channels" and also get their CB friends to do the same, we have a very good chance of getting this law enacted - but - it does take your help to insure that the lawmakers do know of the public interest in the passage of this law. *Apathy now can lose this "passage" action for years to come. Do Not Delay!!!*

For your added information the Governor, the State Director of Emergency Services and other officials are on our side. Once the bill is passed we have every assurance that it will be signed into law.

Norman, OK Team on the Go

NORMAN, OK - University of Oklahoma REACT Team 3916 conducted a Halloween watch and finished the Oklahoma University football season by working security, traffic control and providing traffic information to KGOU radio during home games.

In addition the Team has had several members recertified in CPR and first aid and is working traffic control at the Lloyd Noble Center events.

1984 REACT International Convention

Space limitations do not allow us to print the entire registration form in this issue of *The REACTer*. Please fill in the form below and mail it to the Convention Committee immediately! This will save your place at the Convention.

Express Registration Form

Send to: REACT
Convention Committee
P.O. Box 938
Ormond Beach, FL 32074

(Enclose \$50 per person - includes convention shirt, cocktail part, banquet, Monday night get-together, free & discount Florida attraction tickets, color convention photograph, ride around Daytona International Speedway, PLUS, other benefits yet to be announced!)

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone No. _____ Team _____

REACT Couple Rates Headlines for Heroism

ROCKFORD, MI - Prominently displayed in the newspaper for their heroism in rescuing a seven-year-old boy from drowning were Ronald and Carol Thome, both members of North Kent REACT.

The lad who was walking with his father and a younger brother near an indoor pool in a camping area near Grand Rapids jumped into the deep water while his father's back was turned.

The Thomes, who were swimming nearby, promptly dragged him out of the water. Ronald Thome laid the boy on his stomach and Thome's wife promptly began mouth to mouth resuscitation which eventually revived the child, who was unconscious.

ALLIANCE, OH - 1983 closed out as another successful year for the Alliance REACT Team C-363. Don Riebold, President, reports that besides their routine monitoring duties, members still found time to park 3,500 cars at the Mile Branch Grange Fair August 3-6, man the check points for the Annual American Cancer Bike-a-thon, safely getting 60 bicyclists over the 25-mile course. Included was one man with only one leg.

The Team closed out the year with their Annual Halloween Bridge Watch for the State Highway Patrol.

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REACT International, Inc. Annual Report for 1984

REACT faced many challenges in 1983. First there was a financial challenge. This was recognized by the Board of Directors at the February meeting where they voted to increase dues for 1984. The announced increase from \$7 to \$10 for Regular members and from \$5 to \$8 for Family and Junior members was a cause for concern. However, by July at the 1983 International Convention in Wichita, the need was clearly seen. A projected \$35,000 deficit for 1983 certainly required an increase in dues for 1984.

This produced the management challenge to provide the maximum in services, reduce expenses and find additional long term solutions to the financial problems of REACT beyond the immediate scheduled dues increase.

Outside Audit Approved

Coordinated efforts of Headquarters staff, Board of Directors and the Special Committee on Fundraising produced an outside auditor's evaluation of REACT's financial matters, recommendations for changes in procedures, and a verification that control of funds was on a honest and accurate basis at headquarters.

The Special Audit Committee of Bill Appel of Michigan Emergency Patrol, Detroit, Michigan; and Reid Jones of Roanoke Valley REACT, Roanoke, Virginia, came to Chicago, hired the firm of Deloitte, Haskins and Sells (a "Big-8" CPA Firm) on behalf of REACT International to do this job.

Their report identified areas requiring attention relating to accountability while substantially for basic financial integrity of REACT's administration. Recommendations for improved handling of funds were included and implemented. The new accounting methods are reflected in the professional independent audit accompanying this report.

Meanwhile, headquarters efforts to reduce expenditures included a voluntary 10% salary cut for the Executive Director. Increased income from advertising sales for The REACTer and Life Memberships helped to reduce the eventual deficit to under \$7,000, as reflected in the report herewith.

A loss of \$4,730 resulted from operations of REACT International, Inc., while Official REACT Supply, Inc. showed a loss of \$2,259 for a total of \$6,989. This includes an allowance for Federal and State Income Taxes of \$1,170 for net profit on REACTer advertising income for REACT International, and inventory write-offs of \$2,112 for obsolete materials charged to Official REACT Supply Co.

1984 Dues Goal Achieved

The Board of Directors at their January 1984 meeting forecast the possibility of a membership loss of 34% from the previous year and approved a budget on this assumption. We are pleased to report at this writing that 1984 dues income has surpassed budget projection of \$113,000. This basically assures a year without deficit spending.

The Board of Directors has authorized a special Greening Card Fundraising Program to further increase income at no risk to REACT International. Enthusiastic participation in this program could reduce the deficit significantly and possibly even eliminate the total \$12,657 deficit carryover.

In the meantime, services to Teams have increased with products from the REACT Forum being sent out to the Teams.

Team Directory Published

Special advertising sales permitted publishing and distribution of the 1984 REACT Team Directory during the final quarter. A confidential Emergency Contact Listing for registered Team/Council use is being prepared for release prior to the 1984 International Convention. Additional publications including sections of the Team Management Manual are expected to be released during 1984. For example, the Indiana REACT Council is in the process of publishing a Monitor Training Manual produced in 1983 by the REACT Forum. This will also be released prior to the 1984 REACT International Convention.

The Board of Directors experienced several significant changes in 1983. We note with great sadness, the death of Eugene Goebel, a longstanding member of the REACT Board who retired as a Motorola Executive and then served until retirement as Chief of Communications of Illinois Civil Preparedness Agency. Robert Miller, retired from the International Chiefs of Police and resigned from

the REACT Board of Directors due to personal family objectives. Henry B. Kreer, founder, former Executive Director of REACT, also signed from the Board to pursue his demand business.

New Board Members

Added to the Board were S. Joseph Steph: Captain, USCG (Ret), Director Emerge Services, Lake County, Florida, Capt. Steph also served at the National Highway Traffic Sa Administration in Washington where he was instrumental in establishing the Department of Transportation's CB Radio Emergency Program kn as NEAR (National Emergency Aid Rad William L. Miller, Chief of Communicati Chicago Police Department, was also added to Board. Early in 1984, Mr. Robert Stone joined Board to replace Mr. Kreer. Mr. Stone broug broad experience in public service to commun tions, including positions as former Execu Vice-President of E.F. Johnson Co. and exten consulting for recent clients including the Gen Electric Company; Exxon Enterprises, Inc.; Con Data Corporation; Tactec Systems, Inc.; Ma Corporation; and Magnetic Controls Compan Field Directors changes were Christine W elected to replace John Tracy and Rev. Will Shafer, re-elected after serving a prior term.

REACT public service efforts continued thr 1983 in terms of continuous monitoring of REA
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REACT International, Inc. and Subsidiaries Audited Accounts, December 31, 1982 & 1983

AUDITOR'S REPORT To the Board of Directors of REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC.:

We have examined the consolidated balance sheet of REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. and Subsidiary as of December 31, 1983 and the related consolidated statements of Income and changes in financial position for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. The consolidated financial statements of REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. and Subsidiary for the year ended December 31, 1982, were examined by other auditors whose report dated March 24, 1983, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

In our opinion, the 1983 financial statements referred to above present fairly the consolidated financial position of REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. and Subsidiary as of December 31, 1983, and the consolidated results of their operations and the changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consis with that of the preceding year.
NYKIEL, CARLIN & CO., LTD.
February 17, 1984

Consolidated Statements of Income

	1983	1982
REVENUES FROM MEMBERS:		
Dues	\$121,587	\$141,424
Team charters	1,000	940
Life membership (Note 7)	11,213	903
International membership	550	—
Total revenues from members	\$134,350	\$143,267
OTHER REVENUE:		
REACTer advertising income	\$ 33,666	\$ 25,937
Gross profit on sale of REACT I.D. material	7,607	13,042
Government contract	5,145	7,547
Grants and contributions	13,164	11,940
Commissions	2,862	3,551
Interest income	1,459	2,931
Miscellaneous income	284	—
Total other revenue	\$ 64,187	\$ 64,948
Total revenues	\$198,537	\$208,215
EXPENSES:		
Membership services and communications — Direct membership benefits:		
REACTer	\$ 39,873	\$ 31,134
Membership liability insurance	9,167	9,211
Data processing (Note 8)	8,805	6,926
Membership kits	3,495	4,813
Team publications and mailings	1,547	7,385
Team charters	641	538
Life membership	479	—
Miscellaneous	599	40
Total	\$ 64,606	\$ 60,067
Membership services and communications — Indirect membership benefits:		
Membership promotion	\$ 3,937	\$ 1,199
Reimbursement of state councils	2,831	2,891
Directors expenses (Note 9)	8,825	10,825
Postage and freight	8,463	7,021
Forum expense	4,925	6,879
Telephone — long distance to Teams and members	2,497	2,577
Publicity	1,195	1,247
Exhibits and displays	506	817
Convention expense	2,256	3,772
Fund raising	262	—
Total	\$ 35,697	\$ 37,028
Total membership services and communications expenses	\$100,303	\$ 97,095
General and administrative expenses:		
Salaries	\$ 57,047	\$ 60,482
Advertising sales expense	703	4,314
Rent and utilities	9,974	8,834
Pension plan (Note 2)	4,023	1,268
Audit and accounting	7,665	8,695
Legal	1,055	1,961
Equipment rental	2,045	2,039
Stationery and office supplies	4,946	6,734
Insurance	5,430	5,810
Federal and State income taxes	1,170	—
Headquarters travel	2,322	2,638
Miscellaneous	3,278	3,617
Foreign currency exchange	377	1,472
Dues and subscriptions	504	410
Interest expense	773	776
Payroll taxes	741	646
Depreciation expense	1,606	1,250
Telephone	1,564	2,017
Total general and administrative expenses	\$105,223	\$112,963
Total expenses	\$205,526	\$210,058
Net (Loss) for the year (Exhibit 1)	\$ (6,989)	\$ (1,843)

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

	1983	19
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash	\$ 10,479	\$ 3,1
Donated funds designated for forum projects (Note 3)	2,154	—
Money market fund (Note 1)	24,681	13,8
Accounts receivable	6,635	1,2
Inventory (Note 1)	16,608	20,8
Prepaid expenses	3,018	2,6
Total current assets	\$ 63,575	\$41,8
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, at cost (Note 1):		
Furniture and equipment	\$ 4,832	\$ 5,1
Leased property under capital lease (Note 4)	4,350	4,3
Total	\$ 9,182	\$ 9,4
Less-accumulated depreciation	(2,676)	(1,6)
Property and Equipment, net	\$ 6,506	\$ 7,8
SECURITY DEPOSIT	\$ 1,200	\$ 2,8
	\$ 71,281	\$52,5
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT)		
	1983	19
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable	\$ 19,149	\$13,2
Deferred income — dues and advertising	55,856	37,5
Accrued payroll taxes	2,815	2,1
Current portion obligation under capital lease (Notes 4 and 6)	798	3
Income taxes payable (Notes 1 and 5)	1,170	—
Total current liabilities	\$ 79,788	\$53,2
LONG-TERM DEBT:		
Obligation under capital lease, Less current maturities above (Note 4 and 6)	\$ 2,350	\$ 3,1
Total liabilities	\$ 82,138	\$56,4
MEMBERS' EQUITY (DEFICIT):		
Donated equity	\$ 1,800	\$ 1,8
Fund balance (deficit) —		
Fund (deficit) — January 1	\$ (5,668)	\$ (3,8
Net (loss) for the year (Exhibit 2)	(6,989)	(1,8
Fund (deficit) — December 31	\$ (12,657)	\$ (5,6
Total members' equity (deficit)	\$ (10,857)	\$ (3,8
	\$ 71,281	\$52,5

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. AND SUBSIDIARY NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 1983 and 1982

(1) DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:
The Company is a tax-exempt organization formed to develop and promote the use of the Citizens Radio Service and other personal radio services as an additional source of communication for emergencies, disasters, and other forms of aid to citizens. The Company's subsidiary is a regular corporation subject to all taxes and sells material and supplies to the membership.

Basis of Consolidation —

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Official REACT Supply Company, Inc. Upon consolidation, all significant intercompany accounts and transactions are eliminated.

Inventory —

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost, on a first-in, first-out basis, or market.

Money Market Fund —

The Company is a participant in a money market fund which invests primarily in government securities.

Property and Equipment —

Property and equipment is recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful life of the related assets, generally three to five years, and is calculated using the straight-line method for assets acquired prior to January 1, 1981, and the accelerated cost recovery system for assets acquired after December 31, 1980.

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of emergency Channel 9 on CB radio and extensive public service involvement with local community service agencies and local disaster response organizations.

REACT continues in 1984 to be a highly active organization involved with many other groups such as the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster; National Highway Traffic Safety Administration for promotion of the use of vehicle safety belts and child restraints; and a lead organization in the CB Radio Coalition Against Drunk Driving. The encouragement of the public to report their Impaired Driver Alert via CB radio from the highway directly to a REACT monitor or other emergency channel monitor is an important factor in the growing campaign against drunk driving.

REACT Fights Drunk Driving

Many states and local communities are joining in efforts to reduce alcohol related traffic accidents including participation in the REDDI Program with federal funding incentives available. A survey indicated that better than 90% of American motorists would report the behavior of a drunk driver on the highway with the CB radio were one available. REACT is working with MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving), SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving), RID (Remove Intoxicated Drivers), AAIM (Alliance Against

Intoxicated Motorists), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Highway Users Federation, and many other governmental and private sector agencies campaigning to remove drunk drivers from our highways. This has become a major highway safety effort in which REACT is engaged in 1984. REACT has cooperated and received significant support from the insurance industry in this effort.

In addition to the above highway safety disaster preparedness activities, REACT is also affiliated with the Neighborhood Crime Prevention Coordinating Committee, for the stimulation of citizens participation in neighborhood patrol activities and other types of programs such as the Neighborhood Watch Program.

REACT policy regarding membership has been modified through actions begun at the 1983 REACT Convention in Wichita. This provides for the acceptance of new REACT Teams who wish to participate in a variety of activities. Maintenance of the major REACT objective of monitoring Citizens Band Emergency Channel 9 will be achieved through motivation rather than compulsion. The idea is to foster participation of local communicators into the REACT effort by providing opportunities for membership in an internationally recognized organization. This initiation can be expected to result in additional REACT Teams and added membership for existing Teams.

As we enter 1984, REACT faces the future with a sound plan for dealing not only with present problems and public service needs, but in being able to adapt to the unforeseen opportunities available through future developments.

The ability to meet financial and management challenges is being met with the support of many fine organizations who have aided REACT financially and materially. On behalf of all REACT members, we acknowledge this support that has benefited untold hundreds of thousands of citizens who have been served through REACT activities. Thank you for all your support and encouragement of the REACT program.

"Thank You" to Supporters

These are all significant financial supporters of REACT International in 1983:

- American Insurance Association
 - General Motors Foundation
 - ITT Financial Corporation
 - Lumberman's Mutual Casualty Company
 - Tandy Corporation
 - Union Oil Company of California Foundation
- Special recognition due the following REACT Teams and Councils who contributed needed funds in 1983:
- Greater Anchorage REACT 3462
 - South Bay REACT C-167
 - Sedgwick County REACT 4208
 - Wisconsin Council of REACT Teams
- REACT members also appreciate the support of K-40 Electronics in sponsoring the REACT Achievement Awards Programs. Special valuable

services for REACT were provided by the Alliance of American Insurers, Allstate Insurance Company, the Antenna Specialists Company and General Electric Company.

Board Appearance Program Launched

Attendance at State Council meetings and other REACT events by members of the REACT International Board of Directors is being expanded. For example, Barbara Chuyen is attending the Virginia REACT Convention May 6 & 7th in Roanoke.

Similarly, John Tracy, Forum President, participated in the Texas State REACT Council meeting in March.

If your State Council is interested in inviting a member of the REACT Board of Directors, or Forum Officer to your activity, be sure to send such an invitation to any such person, either by name or title. Be sure to send such invitations to REACT Headquarters to insure a response, and coordination.

Acceptance will be dependent on availability, and financial requirements. You may invite such people by name and/or title.

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Financial Position

	1983	1982
WORKING CAPITAL WAS OBTAINED FROM:		
Long term obligation under capital lease	\$ —	\$ 3,148
Application of security deposit	1,635	—
Total obtained	\$ 1,635	\$ 3,148
WORKING CAPITAL WAS USED FOR:		
Operations —		
Net loss for the year	\$ 6,989	\$ 1,843
Charges not affecting working capital —		
Depreciation expense	(1,606)	(1,250)
Total from operations	\$ 5,383	\$ 593
Security deposit	—	1,485
Property and equipment additions	250	7,131
Long term obligation under capital lease — current portion	798	—
Total used	\$ 6,431	\$ 9,209
DECREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL	\$ (4,796)	\$ (6,061)
CHANGES IN COMPONENTS OF WORKING CAPITAL:		
Increase (decrease) in current assets —		
Cash and money market account	\$20,267	\$(13,804)
Accounts receivable	5,353	(1,846)
Inventory	(4,285)	5,678
Prepaid expenses	379	(2,159)
Net increase (decrease) in current assets	\$21,714	\$(12,131)
Increase (decrease) in current liabilities —		
Deferred income — dues and advertising	\$18,353	\$(11,652)
Accounts payable	5,898	7,214
Accrued payroll taxes	672	153
Income taxes payable	1,170	(2,166)
Obligation under capital lease	417	381
Net increase (decrease) in current liabilities	26,510	(6,070)
DECREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL	\$ (4,796)	\$ (6,061)

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of these consolidated statements.

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- Income Taxes —**
REACT International, Inc. sells advertising space in its bi-monthly publication, *THE REACTer*, and is subject to regular corporate income tax on this unrelated business income. Official REACT Supply Company, Inc., the Company's subsidiary, is subject to regular corporate income tax. Investment tax credits are accounted for using the flow-through method, which reduces the Federal income tax expense in the year in which the qualified property is placed in service.
- (2) **DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN:**
Effective January 1, 1977, the Company established a defined contribution pension plan. Currently, the assets are invested in various Shell Roe Funds. Trustees are Henry B. Kreier and Gerald H. Reese. The plan covers all qualified employees and was established for the purpose of replacing Social Security Benefits available to most employees in other companies. REACT International, Inc. is a tax exempt organization and did not elect to participate in the Social Security Program. For each plan year in which a participant is credited with a year of service, the Company will contribute to the plan 7.5% of the participant's annual pay. Pension plan expense for the years 1983 and 1982 are \$4,023 and \$1,268, respectively.
- (3) **DONATED FUNDS DESIGNATED FOR FORUM PROJECTS:**
The REACT Forum is engaged in fundraising activities for the purpose of funding projects that have been developed to support REACT objectives. The application of these funds are designated exclusively for projects directed by the Executive Committee.
- (4) **CAPITAL LEASE AND LEASE COMMITMENTS:**
Effective January 6, 1982, the Company entered into a lease agreement for certain telephone equipment, the value of which has been capitalized in accordance with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 13. The following is a schedule, by years, of future minimum lease payments under the capital lease as of December 31, 1983:
- | Year ended December 31: | |
|---|----------------|
| 1984 | \$1,435 |
| 1985 | 1,435 |
| 1986 | 1,435 |
| Total future minimum lease payments | \$4,305 |
| Less: Amount representing interest | 1,157 |
| Present value of minimum lease payments at December 31, 1983 | \$3,148 |
- Future minimum lease commitments are:
- (a) Office space — On February 1, 1984, REACT International, Inc. entered into a lease agreement for a term of two years. The terms call for the company to pay the sum of \$15,336 payable in monthly installments of \$639. In addition, the Company is obligated to pay to Lessor a share of ownership taxes based on area of leased premises which was agreed to be 5.4%.
- (b) Memory typewriter — Under terms of the Mutual Option Agreement, \$575 is due by April 30, 1984 in order to purchase the equipment.
- (5) **INCOME TAXES:**
A provision for income taxes has been made for REACT International, Inc. on unrelated advertising income. Net income of \$6,511 resulted in a Federal and state tax liability of \$1,170. No provision for income taxes has been made for Official REACT Supply Co., Inc., as the Company has showed a net loss.
- (6) **OBLIGATION UNDER CAPITAL LEASE:**
For 1982, the obligation under capital lease has been reclassified between current and long-term obligations for comparative purposes.
- (7) **LIFE MEMBERSHIP:**
Life membership allows an individual to be a member for his or her life without further dues. There is no obligation on the Company's part to refund this money upon termination of the Company. Total receipts since the inception of the program in 1980 total \$28,245.
- (8) **DATA PROCESSING:**
Data processing expenses include services for membership processing, label production, membership card printing, microfiche records and for processing payroll records.
- (9) **DIRECTORS EXPENSES:**
Directors expenses incurred include Board of Directors telephone conferences, expenses incurred in electing four board members at large, travel and subsistence incurred for attending the Board of Directors meeting and annual convention by the Board of Directors.



FAIRLESS HILLS, PA — City of Philadelphia Mayor William J. Green signed into effect a proclamation declaring November National REACT Month. The proclamation was presented to Delaware Valley REACT Team President Bev Hoyt, by City Representative William B. McLaughlin III, office of Director of Commerce.

Achievement Awards (from page 1)

Any REACT Team can by contacting the Team in writing obtain these regulation signs for their use at very little cost.

Currently the Team is involved in a fundraising drive for a new \$15,000 GMRS Network to be purchased and owned entirely by REACT. It has recently completed a new training manual, and has prepared a slide presentation to go with it.

As of last summer the Team had 32 adult members, five junior members, and two applications pending. In an effort to improve its standing, REACT has conducted a radio and TV ad campaign, developed a "Help Wanted Posted" and is working with the Indiana State REACT Council on the idea of a full-sized billboard to be put up statewide.

In summary both Teams have spectacular records and have set a high standard for other Teams to follow. For their efforts, the Teams receive \$100 each and are automatically eligible to compete in the annual awards with prizes consisting of \$500 in cash and a trophy plus travel expenses to the International Convention in Daytona Beach.

To compete in the award, obtain an entry form from REACT International, 3653 Woodhead Drive, Northbrook, IL.

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Omaha Backs Police



OMAHA, NE — Shown at presentation by Douglas County REACT C663 to the Omaha Police Department of 10 CB radios with the help of television station WETV are, left to right Omaha Police Chief Robert Wadman, Bill McCullough, Douglas County REACT President, and Gary Nielsen, General Manager, KETV-7. The radios are now installed in police cruisers where they are used to investigate DWI reports heard on Channel 9.

Carolina Train Wreck (continued from front cover)



HENDERSON, NC — Cars dangled every which way in Amtrak train derailment in which Vance County REACT Team 3032 figured prominently.

California Follow-Through (from page 3)

where that was. In the meantime, the CBER was calling me back wanting to know how soon they would be there with some help . . . a question I could not answer. He called back about 5:00 p.m. and said that a helicopter had passed over and apparently waved to them and then went on not to return. At 5:30 p.m. I received a call from CHP again asking if the CBER could transport the people, who by now had made it to the road, down from the location to the base of the mountain. The CBER indicated that he could and said that it would take about 30-45 minutes to get down to an agreed upon location identified as the "Jump off." I relayed this to the CHP. They said that a sheriff vehicle from San Bernardino County would meet them there. The CBER called me at 6:00 p.m. to tell me that they were at the base of the mountain but that there was no one there to meet them. I called the S.B. Sheriff's Office and they told me that the information had been relayed back to CHP and they would meet the party at the location which was Saffire Road right off of 19th Avenue. That was at 6:10 p.m. I received another call from the CBER at 6:30 p.m. that the CHP had arrived. At about 6:35 the CBER called again to tell me that everything was under control and that the CHP would transport the people to a facility where they could be treated for scratches and bruises and the driver of the vehicle that went over the side would

be treated for mild shock. He thanked me for staying with him until everything had been taken care of and said he was sure glad we were available to help. I told him we in turn were happy to be of assistance, wished him a good evening and signed off.

MN Council Steers Anti Jamming Bill to Legislature

ST. CLOUD, MN — The Minnesota REACT Team Council has successfully worked to get a new proposed law before the Minnesota State Legislature. Senator James Peehler, St. Cloud, is authoring the bill and has submitted it to the Senate Rules Committee for numbering and placement on the Senate calendar.

Similar laws have already been enacted into law in Illinois, Oklahoma and Texas. We, at M.R.T.C., feel that this law can act as a good deterrent to deliberate interference during emergency communications. Most REACTers have experienced "jamming" when receiving emergency communications and we all know how hard it is to get the FCC to take action.

We now need the assistance of all REACT members. If all members can each write a letter or postcard to their State Senator and Representative asking them to back Senator Peehler's bill on "Unlawful Interference with Emergency

(Continued on page 5)

was transferred to Duke Medical Center in nearby Durham for surgery due to a broken neck.

Members of the Vance County REACT Team 3032 were among the volunteers who assisted in rescuing passengers from the train and traffic direction. Other members assisted at the local National Guard Armory where uninjured passengers were transported by school buses to be fed, comforted, and routed to local motels for the night.

After the rescue and placement of all passengers was completed, REACT members returned to the scene with food and coffee for the rail crew already present to begin cleanup and repairs to the tracks. Our Team is proud that 19 of our 21 member Team turned out to help and spent most of the night and early morning assisting in the emergency. The next week our Team received a letter of congratulations from the office of Jim Hunt, Governor of North Carolina.

Team Handles Traffic Detail for 28 Events

MINOT, ND — As Northern Tier REACT Team 4299 reviews 1983, we find that our Team provided communications and traffic control for twenty-eight events held in and around the city of Minot. This was done in temperatures ranging from 12 degrees to 100 degrees. As a group, the Team participated in:

- Ten (10) races of five (5) K and ten (10) Kilometer
- Special Olympics — Basketball, Track and Field
- The state parade for the North Dakota State Fair
- A citywide children's Halloween party
- A half marathon
- The Walk for Hunger
- The March of Dimes Walk
- The Viet-Nam Veterans Marathon
- Festival in the Park (Fourth of July)
- Law Day (Booth and Display)
- Northern Neighbors Day (at Minot AFB, ND)
- A Polar Bear Run
- The "Y" Men's Rodeo and Fire Prevention Parade
- Safety Break
- The Jim Thorpe Run
- A Volks March (Minot AFB, ND)
- The Jerry Lewis Telethon
- Safety Week (Display and Booth)

Members also set up a command post for 150 CB Operators and others who had volunteered to search for a small girl and boy missing from home. By doing this, we released the police so that they were able to handle the official parts of the investigation.

When a house in Minot blew up because of a gas leak resulting in the death of two people, REACT helped

Gudridge (From page 1)

the state of MN and the people in it. This set the stage for another special meeting on March 16 with the Governor and his staff, including Department of Transportation Director along with other M.R.T.C. members for more detailed exchange of ideas."

C. "Richard's untiring spirit, along with other St. Cloud REACT Team members has helped provide security and communications for the March of Dimes Walk-a-thon and St. Cloud, MN Great River Run."

The report goes on citing further examples of Richard's dedication to REACT and to public service.

As an individual winner, he receives a plaque, and \$100 to his Team from the sponsor, K-40 Electronics.

Quarterly winners are eligible for the Annual Award of a trophy, \$500 and expenses to come to the International Convention to receive the award.

police in closing off the area, and also manned entry points to keep sightseers out of the area.

Add to these achievements, the first aid at accidents, the tornado watch and information, motorist help during ice storms, snow storms, and ground blizzards, it's easy to see that the Team has had a full and busy year.

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Hit Pay Dirt



BUCKHANNON, WV — Surrounded by huge power shovel are members of Upshaw County REACT Team C117. Group saw first dirt moved for new headquarters building they had planned last summer. It will serve as a combination information center, emergency base and headquarters and will include a snack bar and two restrooms. It was built by volunteers and will be staffed for at least 16 hours a day and on holidays and Sundays as well according to Team President Burl Hewitt.

REACT Team Mans Booth; Gets Top Exposure

SEATTLE, WA — On the weekend of February 18-20, members of Seattle REACT Team 2503 participated in a REACT information booth, at the Safety & Security Fair held at Northgate Shopping Center in Seattle. Sponsored by the Washington Insurance Council and the Northgate Shopping Center, there were many other Safety & Security related participants at the event.

Members of Seattle REACT told visitors of the REACT program, how to properly use Citizens Band Radio Channel 9, to many interested persons who stopped by the booth. In addition to the standard REACT brochures available, the members also handed out Safeco Insurance calendars, and the DWI sun visor cards for motorist use in the proper procedures on how to report a suspected DWI, when spotted on the roadway.

From 15,000 to 20,000 persons visited the shopping center each day of the exhibit. Several persons gave personal thanks to REACT Teams in general for holding our Safety Breaks, at rest stops along Washington state freeways and roadways.

Florida REACTer at 12 Year Mark With REACT

DUNEDIN, FL — Joe M. Lewis, Central Pinellas REACT Unit 11, is celebrating his twelfth year with REACT. Joe joined Prince Georges County, MD REACT in January, 1972 as Unit 70. He moved to Montgomery County in 1975, as Unit 2270. In 1978 he moved back to Prince Georges County and became Unit 1270. He was appointed Property Officer, and his wife, Lois R. Lewis joined and was Unit 1170. Lois was Team Caller, and briefly Team Captain.

Joe has received six certificates of merit, and Lois four, for their monitoring in Prince Georges County REACT from 1973 to 1982 when they move to the Pinellas County area.

Death Takes Valued PA REACT Member

PUNXSUTAWNEY, PA — On Tuesday March 20, 1984 Punxsutawney Radio Emergency Service, Inc. (REACT Team 3522) lost a valuable member of their Team — Clarence Mitchell, Unit 40. Clarence passed away after a lengthy illness, during which he remained an active member of REACT.

Clarence joined REACT in 1977 shortly after the club originated and was a Second Vice President for a year. Clarence spent many hours monitoring CB Channel 9, and untold hours assisting at accidents and emergencies. Clarence Mitchell's friendship and help will be greatly missed by the Team and his friends.

Team Mourns Member's Passing

NAPA, CA — The members of Napa County REACT Team 3643 mourn the recent passing of Past President Ed Gilbreath, who died on February 21, 1984 following a lengthy illness.

Wyoming Team Keeps One Step Ahead in Snow Emergency

CASPER, WY — Nobody likes to drive when snow, black ice, high winds and other weather elements are trying to put your vehicle into the roadside. Commuting to work or driving an 18-wheeler just passing through, are no fun in bad weather but, if you at least know what is ahead, you can make much better decisions about speed, course, or even going at all.

CB radio, with all its hassles is still about the best system available when it comes to getting the latest road and weather information. Oil Capital REACT is constantly working to increase the times and places in which this information is available. In addition to acquiring more regular and auxiliary members in Natrona and Converse counties, REACT has established an is expanding an Ultra-High-Frequency FM radio system to gather and distribute road and weather information over a much greater area than ever before!

The UHF-FM radio system, formerly called class "A" CB radio but renamed the General Mobile Radio Service by the FCC, has an operational area that extends from Casper mountain with a radius of from 50 to 75 miles depending upon direction. Strategically placed relay operators receive road and weather information from passing motorists and truckers on CB channels and through personal observation. This information

is then passed on to other monitoring stations in the FM system, who can then answer information requests on regular CB channels in their areas. Anyone who owns a scanner capable of receiving UHF-FM signals is also able and welcome to receive and distribute this data.

The UHF-FM radio system is especially well suited to this kind of usage because there is never any of the long distance "skip" interference normally associated with the regular CB channels. Another advantage of the G.M.R.S. system is that it uses FM instead of AM modulation resulting in higher quality voice communications.

Significant contributions to the UHF-FM system have been made by many individuals and businesses like Mountain Bell, most recently a large donation of equipment, mountain-top repeater space, and engineering support by Two Way Radio Service of Casper.

Fundraising projects by REACT Team members, monetary and equipment donations, and service support are taking place to expand the system to its full potential. Interested parties should contact the Communications Chairman of Oil Capital REACT, Joseph Mancuso, at area code (307) 268-2209 days or the REACT answering machine anytime, at (307) 265-9599. Demonstrations of the existing FM system are available upon request and are welcome.

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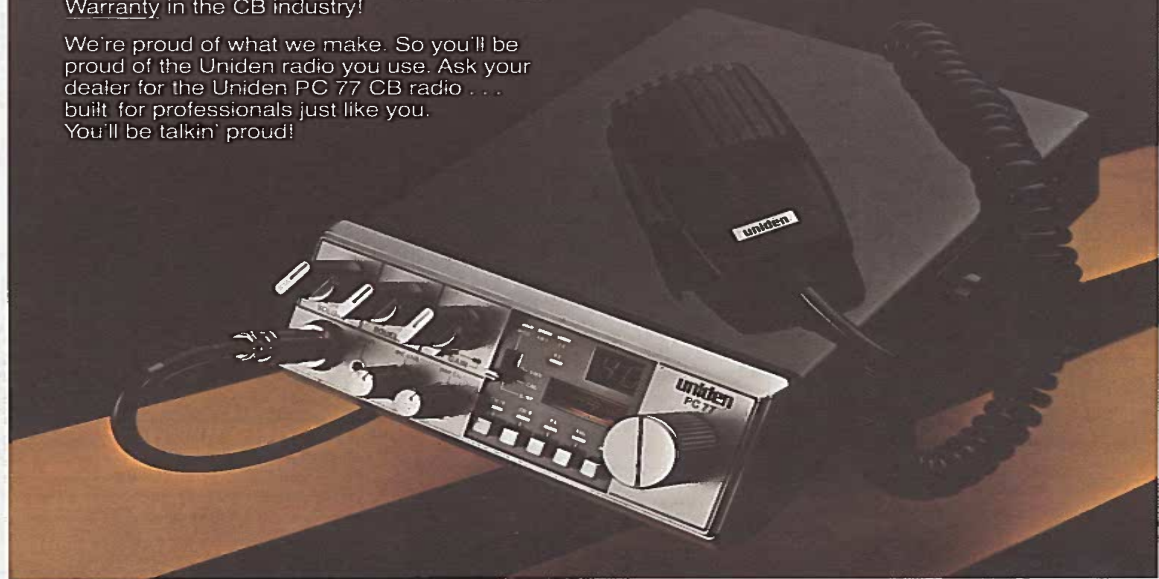
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Ready to Serve at Safety Break



ARDSLEY, PA — On Monday July 4, 1983 Abington REACT Team 2785 ran their Safety Break for motorists. The Team's newly purchased truck for emergencies and Safety Breaks was used. This is the first of several uses for the new truck and it has stimulated more interest in REACT in the community. It also has served as a landmark for motorists and helped to bring in more people.

"People stopped in just to see what this big white truck was all about," said John Camp, Safety Break Chairman. "This

was the single best event in the Team's 8-year history," Camp said.

Abington REACT's efforts were greatly aided by such donations as the coffee donated by Folgers and assistance of other community businesses.

Other Breaks are planned for all holiday weekends. Over 500 people stopped in and had free coffee and hot dogs on the Fourth of July, which helped to keep weary motorists off the highway, thus helping to keep down the accident death toll.

Safety Command Post



GONZALEZ, LA — Command post of Jefferson REACT's Labor Day Safety Break, held on the east side of I-10 September 2-5. Later in the weekend the Team was able to open on the West side of I-10 and thus was able to offer the opportunity to "Stop and Take Five and Stay Alive" to travelers on both sides of the road.

Partially Paralyzed Child Receives Stroller from REACT

CHATHAM, ON — Jason Bedford is wheeling around town today with a lot more ease and comfort in the king-size stroller he received recently as a special gift from a local Citizens Band Radio Club.

"It's beautiful," said parents Larry and Carol Bedford of Chatham when members of Maple City REACT presented the stroller to the child at the Kent County Children's Treatment Centre.

The 19-member club bought the \$310 stroller after learning the 21-month-old child, who is partially paralyzed on his right side, had grown out of his regular size folding baby stroller.

Carol Bedford said she was looking forward to the new stroller, noting she has had to carry the child around for the past few months because the old stroller is too small. "He weighs 28 pounds. He's very, very heavy." She said she will now be able to start taking her son on her shopping trips and for walks around the city. "He really loves his new stroller," she said later Friday. "He was giggling in it and everything."

Jason has been receiving physiotherapy, speech and occupational therapy treatment at the Children's Centre twice a week for the past year. Bedford said she first noticed the paralysis when he was 6 months old and wasn't moving one of his right fingers.

Betty Yundt, a physiotherapist at the centre, said Jason has been making rapid improvement. The paralysis throws off his balance and makes movement difficult. She said the child's major milestone to date has been in trying to stand up.

Bedford said her son first started trying to stand up about two weeks ago. He already crawls, which Betty Yundt said is good for his co-ordination. The use of his right arm has also vastly improved.

Jason's new stroller is designed to carry a child weighing up to 63.5 kilograms (140 lbs.) and was purchased from a medical company in Montreal. It folds easily to fit inside a car.

Club President Kevin Almas, 22, said the money for the stroller was raised by holding a bingo game. The club wanted to donate to a needy cause and went to the treatment centre for a suggestion.

He said the gift marks the first time the club has donated directly to an individual. Membership in the club has dwindled from its peak of about 75 members in 1978, but the club is still alive and well, he said. Larry Bedford, 26, a taxi driver, was a club member in the late 1970's.

Almas said he feels pretty good about helping the Bedfords. "I think it's going to help Jason quite a bit."

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REACT SAFETY BREAK REPORT

Team Rates Safety Break and Program Tops for Goodwill

MINNEAPOLIS, MN — The second year of Safety Breaks for Starfire REACT Team 2179 was considered a success by Dave and Barb Adams, in charge of setting up and taking down radio equipment, and Evelyn Jacobson, Break Chairperson, and most of all by the public.

The Team's third annual Safety Break was held the July 4 weekend just northwest of Minneapolis on Interstate 94 with

members working in shifts during the three-day event. Members trained in first aid, were available in case needed.

Coffee, pop and donuts donated by local businesses were served to about 4,000 travelers during the three-day holiday weekend.

This year, the Team plans to sponsor two Safety Breaks, one during the Memorial Day weekend and the second during Labor Day.

California Safety Break Draws Hundreds



SAN BRUNO, CA — Some of the San Mateo County Sheriff's Fire Prevention Patrol, who stopped by at Coffee Break sponsored by REACT of the Golden Gate, and the Team's President Vincent P. Gagliardo. The stop was visited by more than 850 motorists and the Team served more than 450 cups of coffee, plus donuts, cookies and punch even though unable to give the event any publicity beforehand.

The Team, which is planning three more stops this year, is grateful for all of the aid received from local businesses and the help furnished by the American Trucking Association, California State Auto Association, Red Cross and the California Highway Patrol.

OK REACT Is Kept Busy

NORMAN, OK — Members of the University of Oklahoma REACT Team 3916 finished Oklahoma University football season by working security, traffic control, and providing traffic information to KGOU radio during home games.

In addition, the Team has had several members recertified in CPR and first aid and members have worked traffic control at the Lloyd Noble Center events.

Las Vegas REACT Finds Break a Crowd-Pleaser

LAS VEGAS, NV — Las Vegas United REACT Team 4096 recently assisted the motoring public again with their Coffee Trailer on I-15 rest stop in Halloran Springs, California from Friday, February 17-20. Over 1,000 cups of coffee were given to the motoring public to keep them awake while driving their cars. The California Highway Patrol stated that when the Team is at the rest stop giving coffee, the accident rate decreases between 40 and 50 per cent — that is a lot of accidents prevented. As the Team's lettering states, "Las Vegas United REACT — Volunteers in Action"

Omaha Backs Police

OMAHA, NE — Douglas County REACT recently was able to complete the installation of CB radios in police cruisers for the selective traffic enforcement unit to assist in Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) calls received on Channel 9.

With the help of TV station KETV-7, REACT and the TV station presented the radios to Omaha Police Chief in March at central police headquarters.



LAS VEGAS, NV — This is the sign that greeted motorists as they approached rest stop manned by members of Las Vegas United REACT on Wednesday, February 17, near Halloran Springs, CA.

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in emergencies

by R.C. Watts,
Louisville, Kentucky

SKYWARN

Two-way radio is the backbone of Skywarn — the National Weather Services system to spot severe weather and warn the public of possible emergency or disaster. Weather radar is unable to detect and locate all funnel clouds or tornados, so the spotter is and will remain necessary as the "eyes" of Skywarn.

A short course (2-3 hours) explains what to look for in approaching storms, how to distinguish tornados from "look alikes" and procedures for reporting "spots" to the Weather Service. A Spotter Guide, identification card and other materials are furnished. Some local civil defense units, also part of the system, provide certificates of training, uniform patches and auto decals.

There is no better way to use CB or GMRS and lives are certainly saved every year by Skywarn. Check with civil defense or Weather Service offices for local program information. If not established, consider helping start it up. The life you save may be your own!

Boater Assistance

Channel 9 was originally established for assistance to motorists, but many pleasure boats also rely on CB for emergency communications rather than marine radio. If your monitoring station is near a major river, large lake or on the coast, you may receive emergency calls, especially during the summer months. Boats may be dead in the water, damaged by collision, aground or afire and asking for immediate assistance. If you must relay a request for boater assistance, do you know who to call?

The Coast Guard (and its volunteer auxiliary) has responsibility for Search and Rescue at sea and on navigable waterways. They are spread pretty thin. A local police or fire department, or a state boating safety agency, may also be responsible. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers may be able to respond near locks and dams or there could be a water rescue squad in your area. If you and your Team are subject to receiving calls for boater assistance, DO inquire into which agencies can respond and get their phone numbers. Things change, so check again every spring before the boating season.

NOAA Weather Radio

National Weather Service, part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) of the U.S. Department of Commerce, operates more than 350 VHF-FM Weather Radio stations. If you are in range of a station, it will offer the best direct warning for both natural disaster and nuclear attack. The frequencies (MHz) in use, or planned future use, are:

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Most stations operate 24 hours daily with taped forecasts and are usually heard easily within 40 miles of a transmitter. This range can be extended by using a high outside antenna. The frequencies can be entered into a programmable scanner or may be received on some home or portable radios with "weather band." Better are the "warning alarm" receivers that remain silent until an activating tone is broadcast or you turn it on manually for a forecast.

For additional information, contact the nearest National Weather Service facility or write: National Weather Service, Attn: W112, NOAA, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Lightning

On February 22, 1975 a young Oklahoma man was killed by lightning while working on a TV antenna. On May 21, 1975 a man in Michigan was killed while working on an antenna (type unknown). They were part of the approximately 200 people killed that year by lightning. Lightning is extremely dangerous, especially to anyone outdoors during an electrical storm. It can also damage electronic equipment.

Your automobile is one excellent lightning shelter. The other is inside a building. Very few lightning deaths or injuries occur to people indoors. Your antenna mast should be well grounded and it may then offer some protection (similar to a lightning rod) for the building. Lead in cables to base stations and receivers should have lightning arresters installed. Contrary to popular belief, transmission loss is minimal. Unfortunately, very few people bother to ground or install arresters. If you don't have lightning protection, disconnect antenna cable from the set and unplug the power plug.

Regardless of your protection (or lack of it) DO NOT use your base station (or telephone) during an electrical storm. Even if you are a tornado spotter, use good judgement to protect yourself. Sign off as the storm nears your location and let the next spotter behind you take over.

REACT Proves Equal to 10-inch Snowstorm in Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS, IN — A 10 inch snow storm that roared through Indianapolis kept Circle City REACT busy from 6 a.m. Monday until midday Wednesday during February. Seven REACT units helped man the central base station during the storm.

When news of the storm first hit Indianapolis about 7 a.m. Monday, REACTer John Regula began receiving numerous calls about reduced visibility, flowing and drifting snow, stalled cars and accidents.

By noon, member Doug Latimer was swamped with requests for road information, accident help and tow trucks. Team member Jack Murrell soon came to the rescue and helped Doug get the calls that were coming into Central.

By 6 p.m. Doug, Jack and Andy Cockren were busy handing out road information, sending help to stranded motorists and monitoring the storm path. Andy Cockren was busy monitoring 2-meter frequency to find road and weather conditions west of Indianapolis.

Jack Murrell began receiving calls for assistance from Marion County Hospital workers who needed help getting to work. Following a broadcast by Doug over WIRE and WXTZ, the volunteers for 4-wheel drive assistance began calling. Jack plugged several volunteers into the requests for assistance and many hospital workers were able to get to and from work because of REACT assistance. WIRE furnished dinner for entire crew, prepared by the Sheraton Meridian Deli.

By 8 p.m. only light snow was falling and the National Weather Service was predicting a "break in the snow" until around 2 a.m. The crew went home with no idea of what might be in store the next day.

Tuesday was a mess! At 4 a.m. the snow began falling again and winds were in excess of 30 mph! County roads, interstates and major downtown streets began to quickly drift shut. As soon as a plow would go through the area it would begin drifting again. By 6 a.m. Department of Transportation crews and State Highway

Symbol of Appreciation



SWEETWATER, TX — Chief of Police Gerald Byrd receives Appreciation plaque from REACT President F.E. Healer as Betty Fry, Secretary of Sweetwater REACT and Vice President E.C. Hassell look on. The plaque is awarded yearly by the Team in appreciation of the help law enforcement agencies provide Sweetwater REACT.

Michigan Team Rises to Challenge of Driving Snowstorm

PLYMOUTH, MI — Eight members of Plymouth Area REACT were on the air answering calls for help after a major snowstorm hit the Detroit area December 21.

The storm, which dumped six to eight inches of snow in 24 hours, was responsible for extremely hazardous driving, and accidents.

The eight REACTers manned their base stations during and after the storm, answering calls for cars in ditches, fender

benders, blocked traffic and the like.

Charles Van Vleck, Helen Runge, Richard Merrill, Lloyd and Jenny Crawford, Jim Potteiger, Bob Hurdley, Pat O'Hara and Randy Knapp on the Central base handled everything from cars that refused to start, to the midnight call from a truck driver who needed a fuel filter, while going only 15 miles an hour.

The "Ever Ready Eight" performed an encore a week later, when another not so severe storm hit the area.

Team Mourns Passing of Respected Member

PLYMOUTH, MI — The entire membership of Plymouth Area REACT is in mourning following the passing of one of its most active members — Elaine M. Jacobs. Elaine's passing followed a lengthy stay in the hospital with pneumonia.

Elaine had been a member of Plymouth Area REACT since 1978, coming from Waterford Township every two weeks to take her watch from 6 to 9 p.m. every other Saturday.

VA REACT Handles Communications for Event

VIENNA, VA — Three Herndon REACT units helped with communications for the annual Bethesda Chase, a 20-kilometer event held Sunday March 4 on a circuit around the general area of Bethesda Naval Hospital. Tom DeLaFleur, Steve Halsted and Cliff Mauck manned positions during the event and worked directly with Montgomery County Police to provide traffic control and keep tabs on the location and physical well-being of the participants.

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Trucks "lost control" of the drifts and the Mayor declared a Level 1 Snow Emergency in Indianapolis. State Police advised motorists to try to restrict all travel to "emergency or necessary" traffic only. Ray Klepfer #48 helped Doug compile the traffic reports for WIRE and keep track of closing road conditions. Some 4-wheel drive volunteers were still being requested and dispatched through REACT Central.

REACTers Doug and Ray kept up the pace for over 12 hours with intermittent breaks. WIRE rented a room at the Sheraton Meridian hotel as a precaution if REACT volunteers at Central got stranded.

Member Earl Cairns, came to relieve Ray Tuesday afternoon as things finally began to quiet down. Numerous motorists were now beginning to call for road information as they ventured out into the aftermath of the storm. Several motorists then began to realize just how serious the storm was when they got stuck backing out of the driveway. Member Mike Doody relieved Earl in order to help during the afternoon drive period for WIRE Traffic.

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